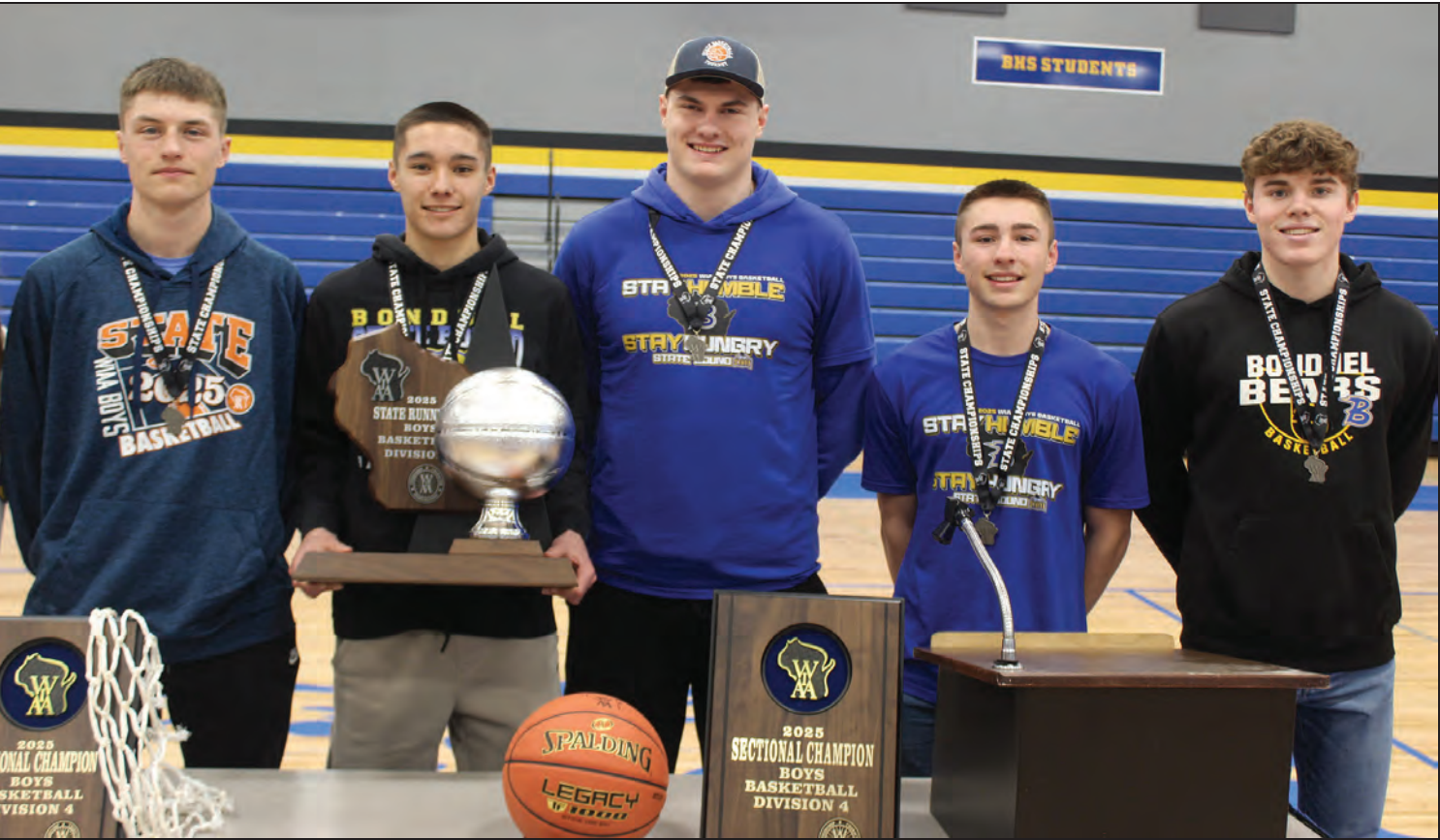




Posing with the trophy was something plenty of Bonduel folks, players and fans alike, did after a rally March 23 at Bonduel High School, including, from left, Sam Roberts, Race Anvelink, Ryan Westrich, Griffin Uelmen and Carter Moesch.

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Bonduel welcomes home basketball history-makers

Team, staff reflect on amazing season, community support

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

The Bonduel High School boys basketball made history with its first-ever state tournament entry last week, making it all the way to the championship game, where the Aquinas Bugolds blocked the boys' dreams of winning the big trophy.

That didn't bother the community in the slightest as hundreds of people came out March 23 to celebrate an incredible season and run for the gold, as well as snap plenty of photos of the silver trophy the team received for second place. Hugs and high-fives were everywhere as team members and school officials talked about what it took to be among the best athletes in Wisconsin.

"Isn't it great to be a Bonduel Bear today?" athletic director Chris Rank said to thunderous applause.

Rank noted that the team has brought home the sixth state team trophy in Bonduel's history, but it was the first one for boys basketball. He said this honor



Bonduel High School athletic director Chris Rank talks about the dedication that the players of the varsity boys basketball team had during a celebration rally March 23 honoring the team's first ever trip to the state tournament and finals.

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didn't happen by chance, and that he was impressed by the players' drive, coming to every open gym available and putting in the time to be skilled athletes.

Almost as amazing was the commu-

nity support, according to Rank, as folks packed the stands at both the home gymnasium and the Kohl Center in Madison

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Barn quilt created for NFL, Packers

Project to be featured during draft in Green Bay

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

The Shawano County barn quilt project started by Jim and Irene Leuenberger has been featured in its share of national headlines, but the project has been taken to new heights with the NFL draft coming to Green Bay next month.

Along with Michelle Eron, Shawano County tourism manager, the trio are finishing up the painting of a special barn quilt requested by the NFL. One copy will remain in the Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce office, with the second delivered to the Packers, who will display it during the NFL draft. After the draft, which will be held in and around Lambeau Field on April 24-26, the barn quilt is expected to be continued to be featured somewhere on the Packers campus.

"It was first brought up by Barb LaMue, president and CEO of New North (an 18-county regional economic development corporation in northeast Wisconsin)," Eron said. "She brought it to the attention of Peter (Thillman, executive director of Shawano County Economic Progress Inc.), Suzanne (Wittman, executive director of the local chamber of commerce) and myself in December."

LaMue put Eron in contact with the Packers organization, which then contacted the NFL for permission to use the draft logo and other specific requirements.

"They are super strict," Eron said.

The three-way communication among the tourism department, the Packers and the NFL continued for nearly three months, with Eron submitting four designs for the barn quilt, all similar with variances in sizes and placement of the logo and other design elements.

During this time, the Leuenbergers got involved as well.

The barn quilt will be the same size as the other 410 created over the past 15 years — 8 feet by 8 feet, painted on two sheets of plywood each 4 feet by 8 feet and then pieced together.

"We had to use their color palette

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for the state games.

“It is incredible to see the energy that they had and the passion and excitement to cheer these guys on,” Rank said.

Win or lose, it’s clear that more people know where Bonduel is following the state run, according to Superintendent Joe Dawidziak. He noted that, with 421 school districts in the state, it can be difficult for a school to make it to the state tournament as a team in any sport, but especially for smaller schools.

Most importantly, Dawidziak said, this amazing feat did not start when the school year started or even when the current

players got into high school.

“This didn’t just happen this weekend. This goes back to when these kids were young,” Dawidziak said. “Volunteer coaches, paid coaches, probably someone in this room, an incredible association with St. Paul (Lutheran School), none of this would have happened without them and everyone associated there and parents. Every time I’ve asked for something (for the team), the response has been overwhelming.”

Race Anvelink, one of the players, told those in attendance that it has been the fan support that has fueled him and his

teammates.

“I think I speak for the whole team when I say it’s you guys that have made this experience 10 times better by creating an incredible atmosphere for all of us,” Anvelink said.

Player Cade Johnson expressed his amazement for how the Bears have done the last two seasons with a 54-4 record that includes a 32-game winning streak. Like others, Johnson said that what he and the other players have done says something.

“This weekend was the best weekend I’ve ever had in my life,” Johnson said. “We lost, but the outcome was happy. Even

after the game, there was a good outcome, win or lose.”

Coach Duke Kopp was proud of how the team performed and how the community came to support the boys.

“It just blows me away when I see all the support from people during the bus ride out of here Thursday morning and coming back, which was amazing, all the donations I’ve heard, that doesn’t just happen anywhere,” Kopp said. “This is a lesson for the kids. I told them about a lot of the donations, and I told them, ‘When you’re at a point in your life where you’re able to do things like this, that’s the appro-

priate thing to do.”

Dawidziak noted he’s received a lot of phone calls since the boys punched their ticket to state, including one from a grandmother who said she’s waited 50 years to see this moment for Bonduel, and her husband has waited 60 years.

“These kids, whether they know it or not ... carry the weight of 50 years plus going into the past and maybe 50 years plus going into the future,” Dawidziak said. “This says to our younger students, ‘We expect to get there someday. It’s been done.’”

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for the logo and other elements,” Eron said. “Every color has a special meaning.”

For example, the green represents the grassroots of the fans and their connection to the team. This is also true of the picket fence that represents the one across from Lambeau Field that offers a unique interactive tool for fans to express their love for the team. Blue represents the blue collar workers of the area. The tan and cream colors symbolize the paper mills and the paper industry of northeastern Wisconsin. The rust color is reminiscent of the barn boards.

Eron and the Leuenbergers spent more than a week painting just one of the barn quilts. They are still working on the second one.

“This is a huge opportunity for Shawano County,” Eron said. “It will get national exposure, and that attention will make its way back to Shawano County. It can also serve to bring people back to Shawano County to enjoy the rest of what we have to offer.”

When they started the barn quilt project for Shawano County in 2010, the Leuenbergers had no idea the project would grow so fast, or that the county would become the barn quilt capital of Wisconsin — perhaps of America.

“It became a ‘beyond our wildest dreams’ thing,” Jim Leuenberger said in an earlier interview.

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The NFL had very strict guidelines on the color palette and scheme of their barn quilt. Each color used has a specific meaning. Shawano County is known statewide for its more than 400 barn quilts.

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Jim Leuenberger and Michelle Eron discuss the NFL draft barn quilt project being painted and assembled in the office of the Shawano County Chamber of Commerce. One barn quilt will be delivered to the Green Bay Packers, and one will remain on display at the chamber office.

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County aims to improve communications

Efforts with other municipalities to begin with monthly newsletter

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

Shawano County supervisors listened to residents last month when they voiced opposition to a proposed wheel tax, voting unanimously not to adopt the measure.

At that informational meeting many also ques-

tioned what they described as a lack of communication from the county with other municipalities.

Now, supervisors are working to improve those communications.

A consensus at the March 19 executive committee meeting will have Jim Davel, administrative coordinator, create a

monthly newsletter that will be shared with city, town and village clerks in the county. It will then be the responsibility of those clerks to share that information with other local officials and their residents.

Davel already creates a similar, but confidential newsletter, for county board members prior to board meetings. That will continue.

Committee members said no to a county Facebook page. Several departments, such as the library, parks, human resources,

sheriff, land conservation, 4-H, and health, have their own Facebook pages.

“It causes, sometimes, too many negative comments,” said Matt Hietpas, technology services director, of the Facebook pages. “And then, who do you want managing that?”

Hietpas said it could be time consuming to manage the page and the comments.

Some supervisors suggested either not responding to comments or shutting off the comments feature on each post.

County Board Chair-

man Tom Kautza said some posts tend to attract a lot of nonsensical comments, often not even related to the topic of the post.

Davel reminded supervisors that there were some issues, including threats, with the health department Facebook posts during COVID-19.

Hietpas said the county now tries to make its website a one-stop shop for everything. The information is there; it’s up to individuals to find it and read it. All meeting minutes are posted, resolutions are

uploaded, press releases and voting information are announced.

“We have a website that we try to put everything on,” he said. “How many spots do you want to manage?”

Supervisor Randy Young said if the information is available, the county should not have to spoon-feed it to local municipalities.

The monthly newsletter will be the first step, with other measures possible in the future.

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Suzanne Wittman, right, executive director for the Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce, stands in front of ceremonial shovels to talk about the new building as Kristin Floss, executive director for Strive, looks on during a March 20 groundbreaking on Engel Drive.

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ThedaCare-Shawano named among top critical access hospitals

ThedaCare Medical Center-Shawano has been named among the 2025 Top 100 Critical Access Hospitals by The Chartis Center for Rural Health.

Chartis' annual Top 100 award program honors outstanding performance among the nation's rural hospitals based on the results of the Chartis Rural Hospital Performance Index.

"This designation is a testament of our dedication to providing comprehensive, compassionate and high-quality care for our communities," said Kellie Diedrick, vice president of critical access hospitals. "We're grateful to the patients and families who trust us with their health and care every day. We're also proud of our team members who continue to deliver safe and specialized care for each person."

ThedaCare-Shawano is among eight of the Top 100 Critical Access Hospitals in the state of Wisconsin. The hospital provides care to communities in and around the Shawano area. The facility offers nearly 15 specialty services to patients and families, including general surgery, obstetrics, physical therapy, imaging and more.

According to Chartis, the determining factors for recognition include an ob-



ThedaCare, which operates the hospital and clinic on Shawano's south side, plans to merge with Froedtert Health of Milwaukee to provide more health care options across Wisconsin.

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jective assessment of rural hospital performance. Leveraging publicly available data, the index is utilized nationwide by rural hospitals, health systems with rural affiliates, hospital associations, and state offices of rural health to measure and monitor performance across a variety of areas impacting hospital operations and finance.

"Rural hospitals are incredibly unique," Diedrick said. "We must address the specific issues and needs of our small communities, which include a person's medical background, risks, lifestyle, personal values and goals. We are proud to be in this community to empower our patients and families with the knowledge

they need to help them live their unique, best lives through better health."

The term Critical Access Hospital is a designation given to eligible rural hospitals by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

According to CMS, here are some of the criteria for a Critical Access Hospital:

- Have 25 or less acute care beds.
- Maintain an annual average length of stay of 96 hours per patient for acute inpatient care.
- Be 15-35 miles away from the nearest hospital, depending on the local system of highways.
- Provide emergency care 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Strive breaks ground on its new building

Behavioral health company hopes to move into facility by September

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

Strive Behavioral Solutions broke ground March 20 on a new building that will more than double the space available compared to its current office.

The company, which opened in 2020 in Shawano, has grown rapidly in the last five years, prompting another office to be built in Schofield. The need continues to grow, however, which is prompting the new building, which is expected to be around 11,900 square feet. It is hoped that Strive staff can move out of the old building, which is 5,000 square feet at 1542 Industrial Drive, and into the new one on Engel Drive near Hillcrest Primary School by September.

"For the past two years, we've all envisioned a

space dedicated to providing compassionate and effective services to those who need the most — a place where families can find support and understanding," said Suzanne Wittman, Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce executive director. "Today, that vision begins to materialize."

Strive serves children with autism and related disorders to decrease problematic behaviors and teach functional replacement behaviors through applied behavior analysis.

"This place represents commitment — commitment to empowering individuals with the tools that they need to navigate life's challenges, the commitment to building a more inclusive and supportive community for everyone," Wittman said. "This project would not have been possible without the unwavering support of so many dedicated individuals and organizations."

Kristin Floss, owner and executive director for Strive, described the day as an important one for her

company.

"Today, we take a step forward breaking new ground on a space that will continue to expand access to great therapy right here in Shawano," Floss said. "This is more than just a building. It's a promise — a promise to the children, to the families and to our entire community. We're here to support growth, connection and opportunity."

Floss noted that the families in the Shawano area are the heart of the work that she and her employees bring to the community.

"Your belief in us is what keeps us going and reminds us why this work matters," Floss said.

She also acknowledged that the city's warm embrace has helped to allow Strive to flourish.

"From day one, you've supported our mission and helped us grow," Floss said. "Your ongoing belief in the work that we do has been such an important part of this journey."

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Medical exam ordered for Renel after NGI plea

Hearing set to determine if it's safe for defendant to drive again

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

Aaron Renel, the Cecil man who drove an Army surplus truck on state Highway 29 and stood off with law enforcement to the point where snowplows had to be used to apprehend him, has a report claiming he's not guilty by reason of mental illness (NGI). Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court Judge William Kussel Jr. formally accepted the report and plea March 21 during a status conference, setting in motion a path to help Renel, 42, get the treatment he needs. By accepting the NGI plea, the next step is a medical exam that must take place through the Wisconsin Department of Health Services to see what steps need to be taken, as required by Wisconsin Statute 971.17. The normal period for the medical exam is 15 days, but both defense attorney Eric Pangburn and District Attorney Greg Parker noted a backlog would make it likely that it would be 30 days or more before the exam was done and



Aaron Renel, left, leaves the courtroom with his paperwork March 21 as his attorney, Eric Pangburn, center, prepares for another case and Deputy Bill Beaumeier looks on.

the report made available to the court. To that end, Kussel scheduled a status conference for 9 a.m. May 6 in Branch I of the Shawano County Courthouse. Parker added Lutheran Social Services would also assist during the period. "They assist with this type of background in this situation after an NGI is accepted," Parker said. While Renel pleaded NGI on the felony counts of second-degree recklessly endangering safety and fleeing/eluding officers, the earlier report did not find him mentally ill on the misdemeanor counts of resisting

an officer or bail jumping. For now, the infractions will remain until the two sides can decide whether those counts will require sentencing or simply be read into the record once the felony counts are resolved. According to the criminal complaint, the Shawano County Sheriff's Department responded May 8, 2022, to reports of a heavy truck-type military vehicle on state Highway 29 in western Shawano County traveling down the roadway with a flat tire, thus causing a traffic hazard. Deputies located and attempted to stop the vehicle,

which the complaint says Renel was driving, but he led them on a short chase, coming to a stop in about a half-mile on the eastbound lane median of Highway 29 near County Road G in the Town of Seneca. The eastbound highway was shut down during the incident. Renel would not cooperate and would not exit the vehicle. Because of comments allegedly made by Renel and the conditions of this incident, the Shawano County Special Response Team responded to the scene, according to the complaint. Deputies, including trained negotia-

tors, communicated with Renel for about four hours; during this time, arrangements were made with the Shawano County Highway Department for the use of snowplows in case the driver tried to flee the scene. Renel did just that, heading eastbound on Highway 29. Deputies tried to stop the suspect vehicle, using the snowplows in an attempt to perform a moving roadblock. The vehicle then crossed the median and began heading eastbound in the westbound lanes of the highway, according to the complaint. Renel came back to the eastbound lanes but then again crossed the median and was driving the wrong way down the highway. At one point, Renel drove into the median and a deputy in a snowplow was able to pin the truck into the median, immobilizing it. Renel would not exit his vehicle and had to be removed with force. No serious injuries were reported to any law enforcement or the suspect, according to the complaint. During his initial appearance May 9, 2022, Kussel ordered a competency evaluation. According to court records, Renel refused to appear for court for a status conference Aug. 31, 2022, when the evaluation showed he was not competent to stand

trial at that time. A second competency evaluation was requested in October 2022 by the public defenders' office, and that evaluation showed Renel was not competent but could be restored to competency. A hearing in February 2023 confirmed he was competent to proceed in his own defense. Renel has been free on a \$10,000 cash bond since November 2022, and one of the conditions set was not operating a motor vehicle. Pangburn had previously asked for Renel's driving privileges to be restored but was denied. He renewed his request at the March 21 hearing, noting that Renel is having increasing difficulty finding people to transport him for his court dates. Parker objected to the request, noting it was the first he'd heard of it. "My argument would be the same as last time, that he was driving ... an Army surplus truck, and it took the sheriff's department to come up with the idea of using a snowplow to ram him off the road because they had no other way of stopping him," Parker said. Kussel noted that he would take up the matter at the May 6 hearing, but he told Parker and Pangburn that there needs to be new evidence showing Renel can be trusted to drive.

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Krueger Dairy seeks permit to expand

Manure digesters will create gas for transmission line

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

Krueger Dairy is looking to expand operations at its two current sites in the Town of Richmond and new third site in the Town of Seneca.

Once the license is approved, as it is expected to be, Krueger Dairy will be allowed to house up to 13,622 animal units, which is equal to almost 10,000 cows.

An information meeting on the license application was held March 19, drawing a handful of family, friends and neighbors.

“Our ordinance has a requirement that any farm over 500 animal units ... to have a public information meeting,” said Scott Frank, Shawano County conservationist. “This application process started last summer.”

The application requirements includes odor management, waste and nutrient management,

waste storage facilities on the farm, runoff management from the farm, and setbacks for livestock and waste storage structures.

Krueger Dairy’s home farm includes two parcels on Oak Avenue and Peach Road, the Riverside Farm on Hickory Road, and the new Schultz Farm on County Road D.

According to the license application, the home farm would house up to 6,800 milking cows, 600 dry cows, 300 heifers and 100 calves. The Riverside Farm would house 1,780 milking cows, and the Schultz Farm would have 300 cows.

One animal unit is equal to 1,000 pounds, so the average adult cow at 1,400 pounds is equal to 1.4 animal units. Currently, the home farm is licensed up to 2,166 animal units, and the Riverside farm is licensed up to 2,500 animal units.

“It’s been pretty much continuous improvement, growth,” owner Brad Krueger said. “What really spurred everything is we had the opportunity to put some digesters in, and that really got everything mov-



Brad Krueger discusses the new buildings and other structures proposed for Krueger Dairy. A proposal is in front of Shawano County official to enlarge the operation to handle up to 13,622 animal units, equal to almost 10,000 cows.

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ing. We’re gong to take the gas that we make (from the digester) and inject it directly in the line, not turning it into electricity.”

Anaerobic manure digestion turns livestock waste into energy. The

process collects and pumps livestock manure into a closed system that captures the biogas produced when microorganisms break down organic material.

A new milking center

and a new freestyle barn will also be added at the home farm. A new waste pond is also in the works, as is a sand separation building, where sand is separated from the manure.

“The purpose of this licence was to bring all of the facilities that the Kruegers operate into one license,” said Jennifer Keuning, an environmental scientist at GHD, a civil engineering firm providing clients with integrated solutions through engineering, environmental, design and construction expertise.

“The other thing as Brad alluded to earlier is they have the opportunity to create renewable energy. They’re working with Northern Biogas, a company that has been working with farms all across the nation and quite a few in Wisconsin, to build anaerobic digesters. Instead of making electricity, they are scrubbing the gas — the methane — so it’s pipeline quality, and then the gas will get compressed and then injected directly into the transmission line.”

Frank said Shawano

County currently has 20 farms of 500 cows or more.

“Each of these licensed farms are for cattle,” he said. “Eleven are east of Shawano, and nine are west of Shawano. The sizes range from 880 to 14,515 animal units.”

Shawano County adopted the state Livestock Siting Rule on Oct. 25, 2006.

Since 2007, we have approved 38 farm expansions, many are the same ones as they grow,” Frank said. “Since 2007, there have only been four calendar years (2009, 2011, 2020, 2022) that we did not have a farm expand above 500 animal units. It has been pretty consistent averaging about two each year. Our highest years were 2008 with five and 2021 with four.”

Written comments on the application will be accepted by Frank’s office until March 31, and a decision must be made by June 9. However, Frank said he expected a decision to come within a week or so after the written comment period ends.

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County wants more state money for courts

Resolution urges Evers, legislature to allocate another \$70M

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

Shawano County is joining several others from around the state asking the governor and state legislature for more money to operate the circuit court system.

In 2023, the total cost to Wisconsin counties for running all circuit courts was \$237 million. At the same time, the court support funding from the state to counties was \$28 million, 12% of the actual cost to run the local courts.

In conjunction with the Wisconsin Counties Association and Wisconsin Clerk of Courts Association, Shawano County officials adopted a resolution asking the state for an additional \$70 million in funding statewide.

“At the state level, we’ve been working at increasing the funding for the court system,” said Ethan Schmidt, county clerk of courts. “That (additional \$70 million) would bring us to an 80%-20% split; so it would be 80% cost to the county, 20% cost to the state. That is what is was supposed to be back when it was set up.”

The resolution points out that the state’s fiscal responsibilities include judges, court reporters,

CCAP (online records) equipment and the circuit court cost appropriation.

Counties are fiscally responsible for the majority of other functions of the court — including, but not limited to, bailiffs and court security officers, courthouse building maintenance, phones and utilities, clerk of court and register in probate, staff salaries and benefits, jury costs, psychological exams, guardians ad litem and court-appointed attorneys, expert witnesses, interpreters and translation fees, court commissioners, law libraries, corporation counsel, courtroom technology and audio visuals, copying machines and other non-CCAP office technology, office supplies, furniture, recruitment and

training, financial collection efforts, mail fees, printing costs, exhibit and file storage, access to state data, insurance, service of court documents, judicial staff attorneys and equipment repair.

“The only increase in the last 10 years to the funding was \$6 million, and that wasn’t really an increase to the counties,” Schmidt said.

The \$6 million was directed toward the costs of setting up and funding eight additional circuit court branches.

Over the last 10 years, the increase in the county portion of cost to run the courts is nearly six times higher than the increase in circuit court cost appropriations provided to cover these costs, and

counties now pay almost \$150 million more than the state in circuit court costs.

“One of the areas here in Shawano that we get hit on a lot ... is interpreter costs,” he said. “We have a high number of interpreter cases, primarily Spanish-speaking individuals.”

The county must pay an interpreter for a minimum of two hours, even if he or she is only needed for 15 minutes.

To reduce costs, the county sets up a two-hour time period Wednesday afternoons and schedules as many interpreter-needed cases as possible in that time period.

“That way we’re making good use of having them here,” Schmidt said. “We generally take that full two hours every week.

We had started twice a month, and now we have gone weekly.”

The county’s regular interpreter lives in Clintonville. Interpreters sometimes appear via Zoom to save on travel costs. Also, the Clintonville interpreter spends winter months in Arizona, so Zoom calls are used during those months.

All court interpreters must be state-certified, and the use of Zoom calls must be approved by the presiding judge.

“We’re not as fortunate as some other counties that are paying an hour, two-hour travel time as well, on top of the interpreter service,” Schmidt said.

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Shawano County housing program oversight closing down

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

A local revolving loan program to improve housing in Shawano County will be closing down, with residents being sent north to apply for funds.

“It’s kind of ironic, because last month we had a presentation from MSA about the whole program, and then we received communication that the program will be closing down,” Carrie Buntjer,

county finance director, told the executive committee March 19. “They’re going to be drawing the funds away from the county and then promoting more of that regional program.”

The regional program will be based out of Langlade County.

Shawano County is already part of a regional program residents can access if the county has no funds to loan.

“I think it’s unfortunate,

because it does pull it away from Shawano County residents specifically,” Buntjer said.

She said details of how the county would be eased out of the program have to be announced. She said she does not know when the county would sign over the mortgage loans to the regional organization.

Shawano County’s income-based program assists with home repairs and homebuyer assistance.

Shawano County re-

ceived a CDBG (community development block grant) Housing Program Award from the Department of Administration in 2006. These funds were granted to the County, which in turn, were loaned to income eligible residents.

Shawano County received \$500,000 in project funds.

Whenever someone who has been assisted through the housing program pays their loan back, the funds are returned to the county.

These funds are split between administrative funds (17%) and project funds (83%).

Thus far, 42 projects have been completed with the funds.

Owner-occupied loans are for single-unit primary residences.

For rental units, tenants must income qualify, landlords must rent to low-to-moderate income tenants for half of the loan period, and rent cannot exceed local established limits for

half of the loan period.

Loans are offered at no interest for as long as the single-unit home is the primary residence or 30 years, whichever is first. For rental units, the loan is paid back in monthly payments over 10-15 years.

“I think that might be a product of DOGE (Department of Government Efficiency),” said County Board Chairman Tom Kautza. “It’s federal money, and that’s one of the things they put a top on.”

New Shawano DQ owner already feels at home

Barot planning to keep existing restaurant as is for time being

By GREG SEUBERT
Correspondent

Customers at Shawano's Dairy Queen may have noticed a new face in the popular restaurant.

Akash Barot and his business partner, Ravi Patel, purchased the business, located at 1005 E. Green Bay St., earlier this year.

"I purchased this restaurant on Jan. 24," Barot said. "This is the first one and with this business, we bought a Dairy Queen in Carmi, Illinois."

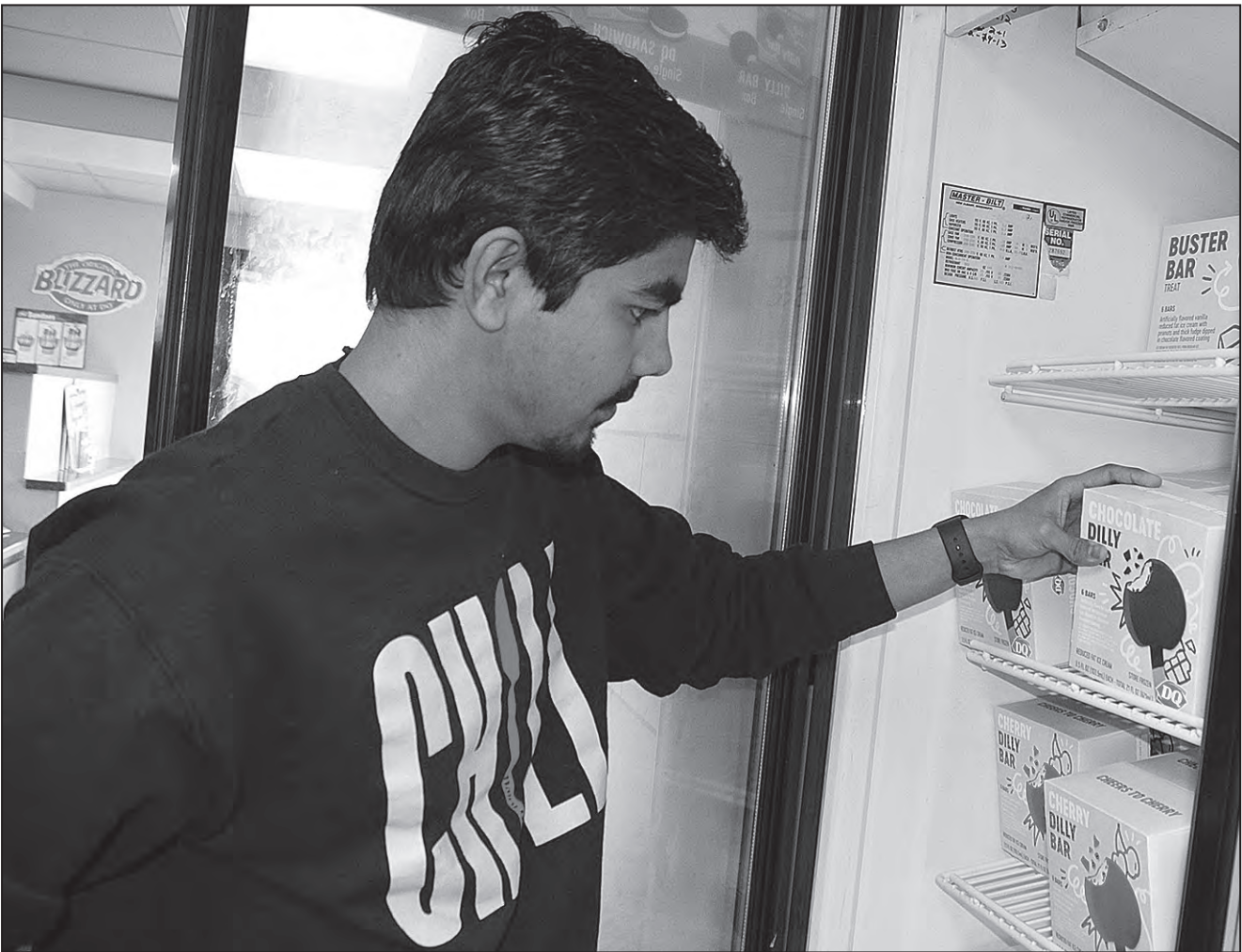
Barot had been looking for a business to purchase and was intrigued after hearing that Shawano's Dairy Queen franchise was up for sale.

"We were looking for a good business," he said. "We had an interest in buying this one. Ravi found this place. He talked with me and we decided to buy it. He and I purchased this place. I was looking for a business, and Ravi has two Dairy Queens. He said, 'Hey, there's a good opportunity for another Dairy Queen.' That's how we started."

Barot isn't planning any major changes to the restaurant.

"No, never," he said. "The customer gets the same things as in the previous time. I give you my promise that under the new ownership, the customer will get better service."

Dairy Queen, which opened its first restau-



Akash Barot checks the supply of Dilly Bars in a freezer at Dairy Queen in Shawano that he recently purchased.

GREG SEUBERT

rant in Joliet, Illinois, in 1940, is well-known for its ice cream treats, but over the years has added everything from burgers to chicken strips to onion rings to cheese curds to its menu.

Although the restaurant is open year-round, Barot is looking forward to increased business that accompanies warm weather each spring.

"Summer is always challenging for all kinds of businesses," he said. "We are ready to hire new people. This staff is very good, so I don't need to train them more."

The restaurant currently has 22 employees, and Barot plans to add four or five more to his staff.

Current lobby and

drive-thru hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. from Sunday to Thursday and 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

Dairy Queens are located throughout Wisconsin and currently has restaurants in Antigo, Clintonville, Hortonville, New London, Seymour and Waupaca.

Barot didn't have to think too hard when asked what makes Dairy Queen unique.

"Everything is special, but Dairy Queen has specialties like the Blizzard, which is amazing," he said. "I think there are about 20 flavors. For the strawberry Blizzard, we don't use strawberry syrup. We use real strawberries."

Blizzards, first introduced in 1985, are made with frozen soft-serve ice cream and blended with everything from cookies to candy to sauce. Popular flavors include Oreo, Reese's Peanut Butter Cup and cookie dough.

Dairy Queen is also well-known for the Dilly Bar, first introduced in 1955; the Peanut Buster Parfait, a menu item since 1971; and frozen ice cream cakes.

Menu items like burgers, chicken sandwiches and chicken strips are made to order, which is not always the case at other restaurants.

"When we get the order, we make it at that time," Barot said.

Although the small

lobby and seating area can get crowded at times, another option is the drive-thru, which accounts for much of the restaurant's business.

"That is a good business for me," Barot said.

It also helps to be located on Shawano's busiest street and across the street from the Shawano County Fairgrounds.

Barot and his employees got a taste of how busy the restaurant can get during its annual Customer Appreciation Day on Feb. 22.

"On that day, we featured 50% of on cakes and novelties like the Dilly Bar and Buster Bar and DQ sandwiches," he said. "We had huge business that day."

A line of customers stretched from the lobby through the dining area and out of the back door.

"The whole day was like that," Barot said. "The previous owner told us that was going to happen. We were ready for it mentally, but seeing it for the first time was an amazing experience for me."

Although Barot is new to Shawano, the community has embraced him and his new business venture.

"The community is super-supportive," he said. "I don't have numbers, but it's good for me. There are lots of things I have to learn. This is a full business, which is new for me. I am here every day, but sometimes I'm not here. I'm going to the bank or the post office."

Barot had never been to Wisconsin until visiting Shawano to check out the restaurant for the first time.

"When I came to Shawano for the first time, I looked at this town and loved it," he said. "I'm trying to get knowledge about the culture of Shawano."

Barot considers himself a hands-on business owner. He may take orders at the counter, help prepare and serve food, or assist customers at the drive-thru window.

"I expect this kind of work I have to do," he said. "I was ready for that."

He said he's received positive feedback from customers so far.

"I believe the customer is like a god to me," he said. "I always respect them. I don't have any other businesses, so this is my life. I'm ready to accept any challenge. This was the right decision for me."

Arrival of spring brings open season on allergies

Aurora allergist encourages preventative measures, planning

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

The snowstorm preceding the first day of spring might not show that the season is beginning, but itching eyes and runny noses could be just around the corner.

The end of the winter season usually means the start of a variety of allergy seasons, starting with tree pollen, according to Dr. Monica Vasudev, allergist and immunologist with Aurora Health Care. Tree pollen usually impacts northeast Wisconsin in March, April and May. Grass pollen starts float-

ing around in May, while weeds release pollen in June.

"Ragweed has its own season," Vasudev said. "It usually starts mid-August and goes until the first frost hits, the first hard frost."

With trees being the first to bloom when they flower after winter hibernation, it helps to keep track of pollen counts online. At www.pollen.com, it shows that regional pollen counts were low to medium on March 20, the first day of spring, with the potential of juniper, alder and elm being the trees to bloom and spread the most allergens.

"If you have tree allergies or know someone who has tree allergies, you're going to start noticing they have symptoms like itchy, watery eyes; stuffy nose; nasal itching; sneezing;

runny nose; and post-nasal drip. They might show up with the allergic salute," Vasudev said with a finger underneath her nose. "It could be a combination of all of those things that indicate the pollen counts are going up."

Once people recognize they have certain allergies, the next step is prevention, followed by treatment if prevention is not enough. Vasudev recommended trying to avoid being outdoors when the pollen count is high.

"We know that pollen counts are lower in the morning before the dew dries," she said. "When the pollen is out in the morning, it gets trapped in the dew and makes it heavier. It settles down. At the end of the day, it dries out and aerosolizes, so then you have a higher pollen count at the end of the day."

If it is necessary to go outside when higher pollen counts are in effect, Vasudev said it's best once returning indoors to shower and change clothes. She also recommended keeping windows closed and turning on air conditioning, which will reduce the humidity in the room.

"That (humidity) can also produce other allergens, such as mold," Vasudev said.

Predicting exactly when pollen will hit a community can be difficult, Vasudev said.

"I always feel like every season is the worst season ever," she said. "If you have a cold or viral infections, it can make your allergies feel worse. During spring break, when people catch colds, it can make your allergies feel worse."

Warm, windy days can

also worsen pollen spread, according to Vasudev, and the days when wildfire smoke hits the area can also spread pollen more.

Knowing what you're allergic to can also help in planning preventative measures when it comes to medications, according to Vasudev. Steroid nose sprays, antihistamines and eye drops help with most allergy symptoms, she said, and they're available over the counter, but some treatments can take up to two weeks to work. It is important to know what should be taken, so talking with a doctor or health official is recommended.

Vasudev said that seeing an allergist is best, but it should be facilitated through primary care doctors, as it's not always easy or quick making appointments with specialists.

"There's no right or wrong, but asking for help is always great," Vasudev said. "There's two ways to evaluate allergies. Obviously, there's an exam, but there's also a blood test that is accessible to many people. Seeing an allergist goes one step further where you can do skin testing."

Skin testing helps to determine what someone is allergic to, which can be invaluable when it comes to strategizing preventative measures and when to implement them, Vasudev said.

Allergists can also offer allergy shots that allow people's bodies to be more tolerant to pollen, but that's a multi-year process and is only recommended in extreme cases, Vasudev said.

Syrup from maple trees better for health

This March morning, the sun is taking its time climbing over the horizon. The flowage is glistening, covered in a new sheet of ice formed by recently melted snow that has frozen to form a huge ice rink. It is a spectacular sunrise, breathtakingly beautiful. I reluctantly pull myself away from the window, saying a prayer of thanksgiving to the creator for my bountiful blessings.

Opening my laptop, I run through the list of things I have to do today. I better get going if I want to accomplish my goals: writing this column, signing a contract to install a solar system here at Otter Run and doing errands before attending the Townsend Town Board meeting to deliver my report on Lakewood Library. I smile with sweet satisfaction at the thought of being able to continue giving back to make the world a better place.

One other sweet thought keeps popping up this morning. Sugar Camp Season is upon us, and Otter Run will be an especially sweet spot for the next few weeks. Though I can't see or hear them, I know Bill Cox and Dennis Sachs are in our woods harvesting sap. Using a method employed by humans for untold centuries, the guys will transform a watery amber liquid provided by sugar maple trees into delicious maple syrup, one of Mother Nature's most prized fruits of the forest.

The guys are busy carrying on a Sachs family tradition of making maple syrup the old-fashioned way. I am not exaggerating when I say this is a lot of hard work. The trees must be tapped in the right weather conditions. Once the sap starts



Sugar camp season has started in the northwoods, with Otter Run in the Townsend area expected to be a sweet spot for sap harvesting. KATHLEEN MARSH



flowing through tubes into five-gallon plastic containers, it must be collected by hand and transferred to their stainless-steel cooking pan. The sap is then slow-boiled over a carefully tended wood fire.

Just gathering that much wood is a yeoman's task in itself.

It takes hours of watching, stirring and testing to reduce forty gallons of sap into one gallon of syrup. When the sap reaches the right viscosity, it's meticulously filtered and poured into sterilized bottles that will keep unrefrigerated for years if stored in a cool dark place. The finished product has just one ingre-

dient: maple sap.

The time and effort are more than worth it. Here in Kathie's Kitchen, this amber gold liquid will be drizzled over my famous no-carb cottage cheese pancakes or mixed into a sumptuous low-gluten banana bread or sauteed with butter to make a side dish I call guilt-free glazed apples. Some will become gifts to grateful city folks and some bartered for fresh-caught fish, organic eggs or even an occasional bottle of my favorite Reisling.

Pure maple syrup may cost more than commercial pancake syrup, but it's a far better choice if you're looking for something sweet to pour on pancakes or French toast. Unlike cane and corn sugars, maple syrup is a naturally sweet product that contains many antioxidants, plus minerals such as magnesium, zinc, manganese, calcium, potassium

and iron. One tablespoon contains 12 grams of sugar, 52 calories and 13 grams of carbohydrates so you do need to exercise moderation if you are counting calories or diabetic.

Let's compare maple syrup to commercial pancake syrup, a concoction of corn syrup and artificial flavoring that may be less expensive but is a deep fake. Consider the ingredients printed on the bottle of a well-known brand. Listed in the order of quantity

contained: corn syrup, high fructose corn syrup, water, cellulose gum, caramel color, salt, natural flavor, artificial flavor, sorbic acid, sodium benzoate, sodium hexametaphosphate.

Take a look at the last ingredient listed: sodium hexametaphosphate. According to Wikipedia, sodium hexametaphosphate is a salt with a chemical formula of Na₆(PO₃)₆, a white solid that dissolves in water. It is typically part of a mixture of metaphosphates

(NaPO₃), more correctly called sodium polymetaphosphate. While the average person can probably not correctly pronounce its name, it doesn't take an English teacher to wonder if sodium hexametaphosphate might not be good for human consumption.

It isn't. This chemical additive can cause short-term side effects: headaches, nausea, vomiting, dizziness and gastrointestinal irritation. It can also cause an allergic reaction, most commonly resulting in mild chest pain and general respiratory irritation. In animal studies, it caused serious side effects, including growth inhibition, kidney weights increasing, bone decalcification, parathyroid hypertrophy and hyperplasia, and inorganic phosphaturia. I'm not sure what those last three conditions are, but the ones I do recognize are significant.

Maybe eating that fake stuff loaded with chemicals won't hurt you or your family, but why take a chance when Mother Nature supplies the real thing? As my own earth mother used to say, you can't put a price tag on your health, now can you?

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

FRIDAY, MARCH 28

SHAWANO: Spring Rummage Sale, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sacred Heart Catholic School gymnasium, 124 E. Center St.

KESHENA: Winter Farmers Market, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., College of Menominee Nation Cultural Learning Center, N172 State Highway 47-55. Free corn meal and beans bags. Local vendors, artisan native crafts, baking, food, honey, woodcraft, maple syrup, cans, crochet, tea, more.

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

SATURDAY, MARCH 29

SHAWANO: Spring Rummage Sale, 8:30 a.m. to noon, Sacred Heart Catholic School gymnasium, 124 E. Center St.

MONDAY, MARCH 31

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 1

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2

SHAWANO: Chamber Coffee Connection, 8-9 a.m., Glas Coffeehouse, 511 N. Main St.

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

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, APRIL 3

CLINTONVILLE: "The Little Mermaid," 7 p.m., Clintonville High School, 64 Green Tree Road. Free admission. Present-

ed by Wolf River Homeschoolers Performing Arts.

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

FRIDAY, APRIL 4

KESHENA: Winter Farmers Market, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., College of Menominee Nation Cultural Learning Center, N172 State Highway 47-55. Free corn meal and beans bags. Local vendors, artisan native crafts, baking, food, honey, woodcraft, maple syrup, cans, crochet, tea, more.

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.

BONDUEL: saYPro Axe-Citing Connections, 6-8 p.m., Captain's Axe and Arcade, 110 Green Bay St., Suite A. Shawano Area Young Professionals members-only networking event. Join for \$20 on saYPro Member Facebook page or email saypro13@gmail.com.

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Northern flickers bringing their songs to state

It's mid-March, the time of year when those winds from the balmy south send many of the migrating songbirds our way, soon to show up in our backyards and surrounding landscapes.

One of our favorite woodpeckers to watch for is the Northern flicker. We usually just catch sight of it as it seemingly makes a mad dash through our backyard. Its low, undulating flight pattern is a key giveaway for this species. The flash of a white rump and yellow on the underside of its wing and tail feathers as it dips and soars confirms we are catching a fleeting glance of a Northern flicker.

Northern flickers are very colorful birds. In addition to the coloration noted above, Northern flickers have black speckled backs and bellies, a black bib, a red spot on the back of the head and, if male, black “mustaches” near the base of either side of the bill; these are lacking in the female.

According to The Cornell Lab All About Birds website (AAB), there are two groups of Northern flickers. The flickers we see in Wisconsin belong to the yellow-shafted group due to the yellow coloration of the flight and tail feathers. You can see this golden coloration

when the bird is in flight. The red-shafted group sports salmon-colored flight and tail feathers. It is the flickering of white and yellow (or salmon) of these birds in flight that gives the species its name, according to David A. Sibley in his book, "What It's Like To Be A Bird."

According to an article on the Flocking Around website entitled “Northern flicker Intergrades — Red-shafted vs. Yellow-shafted flickers,” the range of our yellow-shafted group is extensive, extending throughout the eastern United States and most of Canada. The red-shafted group is found in the western U.S. and Canada, Mexico and Central America. Where the ranges of the two groups meet, mating occurs between the groups and you can find intergrades whose coloration varies from that of either group.

You can learn to identify the Northern flicker by its songs and calls. According to AAB, the song of a Northern flicker is a loud, piercing, rolling rattle that rises and

falls in volume several times and lasts about 7-8 seconds. Listen for it now, as it is heard in the spring and early summer and is a sign that birds are pairing up and establishing their territories.

Other calls made by the flickers include a single quick (about ½ second) kyeer call and a quieter, rhythmic wick-a, wick-a call made when birds

are close together or displaying.

Songbirds communicate by song; woodpeckers add drumming to their repertoire. Like other woodpeckers, male and female Northern flickers make loud, evenly spaced, rapid drumming sounds by hammering their sturdy, slightly down-curved bill against trees or metal objects. Interestingly,

the drumming lasts only about a second, but, amazingly, during that long second, the bird strikes the tree around 25 times.

Ouch, you'd think these woodpeckers would have constant headaches with all that hammering. Woodpeckers are built to handle this, according to Sibley. Their brains are lightweight and orientated to absorb frontal impacts. Their lower mandible (bill) is a bit longer than the upper, so it takes the brunt of the force of those hammering blows, sending it through the lower jaw rather than the skull. A spongy bone layer at the base of the upper mandible also provides a cushion to soften the impact.

Unlike many woodpeckers that spend their time foraging up in the trees, the Northern flicker spends much of its time foraging on the ground. According to AAB, they eat mainly insects, a favorite being ants. They will hammer at the ground seeking out ants and their nutritious larvae, scooping them up with tongues that can extend 2 inches from the end of their beaks; they even break into cow patties to find an insect meal. They also eat berries and seeds, especially in the winter when insects are not as available.

According to AAB, Northern flickers raise one brood of five to seven young a year. Their nests are located in cavities that they excavate (or find) in tree trunks or large branches about 6-15 feet off the ground. According to Jennifer Ackerman in her book, "The Bird Way," Northern flickers mimic other animal calls to keep predators from their nests. Flickers will buzz like a hive of bees to keep those pesky squirrels at bay.

While Northern flicker populations have declined over the last 60 years, numbers are still healthy; according to their Continental Concern Score, they are rated as low conservation concern.

Look for Northern flickers visiting open habitats near trees or busily foraging on the ground. This includes woodland edges and parks — even your own backyard, if you are lucky. They certainly add a mad dash splash of color and song to life and are a harbinger of spring and more birds to come.

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A yellow-shafted male Northern flicker bears a black “mustache” near the base of the bill. When in flight, watch for the flickering of white and yellow coloration giving this species its name. JOEL TRICK

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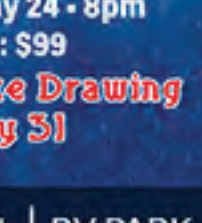


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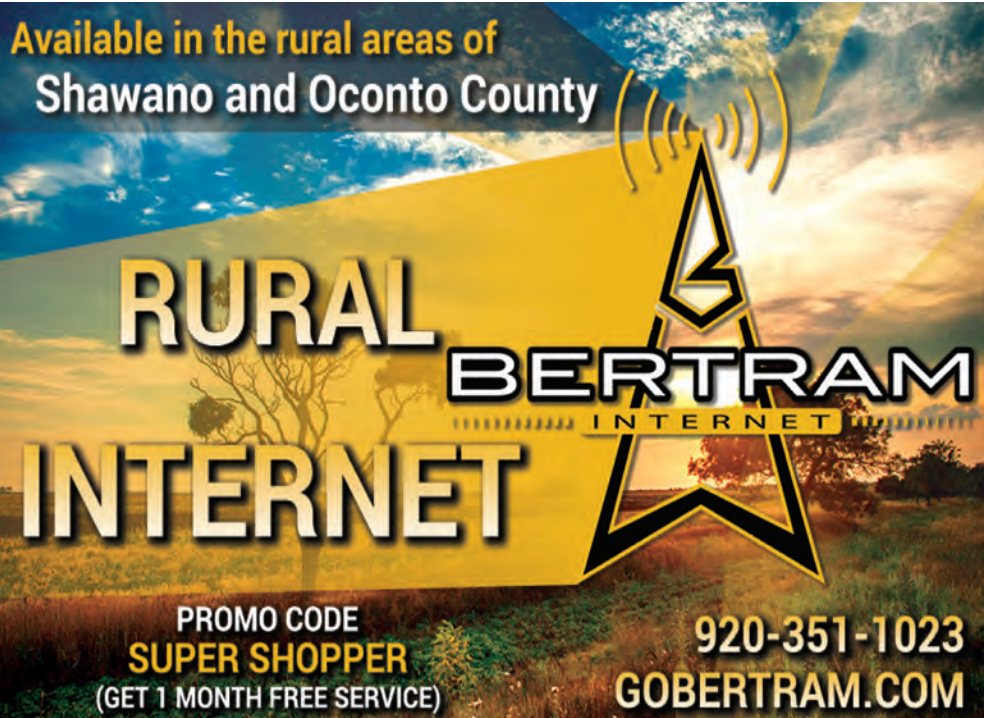


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Doug Erdman selected to MC youth writing awards

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Erdman has been with Results Broadcasting in Shawano for 36 years and became a legend when he referred to himself as one in his own mind. Now, through the efforts of many people, Erdman is considered a legend by the Wisconsin Broadcast-

ers Association. At WTCH, Erdman gets up at 4 a.m. to host the morning show where he loves to entertain his audience with wit, wisdom and country music.

Suhr is the author of story collections “Nothing to Lose” and “Close Call.” Other Suhr stories have appeared in various journals and won contests. She also teaches writing classes.

Suhr is the director of Red Oak Writing which hosts Creative Writing Camp for aspiring young writers entering grades

6-12 every summer. Kim holds a master of fine arts degree from the Solstice program. She lives and writes in southeastern Wisconsin.

The student writing contest is free to enter with no limit to number of entries. Students in grades 1-12 who live or go to school in Shawano or Menominee counties can compete. The deadline is April 5. For information, go to www.shawanoareawriters.org or call John Mutter Jr. at 715-524-4520.

River cleanup presented at Oconto County Historical Society event

The Oconto County Historical Society will host its monthly speaker series program at 6:30 p.m. April 3 in the meeting room of the Beyer Home and Carriage Museum, 915 Park Ave., Oconto.

This month’s program, “Cleaning Up the Oconto River,” will be presented by Al Stranz.

Stranz, a 1978 UW-Green Bay graduate with a degree in environmental science and biology, began working with the Wisconsin

Department of Natural Resources in 1979 as part of the Oconto River Restoration Project. With a long career dedicated to environmental improvements, Stranz will share insights into the history of pollution in the Oconto River, initial environmental conditions and the impact of restoration efforts.

The cleanup efforts stemmed from a 1979 joint settlement between the Environmental Protection Agency and the state of

Wisconsin against a paper mill in Oconto Falls. The state received \$600,000 to restore habitat and fish populations from Oconto Falls to the Bay of Green Bay, with work planned from 1979 to 1984. Stranz’s role included assessing environmental conditions, developing restoration plans and implementing improvements.

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Bears come up short in title game

By GREG SEUBERT
Correspondent

The first state championship in program history was not in the cards for the Bonduel boys basketball team.

Aquinas handed the Bears a 74-45 loss March 22 in the WIAA Division 4 title game at the Kohl Center in Madison. It was only the second loss of the season for Bonduel, while the Blugolds wrapped up a 26-3 season.

Bonduel had advanced to its first championship game in its first-ever trip to state March 20 with a 59-41 win over The Prairie School in the semifinal round.

While the Bears led for most of that game, they trailed the Blugolds for almost the entire game.

"Obviously, it didn't go quite the way we wanted it to," coach Duke Copp said. "(We) ran into a heck of a good basketball team. Things didn't go right for us. They were hitting shots like crazy."

Aquinas connected on 19 of 29 shots - including seven of 13 3-pointers - to take a 45-27 lead into the locker room at halftime.

"The other night (against The Prairie School), everyone thought we were more physical," Copp said. "They were more physical with us today, and we wanted to ramp that up a little bit. We had one foul in the first half. We needed to be more physical and keep pushing the ball. We tried a few defenses, but I don't think it was going to matter a whole lot. We just couldn't get it done."

The Blugolds quickly added to their lead by scoring the first 10 points



Cade Johnson brings the ball up the court for Bonduel on March 20 during the second half of the Bears' 59-41 win over The Prairie School in a WIAA Division 4 state semifinal game at the Kohl Center in Madison.

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of the second half for a 28-point advantage.

"We were pretty worried about the athleticism," Copp said. "They're fast, strong athletes and we weren't quite sure if we could guard them well enough. We didn't expect them to shoot that way. Our plan was to go down and get it to the big guy (Ryan Westrich) when you can and knock down some 3's of our own. It didn't work out."

"We had a tough time penetrating and creating shots for our guys. They were going to try to stop (Westrich), so they were surrounding him. That's a good basketball team."

Westrich, who led all players with 20 points and

12 rebounds in the Bears' semifinal win, scored 11 points against Aquinas and only two in the second half.

"Our coaches always taught us to be tough and be resilient in the face of adversity," he said. "We tried to battle back, keep hustling, keep playing our game, keep trying to claw our way back. I think our team gave a very valiant effort today in trying to do so. They played with a lot of physicality and intensity on defense, and it was tough to get passes around, tough to post up. They did a really great job on offense trying to get us moving. They're a heck of a team and played a heck of a game today."

Carter Moesch also scored 11 points for the Bears, while Race Anvelink added eight.

Trey Bahr led the Blugolds with 20 points.

"I love our town and all the community members," Westrich said. "They show up to all of our games to support us. All of the teammates work super-hard to get to these moments."

Copp said the team won't forget about being the first team in program history to make it to state.

"That's something that we're going to hang on to," he said. "This past week has been pretty exciting and pretty special in Bonduel. There's always a first time for something, and these kids got that accomplished."

"Being a senior, it means everything to me making it to the last possible game you can play," Anvelink said. "I know our community won't forget this. It means everything to me to set the standard for



Ryan Westrich scored a game-high 20 points and grabbed 12 rebounds for Bonduel in a state semifinal win over The Prairie School.

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this program. The younger generation coming up kind of looked up to us a lot this year. I hope that they can do the same thing in the future."

"The little community of Bonduel showed up here, and we're competing against basically the city of La Crosse," Copp said. "I just couldn't be more proud of my kids, my coaches, my managers, the school. There would be a best outcome today, but there is no bad outcome, and I think that's the way we're taking it. We had a heck of a season, and we're going to cherish that the rest of our lives."

Bonduel 59, The Prairie School 41

A stingy defense and a lot of Ryan Westrich.

That turned out to be an effective one-two punch for the Bonduel boys basketball team in its first trip to state.

Westrich finished with

20 points and 12 rebounds March 20 in the Bears' 59-41 win over The Prairie School in a WIAA Division 4 state semifinal game at the Kohl Center in Madison.

"That was a tough ball game," coach Duke Copp said after the Bears' eighth straight win. "They play kind of a slower game, and we're typically fast-paced. We kind of played their game, but we did OK at it. I thought our defense was fantastic tonight."

The Prairie School came into the tournament as a No. 6 seed in its sectional bracket with a 9-15 record.

The Hawks took a 9-8 lead on Dalton Ahlendorf's 3-pointer six minutes into the game, but that turned out to be their only lead of the game.

Westrich's 10 points and seven rebounds helped the Bears take a 23-15 halftime lead.

The Hawks never got

any closer than that in the second half and trailed by as many as 20 points late in the game.

"We relied on our defense more than we have all season," Copp said.

"We've been shooting the ball really well during the regular season. It dried up a little bit during the tournament, but our defense has stepped up. They take pride in that. They have a lot of confidence that they can play defense against pretty much anyone. We have multiple players that can guard multiple guys, which is really helpful."

"We've all dreamed about this since the beginning of the season," said Race Anvelink, who finished with 10 points, five rebounds and five steals.

Quinn Wesenberg also finished in double figures for the Bears with 14 points.

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Colin Fischer reacts while watching the Bonduel boys basketball team score against The Prairie School.

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“We had a vision starting from summer to get to this point,” said Anvelink, one of six seniors on the roster. “I’m really proud of these young guys who have stepped up, and they’ve been playing way past their years.”

The Hawks didn’t have an answer for Westrich, a junior who scored six of the Bears’ first 11 points of the game.

“I’m just grateful that we have this opportunity,” he said. “Our coaches push us hard in practice, and guys are pushing each other in practice to make each other better. The whole town’s supporting us, and it’s just really awesome to get to the state championship game for all of them.”

Copp said his team’s goal was to take advantage of Westrich’s inside game.

“We would not be very smart if we would not go there very much, and our kids know that,” he said. “We go to him as much as we can. I’ll tell you what, through the tournament run, he has really carried us. In the Southern Door game, he really dominated, and against Auburndale, he was tough as nails.

“We don’t feel there are many guys who can guard him. He’s just a big, strong guy and he’s an athlete.”

“I’m always excited to play basketball, no matter who we’re playing,” Westrich said. “We just saw our matchups and knew that I could handle it inside pretty well. Give (The Prairie School) credit, they’re an amazing team, and they played really hard tonight. I’m just glad that we can come out here, play our game and come out with a win.”

Bonduel opened the season with 20 straight wins before dropping a 70-47 nonconference game to Roncalli. The Bears regrouped and went on to win the Central Wisconsin East Conference with a 14-0 record.

“We just kept winning and winning,” Copp said. “We ended up with a makeup game against Roncalli and got our butts kicked. Since that night and the next day in practice, we just simply changed the way we’re going to play. We’ve been rolling since then.”



Carter Moesch guards The Prairie School's Emmett Wassil in the second half of Bonduel's state semifinal win. The victory sent the Bears into the championship game against Aquinas on March 22.

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Quinn Wesenberg concentrates before shooting a free throw for Bonduel in the first trip to the WIAA state tournament for the Bears.

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5	Ryan Westrich	PF	6'6"	2026	24	Race Anvelink	G	6'0"	2025
11	Beckett Hartlaben	F	6'2"	2026	30	Sam Roberts	F	6'3"	2025
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Coach Duke Copp watches his team in the second half against The Prairie School.

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Dec. 6, Iola-Scandinavia W 89-61	Feb. 7, Shiocton W 85-75
Dec. 10, Kewaunee W 81-60	Feb. 13, Wittenberg-Birnamwood W 73-55
Dec. 12, Manawa W 77-35	Feb. 19, Roncalli, L 70-47
Dec. 17, Menominee Naton W 74-53	Feb. 21, Amherst W 79-39
Dec. 20, Shiocton W 102-75	Feb. 24, Peshtigo W 88-32
Dec. 21, Manitowoc Lutheran W 105-62	Feb. 27, Weyauwega-Fremont W 87-69
Dec. 16, Pacelli W 82-42	March 7, Shiocton (regional) W 87-50
Dec. 28, Assumption W 55-29	March 8, Oconto (regional final) W 70-49
Jan. 3, Reedsville, W 88-61	March 13, Southern Door (sectional semifinal) W 71-57
Jan. 7, Wittenberg-Birnamwood W 69-49	March 15, Auburndale (sectional final) W 56-44
Jan. 10, Amherst, W 57-32	March 20, The Prairie School (state semifinal) W 59-41
Jan. 14, Valders, W 71-58	March 22, Aquinas (state final) L 74-45
Jan. 16, Weyauwega-Fremont W 78-29	
Jan. 23, Iola-Scandinavia W 61-58	
Jan. 31, Manawa W 66-38	
Feb. 1, Coleman, W 106-53	



Breah Ballwahn, a freshman at Bonduel High School, performs with the school's performance team before the start of the Bears' state semifinal boys basketball game.

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Boys, girls track seasons underway

BY NEW MEDIA STAFF

**March 21
UWSP Girls Invitational 2025**

Pulaski girls captured two second-place finishes in Stevens Point.

Emerson Fabry was second in the 800-meter run in 2:23.43, and the 4x200-meter relay team was runner-up in 1:49.18.

Olivia Sprangers placed fifth in the 60-meter dash in 8.02, and Faye Brunke was eighth in 8.21.

The 4x400-meter relay team was sixth in 4:25.92, as was Lily Urben in the high jump at 4 feet 8 inches.

Anna Friedman placed 10th in the 400-meter dash in 1:06.40.

Also competing were Addison Krueger, Lydia Friendshuh, the 4x800-meter relay team, Brooke Barry, Megan Kraft, Talyn Pratt, Noelle Manning and Elliana Maroszek.

Two Gillett girls placed 14th in their respective events to lead the Tigers.

Hope Soper was 14th in the triple jump, and Audrey Pate was 14th in the shot put.

Also competing were Maggie Kaczmarek, Hailey Bullock, Carli Holub, Harmony Sallier, Sophie Limberg and the 4x400-meter relay team.

**March 20
Wausau West Early Bird 2025**

Ethan May and Riley Hohensee had the best finishes for the Gresham/Bowler boys track team at Wausau West, both finishing fifth place.

Hohensee was fifth in the 400-meter dash in 1 minute 7.83 seconds. May was eighth in 1:11.75, and Mason Martin also competed.

May was fifth in the triple jump at 32 feet 7 inches. Hohensee was sixth at 32-5, and Leif Steffen placed seventh at 30-8.

In the 55-meter dash, Cody Mehlberg led his teammates, placing 26th. Roberto Martinez and Steffen also competed.

Mehlberg also led his

team in the 200-meter dash, with Kobe Miller, Hohensee and Chase Stevens also competing.

Darwin Sechrist was 14th in the 800-meter run, ahead of Brett Schreiber.

Martin was seventh in the 55-meter hurdles in 11.49 seconds, with Adam Gourley placing eighth in 11.87.

Gourley was 10th in the 200-meter hurdles in 38.96, followed by Martin in ninth in 39.28.

The 4x160-meter relay team placed eighth in 1:28.45, while the 4x400-meter team was seventh in 5:06.46.

Miller placed sixth in the high jump at 5 feet, and Mason Wilber was 10th at 4-10.

Miller also led his teammates in the long jump, placing ninth at 16-10. Also competing were Wilber, Mehlberg, Gourley, Martinez, Martin, Steffen, Sechrist and Schreiber.

Addison Fischer led the girls team with a trio of top 10 finishes.

She finished fourth in the 400-meter dash in 1:16.44, fifth in the 200-meter dash in 34.02 and sixth in the 55-meter dash in 8.70. Alivia Perez was eighth in the 400-meter dash in 1:23.87, and Rose-lynn Rosenow competed in the 55-meter dash.

Emily Jensen finished second in the shot put at 29-10. The 4x800-meter relay team placed second in 13:00.00, and the 4x160-meter relay team was ninth in 1:50.70.

Perez placed sixth in the high jump at 4-2. Cami Gourley was ninth in the triple jump at 25-0, with Rosenow also jumping.

Fischer also placed 15th in the long jump at 11-11.

Northland Pines Indoor Invitational 2025

Wittenberg-Birnamwood and Menominee Nation track and field athletes captured several top 10 finishes in Eagle River.

Faith Resch led her Wittenberg-Birnamwood teammates and many other competitors in Eagle River. She placed first in

the 55-meter hurdles in 9.48 seconds, first in the 200-meter hurdles in 30.13 and first in the high jump at 5 feet 3 inches.

Kylee Beversdorf was first in the 200-meter dash in 28.73, and Harper Rogowski was first in the 400-meter dash in 1:06.97.

Brooke Huffman finished first in the shot put with a throw of 31-10. Also earning first places were the 4x400-meter relay team in 4:26.78 and the 4x800-meter relay team in 11:44.51.

Menominee Nation's Lena Waukau won first in the triple jump at 28-7.

Other top 10 finishes were:

Second place: Beversdorf, W-B, 55-meter dash, 8.16; Urijah Reeves, MN, 800-meter run, 1:08.45; Harper Krull, W-B, 200-meter hurdles, 33.73; 4x200-meter relay team, W-B, 2:09.81; Madeline Tomow, MN, long jump, 13-9.

Third place: Gabrielle Timm, W-B, 1,600-meter run, 6:35.54; Krull, W-B, 55-meter hurdles, 10.03; Jayden Zeinert, W-B, 200-meter hurdles, 37.38.

Fourth place: Kelsie Davis, W-B, shot put, 27-8.

Fifth place: Waukau, MN, 55-meter dash, 8.31; Waukau, 200-meter dash, 30.79; Timm, W-B, 800-meter run, 2:55.68; Charlie Eichman, W-B, 1,600-meter run, 7:01.67; Davis, W-B, 55-meter hurdles, 11.54.

Seventh place: Zeinert, W-B, 55-meter hurdles, 11.80.

Ninth place: Davis, W-B, 200-meter hurdles, 41.61.

10th place: Tomow, MN, 55-meter dash, 8.51; Izzi Schmalfus, W-B, 400-meter dash, 1:35.47; Eichman, W-B, 800-meter run, 3:02.72; Shia Madosh, MN, shot put, 24-2.

Winning in their boys events were Menominee Nation's Barron Waupoose in the 400-meter dash in 56.19, the Witt-Birn 4x200-meter relay team in 1:41.59, Menominee Nation's Mikey (Aiden) Chapman in the high jump at 6-2

and Witt-Birn's Landen Schmidt in the shot put at 45-2.

Other boys and their top 10 finishes were:

Third place: Barron Waupoose, MN, 200-meter dash, 25:00; Witt-Birn 4x400-meter relay team, 4:05.22.

Fourth place: Kaden Yeager, W-B, 55-meter dash, 7:11; Jett Rogowski, W-B, 200-meter dash, 25.39; Bryant Waupoose, MN, 1,600-meter run, 5:04.10; Michael Salgado, MN, long jump, 17-4.5.

Fifth place: Barron Waupoose, MN, 55-meter dash, 7:15.

Sixth place: Jose Perez, MN, long jump, 17-2.

Seventh place: Bryson Schmid, W-B, 55-meter dash, 7:21; Marty Nowinski, W-B, 800-meter run, 2:33.61.

10th place: James Awonohopay, MN, triple jump, 25-11.

UW-Oshkosh Boys D2/D3 Invitational

Suring and Gillett competed in the Division 3 events at Oshkosh.

Results were:

Second place: Braydn Wendorff, Gillett, 800-meter run, 2:08.08; Dayne Ermis, Suring, triple jump, 36-6.75.

Third place: Ermis, Suring, high jump, 5-6.

Fourth place: Garret Peters, Suring, triple jump, 36-2.5.

Fifth place: Blake De-Grave, Suring, 60-meter hurdles, 11.18.

Sixth place: Nash Stage, Gillett, 400-meter dash, 58.59; Scott Herroux, Gillett, 1,600-meter run, 5:15.16; 4x400-meter relay team, Herroux, Jedrick Herzog, Stage, Wendorff, Gillett, 3:59.52.

Seventh place: Jedrick Herzog, Gillett, shot put, 37-11.

Eighth place: 4x200-meter relay, Peters, Kroix Kempka, CJ Richard, Dayne Ermis, Suring, 1:47.55.

Ninth place: Jeremiah Froelich, Gillett, 1,600-meter run, 6:22.43; Michael Bailey, Suring, shot put, 37-4; Kempka, Suring, long jump, 18-1.

10th place: 4x400-meter relay team, Ermis, Kempka, Richard, Peters, Suring, 4:11.37.

Shawano competitors and their top 10 results in Division 2 were:

Third place: Ryan Schweitzer, pole vault, 11-0.

Fourth place: 4x200-meter relay team, Aiden Rasmussen, Schweitzer, Maverick Theis, Francesco Court, 1:39.36.

Seventh place: Rasmussen, 60-meter dash, 7.37; Rasmussen, 200-meter dash, 24.53.

Eighth place: 4x400-meter relay team, Joshua, Lesperance, Sosaeh Tepiew, Theis, Schweitzer, 3:54.90.

Ninth place: Heriberto Rubio, 200-meter dash, 25.09; Josiah Kuehl, 1,600-meter run, 4:51.55.

**March 18
Ripon College**

With so much attention turned to Bonduel's boys basketball team competing at the state tournament, it may have slipped past some fans that the boys and girls track teams kicked off their seasons with an indoor meet at Ripon College.

In the girls events, Mariah Wondra ran to first place in the 1,600-meter run in 5:25.49. Kember Frome also competed in the event.

Paige Niquette was 11th in the 60-yard dash in 8.70. Also running were Audrey Weier, Rachyl Hutter, Josie Pawlak, Letoriah Brantley, Hailey Spates and Serenity Saldana Busch.

Addison Raymakers led the Bears with a 15th-place finish in the 200-meter run in 29.77. Joining her on the track were Brantley and Arika Doxtator.

Peyton Westrich was

seventh in the 400-meter run in 1:04.96. Amelia Wilcox placed 10th in 1:06.84. Doxtator also competed.

Cierra Schnell placed sixth in the 60-meter hurdles in 10.96.

In the shot put, Hutter placed seventh at 29-4.25. She was joined by Abbi Heller, Spates, Morgan Staszak, McKenna Onesti, Caroline Richter, Saldana Busch, Elena Schultz and Payton Huntington.

Wilcox placed 10th in the high jump at 4-6.

Pawlak finished fourth in the long jump at 15-10.25. Schnell was eighth at 15-1.5. Also jumping were Westrich and Brantley.

For the boys, Malachi Gray finished seventh in the 60-meter dash with a time of 7.60 seconds. He was joined by Jayden Popp, Liam Rosenthal, Noah Gretzinger, Hayden Eisner and Jackson Krause.

In the 200-meter run, Gray placed fifth in 25.37. Jose Lagunes, Kaiden Thornborrow and Eisner also ran.

Gage Scholl placed 11th in the 400-meter run in 59.14. Also competing were Thornborrow, Oliver Chitwood and Gage Anderson.

Ben Reisner led the Bears with a 17th-place finish in the 800-meter run. Following him were Corbin Vandenberg, Joah Dworniczak and Thomas Vanderzanden.

Garrett Anderson placed 18th in the 1,600-meter run. He was joined by Dylan Keller and Reisner.

In the shot put, Popp led the Bears, placing eighth with a distance of 38 feet 8 inches. Lagunes, Ryley Kurtz, Krause, Liam Rosenthal and Gretzinger also competed.

Gray finished 11th in the long jump at 18-3.5. Scholl, Gage Anderson, and Eisner also jumped.

In the triple jump, Thornborrow was 15th at 28-10.25.

Chapman competes in 3-Point Challenge

BY GREG SEUBERT
Correspondent

An area basketball player represented his high school March 22 at the 3-Point Challenge at the WIAA State Boys Basketball Tournament in Madison.

Menominee Nation senior Mikey Chapman attended the competition, which included nine other players in five divisions, but did not place in the top three.

Pewaukee's Karson Os-

terman ended up winning the challenge, while D.C. Everest's Cade Felch and Roncalli's Matthew Bonin placed second and third, respectively.

Other competitors included Jake Pfister, Catholic Memorial; Elijah Fenner, Ashwaubenon; Tyler Roche, Greendale; Will Franzen, Manitowoc Lutheran; Brayden Smith, Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah; and Logan Nystrom, Assumption.

The girls 3-Point Challenge, held March 15 during

the girls tournament at the Resch Center in Green Bay, also included a local player.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood junior Melania Granquist placed third in that competition, which also included Lauren Strifling, Homestead; Kristina Oui-mette, Lakeland; Sydney Subke, Neillsville; Toria Devoe, Belleville; Ellen Dotzler, Waunakee; Mandi Wehrle, River Ridge; Armani Tauschek, Greenfield; Abby Hollis, Albany/Monticello; and Marti Rebman, Edgerton.

Two more Panther all-conference selections noted

The March 21 issue noted Oconto Falls girls basketball players earning North Eastern Conference honors.

However, two honors were inadvertently left off the list.

Senior Maddy Maloney earned honorable mention

status.

Also, junior Rylie Shallow was named to the defensive first team all-conference.

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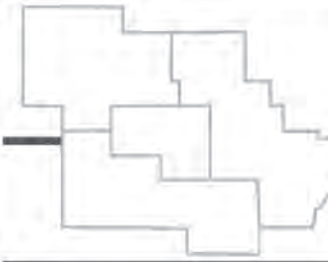
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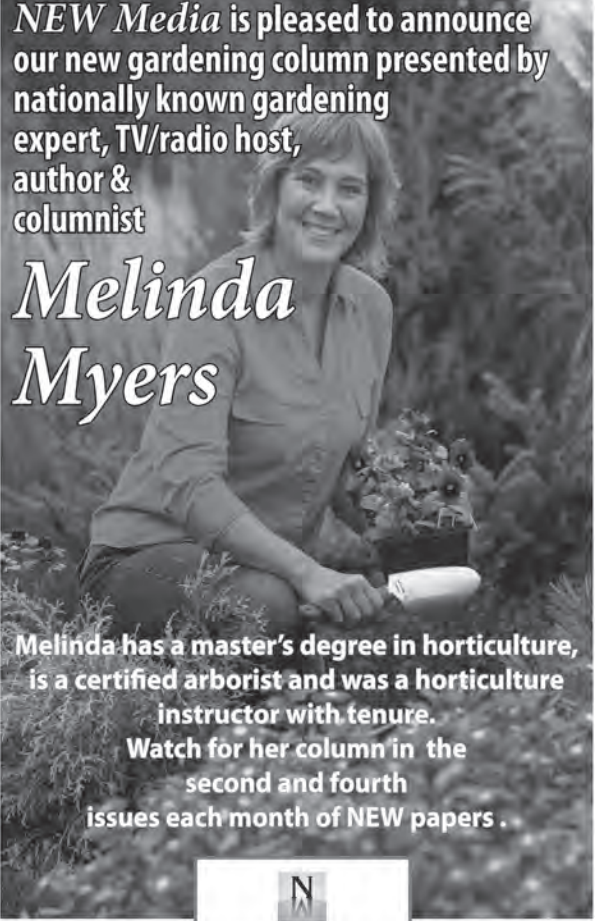
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03/21, 03/28/2025

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Public Hearing will be held before the City of Shawano Plan Commission on Wednesday, April 2, 2025 at 5:00 PM at Shawano City Hall located at 127 S. Sawyer Street, Shawano, WI to consider amending Chapter 10 Zoning Code, Article VI Overlay Zoning Districts, Section 10-94 (AP-0) Airport Overlay District, to add additional verbiage regarding height restrictions and enforcement authority as it relates to trees and airport height restrictions. To read as follows:

(4) Dimensional requirements. Same as for the underlying district, except that no structure shall be constructed, altered or located, or permitted to remain after such construction, alteration or location, and that no trees shall be allowed to grow to a height in excess of the height limit indicated on the current Wisconsin Bureau of Aeronautics Official Height Limitation Zoning Map, Shawano Municipal Airport, Shawano, Wisconsin, which is adopted as part of this chapter.[1]
[1]Editor's Note: Said map is on file in the City offices.

(a) Authority and Enforcement. Authority and enforcement of this subsection shall be granted to the City Forester as stated within Chapter 9 Public Nuisances, Section 9.06 Trees and Shrubs (8) Dead, diseased, hazardous, or height restricted tree removal on private property.

At the above time and place, all interested persons will be given an opportunity to be heard.

Lesley Nemetz, City Clerk

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03/28/2025

VILLAGE OF GRESHAM
NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following have applied for alcohol beverage licenses in the Village of Gresham. The application will be acted upon at the April 15, 2025, meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Gresham at the Village Hall, 801 Main Street, Gresham, Wisconsin, at 6:00 p.m.

Name and addresses of applicants are:

Class "B" Beer Retailers' License 6-month license:
Gresham Baseball Club, 490 Veterans Park, Gresham, WI 54128, Joe R. Ejnik, W11246 County Rd. A., Gresham, WI 54128 Agent.
Gresham Little League, Memorial Athletic Park, 1300 Knoke Street, Gresham, WI 54128 Brett Nelson, 631 Schabow Street, Gresham WI 54128 Agent.

Combination Class "A" Beer and Class "A" Liquor:
Gresham Mini Mart 1129 Main Street, Gresham, WI 54128. Manish Paudel, 1210 Engel Drive, Shawano, WI 54166 Agent.

Judith Kristof, Clerk/Treasurer
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03/28/2025

Notice of Spring Election and
Sample Ballots
April 1st, 2025
Office of the Shawano County Clerk

To the voters of all Shawano County, Town, Village, City, School District and Sanitary Lake Districts:

Notice is hereby given of a spring election to be held in Shawano County on April 1st, at which the officers named below shall be nominated. The names of the candidates for each office, whose nominations have been certified to or filed in this office, are given under the title of the office, each in its proper column, together with the questions submitted to a vote, for a referendum, if any, in the sample ballot below.

Information to Voters
Upon entering the polling place and before being permitted to vote, a voter shall:
state their name and address
show an acceptable form of photo identification*
sign the poll book**

***If a voter does not have acceptable photo identification, the voter may obtain a free photo ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles.**

****If the voter is unable to sign the poll book due to disability, a poll worker may write the word "exempt."**

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

Where ballots are distributed to voters, the initials of two inspectors must appear on the ballot. Upon being permitted to vote, the voter shall enter a voting booth or go to a machine and cast their ballot. The vote should not be cast in any manner other than specified here. Sample ballots or other materials to assist the voter in marking their ballot may be taken into the booth and copied. The sample ballot shall not be shown to anyone so as to reveal how the ballot is marked.

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

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

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

Where Paper Ballots are Used
The voter shall make a mark (X) in the square next to the name of the candidate of their choice for each office for which they intend to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall write in the name of the person of their choice in the space provided for a write-in vote. On referendum questions, the voter shall make a mark (X) in the square next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the voter shall make a mark (X) in the square next to "no" if opposed to the question.

Where Optical Scan Voting is Used
The voter shall fill in the oval next to the name of the candidate of their choice for each office for which they intend to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall write in the name of the person of their choice in the space provided for a write-in vote and fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to the write-in line. On referendum questions, the voter shall fill in the oval next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the voter shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to "no" if opposed to the question.

When using an electronic ballot marking device ImageCast Evolution-ICE" to mark an **optical scan ballot**, the voter shall touch the screen or use the tactile pad to select the name of the candidate of his or her choice for each office for which he or she intends to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall type in the name of the person of his or her choice in the space provided for a write-in vote. On referendum questions, the voter shall touch the screen or use the tactile pad to select "yes" if in favor of the question, or the voter shall touch the screen or use the tactile pad to select "no" if opposed to the question.

Where Touch Screen Voting is Used
The voter shall touch the screen or us the tactile pad to select the name of the candidate of their choice for each office for which they intend to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall type in the name of the person of their choice in the space provided for a write-in vote. On referendum questions, the voter shall touch the screen at "yes" if in favor of the question, or the voter shall touch the screen at "no" if opposed to the question.

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

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

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

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

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

The following is a sample of the official ballot. The sample ballots for all municipalities are located on the Shawano County website at <https://www.co.shawano.wi.us> Voting/Election Information

Kara Skarlupka, Shawano County Clerk

Ballot ID: 2101

Town of Almon, Ward 1 (Bowler)

Official Ballot
Nonpartisan Office and Referendum
April 1, 2025

Notice to voters: If you are voting on Election Day, your ballot must be initiated by two (2) election inspectors. If you are voting absentee, your ballot must be initiated by the municipal clerk or deputy clerk. Your ballot may not be counted without initials (see end of ballot for initials).

General Instructions	Municipal	School District
If you make a mistake on your ballot or have a question, ask an election inspector for help (absentee voters: contact your municipal clerk). To vote for a name on the ballot, fill in the oval next to the name like this: ● To vote for a name that is not on the ballot, write the name on the line marked "write-in" and fill in the oval next to the name like this: ●	Town Board Chairperson Vote for 1 ☐ Steve Onesti ☐ write-in: _____	School District of Bowler School Board Member Village of Bowler Vote for 1 ☐ Kerry Breitrick ☐ write-in: _____
	Town Board Supervisor 1 Vote for 1 ☐ Scott Matsche ☐ write-in: _____	School Board Member Town of Hutchins Vote for 1 ☐ write-in: _____
	Town Board Supervisor 2 Vote for 1 ☐ Brady Strassburg ☐ write-in: _____	
State Superintendent of Public Instruction State Superintendent Vote for 1 ☐ Brittany Kinser ☐ Jill Underly ☐ write-in: _____	Town Clerk Vote for 1 ☐ Heather Matsche ☐ write-in: _____	Referendum To vote in favor of a question, fill in the oval next to "Yes," like this: ● To vote against a question, fill in the oval next to "No," like this: ●
Judicial Justice of the Supreme Court Vote for 1 ☐ Brad Schimel ☐ Susan Crawford ☐ write-in: _____	Town Treasurer Vote for 1 ☐ Becky Herb ☐ write-in: _____	State QUESTION 1: "Photographic identification for voting." Shall section 17m of article III of the constitution be created to require that voters present valid photographic identification verifying their identity in order to vote in any election, subject to exceptions which may be established by law?" ☐ Yes ☐ No
Court of Appeals Judge District 3 Vote for 1 ☐ Lisa K. Stark ☐ write-in: _____		

Continue voting at top of next column. Continue voting at top of next column.

Page 1 of 2-sided ballot. Ballot continues on other side. ➡

Official Ballot
Nonpartisan Office and
Referendum
April 1, 2025
for

Town of Almon, Ward 1 (Bowler)
Shawano County

Ballot ID: 2101

Ballot issued by

Initials of election inspectors
Absentee ballot issued by

Initials of Municipal Clerk or Deputy Clerk

If issued by SVDs, both must initial

Certification of Voter Assistance
I certify that I marked or read aloud this ballot at the request and direction of a voter who is authorized under Wis. Stat. §8.82 to receive assistance.

Signature of assistor

For Official Use Only
Inspectors: Identify ballots required to be remade:
☐ Overvoted
☐ Damaged
☐ Other

If this is the Original Ballot, write the serial number here:

If this is the Duplicate Ballot, write the serial number here:

Initials of inspectors who remade ballot

Page 2 of 2-sided ballot. Ballot begins on other side. ➡

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Shawano Plan Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, April 2, 2025, at 5:00 PM at Shawano City Hall, 127 S. Sawyer St., Shawano, WI to consider the following:

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT to allow Dearco Distributors, Inc. to expand existing facility by constructing a new 33,280 sq. ft. building at 1497 E. Green Bay Street, Shawano, WI per City of Shawano Municipal Code Section 10-81(2)(c) Nonconforming uses, as a conditional use. The property is located in the Community Mixed Use (CMU) zoning district. *(Legal description: City of Shawano Prt SE ¼ SW ¼ S of RR Ex Wly 24.55' Sec 28 T27N R16E NKA Lot 1 CSM Map #4964, tax parcel #281-283400040)*

At the above time and place all interested persons will be given the opportunity to be heard.

Lesley Nemetz, City Clerk
City of Shawano

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Advertisement for Proposals

Sealed proposals must be received by the City of Shawano, 127 S Sawyer St, Shawano, Wisconsin, 54166, up to 11:00 A.M. on Monday, March 31, 2025, for the following equipment:

One new 2024 or 2025 1/2 Ton 2-Door Regular Cab Pick Up Truck 4x4 with 8' box.

Proposals shall be submitted on forms provided by the City of Shawano. Copies of same, along with specifications may be obtained at the City of Shawano, 127 S Sawyer St, Shawano, Wisconsin, 54166. Any proposal submitted after the date and time specified will be rejected.

City of Shawano
Department of Public Works

Michael Mahloch
Public Works Director

03-/28/2025

CANDIDATES - SHAWANO COUNTY SPRING ELECTION - APRIL 1ST, 2025

STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION BRITTANY KINSER JILL UNDERLY JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT BRAD SCHIMEL SUSAN CRAWFORD COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE LISA STARK TOWN OF ALMON TOWN BOARD CHAIRMAN STEVE ONESTI TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR #1 SCOTT MATSCHE TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR #2 BRADY STRASSBURG TOWN CLERK HEATHER MATSCHE TOWN TREASURER BECKY HERB TOWN OF ANGELICA TOWN BOARD CHAIRMAN VOTE FOR 2 JAMES PRZYBYLSKI ALLAN J. MAROSZEK TOWN BOARD GREG P. VAN ASTEN BARNEY BRIAN ECKBERG TOWN CLERK CONNIE PRZYBYLSKI TOWN TREASURER LISA MATUSZAK TOWN OF ANIWA TOWN BOARD CHAIRMAN DAN LEX TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR #1 ROBERT SIPPL TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR #2 DALE MATSCHE TOWN CLERK TAMMY RESCH TOWN TREASURER KEN SCHRAM TOWN OF BARTELME TOWN BOARD CHAIRMAN DANIEL DURANCEAU TOWN BOARD SUPERVISORS VOTE FOR 2 ART BUELTER LYLE GROSSKOPF LANCE TRINKO TOWN CLERK BETH GROSSKOPF TOWN TREASURER JILL DURANCEAU TOWN OF BELLE PLAINE TOWN BOARD CHAIRMAN ALVIN BARTZ TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR #1 WADE WISNEFSKE TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR #2 LUKE HELING MIKE PETRUZATES TOWN OF BIRNAMWOOD TOWN BOARD CHAIRMAN STEVEN STEINKE TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR #1 KURT OLSON JR. TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR #2 DENNIS ROCHWITE WAYNE A. CLARK TOWN CLERK STEVE STEINKE TOWN TREASURER DEB KESSEN STEVEN STEINKE TOWN OF FAIRBANKS TOWN BOARD CHAIRMAN THOMAS TAUFERNER TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR #1 ANITA KERNEN TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR #2 STEVE PREY TOWN CLERK JENNIFER DZIOBA TOWN TREASURER SUSAN G. 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MEVERDEN TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR - VOTE FOR 2 DAVID TUMA BRENT COPAS DANIEL WOLF SHAWN WILLIAMS TOWN CLERK JANICE FISCHER TOWN TREASURER PAMELA MCAULY TOWN OF LESSOR TOWN BOARD CHAIRMAN DAVID OWEN TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR #1 CRAIG REKOSKE TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR #2 DAROLD MOELLER TOWN CLERK ALEXIS OLSON TOWN TREASURER LISA CLAUSS TOWN OF MAPLE GROVE TOWN BOARD CHAIRMAN RANDY HOLEWINSKI TOWN BOARD SUPERVISORS – VOTE FOR 2 RON MAROSZEK ALAN LEIDEL TOWN CLERK KATHY LUEBKE TOWN TREASURER STEVEN HOLEWINSKI TOWN OF MORRIS TOWN BOARD CHAIRMAN KURT KLINNER TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR #1 DALE C. CLARK TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR #2 LLOYD GUTT TOWN OF NAVARINO TOWN BOARD CHAIRMAN LLOYD ALLEN TYLER ANVELINK TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR VOTE FOR 2 DENNIS BOHM TYLER AVELINK STEVEN SCHINKE LLOYD ALLEN	TOWN OF PELLA TOWN BOARD CHAIRMAN GARY THOMACK TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR #1 KENNETH GENSKOW TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR #2 SEAN M. SHUMAKER DUANE BUETTNER TOWN OF RED SPRINGS TOWN BOARD CHAIRMAN LONNIE L. SCHREIBER TOWN BOARD SUPERVISORS – VOTE FOR 2 GARY OLSEN JENNIFER MORRIS TOWN CLERK GWEN OLSEN TOWN TREASURER JACKIE SCHMIDT TOWN OF RICHMOND TOWN BOARD CHAIRMAN STEVEN GUETHS TOWN BOARD SUPERVISORS – VOTE FOR 2 KEN DAMVELD MATT HIEPTAS TOWN TREASURER NOELLE BUETTNER CONSTABLE STEVEN DAMVELD TOWN OF SENECA TOWN BOARD CHAIRMAN CAROLYN MARIE JOLILTZ TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR #1 MICHAEL J. TRINKO TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR #2 HARVEY G. STEFL TOWN CLERK R. RAYMOND RIGSBY TOWN TREASURER SHERRY A. VOELZ TOWN OF WASHINGTON TOWN BOARD CHAIRMAN DAVID KORTH TOWN BOARD SUPERVISORS – VOTE FOR 2 PAUL D. GAGNOW JESSE J. BAHR CONSTABLE CHARLEY FRITSCH TOWN OF WAUKECHON TOWN BOARD CHAIRMAN JAY VOMASTIC TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR #1 MATTHEW M. KOEHLER TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR #2 DOUGLAS BEYER TOWN OF WESCOTT TOWN BOARD CHAIRMAN BRIAN K. MOESCH TOWN BOARD MICHAEL STUPECKY TOWN BOARD MARLENE D. 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LEMEROND KAREN SMITH HOUSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT OF TIGERTON SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER JEREMY ERDMANN SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER ANDREW TILLER SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WITT-BIRN- SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER CHRISTOPHER PIETZ SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER CHUCK WENDLER SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER ADAM KARCZ STATE REFERENDUM QUESTION QUESTION 1: "Photographic identi- fication for voting. Shall section 1m of article III of the constitution be created to require that voters present valid photographic identification verifying their identity in order to vote in any election, subject to exceptions which may be established by law?" WNAXLP
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03/28/2025

PUBLIC NOTICE

The public review period for the Aquatic Plant Management Plan for Long Lake is from March 28 – April 18. If you would like to review the plan during this period, a copy is available by emailing sarahatteli97@gmail.com or calling 715-299-4604 to request an electronic version (PDF) of the document during the review period.

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03/28, 04/04/2025

NOTICE OF ELECTION OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS
(s. 120.06(8)(c), Wis. Stats.)

NOTICE is hereby given to the qualified electors of the Menominee Indian School District that on Tuesday, April 1, 2025, the spring election of school board members will be held. Electors will vote in their regular polling places. Polls will be open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m.

Residents of Keshena & South Branch will vote at the Menominee County Courthouse, Keshena. Residents of Middle Village Area will vote at the Town Hall, Town of Red Springs. Residents of Neopit and Zoar will vote at the Neopit Fire Station, Neopit.

Electors will vote for no more than one candidate that is registered in their area. The result of the spring election will be the candidate that receives the most votes. The candidate will hold a 3 year term as school board member.

Keshena At Large:

Carrie Waukau-Grignon

McKaylin Peters

Keshena Area:

Leah Pamonicutt

Regina Washinawatok

Neopit Area:

Terry Waupekenay

Signed:
Christie Isom
MISD Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent & Board of Education

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03/28/2025

Notice of Referendum Election

APRIL 1, 2025

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that at an election to be held in the several towns, villages, wards, and election districts of the State of Wisconsin, on Tuesday, April 1, 2025, the following question will be submitted to a vote of the people pursuant to law:

2025 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 2

To create

 section 1m of article III of the constitution; **relating to:** requiring photographic identification to vote in any election (second consideration).

Whereas, the 2023 legislature in regular session considered a proposed amendment to the constitution in 2023 Senate Joint Resolution 73, which became 2023 Enrolled Joint Resolution 9, and agreed to it by a majority of the members elected to each of the two houses, which proposed amendment reads as follows:

SECTION 1.

 Section 1m of article III of the constitution is created to read:

[Article III]

 Section 1m (1) No qualified elector may cast a ballot in any election unless the elector presents valid photographic identification that verifies the elector's identity and that is issued by this state, the federal government, a federally recognized American Indian tribe or band in this state, or a college or university in this state. The legislature shall by law establish acceptable forms of photographic identification, and the legislature may by law establish exceptions to the requirement under this subsection.

(2) A qualified elector who is unable to present valid photographic identification on election day shall be permitted to cast a provisional ballot. A provisional ballot may not be counted unless the elector presents valid photographic identification at a later time and place as provided by the legislature by law.

SECTION 2. Numbering of new provision.

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

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That

 the foregoing proposed amendment to the constitution is agreed to by the 2025 legislature; and, be it further **Resolved, That** the foregoing proposed amendment to the constitution be submitted to a vote of the people at the election to be held on the first Tuesday of April 2025; and, be it further **Resolved, That** the questions concerning ratification of the foregoing proposed amendment to the constitution be stated on the ballot as follows:

QUESTION 1: "Photographic identification for voting.

 Shall section 1m of article III of the constitution be created to require that voters present valid photographic identification verifying their identity in order to vote in any election, subject to exceptions which may be established by law?"

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT AS TO THE QUESTION

The Wisconsin Constitution provides that "[o]nly a United States citizen age 18 or older who is a resident of an election district in this state is a qualified elector of that district who may vote in an election for national, state, or local office or at a statewide or local referendum." Wis. Const. art. III, § 2. The referendum question would add a new provision to Wis. Const. art. III to require that voters present valid photographic identification to exercise their rights as electors.

The proposed constitutional text would provide that acceptable photographic identification must be "issued by this state, the federal government, a federally recognized American Indian tribe or band in this state, or a college or university in this state." The proposal therefore would exclude identification such as out-of-state driver's licenses and tribal identification issued by non-Wisconsin tribes.

The proposal would allow, but not require, the legislature to create exceptions to the identification requirement. Courts have held that some exceptions are required by the U.S. Constitution. The proposal would also prevent future legislatures from repealing statutory photographic identification requirements altogether.

A "yes" vote would vote to create a new article III, section 1m of the Wisconsin Constitution to require voters to present "valid photographic identification" in order to vote.

A "no" vote would vote not to create the new constitutional provision.

DONE

 in the City of Shawano of Shawano County,

This 28th day of March, 2025.

Kara Skarlupka – Shawano County Clerk

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PUBLIC RECORD

SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

March 23

Officers responded to 14 incidents, including a repossession on South Andrews Street; trespassing on South Maiden Lane; one 911 call; one welfare check; one crash.

March 22

Officers responded to 12 incidents, including harassment on East Lieg Avenue; property theft at the Shawano Police Department, 125 S. Sawyer St.; found property at Scrub a Dub, 1272 E. Green Bay St.; assisting the fire department on South Lincoln Street; fight in progress on Acorn Street; robbery on Waukechon Street; one reckless driving incident; one welfare check.

March 21

Officers responded to 27 incidents, including truancy at Shawano Community Middle School, 1050 S. Union St.; property theft on East Richmond Street; scam on South Andrews Street; attempted suicide at an undisclosed location; noise on South Sawyer Street; two welfare checks; two crashes.

March 20

Officers responded to 23 incidents, including drug offenses at an undisclosed location; threatening at an undisclosed location; tobacco problem at Shawano Community Middle School, 1050 S. Union St.; warrant arrest on South Sawyer Street; operating without a license on East Richmond Street; warrant arrest on North Main Street; three welfare checks; one crash.

March 19

Officers responded to 21 incidents, including found property at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; vandalism on South Lincoln Street; trespassing on South Lincoln Street; operating while intoxicated on East Richmond Street; three 911 calls; one traffic hazard; three welfare checks; one crash.

March 18

Officers responded to 21 incidents, including a warrant arrest on South Sawyer Street; noise on East Fifth Street; probation violation at Family Dollar, 413 S. Main St.; warrant attempt on East Richmond Street; truancy at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; harassment at Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B; overdose on West Third Street; one 911 call; two welfare checks.

March 17

Officers responded to 29 incidents, including interfering with police on West Richmond Street; shoplifting at Charlie's County Market, 521 S. Main St.; vehicle theft at the Shawano Police Department, 125 S. Sawyer St.; threatening on Pearl Avenue; threatening on North Airport Drive; trespassing at Sharona's Bar, 111 S. Washington St.; harassment on Madison Way; two 911 calls; six welfare checks; one crash with a pedestrian.

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

March 23

Deputies responded to 37 incidents, including noise on South Warrington Avenue in Cecil; animal bite on Maple Street in Birnamwood; threatening on County Road P in the Town of Germania; two 911 calls; 23 crashes, one involving deer.

March 22

Deputies responded to 20 incidents, including a failure to report to jail at the Huber Work Release Center, 1240 Engel Drive, Shawano; operating while intoxicated on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; noise on County Road M in the Town of Grant; counterfeit at the Shawano County Jail, 405 N. Main St., Shawano; two 911 calls; one reckless driving incident; two welfare checks.

March 21

Deputies responded to 21 incidents, including an animal problem on County Road D in the Town of Hutchins; two animal problem calls on state Highway 29 in the Town of Herman; one 911 call; one reckless driving incident; one traffic hazard; two welfare checks; three crashes, one involving deer.

March 20

Deputies responded to 42 incidents, including harassment on South Harrison Street in Wittenberg; scam in Emery Ansonge Road in the Town of Washington; fight in progress at the Shawano County Jail, 405 N. Main St., Shawano; assault at the Shawano County Jail, 405 N. Main St., Shawano; one 911 call; four reckless driving incidents; four traffic hazards; three welfare checks; seven crashes.

March 19

Deputies responded to 55 incidents, including trespassing on Fourth Street; three 911 calls; three traffic hazards; three welfare checks; 31 crashes.

March 18

Deputies responded to 27 incidents, including illegal burning on County Road Y in the Town of Belle Plaine; threatening at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main St., Shawano; warrant attempt on Murphys Road in the Town of Bartelme; operating without a license on state Highway 29 in the Town of Seneca; operating without a license on state Highway 117 in Bonduel; three reckless driving incidents; five welfare checks; one crash.

March 17

Deputies responded to 26 incidents, including a weight restriction violation on County Road E in the Town of Green Valley; warrant on state Highway 47 in the Town of Lessor; assisting the fire department on Roosevelt Road in the Town of Seneca; five 911 calls; one reckless driving incident; one welfare check.

COURT NEWS

Landan L. Kroening, 24, Bowler, pleaded no contest March 17 to a misdemeanor charge of disorderly conduct. A related felony charge was dismissed but read into the record in a plea agreement. Judge William Kussel Jr. withheld sentencing and placed him on two years of probation with conditions.

A jury found Andrew R. Piotrowski, 24, Bowler, guilty Jan. 28 of misdemeanor charges of disorderly conduct, resisting or obstructing an officer and three misdemeanor counts of bail jumping. He was found not guilty of two related felony counts. Kussel levied fines and sentenced him to 120 days in county jail.

Paul C. Malone, 37, Bowler, pleaded no contest March 18 to three counts of battery or threat to a law officer and three counts of felony bail jumping. Judge Katherine Sloma imposed and stayed a prison sentence, then placed him on three years of probation with conditions.

Ryan A. Faborito, 42, Shawano, was charged March 17 with fleeing an officer in his vehicle. Sloma set a \$5,000 signature bond and scheduled a status conference for April 22.

Wade A. Waupoose, 59, Shawano, was charged March 17 with battery or threat to a law officer and misdemeanor counts of resisting or obstructing an officer, battery, criminal damage to property and disorderly conduct. Sloma set a \$5,000 signature bond and scheduled a status conference for May 6.

Andres Garcia, 30, Shawano, was charged March 17 with possession of THC (second or subsequent offense) and a misdemeanor count of bail jumping. Sloma set a \$1,000 signature bond and scheduled a status conference for May 13.

Bruce J. Teetzen, 26, Seymour, was charged March 17 with taking and driving a vehicle without consent, three counts of first-degree recklessly endangering safety and a misdemeanor count of hit-and-run. Sloma set a \$10,000 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for April 15. On March 19, Teetzen was further charged with hit-and-run involving injury, four counts of first-degree recklessly endangering safety, and misdemeanor counts of hit-and-run and reckless driving causing bodily harm. Sloma set a \$25,000 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for April 15.

Calvin K. Ossman, 37, Shawano, was charged March 19 with felony bail jumping and a misdemeanor count of retail theft. Sloma set a \$100 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for April 16.

Leila C. Vele, 33, Bowler, was charged March 19 with felony bail jumping and a misdemeanor count of disorderly conduct. Sloma set a \$500 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for April 1.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Doctor urges support of Medicaid funding

To the editor:

As a family physician, I am deeply concerned about potential changes to Medicaid funding and coverage. Medicaid is a lifeline to affordable, accessible health care for millions of low-income individuals and families, including many of my patients.

I work at the Menominee Tribal Clinic, an IHS supported but independently-run Native-owned clinic by the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin. Most of our patients qualify for and have Medicaid (BadgerCare or Forward Health) insurance for their health care needs, including working families, pregnant women and most of our pediatric population. If the Medicaid budget is slashed, my patients — and my entire clinic — will be devastatingly affected.

Regarding health outcomes, Native patients are already marginalized. The Menominee Reservation and County is our state's poorest with the worst state health outcomes (number 72 of 72 counties) for the past two decades. Nationally, a Native person's life expectancy is nearly one decade less than a white person's. In Wisconsin, Native patients' maternal morbidity and mortality is two and a half times higher than a white pregnant patient's. As a member of Wisconsin's Maternal Mortality Review Team, we discuss these disparities at nearly every meeting. Unfortunately, those disparities will only widen with removing their access to health care.

Again, cutting Medicaid is not a viable option. We are talking about people's health and literally their lives. Cuts would hurt Wisconsinites in every corner of our state — urban and rural, Republican and Democrat, young and old.

College, school district strengthen commitment to student success

The College of Menominee Nation and the Menominee Indian School District signed a memorandum of understanding signaling their dedication to providing greater opportunities for their students and strengthening the Menominee community.

The two organizations share many common values and concerns about the long-term success of the Menominee community. Their memorandum of understanding aims to provide a mechanism for the school district and the college to develop a partnership in education that builds a community for the future.

Local hospitals could close. Seniors could be evicted from nursing homes. Children with disabilities could be put on wait lists for lifesaving services.

Please reach out to your representatives and urge them to protect Medicaid funding.

Dr. Heather Nennig, Shawano

Former judge urges voting for Schimel

To the editor:

I support Circuit Court Judge Brad Schimel in the Wisconsin Supreme Court race.

When I served locally in the circuit court, Attorney General Schimel provided assistance to our district attorney office on more than one case that was complex.

I believe that Judge Schimel interprets the law,

believing that the legislature decided public policy issues. It appears that his opponent has little qualms about substituting her opinion of what the law should be, called judicial activism. Her California fundraiser stressed redrawing congressional district boundaries, which were designed to be done once each decade, following the census. We are now near the middle of this decade.

Despite the thrust of multiple 30-second television ads, the Supreme Court does not sentence criminals and seldom if ever should substitute its judgement where a local judge considers the many factors that fit into a logical penalty. I believe that Judge Schimel is more likely to take that approach.

While Judge Schimel has a prosecution history, he has been handling civil matters on his current court docket and has a well-rounded background. Dane County judges like his opponent only handle one area of the law, unlike circuit court judges outside the major metropolitan courts.

Please vote for Judge Schimel on or before April 1.

James R. Habeck, Shawano

Don't let billionaires win; vote for Crawford

To the editor:

Our state's future will be determined when we elect a new justice for the Wisconsin Supreme Court on April 1.

Judge Susan Crawford has an outstanding record;

however, she has been the victim of multiple lies by her opponent, Brad Schimel, and his benefactor, Elon Musk. Ads have accused her of being easy on crime despite her record of putting violent criminals behind bars. Musk and his pals have spent millions running fake pro-Crawford ads linking her to extreme positions that are not hers.

In contrast to Judge Crawford's concern for women's health, Schimel led efforts to repeal the Affordable Care Act and supports the 1849 law banning abortion. He was partly responsible for costing taxpayers \$1.6 million over an unconstitutional abortion restriction law. Additionally, he gave a plea deal to a criminal after getting

\$5,500 from his lawyer. When Schimel was elected attorney general in 2015, there were 6,000 sexual assault kits, also known as rape kits, that had not been DNA tested. Over the next two years, his Department of Justice had only tested nine kits. For the victims, this justice delayed was justice denied.

As a prosecutor, private-practice attorney, and now as a judge, Susan Crawford has always believed in protecting the basic rights amid freedom of Wisconsinites. She has been endorsed by 178 Wisconsin judges and by various unions.

Don't let billionaires buy our elections and sabotage our state. Vote for Susan Crawford.

Patricia Merckes, Bowler

Legals
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03/21/25, 03/28/25
Board of Adjustment - Public Hearing
Notice Meeting & Agenda
Thursday, April 10, 2025 @ 9:00 AM
Shawano County Courthouse, Rooms A & B
311 N Main St., Shawano, WI
Members: Alan Beyer, Bill Bowers, John Stezenski, Thomas Tauffer, Gary Thomack
Alternates: 1st Robert Krause, 2nd David Korth
V-1-25: Scott A and Deborah L Parson requests an after the fact variance for the purpose of keeping 2 pillars, a 19" wide block wall wrapping around a 18' wide x 8' deep half circle for approximately 190 square feet of impervious surface to remain located within 4.5 feet of the ordinary high water mark of the Wolf River where 75 feet is required pursuant to the Shawano County Shoreland Wetland Zoning Ordinance No. 6-16, Section 6.2. Property is located and described as Lot 6 of Block 3 of Upper Wolf Plains, located in Section 13 & 24, T27N R15E. Parcel #040-80100-0440. Town of Richmond. Property address: N5938 Wolf River Road.
V-2-25: Alvin Bartz, agent for the Town of Belle Plaine, requests a variance to construct a compliant American with Disabilities Act (ADA) crushed limestone walking path from the wetland boardwalk to the existing boat landing, proposed to be 1,030 feet long, 6 feet wide, and where the closest point is to be located 4 feet from the ordinary high water mark of Pine Lake where 75 feet is required, and also a 6 foot wide by 75 foot long section leading to the existing boat dock, pursuant to the Shawano County Shoreland Wetland Zoning Ordinance No. 6-16, Section 6.2. Property is located and described as part of Government Lot 2, except plats and except part sold and except part described in Document #754914 and further described in Document #617806, located in Section 34, T26N R15E. Tax parcel #010-34220-0000. Town of Belle Plaine. Currently vacant land.
V-3-25: Thomas A Springstroh requests a variance to construct a single family dwelling to be 620 feet from the centerline of Miller Road in the OAR, Open Lands, Agriculture and Residential Zoning District, where the maximum allowed setback between principal residential structure and public road right of way centerline is 323 feet, pursuant to the Shawano County Zoning Ordinance No. 7-14, Table X.2.03A: Dimensional, Yard and Other Development Regulations, Working Lands and Open Space Zoning Districts. Property is located and described as the NE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 2, T26N R11E. Tax parcel #018-02210-0000. Town of Germania. Property address: N4824 Miller Road.
Any interested person may address the Board of Adjustment by letter or appear in person or by agent and be heard at the public hearing. Written correspondence must bear a legible signature of the author as well as the primary address of the signer.
The Board of Adjustment will be meeting after the public hearing to deliberate and take possible action on the following items:
1. Public hearing decisions
V-1-25: Scott A and Deborah L Parson
V-2-25: Alvin Bartz, agent for Town of Belle Plaine
V-3-25: Thomas A Springstroh
2. Approval of minutes from previous meeting.
10-10-24 Public Hearing and Meeting Minutes
3. Board member comments or new business to be considered at a future meeting.
4. Correspondence.
5. Set next public hearing date.
6. Adjournment.
Accommodations due to disability can be made by calling: 715-526-6766
Meeting notice emailed/posted: Shawano County Courthouse, Department of Human Services, Shawano County Library, Shawano Leader, WTCH Radio, Shawano County Civic website @coshawanowi.civicweb.net
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IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE
Amber Lynn Fuller
By Amber Lynn Fuller
NOTICE and ORDER for Name Change Hearing case No. 2025cv000040
NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Amber Lynn Fuller
To: Amber Lynn Phillips
Birth Certificate: Amber Lynn Phillips
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 April 16, 2025 BR1 08:30 a.m. If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-526- 9347 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.
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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY
COVANTAGE CREDIT UNION
PO BOX 107
ANTIGO, WI 54409
Plaintiff,
vs.
JAMES A. HEWITT
N6005 LAKE DRIVE
SHAWANO, WI 54166
Defendant.
PUBLICATION SUMMONSCASE NO. 25-CV-25
HON. KATHERINE SLOMA
Money Judgment: 30301 The amount claimed exceeds \$10,000.00
Other Contracts 30303:
Wis. Stat. §810 Replevin
THE STATE OF WISCONSIN,
To each person named above as a defendant:
You are hereby notified that the plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you.
The Complaint, which is attached, states the nature and basis of the legal action. Within **40 days** after the date of first publication, you must respond with a written answer, as that term is used in Chapter 802 of the Wisconsin Statutes, to the Complaint. The Court may reject or disregard an answer that does not follow the requirements of the statutes. The answer must be sent or delivered to the Court, whose address is Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, WI 54166, and to Galanis, Pollack, Jacobs & Johnson, S.C., plaintiff's attorneys, 413 North 2nd Street, Suite 150, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203. You may have an attorney help or represent you.
If you do not provide a proper answer within **40 days**, the Court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.
DATED at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on February 27, 2025.
GALANIS, POLLACK, JACOBS & JOHNSON, SC
Attorneys for Plaintiff
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STATE OF WISCONSIN COURT, SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Ruth M. Russell
DOD 08/14/2023.
Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No. 24 PR 77
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 10/23/1941 and date of death 08/14/2023, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 321 East Richmond Street Shawano, WI 54166
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is [Date]
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Office.
Form completed by: James E. Aschenbrenner P.O. Box 146, Shawano, WI 54166, USA 715 524 6258 Bar Number: 1008896
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IN THE MATTER OF THE MARGERY A. BLEICK REVOCABLE TRUST OF 1994
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Margery A. Bleick, whose date of birth was February 24, 1932, died domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, on February 17, 2025. Her post office address was W1902 Holy Hill Road, Cecil, WI 54111. Pursuant to section 701.0508 Wis. Stats., James A. Bleick and Mary A. Kupersmith, Co- Trustees of the Margery A. Bleick Revocable Trust of 1994 (the "Trust"), with the power to pay the debts of Margery A. Bleick, hereby provide notice that all claims against Margery A. Bleick or the Trust for payment of the debts of Margery A. Bleick must be filed with the person listed below WITHIN FOUR (4) MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE, or be barred.
The address for filing claims is:
Margery A. Bleick
Revocable Trust of 1994
c/o Amalia Todryk, Esq.
Quarles & Brady LLP
411 E. Wisconsin Avenue Suite 2400
Milwaukee, WI 53202-4428
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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF
James William Wickman
By James William Wickman
NOTICE and ORDER for Name Change Hearing case No. 25cv44
NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: James William Wickman
To: James Robert Bauer
Birth Certificate: James William Wickman
IT IS ORDERED:
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County State of Wisconsin. Judge's name: Judge Katherine Sloma 311 N Main St Shawano WI 04/28/2025 9:45 a.m. If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-526- 9347 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.
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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SYLVIA CAROL ADAMSKI
Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No. 25-PR-07
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 03/07/1937 and date of death 11/06/2024, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N1218 Maple Rd., Pulaski, WI 54162
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is [Date]
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room Form completed by Wm. J. Vande Castle VANDE CASTLE, S.C. 303 S. Jefferson St Green Bay, WI 54301 (920) 822-8232 Bar Number 1016919
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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF FRANCES E. VOIGHT
Amended
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 25 PR 13
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 11/18/1950 and date of death 11/09/2024, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 111 S. Smalley St. Shawano, WI 54166.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is [Date] June 14, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main St. Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate office
Atty. David L. Forsythe
PO Box 215
Iola, WI 54945
(715)445-2511
Bar Number 1012182
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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF
Alexis Jane Hayburn
By Alexis Jane Hayburn
NOTICE and ORDER for Name Change Hearing case No. 25cv45
NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Alexis Jane Hayburn
To: Alexis Jane Stutleen
Birth Certificate: Alexis Jane Hayburn
IT IS ORDERED:
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County State of Wisconsin. Judge's name: Judge Katherine Sloma 311 N Main St Shawano WI 04/16/2025 8:45 a.m. If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-526- 9347 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.
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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
David A. Eckardt
2/5/2025
Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No. 25 PR 09
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 2/27/1969 and date of death 2/5/2025, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N6098 Cty J, Tigerton, WI 54486
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is June 20, 2025
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Office
Keith A. Steckbauer
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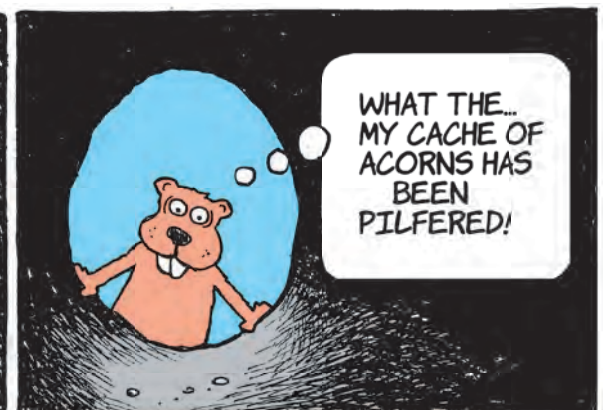
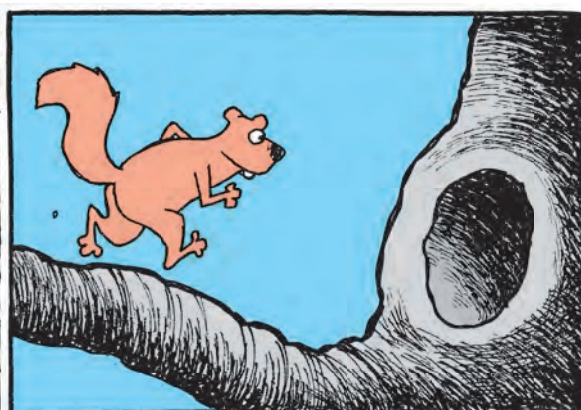
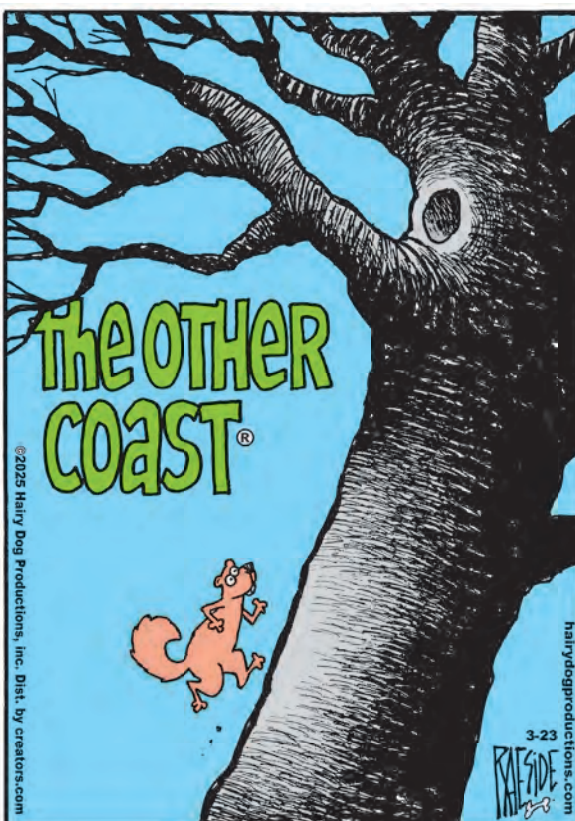
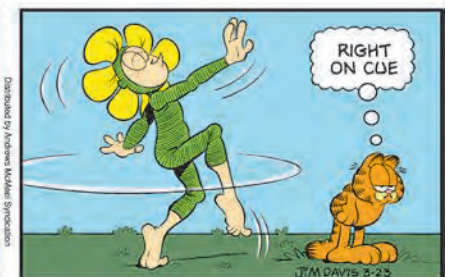
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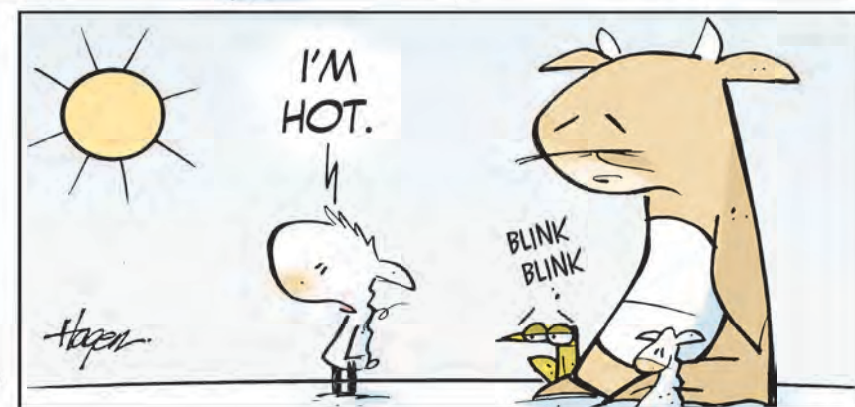
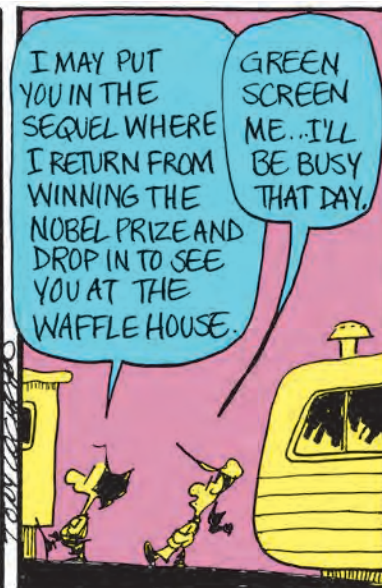
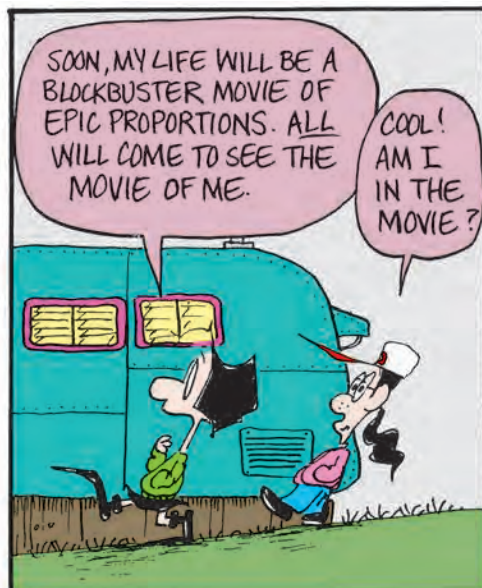
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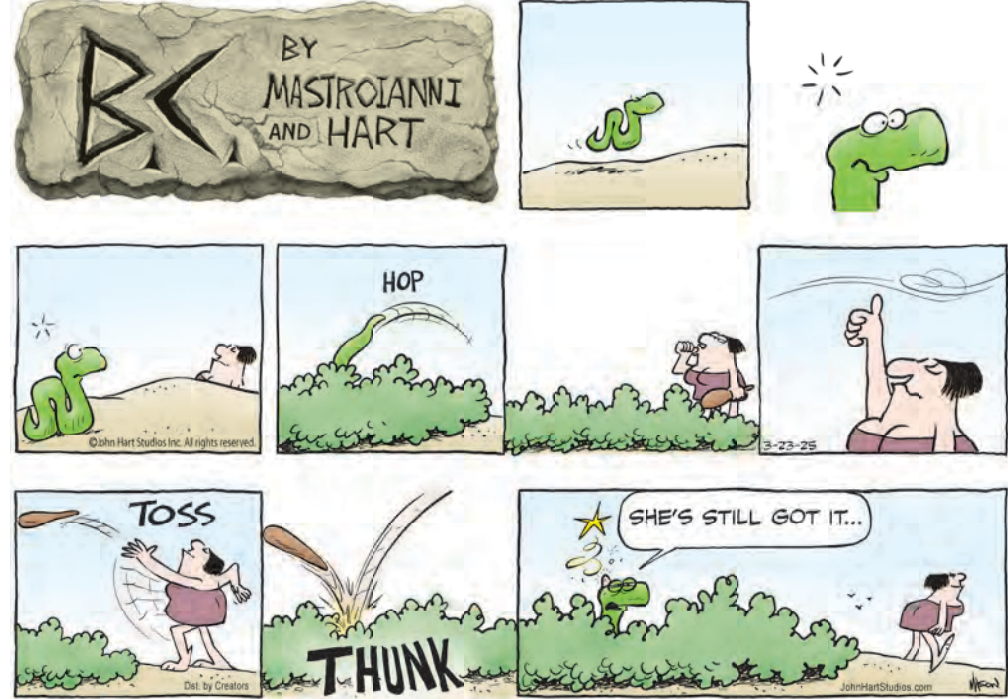
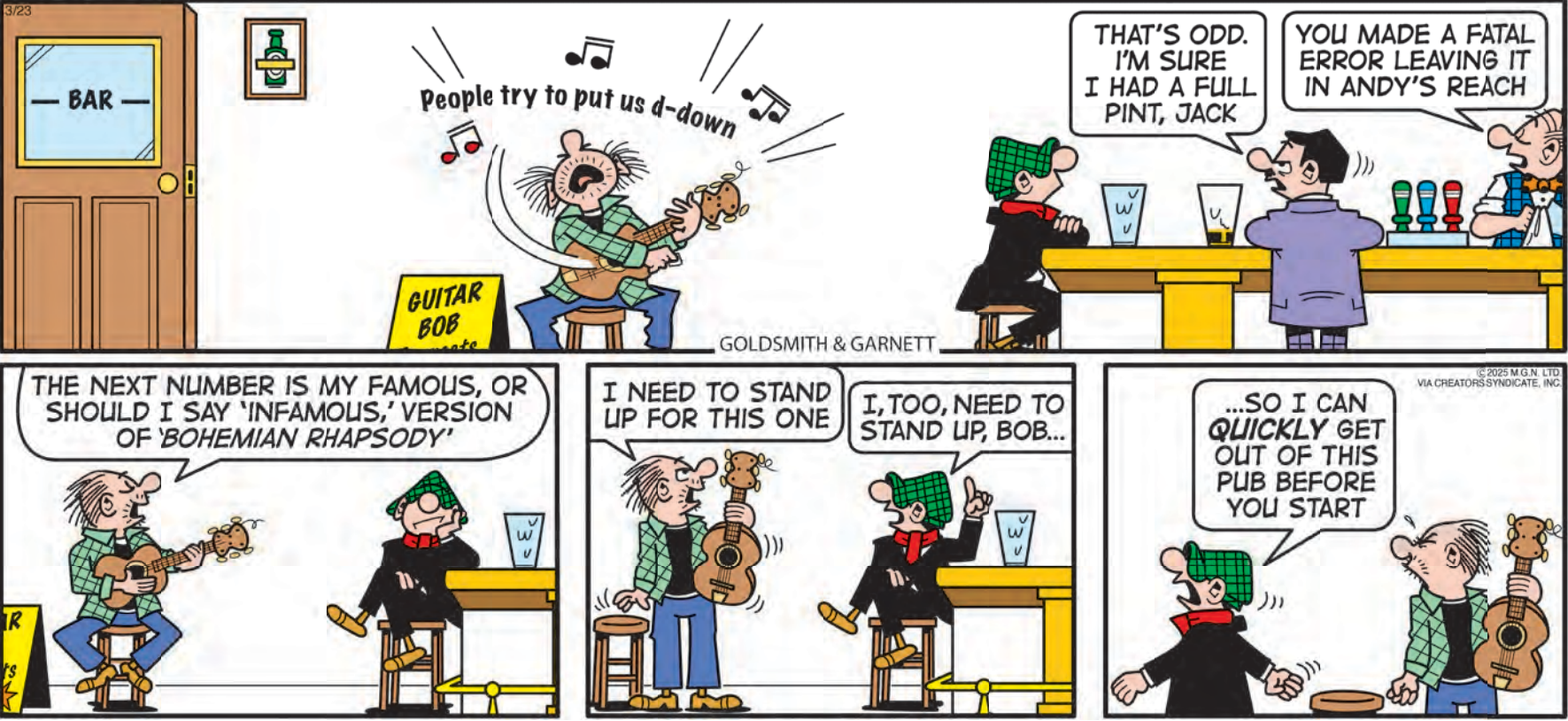
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