



The second of four phases for the reconstruction of the intersection of state Highway 29 and County Road MMM is underway. This phase began July 22 and will last a total of five to seven weeks. The intersection is completely closed to through traffic.

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J-turn project on state Highway 29 underway

County Road MMM intersection reconstruction expected to end in October

By KEVIN PASSON
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Crews have begun the reconstruction of the intersection of state Highway 29 and County Road MMM west of Shawano.

A J-turn intersection, what the Wisconsin Department of Transportation calls a restricted crossing U-turn (RCUT) is being installed to improve safety.

“Work will also include realigning County MMM, realigning Clark Drive, installing RCUT lanes in (Highway) 29 median, widening (Highway) 29 to add/lengthen right turn lanes, and concrete pavement patches on (Highway) 29,” said Dan Segerstrom, DOT project development supervisor. “This would

be considered a total reconstruction of the intersection other than the existing eastbound and westbound (Highway) 29 lanes will remain with spot concrete pavement repairs.”

There are four stages to the project. The first stage is already complete. The second stage started July 22 and will take five to seven weeks to complete.

The prime contractor, Reylco Plus of De Pere, will work on the state Highway 29 outside travel lanes, including right turn lanes and shoulder paving, and complete the realignment of County Road MMM and Clark Drive. Traffic on state Highway 29 will be one lane in direction, and there will be no access from or onto County Road MMM or Clark Drive.

The project has a signed detour for motorists looking to use County MMM. This detour route follows state Highway 29 to state Highway 22, which will reconnect motorists to County Road MMM.

The cost of the project is \$2.83 million.

“Although eastbound and westbound 29 will be open to a minimum of one travel lane per direction at all times, this is still an active work zone,” Segerstrom said. “Motorists are encouraged to drive at reduced speeds to make it safer for everyone involved.”

In the third stage, which is estimated to last six to eight weeks, crews will complete the median travel lane work, including median left turn lanes, U-turns and shoulders.

Travel on state Highway 29 will be in the outside lane in each direction. The median crossing will remain closed, resulting in no left turns on to County Road MMM or Clark Drive; however, right turns onto those roads will be allowed. County Road MMM and Clark Drive will be open with limited access.

The fourth and final phase will take a week or two, and will wrap up in October.

In this phase, travel on state Highway

New K-9 to join sheriff's department

Female Malinois to be trained in narcotics, tracking and other skills

By KEVIN PASSON
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With the retirement of Arres earlier this summer, the Shawano County Sheriff's Department found itself in the market for a second K-9.

“We have a dog (female Malinois) reserved,” said Capt. Nick Prey, who oversees the K-9 program. “Training will be in mid-November 2024; dates are not set yet. The master trainer is Tony Pallotta from Toronto, Canada. He puts on his own handler training course.”

In addition to a new K-9, a new handler will also be chosen. Prey said two deputies have applied to be the handler, with interviews held July 29.

While the cost of a K-9 is less expensive than a human officer, it's not cheap. “The new dog we have on order is \$10,500 for the dog, and a two-week training course for the new handler is \$5,000,”

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Shawano County Sheriff's Deputy Cody Vigue first started working with Rascal in December 2021. In 2023, Rascal was deployed 55 times, including 49 narcotic sniffs and arrests. He was also involved in five tracking and apprehensions, including four that led to arrests.

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Behnke, Schmidt in fight to remain in Wisconsin Assembly.

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Economic assessment looking at Menominee tribe

Opportunities
abound to bring back
some of the \$312M
spent off reservation

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

The Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin is doing an economic assessment in the hopes of developing a strategic plan that turns the reservation into a resource for local entrepreneurs and increases the potential benefits the tribe can tap into to improve life for its people.

A meeting was held July 24 at the cultural center for the College of Menominee Nation to gather community input that helps contribute to what is already a 90-page economic assessment draft that will eventually be presented to the Menominee Tribal Legislature. A number of tribal members looked at issues like tourism and businesses that don't just cater to the local community.

Eric Trevan, chief executive officer for aLocal Solutions LLC, led the discussion and has been working with tribal officials to get the assessment together. He noted that about \$312 million is currently being spent elsewhere off the reserva-



Eric Trevan, chief executive officer for aLocal Solutions, LLC, talks about the Menominee economic assessment and what it could potentially mean for the tribe July 24 during a presentation at the College of Menominee Nation's cultural center.

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tion, and the assessment will help to build a case for what the tribe needs to do to expand its economic development.

"In just looking at the cultural heritage and trying to get a grasp on everything, trying to keep things in heritage with the clans and the cultural practices, with the institutions like the cultural museum and here at the college, how do they all fit together?" Trevan said. "We're point-

ing them out and assessing them as assets. Building and going forward, these will be critical."

Some of the more desirable businesses Trevan has heard about include auto repair shops, landscaping services, restaurants, lawyers and tax preparers, to name a few.

"When you look at GDP (gross domestic product), about 65-75% of that is based on consumption," he said. "You get more

consumers by getting the housing demand, that could really impact your economic opportunities. You don't need a fancy formula for that. You just think that if you have more people, then they're going to consume more, so where are the opportunities?"

Trevan estimated that if the tribe pursues all of its opportunities, there could be an economic impact on the region of over \$582

million. At least 1,500 jobs could sprout from the tribe pursuing all of its potential opportunities, but he cautioned that won't happen right away.

"It's important to remember that, when we're benefiting the tribe, we're really benefiting the region," Trevan said.

He noted that the region could include the Shawano area, Suring, Gillett and other communities to the north, and that working together with officials in those communities, everyone can benefit. Many Menominee students go on to graduate with professional service degrees and could be brought back if the chance for prosperity presented itself.

"As we start using the assessment to build a strategy — whether it's finding investors, whether it's Wolf River (Corporation), whether it's the Menominee Nation — then you start to claw back those dollars and you have positive economic income for the entire region," Trevan said.

One community member suggested that the Menominee not restrict its customers locally, noting that with the internet, tribal members could go online and have global patronage.

Another community member noted that, while tourism is a potential

source for the tribe to tap into, there are some on the reservation who are against the idea, noting that some Menominee see it as trespassing on their land.

Trevan acknowledged that tourism requires a delicate balance to work for the tribe. He said he has been touring areas of the Menominee reservation to see if there are tourism opportunities that don't infringe on tribal members' right to live on their ancestral land.

"There's a group called American Indian/Alaskan Native Tourism Association, and one of the conversations they have is the immense opportunity for tourism and do you not want someone who is not from the rez looking in your window?" Trevan said. "Where's the balance between the two?"

Among one of the goals is the revitalization of Neopit, which has the lumber mill but does not have as many amenities as Keshena.

Besides the in-person discussion, the tribe distributed an online survey through July 25, getting input of what the tribe's economic needs are.

Trevan expects the economic assessment to be completed in the next few weeks.

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Ad hoc building committee appointees approved

11-member group includes supervisors, department staff, business representatives and a citizen member

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

It took some time, but Shawano County Board Chairman Tom Kautza finally has a full slate for the county's ad hoc building committee.

The 11-member panel was approved at the July 24 meeting of the County Board.

Previously, Kautza was having difficulty finding business representatives from the three sections of the county — east, central and west.

Now named to the committee are John Jacobs Jr. of Green Valley Dairy for the east, Sam Crawford of TimberPro for the central and Regan Mongold of Cirrinity for the west.

There had been concerns about Jacobs. Although the business is in Shawano County, Jacobs

lives in Brown County. Joining Kautza on the committee will be fellow Supervisors Matt Pleshek and Randy Mallmann.

County employees include Grant Bystol from the highway department, Ty Raddant from the sheriff's department, Scott Frank from the land conservation department and Ethan Schmidt, clerk of courts.

Bonduel's Greg Strayer is the citizen member.

Supervisor Mike Wizen expressed frustration over the selection of Raddant, the chief deputy, over Sheriff George Lenzner.

"I'm somewhat disappointed that we're picking somebody that's fair and will make level-headed decisions, yet you don't take your sheriff but you take your chief deputy over him," he said. "You got Ethan Schmidt on

here, because you're building a justice center, but you don't put the sheriff on because you're building a jail and sheriff's department."

Kautza said that wasn't accurate.

"We're not necessarily building a jail or a sheriff's department," he insisted. "We're looking at a plan, a master plan, of what should be for the county."

Supervisor Joe Miller said it is time to move on.

"Let's give these people an opportunity to sit down, get going," he said. "It's a dubious task. It's going to take some time."

The ad hoc committee's recommendation will not bind the board. Any recommendation will be forwarded to the public property committee.

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The Shawano County Sheriff's Department and jail building will be among the projects studied by an ad hoc building committee. The committee is tasked with recommending a master plan for county-owned buildings. The plan will include recommendations to construct new buildings, remodel existing ones, maintain existing buildings without remodeling them or any combination. KEVIN PASSON | NEW MEDIA

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School board trimming proposed referendum

Options to fundraise discussed along with why certain items on project list are considered needs

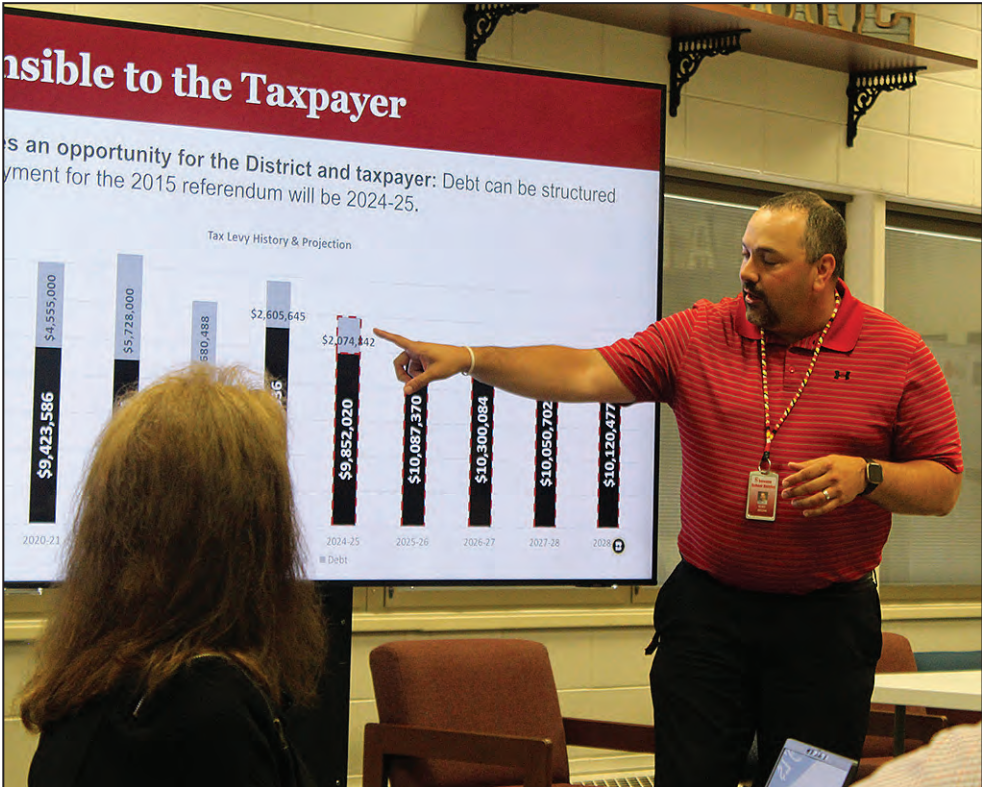
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Fine tuning continued during a July 22 work session at which the Shawano School Board examined its proposed November referendum that it plans to decide on Aug. 12.

So far, the district has hacked off almost \$2.3 million from the previous referendum that failed, with indicators that tax rates will drop regardless of whether voters approve it or not. Currently, the district tax rate is \$6.66 per \$1,000 of equalized valuation, or \$666 on property worth \$100,000. If the referendum passes, the tax rate for the current school year could drop to \$6.39, and then \$6.33 the following year. If it fails, the tax rate is estimated to drop to \$5.62 for this school year and \$4.62 the next.

Board member Bobbi Lemerond said she's been approached by community members regarding ways to fundraise for some of the performing arts and athletic field amenities for Shawano Community High School instead of including them with the referendum, currently estimated at almost \$7.6 million.

"I've had a lot of questions about, are we looking to fundraise within the community for any of these spaces like the stadium or the orchestra pit," Lemerond said. "There's



Shawano School District Superintendent Kurt Krizan points to a chart about the district's current referendum debt during a July 22 presentation to the Shawano School Board as it prepares to ask voters about a proposed \$51.2 million referendum in November.

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always a debate on a need versus a want. If we look at some of our larger businesses to fund some of these things instead of having a referendum, or perhaps we could still have them in the referendum and the community supports these, can we pay the referendum down? What would our options be if we had community support?"

Board member Jeana Winslow suggested keeping the items as part of the referendum, and ask businesses to fund the maintenance of those items.

Jody Anders, K-12 consultant with Hoffman Planning and Design, expressed concern about taking some of the improvements off the referendum with the deadline so close — the state's deadline for ballot questions is Aug. 27, 70 days before the election.

"I know there have been discussions about the two areas of the orchestra pit and the synthetic turf — fundraising for both," Anders said. "No one has come forward yet. I believe some inquiries have been made by parties we

thought were interested, but no one has stepped up yet."

Anders said "we do need" the facility improvements on the referendum, and that it was possible for someone to step up and sponsor the football stadium or the auditorium, and then that money could go to pay down the debt and possibly clear it off the books earlier.

Superintendent Kurt Krizan pointed out that it was important to show why all the items on the proposed referendum

are needs and not wants. He noted that the fitness and weight room area for SCHS is half the size of other school districts the size of Shawano.

In the previous referendum, the district proposed adding space to the high school for a larger weight room, but now it's looking at renovating the space currently occupied by the district office and family and consumer science classes for a larger weight room. The classes would be relocated to the career and technical education area on the west end of the school, and the district offices would be relocated to Olga Brener Intermediate School, renovating existing space and only requiring about 82 square feet of new space for a vestibule.

The high school has had to turn away career education students because of the lack of space, according to Krizan, which is the reason the district is seeking to expand that part of SCHS.

"Our CTE areas are really too small for the demand," Krizan said. "Our automotives class has 18 students in it, because there are 18 seats in Jeremy Hodkiewicz's classroom. With a larger classroom, we could probably get more students to take the class."

Equipment is on the brink of failure at most of the schools. Krizan cited the electrical panel at Olga

Brener as an example.

"Our main electrical panel, that's a big issue," Krizan said. "If something happens there, we're without electricity. It would be a very expensive emergency fix that would need to be done."

Even at a newer school like SCHS, which opened in 1997, a lot of the equipment is old and falling apart. Krizan noted most of the desks were around in 1997, and many companies don't make parts for those desks anymore. He said the generator at the high school is also in jeopardy.

"I know we just tested our generator today, and it was not good, so our generator needs some assistance there," Krizan said.

Tim Renard, the newest school board member, noted when he saw the first referendum, he was against the proposal. He said he has come around since joining the board.

"I was not in favor of the referendum (in April)," Renard said. "The more I learned, the more I see, the more people are putting money into everything to better the opportunities for students and enhance the learning opportunities, things like that, it's moved me to a different side of it. It's not just spending money willy-nilly because we can spend it."

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Shawano was first turn in 26th EAA AirVenture cross country air race

BY NEW MEDIA STAFF

Shawano Municipal Airport was once again the first turn for the annual EAA AirVenture Cup Race, held July 21.

About 100 unique aircraft (38 race classes) competed in the race of more than 400 nautical miles.

The course included the planes flying over (and some landing) at the

airports in Wausau; Shawano; Menominee, Michigan; Escanaba, Michigan; Manistique, Michigan; Sawyer, Michigan; Land O' Lakes; Tomahawk; and Merrill.

The EAA AirVenture Cup Race provides pilots and aircraft builders an opportunity to race their aircraft in a safe and fun environment, while promoting aviation in

and over the communities where the races are held. The first race in 1998 started in Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, with 10 aircraft and has grown to the major aviation event it is today, drawing thousands of spectators.

Additional information is at www.airventurecuprace.com.

EAA AirVenture Oshkosh was held July 22-28.



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DNR accepting applications for catastrophic storm grants

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is accepting applications for Wisconsin Urban Forestry Catastrophic Storm Grants.

This round of funding

became available when Gov. Tony Evers declared a state of emergency June 28 due to recent severe weather events across Wisconsin.

The grant program will

make 20% of its unallocated annual funds available to aid eligible applicants, including Wisconsin municipalities, counties, tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

Grants range from \$4,000-\$50,000 and do not require a dollar-for-dollar match. Applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Aug. 27.

The grant program funds tree repair, removal

or replacement within urban areas for which the governor has declared a state of emergency.

A catastrophic storm is defined as damage to urban forests caused by

snow, ice, hail, wind or tornado.

For information and an application, visit <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/urbanforests/grants/catastrophic>.



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Sunflowers pop up July 27 in front of a tractor leading visitors on a tour of Bergsbaken Farms, site of the annual Sunflower Fest. This is the ninth year the festival has taken place, and thousands of visitors came out over the course of three days to enjoy picking sunflowers, enjoying food, being entertained by music and more.

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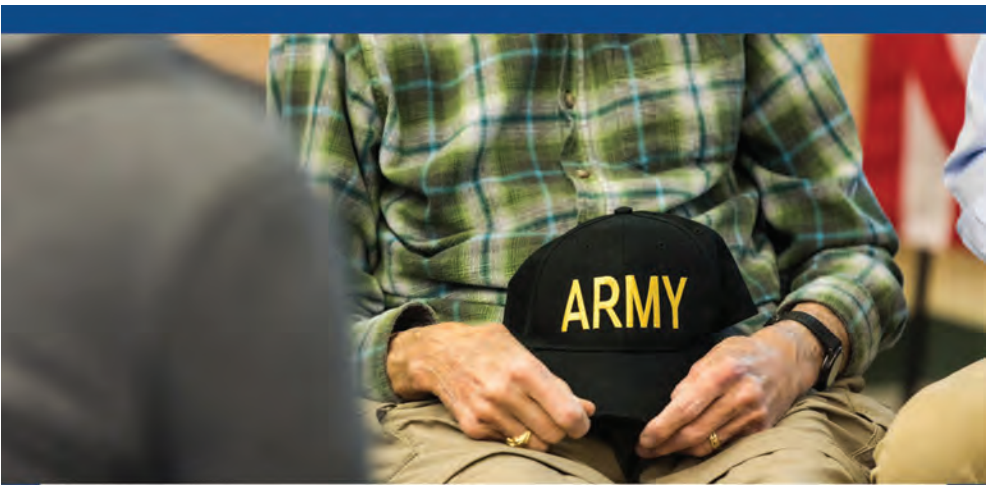
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Peyton Mechelke adjusts some sunflower plushies at the entrance to Sunflower Fest on July 27 at Bergsbaken Farms near Cecil. Mechelke was visiting his grandfather's farm from Minnesota.

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Wisconsin tops nation in mink pelts

Wisconsin ranked first in the U.S. for mink pelt production and females bred, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – Mink report.

The state's pelt production in 2023 totaled 514,130 pelts. Utah was the second-largest producing state with 138,550 pelts. Nationwide, mink pelt production during 2023

totaled 973,510 pelts, down 28% from 2022. Wisconsin's production was down 10% in 2023 and accounted for 53% of the nation's total pelt production.

Female mink bred to produce kits in Wisconsin in 2024 totaled 118,800, down 10% from last year. Utah came in second with 28,650 females bred.

Nationally, females bred to produce kits in

2024 totaled 216,470, down 14% from 2023. Wisconsin accounted for 55% of the total number of females bred in the U.S.

The value of U.S. pelts produced during the 2023 crop year was \$33.1 million, down 10% from \$36.6 million a year ago. The average price per pelt for the 2023 crop year was \$34, \$6.80 higher than \$27.20 in 2022.

Rotary hands out scholarships



ABOVE: Shawano Community High School graduate Abigail Bystol, second from right, was elected by her fellow students to receive a Dr. Paul Dibley scholarship from the Shawano Rotary Club. Shown with Bystol are, from left, Geri Dibley, Dibley's widow; Rotary president Cap Wallrich; and Laura Steinbacher, Dibley's daughter.

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RIGHT: Bonduel High School student Sam Wolf, center, earned a \$1,000 scholarship from the Shawano Rotary Club. The scholarship is presented in honor of former club member and farmer Emereth Brunner, Sam's great-uncle. Shown with Wolf are club president Cap Wallrich, left, and secretary J.R. Habeck.

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CMN announces new board members

The College of Menominee Nation (CMN) recently held its annual election of officers, resulting in the reappointment of Sara LaBarge as vice chair and the appointment of Tina Tourtillott to fill the open seat vacated by Marcus Denny.

LaBarge is a continuing member of the board, originally appointed in 2020. She has been appointed for another seven years, through the 2031 election.

Tourtillott will be a member until 2026.

LaBarge is an enrolled member of the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin (MITW) and the director of Strategic Partnerships at Native Forward Scholars Fund, the largest direct scholarship provider to Native students in the United States.

Joining Native Forward in 2015, she has held roles of increasing responsibility with a focus on programs, operations,



SARA LABARGE

Forward, she served as an academic adviser at CMN for seven years. LaBarge has served Native students in higher education for nearly two decades. She holds a bachelor of arts degree in sociology from St. Norbert College in De Pere and a master of science in education – higher education administration from University of Wisconsin-La Crosse.

She enjoys spending time with her family, fishing, reading and golfing.

Tourtillott is an enrolled member of the MITW. She holds a master of business administration with an emphasis in Native American leadership from Southeastern Oklahoma State University (2024), a master of science



TINA TOURTILLOTT

degree in personal financial planning from Kansas State University (2018) and both a bachelor of science degree in business administration and an associate of arts degree in liberal arts from Haskell Indian Nations University (2011 and 2009, respectively).

Tourtillott has been an instructor at Haskell Indian Nations University (HINU) since 2019, teaching courses such as Haskell seminar, tribal resources and economic development, tribal/federal government relations and introduction to tribal management. Her teaching experience is complemented by her role as an academic adviser at the university since 2012.

Before her current teaching position, Tourtillott held various roles at

HINU, including financial aid specialist (2018-21), retention technician (2016-18) and member of the registrar's office staff (2012-16). Her earlier career experiences include positions at the American Indian Records Repository, Douglas County, Kansas, NCS Pearson and Native organizations such as the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin and Menominee Nation Casino.

She is actively involved in various academic committees and has been acknowledged for her contributions. In 2024, she received the Outstanding Service to the University and Community Award from HINU. She also volunteers on the eXplore Lawrence Governing Board and the Community Emergency Response Team of Douglas County, Kansas.

Outside of her work life, Tourtillott enjoys spending time with her family, being outdoors and playing coed softball.

USDA issues state, national acreage report

Corn planted in 2024 for all purposes by Wisconsin producers is estimated at 3.70 million acres according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – Acreage report.

This is down 300,000 acres from 2023 and 100,000 acres below the March intentions.

Harvested acres for grain is forecast at 2.90 million acres. Producers reported planting biotechnology varieties on 94% of their 2024 corn acres. The percent of corn acreage planted to insect resistant (Bt) varieties is estimated at 2%; herbicide resistant only varieties were planted on 10% of the acres, and stacked gene varieties were planted on 82% of the acres.

Soybean planted acreage is estimated at 2.15 million acres, up 40,000 acres from the acres planted in 2023 but down 50,000 acres from the March intentions. An expected 2.12 million acres of soybeans will be harvested.

Producers reported using herbicide-resistant varieties to plant 95% of their 2024 soybean acres.

Winter wheat planted in Wisconsin is estimated at 265,000 acres, down 15,000 acres last year but unchanged from the March intentions. Winter wheat harvested for grain is forecast at 190,000 acres.

Oats planted acreage is estimated at 130,000 acres, down 5,000 acres from last year and down 65,000 acres from the March intentions.

Harvested acres for grain is forecast at 68,000 acres. Rye planted acreage is estimated at 260,000 acres, up 20,000 acres from last year. Harvested acres for grain is forecast at 25,000 acres. Barley planted acreage is estimated at 20,000 acres, up 8,000 acres from last year and up 5,000 acres from the March intentions. Harvested acres for grain is forecast at 7,000 acres.

Potato acreage in Wisconsin is estimated at

67,000 acres, down 1,000 acres from the previous year. An expected 66,000 acres of potatoes will be harvested.

Total dry hay expected to be harvested for 2024 is estimated at 1.21 million acres, up 180,000 acres from last year and up 130,000 acres from the March intentions. Alfalfa harvested acreage is an estimated 800,000 acres and other hay harvested acreage is estimated at 410,000 acres.

Across the nation, corn planted area for all purposes in 2024 is estimated at 91.5 million acres, down 3% or 3.17 million acres from last year. This represents the eighth highest planted acreage in the United States since 1944.

Compared with last year, planted acreage is expected to be down or unchanged in 31 of the 48 estimating states. Area harvested for grain, at 83.4 million acres, is down 4% from last year.

Soybean planted area for 2024 is estimated at 86.1 million acres, up 3% from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is up or unchanged in 24 of the 29 estimating states.

All wheat planted area for 2024 is estimated at 47.2 million acres, down 5% from 2023. The 2024 winter wheat planted area, at 33.8 million acres, is down 8% from last year and down 1% from the previous estimate.

Of this total, about 24.1 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 6.14 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.59 million acres are White Winter.

Area expected to be planted to other spring wheat for 2024 is estimated at 11.3 million acres, up 1% from 2023 estimate. Of this total, about 10.6 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. Durum planted area for 2024 is expected to total 2.17 million acres, up 29% from the previous year.

The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.



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Ethics committee will soon be busy

3 citizen members appointed to join 2 supervisors to review issues

By **KEVIN PASSON**
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A trio of Shawano County residents will join two Shawano County Board supervisors as they delve into ethics cases involving county employees.

County Board Chairman Tom Kautza appointed the three people at the July 24 board meeting. Chris Holewinski will represent the county's east end, former Supervisor Mike Stupecky will represent the central portion,

and Jim O'Neil will represent the western end. They will join Supervisors Kimberly Leffel and Lowel Hammett, who were appointed at the start of the board's current term. "The reason we're finishing this right now is

there is an issue that needs to be looked into, and that's all I can say," Kautza said. "It gets turned over to that committee and the corporation counsel, which will be Tom Martell." Corporation Counsel Larenda Maulson is out

for maternity reasons as of July 19, so Martell will fill that role until her return. The ethics committee reviews and recommends revisions to the Shawano County Ethics Code to the County Board when necessary. The committee investigates complaints of violations of the ethics

code, holds hearings to determine if violations have occurred and recommends actions to proper county authorities, including the district attorney if necessary. The county's website does not indicate the last time the committee met.

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Skin care important during hot summer months

Summer is in full swing, and in Wisconsin, that often means spending as much time as possible outdoors. Skin cancer is the most common form of cancer. With 20% of Americans developing the disease by age 70, it's a serious concern. "We want to make sure that everyone applies sunscreen year-round, not just during the warmer summer months," said Dr. Glenn Vogelsang with ThedaCare. "Ultraviolet radiation, which causes the damage that can lead to skin cancer, is present even in the winter months and on cloudy days." Applying a broad-spectrum sunscreen — one that protects against both UVA and UVB light — with a sun-protection factor of at least 30 is recommended, but 50 or greater would be optimal, Vogelsang said. SPF is a measure of how much ultraviolet radiation is required to produce sunburn on protected skin.

People can choose from two types of sunscreen: chemical and mineral. Both offer similar levels of protection, and choosing one comes down to individual preference. Chemical sunscreens need about 30 minutes to absorb into the skin to be effective, so plan ahead and apply before going outside. Mineral sunscreens provide a physical barrier to UV rays and are especially good for infants and younger children. People should reapply sunscreen at least every two hours. Apply more frequently if you're participating in water sports, sweating a lot, or getting a lot of direct sun. A common guideline for adults is to use about one ounce of sunscreen to cover their skin. That equates to a shot glass.

"The sun-exposed areas of the body are where we find the most skin cancers," Vogelsang said. "Be sure you're protected from head to toe." These parts should be included in application:

- Ears and nose. "The ears and nose are among the most common areas where skin cancer is found," Vogelsang said. "Make sure you apply sunscreen to the whole ear and nose, including the tops and the middle of your ear and tip of the nose." The sun's rays can also reach you through car windows, where your ear and arm can get exposed.
- Tops of feet. If you are wearing sandals or flip-flops, the delicate skin on the tops of your feet gets lots of sun. Don't forget to apply sunscreen here.
- Eyelids. "Your sunglasses are the best way to protect your eyelids from burns," Vogelsang said. "And you should ensure your sunglasses provide 100% UV protection." Special eye creams with SPF or blockers like titanium dioxide or zinc oxide are available. Wearing a hat also can reduce sun exposure to your eyelids.
- Scalp. Here's another time your hat comes in handy. "Your scalp is one of those places you might not immediately think of applying sunscreen, but exposed areas like parts in the hair or bald spots are particularly vulnerable," Vogelsang said. "Wear sunscreen, or make sure you cover your scalp with a hat."
- Lips. Wear a lip balm with SPF, and reapply frequently. The lower lip gets much more exposure to the sun.



Clara Schaal, left, and Henry Schaal, center, with the Little Seedlings 4-H, and Riley Windus with the Lena Rocketeers 4-H attended the 4-H Summer Academy in June in Madison.

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Oconto County 4-H members go to summer academy

In June, youths from across Wisconsin gathered at the University of Wisconsin-Madison campus for the annual Summer Academy event, hosted by UW-Madison Extension's Positive Youth Development Institute and 4-H. Youths had the opportunity to build and learn skills to reach goals and plan for the future. Youth participants explored careers, college and other topics of interest through interactive workshops. They developed connections with other youths and adults through small and large groups activities.

Youth participants chose one of six college or career track options to explore: agriculture, expressive arts, health, baking, transportation or biological sciences. Tracks were led by faculty and staff at both UW-Madison and Madison Area Technical College. Youth participants engaged in goal setting and visualization activities to help them make plans for their future. Youth leadership was also front and center, with Wisconsin Leadership Council youths leading small groups and supporting participants

throughout the experience. There was, of course, lots of time for fun, too. Some of the most popular event elements were the makerspace evening, recreation options hosted by Outdoor UW on Lake Mendota, team trivia, a dance, and the Art Team Art Show and Drama Company performance. Summer Academy focuses on youths from grades 8-11. It helps youths hone their skills as leaders and take a deeper look into their post-secondary journey. For more information, visit go.wisc.edu/4HSummerAcademy.

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To offer your services or for more information, email city editor Lee Pulaski at lpulaski@newmedia-wi.com

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Sen. Eric Wimberger, center, received the award July 24 in the Senate Parlor of the State Capitol in Madison from WCA Government Affairs Associates Marcie Rainbolt, left, and Chelsea Shanks. JOE KOSHOLLEK

Wimberger gets Wisconsin Counties Association award

State Sen. Eric Wimberger, R-Green Bay, has been honored by the Wisconsin Counties Association with a WCA Outstanding Legislator Award for his work on behalf of county government during the 2023-2024 Legislative Session.

“Sen. Wimberger has been a valuable partner to counties, not only in the 30th Senate District, but for all of Wisconsin,” said WCA President and CEO Mark O’Connell. “He is a strong leader

who has worked alongside our team to advance legislation and common sense public policy initiatives that keep in mind the fiscal impact on the taxpayers.”

The WCA Outstanding Legislator Award is handed out biennially to a select group of legislators who have represented county interests in the legislature and in their districts. These legislators have demonstrated leadership for counties on key issues, legislation and the

state budget.

“As a member of Joint Finance especially, Sen. Wimberger worked on many issues impacting our state, our environment and our economy,” O’Connell said. “We are grateful for his efforts and incredibly proud to present him with this award.”

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ELECTION 2024

2 current reps fight to stay in state Assembly

Schmidt, Behnke make their cases to keep working

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

The Sixth Assembly District has two men currently serving as representatives duking it out in the Aug. 13 Republican primary.

Peter Schmidt, 32, is running for his second term in the district. He currently lives in the Town of Hartland as a dairy farmer and also serves as a town supervisor and town planning commission member. He works as a poll worker in the town, and he previously served on the Shawano County Board of Supervisors.

Elijah Behnke is running for a third term in the Assembly, previously serving in the 89th District before the legislative maps were rewritten earlier this year. He currently lives on the east side of Abrams in Oconto County but is looking at homes in the Pulaski area. He has a small hobby farm and owns a cleaning company, and he attended Toccoa Falls Bible College.

What makes you the best choice for this Assembly seat?

Behnke: Across the board, honesty and transparency are what I hear people want in their elected leaders, and I will be that in the 6th Assembly District. I have proven I serve the people who vote for me, not the lobbyists or any of the Madison power players. I'm a husband of 12 years and a father of two sweet girls. I want this community to thrive so my kids can have the best future possible.

Schmidt: I'm the best choice for Republicans and conservatives, because I'm committed to voting as they would in Madison. I'm not beholden to any party bosses, special interests or Madison elites. I'm a political outsider who will do what's right for my



Peter Behnke looks overly dairy as he hands out candy along the parade route at the Bonduel Independence Day parade. He has served one term in the 6th Assembly District, replacing Gary Tauchen. LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA

constituents versus what is politically expeditious or advantageous. I would not abandon my constituents to move to another district just to have a political title, which proves they're looking to only serve themselves instead of the people of the 6th Assembly District.

What would be your top priority in the legislature to best benefit the residents of the 6th Assembly District?

Schmidt: My first priority is ensure the government stays off the back of hard working people so they can achieve their dreams whether its farming like my family, or construction trades, technology or whatever someone's passion is to support themselves and their families, and enjoy the life our Lord and Savior has provided. Lessening taxes and government regulations, creating a pro-life culture, protecting, and expanding private property rights, and ensuring our liberties aren't trampled on like what happened during COVID — that was unacceptable — are my priorities.

Behnke: There are so many. I would prioritize tax cuts to help working families. I am also passionate about protecting Wisconsin farmers and farmland, standing with gun owners to keep their Second Amendment rights, and protecting life. So much of my job in Madison is killing bad ideas and bills in order to

keep our freedoms secure.

What is your stance on working across the aisle to get legislation approved?

Behnke: I have worked with Democrats on a number of bills. I won't compromise on principles, but things like protecting our water are not partisan issues — they are common sense.

Schmidt: Democrats should be the party working across the aisle to advance a commonsense conservative agenda for the 6th District and the state of Wisconsin. The Democratic Party of Wisconsin is out of the mainstream of Wisconsin and is moving further and further to the left toward socialism. They're also undermining the traditional family nucleus, while attempting to create a divide between parents and their children. They're using our school systems to indoctrinate our children with radical, far left ideologies as well as brainwash them into believing there are no biological differences between boys and girls.

What do you think should be the law of the land regarding abortions?

Schmidt: I'm pro-life, and I don't believe in abortion. As a Christian conservative, I believe that life begins at the moment of conception, and I strongly encourage creating a culture life in Wisconsin. My voting records prove my commitment to

protecting the life of the unborn, and I've stood up to party leadership to advance a pro-life agenda. What is sad is there are people and groups wanting to undermine or distort other's records on this issue. My strong commitment to protecting human life and the most vulnerable in society comes from my religious upbringing.

Behnke: I am the Pro-Life Wisconsin endorsed candidate, and I stand by my 100% pro-life voting record. As a Christian, I absolutely believe life begins and conception and should be protected.

Surrounding states have laws permitting marijuana for medicinal

and/or recreational use. What lawful use, if any, do you think Wisconsin should allow marijuana in the state?

Behnke: I stand with our law enforcement on this issue. I know they have serious concern about the current technology and resources available for detection and enforcement from a public safety standpoint. I am always open to discussion on controversial issues.

Schmidt: I oppose legalizing recreational marijuana in any manner. I support medical cannabis only due to the fact people who are in severe pain or have another medical condition, may need it to endure their symptoms or disease. I routinely pray for those who are ill, and in a Christian society, we ought to provide comfort and care whenever possible.

What is your position on Referendums 1 and 2, which will be on the Aug. 13 ballot?

Schmidt: I support the referendums. Only citizens should have the right to vote. Period. Democrats are fighting this commonsense measure at the state and federal level that protects our national sovereignty, because they are purposely flooding America with undocumented immigrants to counter the fact that our nation is a center-right country. If we have no

border, we have no country. America was built by immigrants, but this is not legal immigration — it's an invasion.

Behnke: Yes and yes. The legislature should be involved in the approval of spending. The Assembly is the people's house.

What is your assessment on Wisconsin's open records law? Are there changes you think there should be to the law, and if so, what are they?

Behnke: It should be reformed. It should be easier to get documentation, and fees should be reasonable. Publicly funded entities should be accountable to the public that elects and pays them.

Schmidt: The people of Wisconsin should have complete and total transparency of their governments whether that be local, state or federal. The only way citizens will have faith in their elected officials is if they can have direct access to their activities as representatives. Elected officials and taxpayer employees are public servants and therefore must be held accountable and transparent. A change I would like to see about open record requests is completing them in a timelier fashion. Properly filed requests should not take months and months to fulfill. Sunshine is always the best disinfectant.



Elijah Behnke waves to parade watchers during the Bonduel Independence Day parade. He has served two terms in the 89th Assembly District but plans to move into the 6th District after the change in legislative maps. LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA

Identification for voting available through DMV

Ahead of the Wisconsin primary Aug. 13, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) is reminding U.S. citizens how to obtain identification, free of charge, that is valid for voting.

Valid identification for voting purposes, for those who will be at least 18

years of age by the next election, includes a driver license, identification card, military or student identification card, etc. There is no separate voter identification. A federally compliant Real ID card is not required for voting purposes. Anyone unsure if their identification or qualification meets the

requirements should visit the Wisconsin Elections Commission website to check.

To obtain identification to show at the polls, begin online. A list of the required documents to bring to a DMV Customer Service Center is available at www.wisconsin-dmv.gov. If the required

documents needed for an identification are not readily available, DMV has a process for U.S.

citizens to obtain the necessary information. This process, available free of charge, may be used to obtain a receipt valid to take to the polls for voting while the remaining documents or verifica-

tions are obtained.

Anyone with questions related to obtaining an identification that can be used to vote should call DMV's toll-free hotline at 844-588-1069. Questions regarding voter eligibility, poll locations, voter registration information or other election information can be directed to

the Wisconsin Elections Commission at elections.wi.gov.

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FARM LIFE FROM A FARM WIFE

Cherry picking a Door County tradition

“The cherries are ready to pick,” says he. “When do you wanna go?”

It wasn’t a matter if I wanted to go; it was when I wanted to go. We seem to be making the Door County trek a bit of a tradition, this being the second consecutive year we’ve gone when the cherries are ripe.

The drive to Door County is pleasant. The farmer in him likes noting how far along the corn is — he checks out fields of soybeans

and how their alfalfa looks compared to ours. We bring a cooler along to store the bounty in while we stop for breakfast on the way home. It’s an event.

When it comes to cherry picking, it’s not that I don’t like to go. It’s just that I don’t have a burning desire to go, compared to my husband.

On the way, I asked him, “Why do you like picking cherries?”

“It’s God’s natural fruit.” Thinking a bit more, he smirked, “Plus I get cherry pies.”

Oh, I see. An ulterior motive. I’ve heard it said the way to a man’s heart is through his stomach. I’ve got his heart for sure.

Setting out early that morning to beat the heat, we chatted pleasantly. He started reminiscing about his childhood berry-picking days. He and a couple of sisters would be appointed to go wild berry picking with their mom. They’d get outfitted with a pail tied around their waist.

Each would be given a piece of chewing gum — not as a reward, but as a means to keep them from eating berries instead of plunking them in the pail. (Wise mama, very wise.) They were instructed they had to fill at least two pails before they could ditch the gum and start eating berries.

Packing a no-frills picnic lunch, they’d have white, sliced, store-bought bread with baloney, ham or thuringer sausage slapped in between and a thermos of cold water. This hard-working farm mama knew her growing, busy children would get hungry and with not a lot of time to spare, threw a few substantial sandwiches



together along with something easy to quench the thirst. No individually-wrapped string cheese sticks or packs of pre-cut veges; back in the day it was straightforward, basic fuel to fill a hole.

From many possible orchards, we chose Meledy Orchard at 1952 Shiloh Road, Sturgeon Bay. Past experience reminded us they offered great produce at affordable prices, charging \$16 per pail.

Parking is convenient and the grove is organized, clean and efficiently staffed with pleasant, smiling, helpful people. Plus they offer an option of getting the cherries pitted for the customers for an extra \$4 a pail. So worth it.

Pulling up, we were greeted by Sue, the smiling owner. “Welcome. Park in an



ABOVE: Cherries are ripening early this year in Door County, with the fruit ready for picking ahead of the usual August ripening period, but Door County cherry orchard owners have mentioned that the mild winter and rainy spring and summer moved things up.

ABOVE RIGHT: A bunch of cherries from Meledy Orchard in Sturgeon Bay are sprayed off in a sink. Door County proves to be one of the more popular counties in Wisconsin for cherry picking and purchasing.

RIGHT: Cherries come along a conveyor belt of an antiquated but efficient 1904 pitter.



Folk Music Festival returns for 46th year



Mark Dvorak returns to the Shawano Folk Music Festival this year. His concerts are a mix of the familiar and the new, traditional folk and standards from the American songbook. He plays authentic country blues guitar and picks old-time banjo. Dvorak first appeared at the festival in 1994.

Three-day event will feature music, dancing, crafts, food at Mielke Park

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

For nearly half a century, music lovers have flocked to the Shawano Folk Music Festival. Organizers said this year’s event, set for Aug. 9-11 at Mielke Park, will be no different.

“We think it’s one of Shawano’s best kept secrets,” said Linda Blohowiak, who is this year’s co-director, along with Julie Heise. “One person told me that even if she has never heard of the performers, they know they’re going to have a good time.”

The 2024 featured performers are John Stano (honorary director), Gaines and Wagoner, Lil’ Rev, Mark Dvorak, Ken Lonnquist and the O’Darby Irish Pub Band, Heather Styka and The Rusty Nails.

Blohowiak said several hundred people attend the event, but it’s difficult to get an

AT A GLANCE

WHAT: Shawano Folk Music Festival

WHEN: Daytime events at the festival will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Aug. 10-11. Evening concerts will begin at 7 p.m. Aug. 9-10.

WHERE: Mielke Park, N5649 Airport Road

TICKETS: Weekend passes and a special Aug. 10 combination are available, with all event prices ranging from \$15 for a day pass to \$80 for a weekend pass. Tickets, payable by cash or check only, are available at the Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce, 1263 St. Main St., Shawano, and Music Asylum, 215 N. Main St., Shawano. They are also available online at <https://shawanofestival.ludus.com>. Daytime tickets can be purchased at the gate during the festival, and evening concert tickets can be purchased at the box office.

ONLINE: For information or a downloadable program book, visit <https://www.shawanofestival.org>.

exact count.

“I’d say anywhere from 300 to 500 people,” she said. “A few years ago, we determined average attendance at 723, but that probably included some who attend more than one day.”

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Annabelle provides blooming enjoyment in gardens

One of just about everyone's favorite summer blooms is the classic hydrangea. Among the easiest hydrangeas to grow here in northern Wisconsin are the many varieties of smooth hydrangeas.

Smooth hydrangeas are those in the same family as the classic Annabelle. Many of the smooth hydrangeas are of this type of "mop head" hydrangea. Many of the classic, old hydrangeas are in the smooth hydrangea family.

This includes hydrangeas such as Lime Rickey and White Dome, as well as Annabelle.

Annabelle is simply classic. Still one of the most beloved hydrangeas available, Annabelle features blooms that may be gigantic, pure white, ball-shaped spheres of blossoms.

Annabelle can be seen throughout the area,



especially around older farm houses and historical homes where these shrubs have thrived for decades.

In addition to the classic Annabelle, many newer hybrids have been created that address some of the concerns with the mother plant.

While Annabelle tends to flop over as the blooms grow larger and larger, some of the newer hybrids have been bred to form large, thick stems that don't flop. This means the blooms can be quite large, sometimes the size of soccer balls, and still stand rigid.

Smooth hydrangeas such as Incrediball,



For lovers of pink, Mini Mauvette is a wonderful smooth hydrangea in a rich pink-mauve shade. ROB ZIMMER

Incrediball Blush and others feature these giant blooms on rigid canes.

There are also many varieties of smooth hydrangeas that bloom in

pink. Unlike panicle hydrangeas that transform to pink gradually over the

summer season, smooth hydrangeas that bloom in pink remain this color from the time the blossom opens until the end of the season.

Invincibelle Spirit is one of these, along with Incrediball Blush, Pinkarella, Bella Anna and others.

Smooth hydrangeas are excellent choices for gardens here in the Midwest as they require little or no winter protection or care. They bloom on new canes or stems each year, meaning you can literally cut them to the ground, if necessary, and they will regrow and bloom beautifully year after year.

I'll talk about panicle hydrangeas in my next column.

Rob Zimmer is a nature and garden author, public speaker and radio show host on WHBY. Readers can find him on Facebook at www.facebook.com/RobZimmerOutdoors.

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Daytime events include music in three outside locations, with special indoor concerts planned in the evenings.

"The evening concerts have a different feel to them," Blohowiak said. "Each one features four performers at about 30 minutes each, with an intermission. It's a more captive audience."

"In the daytime, there's more movement from people between stages, and the performers are grouped by themes (such as songwriters), so it's interesting to see what they come up with there."

The event started in 1979 as a one-day festival. Blohowiak attended for the first time around 1990.

"I fell in love with it," she said. "I couldn't believe I hadn't heard about it before."

She volunteered for a few hours a couple of years later. That was followed by joining the planning committee and then serving as director



Frogwater performs at a previous Shawano Folk Music Festival. The three-day event is slated to be held Aug. 9-11 at Mielke Park. CONTRIBUTED

from 1996-99. She stayed involved and returned as director in 2008, 2012 and then again each year since 2021.

"It's usually been with another co-director," she noted.

Known initially as the Folk Music Festival,

it was later changed to the Old-Time Music and Craft Festival and eventually to the Shawano Folk Music Festival.

"Old-time music is its own separate genre, and some people thought that was the only type of music played there," she

said. "Even folk music is a broad term. Most people think of singers like Peter, Paul and Mary, but it's really the music of the people."

Folk comes from the German word "volk," meaning "the people," and folk music is often

thought of as being the music belonging to "the people."

The phrase "old-time" describes the music played on fiddles and banjos in the United States before the 1940s.

Blohowiak believes there are several reasons the festival continues to be a success.

"First, we have a beautiful setting with the big woods and pond," she said. "Also, we rarely get a performer that some committee member has not seen, and the musicians enjoy the festival. They want to get in."

For Blohowiak, it's also where she met her husband, Mike Stiefvater. The couple married two weeks ago on July 20.

"My first husband passed away four years ago," Blohowiak said. "I met Mike through the festival. He's been attending longer than I have."

Area resident Joel Kroenke, who has been involved in the festival

since the beginning, began holding house concerts at his place. Blohowiak and Stiefvater, as members of the festival, were invited to attend and eventually discovered a love for more than music.

As in the beginning, the festival is run by volunteers.

"We still believe in the power of music to break down barriers and build connections," according to the festival website. "We still believe that making music together and singing together and dancing together is a good thing for all of us. We still believe that even though the sounds and rhythms of music change with the years, the healing power of music to connect us remains the same. And we're still grateful for the support of musicians, people and businesses who believe the same things."

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

FRIDAY, AUG. 2

SHAWANO: Republican Party Gun Show, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., 712 E. Green Bay St. Admission \$10.

SHAWANO: National Show Ski Association Division 2 National Championships, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., Smalley Park, 211 Riverside Drive. Individual and team practice.

BONDUEL: Lions Club Corn Roast, 5-10 p.m., Village Park, 214 E. Park St. AYCE grilled corn, also available are hamburgers, brats and french fries. Live music. Event held rain or shine. Tickets \$5 or three for \$10.

BOWLER: Bowler Bash, Bowler Park/Pond, Free admission, AYCE corn roast with a wristband, food, refreshments, raffles, music by Whiskey and Lace 8 p.m. to midnight.

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

KESHENA: 56th annual Menominee Nation Contest Powwow, grand entry 7 p.m., Woodland Bowl. Weekend pass \$15, day pass \$10, 60-plus and 5 and under free.

SATURDAY, AUG. 3

SHAWANO: National Show Ski Association Division 2 National Championships, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., Smalley Park, 211 Riverside Drive. Individual competition. Team competition begins after completion of individual competition.

SHAWANO: FRESH Project Farmers Market, 8 a.m. to

noon, Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St.

SHAWANO: Republican Party Gun Show, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., 712 E. Green Bay St. Admission \$10.

LAKEWOOD: Lakes Country Arts and Crafts Show, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Lakewood Town Hall and Activity Center, 17258 N Road. 281 booths occupied by 215 vendors showcasing original work, including painting and prints, fine art photography, jewelry, art glass, stained glass, pottery, woven textiles, carvings, clothing and more.

KESHENA: 56th annual Menominee Nation Contest Powwow, grand entries noon and 7 p.m., Woodland Bowl. Weekend pass \$15, day pass \$10, 60-plus and 5 and under free.

BOWLER: Bowler Bash, 1 p.m. to 11:30 p.m., Bowler Park/Pond, Free admission, parade 1 p.m., Terryoke's Mountain Top Entertainment 2-5 p.m., FFA Alumni cow and horse drop contests 4 p.m., bike giveaway (children 12 and under) 4 p.m., Jerry Schmitt Band 7:30-11:30 p.m., fireworks at dusk.

LENA: Fireman's Picnic, 4-10 p.m., Lena Fire Department, 220 N. Second St. Music, drinks, and food, kids bouncers, DJ, bucket raffles, ATV and cash raffles.

SHAWANO: Naberhood Block Party, 5:30-8 p.m., 214 S. Main St. Music by Zander's Music Raymakers.

SHAWANO: Stock car racing, 6-10 p.m., Shawano Speedway, 990 E. Green Bay St. Admission \$12 17 and up,

\$6 12-16, free 11 and younger with paid adult.

SUNDAY, AUG. 4

SHAWANO: Zurko Promotions Flea Market, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St. \$2 admission.

SHAWANO: National Show Ski Association Division 2 National Championships, 7 a.m., Smalley Park, 211 Riverside Drive. Individual competition. Team competition begins with 20-minute setup.

SHAWANO: Walleyes for Tomorrow Kids Fishing Day, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sand-Bar and Grille, W5045 Resort Road. Ages 5-15. Please bring a life jacket. Kids will receive a rod, reel, jig and lunch. Pre-register at Walleyes For Tomorrow Shawano Area Chapter through Facebook Messenger, at Kuhn's Bait And Tackle in Shawano, or at Hacker's Bait And Tackle on Lake Drive in Shawano.

BONDUEL: Pie and Ice Cream Social, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Bonduel Community Archives, 108 S. First St.

KESHENA: 56th annual Menominee Nation Contest Powwow, grand entry noon, Woodland Bowl. Weekend pass \$15, day pass \$10, 60-plus and 5 and under free.

ABRAMS: Ava Moody Memorial Fundraiser, noon to 6 p.m., Abrams Community Park, 2924 Wisckman Way. Free family event with bouncers, bungee run, K-9 demo, Einstein Project, kickball, face painting, firetruck visit, cornhole tournament, music and yard games. Concessions

available and raffle items.

SHAWANO: Music at Arlington Park, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Arlington Park, 300 Humphrey Circle. Crystal River Trio.

MONDAY, AUG. 5

PULASKI: National Night Out, 5-8 p.m., Memorial Park, 651 S. St. Augustine St.

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

TUESDAY, AUG. 6

OCONTO FALLS: National Night Out, 4-8 p.m., Oconto Falls High School, 210 N. Farm St. Oconto County Farmers Market moves to this location for this week only.

OCONTO: National Night Out, 4:30-7 p.m., Oconto Police Department,

GILLETT: National Night Out, 5-8 p.m., Gillett Public Library, 200 Main St.

LENA: National Night Out, 4-8 p.m., St. Anne Parish, 221 E. Main St.

LITTLE SUAMICO: National Night Out, 5-8 p.m., Little Suamico Ball Park, 1015 County Road J.

SHAWANO: Naberhood Block Party, 5:30-7 p.m., 214 S. Main St. Ventriloquist Barbara Jean, performances at 5:30 p.m. and 6:45 p.m.

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.

House, W6715 Shawpoka-sic St. Information: Mindy Thunder at 715-799-3835 or mthunder@mitw.org.

SHAWANO: Shawano Ski Sharks Waterski Show, 6 p.m., Smalley Park, 211 Riverside Drive. Junior show 5:30 p.m. Free admission, donations accepted.

SHAWANO: 100-plus Women Who Care, 6 p.m., Stubborn Brothers Brewery, second-floor Crescent Ballroom, 220 S. Main St. Social hour 5 p.m., meeting 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUG. 8

NAVARINO: Lego Day Camp, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Navarino Nature Center, W5646 Lindsten Road. \$40 members, \$50 non-members, register at navarinonc@gmail.com or 715-758-6999.

KESHENA: Tribal Elder Food Box Distribution, 1 p.m., N737 Headstart Road. All elderly age 55 and enrolled in a federally organized tribe are eligible.

GILLETT: Community Market, 5-7 p.m., Gillett Public Library, 200-204 E. Main St.

SHAWANO: Thursdayz at Franklin, 6-8:30 p.m., Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. Music with 7000Apart.

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

FRIDAY, AUG. 9

NAVARINO: Nature Camp, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Navarino Nature Center, W5646 Lindsten Road. \$40 members, \$50 non-members, register at navarinonc@gmail.com or 715-758-6999.

SHAWANO: Community Blood Center Blood Drive, 12:30-5 p.m., ThedaCare Medical Center, 100 County Road B. Schedule appointment at 1-800-280-4102 or communityblood.org/donor.

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

BOWLER: Annual Mohican

Pow Wow, Grand entry 7 p.m., Many Trails Campground, N9125 Moh He Con Nuck Road. Free admission, open to the public.

SHAWANO: Shawano Folk Music Festival, 7 p.m., Mielke Arts Center, N5649 Airport Road. Tickets \$15 to \$80 weekend pass, information at shawanofestival.ludus.com

SHAWANO: Standup Comedy with Johnny Beehner, 7:30 p.m., Stubborn Brothers Brewery, second-floor Crescent Ballroom, 220 S. Main St. \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. Doors open 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUG. 10

SHAWANO: FRESH Project Farmers Market, 8 a.m. to noon, Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St.

BOWLER: Mohican Pow Wow Fun Run/Walk, 8-10:30 a.m., Many Trails Campground, N9125 Moh He Con Nuck Road. Run info 715-793-3018.

OCONTO FALLS: Trent Maloney Memorial Baseball Tournament, Memorial Field. Rain date Aug. 11.

SHAWANO: Shawano Folk Music Festival, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 7 p.m., Mielke Arts Center, N5649 Airport Road. Tickets \$15 to \$80 weekend pass, information at shawanofestival.ludus.com

SHAWANO: Ice Cream Social, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 100 W. Presbyterian St.

KESHENA: 56th annual Menominee Nation Contest Powwow, grand entries noon and 7 p.m., Woodland Bowl. Weekend pass \$15, day pass \$10, 60-plus and 5 and under free.

BOWLER: Annual Mohican Pow Wow, Grand entries 1 p.m. and 7 p.m., Many Trails Campground, N9125 Moh He Con Nuck Road. Free admission, open to the public.

GREEN VALLEY: WUMPA Truck Pull, 3-8 p.m., N6161 State Highway 32.

SHAWANO: Naberhood Block Party, 5:30-8 p.m., 214 S. Main St. Music by Finding North Band.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 7

SHAWANO: Chamber Coffee Connection, 8-9 a.m., Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St.

SHAWANO: WAMSCO (Waterways Association of Menominee and Shawano Counties) Meat Raffle, 4-5 p.m., Smalley Park, 211 Smalley Park.

NEOPIT: Recovery talking circle, 6-8 p.m. The Circle

CHERRY, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 10

available slot between any trees and come back here to get your ropes and pails.”

Many people that day had the same thought we did, get there early to beat the heat. There were families with small children among older folks; all already filling their pails heaping round with juicy red cherries.

Tying our belts around our waists and clipping the metal snap to the handle of the pail, letting it hang in front to keep two hands free, we started out. We were speechless with amazement of this luscious bountiful crop of cherries; they were literally weighing the branches down so that the fruit drooped chest-high in front of us. We didn't even have to reach up to pluck them off.

Barely moving from one tree before almost completely filling my pail, I looked over at my husband, and he was already working on his second pail.

CHERRY PIE

Pie filling

1 1/2 to 2 cups fresh, pitted cherries

1/2 cup water

2 tablespoons lemon juice

3/4 cup sugar

4 tablespoons cornstarch

- Add ingredients together, cooking 10 minutes. Bring to a boil, stir-folding frequently.

Crumb crust

1 1/2 cups flour

1/2 cup sugar

1/2 cup chilled butter

- Grate into dry mixture. Mix together.
- Pat crumb crust into a pie plate, save a quarter of the mixture to place on top. Bake 45 minutes at 350 degrees. Serve warm with a scoop of vanilla ice cream.

A seasoned pro.

After paying for our produce, we were directed to the pitting station where we learned the machine was a 1904 pitter in pristine condition. Pouring our cherries into a slatted square bucket, we washed them using a large, fine-spray spout, picking out any stems, leaves or

bruised cherries.

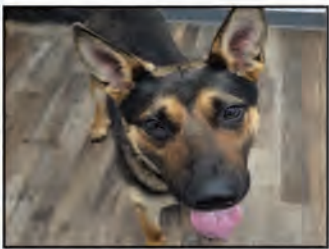
They then were placed in order by customer, awaiting their turn in the pitter. The cherries came gently tumbling down a conveyor belt and into waiting, clean buckets. The employee snapped covers on top and sent us on our way, smiling — her and us.

Later that evening after, I had frozen two cups of cherries in quart freezer bags, we devoured a piece of warm cherry pie topped with a dollop of melting vanilla ice cream.

Yes. He was smiling.

(“There is nothing better for a person than that he should eat and drink and find enjoyment in his toil. This also, I saw, is from the hand of God.” Ecclesiastes 2:24)

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 Leopold. 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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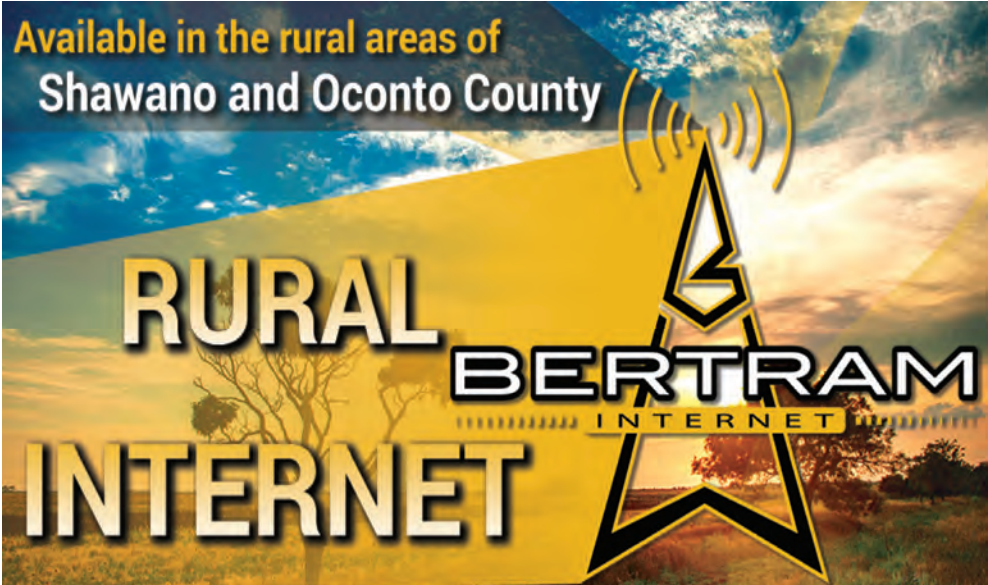
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LOBOS TOURNAMENT

Rangers capture another tournament title

BY NEW MEDIA

July 26
Navarino 5, Cecil 1
 The Navarino Rangers won their second consecutive tournament by defeating the Cecil Mudhens 5-1 on July 26 to win the 31st annual Shawano Lobos Invitational Tournament at Bill Krenger Field at Martzke Park.

The weeklong tournament included a day of postponements due to rain and the shuffling of schedules after Neopit withdrew from the six-team event.

Cecil put constant pressure on the Rangers but could not get that needed hit with guys in scoring position. Navarino, on the other hand, scored in the first, third, fourth and sixth innings to lead 5-0.

Mason Dingeldein led off the game with a single as Brett Krull sacrificed him to second, setting up a Ryan Boettcher RBI single.

The score remained 1-0 until the third when Dingeldein singled and Krull doubled to center. Dingeldein later scored on an error.

In the fourth, Spencer Dauphinee reached on an error as Terry Boettcher doubled to left. Dingeldein hit a double of his own to push the lead to 4-0.

Navarino tacked on a run in the sixth on a single by Dawson Schmidt, scoring James Mutchie.

The Mudhens scored a run in the bottom of the sixth. Ken Casper doubled and advanced to third on a wild pitch. Meanwhile, Grant Bouche walked and stole second. Tucker Bouche singled in Casper for Cecil's lone run.

Bouche took the loss for the Mudhens. He pitched six innings giving up five

runs (three earned) on 10 hits, striking out eight and walking two.

Mutchie earned the win for the Rangers. He pitched a complete game, allowing eight hits, striking out five and walking two.

Dingeldein was the tournament MVP going 7-for-10 with two doubles and 8 RBIs.

This concludes tournament play for the Rangers this season as they went 6-0 and were champions of the Bonduel and Shawano tournaments. Navarino outscored their opponents 40-14 in tournament play.

July 25
Navarino 1, Hofa Park 0

The Rangers utilized stellar defense behind a five-hit shutout by Joey Wagester to win Pool A of the Shawano Tournament.

Navarino took the lead in the second as Ryan Boettcher led off with a double and was later driven in on Ben Prodel's sacrifice fly.

Boettcher went 2-for-3 with a double and one run scored.

Joey Wagester was the winning pitcher, going seven innings and allowing five hits.

July 24
Cecil 7, Bonduel 4
 Cecil defeated the

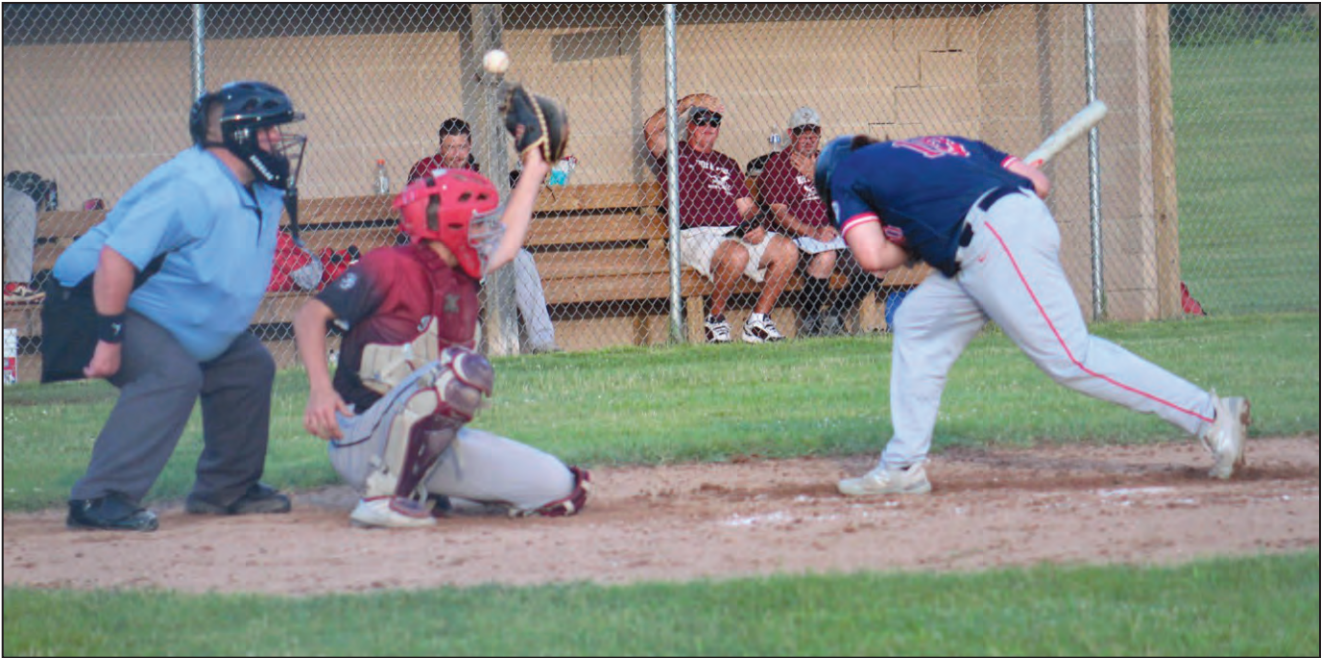
Bonduel Broncos 7-4 to advance to the championship game in the tournament.

The Mudhens were quick to score in the top half of the first on a Garrett Engel single with two outs. Three successive walks later, the score was 1-0.

Bonduel followed suit by scoring one in the bottom half of the innings after two outs to tie it at 1-1.

It remained that way

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A wild pitch causes Shawano's Cole Nelson to duck and Hofa Park catcher Cade Dorn to reach for the ball during the teams' July 24 game. The Lobos won 7-6. KEVIN PASSON | NEW MEDIA



Chase Henning stands at the plate for Shawano as the Lobos take on the Hofa Park Panthers in Shawano's annual tournament last week. Navarino would go on to claim the championship, defeating Cecil 5-1 on July 26. At right, Shawano's Andrew Popp prepares to release another pitch against Hofa Park in the Shawano Lobos annual tournament July 22-26. In the end, it was Navarino topping Cecil for the title.

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July 26
Tigerton 8, Leopold 0
 WP: Caleb Dahlstrom
 LP: Alex Zimmerman
 Tigerton hitters:
 Izaiah Hiddie 3x5
 Conner Harris 2x4 w/HR
 Caleb Dahlstrom 2x3
 Leopold hitters:
 Thomas Kazik 2x3
 Andrew Kristof and Nate Laude each had a hit.

July 28
Clintonville 9, Menominee 0, forfeit
Marion 13, Shawano 0
 WP: Joe Weyenberg 7K
 LP: Ryan Freeland
 Marion hitters:

Alex Elandt 1x2 w/2B
 Joe Weyenberg 2x2
 Kaden Jueds 2x4
 Ryan Mortensen 2x3
 Bobby Brinker 2x4
 Shawano hitters:
 Leland Jones and Garrett Kadonski each had hits.

Gresham 8, Neopit 5
 WP: Paul Murphy
 LP: Walker Miller
 Gresham hitters:
 Joe Ejnik 3x5
 Tom Nietzer 3x5 w/HR
 Neopit hitters:
 Wendall Waukau 2x5 w/HR
 Ray White 2x5
Caroline 11, Tilleda 0

WP: Klay Barkow 4K, 2BB, 4H
 LP: Zach Fehrman
 Caroline hitters:
 Tyler Marquardt 2x5
 Klay Barkow 2x4 w/HR
 Braiden Behnke 2x5
 Klay Finger 2x5 w/3B
 Mike Weatherwax 2x3
 Cole Rosenow 3x4
 Caleb Christopherson 1x4 w/HR
 Pressley Rosenow 2x3
 Tilleda hitters:
 Zach Fehrman, Stephen Reinke, Jay Brei and Ben Smith had hits.

Little Falls 11, Cran-don 0
 WP: Chris Dunn 5IP, 9K

LP: Curtis Paschen
 Little Falls hitters:
 Cam Gruenwald 3x5
 Kyle Finger 2x5
 Chris Dunn 3x4
 Scott Aasen 2x4
 Crandon hitters:
 Matty Schallhorn and Cole Kupfer had hits.
Northern Division
July 26
Eland 4, Wittenberg 0
 WP: Tyler Nelson
 LP: Nathan Waupekenay
 Eland hitters:
 Jacob Ligenza 2x4
 Jeremy Jensen 2x4
 Wittenberg hitters:
 Nathan Waupekenay

1x3
July 28
Antigo/Polar 9, Aniwa 0, forfeit
Hatley 6, Elderon 4
 WP: Ben Cumliffe
 LP: Austin Worzalla
 Hatley hitters:
 John Breske 3x4 w/HR
 Kodie Kocher 3x4 w/2B
 Elderon hitters:
 Casey Kerstner HR
Birnamwood - BYE
South Central Division
July 24
Plover 3, WeyMont 0
 WP: Wyatt Blaskowski complete game, 10K
 LP: Trevor Wetzel

Plover hitters:
 Matt Glodowski 2x3 w/2-2B 2RBI
 Jason Jone 2x3
 Kevin Jastromski 1x4 w/2B
 WeyMont hitters:
 Hayden Timm 2x3 w/2B
 Chris Gunst 1x3
 Trevor Wetzel 1x4
July 28
Scandinavia 7, Win-neconne 4
 WP: Sterling Lutz complete game
 LP: Carter Rhode
 Winneconne hitters:
 Jared Danke 2x4 w/

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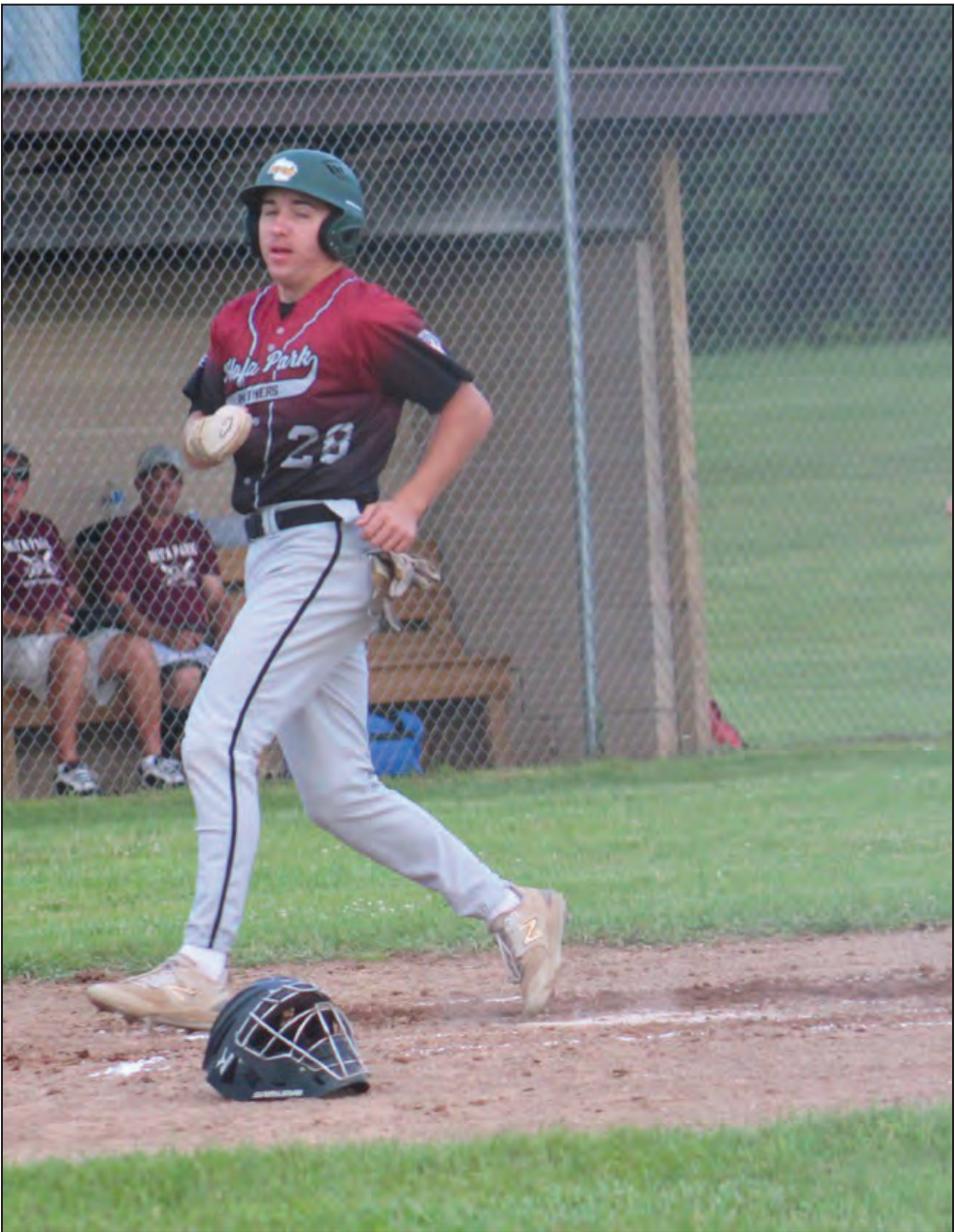
IRBI	Plover hitters:	Scandinavia
Scandinavia hitters:	Kevin Jastromski 4x5	New London at
Gus Turner-Zick 2x5 w/	w/ RBI, 2 runs	Winneconne
2 runs HR	Kaden Thauer 2x4 2B	Plover - BYE
Landon Moe 2x4	Weymont - BYE	Antigo/Polar at Elderon
New London 12, Plover 3	Final weekend	Hatley at Eland
WP: Noah Hansen	Aug. 2, 7:30 p.m.	Aniwa - BYE
LP: Zack Hintz	Wittenberg at	Marion at Menominee
New London hitters:	Birnamwood	Neopit at Shawano
Briely Johnson 4x5 2B	Clintonville 13, Caroline	Clintonville at Gresham
Andrew Parker 4x6 2	9 (finish)	Tigerton at Caroline
RBI's	Aug. 4, 1:30 p.m.	Crandon at Leopoldis
	Weymont at	Tilleda at Little Falls

WFCA All-Star Charity Football Game



Members of the Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy Titans football team played in the Wisconsin Football Coaches Association All-Star Charity Football Game on July 19 to benefit the Children's Wisconsin Foundation. The North fought back with just 1:46 left in the game to take a 36-34 lead and held on in the final seconds as the South was driving to score. From left, are assistant coach Ty Beland, co-head coach Dale Lange, Anthony Seefeldt, Colton Skrobek, co-head coach Ed Huberty and assistant coach Greg Huberty.

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Hofa Park's Kyle Olson scores a run. Shawano won the game 7-6.

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until the third when the Mudhens scored two. Engel and Connor Schroeder both reached on infield errors. Both advanced by stealing bases. Mason Zuleger doubled to right center to plate both runs.

The Broncos again answered with a pair of runs in the bottom of the third to knot it back up at 3-3.

Cecil made the score 7-3 in the top of the sixth. Cole Anderson started things off with a single. Tucker Bouche, Brodie Hartmann and Engel followed suit to give them the lead.

Schroeder earned the win for the Mudhens. He surrendered six hits and three runs (two earned) over five innings, striking out seven and walking two.

Luke Kostreva took the loss for the Broncos. He went three innings, sur-

rendering four runs (two earned) on six hits, striking out two and walking none.

Jake Reinke led things off on the mound for Bonduel. He gave up three hits and three runs (one earned) over four innings, striking out two and walking three.

Anderson threw two innings of relief for Cecil.

Cecil accumulated nine hits in the game. Engel and Hartman each collected two hits.

Bonduel had eight total hits led by Easton Reinke and Kostreva with two each.

Shawano 7, Hofa Park 6

In the first game of the night, Shawano defeated Hofa Park 7-6 after trailing early in the game.

July 22
Navarino 6,

Shawano 2
The Rangers scoring started in the second inning as Brett Krull led off with a double and later scored on a Mason Dingeldein single.

Shawano tied it with a run of their own in the bottom half.

Dingeldein then drove in Ryan Boettcher and Krull on a 2RBI single in the fourth. Navarino extended its lead in the fifth on walks to Dawson Schmidt and Krull, followed by a Bennett Schmidt single. Dingeldein's double cleared the bases to make it 6-1.

Shawano tacked on a run in the bottom of the fifth as the game was shortened due to rain. Ervin Stedjee picked up the win, throwing five innings, allowing four hits and striking out three.

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Hofa Park 16, Navarino 5

Brinton Anderson collected three hits in four at bats, as the Hofa Park Panthers defeated the Navarino Rangers 16-5 on July 28 at Hofa Park.

Anderson doubled in the third inning and singled in the first and third innings.

The Panthers scored nine runs in the third inning on the way to victory. Kyle Olson singled, scoring one run; Ty Myers singled, scoring two runs; an error scored one run; Peyton Dorn singled, scoring one run; Anderson doubled, scoring two runs; and Nick Volz singled, scoring two runs.

Hofa Park got on the board in the bottom of the first inning after Anderson singled and Trevor Cornell doubled, each scoring one run.

Navarino answered in the third as Brett Krull singled with one out followed by a Dawson Schmidt two-run home run.

Robbie Schuettpelez hit a solo home run to left field in the bottom of the sixth for the Panthers.

Olson earned the win for Panthers. The reliever gave up three hits and no runs over 3 1/3 innings, striking out one and walking two.

Mike Nompleggi took the loss for Navarino. The starting pitcher went 2 2/3 innings, allowing 10 runs on eight hits, striking out three and walking two.

Heinrich Walder opened the game for Panthers. The starting pitcher gave up seven hits and five runs over 3 2/3 innings, striking out three and walking four.

The Panthers piled up 15 hits in the game. Volz and Anderson were a force together in the lineup, as they each collected three hits. Myers and Anderson each drove in three runs. Cornell and Tyler Jacobson each collected multiple hits.

Schuettpelez stole two

bases. Panthers ran wild on the base paths, accumulating four stolen bases for the game. The host team also turned two double plays in the game and didn't commit a single error.

Navarino amassed 10 hits in the game. Schmidt drove the middle of the lineup, leading Navarino with three RBIs. The 3-hole hitter went 3-for-4 on the day. Ryan Boettcher, Bailey Dingeldein and Ben Prodell each collected multiple hits. The Rangers had patience at the plate, piling up six walks for the game. Brett Krull and Prodell led the team with two bases on balls each.

Cecil 17, Pulaski 12
Cecil and Pulaski battled it out with 32 hits and 29 runs in the Mudhens' 17-12 win over the Reds.

Pulaski took the early lead by scoring one run in the first two innings.

Cecil got on the board in the third on successive singles by Garrett Engel and Braden Uelmen. A sacrifice fly from Ken Casper drove in Engel.

Pulaski immediately answered with four runs in the top of the fourth to lead 6-1.

The Mudhens got three runs of their own in the bottom of the inning on a three-run blast from Uelmen to close it to 6-4.

Pulaski went on to score the next six runs to make the score 12-4 heading into the bottom of the seventh before Cecil mounted a comeback of epic proportions.

The Mudhens scored seven runs on five hits in the bottom of the seventh inning. Andrew Schroeder, Connor Schroeder, Engel and Cole Anderson singled, and Noah Beilfuss homered to left field to bring the Mudhens within one at 12-11.

They flipped the game on its head in the bottom of the eighth, scoring six runs on two hits to take a 17-12 lead. The biggest blow in the inning was a single by Uelmen on a full count that drove in two.

Anderson earned the

win for Cecil. The reliever gave up three hits and zero runs over 2 2/3 innings, striking out two and walking one.

Nick Dagneau took the loss for Pulaski. The righty went one inning, surrendering seven runs on two hits, striking out none and walking two.

Noah Beilfuss led things off on the mound for Cecil. He gave up seven hits and six runs (five earned) over four innings, striking out one and walking three.

Easton Vertz started on the mound for Pulaski. He allowed 16 hits and nine runs over 6 1/3 innings, striking out four and walking three. Connor Schroeder appeared in relief for the Mudhens.

Nichols 26, Marinette 4

Clayton Vanlanen drove in four runs on four hits to lead the Nichols Nitros past the Marinette Redbirds 26-4.

Vanlanen singled in the second scoring one, walked in the second scoring one, singled in the second scoring one and singled in the fourth scoring one.

The Nitros scored 18 runs in the second inning on the way to victory.

Vanlanen singled, scoring one run; an error scored one run; Javon Leisgang singled, scoring two runs; Lucas Leisgang doubled, scoring two runs; Collin Leisgang singled, scoring one run; Nate Senso singled, scoring one run; Vanlanen drew a walk, scoring one run; Justin Krull drew a walk, scoring one run; Will Debrune drew a walk, scoring one run; Leisgang singled, scoring two runs; Jacob Vannett drew a walk, scoring one run; Senso doubled, scoring two runs; Vanlanen singled, scoring one run; and Debrune singled, scoring one run.

Nichols got on the board in the first inning after Todd Olson induced Leisgang to hit into a fielder's choice, but one run scored.

Marinette jumped into the lead in the top of the second when an error scored one run, and Trevor Bloch doubled, scoring three runs.

Nitros scored seven runs on six hits in the bottom of the fourth inning. Debrune singled, scoring one run; Leisgang singled, scoring one run; Leisgang drew a walk, scoring one run; Tyse Leisgang drew a walk, scoring one run; Leisgang singled, scoring one run; Tony Dietzen singled, scoring one run; and Vanlanen singled, scoring one run.

Leisgang earned the

win for Nitros. The starting pitcher allowed nine hits and four runs (zero earned) over seven innings, striking out one and walking one.

Olson took the loss for the Redbirds. The starting pitcher went one inning, giving up 11 runs (nine earned) on seven hits, striking out one and walking three.

Nitros collected 18 hits in the game. Leisgang drove the middle of the lineup, leading the Nitros with five RBIs. The No. 3 hitter went 3-for-6 on the day.

Leisgang, Debrune

and Senso each collected multiple hits. The Nitros had patience at the plate, amassing 15 walks for the game. Krull, Leisgang, Leisgang, Debrune and Tyler Degerard led the team with two walks each.

Vannett stole two bases. The Nitros turned two double plays in the game.

Marinette accumulated nine hits in the game. Tyler Olson, Marinette's No. 9 hitter, led the team with three hits in three at-bats. Bloch led the Redbirds with three RBIs. Marinette turned one double play in the game.

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SHAWANO SPEEDWAY

Bartz, Teske each take a checkered flag

In the IMCA modifiers feature at the Shawano Speedway on July 27, Shawano’s Jordan Bartz moved up from starting 10th to take the checkered flag. Tigerton’s Wyatt Block, who started one spot in front of Bartz, finished one spot behind at the end.

Seymour’s Chuck Carmin placed third.

Wausau’s Kevin Feck won the first heat after starting in third place. He was followed by Green Valley’s Adam Jacobson in second and Bartz in third.

Heat 2 was won by Cody Hokenstad. Block finished in second, with Wausau’s Marcus Yarie in third.

Shawano’s Jeffrey Teske won the IMCA sport modifiers feature, moving up from a ninth-place starting spot. He beat out Tigerton’s Dustin Wudstrack, who started fourth and placed second, and Shawano’s Tommy Rindt, who started 10th and placed third.

In the first heat race, Shawano’s Trace Yaeger crossed the finish line first, followed by Teske and Gresham’s Charles Hoffman.

AJ Springborn, of Shawano, won the second heat. He was followed by Shawano’s Michael Springborn in second and Wudstrack in third.

The Gehm’s Club 117 Kings Classic dirt late model race was won by Waukesha’s Taylor Scheffler, who started on the pole. Shawano’s Troy Springborn captured second, and Hortonville’s Joel Bennett was third.

In the Autoworx Heat 1, it was Shawano’s Brett Swedberg starting on the pole and finishing in the top spot. Hortonville’s Jordan Barkholtz placed second with Bennett in

third.

As for the Klink Equipment Heat 2, Scheffler won from the pole, followed by Bonduel’s Nick Anvelink, coming up from eighth, and Shawano’s Lukas Postl.

Hortonville’s Travis VanStraten captured the top spot in the IMCA stock cars feature race. He moved up from a seventh-place start to get the win.

Shawano’s Trent Nolan moved all the way up from a 16th-place start to garner second place, while Oconto Falls’ Kyle Frederick started 10th and finished third. Marion’s Dan Michonski started 11th and finished in fourth.

VanStraten won the first heat, followed by Frederick and Wisconsin Rapids’ Mark Eswein. Michonski won the second heat, with Oshkosh’s Presley Harrington grabbing second and Shiocton’s Kyle Stedjee taking third. The third heat’s checkered flag was won by Seymour’s Jerry Wilinski. Oshkosh’s Ryan Lujack placed second, and Shawano’s Brekken Kleinschmidt was third.

Clintonville’s Tanner Westphal moved up from ninth to first to win the Mighty 4s feature race. Shawano’s Dalton Nelson was second, with Clintonville’s Brad Wedde taking third.

In the first heat, Lucas Hacker, of Shawano, won after starting eighth. Nelson was second, with Clintonville’s Tanner Pari taking third. Westphal won the second heat, with Marion’s Justin Haufe sliding into second and Sobieski’s Braden Allen nabbing third.

There are five weeks left in the season, which will culminate Aug. 31 during the Shawano County Fair.



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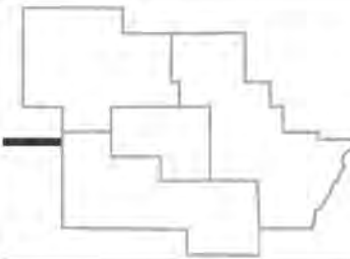
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SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

July 28
Deputies responded to 44 incidents, including vicious animal on High Street in Birnamwood; boat problem at Shawano Lake County Park, W5785 Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; criminal damage on Old 22 Road in the Town of Washington; criminal damage on River Road in the Town of Bartelme; harassment on Resort Road in the Town of Washington; 10 911 calls; two reckless driving incidents; two traffic hazards; three welfare checks; four crashes.

July 27
Deputies responded to 36 incidents, including property damage on Town Line Road in the Town of Green Valley; property damage on Mystery Lane in the Town of Morris; road sign repair on County Road D in the Town of Pella; seven 911 calls; four reckless driving incidents; one traffic hazard; one welfare check; one crash involving deer.

July 26
Deputies responded to 43 incidents, including bail jumping on North First Street in Bonduel; found property at Longhorn Saloon, 1181 S. Main

St., Shawano; operating without a license on U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Grant; bail jumping on state Highway 22 in the Town of Washington; trespassing on River Heights Lane in the Town of Green Valley; sick animal on state Highway 156 in the Town of Maple Grove; assault at the Shawano County Jail, 405 N. Main St., Shawano; noise on Main Street in the Town of Angelica; four 911 calls; two reckless driving incidents; three traffic hazards; four welfare checks; one crash.

July 25
Deputies responded to 43 incidents, including threatening on Opperman Way in the Town of Richmond, vehicle fire on County Road J in the Town of Fairbanks; sick animal on Broadway Road in the Town of Hartland; sick animal on Boat Landing Road in the Town of Washington; trespassing on Corral Lane in the Town of Fairbanks; drugs on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; identity theft on Spruce Road in the Town of Wittenberg; trespassing at the Novitiate, W9711 Butternut Road in the Town of Herman; noise on South Cecil Street in Bonduel; two 911 calls; one reckless driving incident; three traffic hazards; two welfare checks;

seven crashes, two involving deer.

July 24
Deputies responded to 30 incidents, including noise on Highview Road in the Town of Herman; internet sex crime on South Ellms Street in Wittenberg; two threatening complaints on Highview Road in the Town of Herman; vicious animal on Highview Road in the Town of Herman; juvenile problem and assault at Homme Youth and Family Programs, W18105 Hemlock Road in the Town of Wittenberg; sick animal on Laney Road in the Town of Maple Grove; noise on South Cecil Street in Bonduel; two 911 calls; two reckless driving incidents; one welfare check; one crash.

July 23
Deputies responded to 36 incidents, including identity theft on Parkwood Drive in the Town of Wescott; three 911 calls; two traffic hazards; two courthouse security calls; one crash.

July 22
Deputies responded to 38 incidents, including assisting with a fire on Basswood Road in the Town of Richmond; sick animal on County Road C in the Town of Green Valley; scam on Old Dump Road in

the Town of Hartland; two 911 calls; two reckless driving incidents; six traffic hazards; one crash.

SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

July 28
Officers responded to 19 incidents, including operating without a license at American Marine, 1100 E. Green Bay St.; juvenile problem at an undisclosed location; welfare check at an undisclosed location; property theft on Water Street; assisting the fire department at Culver's, 1220 E. Green Bay St.; welfare check on South Park Street; found property at Scrub a Dub, 1272 E. Green Bay St.; drugs on South Main Street.

July 27
Officers responded to 29 incidents, including shoplifting at Kwik Trip, 1241 E. Green Bay St.; vandalism on Oak Drive; reckless driving on South Washington Street; found property on South Airport Drive; reckless driving on South Main Street; welfare check at Cricket Wireless, 506 E. Green Bay St.; noise on South Water Street; welfare check at an undisclosed location; vehicle crash with property damage on East Green Bay Street; intoxicated person on East Richmond Street.

July 26
Officers responded to 19 incidents, including reckless driving on North Airport Drive; welfare check at an undisclosed location.

July 25
Officers responded to 32 incidents, including animal noise on West Richmond Street; juvenile problem at Shawano County Human Services, W7327 Anderson Ave. in the Town of Wescott; operating without a license on West Richmond Street; warrant arrest on West Division Street; threatening at Cold Front Distribution, 2655 E. Richmond St.; death investigation at an undisclosed location; DNR violation at Smalley Park, 211 N. Riverside Drive; assisting the fire department on West Fourth Street; noise on East Center Street; threatening on South Washington Street; welfare check on North Main Street.

July 24
Officers responded to 20 incidents, including assisting the fire department on Oak Court; welfare check at Wisconsin House, 216 E. Green Bay St.; welfare check on South Bartlett Street; animal bite on East Fifth Street; warrant arrest at Woodport Doors, 1275 Industrial Drive;

two drug calls at Quality Inn and Suites, 104 N. Airport Drive; drugs at an undisclosed location.

July 23
Officers responded to 22 incidents, including counterfeit at Dollar Tree, 172 Woodlawn Drive; reckless driving on Highway 22 in the Town of Wescott; assisting the fire department on Oak Court; noise at Sturgeon Park, 811 S. Water St.; missing person at Smalley Park, 211 N. Riverside Drive; lewd and lascivious behavior at an undisclosed location.

July 22
Officers responded to 28 incidents, including animal noise on South Bartlett Street; vicious animal on East Lieg Avenue; vehicle crash on West Fourth Street; drugs on Acorn Street; intoxicated person at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; property theft on South Franklin Street; drugs at Cellcom, 511 N. Main St.; burglary on Humphrey Circle; vehicle crash with property damage on South Evergreen Street; welfare check at Huckleberry Harbor, 222 N. Sawyer St.; reckless driving on Waukechon Street; welfare check at McDonald's, 1202 E. Green Bay St.; assisting the fire department at Culver's, 1220 E. Green Bay St.

OBITUARIES

James Charles 'Jim' Beitzel

James C. "Jim" Beitzel, passed away July 23, 2024. Jim was born to duck hunt and fish and did so with a passion until the end.

He was born Sept. 23, 1935, in Manitowoc, on the shores of Lake Michigan, where he fished trout and salmon from his 12-foot hand-painted camo duck boat. Jim graduated from Manitowoc Lincoln High School. Many mornings before school, he would go duck hunting with friends after which he would store his shotgun in his school locker. It sure was a different world 88 years ago.

Jim had many jobs in his youth, starting with delivering papers, spotting pins in the bowling alley and working at Sindelar's Bakery, while also doing chores at Beitzel's Bar, owned by his parents, where one of his jobs was cleaning the spittoons.

In 1955, Jim was united in marriage to Pauline Gallenburger. Jim's career



working for Wisconsin Bell began in May 1956, putting in the dial system in the Fond du Lac area. Over his 37-year career with the telephone company, Jim's work took him to many different areas in Wisconsin and out of state.

In 1987, Jim married Sandra Stears and in 2007, he and his wife, Sandi, moved to Shawano so they could enjoy their retirement bluegill fishing. Jim will be remembered as the best fishing buddy a wife could

have. His love of wildlife and natural resources was passed on to his children.

Being a duck hunter, Jim was an avid Ducks Unlimited major donor and volunteer. In 2008, he was recognized as Wisconsin DU's Conservationist of the Year. There is also a restoration project in Brillion Killsnake marsh dedicated in his name.

Jim enjoyed his years as a member of the Rochea Hunting Club and retired lifetime member of the Oxbow Sportsmen's Club. A habit of Jim's would be to load his pockets with chestnut tree seeds, which he planted across the landscape when he would upland game hunt.

For approximately 40 years, Jim and Sandi traveled to North Dakota in October to duck hunt. During that time, he made many close friends who have now become a part of his extended family.

Jim is survived by his

wife, Sandra; children, Tony (Lynn) Beitzel, Cindee (Steve) Schuetz, Steven Beitzel and Cherie Peterman; three grandchildren, Tony (Michong) Beitzel II, Tara (John) Filipek and Desiree (Chance) Bentley; three great-grandchildren; a niece, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, Harold and Lillian (Schneider) Beitzel; his brother and sister-in-law, Richard and Corrine Beitzel; and his former wife and the mother of his children, Pauline.

A celebration of Jim's life will be held at a later date. In lieu of donations, the family requests the planting of a tree to leave a legacy in Jim Beitzel's memory.

The family would like to give a special thank you to the staff at Unity Hospice for the wonderful care given to Jim.

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Jeff Kirchner



Jeffrey Charles Kirchner, aka "Gentleman Jeff," 62, of Shawano, passed away peacefully at his home on July 20, 2024.

He was born on May 29, 1962, to the late Jerome and Maxene (Kushman) Kirchner in Green Bay. Jeff graduated from Pulaski High School in 1980 and attended the University of Bemidji. Jeff was in the ROTC and worked for Wilson and Haberdasher Clothing in Green Bay before starting the fine men's clothing store Gentleman's Quarter in Shawano in 1991, until retiring in 2019. He later taught a specialized business class at Shawano High School through the Junior Achievement program.

After many years of courtship with Sarah (Mitchell) Davis, the two married on Aug. 18, 2018, at the Legend Lake Lodge, in Keshena.

Jeff was proud to have been the president of the Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce and was very active in the Shawano Ruff Grouse Society. He always looked forward to pheasant hunting and Canadian fishing trips. Jeff especially enjoyed his elk hunting trip with his best friend Lon. He cherished being able to spend time and relax out at the Legend Lake lot.

Overall, Jeff prioritized his family and friends and loved all of them, which always included his dogs (Koalton and Izzy).

He will always be remembered as a wonderful father, beloved husband, caring grandfather, loved brother and loyal friend.

Jeff is survived by his wife, Sarah; his children Jacob Kirchner, Jessica Kirchner, Leah (Jed) Rofers and Ashley Davis; his grandchildren, Leo, Samuel, Roman, Audrey, Lexi, Conrad "C.J.," Vander and Chael; his sister, April (Micheal) Moran. He is further survived by many other relatives and friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Jerome and Maxene.

A funeral service for Jeff was held Tuesday, July 30, 2024, at Zion Lutheran Church. Burial was held at Lake Drive Cemetery following services.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the hospice nurses, Creation, Katie and Nicole, for their care of Jeff. They would also like to thank the oncology team at Madison and the following doctors for their many years of care, Dr. Steven Howard, Dr. Robert Hegeman, neurosurgeon Dr. David Niemann and Dr. Benjamin Schlais.

A memorial fund has been established.

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Jerome Carl Perrault, 72, passed away on Sunday, Oct. 22, 2023, at North Mississippi Medical Center in Tupelo, Mississippi.

He was born Nov. 24, 1950, in White Earth, Minnesota, to the late Romaine and Bernice LaDoux Perrault. Jerry most grew up in Kenosha and graduated from high school in Kenosha. He had a long-time career with Chrysler Automotive.

Jerry married Carol Stanford on June 20, 1983. After retirement, he and Carol moved to Smithville, Mississippi, in 2001. Jerry enjoyed hunting and fishing and being outdoors doing yard work. He was raised in a large family and shared a close bond with his brothers. He looked forward to trips back up north to visit with them before their passing. He valued time spent with his family, especially

his loving wife, Carol.

Jerry is survived by his wife of 40 years, Carol Perrault, Smithville; daughters, Evette Rowley of Kenosha and Tiffany Daniels (Nathaniel) of Ponca City, Oklahoma; sons, Jason Perrault (Lorrie) of Annandale, Minnesota, and Ryan Perrault (Tara) of Kenosha; one brother; two sisters; grandchildren, Taylor Rowley, Calie, Lawson and Esme Perrault; special niece, Vicki

Grissom of Richland Center; along with a host of other nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Jerry was preceded in death by several brothers and sisters.

Upon Jerry's wishes, there were no services. Expressions of sympathy may be sent to Cleveland Moffett Funeral Home of Amory, Mississippi. Condolences may be shared at cleveland-moffettfuneralhome.com.

Kenneth W. McCarten

Kenneth W. McCarten, 80, of Shawano, passed away Tuesday, July 23, 2024.

Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory, Clintonville.

Beachgoers warned of blue-green algae risks

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) reminds beachgoers to watch for blue-green algae this summer. Blue-green algae can have harmful effects on humans and pets, including illness if swallowed or inhaled in water droplets or irritation if rubbed on the skin.

Blue-green algae, or cyanobacteria, are photosynthetic bacteria and can appear in two distinct ways. Planktonic blue-green algae look like tiny particles, dust or grass clippings floating in the water and are most often green, tan, reddish-purple or blue. Bottom-dwelling mats of benthic blue-green algae can float to the surface and are often brown, black or turquoise in color.

When environmental conditions are just right, blue-green algae can increase in number to visible accumulations called “blooms.” Planktonic blue-green algae blooms float to the surface and form scums, paint-like conditions or “pea soup” water containing billions of tiny particles. In Wisconsin, blue-green algae blooms generally occur from mid-June to late September, with peak bloom season in July and August when waters are at their warmest.

Blue-green algae grow in all waterbodies in Wisconsin. Waters with high nutrient levels like



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WISCONSIN DNR

nitrogen and phosphorus are most susceptible to blooms, but even lakes with excellent water quality may occasionally experience small blooms, especially after periods of calm weather. Bottom-dwelling benthic mats are often seen in lakes with clear water since sunlight needs to reach the bottom.

Most lakes and rivers in Wisconsin are not tested for blue-green algae, so it is important to know what it looks like and always assess conditions before swimming.

Stay safe by following best practices, including:

- Do not swim in water that looks like “pea soup,”

spilled paint or water that has a scum layer, mats or puffy blobs floating on the surface. All of these may be blue-green algae, and the abundant particles can also host high bacteria levels.

- Do not boat, waterski, etc., over such water to reduce inhalation exposure.
- Do not let children play with scum layers, even from shore.
- Always shower after contact with any surface water whether or not a blue-green algae bloom appears to be present, because surface waters may contain other species of potentially harmful bacteria, viruses or parasites.
- Always avoid swal-

lowing untreated surface water because it may contain bacteria, viruses and parasites that could make you sick.

- When in doubt, stay out.

Symptoms of blue-green algal toxin poisoning in people include vomiting and diarrhea from ingestion and sore throat and wheezing from inhalation. Some people also experience skin irritation and rashes in areas where the algae are held against their skin under clothing.

Blue-green algae can have harmful effects if ingested by pets. Dogs are not deterred by surface scum and can swallow

water while swimming. They may eat floating material in the water or mats washed up on shore or lick blue-green algae from their coats after swimming.

If the blue-green algae they ingest produces toxins, the animals can become ill and even die. Symptoms of blue-green algal toxin poisoning in pets may range from lethargy and weakness to vomiting, difficulty breathing and seizures, requiring immediate veterinary care.

When looking for a safe place for pets to swim, choose the clearest water possible and keep pets out of areas with accumulations of blue-green algae or dense particulate matter. If there’s any doubt about what is in the water, keeping pets out is the safest course of action.

Follow these tips to keep pets safe:

- Do not let pets or livestock swim in or drink waters experiencing blue-green algae blooms.
- Always offer fresh, clean water for pets to drink instead of lake water.
- Wash pets off with clean water immediately after swimming so they don’t lick any algae from their fur.
- Supervise pets when outside so they don’t eat algal scum accumulated on the shore or floating mats of algae or drink lake water.

- If a pet eats grass, avoid using lake water for lawn irrigation if blooms are present.

Symptoms of water intoxication (from swallowing too much water) and heatstroke in dogs are similar to symptoms of blue-green algae toxin poisoning, including vomiting, diarrhea, lethargy and loss of coordination. Give dogs plenty of breaks from swimming and retrieving in lakes, avoid having dogs bite at splashed water as a game and use flat objects for retrieval instead of balls.

The public is encouraged to report significant blue-green algae blooms to the DNR at DNRHABS@wisconsin.gov. Include the location of the bloom, name of the waterbody, nearest town, county, size and duration of the bloom, and overall and close-up photographs for verification. The DNR is unable to test all reported blooms.

Visit <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/lakes/bluegreenalgae> for more information on blue-green algae, including symptoms of exposure and environmental concerns. The Department of Health Services (<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/algae/index.htm>) also provides more information and a survey for reporting human and animal illnesses potentially related to blue-green algae.

COURT NEWS

• Jeffrey D. Rockman, 42, Wittenberg, pleaded no contest April 22 to eight counts of felony bail jumping, two counts of possession of methamphetamine, misappropriating ID information to obtain money and misdemeanor charges of disorderly conduct, victim intimidation and resisting or obstructing an officer. Judge Katherine Sloma withheld sentencing July 23

and placed him on five years of probation with conditions including up to 180 days in county jail.

• Trisha A. Cardish, 44, Suring, pleaded no contest July 24 to two misdemeanor counts of possession of a controlled substance. The charges were amended from felonies in a plea agreement. Sloma levied fines and fees totaling \$1,808.50.

• Rocky J. Ciuplinski, 43, Prairie du Chien, pleaded no contest to manufacture and delivery of narcotics. Sloma sentenced him to eight years in prison followed by three years of extended supervision.

• Garth L. Banuelos, 36, Wittenberg, pleaded no contest July 23 to felony bail jumping and a misdemeanor charge of disorderly conduct. Sloma levied fines and fees

totaling \$1,159.

• Nathaniel J. Robinson, 32, Bowler, pleaded no contest July 25 to possession with intent to deliver amphetamine or methamphetamine. Robinson’s probation was revoked May 15 on charges of possession of methamphetamine, manufacture and delivery of Schedule II narcotic drugs, maintaining a drug trafficking place and three counts of misdemeanor bail jumping. Sloma sentenced him July 25 to four years in state prison, followed by four years of extended supervision.

• Brandon W. Marohl, 45, Shawano, pleaded guilty July 25 to two counts of felony bail jumping, possession of THC (second or subsequent offense) and misdemeanor counts of possession of an illegal obtained prescription and possession of drug paraphernalia. Sloma placed him on two years of probation with conditions.

• Jessica M. Hensel, 34, Fond du Lac, pleaded guilty July 25 to possession with intent to deliver amphetamine or methamphetamine and possession of narcotic drugs. Sloma sentenced her to four years in prison, followed by five years of extended supervision, concurrent with a sentence she is currently serving.

• Desia Marie Salinas-Tallmadge, 41, Gresham, pleaded no contest July 26 to two counts of felony bail jumping. Sloma sentenced her to 120 days in county jail.

• Matthew W. Wetzel, 39, Birnamwood, was charged July 22 with possession of methamphetamine. Sloma set a \$500 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Aug. 6.

• Jose H. Paredes, 22, Wittenberg, was charged July 22 with substantial battery intending bodily harm and misdemeanor counts of battery and disorderly conduct. Sloma set a \$1,000 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for July 26.

• Christopher L. Achterberg, 44, Clintonville, was charged July 22 with two counts of felony bail jumping and misdemeanor counts of battery and disorderly conduct. Sloma set a \$500 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for July 26.

• Amber L. Burke, 34, Shawano, was charged July 22 with possession of methamphetamine, possession of narcotic drugs, five counts of felony bail jumping and misdemeanor counts of possession of drug paraphernalia and carrying a concealed knife. Sloma set a \$500 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Aug. 6.

• Antone M. Lyons, 38, Keshena, was charged July 22 with three counts of felony bail jumping. Sloma set a \$1,000 cash bond and adjourned his initial appearance until Sept. 30.

• Chad DeMoss, 46, Shawano, was charged July 23 with two counts of battery or threat to a law officer, escape

from criminal arrest, eight counts of felony bail jumping and misdemeanor counts of possession of THC, disorderly conduct, criminal damage to property and two counts of resisting or obstructing an officer. Sloma set a \$5,000 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Aug. 1.

• Brent C. Thompson, 46, Bonduel, was charged July 23 with two counts of felony bail jumping and misdemeanor counts of bail jumping and disorderly conduct. Sloma set a \$250 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for Aug. 13.

• Juan Lagunes Zapata, 53, Cecil, was charged July 23 with repeated sexual assault of the same child and incest with a child by a stepparent. Sloma set a \$100,000 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Aug. 22.

• Allyson F. Kellogg, 28, Suring, was charged July 24 with three counts of felony bail jumping and misdemeanor counts of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (second offense) and bail jumping. Sloma set a \$1,500 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for July 30.

• Orman D. Waukau, 38, Shawano, was charged July 25 with operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (fourth offense) and misdemeanor counts of resisting or obstructing an officer and possession of drug paraphernalia. Sloma set a \$500 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Aug. 13.



NEW Media’s news editor is about to retire. We seek talented journalists who can seize someone’s attention by being a talented wordsmith and photographer in a fast-paced news environment where digital comes first.

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K-9, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Prey said. “Some basic equipment and a protective K-9 vest is \$2,500.”

The training never stops, as the state requires a K-9 handler to train at least 16 hours a month.

“A squad kennel is around \$5,000, and a home kennel is around \$2,000,” Prey said. “We’ve been lucky to get most vet bills donated by Village Vet, and there are businesses that will donate the food.”

SOS K-9 is a local non-profit organization that assists the sheriff’s department K-9 program. SOS has two main fundraisers, a 9-pin bowling tournament in early February and a golf outing in early August.

This year’s golf outing will be Aug. 3 at the Shawano Lake Golf Course. Registration will open at 10 a.m., with a shotgun start at 11 a.m.

For \$75 per person, all golfers will play 18 holes of golf with a cart, have chances to win on six hole events and enjoy a family-style, sit-down dinner following the round.

Non-golfers are invited to stop by the clubhouse to bid on silent auction items and enter raffles. Meal tickets are \$20.

Prey said the bowling tournament raises \$2,500 to \$4,000, while the golf outing raises between \$7,000 and \$10,000. Donations are accepted at the fundraisers, through the website <https://sosk9.weebly.com/support-us.html>



The newest K-9 to join the Shawano County Sheriff’s Department will be a Belgian Malinois (not the one pictured). Typically, this dog stands about 22-26 inches tall at the withers and weighs 40-80 pounds. It has a thick coat about and inch or two long, which ranges in color from yellowish brown to mahogany with black-tipped hairs; the breed typically has a black mask and ears.

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J-TURN, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

29 will be limited to the inside lanes with left turns onto County Road MMM and Clark Drive allowed as well as right turns from those roads onto the state highway.

“The project involves basic restoration landscaping (grass seed, erosion mat, etc.) in areas that are disturbed due to construction activities,” Segerstrom said. “New pavement markings and signage will be installed to match the reconfig-

“Certain breeds are better at doing things than others, but my opinion is that continued training truly makes the dog what it is, and that makes a successful program.”

Nick Prey, Shawano County Sheriff’s Department captain who is in charge of its K-9 program

or by contacting Detective Craig Rekoske at the sheriff’s department.

SOS K-9 Inc. is always interested in new ideas for fundraising and public awareness. Interested individuals are encouraged to send an email to shawanok9@yahoo.com.

The sheriff’s department K-9 program has been around since 1997. Harley was the first K-9, and Greg Trinko was his handler.

Other K-9s have been Benny with handler Tyler Rich, Deano with Rich and Perry, Getty with Rekoske, Cody with Ben Klinke and Nate Thornborrow, Rekon with Rekoske, Arres with Anna Sharpless and Brady Sinotte, and the current K-9, Rascal, with Cody Vigue.

While many people associate German shepherd as police dogs, other breeds are also used. Other often-used breeds include Labrador retrievers, Belgian Malinois, boxers, bloodhounds, American pit bull terriers, beagles, German short-hair pointers, Dutch shepherds and Doberman pinschers.

“Breeds are completely a personal preference,” Prey said. “I will not say one breed is better than the next. Certain breeds are better at doing things than others, but my opinion

is that continued training truly makes the dog what it is, and that makes a successful program.”

The Belgian Malinois was developed in the Malines area of Belgium in the 1800s. It stands about 22-26

inches tall at the withers and weighs 40-80 pounds. It has a thick coat about and inch or two long, which ranges in color from yellowish brown to mahogany with black-tipped hairs; the breed typically has a black

mask and ears.

“The new dog will be trained as a patrol dog, which means it will be trained in narcotic detection, tracking, article searches, apprehension and handler protection,” Prey

said. “The new dog will not be a cadaver dog.”

Prey said that after the new handler completes the two-week course in Canada, handler and K-9 will be ready to report for duty as a team.

To become a member of SOS K-9, golf in the outing or donate, contact Rekoske at 715-853-4101.

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PUBLIC RELEASE
NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH AND BREAKFAST PROGRAMS, SPECIAL MILK PROGERAM

RELEASE STATEMENT

The Shawano School District today announced its policy for children unable to pay the full price of meals served under the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program or milk for split-session students served under the Special Milk Program. Each school office and the central office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

The following household size and income criteria will be used for determining eligibility. Children from families whose annual income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free and reduced price meals or free milk if a split-session student does not have access to the school lunch or breakfast service.

FAMILY SIZE INCOME SCALE
For Determining Eligibility for Free and Reduced Price Meals or Milk

Family (Household) Size	Free Must be at or below figure listed	Reduced Price Must be at or between figures listed	Free Must be at or below figure listed	Reduced Price Must be at or between figures listed
1	\$19,578	\$19,578.01 and \$27,861	\$1,632	\$1,632.01 and \$2,322
2	26,572	26,572.01 and 37,814	2,215	2,215.01 and 3,152
3	33,566	33,566.01 and 47,767	2,798	2,798.01 and 3,981
4	40,560	40,560.01 and 57,720	3,380	3,380.01 and 4,810
5	47,554	47,554.01 and 67,673	3,963	3,963.01 and 5,640
6	54,548	54,548.01 and 77,626	4,546	4,546.01 and 6,469
7	61,542	61,542.01 and 87,579	5,129	5,129.01 and 7,299
8	68,536	68,536.01 and 97,532	5,712	5,712.01 and 8,128
For each additional household member, add	+ 6,994	+ 6,994 and +9,953	+583	+583 and +830

Application forms are being sent to all homes with a notice to parents or guardians. To apply for free or reduced price meals or free milk, households must fill out the application and return it to the school (unless notified at the start of the school year that children are eligible through direct certification). Additional copies are available at the office in each school. The information provided on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and may be verified at any time during the school year by agency or other program officials. Applications may be submitted at any time during the year.

To obtain free or reduced price meals or free milk for children in a household where one or more household members receive FoodShare, Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), or Wisconsin Works (W-2) cash benefits, list the FoodShare, FDPIR or W-2 case number, program name, list the names of all school children, sign the application, and return it to the school office.

For the school officials to determine eligibility for free or reduced price meals or free milk of households not receiving FoodShare, FDPIR or W-2 cash benefits, the household must provide the following information requested on the application: names of all household members, total number of household members, or mark the box to the right of “Check if no SSN”. Also, the income received by each household member must be provided by amount and source (wages, welfare, child support, etc.).

Under the provisions of the free and reduced price meal and free milk policy **Data Systems Coordinator, Cory Kaisler, 218 County Road B, Shawano, WI 54166, 715-526-3194, Ext 8002.**

will review applications and determine eligibility. If a parent or guardian is dissatisfied with the ruling of the official, he/she may wish to discuss the decision with the determining official on an informal basis. If the parent/guardian wishes to make a formal appeal, he/she may make a request either orally or in writing to: **Bryan Kadlec, Interim Director of Finance & Business Operations, 218 County Road B, Shawano, WI 54166.**

If a hearing is needed to appeal the decision, the policy contains an outline of the hearing procedure.

If a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size changes, the family should contact the school. Such changes may make the household eligible for reduced price meals or free meals or free milk if the household income falls at or below the levels shown above, and they may reapply at that time.

Children formally placed in foster care are also eligible for free meal benefits. Foster children may be certified as eligible without a household application. Households with foster children and non-foster children may choose to include the foster child as a household member, as well as any personal income available to the foster child, on the same application that includes their non-foster children.

The information provided by the household on the application is confidential. Public Law 103-448 limits the release of student free and reduced price school meal eligibility status to persons directly connected with the administration and enforcement of federal or state educational programs. Consent of the parent/guardian is needed for other purposes such as waiver of textbook fees.

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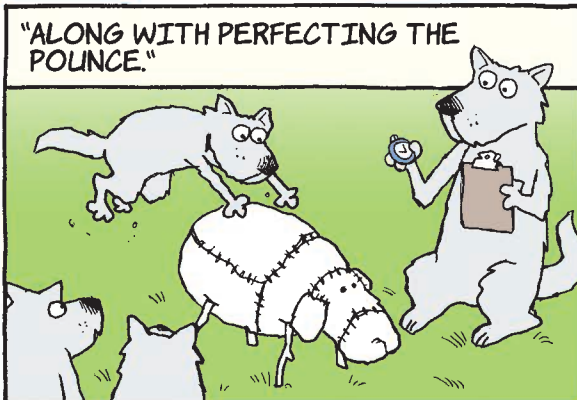
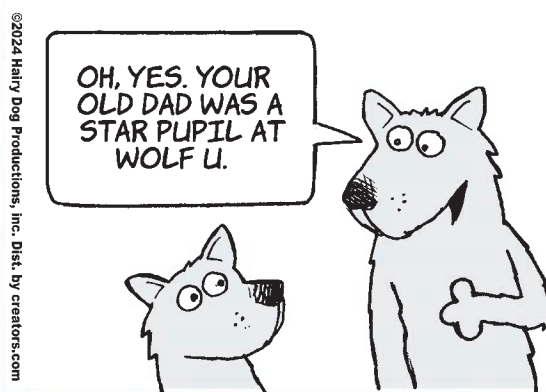
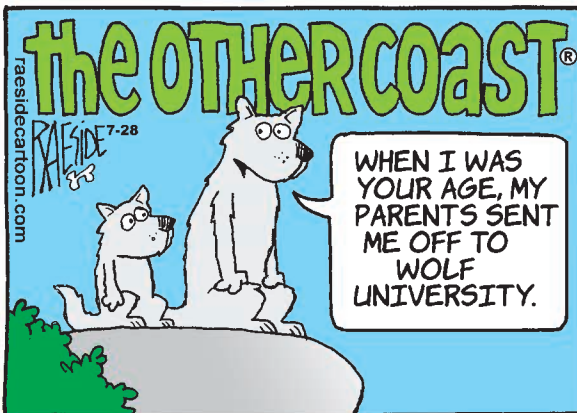
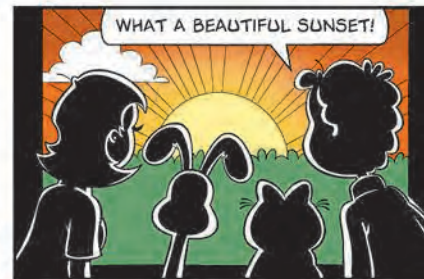
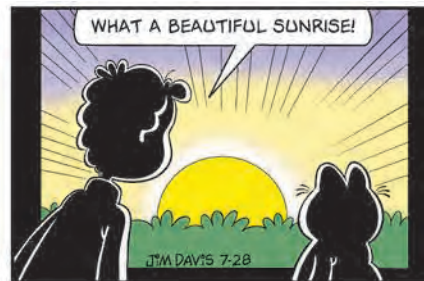
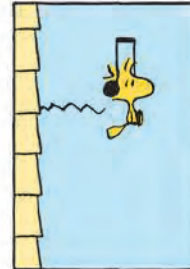
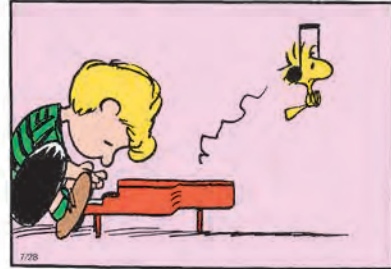
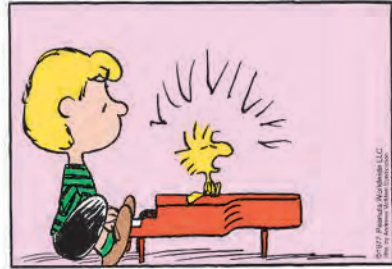
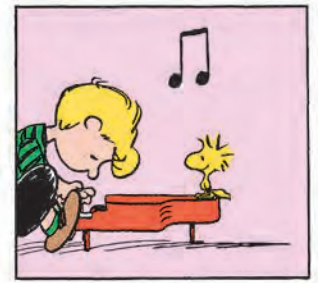
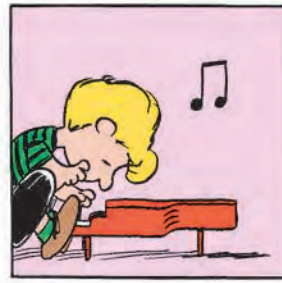
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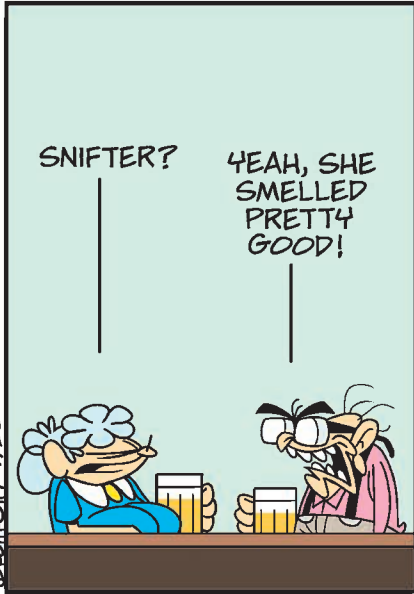
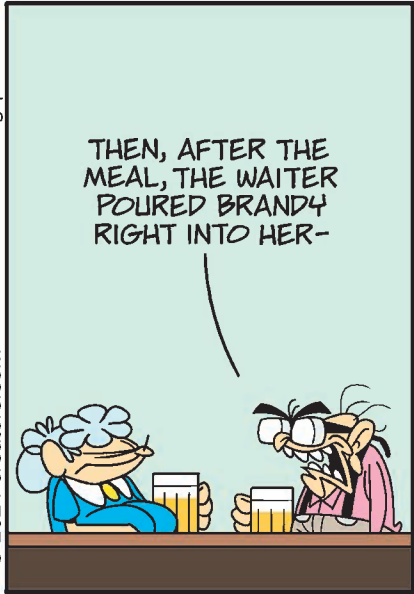
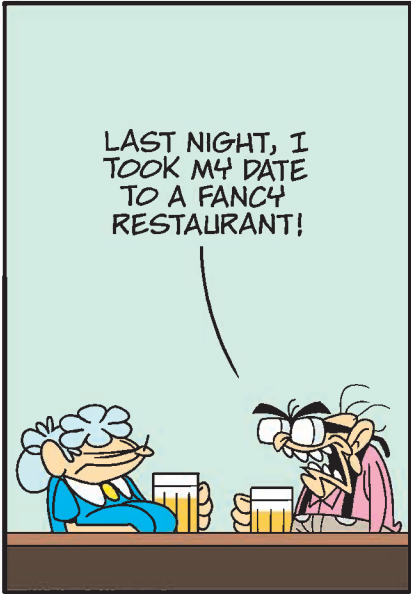
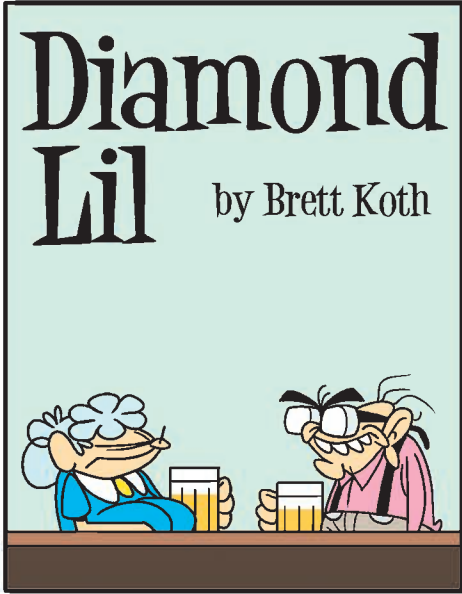
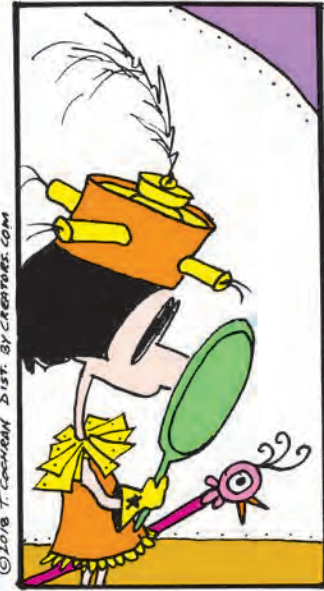
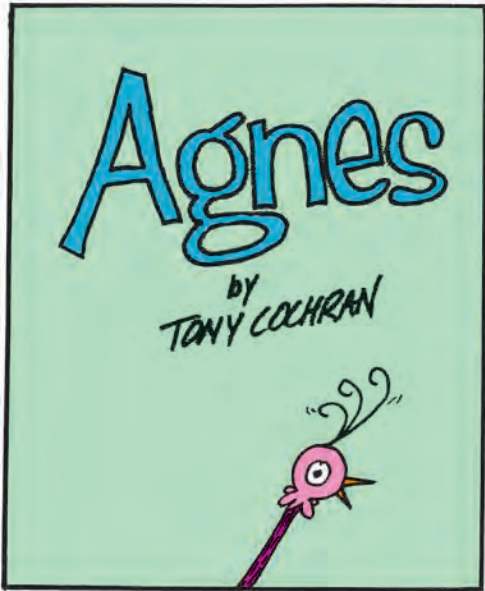
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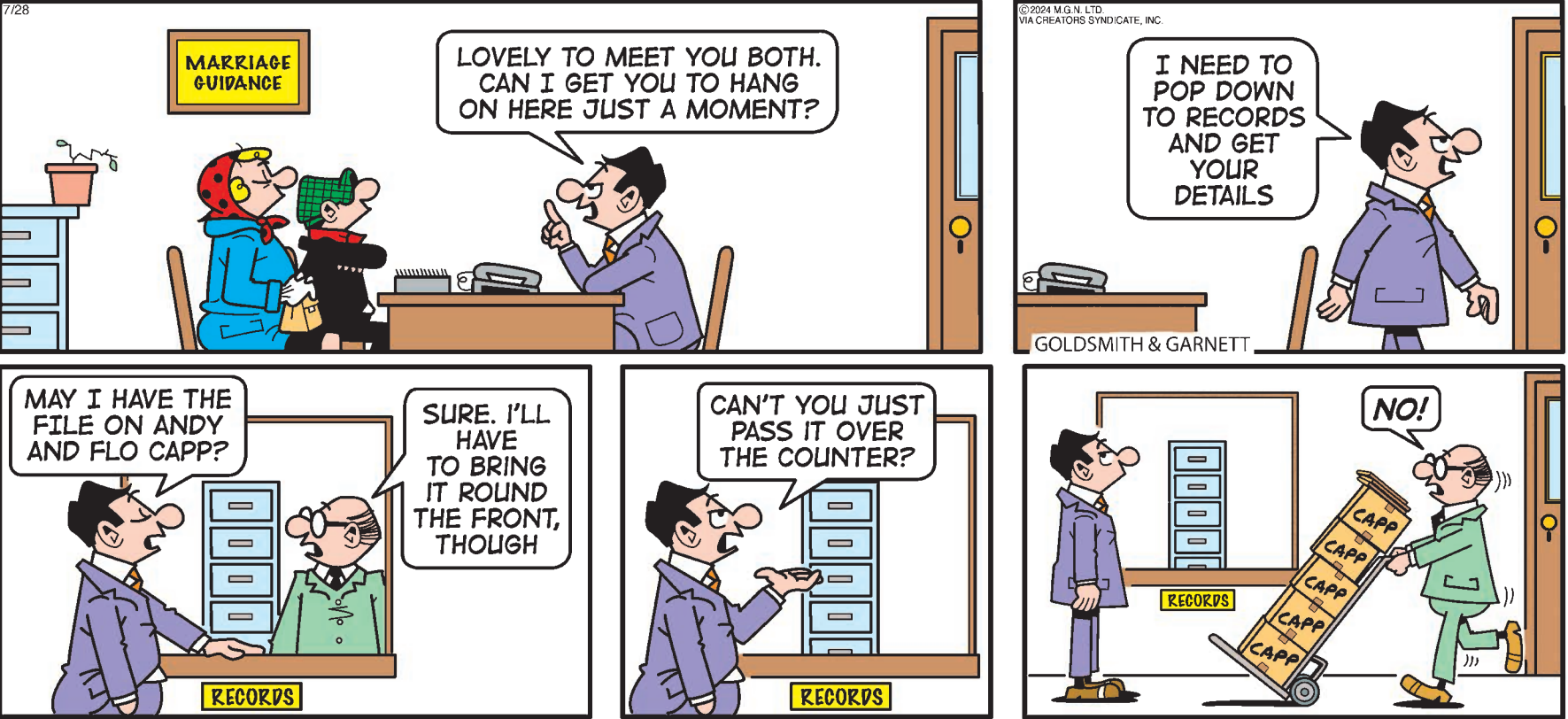
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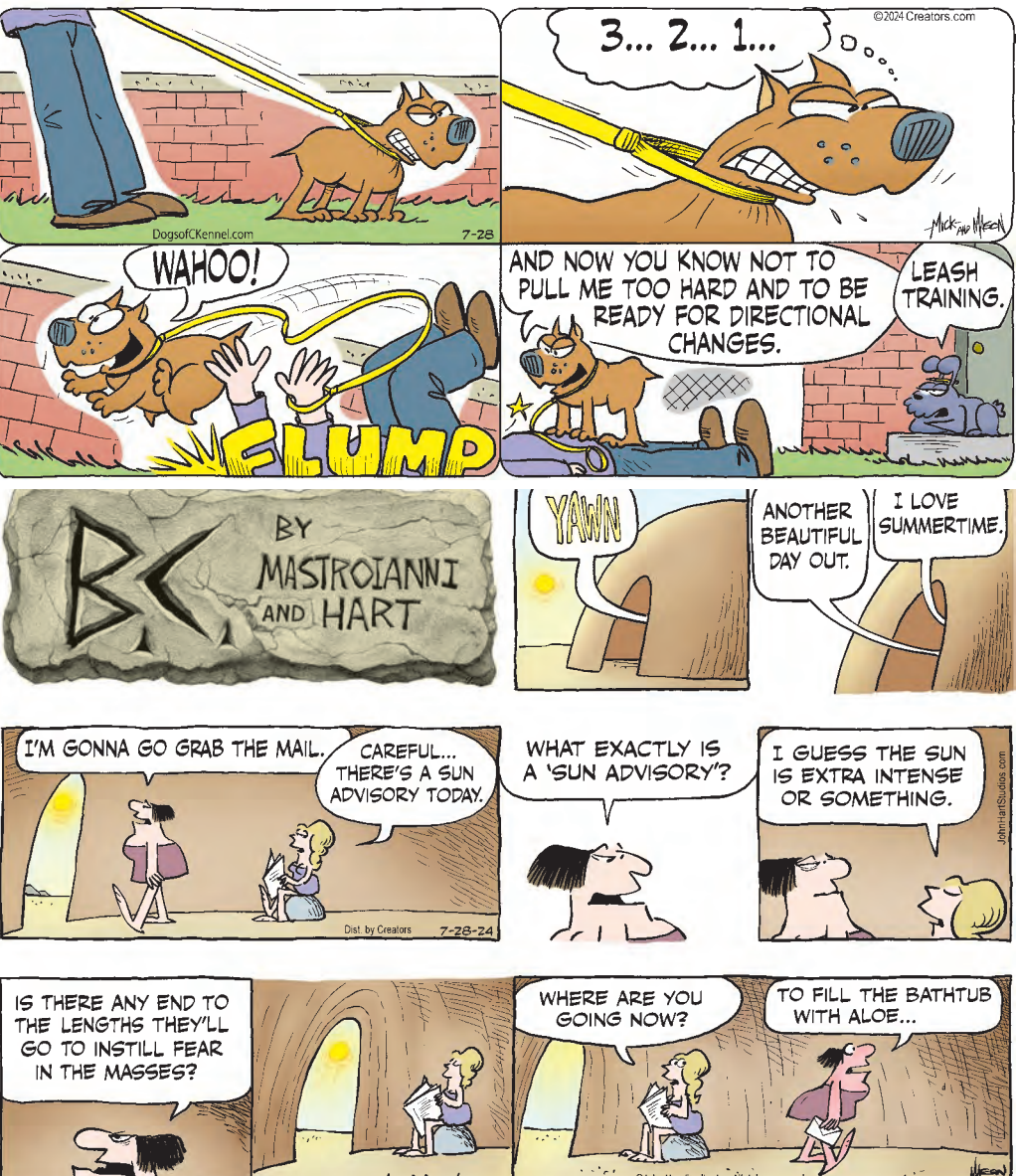


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Shawano to hold national water-ski tournament

Ski Sharks will serve as hosts for individual, team competitions Aug. 2-4 at Smalley Park

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

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Individual and team competitions will be held, with events kicking off at 7 a.m. Aug. 2.

“Friday is a full day of individual competitors from swivel skiing, strap doubles, jump, etc.,” said Dave Passehl, Ski Sharks president. “At Division 2, there are more individual disciplines than they run at a D1 tournament. So at this time, we have a full competition of 81 individuals for Friday.”

Events on the weekend also start at 7 a.m. each day, with both days full of team show competitions, similar to what the Ski Sharks perform Wednesday nights throughout the summer.

“Teams that have registered are coming from Illinois, Michigan, Indiana, Minnesota and Wisconsin,” Passehl said. “Individual competitors are from all over the country, including as far away as Florida.”

All events will be held at Smalley Park.

A tentative schedule is as follows.

Aug. 2 – Individual and team practice starts at 7 a.m.; lunch from noon to 1 p.m.; mandatory team meeting with chief judge from 6-8 p.m.

Aug. 3 – Individual competition begins at 7 a.m. (Swivel 180, Swivel Pairs 360, Swivel Pairs Open, Doubles Intermediate, Doubles Open, Swivel

360, Swivel Open, Women’s Freestyle – Intermediate, Men’s Freestyle – Intermediate, Women’s Freestyle – Open, Men’s Freestyle – Open); team competition begins after completion of individual competition; individual awards to follow last team.

Aug. 4 – Team competition begins at 7 a.m.; awards to follow completion of last team.

For the Ski Sharks, Carsten McHugh and Ava Pleshek will compete in strap doubles, and McHugh will also compete in the freestyle jump. The Ski Sharks team jump will compete in team jump.

Judges, secretaries, safety crew and others are selected and provided by the National Show Ski Association.

This is not the first time the Ski Sharks have hosted the national tournament. In 2021, they placed second at both the state water-ski tournament and the Division 2 national tournament.

Bringing thousands of people to Shawano for a weekend event is no small task.

“Our sponsor list is large, and this tournament cannot happen without all of them,” Passehl said.

Anchor partners are BankFirst, American Marine and Shawano County Tourism. Premier partners are Charlie’s County Market, USA Water-ski and Wake Sports and the National Show Ski Association. Supporting sponsors are Brothers’ Pub, Luigi’s and Cellcom/Nsight. There is also a long list of other support levels.

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Road closures, other parking rules in effect during water-ski tournament

Part of Wolf River also closed to through traffic, beach will be closed throughout the event



Camp Onawahs is the theme for the 2024 Shawano Ski Sharks performances. Led by President Dave Passehl, the water-ski team will host the Division 2 national tournament Aug. 2-4 at Smalley Park in Shawano. Parking will be at a premium during the event, so residents are being made aware of road, beach and river closures, as well as designated parking locations.

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By **KEVIN PASSON**
Editor-in-chief

Parking will be at a premium during the BankFirst Division 2 National Water-ski Tournament presented by Visit Central Florida on Aug. 2-4, and residents need to be aware of road closures and other changes.

Parking will be available in the courthouse parking lot at North Washington and West Third streets, Kersten Accounting and Tax Professionals at 610 W. Green Bay St. and a city lot at North Washington and West Fifth streets.

There are several road closures as well.

West Fifth Street from North Bartlett Street west to the Wolf River will be closed to everyone except residents. Water-ski team equipment trailers will be backed down and out of this road for their setup.

The West Fourth Street cul-de-sac will be closed for street parking but accessible to homeowners. Ski teams will use this cul-de-sac for a

personal water-ski equipment drop-off point, but no street parking will be allowed.

West Third Street from Riverside Drive west to the river will be closed to all except tournament officials and handicapped parking.

For those using the Wolf River, there is also an approved partial river closure.

From the trestle to the dam, the river will be closed to through traffic. There will be a designated slow no wake passage way on the far west side of the river. There will be river closure signs posted, a buoy line installed and the area will be patrolled.

No wake will be permitted from the dam to the trestle during this event. This includes boating activities south of the bridge to the dam. Again, this area will be patrolled.

The beach itself will also be closed during the event. Signs will be posted by the city of Shawano.

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Spray is the cascade of water generated by a ski cutting aggressively through the surface. The size and shape of the spray serve as a visual indicator of a skier's speed and edge control.

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How well do you know your water-ski terms?

Here are some popular terms used in waterskiing. You might be familiar with buoy, ramp and wake, but what about bevel, flex and whip?

Barefoot – This is a waterskiing style where the skier glides on the water without skis, using only their bare feet. It requires excellent balance and technique to maintain smooth and controlled movement on the surface.

Bevel – The bevel is the area on the waterski that is between the side and the bottom of the ski. Typically, the rounder the bevel, the deeper the ski will sink in the water, making it harder to control.

Binding – The foot attachment on the waterski or wakeboard that secures the skier's feet in place.

Boat speed – The velocity of the boat towing the water skier, crucial for creating the right conditions for different skiing

activities. Faster speeds are used for slalom skiing, while slower speeds suit beginners or trick skiing.

Bridle – The bridle is a part of the rope that connects the handle to the rest of the rope, and is usually in a "Y" shape.

Buoy – In a competitive waterski tournament, buoys are used as markers that float on the surface of the water, indicating the path that the skier (and boat) has to take.

Cross wake – The action of moving from one side of the boat's wake to the other while skiing. It's a fundamental skill that can be used for gaining speed and preparing for jumps or tricks.

Cut – This refers to shortening of the rope length in a water ski competition.

Deep water start – A method to begin waterskiing where the skier starts submerged in the water

with skis on, then is pulled up to the surface as the tow boat accelerates. It's a foundational technique for all skiers.

Dock start – A dock start is the opposite of a deep water start and refers to a skier who begins the competition by standing on a dock or dry ground. The skier will be pulled into the water by the boat. This method is less common than deep water start as the skier is more likely to sink in the water if the boat is not fast enough.

Drop ski – In slalom skiing, this refers to the action of dropping one of the double skis in the water to continue skiing with the remaining single ski. It's a transition step for skiers moving to slalom skiing.

Double skis – Also known as "combo skis," these are a pair of waterskis used for beginner and intermediate levels, providing stability and easier learning. Skiers often progress to a single ski as their skills improve.

Figure eight – A pattern skied by athletes, characterized by carving a figure-eight shape on the water's surface. This maneuver requires skill in managing turns and maintaining momentum while crossing the boat's wake.

Flex – Flex refers to the flexibility of the ski. Typically, softer skis help a waterskier perform tighter turns. Stiffer skis are frequently used by beginners as it does not have as much movement in rougher waters, hence making it easier to control.

Handle pass – During a trick or wakeboarding, a handle pass is the act of passing the tow rope's handle behind the back or over the head to switch hands. It is integral for

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Above, a "jump" typically refers to an event or maneuver where the skier launches off a ramp to achieve distance and perform aerial tricks. In competitive settings, skiers are judged on the length of the jump and the execution of any aerial maneuvers. At left, a team of girls performs during a Wednesday evening show at Smalley Park.



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Several hundred people gather each Wednesday night to watch the Shawano Ski Sharks perform at Smalley Park. The water-ski team has been a mainstay for Shawano's summer entertainment for more than 40 years. GREG MELLIS | NEW MEDIA

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Kneeboard – A type of water sports equipment similar to a wakeboard but designed for the rider to kneel on it rather than stand. Kneeboarding involves being towed on a hydrodynamically shaped board at planing speed behind a motorboat.

Monoski – A type of waterski where both feet are placed inline on a single board, providing greater speed and maneuverability for slalom skiing. Preferred by advanced skiers for its aggressive carving ability through the water.

Observer – In majority of competitions, at least three people will have to be involved – the skier, the boat driver and the observer. The role of the observer is to sit behind the boat driver and pass on any signals that the skier might produce, as well as notifying other water skiers if a partici-

pant has gone under water.

Perfect pass – A speed control system used in boats to maintain a constant and precise speed desired by the water skier. This technology helps create optimal conditions for consistent skiing and timing during courses and tricks.

Ramp – An inclined surface on the water used in jump events, where skiers accelerate toward and launch off to achieve distance in the air. The ramp height and angle are critical for maximizing jump length safely.

Rudder – The fin-like device located at the rear of the ski boat, which helps steer and stabilize the craft. In skiing, rudder adjustments are crucial for precise boat handling and creating ideal wake conditions.

Slalom – A competitive form of skiing involving a single ski, where the skier navigates through a course of buoys, making tight, controlled turns. Slalom highlights a skier's balance, precision, and timing.

Speed control – A system or technique used to regulate the speed of the boat consistently, providing a steady and predictable pull for the water skier. Effective speed control

is essential for matching the skier's skill level and minimizing falls.

Spray – The cascade of water generated by a ski cutting aggressively through the surface. The size and shape of the spray serve as a visual indicator of a skier's speed and edge control.

Tow rope – The tow rope is the line used to connect the skier or rider to the boat. The rope must be strong, flexible and of appropriate length to ensure safety and optimal performance during skiing or boarding.

Trick ski – A short, wider ski with no fins, allowing for maximum maneuverability during tricks. Trick skis are designed to enable skiers to perform spins, jumps, and other stunts with agility.

Wake – The wave that is created by a boat as it moves through the water. The wake can be used by skiers and riders to perform tricks, jumps and maneuvers. The size and shape of the wake are influenced by the speed of the boat and its hull design.

Wakeboard – A small, mostly rectangular board ridden similarly to a snowboard but on water. It is typically used in

wakeboarding, where the rider is towed behind a boat over its wake and especially up off the crest to perform aerial maneuvers. Wakeboards feature bindings that secure the rider's feet to the board.

Waterski – A water sport activity where an individual is pulled across the water on skis by a motorboat or a cable ski installation. It combines balance, strength, and the thrill of gliding on water.

Wetsuit – A close-fitting neoprene suit worn by water sports enthusiasts to maintain body warmth in cold water conditions. It's essential gear for extended periods of water skiing in cooler climates.

Whip – A sharp, fast turn of the boat that translates into a quick, wide swing for the skier. It challenges the skier to maintain control and use the energy for stunts or a rapid change in direction.

Zigzag – A pattern of alternately cutting left and right behind the boat, often to traverse the wakes and showcase control. This action requires skill in quick directional changes and edge control on the skis.

This information was compiled from various waterskiing websites.



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The Shawano Ski Sharks earned a second-place finish at the Wisconsin State Tournament held July 18-21 on Lake Wazeecha at Red Sand Beach at South Wood County Park near Wisconsin Rapids. Hosted by the Wisconsin Rapids Aqua Skiers, the competition featured more than two dozen teams.

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Ski Sharks place second at state tournament

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-chief

The Shawano Ski Sharks earned a second-place finish at the Wisconsin State Tournament held July 18-21 on Lake Wazeecha at Red Sand Beach at South Wood County Park near Wisconsin Rapids.

Hosted by the Wisconsin Rapids Aqua Skiers, the competition featured more than two dozen teams.

The Ski Sharks are a Division 2 team.

“The team skied an amazing show, and our production was so fun,” said Dave Passehl, Ski Sharks president. “We put our best foot forward at the tournament and fell just short by 60 points.”

Passehl said the results were still considered a success for the water-ski team.

“We skied clean, bringing home the largest pyramids of Division 2

(the end pyramid of 4-3-4 was the third-largest pyramid of the entire tournament, including Division 1 teams) and had the highest scoring act in Division 2 with our girls ballet line of 22 ladies.”

That same ballet act also won the best ballet line in Division 2.

The Ski Sharks placed second in most other categories.

“The team that beat us was Badgerland from Waukesha, and they will be at the D2 national tournament as well,” Passehl said.

The Ski Sharks scored 348 for first place in the high individual club act and 348 for first place in ballet.

In the dock and equipment personnel category, the Ski Sharks placed second with 81 points, while Badgerland tied for first with 83.

The Ski Sharks scored a 573 for second place in the tow boat driving category, behind Badgerland’s 606 for first place.

Badgerland topped the Ski Sharks in showmanship (828-795), sound crew total (812-773), production (876-845), overall show (1,715-1,664) and grand total (1,420.06-1,360.42).

The local team was second with 245 points in doubles, second in jump with 260 points and second in pyramid with 315 points.

Shawano’s pick-up boat crews placed third with 209 points. Badgerland was first with 245, and Water Walkers team was second with 234.

The Ski Sharks tied for third with 212 points in the barefoot category. They also tied for third in swivel with 231 points.

The BankFirst Division 2 National Water-ski Tournament presented by Visit Central Florida from Aug. 2-4 will be hosted by the Ski Sharks at Smalley Park in Shawano.

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