

Solar farms, data centers take center stage in Pella

Packed town hall includes many who want to keep facilities out

By LEE PULASKI City Editor

Many communities are concerned about either solar farms or data centers destroying their pristine country lifestyle. In the Town of Pella, residents are worried about both of them at the same time. They packed Pella Town Hall for an information meeting May 12 – even resulting in some latecomers standing out in the rain with umbrellas so they could still hear the presentation about the threats that both provide. There is a company, Nexamp, based in Boston and Chicago, that is interested in using land in the Town of Pella for a solar farm, according to town officials.

Current town ordinances and zoning do not address solar or data projects, as many policies date back to 1994. Shawano County is looking at establishing a moratorium on data centers in its boundaries, but because the Town of Pella has its own zoning system that’s not controlled by the county, it has to establish its own moratorium if it wants to slow down future development efforts. Solar farms are a different story. According to Town of Pella resident Kerrie Marquardt, who led the presentation on the issues, any kind of solar project involving rooftops or something with a maximum of 100 megawatts is under

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Kerrie Marquardt, of the Town of Pella, points to recommendations for the community to keep solar farms and data centers out during an informational meeting May 12 at Pella Town Hall. More than 100 people packed the meeting room, while others peered in through the windows with umbrellas deterring the rain falling outside so they could hear about proposals taking place in the town.

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Graduates continue to file into the gymnasium for the Shawano Community High School graduation commencement May 15. LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA

SCHS grads receive diplomas

By LEE PULASKI City Editor

One door closed May 15 for about 160 graduates at Shawano Community High School’s 146th commencement ceremony, but those who spoke at the ceremony issued reminders that another door is opening to lead them to the rest of their lives. For co-valedictorian Teagan Powers, her hard work came from the backs of the women who came before, and that her achievements did not come only because of her dedication to studying. She said she believes a whole generation of women is cheering, and the mission of feminism made it possible for her to speak at graduation, even as women are treated by some as second class. “Even as a valedictorian, I cannot tell you how many times I’ve been overlooked, how many times my opinions and ideas had gone unheard,” Powers said. “As a successful woman, I cannot tell you how many times others have tried to discredit me by saying I do not deserve to be where I am. Well, none of those people get the opportunity to speak before you today.”

Co-valedictorian Anna Dreier reminded her classmates that high school was filled with ups and downs, citing

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About 160 graduates from Shawano Community High School’s class of 2026 toss their caps into the air to celebrate their graduation at the end of the commencement ceremony. LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA

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Co-valedictorian Teagan Powers talks about the fight to be the best in a world where women are often looked down on during her commencement address May 15 at Shawano Community High School.
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examples like talking with friends, what to wear to dances and stressing over tests. However, the next chapter of life is going to shake things up, she said. “It means something else is beginning,” Dreier said. “If anything, look at it like a door that goes into a room of opportunities – opportunities we might not even see yet. The same goes for situations that didn’t go as we planned. Whether it’s a rejection, a referral or not making a team, those times were just told no. Those times can feel like a dead end. However, the

most important thing to remember is that ‘no’ does not mean you’re not beautiful. It never means that you’re not good enough.” Looking at future opportunities as auditions can help to make it easier to navigate through life, a music teacher once told co-valedictorian Claire Weiland. While auditions can often feel terrifying for students involved with music or theater, they’re also a chance to take big steps forward. “As we continue with the rest of our lives, we will all have different opportunities, and yes, some

will pass us by, but the most important ones are the opportunities that you reach for and work your hardest to grab a hold of,” Weiland said. “Every time you step into your audition, whether it’s a job interview, a new friendship, a first date or even a regular day, you don’t know who is watching or how it will turn out. All you can do is put your best foot forward and show them who you are.” Co-valedictorian Andrew Hansen believes high school has given him and the others in the class of 2026 the ability to adapt

when life throws them a surprise. Not everything is guaranteed, he said, and even when someone takes the best path, it does not mean it will always be an easy one. “As we leave high school, none of us truly know where life will take us,” Hansen said. “We can plan for certain outcomes, but life rarely unfolds the way we expected. If life leads you down an unexpected path, you have the courage to continue on and make the most of it, because who knows? Maybe taking the path you weren’t planning on might

be one of the best decisions you ever made.” Superintendent Kurt Krizan told graduates about buffaloes trying to escape a terrible storm and how, at one point, one buffalo decides to turn into the storm, and the others follow. To him, that’s the definition of leadership – deciding in uncertain moments. “When one person turns, it gives others permission to do the same,” Krizan said. “Courage is contagious. So is action, and so is leadership.”

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the purview of the town. Larger projects, however, get decided by the Wisconsin Public Service Commission, which could leave the town helpless to keep them out. “We have no say,” Marquardt said. There were two potential solar farm projects that were vying for space in the Town of Belle Plaine, but neither one went through. The first one, which expressed interest in 2021 for up to 500 acres of the 630-acre county farm, was pitched by Geronimo Power, formerly known as National Grid Renewables. It could have provided millions of dollars in revenue for the county. After that, OneEnergy asked the county for land near Rose Brook Road and state Highway 22, but it was determined the revenue to the county would be minimal. Marquardt said she spoke with the new chairperson in the Town of

Morgan in Oconto County about the solar farm project there, which had been in the works for five years without town residents realizing. The former chairperson and one of the town board members worked with NextEra to bring the Fox Solar Project for a 100-megawatt solar farm and 50-megawatt battery facility to almost 650 acres of land. Marquardt said she was worried something similar could happen with the Nexamp project. “We sat here for three years and didn’t realize we were being targeted,” Marquardt said. She warned that towns that have signed deals with solar farm companies were put under gag orders not to discuss details with residents, media or others who inquire. Marquardt said she could not find any consistent information on the number of solar developments in the Midwest, and she added that

acreage for solar farms is also a target for companies wanting to build data centers. Marquardt noted that solar farm companies are interested in getting their hands on farmers’ land, whatever the cost. “If they want your land, they’re going to keep upping,” she said. “This lady, for 60 acres, they were going to give her \$11 million across 30 years.” Town of Pella zoning favors land preservation, according to Marquardt, even with future plans for residential areas. Industrial areas are not in abundance, she said. “This shows we want to keep things simple and protect our agriculture, our farmland and preserve our land,” Marquardt said. “This is a good thing.” Town of Pella farmer Duane Buettner said that while he’s not in favor of solar farms and data centers coming into the community, he could see why

farmers would be in favor of selling their land in these tough times for them to make a living. “Someone comes along and offers me \$15 million for X amount of acres – there’s no money in farming,” Buettner said. “I know we want to protect that, but everybody wants cheap food, and the farmer wants money, too.” Buettner was in the minority, though, as many speakers wanted solutions to keep solar and data companies from gaining a foothold in the community. Gracie Waukechon, a Bondel resident and environmental activist, noted that large-scale data centers can use millions of gallons of water daily to cool servers, putting the Town of Pella at risk of losing available water for residents. “I’m no farmer, but I know that our dairy cattle requires a lot of water, and I would rather that our water go to supporting our farmers,” Waukechon said.

“We need to make sure that our ethics are keeping up with our technological advancement.” She added that artificial intelligence, which is part of the reason data centers are popping up, is contaminating water supplies and has been used in child sex exploitation. Also, data centers bring in people to construct them, but there are few jobs available in the community once they’re built. All Pella will get, Waukechon said, is higher energy bills and lower water supplies. Waukechon recommended that farmers put their land into trust so it can’t be sold, and that will help protect future generations. “We can fight this,” she said. Doug Blashe, a Town of Pella farmer, believes that any solar projects the town has control over should be zoned commercial instead of letting the euphemism of a solar farm keep such

development under agricultural zoning. “These people are ruthless,” Blashe said. “They say that after 25, 30 years, they’re going to come and take it all down when it’s no longer useful. Yeah, I’ve got land to sell, too, in Florida.” Jill Romberg, another Town of Pella farmer, said she has received numerous letters from various companies asking to buy the family property, and she noted other farmers in the community are in the same situation. “These companies come from all over, and they’re very vague about what they want to do with (the land),” Romberg said. “They give us examples of how much money we’re going to make, how much money they’re going to pay. Remember, nothing is for free. Just to let you know, we are not signing any of those things.”

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Serrano resigns from county board

Supervisor claims disrespect from chairman

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

Tess Serrano has resigned from the Shawano County Board of Supervisors, accusing Chairman Tom Kautza of not respecting her when she requested committee assignment for the next two years. “It’s simple really,” she said. “Tom didn’t consider my No. 1 choice for the committees assignments as we are required to do for the board.”

Kautza, now in his fourth term as chairman, said placing 27 supervisors across nearly two dozen committees is one of the most thankless jobs as board chairman. He said not everyone can get what they want. The public safety, executive, and highway and parks committees are the most requested, as most supervisors see them as the most powerful, he said. After the spring election, all supervisors file

requests for which committees they want to serve on for their term. The chairman appoints members to a committee on committees to sort through the requests and make recommendations to the chairman. Serrano has served multiple times on the public safety committee, including the past four years as chairman. She requested that committee again this year. Instead, she was assigned to the capital improvement projects committee; planning, development and zoning committee; and the joint city/county transportation advisory committee.

“I don’t think that the folks who were on the committee on committees were able to review the sheets beforehand. Only Tom was,” Serrano said. “So what was the purpose of this? He selected who he wanted, where he wanted them to serve, all on his own agenda. I’ll bet that he said he did the legwork for them to speed the meeting along.” Serrano and Kautza have often butted heads, most notably over pay raises and differential pay for corrections officers and dispatchers. Also, Serrano and Supervisor Joe Miler were each nominated in April to run against Kautza



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as board chairman. At the April 21 board meeting, Miller said he knows the rules that say the board chairman has final authority on committee assignments. “Why have a committee on committees?” he asked. “It’s my understanding based on conversations with previous supervisors that served on the committee on committees that the decisions already been made before they show up.” Serrano was

unopposed in the April election. “I’d like to thank the people who voted for me in April’s election and let them know that I appreciate the vote of confidence,” she said. “I can’t and won’t accept this treatment from anyone, especially the county board chair.” Serrano represented District 27, which includes all of the towns of Hutchins and Almon, Mattoon, and Ward 2 in Bowler. “It’s not fair,” Serrano said. “It isn’t right, and rather than sit on committees for two years that I did not choose, I resigned.”

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Behnke kicks off campaign for Assembly

Shawano
County sheriff
backs GOP
candidate

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

Election season has begun for the Wisconsin Assembly, and Rep. Elijah Behnke kicked off his mission for a fourth term in office with a campaign fundraiser May 14 at Scolly's Hometown Pub in Pulaski.

If he wins in November, it will be his second two-year term in the 6th Assembly District, which includes most of Shawano County, all of Menominee County, and Gillett and Oconto Falls in Oconto County. He is potentially facing independent and Democratic opponents, along with a possible primary in his own party.

Behnke told a crowd of about 50 people that fundraising is his least favorite job in terms of running for political office. He said he prefers focusing on providing money to the needs of his constituents.

"Whether it's talking to the county board or the sheriff about a new jail or talking to constituents who love it or hate it, that's part of the job," Behnke said.



Rep. Elijah Behnke mingles with guests May 14 at a campaign fundraiser at Scolly's Hometown Pub in Pulaski. Behnke, who is running for a fourth term in the Wisconsin Assembly, is concerned Republicans might lose the Wisconsin Senate but is hopeful Tom Tiffany will be elected governor.

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Among the work he's proud of during the most recent legislative session is a bill that updated the manufactured home licensing process and policies with the state. Behnke did this at the behest of North Country Homes in Bonduel.

Behnke noted the existing system for manufactured homes is more than 50 years old.

"One person in the bureaucracy knows what they're doing," he said. "If that person's not at work that day, things don't get

done. It's a really jammed up system."

Behnke also sponsored a bill that would have added \$1,000 from the state to the new Trump savings accounts, which are set up for children born through 2028 that could give the next generation a head start on saving up for homes and other big expenses. That bill passed the Assembly, he said, but did not get through the Senate.

"Social Security's going to be insolvent by the time I retire, so let's get our kids

in a personal, private equity fund to save up for their future," Behnke said.

He expressed frustration that more legislation didn't get signed into law, and he said he hopes that Rep. Tom Tiffany, a Republican representing the 7th Congressional District, wins the governor's race in November in the hopes that GOP priorities can prevail.

"You get these bills through to the governor's desk, and then nothing happens," Behnke said. "It's heartbreaking that

you work for six weeks or six months, and then it gets signed into law, even though it's the most common sense, basic thing."

Behnke is not convinced Republicans can hold on to both chambers this fall. He believes the Assembly will remain under GOP control albeit by a tighter margin, while the Senate has enough incumbents retiring that Democrats might be able to take charge there. That will leave who becomes governor as pivotal.

"We're the closest elected officials, besides the sheriff, to the people," Behnke said. "The Assembly is the red wall in Wisconsin. I believe the governorship is leaning Republican, not just because we've had eight years with a Democratic governor, but because the Democrats have put up the most liberal candidates in the entire state."

Behnke has the support of Shawano County Sheriff George Lenzner. Lenzner noted that most political candidates he has supported have lost, including when Dean Neubert ran four years ago to replace the retiring Gary Tauchen, but the tide turned when he supported Behnke for his first run in the 6th Assembly District two years ago.

"He was such a great family man, and I was

drawn to his character right away, so I really wanted to support him," Lenzner said.

The sheriff pointed out that he and his deputies see challenges that county residents have to deal with, whether it's public safety, maintaining businesses or even being able to keep their homes. Lenzner said it's important for leaders to understand the challenges and deal with them, and he believes Behnke rises to the challenge.

"In my role, I've had a chance to work with many elected officials. Some listen and some don't," Lenzner said.

"Assemblyman Behnke has consistently shown a tendency to listen to law enforcement. When he gave me his phone number, he answers himself. He listens to law enforcement. He listens to the small businesses in Shawano County. He listens to farmers and people who keep the community running."

Lenzner said Behnke is visible. He doesn't just go to Madison and then pop back up for election every two years, but he comes when people call.

"He's someone who shows up, and not just for a photo op but for conversations that matter," Lenzner said. "He's taken the time to understand our experiences."

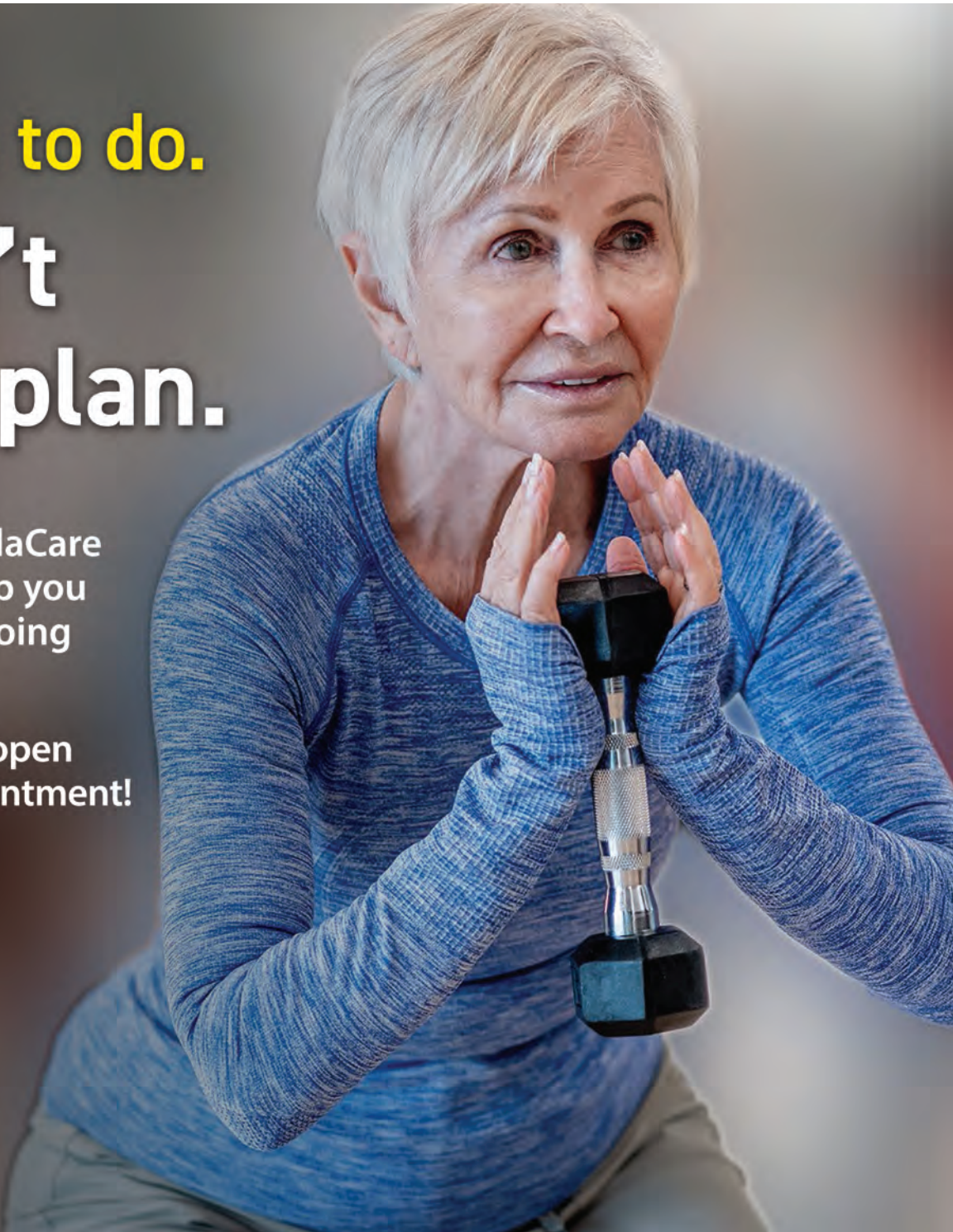
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Memorial Day parade, ceremony announced

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Members of the Shawano Allied Vets Council will hold a parade and program on Memorial Day.

The parade will step off at 9:15 a.m. from Huckleberry Harbor and march along Fifth Street to Woodlawn Cemetery.

The program will begin at 10 a.m. at the cemetery.

Dennis Bohm will be the master of ceremonies, and the Rev. Andrew Zobel, senior pastor at St. James Lutheran Church,

will offer the invocation.

Scott Fuqua, first vice commander of American Legion Post 117, will offer the Pledge of Allegiance, with the national anthem performed by Rebecca Van Buren.

St. James Lutheran School seventh graders are the main speakers.

Shawano school bands will provide a musical presentation.

Zachary Zuehsdorf, Shawano Count veterans service officer, will place the memorial wreath.

Members of AMVETS Post

10 will conduct a rifle volley, and Brent Buettner and company will play taps.

The ceremony will conclude with another musical selection by Van Buren, the benediction from Zobel and closing remarks by Bohm.

In case of rain, the program will be held inside the Shawano Ambulance Center.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Village of Bonduel will hold an organizational Joint Review Board (JRB) meeting on **Monday, June 1, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.** at the Bonduel Village Hall, located at 117 W. Green Bay Street. The purpose of this meeting is for the JRB to review the proposed project plan amendment for TIDs 2 and 3. The meeting is open to the public.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Planning Commission, of the Village of Bonduel, will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 1, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., at the Bonduel Village Hall, 117 W. Green Bay Street, Bonduel, WI regarding the proposed project plan amendment for TIDs 2 and 3 in the village.

Access meeting online via Teams, Meeting ID: 939 315 195 050 7, Passcode: AX6wG7, or by phone number 715-758-2402. Contact the Village Clerk at 715-758-2402 or villagehall@vi.bonduel.wi.gov to request accommodation or access assistance.

Village of Bonduel TID 2 is generally located North of W Slab City Rd, and South of the Mountain Bay Trail System within the village's limits.

The proposed amendments will facilitate:

- An allocation amendment – \$25,000/yr. for the next four years and \$100,000/yr. ongoing allocated to which TID 3.
- A project plan amendment – allow a contribution to a revolving loan fund for commercial rehabilitation of property in the village and allow a contribution to the Redevelopment Authority (RDA) of the Village of Bonduel.

As part of the project plan, cash grants may be made by the Village of Bonduel to owners, lessees, or developers of property within TID 2. The proposed costs include projects within the TID boundary and within a one-half mile radius of the boundary of the district.

Village of Bonduel TID 3 is 19 acres located in downtown Bonduel, running through E Green Bay Street & S Cecil Street – south of State Street and east of First Street, within the village's limits.

The proposed amendments will facilitate:

- Allocation amendment – a contribution of \$25,000/yr. for the next four years and \$100,000/yr. ongoing allocated from TID 2 to TID 3.
- Project plan amendment – allow a contribution to a revolving loan fund for commercial rehabilitation of property in the village and allow a contribution to the Redevelopment Authority (RDA) of the Village of Bonduel.

As part of the project plan, cash grants may be made by the Village of Bonduel to owners, lessees, or developers of property within TID 3. The proposed costs include projects within the TID boundary and within a one-half mile radius of the boundary of the district.

At the public hearing, all persons will be afforded a reasonable opportunity to be heard concerning the proposed project plan. Copies of the TID 2 and 3 amended project plans are available for inspection and will be provided upon request. Arrangements for either inspection or receipt of a copy of the project plan may be made by contacting the village clerk, 117 W. Green Bay Street, Bonduel, WI; phone 715-758-2402.

Dated this 15th day of May 2026

Michelle Maroszek
Clerk
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SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

May 17

Deputies responded to 25 incidents, including harassment on Curt Black Road in the Town of Wescott; aircraft hit with laser five miles north of Shawano Municipal Airport, 204 N. Airport Drive, Shawano; suspicious activity on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; automobile theft on Main Street in Gresham; two 911 calls; three reckless driving incidents; one traffic hazard; three welfare checks; one crash, involving deer.

May 16

Deputies responded to 39 incidents, including disorderly conduct on South Prouty Street in Wittenberg; assault at the Shawano County Jail, 405 N. Main St., Shawano; disorderly conduct on Nabor Street in the Town of Washington; five 911 calls; one reckless driving incident; one welfare check.

May 15

Deputies responded to 43 incidents, including a disturbance on Cloverleaf Lake Road in the Town of Belle Plaine; an animal bite on Now Road in the Town of Aniwa; disorderly conduct on Pioneer Road in the Town of Belle Plaine; disorderly conduct on North Airport Drive in the Town of Wescott; a disturbance on Fox Lane in the Town of Wescott; harassment on County Road Y in the Town of Belle Plaine; an animal bite on Birch Lane in the Town of Richmond; disorderly conduct at North Star Casino Resort, W12180 County Road A, Town of Bartelme; five 911 calls; five traffic hazards; three welfare checks; one crash.

May 14

Deputies responded to 40 incidents, including a vehicle fire near state Highway 29 and County Road Q in the Town of Wittenberg; a scam on Cedar Street in Tigerton; drugs at North Star Casino Resort, W12180 County Road A, Town of Bartelme; disorderly conduct at Boarders Inn, W7393 River Bend Road, Town of Belle Plaine; disorderly conduct on Spaulding Street in Tigerton; property damage on Poplar Road in the Town of Richmond; harassment on County Road T in the Town of Waukechon; trespassing at Boarders Inn, W7393 River Bend Road, Town of Belle Plaine; threatening on Opperman Way in the Town of Richmond; bail jumping at the Higher Wire, N6017 Lake Drive, Town of Wescott; five 911 calls; four reckless driving incidents; two traffic hazards; one welfare check; one crash.

May 13

Deputies responded to 39 incidents, including a disturbance on Country Lane in the Town of Washington; fraud on Round Lake Drive in the Town of Belle Plaine; trespassing on Cole Road in the Town of Navarino; identity theft on County Road HH in the Town of Wescott; theft on Cattau Beach Drive in the Town of Wescott; drugs near Moh He Con Nuck Road and Camp 14 Road in the Stockbridge-Munsee Community; two 911 calls; two reckless driving incidents; one traffic hazard; four welfare checks; two crashes.

May 12

Deputies responded to 33 incidents, including a noise disturbance on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; fraud on Frontage Road in the Town of Washington; an animal bite near Sunrise Road and County Road A in the Town of Herman; suspicious activity on Navarino Road in the Town of Navarino; two 911 calls; three reckless driving incidents; one traffic hazard; one welfare check.

May 11

Deputies responded to 36 incidents, including a scam on East Wall Street in Bowler; an animal bite on Spruce Road in the Town of Belle Plaine; a noise disturbance on Old Keshena Road in the Town of Wescott; three 911 calls; one reckless driving incident; two traffic hazards; one welfare check; two crashes, one involving deer.

SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

May 17

Officers responded to 20 incidents, including suspicious activity on South Andrews Street; a disturbance on West Eagle Street; a disturbance on East Maurer Street; automobile theft on South Humphrey Circle; a disturbance on County Road B; two welfare checks.

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Wolf River Lutheran High School seniors, from left, Julie Young, Kaylee Witt, Ben Swaer, Lane Schmoll and Wilhelmina Reichle listen to an array of speakers at the May 16 graduation ceremony.

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WRL grads encouraged to live as children of light

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

Fifteen seniors at Wolf River Lutheran High School were lifted up and encouraged by an array of speakers at their graduation ceremony May 16.

Valedictorian Julie Young was among the first.

“We made it. Now, we’re walking out with a better understanding of who we are,” she said. “Not perfect, not finished, but stronger, wiser and more ready than we think. That didn’t happen because everything was easy. It happened because it wasn’t.”

She recited the poem “Footprints in the Sand” by Mary Stevenson, and expanded on salutatorian Joshua Lange’s comments about learning from mistakes.

“That doesn’t mean

everything thing will be easy,” she said. “It doesn’t mean we won’t face challenges, but it does mean our lives have purpose. It means that even in a world that feels uncertain, we can move forward with hope. Maybe that’s what our class is meant to bring to the world right now. Not perfection, not having all the answers, but hope.”

Lange talked about always seeming to be second best, which he said was OK with as long as he knew he tried his best. It might be disappointing to be No. 2, but positive things come from that, too.

“Every failure that you have, there is a lesson to be learned. God has a plan for you. God planned for me to mess up so he can lift me up at my lowest point,” he said. “Don’t be afraid to screw up. Just make sure

you learn a thing or two after it.”

Sarah Reichle, who directed the choir to sing two songs at the ceremony, was also the guest speaker.

“Graduates, wherever you go next, don’t forget where your life comes from,” she said, barely able to conceal tears. “We can’t wait to see where God leads you next.”

Reichle encouraged them to put their best foot forward and offer hope to those around them.

“Why should we live as children of light?” she said. “Because the world is watching you. People are searching for hope and joy and peace and truth, and whether you realize it or not, people are looking at you to see where those things are found.”

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County to consider hiring firm to study library fundraising options

By KEVIN PASSON
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“You have to spend money to make money” is a common business adage, and it could very well be true for any hopes of building a new Shawano County Library.

The Samuels Group’s Kurt Berner is recommending the county hire the McDonald Schaefer firm to conduct a feasibility fundraising study to determine local financial support for a new library.

“I gave the library this recommendation, and I’m going to give the recommendation to you, but you guys need to figure out who approves it, when do you approve it, what are our next steps,” he told the public property committee May 7. “Essentially what they’re going to do is they’re going to get information from you or library members and say, ‘Who do you think could be some potential donors within your community?’ And then they’re going to reach out to them.”

The cost for such a study ranges from \$15,000-\$30,000.

When county supervisors agreed to cap a new courthouse and jail project at \$121 million, several urged their colleagues to not forget about the needs of the public library, which has been in its current building since the 1960s.

According to McDonald Schaefer, the

study would take about four months to complete. At the end, they would have a good idea of how much local donors would contribute to the project and what, if any, restrictions they may have for their donations.

“Then the fundraising efforts kick into the next phase where they put together a plan of how did that fundraising go,” Berner said.

McDonald Schaefer would then assist with raising those funds and more for a monthly fee for about 20 months, depending on how much work they do, as library fundraising committee members may do some of the work themselves.

Still to be decided is a location, and then floor plans.

Possible options include building new in the parking lot east of the current library at 128 S. Sawyer St., or buying an existing building and converting it.

“We need to figure out: ‘How do we make that decision?’” Berner said. “Do you want me to bring that to the full board? Do we want to give the pros and cons of each of them? Or is there another — is there a greenfield site that somebody wants to be able to pursue with the library?”

Venture Architects would create a floor plan and renderings that could be used in the fundraising campaign.

Consultant addresses county courthouse plans

Greenfield site would be too costly for county, he says

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

Building new for all of the county government needs at once would not be a solid financial proposal, and that’s the main reason behind building a new courthouse west of the existing one, according to the consultant overseeing the project.

Kurt Berner, of The Samuels Group, addressed that concern and more at the public property committee meeting May 7.

Supervisor Jeremy Gretzinger brought up the issue at the April county board meeting and again, in more detail, at the committee meeting.

Among his biggest concerns is whether a greenfield site, specifically on land south of County Road B, was explored as a home for a new government center.

“It was explored along with multiple other options,” Berner said, “and really the driving force behind the master plan was to create a justice center model where we are combining the courthouse and the court function and the security issues that we have, and the sites that were looked at to be able to accomplish that were this site, also the site out by the work release center and then there was a greenfield site.”

He said the site that made the most sense was next to the existing building.

“If you were to go into a greenfield site, everything that is to the north of the courthouse right now with the existing jail and the sheriff’s office would have to be rebuilt,” Berner said. “In addition, the dispatch would have to be rebuilt, the tower would have to be relocated, and then all of the infrastructure for the utilities would have to be accommodated for that greenfield site.”

The current plan includes a new courthouse, jail housing pod and auxiliary services for the jail at a cost of up to \$121 million. It would also close the work release center across town on Engel Drive.

Adding a second housing pod and a new sheriff’s department would be another \$80 million, something the county could

consider as a second phase a decade from now.

However, if a greenfield site is chosen, all would have to be built now or continue with having jail functions split between two sites, which Berner called more expensive and inefficient.

“It’s not something that would have been an advisable borrowing for your tax base,” Berner said about building all at once. “So this one here gives you the approach that we’re going to be able to look at a phased approach to be able to get to that in the future.”

Also, demolishing the courthouse is included in the cost estimate and would be done even if the county built on a greenfield site, Berner said. He said it’s best to tear down the building and sell the vacant land instead of trying to sell an old courthouse building.

Addressing another question, Berner said the working relationship with the city is going well.

“We have engaged them before we even got to present this option to you to talk about vacating the street, talk about utility locations, talk about what the steps would be to be able to coordinate with the city,” he said.

Berner also said parking would be sufficient at the new courthouse without having to rely on street parking.

Parking space on the north side of the land near the historical society could be used by staff or the sheriff’s department. Designated judicial parking on the back side of the courthouse could be used for safety and security purposes.

City ordinances will also require sufficient parking.

Berner said his company has worked on building several jails across the state.

“One of the challenges that you have with placing a jail in a community is that if you move a jail from one part of a community to another part of a community, you’re now placing a jail in a location where it has never been before, and you’ve got neighbors there that may not be too thrilled about placing a jail in their neighborhood,” Berner said. “We have also been challenged that if that jail is in close proximity to a school, that’s not well received by the community.”

First round of courthouse bids to be let in August

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

Plans to build a new government center in Shawano County need approvals from more than city and county officials. The proposal for specific parts of the courthouse and sheriff’s department needs to align with Wisconsin Supreme Court and Department of Corrections guidelines.

The proposed second floor of the new courthouse will include the courtrooms, judges’ chambers and related rooms. Building it requires oversight from the district court administrator and the chief judge; further, the chief judge has to approve the drawings, according to Kurt Berner, of The Samuels Group, the firm consulting with Shawano County officials on the project.

“There are the Supreme Court guidelines that they

need to abide by,” Berner told members of the public property committee May 7. “The Department of Corrections takes a look at the jail and all the intake, which is the booking, pre-booking, sally port, all the receivers, and then the jail. The DOC, just like the district court administrator, that’s their territory. They need to make sure that the design is both compliant and it meets the operational requirements that are there.”

The sheriff’s department’s evidence garage, now located west of the jail, will be moved to the north, but during that construction phase, the contents inside need to be moved elsewhere, and the consultants are working with the sheriff and others on that scenario.

Soil borings on the proposed courthouse site west of the current courthouse at 311 N. Main St. in Shawano have been completed, and

officials are awaiting those results.

Also, The Samuels Group and Venture Architects continue to prepare the bid paperwork for potential contractors.

Projects will be packaged individually, such as for concrete work, utilities, excavating, mason work, etc., Berner said.

Companies can either bid on individual items or group some or all together and bid that way.

The first pack of bids is expected to be ready by August. A second bid pack will be let in November.

Berner also said bids for some specific pieces of equipment will be ready soon. For example, a generator that may take 12-18 months to get will be bid out sooner rather than later to ensure it is available when it is needed in the later construction phase.

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Board re-votes on teacher non-renewals

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

The Shawano School Board re-voted in open session on a trio of teacher non-renewal notices May 11 after it had voted on them behind closed doors two weeks earlier.

Geoff Lacy, the school district's attorney with Renning, Lewis and Lacy, said he would take the blame for not recommending the board return to open session to vote on the non-renewals April 27 when giving members legal advice.

"You can vote on them in closed session to maintain confidentiality for individuals," Lacy said. "The path of least resistance is for the board to make a motion in open session. Essentially, the motion would be to approve the issuance of final notices of non-renewal as presented to the board during private conferences in closed session."

The final vote was 5-1 to reissue the non-renewals. Board member Bobbi Lemerond voted against the motion, while board member Jeana Winslow abstained because she had not participated in the closed session. Board

member Karen Houston had already left the meeting when the non-renewals came up on the agenda.

Board President Christine McKinnies questioned what difference the open vote would make.

"Is it a new vote?" McKinnies said. "We're essentially backing up the clock and saying we're out of closed session and being asked to vote how we voted."

Lacy noted that the state's open meeting law doesn't forbid governing bodies from taking votes in closed session, but there's no language that permits such votes, either.

"We're doing it to protect the district's interests and be cautious against any allegations that we didn't want to do it in open session," he said.

Jennifer Schmidt, president of the Shawano Education Association, spoke out at the April 27 meeting on the non-renewal notices and said the law did not advise votes in closed session instead of making the vote public.

"The final vote is what matters to the community, and that should take place in open session," Schmidt said.

Superintendent Kurt

Krizan and other district officials have said that Lacy had advised them that such votes can take place in closed session.

Lemerond, who attended the meeting remotely, said that there had been no closed session votes in the three years she's been on the board until recently.

"Before we went into closed session, I specifically asked the previous board president (Tim Renard) if we were going to vote in closed session, and he told me no," Lemerond said. "Otherwise, I would have made a motion to have our vote in open (session) to begin with, because we should not be voting in closed session."

Lacy said there are circumstances where votes can take place in closed session, where they cannot and also a "gray area."

There is one other known instance when the school board voted in closed session. In 2022, the board voted to accept then-Superintendent Randi Anderson's resignation in exchange for paying out the remainder of her contract, which cost the district \$400,000.

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Getting ready for summer



A fisherman is in search of bullheads as the sun sets on Shawano Lake.

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OBITUARIES

JANALEE GAY GANSEN

Janalee Gay Gansen (Fellenz), 92, died May 8, 2026, after her love for creating fun and laughter eventually wore out her big heart.

A lifelong Shawanoan and 1956 graduate of UW-Madison, Janalee's impact on Shawano's civic and cultural scene started at 7, dancing in recitals at the Crescent Theater (now Stubborn Brothers) and included adventures such as print and live modeling (till 90), success as a painter, 60-year member of Peace Church, avid skier (85), committed golfer (91), world traveler (90), scout troop leader and kindergarten/first grade teacher, both in Shawano and Keshena, and of course, a lifelong Packer fan.

Famous for her unmistakable roaring laugh, friendly inclusiveness of all and her signature red lipstick, Janalee's friendships were her touchstone, as important as family, with many spanning a lifetime. Rare was



the Friday night that Janalee and her "queenager" friends missed livening up the bar at a county supper club.

However, her family was her passion, and she was a devoted wife to Dr. Adrian P. Gansen Jr, who pre-deceased her, and their three children, Patti Gansen (deceased), Dr. Adrian P. Gansen III and partner Lyn Wilkinson, and Steven Schultz and wife Annette Schultz. She was also the beloved "Grandma Red Lips" to Stephanie Schultz McHugh and husband

Casey McHugh, and their children, Athena and Aspen; Thomas Schultz and wife Sarah Schultz, and Scott Schultz and his wife, Caty Schultz, and their children, Jordie and Peyton.

Janalee's "Great Going Away Party" will be held at Swedberg Funeral Home in Shawano on Saturday, May 30, 2026, beginning at 1 p.m. and will include a short memorial service and a "happy hour" time of sharing. In lieu of flowers, the family requests you come prepared to tell a story about your friendship with Janalee.

Memorial donations may be directed to The-daCare at Home Hospice in Janalee's name for their exemplary care or to Door2Dreams.org, an independent housing project for adults with intellectual or physical disabilities.

Swedberg Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements. www.swedbergfuneralhome.com

Shawano County aims to buy Fourth Street home

By **KEVIN PASSON**
Editor-in-Chief

Meshan Latender and Shawano County officials have verbally agreed to the former selling her home to pave the way for a new courthouse, jail pod and jail auxiliary services.

Latender owns the home at 211 W. Fourth St., Shawano.

"What I offered her was \$120,000, and then we would pick up her back

taxes and pay for closing costs because she doesn't have any funds to pay for any of that," Nick Hesse, Shawano County's facilities management director, told the public property committee May 7. "This is the offer that she requested about a month and a half ago."

Latender owes about \$3,100 in back taxes. Closing costs, Hesse estimated, would be about \$2,000.

According to online

tax records, the property has an assessed value of \$67,300 and an estimated fair market value of \$79,000.

He said Realtors have told him the house could sell for about \$105,000 or \$110,000.

The agreement will be forwarded to the county board for final approval. The board will meet at 3 p.m. May 27.

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OBITUARIES

JERRY FISCHER



Jerry “Baby Edgar” Fischer, 67, of Oconto Falls, passed away unexpectedly May 11, 2026. He was born July 18, 1958, to Edgar and Dolores (Gipp) Fischer.

Jerry graduated from Oconto Falls High School with the class of 1977. Following high school, he ventured out of state, working as a landscaper in Florida and Las Vegas before returning to Wisconsin. He found his calling as a truck driver, working for several companies, including I. Bahcall/Russell Metals, Composite One, Titledown Trucking, FedEx Freight and Duame Trucking.

Jerry and Vicki (Strehlow) celebrated their marriage Oct. 19, 1991, and together they cherished traveling and creating unforgettable memories. He proudly planted hundreds of trees on his family farm and reveled in outdoor activities like fishing, hunting and riding his Harley. His passion for collecting gas and oil signs, Harley memorabilia, buying and selling on eBay and attending live auctions showcased his vibrant personality.

Known for his storytelling, Jerry was always eager to share tales from his life, whether with his morning coffee group at the Milk and Honey

Cafe or alongside his AA friends. Though he enjoyed Busch Light and bourbon, he has been sober for four years, four months and eight days. He cherished his time of recovery, which inspired many.

In 2014, Jerry fulfilled his dream of building a home on the Fischer Family Farm, where he enjoyed the pond he and his father dug and the wildlife that surrounded it. His heart was as expansive as his spirit, as he volunteered at Bellin Hospital, Bellin Children’s Hospital, HSHS St. Clare’s and Kingdom Come Food Pantry.

He is survived by wife of 34 years, Vicki; sisters, Judi Corrigan and Jan (Ray) Sutrick; nieces and nephews, Patrick Corrigan, Krissi (Rich Compton) Corrigan, Corey (Julie) Sutrick, Valerie (Chris) Brooks, Amanda (Paul

Kiel) Thomas and Marisa Thomas; great-nieces and great-nephews, Jackson, Lydia, Montana (Brett), Savanna (Logan), Kaitlin and Dylan; great-great-niece and great-great-nephew, Aiden and Riley; sisters-in-law, Rhonda Strehlow, Ellen Meverden, Gail (Bob) Thomas; brother-in-law, Marlie Strehlow; and nephew-in-law, Cal Bischof.

Jerry was preceded in death by his parents, Edgar and Dolores; sister, Joanne Fischer; niece, Terri Bischof; nephew, Kelly Sutrick; brothers-in-law, Robert Guyette and James Meverden; and nephew, Matthew Meverden.

A visitation will be held after 9 a.m. Friday, May 22, 2026, at Grace Lutheran Church, Oconto Falls, with a celebration to life to follow at noon with Pastor Chris Antoniak officiating. All are invited to gather to honor Jerry’s memory and share stories of the joy he brought into their lives. His love and laughter will resonate in the hearts of all who knew him.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation on Jerry’s behalf for the 988 Suicide Lifeline (<https://988lifeline.org/donate>). If you’re struggling with thoughts of suicide, please contact the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline (988).

his loving wife, Barbara (Smith) Tetting; his two sons, Caden Thomas Tetting and Tristan Alan Tetting, all of Shawano; his sister, Marge (Jim) Gozdowiak of Mukwonago; his brother, Keith (Nancy) Tetting of Mukwonago; his father-in-law, Walter Smith; brother-in-law, DuWayne Smith; and nieces and nephews, Robert Smith, Tiffany Smith, Thomas Tetting, Tracy Tetting and Travis Tetting, and their families.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents, Kenneth and Dorothy Tetting; his mother-in-law, Consuelo Smith; and his brother-in-law, Walter Smith.

The family would like to extend heartfelt thanks to the Shawano Ambulance Service, as well as all of their family and friends, for their love and support.

A funeral service will be held at St. Martin of Tours Catholic Parish, Cecil, on Saturday, May 23 at 1 p.m. The Rev. Kevin Ripley will officiate. Visitation will be Saturday from 11:30 a.m. until the time of service at the church. Private burial services will follow.

Schmidt and Schulta Funeral Home, Wittenberg, is assisting the family with funeral arrangements.

WARREN WOLF



Warren Roy Wolf passed away Saturday, April 18, 2026, at his home in Fort Mill, South Carolina. Born June 7, 1942, in Shawano, he was the son of Ruben and Dorothea (Runge) Wolf.

Warren had many fond memories of his youth in Shawano – working on his uncle’s farm, Sunday drives after church, gatherings with his large extended family, time spent at beautiful Shawano Lake, and there he developed his lifelong love of the Green Bay Packers. Go Pack Go!

After graduating from the University of Wisconsin in 1964, Warren attended the Navy officer candidate school in Newport, Rhode Island, followed by flight school in Pensacola, Florida. During the Vietnam War, he served first as a flight navigator on C-130s and then as flight deck officer on the USS Dubuque.

In October of last year, Warren, along with his father-in-law, Benny Williams, was recognized for his service on an Honor Flight to Washington, D.C. It was one of the highlights of his life.

James “Hugger” Dell Craig, 79, of Wittenberg, passed away Sunday, May 10, 2026, at Autumn Lane in Birnamwood under the care of LeRoy Hospice.

Jim was born Oct. 19, 1946, in New London, to Edward and Irene Orpha (Button) Craig. He was the third of five children: Joan Dumbleton, Jock Craig, Janice Jones and Jill Brown. His early years were spent in Royalton, where he, Jan and Jill spent countless hours enjoying the local river.

Jim graduated from Tomorrow River High School in 1964. Much of his adult life was spent working as a cook at various area restaurants. He later worked for 21 years as a nursing assistant at the Wisconsin Veterans Home, retiring in 2001. Shortly after retirement, Jim moved to the Wittenberg area, where he lived in the apartment located behind the home of his sister, Jan.

Pearl Bertha Bernice Samsa (Larschied) was born April 30, 1938, in Marinette.

On the day of her passing, Pearl was joyfully reunited with those who have gone before her.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Fredrick and Ruth (Timm) Larschied; her sisters, Rosemary Johnston, Nancy Palenica, Alice Wolske, Sharon Larschied; brother, William “Bill” Larschied; sons, Joseph Samsa and Bruce Samsa; and her grandsons, Matthew Samsa and Jason Samsa.

During her journey on earth, she operated a dairy farm, ran a daycare and was a loving housewife

Following his service, Warren worked for Bank of America in the expanding field of computers. He spent his first 10 years in London working with a small group of international bank employees. They first converted all European branches from “quill and pen” to computers and then moved on to Asian branches.

While still in England, Warren met his wife, Sheila, who also worked for Bank of America in San Francisco. They married March 15, 1975, in Carmel, California, and made their home in England where both children were born. After his time in England, Warren

JAMES CRAIG



Before suffering a stroke in March 2009, Jim was an avid singer who enjoyed performing at weddings and local events. He was a longtime member of the Waupaca Community Chorus. Music remained one of his greatest passions, and he enjoyed concerts, playing the piano and taking Suzuki violin lessons. Jim also found joy in fishing, gardening, volunteer work, sewing for charity and competing in floral arranging.

PEARL SAMSA



and mother.

Pearl is survived by her children, Mike (Sharon) Samsa, daughter-in-law Doreen Samsa, Mary (Vern) Peltz, Kim (Robert) Wessel and Roger Samsa; sister, Phyllis McCash;

and family returned to California, and he retired from the bank after 25 years.

Warren and Sheila built a house in Savannah Lakes Village, McCormick, South Carolina. There he “played at” golf, fished, enjoyed a special group of friends, did Road Warriors, worked on Rails to Trails, traveled, welcomed grandchildren and was blessed with a full and happy life.

Warren was the beloved husband of Sheila (Williams) Wolf; father of Jessica (Greg) Ryan and Justin (Kelly) Wolf; grandfather of Carson, Cassidy, Kendall and Stella. He is survived by his sisters, Barbara Hoyer and Pamela Pludeman; as well as a large group of in-laws, nieces and nephews.

Warren was a unique and special man. He was the best possible husband and father. He will be in our hearts and memories forever.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to your local Honor Flight.

To plant trees in memory, please visit <https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/name/warren-wolf-Obituary?id=61303099>.

Jim is survived by his sisters, Jan (Tom) Jones and Jill (Phillip) Brown; sister-in-law, Pat Craig; special niece, Sharon Rustad; and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his siblings, Joan (Larry) Dumbleton and Jock Craig; and his niece and nephew, Erika Jones and Jacob Craig.

Funeral services were held Friday, May 15, 2026, at Schmidt and Schulta Funeral Home in Wittenberg. Private burial took place at Crystal Lake Cemetery in Waupaca County.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials to a charity of your choice be made in honor of Jim.

The family would like to thank the staff at Autumn Lane and LeRoy Hospice for their kind and compassionate care given to Jim.

Memories and messages of support may be shared at www.schmidtschulta.com.

brothers, Fredrick (Sandy) Larschied and John Larschied; 20 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren, along with many others who called her Grandma.

Throughout her life, Pearl led her family with humor, unconditional love and a deep devotion to biblical truths and scripture. Her faith was the foundation of her strength, and her laughter was the heart of every gathering.

There will be a memorial service on May 23, 2026, at 11 a.m. at Oconto Gospel Chapel, 251 Michigan Ave., Oconto. Lunch will be provided, followed by a burial at Brookside Cemetery.

THOMAS TETTING



Thomas Alan Tetting, of the Town of Wescott, passed away peacefully surrounded by his family on Saturday, May 9, 2026, after fighting a tough battle with a form of pulmonary fibrosis known as interstitial lung disease.

Tom was born Aug. 1, 1951, and raised in Pewaukee by the late Kenneth and Dorothy (Moll) Tetting.

Tom dedicated his life to public service and education. He began his career as a police cadet and correctional officer, working his way through the ranks to become police chief in the Waukesha County area. He later served as municipal judge for the village of Pewaukee for many terms. In addition to his distinguished law enforcement and judicial career, Tom was a criminal justice and law enforcement instructor at Waukesha County Technical College for approximately 25 years until his retirement.

Tom earned his bachelor’s degree from University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and his master’s degree from University of Wisconsin-Whitewater. He was also a proud graduate of the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia, an achievement that reflected his lifelong commitment to

professional excellence and serving those around him.

In August 1996, he was united in marriage to Barbara (Smith) Tetting, and together they celebrated nearly 30 happy years of marriage. They were blessed with two sons, Caden Tom and Tristan Alan Tetting. The family later relocated to Shawano Lake, where they spent countless hours fishing, boating, and simply enjoying life together.

In his free time, Tom enjoyed his hobby farm north of Shawano, where he spent many hours cutting wood and riding his beloved tractors. He also loved bike riding, traveling to Florida each summer with his family, and was an avid reader.

His absolute greatest joy in life was spending time with his two sons.

Tom is survived by

Getting ready for another season on the water



Volunteers with the Shawano Are Waterways Management organization used Huckleberry Harbor in Shawano as their base of operations last week when they went out to place signage and buoys in Shawano Lake, the channel and the upper portion of the Wolf River. The objective of the navigation and safety committee is to sustain safe Shawano area waterways through efforts to enhance, maintain and improve navigability and boater safety.

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Red Raiders lose twice to Phantoms

Saturday, May 16
West De Pere 12, Pulaski 6

West De Pere 10, Pulaski 2
Bailey Hronek and Ella Maroszek each had three hits, and Kiera Altman had two in the Red Raiders' 12-6 loss to the Phantoms in the first game of a doubleheader.

Kamrie Dorn was the losing pitcher.

In the second game, a 10-2 loss for Pulaski, Maroszek had a home run and two RBIs. Molly Molthen hit a double.

Dorn was the losing pitcher.

Other scores: Three Lakes/Phelps 15, Gillett/Suring 0

Friday, May 15
Marion 15, Bowler/Gresham 4

The Mustangs scored eight runs in the top of the fifth inning to cap off a 15-4 win over the Panthers.

For Bowler/Gresham, Lizzy May hit 2-for-3 with two runs scored. Jessa

Hartleben hit a double.

Oconto Falls 15, Marinette 5

Izzy Otto and Amelia Danielczak each hit a home run in the Panthers' 15-5 win over the Marines.

Otto was 4-for-4 with a home run, three doubles, four RBIs and five runs scored. Emma Laughrin hit 4-for-5 with five RBIs and a run scored. Delaney McNichols also had a pair of RBIs.

Katelyn Kurek was the winning pitcher. She struck out six and walked five.

Other scores: Almond-Bancroft 3, Bonduel 0.

Thursday, May 14
Wittenberg-Birnamwood 12, Iola-Scandinavia 10

The Chargers scored two runs in the top of the ninth inning to defeat Iola-Scandinavia 12-10.

Zoey Thorson and Rory Salvesen each had home runs in the win. Brie Ladika hit a double.

Chloe Hanson recorded

three RBIs, while Ladika, Salvesen and Jayda Moenke each had two.

Kendall Lex pitched six innings to get the win. She allowed seven runs on 13 hits and struck out three.

Bonduel 16, Menominee Nation 1

Marlie Hartmann hit 3-for-3 with two RBIs and two runs scored in Bonduel's 16-1 thrashing of Menominee Nation.

Emery Thompson, Juliana Jacobs and Kallie Wilcox each had two RBIs, while Brianna Berg and Allison Zernicke each had two hits.

Maizy Mikel had the Eagles only hit and scored the team's only run.

Wilcox struck out eight in her complete game of three innings.

Cecilia Grignow was the losing pitcher. She allowed 16 runs on 13 hits, struck out one and walked three.

Fox Valley Lutheran 3, Shawano 0

Ayanna O'Kimosh hit a

double as one of Shawano's three hits in a 3-0 loss to Fox Valley Lutheran.

Kadence Meyers was the losing pitcher. She gave up three runs on six hits, walked one and struck out three.

Other scores: Marion 13, Northland Lutheran 6; Ashwaubenon 2, Pulaski 0; Wausukee 12, Gillett/Suring 2.

Tuesday, May 12
Tigerton 10, Marion 4
Danika Tiller and Renata Nordwig each had two hits, and Tiller had two RBIs in Tigerton's 10-4 win over Marion.

Tiller, Emily Rich, Lillian Welch and Jaelyn Brady each scored twice.

Tiller pitched all seven innings, giving up four runs on eight hits, walking three and striking out 10.

Menasha 6, Shawano 4

The Bluejays scored a pair of runs in the top of the eighth inning to defeat the Hawks 6-4. Shawano also had four errors.

Ayanna O'Kimosh had two hits, Amiyah O'Kimosh had two RBIs and a triple, and Gracee Johnson had a double for the Hawks.

Bonduel 11, Amherst 1

Emery Thompson and Marlie Hartmann each had a home run in Bonduel's 11-1 win over Amherst. Hartmann also had four RBIs.

Other scores: Wrightstown 12, Oconto Falls 6.

Monday, May 11
Bonduel 5, Wittenberg-Birnamwood 4

Tied at 3-3 going into the eighth inning, Wittenberg-Birnamwood scored a run in the top of the inning to take the lead, but Bonduel scored twice in the bottom of the inning to win 5-4.

For the Bears, Haley Conradt had four hits, and Emery Thompson had two.

Megan Fischer and Jayda Moenke had two hits for the Chargers.

Arianna Inderdahl was the winning pitcher.

Tigerton 15, Marion 4
Danika Tiller, Emily Rich, Lillian Welch and Aaliyah Lederhaus each had two RBIs in Tigerton's 15-4 win over the Mustangs.

Tiller, Rich and Lederhaus each recorded a double.

For Marion, Ashlynn Kussman hit two doubles and had three RBIs.

Tiller was the winning pitcher. She struck out eight and walked one in six innings.

Shawano 3, Xavier 2
Riley Krueger hit 3-for-3 with two RBIs as the Shawano Hawks beat the Xavier Hawks 3-2.

Amiyah O'Kimosh had a double.

Kadence Meyers won on the mound, striking out six and walking two in her five innings of play.

Other scores: Crivitz 17, Gillett/Suring 0; Manawa 14, Menominee Nation 9; Pulaski 16, Sheboygan North 1.

Oconto Falls, Wrightstown split baseball DH

Saturday, May 16
Wrightstown 5, Oconto Falls 4
Oconto Falls 3, Wrightstown 2

Oconto Falls split a doubleheader with Wrightstown, losing the first game 5-4 while winning the second game 3-2.

In the first game, Landon Delfosse hit 3-for-3 with two doubles, two runs and an RBI. Dom Triechel was 2-for-3 with a run scored.

Carter Heroux was the losing pitcher. In one inning, he gave up four hits and two earned runs while striking out one.

In the second game, Trace Brehmer hit 2-for-3 with a run and a pair of RBIs.

JJ Pytleski pitched seven innings. He gave up five hits and two runs, walked two and struck out two.

Pulaski 20, Pardeeville 6

Pulaski defeated Pardeeville 20-6 at the St. Mary's Springs Triangular in Fond du Lac.

Braun Wotruba hit the cycle, with a single, double, triple and home run in four at-bats. He had six RBIs and four runs scored.

Benjamin Marsh and Eddie Van Roy each hit 1-for-2 with three RBIs and two runs scored. Logan Clauss and Mason Heintz each had two RBIs.

Gavin Luebke was the

winning pitcher. In three innings, he gave up five runs on seven hits, walked four and struck out one.

St. Mary's Springs 7, Pulaski 3

Gavin Sikorski hit 2-for-3 with a double and two RBIs as Pulaski lost 7-3 to the Ledgers.

Friday, May 15
Pulaski 10, Manitowoc Lincoln 9

Eli Heuser hit 2-for-3 with four RBIs, a double and a run scored in Pulaski's 10-9 win over the Ships.

Logan Clauss hit 2-for-4 with a double, a run scored and two RBIs, while Eddie Van Roy hit 2-for-4 with two RBIs and a run scored.

The game was tied 7-7 after seven innings. Manitowoc Lincoln scored twice in the top of eighth, but Pulaski scored three times to earn the win.

Gavin Luebke was the winning pitcher.

Other scores: Keewaunee 11, Bonduel 6.

Thursday, May 14
Bonduel 17, Menominee Nation 1

Gavin Hundt hit 2-for-3 with three RBIs and three runs scored in Bonduel's 17-1 dominating win over Menominee Nation.

Jackson Rudzinski hit 2-for-2 with three RBIs and a run scored, and Tucker Hischke hit 1-for-3 with three RBIs and a run



Wittenberg-Birnamwood players celebrate another score in a 16-11 win over Iola-Scandinavia. TINA BACON

scored.

Joe Felhofer was 2-for-3 with two RBIs and two runs scored. Beckett Hartlaben hit 2-for-2 with an RBI and four runs scored.

Brooks Hartlaben was the winning pitcher. In three innings, he struck out six and walked three.

Gibraltar/Washington Island 5, Oconto Falls 4

The Panthers scored all four runs in the sixth inning, but then gave up one in the bottom of the sixth and two in the bottom of the seventh in a 5-4 loss to the Vikings.

Teagan Tate had two hits a run scored.

W i t t e n b e r g - Birnamwood 16,

Iola-Scandinavia 11

Carson Meverden hit 2-for-5 with a pair of home runs, three RBIs and two runs scored in the Chargers 16-11 win over the Thunderbirds.

Connor Meverden hit 2-for-5 with a home run, an RBI and two runs scored.

Braxton Olson had four hits in five at-bats, a double, three RBIs and two runs scored.

Eddie Nowinsky was 2-for-4 with two RBIs and a run scored, and Oliver Fraaza was 2-for-4 with a double, two RBIs and two runs scored.

Colby Wincensten had a double.

Other scores: Niagara

8, Lena 3; Lena 5, Niagara 4; Marion 22, Northland Lutheran 3; Wausaukee 4, Gillett/Suring 3; Shawano 14. Green Bay East-West 2; Bowler 9, Gresham 2; Tigerton 25, White Lake 4.

Tuesday, May 12
Oconto Falls 2, Luxemburg-Casco 1

Dom Triechl hit 1-for-3 with an RBI single that turned out to be the go-ahead score with two outs in the bottom of the sixth as Oconto Falls beat Luxemburg-Casco 2-1.

Landon Delfosse hit 2-for-3 with a double and an RBI.

Carter Heroux was the winning pitcher. In seven innings, he gave up one

run on six hits, walked one and struck out 11.

Shawano 14, Green Bay East 3

The Hawks erupted for 11 runs in the third inning as Shawano went on to beat Green Bay East 14-3.

Green Bay East committed five errors.

Other scores: De Pere 9, Pulaski 1.

Monday, May 11
Menominee Nation 18, Manawa 6

CJ Payawasay hit a triple and two doubles, had three RBIs and scored three times in the Eagles 18-6 win over the Wolves.

Craig Penass hit 4-for-6 with a double and two RBIs. Caleb Grignon was 3-for-5 with a double, two RBI and three runs scored. August Nahwahquaw hit 3-for-6 with two RBIs and a run scored.

Payawasay was also the winning pitcher. He struck out seven and walked one in his 3 2/3 innings.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood 2, Bonduel 0

Carson Meverden hit a solo home run in the Chargers 2-0 shutout over the Bears. Zandyr Barke struck out 11 batters in his seven innings on the mound.

Other scores: Crivitz 18, Gillett/Suring 1; Lena 20, Wausaukee 10; Tigerton 15, Marion 5; Shawano 14, Wrightstown 5; Bowler 18, White Lake 0.

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**Thursday, May 14
Oconto Falls Stu Anderson Invitational**

The Panthers fielded two teams and finished third and seventh among 11 teams at River Island Golf Course in Oconto Falls. Pulaski placed 10th.

Oconto Falls' Dylan Clark scored 76, one of six golfers to tie for medalist honors.

Oconto Falls scored 327, with Oconto Falls 2 getting a 367 and Pulaski scoring 430.

For Oconto Falls, it was Clark at 76, Carson McDermid at 79, Brock McDermid at 81 and Braden Holl at 91.

Scores for Oconto Falls 2 were from Nick Schroeder at 89, Anthony Szoszorek at 90, Carter Teller at 91 and Bryent Magnin at 97.

Pulaski's Cale Purnell carded 98, Landon Eastman had 104, Steven Winter scored 113 and Trevor Bodart had 115.

Marion Invitational
Menominee Nation/Gresham golfers won with a 323 on the links at J&B Clover Greens Golf Course.

The host Mustangs were third with 358, and Wittenberg-Birnamwood was seventh among 10 teams at 380.

Scoring for Menominee Nation/Gresham were Alex Mahl at 77, Elliott Penass at 79, Anikohsaeh Corn at 82 and Gabe Boivin at 85.

Marion scores included Collin Grogan at 79, Javen Prickette at 88, Elijah

Scheef at 94 and James Nolan at 97.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood had scores of 91 by Slade Wierzba and Roman Johnson, 98 by Nicholas Flak and 100 by Grant Hanson.

**Wednesday, May 13
Bay Conference Tour Stop #3**

Shawano golfers scored 183 and finished sixth out of seven teams at Shamrock Heights Golf Course in New London.

The Hawks were led by Collin Dieck's 43. Joining him on the links were T.J. Smith with 45, Duane Gristeau-Blanche with 47 and Levi Anobong with 48.

**Tuesday, May 12
Bay Conference Mini-Meet #7**

Shawano golfers scored a 177 and placed sixth among seven teams at Lake Breeze Golf Course in Winneconne.

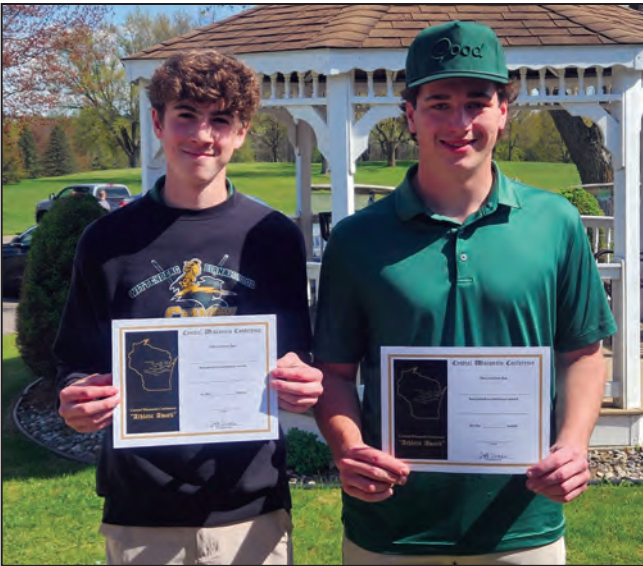
Scoring for the Hawks were Duane Gristeau-Blanche with 42, T.J. Smith with 43, Collin Dieck with 44 and Levi Anobong with 48.

**Monday, May 11
M&O Mini-Meet #6**

Lena's Cooper Demmth earned medalist honors and led his team to victory at Thornberry Creek at Oneida in Hobart.

Lena won with a 376, one stroke ahead of Coleman and five strokes better than third-place Gillett.

Demmth scored 86, followed by teammates Tanner Behnke's 88, Lucas Mongiat's 100 and Zander



Wittenberg-Birnamwood golfers Roman Johnson, left, and George Seegmiller earned honorable mention all-conference honors for the 2026 spring season.

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Thomson's 102.

For Gillett, it was Brody Holla at 87, Bradyn Kiedrowski at 94, and Chase Rosenlund and Parker Jennerou, each at 100.

CWC Leg #5
Menominee Nation/Gresham's Alex Mahl finished just one stroke away from the top spot at Clintonville's Riverside Golf Course.

Mahl and his teammates placed third overall with a 351, followed by Marion in fourth at 360, Wittenberg-Birnamwood in seventh at 391 and Bonduel in 11th at 421.

Scoring for Menominee Nation/Gresham were Mahl at 80, Gabe Boivin at 88, Anikohsaeh Corn at 91 and Elliott Penass at 92.

Marion's scores included Collin Grogan at 83, Elijah Scheef at 91, Jarren Faehling at 92 and Javen Prickette at 94.

For Wittenberg-Birnamwood, it was Roman Johnson and Nicholas Flak, each at 93, George Seegmiller at 95 and Grant Hanson at 110.

"For the second meet in a row, we didn't play up to our expectations," Wittenberg-Birnamwood coach Chris Bartletti said. "Unfortunately, that is sometimes the nature of golf. With that said, Nick Flak posted his best conference round of the season and seems to be on the cusp of posting really good scores. Roman and George both slid in conference standings but were still able to secure honorable mention all-conference honors."

For the Bonduel golfers, Cameron Schroeder scored 93; Cory Wussow and Gavin Hundt were each at 105, and Collin Zuleger scored 118.

Oneida Classic
Pulaski's Brady Hayward scored just three strokes off the lead, as the Red Raiders placed fifth among 11 teams at Oneida Golf & Country Club in Green Bay.

The Red Raiders' score included Hayward's 74, Casey Madlem's 81, Bradin Schultz's 82 and Benny Shaw's 88.

Hawks tennis team takes third at conference tournament

**Saturday, May 16
Bay Conference Tournament**

Shawano's tennis earned nine wins at Green Bay.

Menasha won the tournament with 13, followed by Appleton Xavier with 12, Shawano with nine, Fox Valley Lutheran with eight, Green Bay East with five and Green Bay West with one.

**Thursday, May 14
Shawano 6, Medford 1**

Two singles matches went to three sets, and a doubles match had a tiebreaker, but the Shawano tennis team came out on top in all those and more in a 6-1 nonconference home victory over Medford.

Tanner Thiel defeated Ethan Kollmansberger 7-5, 1-6, 10-2; and Everett Grover beat Ethan Jones 6-4, 2-6, 10-8.

In doubles, Samuel Green and John Kim topped Axl Spanbauer and Carter Ziehlke 6-1, 7-6 (9).

Shawano won two more singles matches and another doubles match.

Enrique Omella Valls defeated Parker Hill 6-0, 6-0, while Kiernan Sheldon beat Blaine Searles 6-2, 6-3.

Also, Evan Anderson and Charlie Grieves topped Christian Preuss and Cash Thums 6-3, 6-1.

Medford's only win came in a doubles match when Lucas Mahner and Austin Czarneski defeated Seth Pyatskowitz and Francesco La Notte 6-0, 6-0.

West De Pere 7, Pulaski 0

Pulaski lost all seven matches to West De Pere, with the closest coming from Aaron Trijueque Ruiz at No. 4 singles. Ozzy Kraft defeated him 7-5, 6-1.

In other singles matches, Liam Hankel shut out Oriol Capella Rodon 6-0, 6-0, Rafe Zifferblatt defeated Thoma Pannatier 6-1, 6-0, and Alex Schmeisser defeated Jonah Dreves 6-2, 6-1.

All three doubles teams lost 6-0, 6-0. The tandems were Oscar Delmarcelle and Lucas Ford, William Gosse and Conrad Kreutzberg, and Simon Banaszynski and Liam Ford.

**Tuesday, May 12
Notre Dame 7, Pulaski 0**

The Red Raiders ran into a Notre Dame buzz saw and were shut out 7-0.

The closest Pulaski came to a win was at No. 1 doubles, when Notre Dame's Ciaran Ryan and Andreas Schweiner defeated Oscar Delmarcelle and Lucas Ford 5-7, 7-5, 10-4.

Also, at No. 4 singles, Notre Dame's Dominic Knapp beat Pulaski's Aaron Trijueque Ruiz 6-4, 7-5.

Also getting beat in singles play were Thoma Pannatier, Oriol Capella Rodon and Jonah Dreves.

Dropping their doubles matches were William Gosse and Conrad Kreutzberg, and Simon Banaszynski and Liam Ford.

Other scores: Appleton Xavier 4, Shawano 1.

Regular season comes to a close for Pulaski girls lacrosse team

**Saturday, May 16
(boys)**
Superior 17, Pulaski 2

Pulaski was defeated 17-2 by Superior at the

Sauk Prairie Triangular. Anthony Lia scored four goals for the Spartans.

Regional games will be held May 29 and June 2.

**Friday, May 15
De Pere 18, Pulaski 1
(girls)**

Pulaski's girls ended their regular season with

an 18-1 loss to De Pere.

Vanessa Peotter scored the only goal for the Red Raiders. Marley Sheehan had 14 saves.

Regional games will be held May 28 and June 2.

**Tuesday, May 12
De Pere 14, Pulaski 0
(boys)**

Pulaski remained winless at 0-10 in the Bay Valley Conference and 0-15 overall with a 14-0 shutout loss to De Pere.



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Bonduel girls win conference championship

Marion/Tigerton boys place second at CWC Small Conference Meet

Saturday, May 16 CWC Conference Championship

Bonduel's girls won the CWC Conference Championship at Weyauwega-Freomnt High School, while the boys placed fourth.

The girls tallied 150 points, followed by Wittenberg-Birnamwood in seventh with 48 and Menominee Nation in 10th with nine.

For the boys, Bonduel had 96 points, followed by Wittenberg-Birnamwood in eighth with 33 and Menominee Nation in 10th with five.

Winners for the girls were Peyton Westrich, Bonduel, 100-meter dash, 12.91; Westrich, 200-meter dash, 26.43; Westrich, 400-meter dash, 59.38; Mariah Wondra, Bonduel, 3,200-meter run, 12:18.29; Harper Krull, Wittenberg-Birnamwood, 300-meter hurdles, 48.74; Josie Pawlak, Bonduel, long jump, 17-01; and Pawlak, triple jump, 35-11.75.

The beset finish for the Eagles was from Urijah Reeves, who placed fourth in the high jump.

Winners for the boys were Mason Ballwahn, Bonduel, 400-meter dash, 50.18; the 4x200-meter relay team of Logan Gibson, Phoenix Horacek, Bryson Schmid and Kaden Yaeger, Wittenberg-Birnamwood, 1:32.58; the 4x400 team of Gibson, Horacek, Schmidt and Yeager, 3:29.62; and Ryan Westrich, Bonduel, shot put, 49-02-25.

The best finish for Menominee Nation was Bryant Waupoose, 1,600-meter run, fourth place.

Bay Conference Championships

Shawano's boys scored 52 points and placed sixth, while the girls collected 39 points and placed eighth at New London.

The boys 4x200 team

of Joseph Kleinschmidt, Bryce Lammers, Aiden Rasmussen and Sosaeh Tepiew won in 1:31.36.

The girls 4x800 team of Jillian Guenther, Tela Hopfensperger, Bailey Hendricks and Mikelah Powers won in 10:24.63.

Friday, May 15 CWC Small Conference Meet

Marion/Tigerton's boys earned 135.5 points and placed second, while the girls had 90 points and placed third at conference meet at Tri-County High School.

Gresham/Bowler's boys had 88.5 points and finished fourth. The girls had 54 points and placed sixth.

Marion/Tigerton's boys 4x800 team of Raymond Crum, Kole Grant, Jacob Suehring and Brayden Zietlow won in 10:02.43. Tristan Herro won the high jump at 5-08.

For Gresham/Bowler, the best finish was second place by the 4x100 team of Riley Hohensee, Mason Martin, Cody Mehlberg and Ethan May. Also placing second was the 4x800 team of Breckin Gleason, Derec Guthrie, Raiden Stevens and Brock Gourley.

The Marion/Tigerton girls 4x800 team of Brooklyn Ahlers, Kennedy Zuniga, Brittany Beechy and Eliana Michaels won in 12:16.71. Presley Stewart-Rolfs won the discus at 122-09. Mckayla Taylor won the triple jump at 32-06.

The Gresham/Bowler girls 4x400 team of Addison Fischer, Lorelei Lehouillier, Alivia Perez and Hannah Long won in 4:43.51. Emily Jensen won the shot put at 34-10. Fischer won the long jump at 15-01.

NEC Championship

Oconto Falls hosted the 2026 conference championships, where the girls collected 82.5 points and placed fifth, and the boys had 53 points and placed seventh.

Girls wining were the 4x100 team of Emery Pagel, Brooke Fenlon, Gracie Miller and Rylie Shallow in 49.70.

Winning for the boys were the 4x800 team of Nathaniel White, Carson Laluzerne, Derek Johnson and Michael Guests in 9:08.44. Brady Bursa won the long jump at 22-10.25.

Tuesday, May 12 West De Pere Invitational

Shawano's boys and girls track teams finished last with 30 and 29 points, respectively, in West De Pere.

Three of the boys relay

teams finished in third place.

Running were: the 4x100 team of Aiden Rasmussen, Bryce Lammers, Maverick Theis and Sosaeh Tepiew; the 4x200 team of Joseph Kleinschmidt, Lammers, Theis and Rasmussen; and the 4x800 team of Joshua Lesperance, Nolan Kleinschmidt, Cambren Zeuske and Kobe Bistoff.

There were also a couple of third-place finishes for the girls.

Maci Beyer was third in the high jump, and Bailey Hendricks was third in the 3,200-meter run.

Monday, May 11 Oconto Invite

The Oconto Falls girls won six events and the boys won three in Oconto.

Gracie Miller captured gold in the 100-meter dash in 13.00, and Rylie Shallow won the 200-meter dash in 27.41.

Mackenzie Lotto took first in the 300-meter hurdles in 52.77, and Ella Younkle won the long jump at 14 feet, 10 inches.

The girls' 4x100 and 4x200 relay teams also won.

For the boys, Michael Guerts placed first in the 400-meter dash in 59.32, and Ethan Zielinski won the 3,200-meter run in 12:35.29. Samuel Feliz also won the 110-meter hurdles in 18.92.

For Menominee Nation,

Bryant Waupoose won the boys 1,600-meter run in 4:55.18, and Mequonas-eah Oshkosh won the high jump at 5-6.

Urijah Reeves won the girls high jump at 4-8.

Lions Invite

Bonduel's boys and girls won their respective divisions at the Lions Invite at Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School.

The boys scored 170 points, followed by Wittenberg-Birnamwood in fourth with 62, Marion/Tigerton in fifth with 48 and Gresham/Bowler in seventh with 35.

For the girls, Bonduel had 142 points, followed by Wittenberg-Birnamwood in third with 106, Marion/Tigerton in fourth with 74 and Gresham/Bowler in sixth with 59.

Winning for the boys were:

Bonduel: Gage Scholl in the 110-meter hurdles in 18.00; Mason Ballwahn in the 400-meter dash in 50.95; Owen Burrack in the 300-meter hurdles in 45.20; Ballwahn in the 200-meter dash in 23.18; Ryan Westrich in the discus at 146-2; and Westrich in the shot put at 48-4.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood: Logan Gibson, Phoenix Horacek, Bryson Schmid and Kaden Yaeger in the 4x400 in 3:33.23.

The best finishes for Marion/Tigerton were

Landen Marquardt, second in the 110-meter hurdles; Tristan Herro, second in the high jump.

For Gresham/Bowler's boys, the best finishes were fourth place by Brett Schreiber in the 110-meter hurdles; the 4x800 team of Breckin Gleason, Brock Gourley, Derec Guthrie and Raiden Stevens; and the 4x100 team of Riley Hohensee, Mason Martin, Ethan May and Cody Mehlberg.

Wining for the girls were:

Bonduel: Lillian Burack in the 3,200-meter run in 12:56.44; Peyton Westrich, Mariah Wondra, Amelia Wilcox and Paige Niquette in the 4x400 in 4:29.13; Josie Pawlak in the long jump at 17-6.25; and Pawlak in the triple jump at 34-9.25.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood: Harper Krull in the 100-meter hurdles in 17.88; Harper Rogowski in the 400-meter dash in 1:03.20; Krull in the 300-meter hurdles in 50.54; and Rogowski in the 800-meter run in 2:30.47.

Marion/Tigerton: Brooklyn Ahlers, Hailey Burmeister, Brittany Beechy and Kennedy Zuniga in the 4x800 in 12:00.16; and Presley Stewart-Rolfs in the discus at 125-8.

Gresham/Bowler: Emily Jensen in the shot put at 33-7.

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Rain washes out Dairyland, BABA games

By GREG SEUBERT
Correspondent

When it rains, it pours. That turned out to be the case May 17, as all five Dairyland League amateur baseball games and 10 Badger Amateur Baseball Association contests on

the schedule for that day were rained out and will be rescheduled for a later date.

Dairyland
The rained-out games included Waupaca at Pulaski, Bonduel at Hortonville, Shawano at Marinette, Navarino at Nichols and Cecil at Hofa Park.

May 21 schedule: Marinette at Navarino, 7 p.m.

May 22 schedule (all games 7:30 p.m.): Pulaski at Cecil; Shawano at Hortonville; Hofa Park at Bonduel; Waupaca, Nichols have bye.

BABA

Rained-out games from May 17 included Tigerton at Little Falls, Caroline at Leopold and Wittenberg at Tilleda (West Division); Menominee at Shawano and Marion at Gresham (East Division); Antigo/Polar at Hatley, Elderon at Birnamwood and Eland

at Crandon (North Division); and Scandinavia at Plover and New London at Weymont (South-Central Division).

May 22: West Division: Caroline at Tigerton, 7:30 p.m.

May 24 schedule (all games 1:30 p.m.): East Division: Gresham at Menominee. West Division: Little Falls at Wittenberg. North Division: Birnamwood vs. Antigo/Polar at Antigo; Crandon at Elderon; Hatley at Aniwa; Eland has bye. South-Central Division: No games scheduled.

Oconto Falls’ Magnin takes checkered flag in Shawano

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Kevin Feck, of Wausau, started in ninth place in the IMCA modifieds 20-lap feature race at the Shawano Speedway on May 16 and ended up getting the checkered flag.

He defeated Jeff Teske, Shawano, who was second, and Andy Klosterman, Cecil, who finished third.

In the IMCA sport modifieds, it was Greenville’s Shane Bahr who won the 20-lap A feature race.

He started in 11th and beat out Suring’s Bryce Clements, who placed second, and Madison’s Logan Fleischmann, who was third.

In the B feature 1 race, and eight-lap shootout, it was Seymour’s Tim Jorgenson winning.

Gillett’s Brad Miller was second, and Pulaski’s Taylor Sorenseon was third.

Cole Magnin, of Oconto Falls, claimed the title in the B feature 2 race, topping Forrest Kernan and Shawano’s Michael

Springborn.

Manitowoc’s Brad Wenzel won the 20-lap IMCA stock cars A feature race.

Little Suamico’s Tyler Wilson was second, and Shawano’s Trent Nolan was third.

Shawano, Pulaski soccer teams win

Thursday, May 14
Pulaski 1, West De Pere 0

The Pulaski girls soccer team traveled to West De Pere for a Fox River Classic Conference matchup and returned home with a 1-0 victory.

Maggie Gumina’s unassisted goal was the only score.

Goalkeeper Tatum Wentland had four saves in the shutout win. The Red Raiders improved to 7-5-2 on the season and 4-1-1 in the

FRCC.

Shawano 7, Clintonville 2

The Hawks scored three times in the first half and four more times in the second half en route to a 7-2 nonconference win over the Truckers.

Tuesday, May 12
Pulaski 3, Notre Dame 1

Ruth Krause scored two goals; Leah Kapla assisted on one, and Leah Grygiel assisted on the other as Pulaski beat Notre Dame



Completing a safety class is a component of responsible operation, just like wearing helmets and seatbelts. WISCONSIN DNR

DNR urges ATV/UTV operators to prep for a safe season

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources reminds riders to earn their ATV/UTV safety certification by completing an approved course.

ATV/UTV operators at least 12 years old and born on or after Jan. 1, 1988, are required to complete a state DNR-approved safety education course and to carry proof of certification while riding on public trails, routes and some private lands.

For regulations and class specifics visit the DNR’s website.

The DNR strongly recommends that all operators, regardless of age, register for a class today to brush up on skills, knowledge and important safety strategies.

“Wisconsin continues to see a significant number of ATV/UTV crashes with many operators never completing

a safety course,” said Lt. Jacob Holsclaw, DNR off-highway vehicle administrator. “Safety classes are designed to focus on crash prevention and give students proven, real-life skills to keep them safe while out riding.”

Completing a safety class is another component of responsible operation, just like wearing helmets and seat belts.

“Think of your safety class certificate as your driver’s license for an ATV/UTV, a must-have for safer operation,” Holsclaw said.

Participants have their choice of online or in-person classes.

Parents are urged to join their children at safety classes.

In-person classes fill up fast.

Classes are geared for students ages 11 and older.

NOTICE OF HOSPITAL PRICE INCREASE FOR THEDACARE MEDICAL CENTER-SHAWANO

ThedaCare Medical Center-Shawano, located at 100 County Road B, Shawano, WI 54166 will increase charges for the fiscal year July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. Selected hospital charges will change effective July 1, 2026 as follows.

The overall increase to total gross revenue from services to patients is anticipated to result in an average increase of 3.6%.

	Jul 2026	Jan 2026	Dollar Change	% Variance
Room & Board				
Private	\$2,220	\$2,113	\$107	5%
Nursery Level I	\$980	\$933	\$47	5%
Step Down Unit	\$3,890	\$3,701	\$189	5%
Swing Bed Semi-Private	\$315	\$315	\$0	0%
Emergency Room				
Medical Visit Level IV	\$1,720	\$1,720	\$0	0%
Birth Center				
Labor Level 3/Hour	\$125	\$125	\$0	0%
Delivery Level I	\$4,315	\$4,315	\$0	0%
Circumcision	\$255	\$255	\$0	0%
Other Imaging Svcs.				
Mammography Screen	\$575	\$575	\$0	0%
Mammography Diagnostic	\$561	\$561	\$0	0%

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Man’s survival as prisoner of war inspiring

I joined the American Legion Auxiliary in 2004. Jon had joined the Legion, and I’d just published “My Mother Kept a Scrapbook: The True Story of a WWII POW” by Gerhard Johnson. Lifelong fishing buddies, Jon and Gerhard were both born and raised in Elderon.

After two years doing lengthy interviews and extensive research on surrounding events, I was able to help Gerhard preserve his story for posterity. Its main focus is his horrific experience of being captured and held by the Germans from January 1944 to April 1945.

Gerhard had not publicly shared that part of his life until April 1, 2003, when we ran into him and his wife, Elaine, at a party in Elderon. They lived in Wausau, so we didn’t see them often. It was good to catch up.

We were talking at the bar when breaking news about Iraq War prisoner of war Jessica Lynch flashed onto the TV. Seriously

injured and captured on March 23, 2003, Jessica was safely back in the USA. Her recovery was the first successful rescue of an American POW since World War II, and the first ever of a woman.

We watched as Jessica was carried down the airplane steps on a stretcher and loaded into an ambulance.

Suddenly, Gerhard blurted out, “That little girl’s brave, but she doesn’t know a thing about being a POW.”

“And you should know, Gerhard,” I replied. “Jon told me you were a POW during World War II.”

Jon was mortified. “Kathie, be quiet. He doesn’t talk about it.”

Gerhard shocked us with his response. “Maybe it’s time.”

The next day we were at his house where I would conduct our first interview. Jon, Elaine and I sat with him at the kitchen table, accompanying him on his difficult journey through long-buried

memories. He’d recently suffered a minor stroke, but he bravely told the story as best he could. When we left, I was committed to publishing it.

As the broader narrative began to take shape, Jon and I understood why Gerhard had chosen to keep his time in an earthly hell private. Occasionally, I could see he was shutting down and would cut the session short; sometimes I would ask questions, but mostly just listened and took notes.

Gerhard was 19 when he was drafted in April 1943. He insisted that if he hadn’t been drafted, he’d have enlisted. After boot camp, he was assigned as a replacement troop in the 36th Texas Lone Star Division. The storied unit had fought valiantly, achieving success on the battlefield with the casualties to prove it.

Commanded by Lt. Gen. Mark Clark, the 36th was sent to Africa and then Italy. Gerhard recounted the fallout of Clark’s ill-advised decision to unleash a two-day assault involving more than 8,000 American troops at what has been called the Bloody Blunder at

Rapido River on Jan. 20, 1944.

Part of the battle plan was for the 36th to cross the flood-swollen Rapido River into Italy. Poorly timed and executed, the offensive was one of the worst American defeats of the war. Gerhard was one of only a few hundred men who even managed to cross the river.

During the doomed engagement, the 36th suffered 143 killed in action, 663 wounded and 875 missing – most of them taken prisoner. Gerhard spent the next 15 months in brutal captivity, most of it in Stalag IIB near Hammerstein on the Polish border. He struggled to describe unimaginable suffering and privation. Often fighting back tears, I somehow got it all down on paper.

While he was away, Gerhard’s mother, Anna, and his sweetheart, Elaine, wrote to him weekly. Anna saved telegrams, Army correspondence, and her son’s (censored) letters in a humble scrapbook Gerhard had started as a boy. Thanks to Anna, that scrapbook provided essential documentation to

corroborate his story.

Told from his point of view, the book recounts how Gerhard somehow survived imprisonment until Stalag IIB was liberated by the British on April 21, 1945. His body was badly deteriorated; it was a miracle he made it home alive. His illnesses and injuries would plague him his entire life.

When he was drafted, Gerhard stood 6 feet, 3 inches and weighed 165 pounds. When he reached a hospital in England, he weighed a hundred pounds and couldn’t stand up straight enough to be accurately measured. Upon visiting him at a recuperation hospital in Chicago, Anna didn’t recognize him at first and fainted when she did.

In honor of Memorial Day, I’ll share something Gerhard once told me. “People think Memorial Day is about guys like me. It’s not. That’s Veterans Day. Memorial Day is about the ones who came home in a box and the MIAs who never did. All gave some, but some gave all.” Let’s remember that and celebrate the holiday accordingly.



KATHLEEN MARSH
COLUMNIST

WHAT’S HAPPENING

FRIDAY, MAY 22

OCONTO: 46th annual Oconto Sportsmen’s Club Perch Derby, City Docks, Spies Road. Tickets \$20 includes cash drawings. Weigh-in 3 p.m. Saturday.

SHAWANO: American Red Cross blood drive, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Shawano City Hall, 127 S. Sawyer St. Appointments at www.redcrossblood.org or 800-733-2767.

OCONTO FALLS: Memorial Weekend Celebration, 6-10 p.m., Memorial Field. Modified Pitch Softball Tournament, Christman Amusement Carnival, music, food, beer stand.

WITTENBERG: Graduation, 6 p.m., Wittenberg-Birnhamwood High School, 400 W. Grand Ave.

BOWLER: Graduation, 7 p.m., Bowler School, 500 S. Almon St.

GRESHAM: Graduation, 7 p.m., Gresham Community School, 501 Schabow St.

BONDUEL: Graduation, 7:30 p.m., Bonduel High School, 400 W. Green Bay St.

OCONTO: Storytime, 10:30 a.m., Farnsworth Public Library, 715 Main St. Story and crafts for preschool children. A caregiver must stay with the child.

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

SATURDAY, MAY 23

OCONTO: 46th annual Oconto

Sportsmen’s Club Perch Derby, City Docks, Spies Road. Tickets \$20 includes cash drawings. Weigh-in 3 p.m. Saturday.

OCONTO FALLS: Dash O.F. Color 5K Run/Walk, 9 a.m., Memorial Field.

OCONTO FALLS: Memorial Weekend Celebration, 10 a.m. to 11 p.m., Memorial Field. Modified Pitch Softball Tournament, Christman Amusement Carnival, music by Diversion 7-11 p.m., fireworks at dusk, food, beer stand.

TOWN OF RIVERVIEW: Crooked Lake/Mountain Lions Club Meat Raffle, Brat and Burger Fry, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sportsman’s Club, 15526 County Road W.

SHAWANO: Auto racing, 6 p.m., Shawano Speedway, 990 E. Green Bay St. Gates open 4 p.m. Adults \$15, seniors \$12, younger than age 11 free. Check the Shawano Speedway page on Facebook for updates and weather-related conditions.

SUNDAY, MAY 24

SHAWANO: Zurko’s Flea Market, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Shawano County Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St. Admission \$2.

OCONTO FALLS: Memorial Weekend Celebration, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m., Memorial Field. Modified Pitch Softball Tournament, Christman Amusement Carnival, Show and Shine Car Show 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. with music, food, beer stand.

MOUNTAIN: Memorial Weekend Parade, noon, downtown starting from County Road W at the old school.

GILLET: Graduation, 1:30 p.m., Gillett Secondary School, 208 W. Main St.

OCONTO FALLS: Graduation, 2 p.m., Oconto Falls High School, 210 N. Farm Road.

MONDAY, MAY 25

ABRAMS: American Legion Post 523 Memorial Day programs, 9 a.m., Stiles Cemetery; 9:45 a.m., Brookside Cemetery; 10:30 a.m., Riverview Cemetery, Little Suamico; 11:15 a.m., Sobieski cemetery.

SURING: American Legion Post 283 military honors and programs, 9 a.m., Breed Union; 9:30 a.m., St. Michael’s; 10 a.m., St. John’s of Hayes; 10:30 a.m., Pleasant Hill; 11 a.m., The Bay Nursing Home, Suring; 11:30 a.m., Trinity; 12:45 p.m., Hickory.

SHAWANO: Allied Vets Council parade, 9:15 a.m., Huckleberry Harbor down Fifth Street to Woodlawn Cemetery. Memorial Day service 10 a.m. at the cemetery, 1115 E. Green Bay St.

OCONTO FALLS: American Legion Post 302 Memorial Day program, 10 a.m., Woodlawn Cemetery, 828 S. Main St. Guest speaker Chuck Wellens. Oconto Falls Area Veterans Monument program, 11 a.m., North Farm Road.

LENA: American Legion Post 342

Memorial Day parade, 10 a.m., services to follow at St. Charles and Pine Hill cemeteries.

GILLET: Memorial Day Observance, 10 a.m., Memorial Park, corner of West Main and Elm streets.

OCONTO: American Legion Post 74 Memorial Day parade, 10 a.m., City Hall to Evergreen Cemetery. Service at the cemetery approximately 11 a.m.

OCONTO: Memorial Day Picnic, noon to 5 p.m., Copperfest and American Legion Park, 709 Madison St. Music, food and beverages, bucket raffles, kids games and activities.

TUESDAY, MAY 26

CECIL: Shawano Paddlers – Evening Paddle, 6 p.m., Korth Lake, W3776 State Highway 22. Paddle to Bahr Lake. Check Shawano Paddlers Facebook page for updates.

OCONTO: Small Group Bible Study, 6-8 p.m., The Good Place Bowling Center, 1128 Main St. For information, call 920-516-7390.

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, MAY 27

STILES: St. Patrick’s Rummage Sale, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., 5760 County Road I.

NAVARINO: Sunset Paddle through

Navarino Wildlife Area Flowages, 6-8 p.m., Navarino Nature Center, W5646 Lindsten Road. Co-sponsored with Shawano Paddlers. Admission \$10 includes guide, canoe, flotation device. Register at navarino.org or 715-758-6999 by May 23.

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LENA: Graduation, 7 p.m., Lena High School, 304 E. Main St.

THURSDAY, MAY 28

GILLET: Shawano Paddlers – Morning Paddle, 9 a.m., Berry Lake, 5841 Berry Lake Road. Check Shawano Paddlers Facebook page for updates.

OCONTO: Thursday Play Group, 10:30 a.m. to noon, Farnsworth Public Library, 715 Main St. Meant for children to play and interact with other children at the library. A caregiver must stay with the child.

OCONTO: Faithful Readers Community Bible Study, 2:30 p.m., Farnsworth Public Library, 715 Main St. Multidenominational study of the book of Genesis. For information, call or text Steve at 920-360-0883.

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

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Egrets can be found on the edge of water

We recently enjoyed a birding trip to the south-east United States that rewarded us with sightings of many bird species not seen in Wisconsin. These included the wood stork, roseate spoonbill, yellow-crowned night heron and brown pelican among others. It also allowed us to see many more egrets than we'd see here in northeast Wisconsin.

It was the great egret that caught most of our attention. The great egret is the largest and most common of the three egret species that occur in Wisconsin. They stand a little over 3 feet tall on lengthy black stilt-like legs, their height enhanced by a long, graceful neck. A heavy yellow bill and piercing eyes completes their profile.

Great egrets speak to me of the beauty of flight. With up to a 5 1/2-foot wingspan and bright white plumage, neck tucked back and long trailing legs, they seem to soar effortlessly through the air. According to the Cornell Lab All About Birds (AAB) website, great egrets fly slowly but powerfully. With just two wingbeats per second, they cruise at about 25 mph.

Egrets are wading



A great egret stalks its prey in Manitowoc.

JOEL TRICK

birds often seen standing very still along the edges of waterways such as lakes, marshes and impoundments. Patience and stealth are their hallmark traits when hunting for prey. Their long dagger-like bills bring home small

fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds, small mammals and invertebrates such as crayfish and dragonflies.

Breeding birds of both sexes are especially beautiful. They grow long delicate white plumes (known as aigrettes) on their backs early in the

breeding season, which they raise during courtship displays giving them a regal look. They also sport a vivid green patch of skin on the face just above the bill.

Great egrets are colonial nesting birds, nesting together in trees and shrubs alongside waterways. The nesting site we saw in the south was a busy and noisy place. These large white birds, scattered throughout the trees were preening, roosting or in courtship display. Their dazzling white forms, many with feathery plumes elegantly raised, decorated the foliage like bright ornaments on Christmas trees. The air was alive

with their croaking calls.

Like the bird, the great egret's nest is large. According to AAB, it can be up to 3 feet in diameter and a foot deep. The birds line it with pliable plant materials forming it into a cup shape. The female lays one to six eggs and can raise two broods of chicks a year.

Hatchlings come into the world well developed having long white down on their backs and eyes open, but not all of the nestlings survive. Large chicks may compete with their smaller siblings, frequently killing them. This behavior, known as siblicide, often occurs as a result of poor breeding conditions. Young that do

survive fledge (leave the nest) in about four weeks.

Unfortunately, the beauty of egrets cost them their lives in the past. Great egrets were hunted for their long white plumes that were used to decorate hats. This almost decimated their population by 1900. According to AAB, plume hunting was mostly banned by 1910, and the population started to recover. According to the North American Breeding Bird Survey, from 1966 to 2019, the population has been increasing by about 1.5% a year across most of the species' range and now appears stable.

The great egret is the symbol of the National Audubon Society. One of the oldest environmental organizations in North America, it was founded to protect birds from being killed for their feathers. We owe a great debt to organizations like Audubon that strive to save not only the egrets but so many of our bird species whose populations are spiraling downwards. Consider supporting Audubon or another conservation group to help save birds.

The two other species of egrets that are also seen in Wisconsin, but not as frequently as the great egret are the snowy and cattle egrets. They are mostly white and smaller than the great egret.

Distinguishing features of the snowy egret are its long black bill and legs, and very bright yellow feet. Always look at the feet to identify this species.

The cattle egret is the smallest of the three egrets and is more compact and chunkier in appearance. When perching it draws its neck in giving it a hunched look. In the breeding season, it shows patches of yellow orange feathers on the head, breast and back. This species is seen near waterways and also in open fields hunting for larger insects like grasshoppers.

Like the egrets, practice patience and stealth when searching for them. Look along the edges of waterways and marshes for these species, and in fields for the cattle egret. Hopefully you will have the pleasure of watching one as it expertly stalks its prey or takes beautifully to the air. Once seen, these elegant birds are not easily forgotten.

Cathy Carnes is a retired biologist in Oconto who worked with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Green Bay Field Office and prior to that with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Regulatory Branch in Buffalo, New York. As endangered species coordinator for the USFWS, she helped conserve and recover federally listed threatened and endangered species in Wisconsin.



CATHY CARNES
COLUMNIST

Flavorful herb gardens enhance outdoor gatherings

Make it fun and convenient to add some home-grown flavor to cook-outs, garden parties and meals. Grow a few herbs in containers on a patio, deck or balcony.

Set a pot near the grill and fill it with favorite grilling herbs. Include some barbecue known for its especially good flavor and aroma suited to cooking. Plus, the strong stems make the perfect skewer, something guests are sure to remember.

Grow herbs like basil, marjoram, oregano and thyme for seasoning vegetables when grilling. Use pots of these and other favorites, like chives, set on the table as an edible centerpiece. Include snips and suggestions for guests to use for seasoning their own dishes.

Dress up beverages with fresh herbs like mint or basil in lemonade. Grow lemongrass

as a vertical accent in containers and boil the stalks to make hot or iced tea. Use thyme as a trailer in containers and pair it with citrusy drinks or gin, vodka or bourbon for an earthy and minty enhancement. Sweeten

beverages with fresh stevia leaves. Use them to create a simple syrup, steep into tea or muddle with other herbs to flavor drinks.

Enjoy their added flavor in beverages, entrees and desserts

and a variety of health benefits they provide. Benefit from the anti-inflammatory effects of basil and rosemary, vitamins and minerals in thyme, antioxidants in mint and calming effects of lavender.

Most herbs prefer full sun and well-drained soil, but some, like mint, thyme, chives, parsley and lemon balm, will tolerate some shade. A bit of afternoon shade is



This container is filled with santo cilantro, peppermint Swiss chard, romaine lettuce and snapshot plumblossom snapdragon.

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welcomed by many sun-loving plants growing in hotter regions. Check the plant tag or seed packet for detailed planting information.

Grow herbs in containers that have drainage holes and are filled with a quality potting mix. Incorporate a

certified organic and sustainable amendment, like Wild Valley Farms' wool pellets (wildvalleyfarms.com). This soil amendment made from wool waste reduces watering by up to 25%, adds nutrients, organic matter and increases air space for better plant growth.

Grow individual plants in their own container or combine several in one pot. Place three to four plants in a 10- to 12-inch pot, four to six in a 14- to 16-inch container and six to eight in a 16- to 20-inch planter. Adjust this number based on the size of the transplants

used and the mature size and growth habit of those included.

Harvest a few leaves and stems as needed throughout the growing season. Regular harvesting encourages more growth for the future. Herbs have the most intense flavor when harvested just before flowering. However, the flavor and pollinators that visit can still be enjoyed once flowering begins. Most herbs' flowers are edible but be sure to check before adding any to beverages and meals.

Using herbs to flavor dishes and beverages makes every meal a special occasion. Plus, family and friends will have fun seasoning their meal with tasty fresh herbs within easy reach.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including the "Midwest Gardener's Handbook, 2nd Edition" and "Small Space Gardening." She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" streaming courses and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment radio program. Her website is www.melindamyers.com.

GARDENING WITH MELINDA MYERS



MELINDA MYERS
COLUMNIST

Schools should make golf more accessible for students

Have you ever wanted to play golf in high school, but you didn't have enough money to get clubs?

Well, this piece talks about what schools should do for all their students to feel like they are able to play a sport without the financial burden. This piece will talk about the benefits that schools can provide, which could help them be able to fund golf.

Golf is an expensive sport. This means that students who don't come from high- or middle-class households have a hard time purchasing clubs, golf balls and tees.

Children 6-18 who come from low-income households quit sports six times as much as students who come from higher-income homes, according to Project Play.

The cost of golf clubs is expensive. The cost of the most basic clubs, which are for beginners, is about \$200. The cost for high-quality is \$600-\$1,800, according to Price of Golf Clubs.

I played golf in high school, and my coach told me that if I wanted to be on the team, I would have to get my own set of golf clubs, because the school didn't provide them. The only thing that the coach provided to us was wood tees that would break every time you used them.

At our first golf meeting, he told us that we would need to find our own rides to the golf course, and that the school doesn't provide us with transportation, because they need the buses for the students going home. This resulted in asking parents or older teammates to bring us to the golf course.

Also, we had to find a ride home.

If we connect with organizations that help with getting golf clubs and supplies into the high school for students who don't have enough money, this will help them be able to play. This makes sure that all students are able to play sports and get the same opportunities for scholarships.

Friends of Golf is an organization that

helps give students resources to be successful in playing golf. They also help with scholarships.

This organization wants to make sure that students who don't have enough money to continue playing golf in college have that opportunity.

Schools should provide clubs for their students, because they provide resources for other sports, but it seems like golf is something schools forget about. For other sports, the school gives them fields and the equipment that they need to be a functioning team.

Golf is a sport you can play for the rest of your life. With having the school board finding organizations or helping hands from the community to help with these resources, we need to bring golf into being a sport for anyone. The school board could allow more funding for all sports equipment and not just the popular sports.

The school board or the school's sports administrator could reach out to community members, seeing if anyone has old clubs that they wouldn't want and tell the community what they are doing. This would be a lending program that they could incorporate into the school.

Another thing that the school board would need to do is make partners with local golf courses to see if they can get a deal on golfing at that course for practice or even to see if they can golf on there for free. My high school partnered with the local golf course and got us a deal with golfing there when the season was going on, and when we would practice, it was free for us.

Something the school board could do is ask the school to do a lending process where the students have to check out what they borrow from the equipment, so that they can keep the equipment year after year.

Kailea Van Der Linden is an elementary and special education student at UW-Stevens Point. She is originally from Bonduel and is a former golfer for Bonduel High School.



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Community health vital in Shawano, Menominee counties

When people hear the phrase community health, they often think about hospitals, clinics or doctor visits. Those things matter, of course, but community health is much bigger than health care alone.

Community health is about whether people in Shawano and Menominee counties have a fair chance to live healthy lives. It is about physical health, mental health and social well-being. It is also about the conditions we live with every day — whether we can find affordable housing, get to an appointment, buy healthy food nearby, access mental health care and feel supported in our families, schools, workplaces and neighborhoods.

That broader view of health is exactly why local health departments complete a Community Health Assessment, or CHA, every three to five years. The purpose is simple — listen, learn and use that information to guide the work ahead.

Our newly completed 2025 Community Health Assessment gives us a clearer picture of what people in our communities are experiencing. Some of the findings are encouraging; some are concerning. All of them help us better understand where we need to focus together.

One thing came through very clearly — Mental health is weighing heavily on our communities.

In our recent community survey, mental health was identified as the top factor having the greatest impact on health locally. Community members and local partners also pointed to suicide as a major concern. Among Shawano County high school students, more than a quarter reported prolonged sadness that interfered with daily activities, and many also reported significant anxiety and serious thoughts of suicide. Those numbers are hard to read, but they are too important to ignore.

We also heard clearly that health is shaped by practical, everyday barriers. Community members identified economic disparities, cultural limitations and transportation barriers as top areas needing improvement. Transportation may not sound like a health issue at first, but if you cannot get to a doctor, a counselor, a grocery store or even a job, your health is affected. In a rural area like ours, distance, reliable transportation and access matter.

The assessment also reminds us that where people live impacts how healthy

they can be. In both counties, at least 1 in 10 households experiences at least one severe housing problem, and food access remains a challenge, especially for lower-income residents who may not live close to a grocery store.

At the same time, rates of obesity and diabetes remain high in both counties, increasing the risk of other serious health problems.

Access to care is also not equal for everyone, and even people with insurance may struggle to get timely care when providers are limited or far away. These are the kinds of issues that do not always make headlines, but they have a very real effect on health over time.

At the same time, our communities have real strengths.

Residents identified safety, community connection, health care, environmental conditions and local amenities among the things they value most. Key community partners also pointed to assets such as recreational opportunities, schools and the strong sense of community that exists across our counties.

That matters because community health is not only about what is going wrong. It is also about building on what is already strong.

The assessment is not the end of a

process; it is the starting point. It helps lay the foundation for the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP), which will guide local action over the next three years. That plan will help determine where we focus our partnerships, energy and resources to improve health in Shawano and Menominee counties.

This is where the public comes in.

Good public health work should not happen in isolation or behind a desk. Data is important, but data alone does not tell the whole story. The people who live here know what daily life looks like. They know where the gaps are, where the strengths are and what challenges families are facing. That is why community voices are so important in setting priorities.

In June, community members and partners will be invited to a community meeting to review the results of the 2025 Community Health Assessment and help vote on the priorities that will shape the next Community Health Improvement Plan for Shawano and Menominee counties.

Please watch for the upcoming meeting invitation and consider joining us. Your voice can help shape a healthier future for Shawano and Menominee counties.

Nick Mau is the health officer for the Shawano-Menominee Counties Health Department.

THEME: MYTHOLOGICAL CREATURES ACROSS

1. Throat-clearing sound
5. Like a fiddle?
8. Chicago baseballer
11. Cyberattack target
12. Opposite of pizzicato, in music
13. Bullying, e.g.
15. Pharmacy ware
16. Wedding cake layer
17. *Mythological part woman, part bird
18. *Part man, part bull
20. Means justifiers
21. Seize the throne
22. Found at the pump
23. *Part man, part fish
26. Julianne Moore or Lucille Ball, e.g.
30. Schiller's address to joy
31. Popular pet rodent
34. Bono's bandmate, with The
35. Chunk of iceberg
37. *Pointy-eared humanoid
38. Knight's breastplate
39. Independent chieftan
40. Pay, in casino (2 words)
42. Bugling ungulate
43. Like sun
45. Mother-of-pearl, pl.
47. Public health org.
48. Manila hemp
50. Vegan's protein choice
52. *Three-headed dog
55. African antelope, pl.

56. Not written
57. Arch above eye
59. Actor's rep
60. Sommelier's domain
61. *Large and hideous humanoid
62. *Giant bird of prey
63. Bulb type
64. *Abominable humanoid

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1. Tally
 2. Stay out of its way!
 3. Small ladies' handbag
 4. Extra large wine bottle
 5. Robin Hood's companion
 6. Frost over (2 words)
 7. Millimeter of mercury
 8. Little Miss Muffet's morsel
 9. Mail carrier, acr.
 10. Beyonc , a.k.a. Queen
 12. Adjust
 13. Beforehand
 14. *Wailing spirit
 19. "Killers of the Flower Moon" Oklahoma location
 22. Hair-raising product
 23. Lawn trimmer
 24. Organ swelling
 25. Made over
 26. Abundant
 27. Landscaper's tool
 28. Like an athlete
 29. Office stations
 32. Landlord's due
 33. Acronym-named sandwich
 36. *Part lion, part eagle
 38. Lickety-split
 40. Nurses' org.

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41. Incapable
44. Sunbaked, archaically speaking
46. Demijohn
48. Eagle's home
49. Gwyneth Paltrow's Goop
50. Not for here (2 words)
51. Barrel-counting org.
52. Type of hood
53. Restless desire
54. Database command
55. Roofing sealant
58. Yellow river tributary

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• Richard J. Schreiber, 56, Green Bay, pleaded no contest to two counts of felony child neglect and one count of misdemeanor child neglect. Judge William Kus-sel Jr. withheld sentencing and placed him on three years of probation with conditions.

• Jonathon R. Torres, 47, Neopit, pleaded no contest May 11 to possession of methamphetamine, posses-sion of narcotic drugs, pos-session of THC (second or subsequent offense), two counts of felony bail jumping and misdemeanor charges of operating while revoked, resisting or obstructing an officer, and possession of drug paraphernalia. Kussel sentenced him to 180 days in county jail, consecutive to any other sentences he is currently serving. Since he was given credit for 403 days already served, the sentence is considered served.

• Jacob M. Bray, 32, Wau-paca, pleaded no contest May 12 to misdemeanor charges of bail jumping and possession of THC. The THC charge was amended from a felony in a plea agreement. Kussel levied fines and court costs of \$1,052.

• Stuart L. Long, 40, Shawano, pleaded no

contest May 14 to four mis-demeanor counts of victim intimidation. Related felony charges were dismissed but read into the record in a plea agreement. Kussel imposed and stayed a jail sentence, then placed him on two years of probation with conditions.

• Chad E. Rockman, 32, an inmate at Oshkosh Cor-rectional Institution, plead-ed no contest May 13 to two counts of misdemeanor bail jumping. The charges were amended from felonies in a plea agreement. Judge Katherine Sloma levied court costs and sentenced him to 30 days in jail.

• Mark W. Fouts, 59, Shawano, was charged May 11 with felony bail jumping. Kussel set a \$250 cash bond and scheduled a statu-s conference for May 19.

• Trista M. Sawlsville, 27, Shawano, was charged May 11 with felony bail jumping. Kussel set a \$100 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for June 22.

• Ava A. Kobs, 17, Green Bay, was charged May 12 with strangulation and suf-focation and misdemeanor counts of battery and disorderly conduct. Kussel set a \$2,500 signature bond and scheduled a status confer-ence for July 27.

• Greg Robert Bohm, 51, no address listed, was charged May 13 with bat-tery to an elder person or person at risk, two counts of felony bail jumping and misdemeanor charges of disorderly conduct and two counts of battery. Kussel set a \$1,000 cash bond, and a status conference was set for May 26.

• Dylan J. Nutt, 37, Shioc-ton, was charged May 14 with possession with intent to distribute meth-amphetamine and felony bail jumping. Kussel set a \$15,000 cash bond and scheduled a status confer-ence for June 23.

• Zachary J. Fossum, 33, Shawano, was charged May 15 with fleeing an officer in his vehicle and first-degree

recklessly endangering safety. Kussel set a \$3,500 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for May 19.

• Melissa M. Kelley, 27,

Keshena, was charged May 15 with possession of drug paraphernalia to manufac-ture or store methamphet-amine, manufacture and delivery of Schedule I and

II narcotics, possession of methamphetamine and pos-session of narcotic drugs. Kussel set a \$2,500 cash bond and scheduled a pre-liminary hearing for May 20.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN
SHAWANO COUNTY

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR
LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that the following application for a License to deal in Fermented Malt Beverages has been filed with the Town of Wittenberg Clerk.

Trade Name: **Wittenberg Little League**
President: Ryan Lynch
Premises to be licensed: N6218 S. Webb St. Wittenberg, WI 54499
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In Re: **Christine A. Hall Trust** dated January 26, 2018

Pursuant to section 701.0508(1) (a)1 of the Wisconsin Statutes, Paula A. Wegner and Dixie A. Hall, as co-trustees of the Christine A. Hall Trust dated January 26, 2018, have the duty or power to pay the debts of Christine A. Hall, deceased, who resided at 204 N. Humphrey Circle, Shawano, WI. All creditors' claims must be filed with the co-trustees by September 8, 2026, or shall be barred. Claims may be filed at the Law Firm of Conway, Olejniczak & Jerry, SC, to the attention of Tara M. Sellen, Attorney for Paula A. Wegner and Dixie A. Hall, Co-Trustees, P.O. Box 23200, Green Bay, WI 54305-3200, (920) 437-0476.
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Agenda

Board of Adjustment - Public Hearing Notice Meeting
Thursday, June 11, 2026 @ 9:00 AM
Shawano County Courthouse, Rooms A & B

311 N Main St., Shawano, WI
Members: Alan Beyer, Bill Bowers, John Stezenski, Thomas Tauferner, Gary Thomack
Alternates: 1st Robert Krause, 2nd David Korth

Notice is hearby given that a public hearing will be held by the Shawano County Board of Adjustment under the Shawano County Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 40, in rooms A/B on June 11, 2026 at 9AM, to consider the following application:

V-1-26: Henry & Windy Perry, owners of Maple Leaf Farms of Tigerton LLC request variance to construct a single family dwelling at a maximum of 850 feet from the centerline of School House 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 per Option A of the Shawano County Code of Ordinances Property is located and described as the Northwest ¼ of the Fractional Northeast ¼ Except Part Described in Volume 499 Page 437 Section 6, Town 27 North, Range 13 East, in the Town of Seneca. Tax Parcel #: 042-06120-0000. Property Address: W14261 School House 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 a well as the primary address of the signer.

The Board will accept and review all previously received pertinent information relative to the above listed item(s) during the open session of the public hearing on June 11, 2026 Notice is further given that printed copies of these proposals are available for public inspection in the Planning & Development office during regular business hours.

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Dated this 12th day of May, 2026.
For: The Shawano County Board of Adjustment
By: Kyle Waelchli, Zoning Administrator

The Board of Adjustment will be meeting after the public hearing to deliberate and take possible action on the following items:

- Public hearing decisions**
V-1-25: Henry & Windy Perry owners of Maple Leaf Farms of Tigerton LLC
- Approval of minutes from previous meeting.**
6-12-25 Public Hearing and Meeting Minutes
- Board member comments or new business to be considered at a future meeting.**
- Correspondence.**
- Set next public hearing date.**
- Adjournment.**

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STATE OF WISCONSIN
SHAWANO COUNTY

Notice of Public Hearing

Planning, Development and Zoning Committee Meeting
Wednesday, June 3, 2026 @ 9:00 AM
Shawano County Courthouse, Rooms A & B

Members: Ken Capelle, Curt Korth, Kathy Luebke, James Radtke, Theresa Serrano

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Shawano County Planning, Development and Zoning Committee under the Shawano County Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 40, in Rooms A/B on June 3, 2026 at 9AM, to consider the following application:

Proposed Moratorium on Data Centers Ordinance. The purpose of this Ordinance is to enact a moratorium on the receipt of applications and the granting of all permits or approvals for the siting, construction, establishment, or expansion of any Data Center in the unincorporated areas of Shawano County pending the County's review, study, and enactment of permanent ordinance provisions addressing such uses.

Proposed Amendments to Shawano County Code Ch. 40, Art. 10 (Shoreland-Wetland Zoning Ordinance). This ordinance regulates shoreland use and development to protect public health and safety, safeguard navigable waters, prevent pollution, protect aquatic habitat, and preserve shoreland vegetation and natural beauty. The proposed amendments revise the County's ordinance to align with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) model ordinance and applicable state requirements. The amendments incorporate updates and clarifications recommended through DNR review to ensure consistency, compliance, and administrative clarity.

Any interested person may address the Planning, Development and Zoning Committee 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 Committee will accept and review all previously received pertinent information relative to the above listed item(s) during the open session of the public hearing on June 3, 2026. Notice is further given that printed copies of these proposals are available for public inspection in the Planning and Development office during regular business hours.

Please note that upon reasonable notice, effort will be made to accommodate the needs of any person wishing to attend who, because of disability, requires special accommodation through appropriate aids and services. Call 715-526-6766 to leave a message for arrangements.

Dated this May 6, 2026
For: The Shawano County Planning, Development and Zoning Committee
By: Kyle Waelchli, Zoning Administrator

NOTE: Any person may appear at the public hearing and be heard and/or submit comments to be read into the record for Committee consideration. Correspondence must bear a legible signature of the author as well as the primary address of the signer. Accommodations due to disability can be made by calling: 715-526-6766
Meeting notice emailed/posted:
Shawano County Courthouse, Department of Human Services, Shawano County Library, Shawano Leader, WTCH Radio, Shawano County Civic website @ coshawanowi.civicweb.net

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5/15/26, 5/22/26, 5/29/26

STATE OF WISCONSIN
SHAWANO COUNTY

CIRCUIT COURT

Plaintiff,
Aida Noemy Umana
422 N. Ashland Ave Green Bay, WI 54303
-VS-
Defendant,
Bonnie Lu Griesbach
608 Maiden LN Shawano, WI 54166

Publication Summons and Notice (Small Claims)
Case No. 26SC207

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court prior to process, please call the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

Publication Summons and Notice of Filing
TO THE PERSON(S) NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S):
You are being sued by the person(s) named above as Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. The lawsuit will be heard in the following small claims court:
Shawano County Courthouse 715-526-9347
County Board Room
311 N Main St. Shawano, WI 54166
06/09/2026 1:00 p.m.

If you do not attend the hearing, the court may enter a judgment against you in favor of the person(s) suing you. A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate (property) you own now or in the future and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property. You may have the option to Answer without appearing in court on the court date by filing a written Answer with the clerk of court before the court date. You must send a copy of your Answer to the Plaintiff(s) named above at their address. You may contact the clerk of court at the telephone number above to determine if there are other methods to answer a Small Claims complaint in that county.

Aida N. Umana
5/6/2026
422 north Ashland Ave
Green Bay, WI 54303

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5/22/26, 5/29/26, 6/5/26

STATE OF WISCONSIN
SHAWANO COUNTY

CIRCUIT COURT

N THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE
Shawn Alexander Terry
By Shawn Alexander Terry

Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing
Case No. 26CV102

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:

From:
Shawn Alexander Terry

To:
Shawn Alexander Coffey

Birth Certificate:
Shawn Alexander Terry
This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County, State of Wisconsin
Katie Sloma

Shawano County Courthouse Branch 1
311 Main St, Shawano, WI 54166
July 29, 2026
8:15 a.m.

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5/15/26, 5/22/26, 5/29/26

STATE OF WISCONSIN
SHAWANO COUNTY

CIRCUIT COURT

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC
Plaintiff,
vs.
DUSTIN G. DEMRO; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DUSTIN DEBRO, IF ANY; et al., Defendants.

CASE NO. 2025CV000220
FORECLOSURE CASE CODE: 30404
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure entered on January 13, 2026, in the amount of \$253,867.76, the Sheriff, or Designee, will sell the described premises at public auction as follows:

TIME: June 10, 2026, at 9:00 AM

TERMS:
1. 10% of the successful bid must be paid to the sheriff at the sale in cash, cashier's check, or certified funds, payable to the clerk of courts (personal checks cannot and will not be accepted). The balance of the successful bid must be paid to the clerk of courts in cash, cashier's check of certified funds no later than ten days after the court's confirmation of the sale or else the 10% down payment will be forfeited to the Plaintiff.
2. Sold "as is" and subject to all legal liens and encumbrances.
3. Buyer to pay applicable Wisconsin Real Estate Transfer Tax in addition to the purchase price.
PLACE: main level of the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 North Main Street, Shawano, WI 54166

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: LOT THREE (3), BLOCK TWO (2), OF J.J. BRZEZINSKI'S FIRST ADDITION, IN THE TOWN OF ANGELICA, SHAWANO COUNTY, WISCONSIN. TAX KEY NO.: 004600500100 PROPERTY ADDRESS: W145 CENTER STREET, KRAKOW, WI 54137
Submitted by: Scott D. Nabke Bar No.: 1037979 Diaz Anselmo & Associates, P.A. P.O. BOX 19519 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33318 Telephone: (954) 564-0071 Facsimile: (954) 564-9252 Service E-mail: answersms@dallegal.com Dated this 1 day of May 2026
George Lenzner Shawano County Sheriff or Designee

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5/22/26, 5/29/26, 6/5/26

STATE OF WISCONSIN
SHAWANO COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BEVERLY J. BERGNER

Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No. 26 PR 29

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 07/29/1932 and date of death 02/18/2026, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 1008 E Stevens Street, Shawano, WI 54166.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is August 28, 2026.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Attn: Register in Probate, 311 N. Main St., Shawano, WI 54166, Room 202.
BY THE COURT:
DATE SIGNED: May 12, 2026
Electronically signed by Gwen Hoffman, Probate Registrar
Form completed by:
Attorney Michael A. Maas
Heritage Law Firm, LLC
2050 Riverside Drive
Green Bay, WI 54301
Telephone: 920-785-8570
Bar Number: 1061377

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SHA-201**

5/15/26, 5/22/26, 5/29/26

STATE OF WISCONSIN
SHAWANO COUNTY

STATE OF WISCONSIN - CIRCUIT COURT- SHAWANO COUNTY

File No. 2026CV000047
W1260031
Case Code: 30404

Newrez LLC
55 Beattie Pl
Greenville, SC 29603

Plaintiff,

vs.

Cody Wanta;
Unknown Spouse, if any, of Cody Wanta;
Bobbijo Schreiber;
Unknown Spouse, if any, of Bobbijo Schreiber; and
Unknown Tenants, if any, of W16064 Dent Creek Rd
Tigerton, WI 54486

Defendants,

If you need help in this matter because of a disability, please call: 715-526-9347

TO THE PERSON(S) NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S):
You are being sued by the person(s) named above as Plaintiff(s).

Within forty (40) days of 05/15/2026, you must respond with a written demand for a copy of the complaint. The demand must be sent or delivered to the court, whose address is: Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N Main Street, 2nd Floor, Room 206, Shawano, WI 54166, and to Janelle G Ewing of The Sayer Law Group, P.C., attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 925 E 4th St, Waterloo, IA 50703. You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not demand a copy within 40 days of 05/15/2026, the court may enter a judgment against you in favor of the person(s) suing you. A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

Dated this 15th day of May 2026

By:/s/ *Janelle G Ewing*
Janelle G. Ewing, Esq. of counsel
Wisconsin State Bar No.: 1120973
The Sayer Law Group, P.C.
925 E 4th St.
Waterloo, IA 50703
Phone: 319-234-2530
Fax: 319-232-6341
E-Mail: jhiller@sayerlaw.com
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5/22/26, 5/29/26, 6/5/26

STATE OF WISCONSIN
SHAWANO COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MATHIAS J. KATCH

Notice Setting Time to Hear Application and Deadline for Filing Claims (Informal Administration)
Case No. 2026-PR-000024

- An application for informal administration was filed.
- The decedent, with date of birth 01/23/1939 and date of death 11/19/2025 was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 212 N. Humphrey Circle, Shawano, WI 54166.
- The application will be heard at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main St., Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, before Gwen Hoffman, Probate Registrar, on Tuesday, July 7, 2026 at 10:00 A.M.

You do not need to appear unless you object. The application may be granted if there is no objection.

- The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is September 11, 2026.
- A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Attn: Register in Probate, 311 N. Main St., Shawano, WI 54166, Room 202.

The names or addresses of the following interested persons (if any) are not known or reasonably ascertainable: Sara Katch and Jessica Smith

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-526-8631 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

BY THE COURT:
DATE SIGNED: May 13, 2026
Electronically signed by Gwen Hoffman, Probate Registrar
Form completed by:
Atty. Michael A. Maas
Address
Heritage Law Firm, LLC
2050 Riverside Drive
Green Bay, WI 54301
Telephone Number: 920-785-8570
Bar Number: 1061377

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WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

UNCLAIMED PROPERTY

1-855-375-2274

SHAWANO COUNTY

LEGAL NOTICE: NAMES AND BUSINESSES APPEARING TO BE OWNERS OF ABANDONED PROPERTY

The Wisconsin Department of Revenue received reports from various banks, insurance companies, utilities, and other holders of unclaimed property indicating the following persons or businesses may be owners of unclaimed money, stocks, bonds or contents of abandoned safe deposit boxes. (See Unclaimed Property Act, Chapter 177, Wis. Stats.) All names printed below are from the 2025 reporting year as being owed \$50 or more (Exception: Values of securities or safe deposit boxes may be less than \$50). If you possess legal interest in a name printed below, you are entitled to submit a claim. Complete a claim through www.revenue.wi.gov/ucp or call 1-855-375-2274. Identify the name and property identification number published in this notice. Search for unclaimed property less than \$50 or from an earlier year at www.revenue.wi.gov/ucp. Published this 22nd day of May, 2026.

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05/22/2026

Shawano City Housing Authority Public Hearing

In compliance with 24 CFR Part 905
Capital Funds Grant 2026

Public Discussion at:
Elizabeth Manor
951 Elizabeth Street
Shawano, WI 54166
July 7, 2026 9:00 AM

This grant is available for viewing at the above address until the time of the meeting.

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05/22/2026

TOWN OF WESCOTT

NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN THAT ORDINANCE # 2026-03, Amending Chapter 272 of the Town of Wescott Code of Ordinances Regarding All-Terrain and UTVs, is available for inspection at the: TOWN OF WESCOTT OFFICE, N5794 OLD KESHENA RD OR WWW.TOWNOFWESCOTT.COM, OR CONTACT CLERK VREEKE AT 715-526-9755

THE FOLLOWING IS AN ORDINANCE SUMMARY: # 2026-03, Amending Chapter 272 of the Town of Wescott Code of Ordinances Regarding All-Terrain and UTVs, amends certain sections of Chapter 272 to remain cohesive with Shawano County's ordinance #36-92, which was recently amended. The following are particular amendments: Persons 16 years of age or older are required to possess a valid driver's license to operate a ATV or UTV on any Town road or highway; no person under the age of 16 may operate an ATV on a designate route, unless accompanied by a parent or guardian which must possess a valid driver's license; open containers of alcoholic beverages or other intoxicants are prohibited for an ATV/UTV operator or passenger (s) while operating on any ATV/UTV designated routes in the Town of Wescott, and the operation of golf carts on Town roads are prohibited. In addition, general wording and formatting changes are included in the amendment

ANGELA VREEKE, TOWN CLERK
WNAXLP

05/22/2026

NOTICE OF JOINT REVIEW BOARD MEETING
CITY OF SHAWANO, WISCONSIN

Notice is Hereby Given that the City of Shawano will hold a Joint Review Board meeting on June 1, 2026, at 11:00 AM.

The meeting will be held at the Shawano City Hall, located at 127 S. Sawyer St., Shawano, WI
Microsoft Teams meeting
Join: <https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/288953765894696?p=jtx2vjARuOBIPu2De0>
Meeting ID: 288 953 765 894 696
Passcode: RF7US26c

The meeting is being held to consider approval of the resolution adopted by the Shawano Common Council amending Tax Incremental District No. 7. The meeting is open to the public.

By Order of the City of Shawano, Wisconsin

Published May 22, 2026
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WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

UNCLAIMED PROPERTY

1-855-375-2274

SHAWANO COUNTY

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319 S CECIL ST
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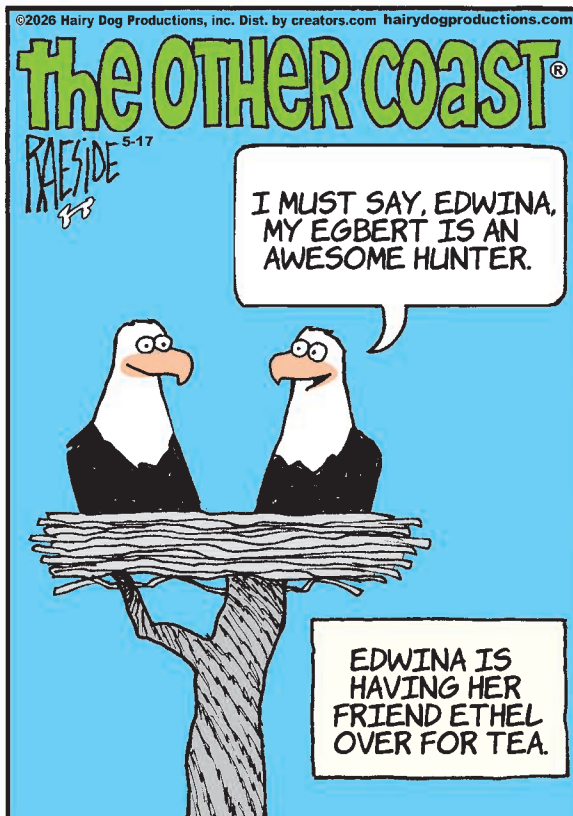
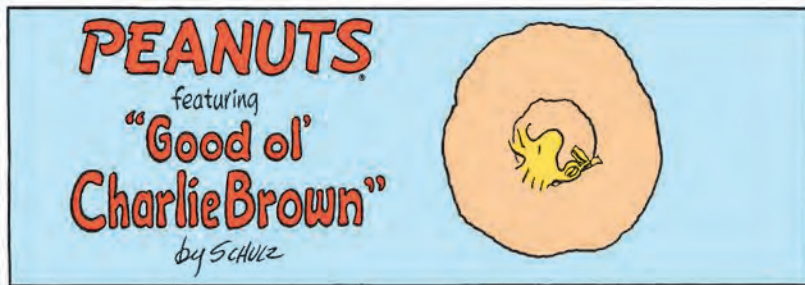
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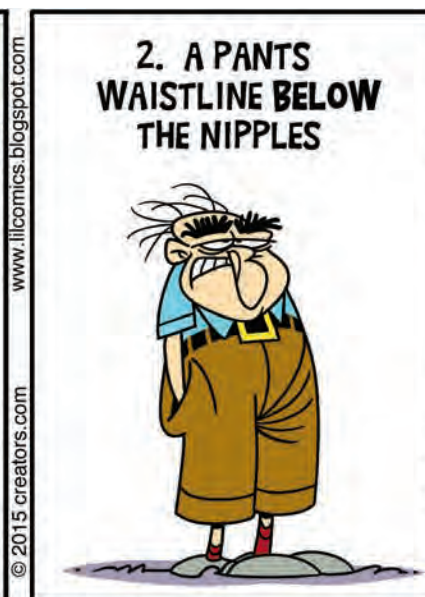
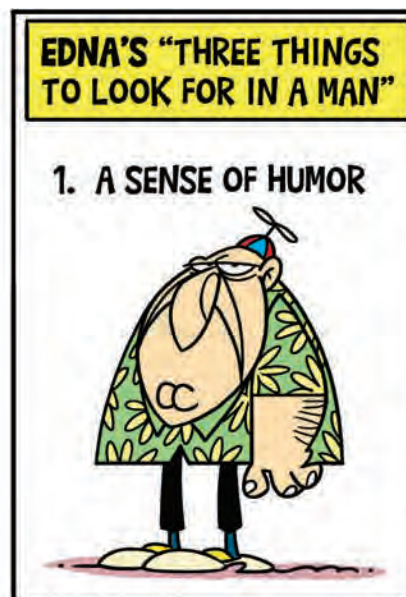
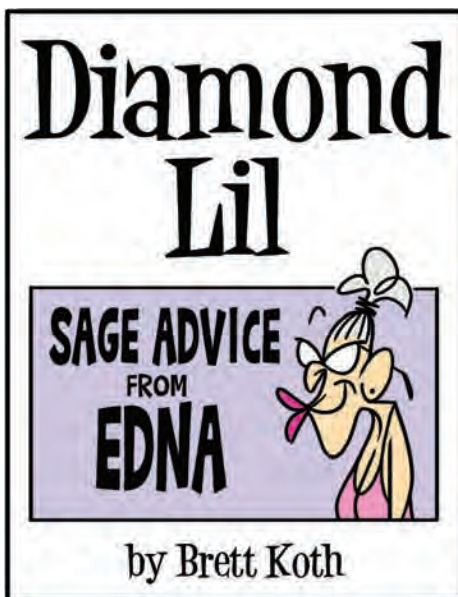
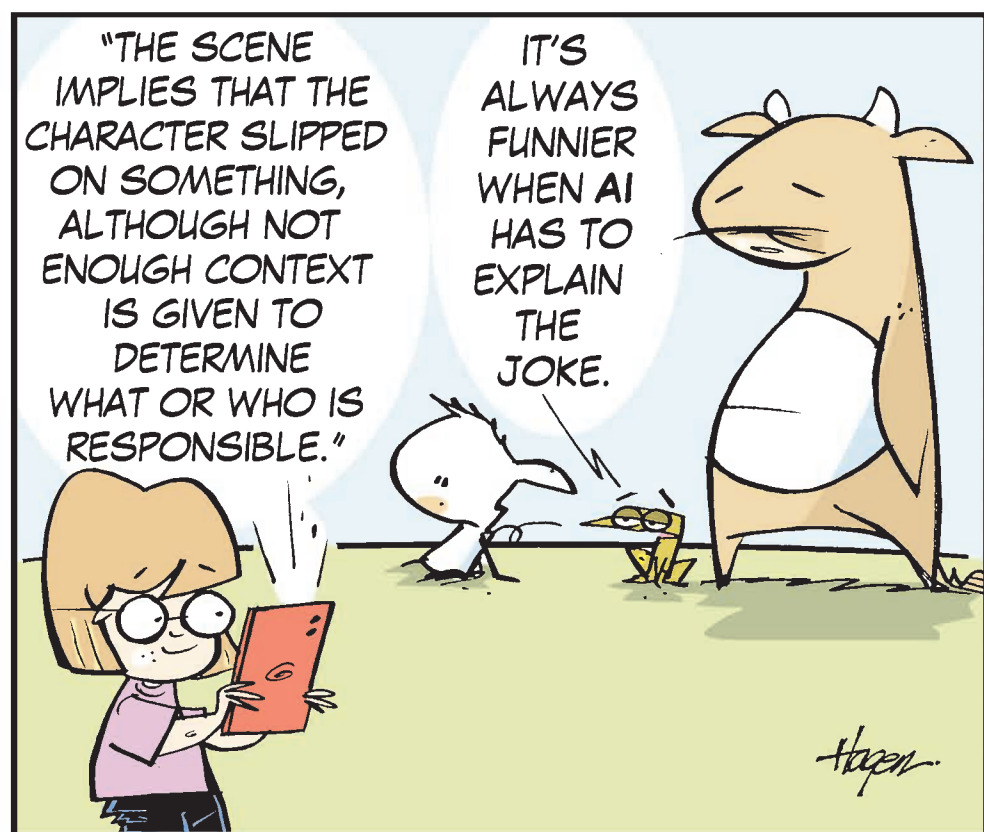
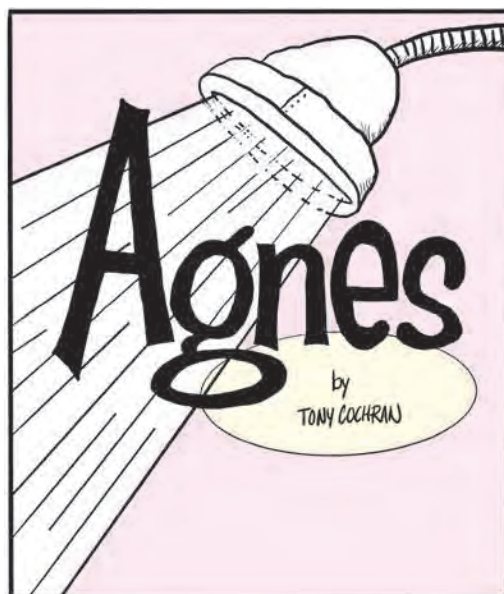


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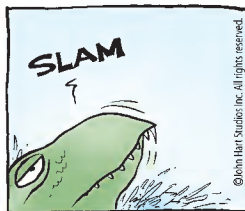
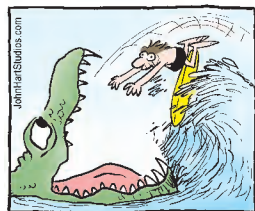
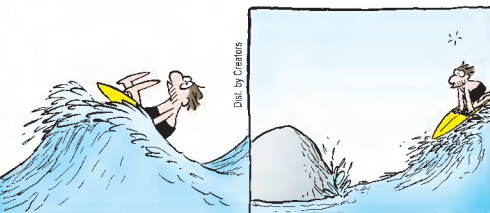
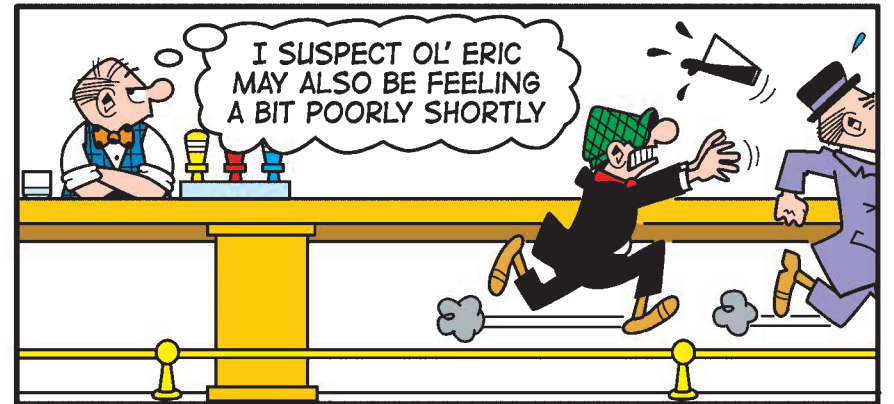
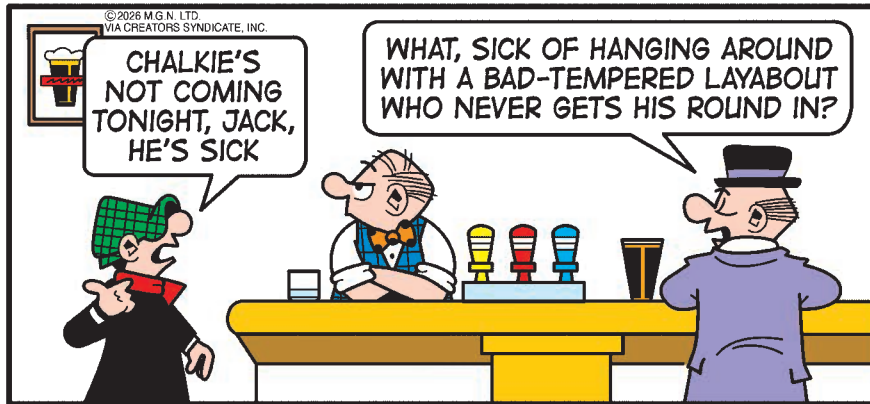
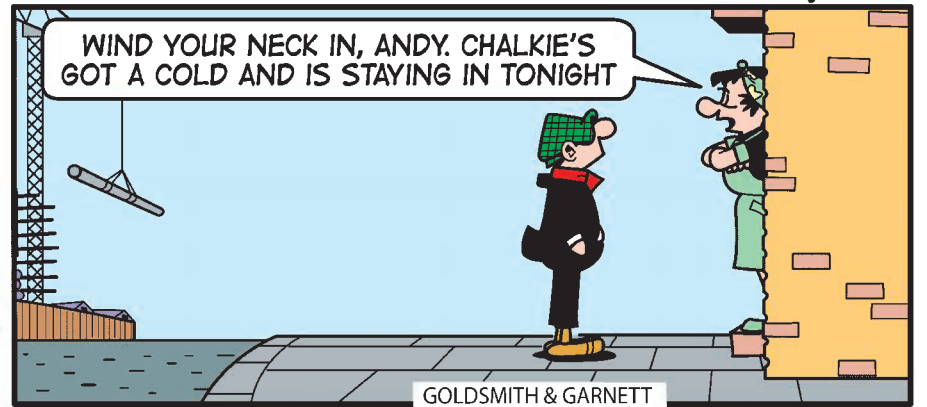






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