



Students take an oath of office administered by County Clerk Kim Pytleski on April 23 during Youth Government Day 2025 at the Oconto County Courthouse. WARREN BLUHM | NEW MEDIA

Keeping lumberjack legacy alive

Mountain Historical Society preserves past, looks to future

BY GREG SEUBERT
Correspondent

Preserve the past, embrace the present and look to the future. That, in a nutshell, is the idea behind the Mountain Historical Society, which has been preserving the rich history of the northern Oconto County community since 1999.

Brenda Carey-Mielke, the society's president, said not every community has an active historical society.

"It's part of our history," she said. "It was a lumberjack community. It was a thriving community, and that's how it grew. Logging diminished, lumberjacking was a thing of the past and the community started to fade away. It evolved into people relying on tourism. It's now a tourist area, and that's what's going to help our economy."

Besides operating a museum on state highways 32 and 64 in Mountain, the organization recently signed an agreement with the U.S. Forest Service to maintain the former Green Lake Picnic Area. The forest service closed the popular picnic area and several other recreation areas throughout northern Wisconsin in 2015 to cut costs.

Carey-Mielke spearheaded an effort to reopen the park because it includes a pavilion built in 1937 that is on the National Register of Historic Places.

Barb Palmer is the historical society's vice president and an original board member. She approached Carey-Mielke five years ago about getting access to the pavilion in the closed park.

"She came to me and said, 'We have to get that shelter,'" Carey-Mielke said. "I said, 'What is it?' We went over there and I saw it was on the National Register, and I said, 'They can't close it.' COVID had just started, and it was hard to get a hold of people. I'm persistent as hell, and I don't give up. I just kept the drum beating. I just kept the message coming loud and clear, but politely. That's what it took."

Tomorrow's leaders explore county government

Youth Government Day held at Oconto County Courthouse

BY WARREN BLUHM
News Editor

Students from a half-dozen area school districts got an up close and personal look at county government April 23, as the six local American Legion posts staged the 56th annual Youth Government Day at the Oconto County Courthouse.

Young people from the Oconto Falls, Gillett, Pulaski, Lena, Suring and Coleman school districts toured the courthouse and heard from many of the county's department heads and elected leaders.

"There are so many moving parts in county government, it takes a lot to keep it operating," County Board Chairman Alan Sleeter said as he greeted the approximately 50 students chosen to represent their districts. "As county supervi-



District Attorney Hannah Schuchart explains the various duties of her office April 23 to students attending Oconto County Youth Government Day 2025 at the courthouse in Oconto. WARREN BLUHM | NEW MEDIA

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Cleaning up the forest



Volunteers with the Machickanee Cross Country Ski Club picked up garbage along seven miles of roads in Machickanee Forest on April 26, including, from left, Mark Farah, Zac McNulty, Bryan Pavlik, Heather Vincent, Rene Farah, Lynn Pilot, Tony Molinaro, Sawyer Vorpahl, Matt Utech, Andrew Vorpahl, Tiena Hussong, Don Liesch, Dave Follett, Jon Wenstadt, Edna Johnson and Mark Johnson.

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Committee formed to disburse opioid funds

Groups encouraged to apply for grants

By WARREN BLUHM
News Editor

Oconto County has created an Opioid Abatement Ad-Hoc Steering Committee to administer grants from the county's opioid settlement funds to eligible groups.

County Administrator Richard Heath estimates the county will have about \$1.6 million available for opioid remediation grants through 2038.

Oconto County joined other units of government in Wisconsin and other states in holding manufacturers, distributors and retailers accountable for their role in the opioid crisis. A number of settlements have already been reached with manufacturers and distributors, and the county began receiving payments in 2022.

The ad hoc committee

was established to oversee the use of the settlement funds, Heath said.

Qualified applicants include private nonprofit organizations within Oconto County that have as their primary purpose to prevent the use of opioids or treat those individuals who currently use or have used opioids; public and private kindergarten-through-12th-grade schools; public health; law enforcement agencies; and medical facilities.

Priority uses of opioid settlement funds include prevention, treatment, education, support and training. Grant amounts will be determined by the committee based on each request for funding. The committee plans to review funding requests on a bimonthly basis.

Grants will be for one year or for a specified

time based on the service to be provided or project. All applicants must complete an application that includes a narrative of the proposed service or project; organizational overview; statement of need/opportunity; objectives; activities to be performed and evaluation matrix of success; budget; and future funding, if this service or program is anticipated to continue beyond the grant timeframe.

Successful grant applicants will be required to complete brief status reports based on the dates listed in the application and a final report at the end of the project or grant period.

For more information and application materials, email opioid.taskforce@ocontocountywi.gov

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Friends of Suring library plan sale

The annual Suring Area Public Library rummage sale is scheduled to take place over two long weekends, May 8-10 and May 15-17, at the How town garage, 12896 State Highway 32. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. except the

last day, May 17, when the sale closes at 2 p.m.

Items include clothing, household items, furniture, jewelry, collectibles, and other gently used items.

Donations are welcome, but electronics or

holiday decorations are not being accepted. Donations can be brought to the How Garage from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 7.

All proceeds will support programs and services at the Suring Area Public Library.

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The National Register of Historic Places is the federal government's official list of districts, sites, buildings, structures and objects deemed worthy of preservation for their historical significance or artistic value. In this state, the Wisconsin Historical Society's Historic Preservation Office administers the National Register program, which includes about 2,300 properties and districts in Wisconsin.

"In the agreement with the Forest Service, there has to be a connection, but there has to be a defining wall between finances and record keeping," Carey-Mielke said. "We make sure we have that well established, and we have an excellent fiduciary who makes sure that everything is separate and keeps that wall there for transparency."

Besides the park's shelter, other Mountain area properties on the list are the dam at Chute Pond County Park and the Mountain Fire Lookout Tower.

"I approached the (U.S.) Forest Service as president of the Mountain Historical Society," Carey-Mielke said. "We also have the dam at Chute Pond. We have these places on the national

registry, and people want to see them."

Carey-Mielke said the historical society has evolved over the years and uses its new website — www.mountainhistoricalsociety.org — and Facebook page to update members and area communities on the group's activities.

According to the website, the society aims "to identify, restore and protect those artifacts that represent and identify the rich history of Mountain; preserve and protect our history for generations to come; share the rich history of Mountain through educational newsletters, brochures, tours of our log cabin museum; (and) host educational historic public programs."

"We have a new group that took over," Carey-Mielke said. "We rebranded last year and have a new logo. We wanted to give it a new face and just build on positives — no past negative history. We build on our heritage. We just did a newsletter on our Facebook page. The old group just wanted us to send it to the members, and we said, 'Nope. The newsletter needs to go out to the masses.' We received donations with someone living in Las Vegas. We received dona-



The Mountain Historical Society's museum, located on state highways 32 and 64 in Mountain, is scheduled to open Memorial Day weekend.

GREG SEUBERT

tions from Alaska. We're nowhere near where we want to be, but it's getting there."

Carey-Mielke said it's important to preserve the area's past history.

"The Mountain Historical Society teaches people what the past was like," she said. "It brings in tourism and helps our economy. A lot of people don't understand that."

The society's museum

is scheduled to open Memorial Day weekend and will be open from noon to 3 p.m. Saturdays through Labor Day weekend.

"Knowing your past helps you grow," Carey-Mielke said. "We want to know what worked in the past and what didn't work. You move forward, you grow and you evolve from that. We have a lot of people who still live in that past, and that's OK. We're

trying to educate, inform and make everybody a part of it."

Carey-Mielke and her husband, Skip, purchased property in the Mountain area more than 25 years ago and moved to the area from Kenosha 10 years ago. She also serves on the Mountain Town Board and was recently elected town chairman in April.

"Some ladies at my church in Mountain asked

me to join, and the average age on the board was 80," she said. "They said I would be the youngest person (on the board). I love the history up here and love the people. I'm a sponge. I love to learn and absorb whatever I can."

Information on joining the society as a member or volunteer can be found on the organization's website and Facebook page.

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sors we are asked to keep you safe, protect you from each other, make sure roads are safe and clear, protect you in bad weather or in case of pandemic to keep you healthy.”

County Administrator Richard Heath explained that in many ways the 72 counties are extensions of the Wisconsin state government.

“We have about 350 full-time, part-time and seasonal workers, so one day if you’d like to come work for county government, we would love to take your application, we have a lot of opportunities here within the county,” Heath said. “We have a \$54 million budget; I always like to say we spend about \$1 million a week on a variety of different operational expenses — personnel is about half of our budget.”

Former county board chairman Paul Bednarek, representing Legion posts and their auxiliaries, led the students in the Pledge of Allegiance.

“We’re doing because we feel it’s real important. Government is the backbone of our country and today you’re in charge,” Bednarek said. “I would hope you would ask questions, make comments, make decisions that benefit everyone here in Oconto County.”

County Clerk Kim Pytleski said the group of mostly 17-year-old students represents a special class to her.

“You are the class that when I first took office, you guys were being born,” Pytleski said. “That’s how long I’ve been here.”

As the students sat in the county board room to start their day, Pytleski explained that 31 elected supervisors from around the county come together every month to make decisions.

“They do that for the betterment of the entire county,” she said, “This courthouse was built for the people by the people. Those aren’t just words that we say or that you hear in your history class. We truly believe them



Oconto County Court Commissioner Jacob Evans addresses a defendant in traffic court April 23. The court session was attended by students participating in Youth Government Day 2025. WARREN BLUHM | NEW MEDIA

and embody them every month when we gather.”

Pytleski encouraged the students to get more involved in local government.

“My grandmother used to share with me that during her generation, when they were bringing up their kids, they would go to town board meetings. They would go every month to the town hall and they would listen to the elected officials make decisions on behalf of the town,” she said. “Can you imagine if everybody actually attended meetings? We wouldn’t have to wait for anyone to post minutes, post, tweet, do some kind of snap to get information. You’d have it right then, right from the horse’s mouth.”

Our modern lifestyle fills our calendars to the point where people don’t attend their local government meetings anymore, Pytleski said.

“But when we rely on the information from a device versus actually participating, we are allowing other people’s ideas, dreams, and voices to become the reality that we live in,” she said.



County Board Chairman Alan Sleeter welcomes students to Youth Government Day 2025 while County Clerk Kim Pytleski, left, and County Administrator Richard Heath, right, look on. WARREN BLUHM | NEW MEDIA

“When you only see the world from the safety of your screen, that reality, you lose so much more than just your voice in local government. You lose your desire to even have a voice in local government, and that’s what I want you to leave with here today — the desire to have a voice.”

The group of young people was chosen for Youth Government Day because their school districts believe they are future leaders, Pytleski

said.

“You are the ones who will sit here,” she said. “You’re the ones that will step up to serve and to make decisions that are going to dictate what Oconto County looks like 10, 20, 30 years from now.”

After the opening messages in the county board room, the students proceeded to a courtroom where they witnessed traffic court and heard about what goes on in the justice system from District Attorney Hannah Schuchart



Oconto County Clerk Kim Pytleski discusses how her office oversees local elections and other aspects of her job to area high school students. WARREN BLUHM | NEW MEDIA

and court security officer Tony Mossakowski.

The Legion and Auxiliary spoke to the group around the Veterans Memorial in front of the courthouse, and over lunch the students heard presentations from the county Highway, Land and Water Resources, Human Resources, Health and Human Services, and Technology Services departments, as well as County Treasurer Tanya Peterson and Register of Deeds Laurie Wusterbach.

The event concluded at the county Law Enforcement Center, with presentations from Sheriff Todd Skarban, Jail Administrator Carol Kopp and an on-duty 911 dispatcher, along with demonstrations from K-9 officers and a look at the sheriff’s drone and MRAP, the mine-resistant ambush-protected armored personnel carrier that the county obtained from military surplus for high-risk incidents.

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Doyle Dean Prentice

Doyle Dean Prentice, of Pulaski, born on March 11, 1940, in Durant, Oklahoma, passed away peacefully on April 22, 2025, at the age of 85.

Dean was proud to have served as a machine gunner in the 8th Marine Corps District, where he distinguished himself as an All-Service Boxing Team champion, quarterback of the USMC football team and lead lifeguard of the staff NCO pool. While in the service, he was stationed at Kaneohe, Hawaii, and Barstow, California.

His contributions to the railroad industry



were equally notable, having worked as a car distributor and telegrapher for the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad in Green Bay and a supervi-

sor for Union Pacific in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dean was passionate about life, finding joy in golfing, fishing and hunting. He enjoyed coaching and mentoring Little League for many years. These activities provided him with countless memorable moments, whether casting a line on a tranquil lake or spending time outdoors with family and friends.

A devoted family man, Dean will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 60 years, Jane (Pirkov) Prentice; and their children, Douglas (Linda) Prentice, Jeffrey (Gail



Sabotta) Prentice, Linda Gazella, Cheryn (Daniel) Prentice-Holstead, Bradley (Lynne) Prentice and Gregory Prentice. He leaves behind a vibrant

legacy of 18 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren who cherished every moment spent with him. He is further survived by three siblings, Margie Roads, Alice (John) Guillott and Aubrey (Becky) Prentice.

Dean was preceded in death by his infant daughter, Sarah Prentice; parents, Jack and Molly (Embrey) Prentice; son-in-law, Daniel Gazella; and nine siblings, infant Billy Prentice, Mary Lee Rowland, Jaunita Nix, G. W. Prentice, Wallace Prentice, Wendell Prentice, Billy Prentice, Luetta Nelson, Paula Engle.

In celebration of Dean's life, family and friends are invited to gather on Monday, April 28, 2025, after 10 a.m. at St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish in Sobieski. Mass of Christian Burial will follow at noon at church with Father Francis Nusi officiating. Burial with military honors to follow at St. John Cantius Catholic Cemetery.

He will be deeply missed but will always be remembered for the love and laughter he brought to those around him.

"The man that did what he didn't have to do."

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Billie Jo Read

Billie Jo Read, 83, of Eau Claire, passed away peacefully on April 21, 2025, at Azura Memory Care.

She was born May 1, 1941, in Freeport, Illinois, to Harriet Mae Hawkins (Denton) and William Howard Hawkins. Billie Jo graduated from Plymouth High School in Wisconsin in 1958 and attended classes at UW-Stout before marrying Duane (Skip) Read in 1959 in Plymouth.

Billie Jo enjoyed raising and showing English springer spaniels and English cockers, genealogy, gardening and Civil



War history. She was proud to volunteer at the Wisconsin Veterans Home at King and the archives in Bonduel.

Billie Jo is survived

by her children, David B. Read, Cheyenne, Wyoming, Dianne Read-Jackson and son-in-law, Jay Jackson, Altoona; and grandchildren, Ryan W. Jackson, Bloomington, Minnesota, and Rachel Read, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Billie is preceded in death by her husband, Duane (Skip) L. Read; and a daughter in infancy, Lianne.

Burial will take place at a later date at Woodlawn Cemetery in Plymouth. Tributes can be made in Billie's name to the Alzheimer's Association at alz.org.

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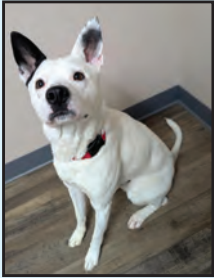
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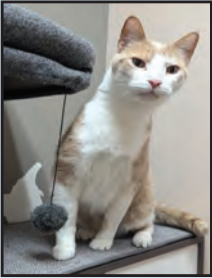
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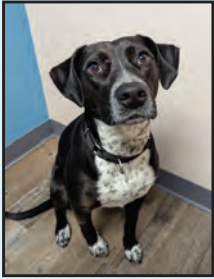
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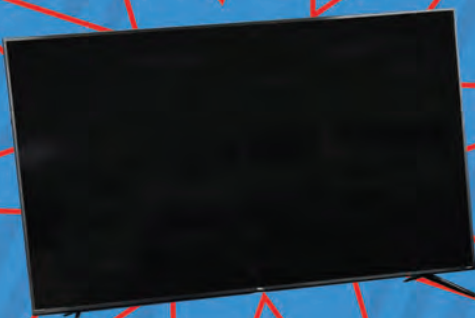
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Wooden Shoe puts Lena on map



ABOVE: Carisa Deheck, owner of The Wooden Shoe Bar and Grill in Lena, shows one of the featured menu items for April. Known as the Draft Bloody Mary, it includes cheese curds, a glass of Wooden Shoe Amber beer, cheddar cheese potato chips, cheddar cheese cubes, pepperoni and bacon.

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TOP: The Wooden Shoe Bar and Grill has been a staple in downtown Lena for years. Current owner Carisa Deheck purchased the business in 2008.

Major renovation, catering expansion make bar stand out

By GREG SEUBERT
Correspondent

It's been almost two decades since Carisa Deheck purchased The Wooden Shoe Bar and Grill in Lena.

The Wooden Shoe may have changed over the years, but the business at 100 W. Main St. is still going strong and, like its owner, isn't showing any signs of slowing down anytime soon.

Those changes over the years include a major renovation project that includes an outdoor patio; the launch of a new catering business; and Deheck's insistence on giving her customers something they won't get anywhere else. That includes a signature cocktail, the bloody mary.

Deheck purchased The Wooden Shoe in 2008 but put it back on the market a few years ago.

"In 2023, I actually put the bar up for sale for six months because the popularity of the food and the bloody marys had grown so fast," she said. "Our kitchen was the size of a laundry room. All of our food was in the basement, and it has very steep stairs. I either had to sell the bar, because I knew I was going to end up losing it because I couldn't give the service that I should be giving, or I had to do an expansion. My heart wasn't really into selling it. I got prices (to renovate) the building, and it was basically almost half a million (dollars)."

Deheck had no idea where the money to expand the business would come from.

"I'm just a small bar owner," she said.

"I live my life with the saying, 'If there's a will, there's a way.' I started working with Oconto Economic Development, which is now TEDCOR, and Steve Marquardt, our village president. I started looking, and I found a grant for expansion and stuff. I ended up getting a \$110,000 grant, and we went ahead with the expansion. I also had some money saved up and, of course, I started in the hole like it was day one all over again. I'm still paying it off. I'm going to be 104 before I have this place paid off."

The outdoor patio sits on the site of the former Wagner's Super Market on Main Street.

"They had been in the community forever," Deheck said. "I bought the building and tore it down. The patio's actually called the Wagner Patio, and there's a sign in honor of the family."

During the expansion project, Deheck decided to start a catering business, The Wooden Spoon on Main Catering, which is based in Marinette.

"The catering company completely blew up," she said. "I found out there was a huge need for it. Right now, it's running out of here. But since the kitchen expansion, it got so large that we bought a building on Cleveland Avenue in Marinette. We're opening a deli and moving the catering company up there. The Wooden Shoe is too busy for us to cook. Our annual revenues are very similar."

"This place is rocking," she continued. "On a Friday after Bingo, you have to fight for a seat. We're usually busy on

Saturdays all day, but not as much after the kitchen closes. We're still open until 2 a.m. and we have our regulars, but it's really a food business. It's become more of a restaurant than a bar over the years. It was a drunk and disorderly bar when I started and we made all of our money off of booze, but now it's the food."

Deheck said she doesn't purchase food for her businesses based on price.

"I always buy my food based on quality and worry about the price later," she said. "All of my burgers are ground fresh every week; they're never frozen. I pay very close attention to detail."

The Wooden Shoe's menu includes burgers, sandwiches, wraps, wings, salads, pizzas, soups, appetizers and a Friday fish fry.

However, its signature item includes vodka and tomato juice.

"We're known for bloody marys," Deheck said. "We have an entire bloody mary menu. We've competed twice and won best in Wisconsin both times."

The Wooden Shoe offers different variations of the popular cocktail. One, featured in April, is the Draft Bloody Mary. Deheck came up with it in connection with the NFL Draft in Green Bay.

Besides the cocktail, it also comes with cheese curds, a glass of Wooden Shoe Amber beer, cheddar cheese potato chips, cheddar cheese cubes, pepperoni and bacon.

Program integrates elders with language

Wednesday class integrates words with cultural activities

By LYNN ZAFFRANN
Correspondent

Posoh.

This Menominee word is heard frequently as a warm and welcoming greeting at the Menominee yoU Language Campus at 456 state Highway 47-55 in Keshena.

The language campus, which opened in August 2024, supports the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin's mission to preserve, revitalize and reintegrate its language into the daily life of the tribe.

For the tribe as a whole, it is an important place where people can use the language in everyday conversation.

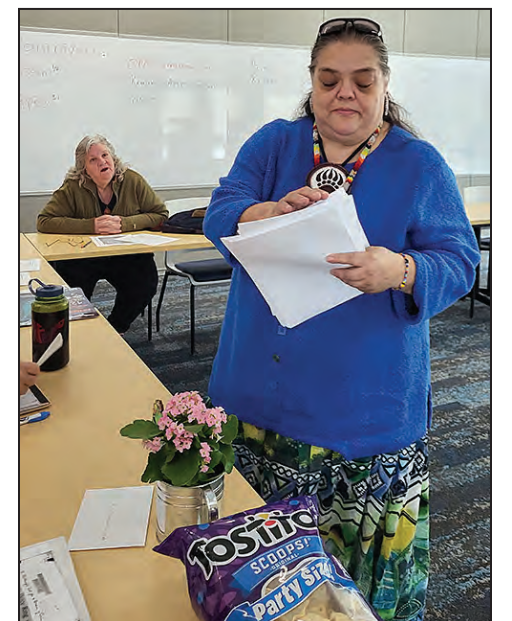
To encourage tribal elders to learn the Menominee language, the Campus hosts Keckiwak Elder Wednesdays, led by Sinawaqnew Pemohnaew (Ann Oshkosh). Pemohnaew, known as Sinny, leads a group of tribal elders at the center every other Wednesday for language lessons.

"My Menominee name is Sinawaqnew," she said. "But it's such a long name and when I worked in our language immersion daycare years ago, it was too hard for babies. So, we shortened it to 'Sinny.'"

Pemohnaew said that learning to speak the Menominee language, a distinct Algonquin language, is her language journey. She started by taking language courses at the College of Menominee Nation (CMN) in 2013.

In 2017, the Menominee tribe started a language immersion classroom at its daycare center, and Pemohnaew was right there speaking the language. She stayed for about three years.

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Sinawaqnew Pemohnaew (Ann Oshkosh), standing, hands out class notes on verbs in the Menominee language at Keckiwak Elder Wednesdays. The instructor known as "Sinny" took language classes at College of the Menominee Nation in Keshena. When she worked at the daycare immersion classroom on the reservation, she said: "We spoke the language all day long" to the infants and toddlers.

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FARM LIFE FROM A FARM WIFE

Getting there half the fun, but what about returning?

(Editor’s note: This is the second in a two-part series.)

After a whirlwind week-end spent with my newly engaged daughter as she said “yes to the dress,” she and my future son-in-law drove me to the Dallas/Fort Worth airport to catch my plane back to Wisconsin. Packed full of a cornucopia of sights and sounds and after experiencing French, Thai and Japanese cuisine, it was time to go home.

Flying solo was formidable to me. I’m quite the proficient follower. Leader? Nah. Venturing out all by myself? Very daunting.

As I found out, going back home on a direct flight from DFW to Appleton was anything but routine.

Checking in my bag with the help of my family, they waved me off after a good, long hug full of emotional tears. Goodbyes are so hard. Securing my gate I sat down to wait, tucked in with a good read.

All of a sudden, I received a notification on my phone from my American Airlines app — there was a gate change. Oh joy.

Staying calm, I thought: Okay, I am at gate B48. The notice said now my gate is B42. I heard my daughter’s instructions in my head as if she were sitting right next to me.

“Follow the numbers and letters, Mom. Watch where the arrows point and it’ll take you right there. Also, I’ve just sometimes followed the crowd. They’re all going where you’re going when you’re waiting at the same gate.”

Getting to B42, I used my God-given right to ask questions and inquired of a pleasant young woman who was also traveling alone, “Are you going to Appleton?”

Smiling with understanding, she sweetly replied: “Yes, ma’am.”

Finally, my group eight was called to board. Heading to the back of the plane I was in seat 22F, very close to the bathroom. It seems whenever I travel I am really close to the



bathroom. Once in my life I’d like to go first class. I used to think flying was glamorous. It’s quite the opposite of glamorous. The only thing really lovely is it takes only 2 1/2 hours from Texas to Wisconsin — normally.

Settling in, I was anxious then to just go home. It was an emotional weekend, so full of different experiences and I was incredibly glad to have gone but at that moment, I just wanted home.

Then, the crew was delayed. The air conditioning on the plane wasn’t working. Our departure time came and went. I was concerned about my husband, he was to meet me at 10 p.m. and at this rate it would be much later.

It started to rain. Hard. I was hot and tired and wanting to go home.

Finally, the crew boarded, the AC was reinstated and the plane began to move down the tarmac. Coasting, coasting, coasting — we came to an abrupt halt.

“Ladies and gentlemen, this is your captain speaking. We are on a brief delay here while we wait for numbers to crunch. We’ll get this bird up in the sky in a moment or two. Thank you for your patience.”

A moment or two turned into 30 minutes and finally, we were airborne. Yes.

Later, “Ladies and gentlemen we are experiencing some rough turbulence on our trip this evening. The seatbelt light will be lit and please remain in your seats until further notice. Thank you.”

Because I was in seat 22-F I had almost the entire plane (and it was full) of people in front of me. Watching their heads jig around like those bobble-head figures, I began to

ponder the what-ifs. I claim Jesus as my Lord and Savior and know He has a place prepared for me. Because of what He did for me, my name is written in the Lamb’s Book of Life. No matter what, I will live forever in eternity with Him. Praying that certainly, I calmed and as I prayed for co-travelers, the plane calmed as well.

Soon we landed at Outagamie Airport and taxied to the terminal — and waited. Waited. Waited.

“Ladies and gentlemen the ground crew is having a bit of difficulty getting the stairs up to the plane. It’ll be just a moment or two and we’ll get you off. Thank you for your patience.”

Truly, I was not even remotely upset. It was just so crazy — the entire trip back home seemed like what may go wrong could go wrong. But I was so very close to home and we had thankfully landed safely. Whenever I must wait anywhere, I always reassure myself of one solid fact: I have more time than money. So chill.

Finally catching a glimpse of my husband, we hugged tight. It’s hard to be separated for a weekend when we’d been married and farmed together for 45 years. He picked up my bag and we started home, pulling in on Leopolis Road at midnight.

Treasuring my time with my precious daughter while in Texas, I experienced more color than Dorothy opening her farmhouse door to Oz. Yet, like Dorothy, I came to realize — there’s just no place like home.

“And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to Myself, that where I am you may be also.” John 14:3)

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

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Deheck has a bachelor’s degree in business administration and marketing and was the chief accountant at a business for 20 years.

“About 22 years ago, my husband and I moved up here, and I worked for another bar in the area,” she said. “I always wanted to own my own place. Between the previous owner and me, we have 42 years. It’s been The Wooden Shoe since about 1972. It was originally named The Wooden Shoe by a Dutch couple from Holland. About two years ago, her

daughter arranged for her to come back, and we had a little party to meet her.”

Deheck knows the challenges with running a business in a small community.

“I knew I wouldn’t survive off of this town,” she said. “There was no way. I love the village of Lena, and I love the people of Lena. I have a group of customers and if I’m in trouble, I can pick up the phone and they’re going to be here for me in three seconds if something breaks. If you go to a much larger bar, you don’t

even know who the owner is. My goal was to be a destination.”

The Wooden Shoe is located at the intersection of Main Street (or County Road A) and Rosera Street — which used to be U.S. Highway 141 until it was rerouted several years ago just east of the village.

“I never had the luxury of knowing what it was like because I came in shortly after the highway was moved,” Deheck said. “You have to fight harder and find a reason to bring them in.”

WHAT’S HAPPENING

FRIDAY, MAY 2

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

SHAWANO: SaYPro Cosmic Bingo, 7-10 p.m., Shawano Lake County Park Pavilion, W5791 Lake Drive. Doors open 6 p.m. \$25. Register at saypro.org.

SHAWANO: “The Café Mocha Murders” by Deanna Strasse, 7 p.m., Mielke Arts Center, N5649 Airport Road. Box in the Wood Theatre Guild production. \$15 adults, \$10 children, \$20 VIP seating. Tickets at shawanoarts.org.

SHAWANO: Junior Hawks Hockey Fundraising Gala, 7 p.m., Crescent Ballroom, Stubborn Brothers Brewery, 220 S. Main St. Fundraiser for new ice chiller and Zamboni. Doors open 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 3

SHAWANO: Fourth annual Recovery Awareness Walk and 5K, 10 a.m., Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. Speakers, food and beverages, Recovery Resource Fair, Entertainment and music. Raising funds to expand and sustain local recovery resources. Presented by Shawano Menominee Resiliency Coalition.

WITTENBERG: Artists’ Free Play XII, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., WOWSPACE, 114 Vinal St. A collection of artwork by a variety of area artists.

OCONTO: Victorian Spring Tea, 12:30 p.m., Beyer Home and Carriage Museum, 917 Park Ave. Tea, a light luncheon, a presentation on Frenchtown history, and a tour of the Beyer Home. Tickets \$20. Register at 920-835-4619 by May 1.

WITTENBERG: Kentucky Derby Gala, 4-7 p.m., WOWSPACE, 114 Vinal St. Kentucky Derby race is at 5:45 p.m. Tickets \$25, details at www.wallsofwittenberg.com.

SHAWANO: Trivia Night, 5-8 p.m., Sacred Heart Catholic School, 124 E. Center St. Register team at 715-526-2023.

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“We spoke the language all day long,” Pemohnaew said of the daycare classroom. “I created 11 songs for them.”

Pemohnaew said that using music and games helped the little ones to pick up on the language.

Following a love of the Menominee language they learned as Menominee Indian School District students, a young couple with a small daughter now speak only Menominee in their home.

“When we opened the language campus, this young one was able to talk to people in the language,” Pemohnaew said. “How full your heart swells, knowing this.”

She noted that this is a significant example of how the tribe is revitalizing its language.

A typical Elder Wednesday class combines learning the Menominee language with the culture of the tribe. The students also take part in various cultural activities, such as finger weaving and basket making. Pemohnaew shares historical facts and even plays bingo with the

Doors open 5 p.m., event starts 6 p.m.

SHAWANO: Shawano Speedway, 6 p.m., 990 E. Green Bay St. Gates open 4 p.m. \$12, ages 12-16 \$6, and under 11 free.

SHAWANO: “The Café Mocha Murders” by Deanna Strasse, 7 p.m., Mielke Arts Center, N5649 Airport Road. Box in the Wood Theatre Guild production. \$15 adults, \$10 children, \$20 VIP seating. Tickets at shawanoarts.org.

SUNDAY, MAY 4

SHAWANO: Zurko’s Midwest Promotions Flea Market, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Shawano County Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St. \$2 admission, 12 and under free with adult.

TILLED: Potato Pancake Dinner, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Seneca Town Hall, W13104 County Road D. Sponsored by Peace Lutheran Church and Tilleda Advancement Association. \$12. All you can eat potato and buttermilk pancakes, sausages, maple syrup, applesauce, cheese, dessert, ice cream, coffee and milk.

WITTENBERG: Artists’ Free Play XII, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., WOWSPACE, 114 Vinal St. A collection of artwork by a variety of area artists.

SHAWANO: Shawano Paddlers Gear Swap, 1-4 p.m., Shawano Community Middle School, 1050 S. Union St. Buy, sell and trade outdoor equipment. Guest speakers, bake sale and Nuttin’ But Butts food truck.

SHAWANO: “The Café Mocha Murders” by Deanna Strasse, 2 p.m., Mielke Arts Center, N5649 Airport Road. Box in the Wood Theatre Guild production. \$15 adults, \$10 children, \$20 VIP seating. Tickets at shawanoarts.org.

MONDAY, MAY 5

KESHENA: Career Expo, 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Menominee Casino Resort, N277 State Highway 47-55. Interview and apply for jobs with more than 30 local and regional employers, lunch

elders in the class.

To honor their culture in conjunction with their language, the class took a trip to Marinette. The Menominee’s main original village, called Menekaunee, was located near present-day Marinette.

The class has planned an upcoming trip to the Oshkosh Public Museum to see the James Frechette Jr. exhibit of intricately carved and painted figures showing dress, symbols and traditions of the Menominee way of life. Frechette is a traditional Menominee artist.

Learning all of the intricacies of the language does take time, according to Pemohnaew.

“Especially with us getting older,” she said. “We’re not little sponges anymore.”

They learn individual words during the class, and also try conversations, with everyone contributing according to their own ability. Myrna Warrington said she took classes at the College of Menominee Nation with Pemohnaew.

“I can recognize words, hear words, say them, but

and raffle prizes.

TUESDAY, MAY 6

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

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7

SHAWANO: Chamber Coffee Connection, 7-8 a.m., Glas Coffeehouse, 511 N. Main St. Guest speaker from Community Education Initiative.

SHAWANO: Connections for Change: A Volunteerism and Networking Event, 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Elizabeth Street Business Complex, 607 E. Elizabeth St. Learn about the work a variety of nonprofit organizations do in the Shawano Area.

SHAWANO: 100-Plus Women Who Care Shawano County Meetings, 5-7 p.m., Stubborn Brothers Brewery Crescent Ballroom, 220 S. Main St.

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

THURSDAY, MAY 8

MARION: 19th annual Garden Party Fashion Show, 10:30 a.m. cash bar, noon luncheon, Northwinds Banquet Hall, 1103 N. Main St. Hosted by Shawano Woman’s Club. \$40. Advance tickets only; call 715-570-0531.

ABRAMS: “The Play that Goes Wrong,” directed by Mike Eserkahn, 7 p.m., Nancy Byng Community Theater, 5852 Maple St., presented by Abrams Spotlight Productions Inc. Tickets \$19, \$17 for senior citizens, youths and veterans at abramstheater.com or 920-826-5852.

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

not very good,” Warrington said. “I’m getting older and can’t remember some things. That’s why I come here. It’s really good for me to see everybody here.”

Warrington continued by saying that she’s also taken classes online.

“There are three different levels, beginner, intermediate and third level,” she said. “People from all over take the online classes.”

Warrington is currently the CMN director of vocational rehabilitation.

Pemohnaew said that she’s hoping some of the Elder Wednesday students will be comfortable enough with the language to join her when she takes part in school events relating to Native American studies.

Another of the Elder Wednesday students is Stephan Grochowski. She said she’s been with the group since it started.

“I enjoy the community and the language,” Grochowski said. “I’m comfortable with the elementary stuff.”

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May 4 is (unofficially) Star Wars Day. Star Wars fans started celebrating this day because of the pun, “May the fourth be with you,” off of the famous phrase from the movies, “May the force be with you.” I have personally never “celebrated” this day (as I generally forget all about it). However, I do consider myself a Star Wars fan, as I have watched all nine movies and some of the spin-offs, which I enjoyed in varying degrees.

Several years ago, my sister and I bought a Star Wars cookbook, and since May 4 is coming up, I decided to include one of the recipes from it.

Keshian spice bread is basically a quick cinnamon swirl bread. Its texture is similar to a sponge cake. The recipe says to use a stand mixer, but do not worry if you do not have one. I used a fork, and it turned out just fine. Just make sure to beat the butter and sugar for the required time and make sure to beat any other ingredients if the recipe calls for it.

It is important to incorporate enough air to ensure that the bread rises enough. As for preparing the pan, I am not sure why the recipe calls for greasing and then lining with parchment paper, but I followed what the recipe said, and the grease holds the parchment paper in place, which was nice.

I did not change much in



this recipe. The recipe calls for chopped pecans in the topping. As I did not have any pecans, I omitted them. This recipe calls for very tiny amounts of buttermilk. If you make your own buttermilk, as I generally do, I think it is easiest to measure out the milk into a small container and add a few drops of lemon juice or vinegar. I do this to avoid making a whole cup of buttermilk only to use a few spoonfuls.

This bread is really delicious. The brown sugar and cinnamon not only provide color, but also a really interesting flavor. Also, I think that the amount of cinnamon could be reduced if desired, as this recipe calls for a lot of cinnamon.

Since May 4 is also National Orange Juice Day, I found a cranberry bread recipe that includes orange juice. This is a very good recipe. However, in its original form, it was very confusing. The only ingredients in the ingredient list were the dry ones. The other ingredients were in the directions. I find this confusing, so I tried to rearrange this recipe for an easier baking experience.

As cranberries are very



Keshian spice bread can provide some cinnamon swirly goodness for any Star Wars fan, and it could make for an ideal treat while watching any of the movies or series.

FRANCESCA ULLMER

sour, I generally toss the chopped cranberries in a little sugar and flour. That is optional as are the chopped walnuts. Also, if a stronger orange flavor is desired, simply add orange zest or orange extract. Enjoy.

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



Cranberry bread can be delicious no matter the form, but once orange juice is added, it can be exquisite.

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KESHIAN SPICE BREAD

1 stick butter, softened	1 cup sugar	3 large eggs, room temperature
2 tsp. vanilla extract	1 1/2 cups flour	1/2 tsp. salt
1/3 cup sour cream, room temperature	1/2 tsp. baking soda	1/2 tsp. baking powder
Cinnamon swirl:		
3 tbsp. brown sugar	1 tbsp. cinnamon	1 tbsp. buttermilk
Topping:		
2 tbsp. brown sugar	2 tsp. cinnamon	1/4 cup chopped pecans, optional
Icing:		
1/4 cup powdered sugar	2 tsp. buttermilk	

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Grease an 8X4-inch loaf pan and then line with parchment paper. Beat the butter and sugar together until light and fluffy, about 3 minutes. Beat the eggs in, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Beat in vanilla. In a small bowl, whisk the flour, salt, baking soda, and baking powder together. Add half of the flour mixture to the wet ingredients; mix well. Add the sour cream; mix well. Add the rest of the flour, and mix just until combined. Transfer 1 cup of the batter to the small bowl. Stir in the cinnamon swirl ingredients. Spread 1 cup of plain batter into the bottom of prepared pan. Drop the cinnamon batter by spoonfuls into the pan. Top with the remaining plain batter and smooth the top. Drag a knife through the batter in the pan a few times (lengthwise and from side to side) to create swirls. Smooth the top. Combine the topping ingredients and sprinkle over the loaf. Bake for 50-60 minutes (covering with foil if top browns too quickly), or until toothpick inserted in center of the loaf comes out clean. Cool loaf in the pan for 10 minutes. Remove from pan and place on a cooling rack. Carefully peel off the parchment paper and cool completely. For the icing, whisk together the powdered sugar and buttermilk. Drizzle over the loaf.

CRANBERRY BREAD

2 cups flour	1 cup sugar	1/2 tsp. baking soda
1/2 tsp. salt	1 1/2 tsp. baking powder	2 tbsp. butter, melted
1/2 cup orange juice	Boiling water	1 egg, beaten
1 cup raw cranberries, chopped	1 cup walnuts, chopped (optional)	

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease a 5X9-inch loaf pan. Sift the flour, sugar, baking soda, salt and baking powder together. Measure the orange juice in a liquid measuring cup. Add the melted butter and enough boiling water to equal 3/4 cup of liquid. Make a well in the center of the dry ingredients; add the liquid and the egg; mix well. Carefully fold in the cranberries, and the walnuts if desired. Spread batter in prepared pan and sprinkle the top with sugar if desired. Bake for 50-60 minutes, or until toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Let cool in pan for 10 minutes. Then remove from pan and transfer to cooling rack.



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I've hunted morel mushrooms for most of my 65 years, and I've heard all the advice.

Look for dead elms. Look on the south side of hills first. Look in apple orchards.

The hard part is actually seeing the sponge-shaped delicacies. They are a brownish yellow or sometimes gray that seems to blend in like a ghost on the forest floor. Tuck them under some May apples, ferns or other understory, and it's like Mr. Magoo trying to find his glasses.

Morels are so delicious they should never be compared to ordinary canned pizza mushrooms. When rolled in flour or egg and cracker crumbs (the two traditional breadings), then pan-fried and seasoned with salt and pepper, they rival the greatest delicacies of the ages.

This is why I got very excited when a strange ad for mushroom-finding eyeglasses popped up on Facebook. Cleverly named "Fungeyes," the maker claims they make it easier to spot wild morels and more. This deserved further investigation. So I called the company in Finleyville, Pennsylvania, (a Pittsburgh suburb) and talked to inventor Justin Fowler for the skinny on Fungeyes.

"I like going to new places and exploring," the 47-year-old inventor and



Ross Bielema
Columnist

entrepreneur said.

For about 40 years, he's enjoyed finding and eating morels but doesn't simply return to his honey holes like most schroomers.

Fowler made his fortune at the tender age of 22 as the inventor of a synthetic adhesive for artificial turf called STA-1000, made at his Sports Turf Direct company in a Pittsburgh suburb. The last thing he needed was another project, but this self-proclaimed "MacGyver" began eyeing different colors of lenses after working with a buddy on some welding shields.

Another friend had a sunglasses business and supplied him with various colors of lenses Fowler tinkered with until he came up with the perfect combination that eliminates the whites, yellows and browns of a morel to make them visually pop.

"It took me two years to get the right lens color, but it took me six more years to get the clarity right," he said. "Everybody sees color and depth differently."

A few with certain types of color blindness may find his Fungeyes ineffective, but



Justin Fowler of Finleyville, Pennsylvania, inventor of Fungeyes glasses, uncovers a big morel mushroom in the Pennsylvania woods with the help of his special eyewear. In his heyday, he would collect up to 5,000 morels a season.

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that's why he offers a 30-day money-back guarantee and a lifetime warranty on every pair.

They are not sunglasses and definitely not polarized. Polarized lenses eliminate

glare and are ideal for fishing but not good for morel hunting, because they decrease depth perception. His lenses actually increase depth perception.

Trap shooters often use

different lens colors to help see the clay targets pop out from the sky background. Yellow, pink, blue and other colors are used in different weather conditions. This is the principle behind Fungeyes.

He initially made about 20 pairs for family and friends, and they all said he had to bring them to market.

He went kicking and screaming into this new venture.

His website, www.fungeyes.com, has a video that explains the ideas behind the lenses, but what most impressed me about his site was the vast amount of morel hunting tips.

"There are so many myths," he said of morel hunting.

Dead elms, particularly dead slippery elms in his area surrounding his 88-acre woods, will yield morels for a few years, but not forever. Old apple orchards can be good. His all-time best yield was near a giant oak that had been struck by lightning.

"We spent four hours on our hands and knees clipping," he said of the 44-pound haul.

But the real key is soil temperature. Morels can be found in soil from 50-60 degrees, and he recommended getting a soil thermometer at any garden store. This is also the soil temperature when dandelions and

lilacs typically bloom (two old-school morel hunting indicators).

Keep your eyes looking down at the ground, not up at the trees.

"Every area has microclimates," he said.

A warm spot might yield morels, while a nearby cold spot may not.

Although designed to find morels, Fungeyes have also made it easier to spot shed deer antlers, rocks (such as agates), sand dollars, seashells and even bones. After a fruitless search for human bones with black light, one Tennessee investigator used a pair of Fowler's glasses to find the bones and solve a homicide.

Letters of praise from new morel or shed antler hunters are his real reward, he said.

A Scheels employee saw the glasses at the Iowa Deer Classic and after a test run at the Des Moines store, all Scheels stores nationwide now carry Fungeyes, he said.

Will these glasses alone help you find yellow fungi gold?

"You need way more than our glasses," he said.

That includes a little luck and a lot of patience.

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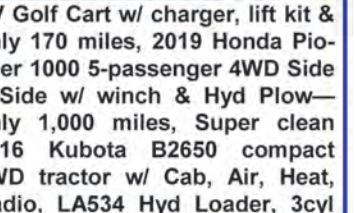
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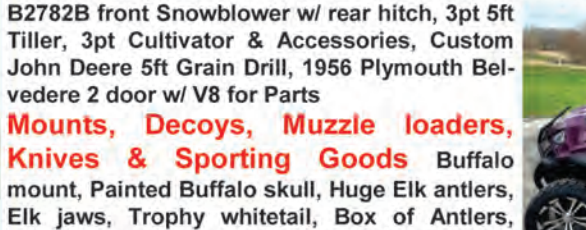
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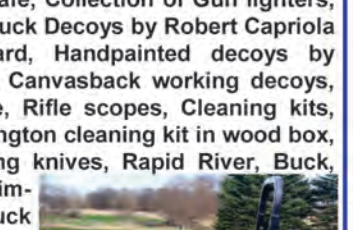
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Lena softball team crushes Wausaukee

Bears top Amherst, then drop 2 games

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

April 26
Germantown 6, Pulaski 5
Kenosha Bradford 7, Pulaski 0

Pulaski went 0-2 at the Kenosha Bradford Triangular.

April 25
Stratford 6, Bonduel 2
The Bears had three doubles but only five hits overall in a 6-2 loss to Stratford.

Emery Thompson led the Bears, going 2-for-3 with a double. Tatum Sporisky and Gracyn Wudke had the other two extra base hits.

Kallie Wilcox took the loss giving up four runs in five innings.

April 24
Manawa 3, Bonduel 2
Manawa defeated Bonduel 3-2 in a battle of undefeated teams in the CWC East.

Lily Krenk hit a two-out, two-strike, two-run home run in the third inning that proved to be the difference in the game.

Tatum Sporisky collected Bonduel's only hit. Jayla Reinke drove in both Bonduel runs, one on a sacrifice bunt and one on a sacrifice fly.

Manawa moved to 6-0 in CWC and Bonduel dropped to 4-1.

Rosholt 19, Bowler/Gresham 9

Bowler/Gresham dropped to 0-6 overall with a 19-9 nonconference loss to Rosholt.

Shawano 13, Waupaca 1
Marion 6, Northland Lutheran 5

April 22
Bonduel 2, Amherst 1

Emery Thompson pitched a gem of a game, scattering five hits, striking out 12 and walking two as Bonduel defeated Amherst 2-1.

Jayla Reinke and Tatum Sporisky each supplied RBI doubles to provide the scoring.



Above, Bonduel High School junior Jayla Reinke calmly waits for the next pitch while standing on the bag in a game against Menominee Nation. At left, Bonduel's Juliana Jacobs prepares to lay down a bunt. The junior plays infield and outfield for the Bears. Below, Taylor Rank, who plays infield and outfield for the Bonduel Bears softball team, prepares herself for the next batter.

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Thompson also went 2-for-3 at the plate for the Bears.

Lena/STAA 14, Wausaukee 4

Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas batters broke the game open with a seven-run third inning en route to a 14-4 triumph over Wausaukee.

Adrena Rabas hit 2-for-3 with a triple and two RBIs. Hannah Thomson was 3-for-5 with a double and an RBI. Kali Fischer was 1-for-4.

Rabas also had three stolen bases, and Thomson had one.

Oconto Falls 7, Little Chute 3

Oconto Falls inched closer to .500 with a 7-3 nonconference win over Little Chute. The Panthers improved to 3-4 overall.

Green Bay NEW Lutheran/Providence Academy 16, Bowler/Gresham 0

Bowler/Gresham couldn't score in a 16-0 shutout loss to Green Bay NEW Lutheran/Providence Academy at Bowler.

Crivitz 13, Menominee Nation 2

The Eagles dropped to 1-5

with a 1-2 nonconference loss to Crivitz.

Ashwaubenon 6, Pulaski 2

Pulaski dropped to 2-5 in Fox River Classic Conference play after losing 6-2 to Ashwaubenon, which is unbeaten in conference play.

The loss also put the Red Raiders below .500 overall with a 4-5 mark.

Wild Rose 9, Tigerton 1

Tigerton had a lackluster performance in losing 9-1 to Wild Rose in a nonconference game.

Tomahawk 8, Wittenberg-Birnhamwood 6

An 8-6 nonconference loss to Tomahawk knocked Wittenberg-Birnhamwood down to 8-6 overall.

April 21
Seymour 5, Shawano 1

Shawano's softball team suffered its first Bay Conference defeat of the season, a 5-1 loss to Seymour.

The game was moved from Seymour to Shawano due to weather and field conditions.

The Hawks dropped to 4-1 in league play and 6-4 overall.



Shawano athlete will play softball for UMD Bulldogs

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

Shawano Community High School senior Marissa Tomashek will play softball next fall for the University of Minnesota Duluth.

She was surrounded by family, coaches and teammates at a ceremonial letter of intent signing April 23 at the high school.

A scholar athlete, Tomashek plays softball and basketball for the Hawks. She is also a part of the

Velocity traveling softball team, based in Green Bay.

"She embodies a person that wants to get better," Velocity coach Billi Vertz said. "She has the mental fortitude where she's going to push through even when it's frustrating. When the chips are down, she has the ability to reset herself. She prides herself on excellence."

Vertz credited Tomashek for all of her hard work on and off the field.

"She makes it look a lot of time effortless," Vertz

said.

Nathan Boucher is in his first season as head coach of the Hawks softball team.

"I know she'll do great where she's going," he said. "She always wants to be better, push herself."

Tomashek's parents, Scott and Stephanie Tomashek, sat beside her as she signed her letter of intent to play with the Bulldogs.

"I look at a lot of athletes here. Go for your dream. Push yourself.

Get better," Stephanie Tomashek said. "I don't know what I'm going to do, because my life has revolved around her with her softball and her sports and stuff like that. Once she goes 4 ½ hours away, it's going to be a little tough for this mom."

For her part, Tomashek kept her comments very brief, thanking everyone for being there with her as she prepares for her next journey.

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Shawano Community High School senior Marissa Tomashek signs her letter of intent to play softball at University of Minnesota-Duluth in the fall. Watching her are Billi Vertz, coach of the Velocity traveling softball team of which Tomashek is a part, and Scott Tomashek, her father.

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Bonduel nips Witt-Birn on golf course

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

April 25
Amherst Invitational
Wittenberg-Birnamwood's George Seegmiller scored an 82 in a three-way tie for second place on the Whistling Straits/Irish Course. Marathon's Myles Handrick was the medalist at 79.

"I was again extremely happy with the performance of George (Seegmiller)," Wittenberg-Birnamwood coach Chris Bartletti said. "He is proving to be not only one of the best players in our conference but an overall exceptional player. He managed the tough conditions and was able to tie for second overall in the field."

In team scores, Bonduel placed fifth with a 391, followed by Wittenberg-Birnamwood in sixth with a 401. Marion finished eighth with a 422, and Menominee Nation/Gresham was 10th with a 424.

"Again, we didn't play well, but some of that can be attributed to the extremely difficult conditions (wind, rain, cold temperature, and a difficult course)," Bartletti said.

"With that said, every team played in the same conditions, and we were only able to beat half of them."

Amherst won the meet with a 350.

"Amherst has really set the bar as the team to beat

in the conference. They are a solid team from top to bottom," Bartletti said. "It is still early in the season, and I am confident we will improve. The question is by how much."

Individual golfers and their scores were:

Bonduel: Jaxon Bogacz 87, Colin Fischer 90, Race Anvelink 104, Cameron Schroeder 110. Cade Johnson carded a 118.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood: George Seegmiller 82, Jaden Clark 100, Nicholas Flak 109, Carson Klinner 110. Roman Johnson carded a 120.

Marion: Brady Malueg 96, Elijah Scheef 104, Jarren Faehling 109, Collin Grogan 113. James Nolan carded a 114.

Menominee Nation/Gresham: Elliott Penass 100, Anikohsaeh Corn 104, Gabe Boivin 109, King Lyons 111. Henry Lyons carded a 112.

April 22
Bay Conference Mini-Meet #3

Shawano golfers scored 181, just one stroke behind New London's 180 to place sixth out of six teams that completed the day at Shawano Lake Golf Course.

Owen and Vince Sigl of Seymour each had a 35 to lead all competitors.

The Hawks were led by Terrance Smith and Duane Gristeau-Blanche and Blake Knope, who each had a 45. Tyson Lyons



Wittenberg-Birnamwood golfers had a rough go of it at the Wild Rock Golf Course in Wisconsin Dells. The team placed last. From left, are Luca Pelusi, Jaden Clark, George Seegmiller, Nick Flak and Roman Johnson.

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rounded out the scoring four with a 46.

Jakob Stuhr also had a 48.

North Eastern Conference Mega-Meet #3

Oconto Falls senior Kady Riel won medalist honors with a 71 at Riverside Golf Course in Clintonville.

Of the 10 teams, the Panthers placed second with a 329, trailing Luxembourg-Casco's 318.

Also scoring for Oconto Falls were Carson McDermid with an 83, Dylan Clark with an 86 and Brock McDermid with an 89.

Nick Trepanier had a 96.

Mosinee Invitational

Wittenberg-Birnamwood placed last out of nine teams at Wild Rock Golf Club in Wisconsin

Dells. The Chargers scored 414, compared to Brookfield East's top score of 337.

Contributing to Witt-Birn's total score were George Seegmiller 89, Roman Johnson 104, Jaden Clark 108 and Nicholas Flak 113.

Luca Pelusi carded a 117.

April 21
CWC Mini-Meet #1

Wittenberg-Birnamwood's George Seegmiller was the medalist at the opening leg of Central Wisconsin Conference golf play at Glen Cairn Golf Course in Ogdensburg.

"Today presented the field with brutal conditions with rain at times, high wind and bitter cold, but we were able to at least put ourselves in the top of the conference teams," Chargers' Coach Chris

Bartletti said. "We didn't know going out how we would play, since Mother Nature hasn't allowed us much time to actually be on the course. Overall, we still need to be much better as a team if we want to compete."

But, the bright spot was Seegmiller, who also beat his former personal best competitive round. He scored a 77.

"He is a player we will need to lean heavily on this year, and this type of start hopefully signals a special season for him," Bartletti said.

Ten teams competed with Amherst winning with a 344.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood placed third with 374, followed by Bonduel in fourth with 375. Mar-

ion was sixth at 393, and Menominee Nation had an incomplete score.

Joining Seegmiller for Wittenberg-Birnamwood were Jaden Clark's 96, Luca Pelusi's 99 and Roman Johnson's 102. Nicholas Flak also had a 102.

Bonduel was led by Jason Bogacz, who scored a 79. He was joined by Colin Fischer's 88, Cole Westphal's 98 and Cameron Schroeder's 110. Evan Wilcox scored 129.

Marion was led by Collin Grogan and his 92. He was joined by Brady Malueg with 96, James Nolan with 102 and Jarren Faehling with 103. Elijah Scheef also had a 107.

Menominee Nation/Gresham's entries included Elliott Penass with a 97, Anikohsaeh Corn with a 111 and Holly Brady with a 125.

FRCC Mini-Meet #1

Pulaski's Brady Hayward scored a 75, which placed him in a four-way tie for the second-best score of the day on the Hartford Golf Course.

Sheboygan North's Ryder Miller was the medalist with a 72.

The Red Raiders placed fifth as a team with a score of 331.

Also scoring for Pulaski were Dixon Holewinski with an 80, and Casey Madlem and Nathan Jossie each with an 88.

Bradin Schultz scored an 89.

Pulaski soccer team shuts out Menasha, Sheboygan South

April 25
Pulaski 2, Menasha 0
Pulaski's girls soccer team shut out Menasha 2-0 to improve to 5-2 overall.

April 24
Oshkosh North 4, Shawano 0

Shawano has not scored a goal in five of the team's six losses this season, dropping a nonconference game to Oshkosh North 4-0.

The Hawks are 1-6-1 overall.

April 22
Pulaski 7, Sheboygan South 0

Pulaski shut out Sheboygan South 7-0 in its Fox River Classic Conference opener.

Estella Vieaux and Anya Hasser each scored two goals for the Red Raiders. Kara Barber, Ruth Kruase and Alina Harnowski each had one score.

April 21
Xavier 10, Shawano 0

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Red Raiders tennis team wins 3 of 4 matches

**April 25-26
Pulaski 5, Lakeland Union 2**

Pulaski's tennis team went 2-1 at Stevens Point on April 25-26, defeating Lakeland Union and Rhinelander but losing to De Pere.

In the 5-2 win over Lakeland Union, the Red Raiders won three singles matches and two doubles matches.

At No. 2 singles, Nathan Maroszek won 6-1, 6-1. Mikel Iglesias-Mino won 6-0, 6-3 at No. 3, while Jonah Drevs won 6-0, 6-0 at No. 4.

Justin Fraedrich lost 6-1, 6-2 at No. 1 singles. Henry Piczkowski and Oscar Delmarcelle fell 2-6, 6-0, 10-7 at No. 1 doubles.

Doubles wins came from Jeffrey Sanders and William Gosse, 6-3, 6-3 at No. 2, and Jakob Malchow and Conrad Kreutzberg, 6-7 (1), 7-6 (5), 10-4 at No. 3.

De Pere 6, Pulaski 1
Iglesias-Mino collected the only Pulaski win in a 6-1 loss to De Pere. He won 6-4, 6-3 at No. 3 singles.

Maroszek took his opponent to three sets at No. 2 singles, 7-6 (5), 4-6, 10-8.

Pulaski 4, Rhinelander 3

The Red Raiders captured three of the four singles matches in a 4-3 win over the Hod's.

Fraedrich won 6-4, 6-4 at No. 1, Maroszek won 6-1, 6-0 at No. 2, and Iglesias-Mino notched his third

win of the day, a 6-2, 6-3 victory at No. 3.

Drevs lost a close 7-6 (5), 7-5 decision at No. 4 singles.

At No. 1 doubles, Piczkowski and Delmarcelle lost 6-3, 6-1, and Sanders and Gosse lost 6-2, 6-2 at No. 2.

The Pulaski win came at No. 3 doubles, when Malchow and Kreutzberg pulled out a 4-6, 7-6 (5), 11-9 victory.

**April 22
Pulaski 6, Green Bay Southwest 1**

The Red Raiders handled Green Bay Southwest with ease, winning 6-1.

Pulaski's only loss was at No. 1 singles, when Mikel Iglesias-Mino lost 6-2, 6-0 to Martin Garcia.

Winning in the second through fourth singles matches were Henry Piczkowski, 6-0, 6-0, over Lincoln Sherman; Jonah Drevs, 6-0, 6-0, over Aden Richardson; and Oscar Delmarcelle 2-0, 2-0 default.

At No.1 doubles, Justin Fraedrich and Ryan Symons topped Edgar Blendon and Wesley Lor 6-1, 6-0.

Nathan Maroszek and Donovan Holderness defeated Oliver Engels and Ezra Krouth in a pair of shutout sets at No. 2.

The same 6-0, 6-0 score was copied by the No. 3 duo of Jeffrey Sanders and William Gosse in defeating Donald Long and Ryan DesJardins.

Pulaski lacrosse teams lose to De Pere

**April 22
De Pere 14, Pulaski 0 (boys)**

Pulaski is still in search of that elusive first lacrosse win as they suffered a 14-0 shutout at the hands of De Pere.

It was the third shutout loss of the season for the

Red Raiders. The team is 0-9 overall.

De Pere 16, Pulaski 8 (girls)

Pulaski's girls scored eight points against De Pere, but it wasn't enough as they lost 16-8.

Pulaski dropped to 0-3 overall.

Pitchers' duel ends in Bears loss

**April 26
Brillion 2, Bonduel 1**

Beckett Hartlaben and Landon Mathes squared off in a pitching duel in Brillion as both pitchers went the distance in Brillion's 2-1 win.

After three scoreless innings, Bonduel jumped out to a 1-0 lead on an RBI single by Aiden Hillsberg. Brillion tied it on a suicide squeeze in the sixth inning.

After the Bears failed to score in the seventh, Harlaben struck out the first two batters in the bottom of the inning. A Brillion base hit and stolen base put the runner in scoring position, which is what he did when the next batter singled for the final 2-1 score.

Cade Johnson had two hits for the Bears, and Landon Mathes had two

for Brillion. Bonduel is now 4-3 overall and 3-1 in CWC East.

**April 24
Bonduel 10, Manawa 0**

Bonduel got a dominating performance from Cade Johnson on the mound in a 10-0 shutout over Manawa.

The senior lefty allowed no hits and struck out 11 of the 12 batters he faced. Kody Schroeder came on in relief in the fifth inning.

The Bears were led at the plate by Joe Felhofer and Mason Zuleger, who each had two hits including a double. Zuleger also added three RBIs.

Coach Donnie Gruenewald won his 200th game in the win.

Pulaski 20, Menasha 6

Pulaski is 5-for-5 in nonconference games this season after its 20-6 crushing of Menasha. The Red Raiders improved to 9-3 overall.

St. Thomas Aquinas Academy 9, Gillett/Suring 5

Bowler 3, Gresham 0 April 22

Lena 13, Wausaukee 2
Lena's baseball team stayed unbeaten at 4-0 in Marinette & Oconto Conference action with a 13-2 win over Wausaukee.

Pulaski 4, Notre Dame 2

Pulaski handed Notre Dame its first Fox River Classic Conference loss of the season after winning 4-2.

The Red Raiders improved to 4-3 in conference play, while Notre Dame dropped to 5-1.

Wrightstown 7, Oconto Falls 2

Luke Gilbertson hit 3-for-3 with two RBIs, but Oconto Falls came up short, 7-2, at Wrightstown.

Carter Heroux pitched six innings for the Panthers and took the loss on the mound. He allowed eight hits and four runs (all earned), while walking one and striking out eight.

Menasha 2, Shawano 1

The Hawks lost 2-1 at home as Menasha earned its first Bay Conference win of the season.

Shawano dropped to 4-2 in league play and 5-2 overall.

Green Bay NEW Lutheran/Providence Academy 12, Bowler 5 Almond-Bancroft 4, Gresham 3 Crivitz 10, Menominee Nation 0

BABA teams to kick off 79th season

The Badger Amateur Baseball Association (BABA) will begin its 79th season the first weekend of May.

The league's Northern Division with teams in Shawano, Marathon and Langlade counties features three games on the opening day of May 4. The 14-week regular season will wrap up Aug. 3 with the first round of the playoffs to be held Aug. 10.

"We are excited to kick off another season in this historic league," said Brandon Resch of the Birnamwood Kings. "The BABA is truly something unique and has been a Sunday afternoon tradition for generations."

The season will begin for the North Division with a game at 7 p.m. May 2 between the Hatley Braves and the Wittenberg Pilots in Wittenberg. The matchups on May 4 include the Antigo/Polar Bears at the Elderon Whiskey Jacks and the Eland Engineers at the Birnamwood Kings. The Aniwa Orioles have the bye in Week 1. All games begin at 1:30 p.m.

Eland won the Northern



The Antigo/Polar Bears play at Kretz Park in Antigo in the Northern Division of the Badger Amateur Baseball Association.

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Division of the BABA last year with a record of 10-2. The Engineers fell one game short of the BABA championship, losing to Little Falls of the Western Division 7-5 in the semifinal game in 12 innings. The division has produced a recent champion with the Antigo/Polar team winning back-to-back championships in 2022 and 2023.

Ryan Richter of the Engineers led the North Division during the 2024

season in home runs with eight. The division's 2024 MVP was Mason Mevarden of Birnamwood. Ian Zeinert of Elderon led the league in hitting with a .512 average last year.

"This will be another exciting season," said Rob Wyman, manager of the Elderon team. "I've been involved in the BABA for about 35 years, and each new season offers new players and the return of veteran players and old

rivalries."

The history of the BABA began in Clintonville in April 1946. The league was the creation of A.N. Brunner of Leopold, combining the Wolf River League, the Shawano County League and the Little Wolf League. Wittenberg, Birnamwood, Eland, Elderon and Hatley were part of the league at its launch.

From the beginning, there was an emphasis on the local nature of these amateur men's teams, with a residency requirement based on each team's location. This requirement has for more than 70 years allowed small town teams to compete with those of larger cities.

The league held its end-of-season awards and Hall of Fame banquet in September. The fourth class of Hall of Fame inductees included Floyd Kristof, Pete Pleshek, Mark Mattmiller and Sid Nowinsky.

The public is invited to cheer on their hometown team throughout the 2025 season. Visit BABA-Baseball.com for a full season schedule for all the league's divisions.

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Track and field athletes earn first-place gold

April 25 Rosholt Back the Track

Wittenberg-Birnamwood track and field athletes captured 10 first-place spots against 11 teams at Rosholt.

Kaden Yaeger won the 100-meter dash in 11.65 and the 200-meter dash in 23.51. Jett Rogowski won the 400-meter dash in 52.67. Bryson Schmid won the 300-meter hurdles in 44.75, and the 4x400 team won in 3:33.93.

Landen Schmidt also captured two titles, winning the discus at 150-8 and the shot put at 45-9.75.

For Bonduel, Mariah Wondra won the 1,600-meter run in 5:30.26 and the 3,200-meter run in 11:50.02. Peyton Westrich won the 100-meter dash in 13.51.

Sam Roberts won the long jump at 19-8.5.

Eva Brooks and Zander Thomson led the Lena/St.

Thomas Aquinas team.

Brooks won the high jump at 5-4.

Thomson won the 110-meter hurdles in 16.18 and high jump at 6-0.

Suring's Aliya Cox won the long jump at 16-2.

St. Norbert Elite Meet

Gillett's Bradyn Wendorff won the 800-meter run in De Pere. He set a personal record of 2:00.87.

April 24 Eagles Invite

Menominee Nation's girls won their own invite.

Madeline Tomow won the 100-meter dash in 14.54, while Urijah Reevis won the 400-meter dash in 1:05.01.

Violet Buchholz, of Wolf River Lutheran, won the 1,600-meter run in 6:20:26 and the 3,200-meter run in 14:07.44.

The 100-meter hurdles was won by Tamia Menore of Menominee Nation in 21.46.

For the boys, Menominee Nation's Barron Waupoose won the 100-meter dash in 11.83 and the 200-meter dash in 23.71.

The Eagles' Bryant Waupoose won the 1,600-meter run in 5:04.12.

Wolf River Lutheran's Caleb Bohmbach won the 110-meter hurdles in 20.47 and the 300-meter hurdles in 50.00.

Winning the 4x100 were Menominee Nation's Francis Delabrau, Kenew Awonohopay, Michael Salgado and Barron Waupoose in 47.05.

Gresham/Bowler's Ethan May, Cody Mehler, Kobe Miller and Riley Hohensee won the 4x200 in 1:48.15. The school's foursome of Adam Gourley, Roberto Martinez, Brett Schreiber and Mason Martin won the 4x400 in 5:02.67.

The 4x800 title was won by Menominee Na-

tion's John Boyd, Colt Dixon, Thomas Nacotee and Cody Peters in 11:32.01.

Winning the shot put was Menominee Nation's Miklo Guzman at 35-7.

The Eagles won the high jump (Anthony Silas at 5-2), the long jump (Awonohopay at 18-4) and triple jump (Awonohopay at 37-10).

Gresham/Bowler's Hannah Long, Kinleigh Pigott, Roselynn Rosenow and Emily Jensen won the 4x100 in 1:06.42.

Gresham/Bowler also won the 4x400 in 5:21.38 and the 4x800 in 13:39.44. Team members of the 4x400 were Addison Fischer, Cami Gourley, Long and Alivia Perez. On the 4x800 team were Gourley, Long, Perez and Jensen.

Jensen won the shot put at 30-0 and the discus at 79-3.

Gresham/Bowler also won the high jump (Perez

at 4-2), the long jump (Fischer at 13-6) and triple jump (Fischer at 29-10.)

Manawa Early-Season

Marion's track and field teams placed fourth out of five teams at Manawa. The girls tallied 45 points, while the boys had 43.5.

Tristan Herro won the discus with a throw of 96 feet 6 inches.

April 22 Wittenberg Invitational

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood girls won their home invite with 138.5 points.

The Charger boys placed fourth with 78 points, with Bonduel in seventh with 60 points and Menominee Nation in eighth with 36 points.

In the girls events, Wittenberg's Harper Rogowski won the top spot in the 400-meter dash in 1:03.46, and Menominee Nation's Urijah Reevis ran the fast-

est in the 800-meter run in 2:41.95.

Bonduel's Mariah Wondra won the 1,600-meter run in 5:36.59 and the 3,200-meter run in 11:31.03.

Faith Resch won the 100-meter hurdles for Wittenberg-Birnamwood in 16.51. She also won the high jump at 5-2 and the triple jump at 34-11.

The Bonduel 4x200-meter relay team won, and the 4x800 team won. The Wittenberg-Birnamwood team won the 4x400

Harper Krull of Wittenberg-Birnamwood won the long jump at 16-0.25.

Menominee Nation's Barron Waupoose won the 400-meter dash in 52.80.

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood foursome won the 4x400. Landen Schmidt captured the shot put and the discus.

Bonduel's Griffin Uelmen was best in the high jump at 5-10.

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25 Blend together

26 In the area

27 Reaches for rudely

29 *Live theater illumination

32 Armor-__ (some naval vessels)

34 Gift label

35 Hot pepper powder

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40 Easygoing personality

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50 Fernando's farewell

51 A new color now

53 Tight-lipped

54 Wigwag relative

55 Quaint schoolmistress

56 Scottish terrier

58 Smoothed (out)

61 Bowl-shaped roof

62 Unwitting accomplice

64 Keep on file

66 Jam-pack

68 Shady scheme

69 *Online meeting place

73 Land parcel

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76 Fabric flaw

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94 At any point

96 NASA affirmative

97 *Rocker relative

100 *Swimming pool chute

103 Cry of delight

104 Salon specialty

106 Syrupy summer treats

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112 Washer phase

113 *News-in-progress

116 "Supposing..."

121 Still competitive

122 Narrow path

123 Argentine dance

125 Prefix like Austro-

126 Half of PR

127 Andean capital

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129 Moisturizer brand

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5 Oceanfront attraction

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7 Luster

8 Run a reunion

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11 Rink leap

12 Historical object

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14 Satisfied

15 "The results __"

16 Country singer Rimes

17 Blacksmith's workplace

19 Team symbols

28 As well

30 Empty spaces

31 Marriott rival

33 Family nickname

36 Shady scheme

37 Jedi sage

38 Sierra Club cofounder

39 Right on time

40 Luigi's three

41 Late-morning meal

44 Observes carefully

46 Green stone

47 Gradually, in music

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49 New Hampshire city

52 Faithful fan

56 Sudden, swift descent

57 Expertise

59 Refuse to approve

60 Most Hamlet characters

63 NL West team

65 Rueful comment

67 1501, on a monument

69 Crunchy

70 Safari beast

71 Weak poker holding

72 Swordfish relative

75 Red Italian wine

79 Urgent request

82 Design consultant

84 Much too much

86 Pseudo-cultured

88 Similar

89 Green stone

90 Nautical assents

92 Trembled

95 German autos, for short

96 Self-denying

98 High-pitched cries

99 Main point

101 Surround with a fence

102 Portrayal

105 Chinese philosopher

107 Formerly made Ford, familiarly

108 Bert's Muppet pal

109 Treat again, as a sprain

110 Slow-moving mollusk

112 Skeptical person

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115 Former Chicago mayor Emanuel

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Matsche gets 11 years for firearms felony possession

Defendant apologetic for drug addiction which led to discovery of weapons

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Kyle Matsche learned his fate for having a cache of guns in his home on Matsche Farms in the Town of Almon on April 22 as family members and supporters packed the defendant's side of the gallery at the Shawano County Courthouse.

Matsche was sentenced by Shawano-Menominee Circuit Court Judge Katherine Sloma to 11 years in prison, followed by eight years of probation. Matsche's 490 days in the Shawano County Jail were credited in the sentence. Sloma's sentence was closer to

District Attorney Greg Parker's recommendation of 12-15 years than it was to defense attorney Kirk Everson's recommendation of four years.

Normally, gun ownership would not be an issue for most people due to the Second Amendment of the United States Constitution. However, Matsche was convicted of felony bail jumping in instances between 2008 and 2010, and his felony status prohibits him from owning any firearms.

Matsche was originally charged with 71 counts of possession of a firearm by a person convicted of a felony, seven counts of selling or possessing a fire-

arm silencer and one count of possession of narcotic drugs. He is also charged with misdemeanor counts of disorderly conduct and possession of drug paraphernalia. In the end, Matsche agreed to a plea where he was found guilty of 16 firearm possession counts and three of the silencer counts, with the rest read into the record.

Sloma, in announcing the sentence, pointed out that Matsche could have been sentenced to 10 years for each firearm count and six years for each silencer, which meant he could have been looking at life in prison.

The case came about in December 2023 after

Shawano County sheriff's deputies were called to Matsche Farms for a family fight. Family members had told deputies Matsche appeared to be under the influence of drugs and that they had tried to restrain him and took two guns away due to his voiced intentions of harming himself.

A deputy saw an AR-style rifle and a pistol similar to a Glock but with no serial number and was told Matsche builds the guns as a hobby. The officer obtained a search warrant for Matsche's home, looking for ghost guns manufactured without identifying serial numbers or markings, along with

any tools to make firearms. The search yielded another 46 long guns, 23 handguns and 1,315 pounds of ammunition.

Matsche spoke briefly on his own behalf during the sentencing, taking responsibility for his actions.

"I do apologize to law enforcement for having to deal with me and my addiction problem," he said while reading from a prepared statement in which he also thanked his family for sticking by him while the case played itself out. "I have learned that I need, and I have taken steps, to work on my rehabilitation."

Matsche suggested that he could use his skills in

agriculture and the dairy industry to help the community once he is released in about a decade.

Parker, in his sentencing argument, said that this case had a higher volume of evidence than most, which was why he had urged a higher sentence for Matsche.

"There was plethora of firearms, firearms silencers, ammunition ... that totaled 1,315 pounds," Parker said. "A lot of them were ghost guns, meaning no serial numbers at all. There were high-powered rifles with very sophisticated scopes with night vision."

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OCONTO COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

Proceedings of April 21

- Bond was set at \$650 cash for Luis Cuevas, 24, Kimberly, after he was charged with throwing or discharging bodily fluid at a public safety officer or prosecutor, misdemeanor resisting or obstructing an officer and disorderly conduct, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred April 19. Judge Michael Judge adjourned his initial appearance until May 22.

- Bond was set at \$8,000 cash for Andrew J. Lemirande, 43, Oconto Falls, after he was charged with possession of methamphetamine and felony bail jumping, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred April 20. Scheduling of a preliminary hearing was pending.

Proceedings of April 22

- Steven M. Bickel, 41, Lena, pleaded no contest to possession of narcotic drugs and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia, in connection with an incident that occurred Aug. 29, 2023. Judge withheld sentencing and placed him on two years of probation with conditions.

- Michael T. Stangel, 37, Green Bay, pleaded no contest to two counts of misdemeanor disorderly conduct and one count of misdemeanor battery, in connection with an incident that occurred Nov. 22, 2023. A related felony charge was dismissed in a plea

agreement. Judge withheld sentencing and placed him on 18 months of probation with conditions.

- Jacob J. Prochnow, 31, Crivitz, pleaded not guilty to charges of battery or threat to a law officer, throwing or discharging bodily fluids at a public safety worker or prosecutor, and misdemeanor counts of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (second offense) and resisting or obstructing an officer, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Nov. 12. Judge Jay Conley scheduled a pre-trial conference for May 27.

- Bond was set at \$4,000 cash for Ashley L. Lulloff, 40, Abrams, after she was charged with possession of THC (second or subsequent offense), three counts of felony bail jumping, and misdemeanor counts of disorderly conduct and possession of an illegally obtained prescription, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred April 19. Judge scheduled a preliminary hearing for April 30.

Proceedings of April 23

- After a one-day jury trial, Terrence Lee Ludwig, 65, Suring, was found guilty of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (fourth offense) and operating with a prohibited alcohol content (fourth offense), in connection with an incident that

occurred July 8, 2023. Judge scheduled sentencing for June 19 and ordered a pre-sentence investigation.

Proceedings of April 24

- Alfred Duane Gristeau, 26, Gillett, pleaded not guilty to eight counts of burglary to a building or dwelling, one count of theft of movable property-special facts, and 14 misdemeanor charges: 11 counts of theft of movable property worth less than \$2,500, five counts of criminal damage to property, resisting or obstructing an officer, possession of drug paraphernalia, and bail jumping, in connection with incidents that allegedly occurred between Oct. 31 to Dec. 14. Judge schedule a pre-trial conference for May 22.

- Joshua W. Longsine, 36, Oconto Falls, pleaded not guilty to taking and driving a vehicle without the owner's consent, possession of THC (second or subsequent offense), and felony bail jumping, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Sept. 13. Conley schedule arraignment for April 24. Judge scheduled a pre-trial conference for June 26.

- Russell P. Radaj, 55, Lena, pleaded not guilty to operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (fifth or sixth offense), in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Sept. 29. Judge

scheduled a pre-trial conference for June 26.

- Nicholas Donald Collar, 32, New London, pleaded not guilty to possession of THC (second or subsequent offense), three counts of felony bail jumping, and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Jan. 12. Conley scheduled a pre-trial conference for June 26..

- A \$5,000 signature bond was set for Carla Ann Shafman, 31, Hancock, after she was charged with repeated acts of physical child abuse resulting in bodily harm. Shafman waived her right to a preliminary hearing and pleaded not guilty, and Conley scheduled a pre-trial conference for June 17.

Proceedings of April 25

- Fred J. Masten, 76, Appleton, was sentenced to five years in prison, followed by seven years of extended supervision, for theft of movable property and criminal damage to property, in connection with an incident that occurred May 25, 2024. Conley gave him credit for 332 days already served and scheduled a restitution hearing for June 3.

- Nancy Noel Mulkey, 27, Green Bay, pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer, in connection with

an incident that occurred Oct. 17. A related felony bail jumping charged was dismissed in a plea agree-

ment. Conley levied fines and sentenced her to 119 days already served in the county jail.

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**CITY OF OCONTO FALLS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given, that The City of Oconto Falls Common Council will hold a Public Hearing on May 13, 2025 at 5:30 PM in the Municipal Building, Council Chambers, 500 North Chestnut Avenue, Oconto Falls, Wisconsin. The purpose of this hearing is for the consideration of:

- Public Hearing NO.1 at 5:30pm ORD 25-004 Amend Ch 455 Utility Sewer Water Compulsory Connection to Sewer and Water
- Public Hearing NO.2 immediately following NO.1 estimated 5:40 pm ORD 25-005 Amend Ch 465-13 Weight Limits and Heavy Traffic
- Public Hearing NO.3 immediately following NO.2 estimated 5:50pm ORD 25-006 Amend Ch 382 Rental Property Article II Short Term Rentals

All residents of the City of Oconto Falls are encouraged to attend. The meeting room is handicapped accessible. A copy of proposed ordinances can be picked up at the Municipal Building. Persons needing additional accommodations should contact City Hall at (920) 846-4505.



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CITY OF OCONTO FALLS NOTICE - RESOLUTION APPROVAL

The following resolution has been passed by the Common Council for the City of Oconto Falls at a meeting held on April 15, 2025. A full text of said resolution may be obtained from the Oconto Falls clerk's office located at 500 N. Chestnut, Oconto Falls, WI 54154. Phone: 920-846-4505.

Resolution 25-002 City of Oconto Falls Emergency Declaration
Resolution 25-003 WI DNR Urban Forestry Grants Combined
Resolution 25-004 Resolution Designating Newspaper for Legally Required Notices
Posted by City Deputy Clerk
Jenny Friedman

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**STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, OCONTO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Roger Kenneth Sohr Jr**

**Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 2025IN28**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

- An application for informal administration was filed.
- The decedent, with date of birth 06-27-1935 and date of death 02-27-2025, was domiciled in Oconto County, State of WI, with a mailing address of 329 South Main Street, Gillett, WI 54124.
- All interested persons waived notice.
- The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is [Date] July 17, 2025.
- A claim may be filed at the Oconto County Courthouse, 301 Washington St., Oconto, WI 54153, Wisconsin, Room 1173.

Form completed by:
Atty. Thomas J Martell
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Shawano, WI 54166
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**INVITATION TO BID LRIP PROJECT
TOWN OF OCONTO FALLS
5469 Elm Lawn Road
Oconto Falls WI 54154**

The TOWN OF OCONTO FALLS requests sealed bids for the following LRIP project;
Busy Nook Road from Pipgrass Road east to where the new blacktop starts, about 1 mile. The road will be 20 feet wide with 2 foot wide shoulders on each side of road.

Work to be performed

- pulverize existing road bed
- add minimum of 4 inches of new gravel
- level and compact new gravel
- furnish and replace all culverts in this section of road
- ditch as needed
- fine grading
- mulch and seed as needed

Staking, traffic control and proof of insurance will be the bidders' responsibility.
The project will need to be completed by August 31st, 2025.

Direct questions to:
Dave Alsteen
5469 Elm Lawn Road
Oconto Falls WI 54154
920-373-7435
dalsteensouthernfire@hotmail.com
All bids are due by 4 pm, May 12th, 2025 and will be opened at the regular meeting of the Town Board at 6pm May 12th, 2025 at the Town Hall, 8680 State Highway 22, Oconto Falls WI 54154.

Dave Alsteen
Town of Oconto Falls Chairman

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Our goal daily is to add to the collective understanding of this community through a news report that fully and fairly reflects what's happening. The more we know about our hometown and neighbors, the more likely we are to build common ground.

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Conservation officials push state for additional funding

Shawano County approves resolution seeking stable, base funding for county staffing

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

Shawano County Land and Water Conservation Department professionals claim they are among the best and most cost-effective solutions to improving water quality, achieving clean and safe drinking water, and supporting multiple industries at the same time.

Because of that, Shawano County supervisors are urging the Wisconsin Legislature and the Joint Committee on Finance to provide \$20.2 million in stable, base funding for county conservation staffing.

This year, state officials established the current

need for county conservation department staffing at \$20.2 million to fund staff positions at 100% of the first, 70% of the second and 50% of each additional person.

The local resolution was adopted April 15.

Based on 2024 data, this measure would provide Shawano County about \$50,000 of additional annual soil and water resource management grant funding through the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection.

“In 2024 Shawano County received \$154,819 for land conservation department staffing and support costs,” said Scott Frank, county conserva-

tionist. “This covered 1.8 staff positions of the 3.6 eligible staff positions in the LCD. If we were to receive full funding per Chapter 92, we could expect about \$50,000 more.

“If this were to happen, it would give us some flexibility to buffer budget cuts, possibly offer seasonal/internship opportunities or even add a part-time position to the office.”

Frank said his office provides many services he and others do not want to see reduced.

County conservation departments are the local delivery mechanism for a range of Wisconsin’s natural soil and water and other resource management programs includ-

ing non-point pollution control, farmland preservation, reclamation of non-metallic mines, invasive species control, woodland management, lakes protection and more.

According to DATCP, for every \$1 of county staffing provided in the state biennial budget, conservation departments leverage \$2 in additional local, state and federal funding.

Wisconsin Land and Water is a nonprofit membership organization that supports the efforts of around 450 land conservation committee supervisors and 370 conservation staff in Wisconsin’s 72 county land and water conservation departments.

The group reports that

in 2006, the state’s base funding allocation of \$9.3 million met 70% of the counties’ staffing needs of \$13.3 million. In 2025, the \$8.9 million provided met only 46% of the counties’ needs.

In the 19-year period from 2006-25, base funding relative to county staffing needs decreased by 26%.

Conservation staff professionals serve as technical advisers to support producer-led watershed groups, assist waterfront property owners, help farmers develop and implement nutrient management plans, respond to natural disasters like floods, project planning and engineering, securing cost share funding and

spend years building the trust to be able to successfully do so.

The conservation practices these professionals help landowners apply to farm fields, forests and shorelines have numerous water quality benefits, including preventing soil erosion and promoting soil health, increasing infiltration into groundwater aquifers, protecting drinking water supply, reducing surface runoff and flood severity and more.

This minimum funding is expected to result in more conservation on the landscape and better protection of the state’s natural resources.

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OCONTO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

April 24

Deputies responded to 45 incidents, including trespassing on County Road E in the Town of Abrams, threatening on Frog Pond Road in the Town of Oconto, fire control burns on Business 41 in the Town of Oconto and on County Road B in the Town of Oconto Falls, an animal bite on Waterbrook Lane in the Town of Oconto, three traffic stops, four traffic offenses, two citizen assists, six miscellaneous traffic incidents, three welfare checks; two open-line 911 calls.

April 23

Deputies responded to 36 incidents, including an internet crimes against children incident in the Town of Oconto Falls, a death investigation in the Town of Townsend, threatening on Frog Pond Road in the Town of Oconto, a disturbance on North McKenzie Street in Gillett, suspicious activity on North River Road in the Town of Oconto, a fire control burn on Krueger Avenue in Oconto, three traffic stops, one traffic hazard, four traffic offenses, one citizen assist, two welfare checks; two 911 hangups; five crashes, two involving deer.

April 22

Deputies responded to 35 incidents, including automobile theft on County Road A in the Town of Spruce, burglary on Wood Road in the Town of Pensaukee, a death investigation in the Town of Abrams, burglary on County Road EE in the Town of Abrams, suspicious activity on Goldhorn Road in the Town of Brazeau and on Nicolet Road in the Town of Townsend, one traffic stop, one traffic hazard, one traffic offense, five miscellaneous traffic incidents, two welfare checks; four crashes, one involving deer.

April 21

Deputies responded to 47 incidents, including property damage on Timber Haven Drive in the Town of Little Suamico, threatening

on North McKenzie Street in Gillett, a wanted person on Washington Street in Oconto, an unwanted party on North Marl Lake Road in the Town of Brazeau, fire on Nicolet Road in the Town of Townsend, harassment on Moody Road in the Town of Pensaukee, theft on Allen Road in the Town of Little Suamico, an animal bite on state Highway 32 in the Town of Breed, three traffic stops, one traffic hazard, one traffic offense, four citizen assists, three miscellaneous traffic incidents, five welfare checks; two crashes, one involving deer.

April 20

Deputies responded to 34 incidents, including a noise disturbance on East Armstrong Street in Gillett, a disturbance on McDonald Street in Oconto, drugs in the Town of Little Suamico, fire on County Road E in the Town of Morgan, a disturbance near U.S. Highway 141 and Kruegers Quarry Road in the Town of Abrams, fire on Houston Lane in the Town of Mountain, threatening on Moody Road in the Town of Pensaukee, sexual assault in Oconto, fire on Elm Avenue in Oconto Falls, five traffic stops, three citizen assists, two miscellaneous traffic incidents, one welfare check; two 911 hangups and three open lines; one ambulance call; two crashes, one involving deer.

April 19

Deputies responded to 54 incidents, including suspicious activity on Church Street in the Town of Townsend, a fire control burn on Van Dornick Road in the Town of Chase; suspicious activity on Cottage Road in the Town of Little Suamico, on state Highway 32 in the Town of Lakewood, and on Parkway Road in the Town of Spruce; property damage on Nichols Road in the Town of Pensaukee, theft on Grindle Lane in the Town of Riverview, a disturbance on Brookside Cemetery Road in the Town of

Pensaukee, suspicious activity on County Road M in the Town of How, trespassing on County Road F in the Town of Lakewood, property damage on Sekaly Lane in the Town of Underhill, a disturbance on South Maple Avenue in Oconto Falls, a fire control burn on Major Lane in the Town of Chase, a noise disturbance on Hip Hus Court in the Town of Underhill, suspicious activity on County Road A in the Town of Little River, 11 traffic stops, one traffic hazard, two traffic offenses, two citizen assists, one miscellaneous traffic incident, two welfare checks; one 911 hangup and three open lines; two crashes, one involving deer.

April 18

Deputies responded to 26 incidents, including a disturbance on South Green Bay Avenue in Gillett, an unwanted party on state Highway 22 in the Town of Oconto, trespassing on County Road J in the Town of Oconto, two traffic stops, one citizen assist, one miscellaneous traffic incident, one welfare check; two 911 hangups and one open line; one crash.

April 17

Deputies responded to 34 incidents, including suspicious activity on East Frontage Road in the Town of Little Suamico, fire on Saint Patrick’s Road in the Town of Stiles, trespassing on Pensaukee Bayshore Road in the Town of Pensaukee, fraud on Waboose Drive in the Town of Riverview, one traffic stop, two traffic hazards, one traffic offense, three citizen assists, two miscellaneous traffic incidents; two open-line 911 calls; one ambulance call; three crashes, two involving deer.

April 16

Deputies responded to 39 incidents, including fire on Younger Road in the Town of Stiles, two traffic stops, four traffic hazards, two traffic offenses, three miscellaneous traffic incidents, five welfare

checks; one open-line 911 call; one ambulance call; two crashes, one involving deer.

April 15

Deputies responded to 33 incidents, including lewd and lascivious behavior on Cedar Street in the Town of Abrams,

a disturbance on West Burnt Dam Road in the Town of Townsend, animal neglect near CCC and Degantown roads in the Town of Morgan, theft on County Road J in the Town of Little River, threatening on Frog Pond Road in the Town of

Oconto, drugs in the Town of Chase, child abuse in the Town of Abrams, suspicious activity on Alsteen Lane in the Town of Lena, one traffic stop, one miscellaneous traffic incident, one welfare check; four 911 hangups and four open lines.

05/02/2025, 05/09/2025

**TOWN OF STILES REQUEST FOR BIDS
FOR PULVERSIZING AND GRADING – LEMERE RD**

Lemere Road Resurface from 50 feet west of railroad tracks extending 2060 Ft. west to Tappa Rd. Pulverize existing surface, Supply, Place, Water and Compact 900 ton of 3/4" Crushed Asphalt.

Bids can be submitted to Terrah Patton, Town Clerk 5718 Watercrest Rd Lena, WI 54139 or bring them to the town meeting on Wednesday May1 4th at 6pm. All sealed bids will be opened and reviewed by the Town Board at the April meeting. Proof of Insurance must accompany all bids. Town of Stiles reserves the right to reject any or all bids and accept a bid deemed most advantageous to the Town of Stiles.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT CHAIRMAN JASON FLYNN 920-609-3541
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05/02/2025, 05/09/2025, 05/15/2025

**Town of Maple Grove
Notice of Liquor License Application**

NOTICE is HEREBY GIVEN that the following applicants have filed with the Town Clerk application for a Class "B" Combination License to deal in intoxicating liquor and/or beer.

Amy Swiecichowski for the Hofa Park Tavern
W1889 Hofa Park, Seymour, WI 54165

Jennifer Olson for Jen's Knaughty Pine
W1539 Cty S, Pulaski, WI 54182

Amy Swiecichowski & Abigail Haven for Hofa Park Hall LLC
W1828 Hofa Park, Seymour, WI 54165

St. Stanislaus Hofa Park Parish
W1888 Hofa Park, Seymour, WI 54165

Kathy Luebke, Clerk
Town of Maple Grove
WNAXLP

05/02/2025, 05/09/2025

**TOWN OF STILES REQUEST FOR BIDS FOR
CULVERT REPLACEMENT – BIRCHWOOD SHORES LN**

Birchwood Shores Ln. Culvert Pipe Replacement 820 Ft. south of Oconto River Shores Ln. Install traffic control. Saw, cut and remove asphalt. Remove and dispose of existing culvert. Supply and install 70 Ft. of 30 in. HDPE culvert pipe with endwalls. Backfill and compact. Taper road slopes at 3:1. Replace road base in kind. Supply and install 40 Ft. of guardrail on the outside of curve. Exact location to be determined in the field by a town representative.

NOTE: Road must be open to traffic at the end of the day. This will require an 8 hour road closure and coordination with local emergency services. Must stage two dump trucks with gravel in case an emergency fill is needed to access residences south of the culvert being replaced. TheTown of Stiles is requesting this construction be completed, start to finish, the last week of July 2025 actual date TBD.

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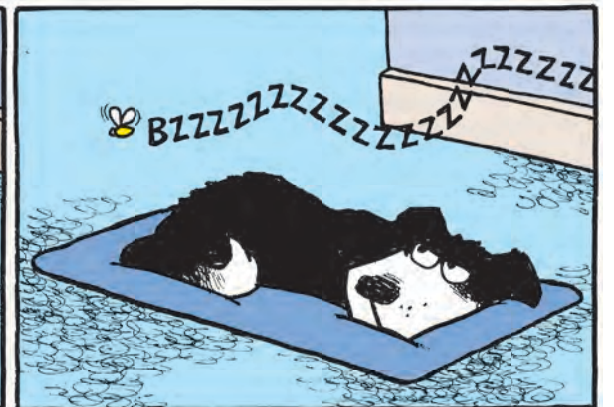
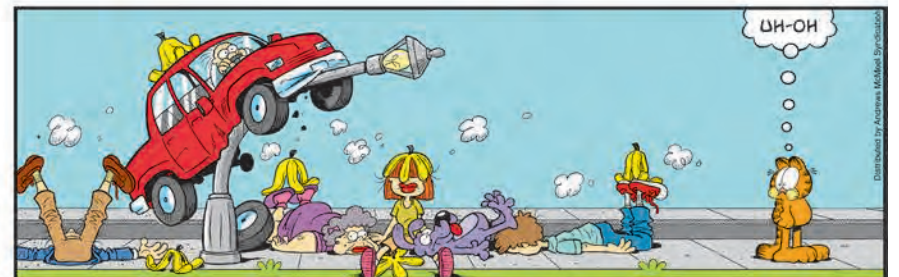
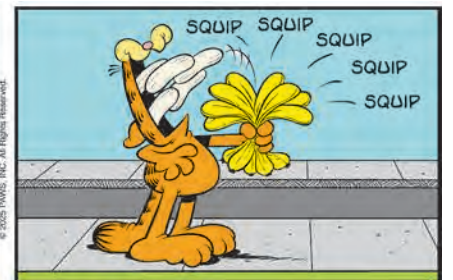
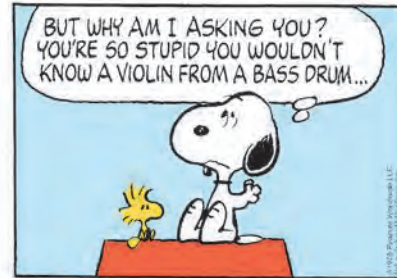


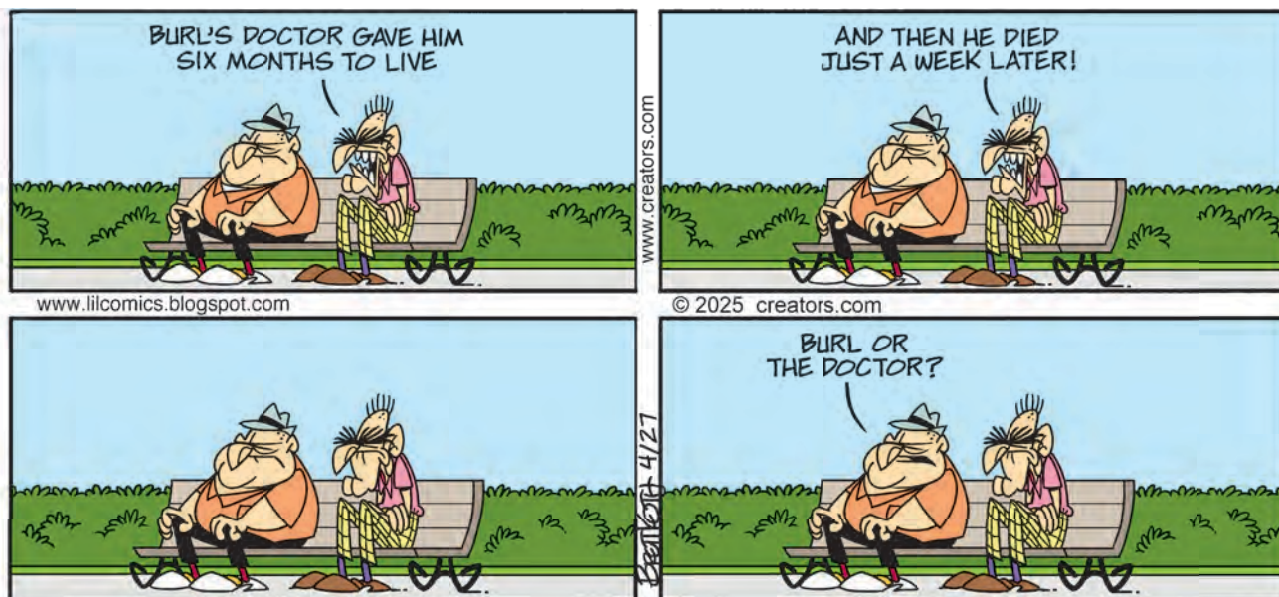
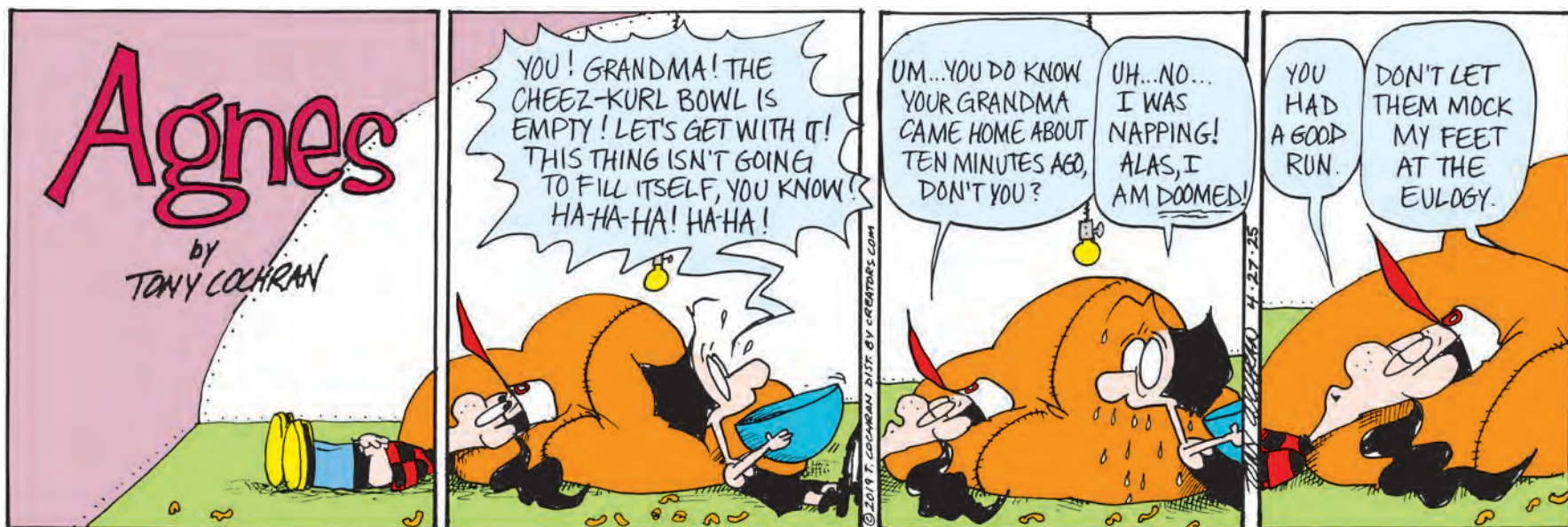
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