



Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District Superintendent Garrett Rogowski, left, goes over student enrollment numbers Aug. 26 during the district's annual meeting while school board members Christopher Pietz, center, and Rich Olson look on.

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WBSD tax rate expected to drop once again

Current estimated drop is 34 cents as tax levy remains flat

By **LEE PULASKI**
 City Editor

Property tax rates for the Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District could be dropping for this school year, and they could be lower than district officials estimate.

The current rate is \$7.287 per \$1,000 of equalized valuation, which means the owner of property valued at \$100,000 would pay \$728.70 for school district taxes alone. Superintendent Garrett Rogowski announced during the district's annual meeting Aug. 26 that the tax rate is expected to drop so that the same property owner would only be paying \$695.03.

However, the district was estimating a 5% increase in property values at the time the annual meeting report was prepared, according to Rogowski. He noted he received indications that the property values could see more than double the increase at 11.4%, which would mean an even lower tax rate. The final numbers from the state will come out Oct. 1.

"A change of just a couple of percent can significantly change your levy," Rogowski said. "It is very likely the change will be made before the October meeting (when the final budget is approved)."

The district has a proposed budget of \$15.55 million for the 2024-25 school year, which is about \$100,000 less than the previous year's budget. The levy is flat, with only \$8,599 more expected for a total around \$5.76 million. Of that, \$3.21 million is earmarked for operations; \$2.27 million for debt service, which includes paying off some of the debt from the 2018 capital referendum; and \$275,000 for community service, which includes the Darwin E. Smith Community Aquatic Center.

Rogowski noted that the property taxes are only one aspect affecting the 2024-25 budget.

"Developing each year's budget, we've needed to keep in mind local and state variables, but now very much federal, as well," he said. "Many of our accounting sources are tied to grants, federal grants,

and we're really going to have to keep an eye on the political landscape, I would think, as this is an election year, and there will be a lot determined on that level through that process. It's just going to be a reality that we're going to have to be responding to."

Enrollment numbers also play a factor, as the number of students determines how much in state equalization aid the school district will receive. This year, the district estimates the student population will go up almost 9.8% from 1,092 students to 1,117. The exact number will be finalized after the district does its official student count on the third Friday in September.

"The low revenue ceiling of \$11,000 (per student) affected us very positively, and then the added \$325 per student will be beneficial for us, as well," Rogowski said. "As far as school districts around the state go, we are set at that low revenue ceiling amount, whereas many other dis-

Woman faces attempted homicide charge in fire

Complaint says she claimed gasoline can 'just poofed in my face'

By **WARREN BLUHM**
 News Editor

A Bowler woman was being held on \$150,000 cash bond after she allegedly set a fire that burned down a house in the Town of Bartelme on Aug. 17.

Amanda J. Bowman, 47, was charged in Shawano-Menominee Circuit Court on Aug. 21 with arson, attempted first-degree intentional homicide and six counts of felony bail jumping. She was awaiting trial on charges of possession of methamphetamine and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia when the incident occurred.

During a brief court appearance Aug. 28, Bowman waived the time limits for a preliminary hearing, and Judge Katherine Sloma scheduled the hearing for 2 p.m. Oct. 2.

According to the criminal complaint, crews were called to the home on the morning of Aug. 17 and found it fully engulfed in flames. Shawano County Sheriff's Department Detective Craig Rekoske interviewed Bowman, who said the house belong to her 67-year-old cousin, identified in the complaint as KID, and she lived there on and off.

Bowman said she had been up all night driving and was running out of gas, so she stopped at her cousin's where a young friend had been repairing her ATV, the complaint said. She went into the house with the gas can when the dog started barking — "I just wanted him to know it was me," she told the detective, adding that she "didn't know why (she) brought it into the house," the complaint said.

Standing in the hallway at the door to KID's room, the gas can "just poofed in my face," and she dropped the can because of the sudden flames, she told Rekoske.

Bowman said she and her cousin ran out of the house together, jumping over the flames, the complaint said.

"I don't know if I had a cigarette; he asked me that, too, and I do not remember," the complaint quotes her as saying.

Rekoske reported that Bowman was

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Racing at the legendary 3/8 mile?

Agriculture Society discusses changing size of Shawano Speedway

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

That slogan may have to be reworked if the track is shortened to a 3/8-mile track as proposed.

“Over the next couple of months, the ag society is looking to reduce that track size from half-mile to 3/8 miles,” Supervisor Raymond Rigsby said at the Aug. 28 meeting of the Shawano County Board of Supervisors. “The race season’s almost over (the last race was Aug. 31). They want to get clay in. They want get moving and reducing that and adding more space for the fair.”

He asked other supervisors to email him with their opinions on the matter so he can relay them to the Shawano Area Agriculture Society and the county’s agriculture and extension committee.

“The fair board wants to do it, but I understand there’s been some push-back in the past because of the historical significance of that half-mile track,” he said.

Speedway officials were busy last week with the Shawano County Fair and did not respond to requests for comments.

The ag society is not looking for financial support for the project, as noted in the minutes of the July 11 meeting of the ag and extension committee.

County Board Chairman Tom Kautza explained how the process would work for changing the

length of the track.

“I have asked before how you would go about that,” he said. “First thing they have to do is come with a proposal to ag and extension ... then you form the resolution that you guys want it to read, probably the next time you meet. If it’s passed, then it will go to public property ... then it comes here to the county board.”

Supervisor Joe Miller said it’s too early in the process to gather supervisors’ input.

“Everything from us right now is premature,” he said. “Any comments from those questions, I don’t know. I would suggest that the ag society meet with their racers and everybody in there, formulate a recommendation and then bring that to us to discuss. At that point in time, then we would have



Charles Hoffman, of Gresham, competes in a recent night of racing at the Shawano Speedway. Officials are considering shortening the legendary half-mile track to 3/8 mile.

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questions to ask.

“Let them do their homework before they bring it to us.”

The track and fairgrounds are operated by the ag society, which just signed a lease extension with the county to manage the facilities through the end of 2033.

The Shawano Speedway hosts races Saturday nights throughout the summer

months. Regular races include late models, IMCA modifieds, IMCA sport modifieds, IMCA stock cars and Mighty 4s.

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Ad hoc committee members tour courthouse

Meeting lays groundwork for more in-depth discussions

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

A tour of the Shawano County Courthouse, including some behind-the-scenes areas, concluded the first meeting of the county’s ad hoc building committee Aug. 28.

The committee of county supervisors, department employees and county residents were introduced to their charge — deciding what to do about the status of county buildings, particularly the courthouse, library, sheriff’s department and jail.

“We owe it to the public to look into the future,” said Jim Davel, county coordinator. “We have over 44,000 residents in our county that rely on our facilities day in and day out.”

He listed the three jobs of county supervisors: policy, budget and planning for the future. Supervisors are now looking to this committee for a recommendation on what direction to take with county facilities.

“This is about Shawano County and how do we set up the county for success in the future,” Davel said.

The county spent about



Shawano County Clerk of Courts Ethan Schmidt explains the shelves and shelves of court documents stored on the third floor of the county courthouse. State law requires some files to be kept 50 years or longer. While some files are being digitized, it is a long and arduous process based on the number of files. Space needs are among the issues to be discussed by county’s ad hoc building committee.

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\$350,000 in the early 2000s to study space needs and develop plans for a new justice center. Like other proposals, it was stopped in its track when it came time for the decision to approve funding.

“We’ve gotten to the point where we were going to execute, but we’ve never executed,” Davel said.

He told committee members of the successful construction of the new building for the Department of Human Services in 2019.

“In the past, the county

ran DHS services out of the Fellman Center and Lakeland over by Walmart,” he said. “Through a series of things, the county kind of owned those buildings, sold those buildings, rented the buildings, etc. They could have built the DHS building two times over with the amount of money that they sunk into those two buildings.”

The courthouse was built in 1956, the library in 1965 and the jail in 1994. Officials have decided to not make any improvements to the courthouse

the past two years, pending a decision on how to move forward.

“From my perspective, our nickel-and-dime approach is not setting us up for success,” Davel said. “We’ve got to make a bold adjustment to do something — whether that’s renovation, whether that’s build new, what have you. The longer we wait to make decisions, the more it costs.”

Members were told any costs related to maintenance, remodeling or building new are not their focus.

“When Noah decided to build the boat, he decided. That’s the big decision: ‘I’m going to build the boat.’ He picked the animals later. Your responsibility is the big decision.”

Shawano County Board Chairman Tom Kautza said the lack of a master plan also means there is no central location that keeps a record of all infrastructure inside county buildings. This includes the age and condition of such items as HVAC units, plumbing and electrical components or office equipment.

He cited the case of the shed at the base of the communications tower in Wittenberg that had been neglected for years. It took less than \$20,000 to make the repairs this year for a building that houses almost \$750,000 worth of communications equipment.

“They got lost and forgotten over time,” he said of such projects.

He also noted that there has been talk of creating a master plan since he was first elected to the board 14 years ago. It has never been created.

“Is it time to scrap this, or do like Waupaca County is going to do, invest \$33 million into the building?” he said. “But then you’ve still got an old building with a pile of money stuck into it.”

“That’s called lipstick on a pig,” committee member Greg Strayer said.

Kurt Berner of The Samuels Group is serving as facilitator of the committee.

He said among the benefits of a master plan is that it can provide guidance and logic for decisions, especially when there are changes to the county board after the spring election.

Berner also urged the committee to consider phases for whatever option it recommends.

“You guys have more needs here than you more than likely can afford,” he said.

Even after the first step is completed, there must be thought given to what will have to wait for another 10 years to be fixed.

“Which one are you willing to put on the back burner?” Berner said.

The next meeting of the committee will be at 9 a.m. Sept. 25 at the library, which will include a tour of that building.

The October meeting will be at the jail and include a tour. Tours of recent municipal projects in Green Lake County and Waushara County will also be planned.

A final recommendation on the direction to take will be presented to the county board. After that, the public property committee will work to implement the county board’s decision.

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showing “outward signs of drug usage, including the failure to maintain a stationary physical position, speaking in phrases and going from one topic to the next, and excessive hand and arm movement.”

When he confronted her about her drug usage, she eventually admitted she had used meth before the fire but offered conflicting timelines about how long before the fire it happened, at first saying it had been a week earlier, the complaint said.

KID offered a different sequence of events, saying he was in bed and did hear Bowman say, “It’s me. I’m filling up my car,” but when he opened his eyes, he saw flames com-

ing up from the carpet, “a red gas can melted and a trail of flames going down the hallway, and she’s down past the hallway running out the door or leaving,” according to the complaint.

He denied that he ran out of the house with Bowman and said she was already out of the house when he realized it was on fire.

“I don’t know, I was wondering if she was trying to kill me or something,” KID said, although he couldn’t think of a reason Bowman would want to do that, according to the complaint. “It’s just weird that the fire was right at my bedroom door.”

She had been acting strange for about three days prior to the fire, the cousin said, and he noticed she had parked her car farther away from the house than she usually did.

Asked if Bowman had ever had an episode before where he was concerned for his safety, he said, “No, it really caught me off guard.”

Bowman was charged with the methamphetamine possession count in August 2023 and was free on a \$2,500 signature bond. She had last appeared in court on Aug. 13, when a final pre-trial conference was scheduled for Nov. 5.

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tricts are significantly higher.”

Rogowski noted that the state aid is determined by an average rolling enrollment for the last three years, so the increase this year will not be a lot, as the enrollment in the 2022-23 school year was only one student less than the 2023-24 school year. He estimated that state aid would go up 5% for the district.

As far as open enrollment, which allows families to enroll their children in a different school district from the one where they live, Witt-Birn

is seeing more students come in than go out, with 187 students enrolled for the school year from outside the area, while 139 students living in the district boundaries are leaving to attend other school districts.

Rogowski said that the district’s goal is to pay off its referendum debt as quickly as possible in a way that doesn’t negatively impact property taxes. So far since the referendum was approved, the tax rate dropped from \$9.13 per \$1,000 to the current \$7.28.

Overall, Rogowski

believes the district is doing well in spending the public’s money.

“We are putting our school district, I think, in a position of financial stability while continuing to provide resources for staff to be effective in their positions,” he said. “We have to continue to commit to building a healthy district budget. I think the long-term plan has to be to maintain stability.”

The final budget is expected to be approved Oct. 28.

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Everyone has their reason to attend fair

Annual event draws thousands to fairgrounds

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

There are as many reasons to attend the Shawano County Fair as there are people to walk through the gates every year. Carnival rides, games, music, friends, animals and food are among the favorites.

Shawano Middle School fifth-grader Jameson Kolodziej is already a seasoned veteran of the fair.

"I've been showing at the fair for four years now," he said. "I've shown cows, I've shown sheep, I've shown pigs, I've shown chickens, and I've shown turkeys and ducks."

This year, in addition to his lamb, Pedro, he had a cake entry, helped his brother with turkeys, and completed projects for the fair.

Pedro won a blue and a red ribbon.

"I like the projects," Kolodziej said. "It's fun for me. I like it, because I can spend time with my mom, my dad and my brothers. It's nice to see the people smile."

Close to the animal barns are the farm implement dealers with their tractors and other equipment.

Bob Reyna is the business manager with Village Tractor and Repair, with branches in Bonduel, Little Suamico, Appleton, Manitowoc and Niagara.

"Getting everything out here (at the fair) is really about letting people see what we have and then, as we're going into our slower time of the year here during the winter, people will be coming back for months telling us they saw us at the fair," he said.

In addition to maintenance and repairs, the business sells new LS tractors.

"We also sell mowers, we sell trailers," Reyna said. "Our newest thing that we just brought in is a line of saw mills. Obviously, we can service anything that we sell."

Staff repairs other brands as well.

"Our main brand is the LS tractor line. LS tractors have been made, actually we just hit our 15-year anniversary of LS tractors; however, they've been making tractors for decades under different brand lines," Reyna said. "We're the largest LS dealer in the country. With our five locations, we sell more than anybody else."

Reyna said the business sells a lot of tractors in the \$15,000-\$20,000 price range, with several up to \$30,000. There are also several much larger ones for tens of thousands of dollars.

"What's nice about these small tractors is that even on a smaller property, you can use them for a lot of different things," he said. "They can cut the lawn if you want to; we can put a mower deck under the smaller ones. Anybody can use the bucket for snow removal and moving dirt and compost and that kind of stuff around the yard. You can put a tiller on the back. They've got a lot of different uses."

Way on the other side of the fairgrounds is the food stand for the Shawano Fish and Game Club, where Robert Jacobson and other volunteers serve up food and drink in six-hour shifts all day and night.

"I was only able to get one (shift) this year," he said. "I had three last year. We must have had more members that signed up to volunteer their time and make money for the club."

Jacobson enjoys mixing with the crowd as he serves them.

"It's nice to see people I haven't seen for a while," he said. "I bumped into an awful lot of people that I've dealt with over the years."

One of the most significant conservation efforts of the club revolves around pheasants.

"We get about 850 day-old chicks from the DNR every year, and then we raise them and take care of them until the pheasant season comes," Jacobson said.

He enjoys the camaraderie of serving with other club members.

"It's a good thing to do," Jacobson said. "It gives me a sense of belonging. It makes me proud of the work that I do there for the club."

The club has about 50 members, mostly in the immediate Shawano area. For more information, call Paul Deitrich at 715-526-5164.

Strolling over to Presidents Park will mean polka music and a good chance of running into Ervin Degener of Shawano and Joyce Beilfuss of Cleveland, Wisconsin. Both have danced the polka since shortly after they could walk.

"My dad was a musician," Seewold said. "I dance already at 12 years old."

Jerry Voelker and the Jolly Gents performed the afternoon of Sept. 1.

"I like the Voelker band, and we were over here yesterday (Saturday), too," Seewold said.

"We come mostly for dancing and the music," Degener added.

"Red Satin Shoes" is among her favorite tunes.

"Polka, waltzes, anything really," Degener



Jameson (front) and Henry Kolodziej snuggle up close to Jameson's lamb, Pedro, at the Shawano County Fair on Sept. 1. The lamb won a blue and a red ribbon.

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said.

On their way out of the fairgrounds and ready to call it a day were Charlie Johnson and Jackie Seewold carrying the plushie he won for her.

They've been going to the fair the past eight years.

She likes the food and the bingo games. He does, too, even though he can't seem to win a bingo game.

"Fifteen times I had one number to go," he said.

She likes corn dogs, and he likes the cheeseburgers. "I know a couple people that have food stands here," Seewold said.

They both enjoy the polka music and went to the Sunday church service.

"Just to get out by people and have a fun



Charlie Johnson and Jackie Seewold show off a plushie won at the Shawano County Fair. Bingo and polka music are among their favorite activities, with corn dogs and cheeseburgers a hit at the food stands.

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time," she said.

The Shawano County Fair is the perfect place to have a fun time — for

Seewold and everyone else who attended.

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Ervin Degener and Joyce Beilfuss dance to the music of Jerry Voelker and the Jolly Gents at Presidents Park at the 2024 Shawano County Fair.

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Bob Reyna is the business manager with Village Tractor and Repair, with branches in Bonduel, Little Suamico, Appleton, Manitowoc and Niagara.

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Fairgoers lined the midway Friday night at this year's Shawano County Fair.

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To be fair, it's a great way to end the summer



ABOVE: Dozens of people check their bingo numbers to see if they're close to winning Aug. 30 at the bingo hall at the Shawano County Fairgrounds.

RIGHT: Cody Moeller, of Pulaski, walks the cow Renegade back to its stall in the west cattle barn Aug. 30 at the Shawano County Fairgrounds.

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Noah Wendorff, of Shawano, tries to keep his duck from escaping while moving it to the poultry barn Aug. 30 at the Shawano County Fairgrounds.



LEFT: A crossbred pig, owned by Mason Raddatz with the Maple Grove Countryside 4-H, pokes its snout through the bars Aug. 30 during the Shawano County Fair.

BOTTOM LEFT: It's not a Shawano County Fair without some tractors, and these children were excited to ride the ones on the midway.



As darkness falls on the county fair Sept. 1, the Ferris wheel and the rest of the midway attractions light up to excite and entice visitors.



The band Ask Your Mother takes the main stage Sept. 1 at the Shawano County Fair, kicking off its show with a cover of "Ready to Go" by Republica.

'WE WILL MENOMINIZE IT'

New Menominee Nation High School ready to move students into the future

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

The new Menominee Nation High School threw open its doors to the community Aug. 29, with Menominee Tribal Chairwoman Gena Kakkak vowing that the new campus will be a haven of learning for Menominee students.

"Preserving our language, traditions, history and culture, we inspire our youth, nurture them and support them," said the 1993 graduate of the old high school, who has six children in the Menominee public school system. "Our commitment to our youth is what will make this high school truly special. We will Menomimize it."

The finished 110,000-square-foot high school broke ground in May 2023 after voters overwhelmingly approved a \$35 million referendum. Somerville Architects and Miron Construction worked with the district to make the campus as modern as possible, while keeping Menominee traditions and desires in mind.

The commons area has metal art pieces symbolizing the five main Menominee clans — eagle, bear, wolf, moose and crane. The floors of the school are designed with a river motif that reminds people of the tribe's connection to the Wolf River. In the welcome center, the word "posoh" is seen dominantly on the wall to represent the Menominee word for "hello."

There are also classrooms for practicing Menominee traditions, as well as language and culture. The high school includes a new lab food harvest lab where students can learn sustainable animal practices, as well as harvesting traditional Menominee staples such as wild rice and maple sugar as a way of continuing the Menominee way of life.



A giant mural depicting the eagle mascot for Menominee Nation High School serves as the backdrop while Menominee Tribal Chairwoman Gena Kakkak speaks during the school's open house Aug. 29, flanked by Menominee Indian School Board members, from left, Dennis Kenote, Nanette Corn, David Miller and Lloyd Frieson.

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The new MNHS also has a central element of natural lighting, with large glass windows making up much of the walls between classrooms and other facilities. Sustainability was an important factor in the design, according to Dan Wiitanen, senior architect with Miron, with a geothermal heating and cooling system installed.

"The community and the school district was what made this project a little bit different," Wiitanen said. "Their input created a fingerprint for each one of these projects. The unique thing for us was the learning experience that we had for this entire process. We were able to immerse ourselves in Menominee culture and how that culture influences and is related to the environment at the high school."

Marcus Denny, Menominee Indian School

District superintendent, described the completion of MNHS as a milestone, the beginning of a new chapter, a turning point in education and a chance for new opportunities and relationships. He urged the students to take advantage of the new state-of-the-art facility.

"To our students, this school is yours," Denny said. "It is a place where you can grow, learn and challenge yourself. Take advantage of every opportunity that comes your way. Be curious, be courageous and remember that an education is the foundation upon which you build your future. Embrace the teachings of your elders and the knowledge of your culture, for they are the roots that will keep you grounded as you progress in life."

Denny also urged the teachers to rise to a "critical challenge" as the new

classroom and lab designs provide opportunities to change up how to educate the students. He described the teachers as the heart of the school.

"Our vision for the school has always been to create an environment that fosters innovation, collaboration and excellence while honoring the wishes of the Menominee people," Denny said. "This school represents a new era in which we commit to providing our students with the best education system possible, grounded in the value system and culture of the Menominee people."

Menominee Indian School Board President David Miller reflected on his late father, and how education opportunities for the Menominee almost 100 years ago were extremely limited. He said all of that changes with the new campus and how it was important to do this

for the children, which he noted were the "future ancestors" for the tribe.

"This is a campus of renewal and tradition," Miller said.

The school is starting the new year with 383 students, an all-time high, according to Kate Mikle, MNHS president. Mikle said that even though the structure was grand, it would only succeed because of "the light that will fill it," describing the students and staff members who will call the place home.

"Last night, I received a call about lighting the first fire in our outdoor harvest lab by former students who have returned as role models and teachers so that they are able to smudge here today," Mikle said. "Their presence in that activity is why this building was created and reminds us that this school is a living part of the com-

munity where traditions are upheld, new ones are born, and young minds are encouraged to hope and dream."

Kakkak touted the partnership the tribe has with the local school district and the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction as it looks to improve the learning opportunities of its children. She said she believes the new school and the setup of its classrooms will help to turn things around, as the district has dealt with years of DPI report cards claiming its schools are not meeting state standards.

"It is truly an honor to see such a remarkable accomplishment when Menominee people come together," Kakkak said. "Passing the referendum for this new school shows our strength when we come together. We make incredible things happen. This is more than just a new building. It is a symbol of our commitment to our children and a testament to the strength of our people."

Kakkak described the new campus as a place where students can learn and dream "without limits." She noted the cutting-edge cultural spaces will help with those dreams and might encourage high school students to be at school more, as the three district schools have struggled with truancy issues.

"I know what it's like to get the kids to school every day, and it's not always easy," Kakkak said. "I've worked with families to overcome struggles that take priority over education."

With the new high school open, Menominee Indian Middle School has now moved into the old high school facilities in Keshena, which were remodeled and repurposed over the summer.

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The classrooms at Menominee Nation High School include state-of-the-art equipment like television monitors, as well as plenty of natural light as people check them out Aug. 29 during an open house. LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA



Metal art pieces representing the moose, the eagle and the bear, which are three of the five main clans for the Menominee, are on display in the commons of the new Menominee Nation High School. LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA



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Police surround park for fun



The Shawano Police Department held its final community outreach event Aug. 28 at Forest Hill Park in Shawano, allowing families to meet members of the police department in a positive climate. The department held multiple park events throughout the summer, handing out stickers, engaging in high-fives and dishing out free food.

LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA



A 68-year-old Gresham man was westbound on Highway 29 near state Highway 22 around 3 a.m. Aug. 28 when his vehicle entered the median, missed the guard rails and traveled down a deep embankment into the river. He was rescued nearly six hours later after being discovered by a fisherman.

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Gresham man rescued from vehicle driven into river

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

A 68-year-old Gresham man was rescued nearly six hours after his car crashed into the river near state Highway 29 on Aug. 28.

With help from the Shawano Ambulance Service and the Shawano Area Fire Department, the Shawano County Sheriff's Department removed the driver from the vehicle, transported him a short distance down the river on a fire department boat to a more accessible area and then transported him to a hospital for medical

treatment.

The Shawano County Highway Department assisted with shutting down the westbound lanes of Highway 29 for several hours while several tow trucks worked on removing the vehicle from the river.

Dispatchers were alerted about 8:40 a.m. to a report of a single-vehicle crash on state Highway 29 near state Highway 22 in the Town of Belle Plaine.

A person fishing on the Wolf River came across a vehicle in the water with a male driver who had severe injuries.

Evidence on scene and

information gathered from the driver indicated the vehicle was westbound on Highway 29 around 3 a.m. when it entered the median, missed the guard rails and traveled down a deep embankment into the river.

The driver said he had been laying injured in the water for several hours, yelling for help. This area is secluded, and no one could hear his cries until the fisherman found him, according to the sheriff's department.

This crash is still under investigation.

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Jimmy John's plans to come to Shawano

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

Jimmy John's is planning to open one of its eateries in Shawano, and the Shawano Plan Commission approved a conditional use permit Aug. 28 for the business.

Jimmy John's will be located at 811 E. Green Bay St., with plans to raze the current building and redevelop the street. The site is zoned as urban mixed use, according to Dave Moesch, zoning administrator, and any in-vehicle sales and service such as a drive-thru require a permit.

According to Cardell Potter, owner for Miracle 58, the limited liability company bringing Jimmy John's to town, the building would be about 1,350 square feet on a half-acre of land. The smaller building would necessitate having a drive-thru, which was why he applied for the conditional use permit.

"With any kind of fast food restaurant, the drive-thru is kind of the

key success for us, so that's something that's important for us, as well," Potter said.

Jane Hahn, speaking of behalf of resident Robert Thomas, said folks in the neighborhood didn't have any issues with Jimmy John's locating there, but they want a fence 8-10 feet tall around the property. It wasn't for noise issues, she said, but to block the view of homeless people sleeping around the current building.

"It's so they can keep the values up on their homes," Hahn said.

Potter said he was open to having a fence on the property, but he would need to take a closer look at the property and make sure a fence didn't negatively impact adequate space for parking.

Moesch suggested that a 6-foot fence was part of the permit requirements, but Hahn was insistent that the fence had to be taller.

"They have problems with people sleeping back there like it's an alley, and people use that all the time,"

Hahn said. "Their back yard is facing that, so that's why they want a barrier so that they don't have to look at that in their backyard."

Mayor Bruce Milavitz questioned if vagrants would still sleep in that spot once the property was spruced up with an active business operating.

"This might detour some of the people sleeping there," Milavitz said.

Commissioner Terry Hilgenberg, who abstained from the final vote because he facilitated the sale of the property, said Jimmy John's would be a welcome change to the area.

"The city of Shawano has been encouraging me for eight years to sell this property, so this is great news for the city," Hilgenberg said. "I think we're going to have a very good user here."

The conditional use permit still requires approval from the Shawano Common Council. If approved, demolition is expected at the end of September.

Evaluation still pending on Renel's sanity

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

Swift justice remained elusive as Aaron Renel's sentencing hearing had to be pushed back two months due to waiting on a report about Renel's sanity.

The sentencing was supposed to take place Aug. 27, but Eric Pangburn, Renel's attorney, asked for an extension. He said that the evaluation on Renel had not been received and would not be ready until at least Sept. 13.

"I don't know if that is a realistic date, but that's the date we have," Pangburn said.

Shawano-Menominee Circuit Court Judge William Kussel Jr. granted the extension and scheduled a status conference for 1:30 p.m. Oct. 23 in Branch II of the Shawano County Courthouse.

Renel, 42, of Cecil, pleaded not guilty by reason of mental illness June 21 to felony counts of fleeing and eluding an officer in a vehicle and second-degree recklessly endangering safety, along with a misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer. Because of the mental illness plea, an evaluation is required to determine Renel's mental state.

According to the criminal complaint, the Shawano County Sheriff's Department responded around 5:15 p.m. on May 8, 2022, to reports of a heavy truck-

type military vehicle on state Highway 29 in western Shawano County traveling down the roadway with a flat tire, thus causing a traffic hazard.

Deputies located and attempted to stop the vehicle, which the complaint says Renel was driving, but he allegedly led them on a short chase, coming to a stop in about a half-mile on the eastbound lane median of Highway 29 near County Road G in the Town of Seneca. The eastbound highway was shut down due to the incident.

Renel allegedly would not cooperate and would not exit the vehicle.

Because of comments allegedly made by Renel and the conditions of this incident, the Shawano County Special Response Team responded to this scene, according to the complaint. Deputies, including trained negotiators, communicated with Renel for about four hours; during this time, arrangements were made with the Shawano County Highway Department for the use of snowplows in case the driver tried to flee the scene.

About 9:30 p.m. Renel allegedly did just that, heading eastbound on Highway 29. Deputies tried to stop the suspect vehicle, using the snowplows in an attempt to perform a moving roadblock. The vehicle then crossed the median and

began heading eastbound in the westbound lanes of the highway, according to the complaint.

Renel allegedly came back to the eastbound lanes but then again crossed the median and was driving the wrong way down the highway. At one point, Renel allegedly drove into the median and a deputy operating a snowplow was able to pin the truck into the median, immobilizing it. Renel allegedly would not exit his vehicle and had to be removed with force. No serious injuries were reported to any law enforcement or this suspect, according to the complaint.

Renel is currently free on a \$10,000 cash bond.

During his initial appearance May 9, 2022, Kussel ordered a competency evaluation. According to court records, Renel refused to appear for court for a status conference Aug. 31, 2022, when the evaluation showed he was not competent to stand trial at that time.

A second competency evaluation was requested in October 2022 by the public defenders' office, and that evaluation showed he was not competent but could be restored to competency. A hearing in February 2023 confirmed he was competent to proceed in his own defense.

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CORRECTION

St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Oconto Falls has scheduled its next Food Truck Event for 4-7:30 p.m. Sept. 9 in the parking lot at the church, 253 Franklin St. An incorrect date is listed in the NEW Media Fall Fun Guide that was inside the Aug. 30 paper. We apologize for the error.



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FARM LIFE FROM A FARM WIFE

Harvest season used to be family affair

Back in the day, when our kids were still home, this time of year brought a frenzy of activity. Between school starting and the harvest in full swing, we were busier than a cat coverin-gup. Soon our boys would be leaving for late afternoon football practices, and we'd use every ounce of help we could get out of them.

The late-summer harvest season found one or both boys plus a cousin inside a gravity box full of oats. Using their feet or a shovel or even a broom, they'd knock the oats down from inside the gravity box and funnel it all to a waiting elevator. I'd be there on the outside, bent at the waist siphoning it into the direction of the elevator taking it up to the granary. Their dad would be inside shoveling the oats toward the back end to make sure we had enough storage space for the crop coming in. It was a family affair.

We workers would all wear either face masks with elastic around the ears or handkerchiefs covering our noses tied at the back of our head. The masks would last maybe a day and get tossed, they'd be stained with the dust of the oats. It was a job I was glad to see complete. Cringing as I recall this, it sure couldn't have been good for any of us.

Every three weeks or so when we'd need ground feed made, United Co-op would bring out a truck with a shuttle conveyer and pick up a ton of oats from the stash. Taking it to the mill, they'd mix the oats with cob corn, shell corn, soybean meal and various minerals to keep our girls healthy, bringing the mixed feed back out.

We had a beautiful yellow lab named Diamond back then. While the guy was unloading his truck into the grain tank, our Diamond would bring her softball over and plunk it down at his feet; they'd have a good game of throw and fetch. If the guy didn't pick it up immediately, she'd shove her ball toward his feet with her nose.



A 30-foot combine swatches a massive spread of winter wheat in Shawano County. The end of August and beginning of September signals that harvest time is here.

KAY REMINGER



Over and over, she'd retrieve the ball after he'd heave it, sometimes far out into the hayfield. After he'd leave, she'd flop down under a shade tree, exhausted and panting, her tongue hanging out, I swear with a smile on her face.

This was the same dog who, following us around as we picked rocks, would run after one we'd just thrown on the stone fence and bring it back, dropping it at our feet. "Diamond," we'd groan, "that isn't your ball."

Every year before planting, we'd shovel 20 burlap sacks full of oats, weighing up at about 100 pounds apiece. My husband would haul it to The South Forty in Shawano. There they'd clean the oats, running it through a screen to get any

weed seed or impurities out. This would be used then, to seed down our couple fields of oats each spring.

After the oats were combined off the field and buttoned up in the granary, we'd chop straw. The combine, after harvesting the oats, would leave rows of straw on the field. Raking it, we'd turn the straw over so it would dry properly. Chopping straw was a dusty, hateful job, but oh how I loved to see the final result: a mow full of fresh golden straw. We'd use it all winter long as clean bedding for our cows and calves.

We never grew winter wheat on our farm, another commodity that's being harvested right now. Talking to a seasoned farmer the other day who deals in wheat, he filled in some details, mentioning, "Wheat has to have its head tipped down before combining it. What's leftover is straw, basically just like oats. The difference is wheat is planted in

the fall, not spring. It has to come up and then goes dormant over winter and starts growing again in the spring. This year the yield is good because of all the rain and warm temps but

it's not worth as much in the market right now."

He went on to explain, "Some of those bigger farms feed wheat straw to cows."

Asking him why, he elab-

orated, "It resembles alfalfa stems more; oats has just a flat, mushy stem, sort of flimsy, whereas wheat straw is more like a straw of hay, more scratchy. They mix it in for dry cow feed, which gets the cows to ruminate better. It scratches the belly more." (Translated: It enhances digestion.)

He went on, "They put up too much high-powered alfalfa so to balance that, they mix their feed with wheat straw."

Hay is also being harvested right now. When we were dairy farming three crops of alfalfa harvested in a season was satisfying. Now larger farms are working on their fourth and even fifth crops of hay. What would take us a week to harvest, massive pieces of equipment fly around the fields in mere hours.

With oats, wheat, alfalfa and soon to be corn, the harvest season is in full swing.

("The earth has yielded its produce; God, our God, blesses us." Psalm 67:6)

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



This field of soybeans is not quite ready for harvest, but other crops around northeast Wisconsin are as summer is coming to an end and fall is on the horizon.

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Rob Zimmer
Columnist

hydrangeas begin the year pure white. The conical-shaped blooms emerge in late June or early July in white or lime green.

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ROB ZIMMER

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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.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

FRIDAY, SEPT. 6

LENA: Dairy Fest, 6-10 p.m., St. Anne's Parish, 221 E. Main St. Truck pull 6 p.m., fireworks at dusk.

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

SATURDAY, SEPT. 7

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

LENA: Dairy Fest, St. Anne's Parish, 221 E. Main St. Stampede 5K run/walk 8 a.m., parade 10:30 a.m. Petting zoo, pony rides, face painting, bouncers, food vendors, free ice cream, live music.

OCONTO: Pancake porkie breakfast, 8-11 a.m., Holy Trinity Fellowship Hall, 300 Arbutus Ave. Hosted by Knights of Columbus. All you can eat; free-will donation.

SHAWANO: Empty Bowls, Caring Hearts fundraiser for SAM25, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B. Soups and bowls for purchase, live music, silent auction, bucket raffles.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 8

SHAWANO: Zurko Promotions Flea Market, 7 a.m. to 4

p.m., Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St. \$2 admission.

BONDUEL: Farmers Market, 8 a.m. to noon, Mill and Pond streets. Local produce, artisanaals, handmade crafts from the Bonduel area.

SHAWANO: Customs and Classics Car Show, 8 a.m., Shawano Lake County Park, 5785 Lake Drive.

CHASE: Chase Stone Barn Craft Show, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Chase Stone Barn Park, 8246 County Road S. More than 100 vendors, brats and burgers, music by Lot 1.

SHAWANO: Grand opening, 10:15 a.m., Shawano Baptist Church, N5364 Poplar Road. Special music, a brief message and luncheon in the church fellowship room.

SHAWANO: Roll Back Time with Wisconsin Wheelmen, 1-4:30 p.m., Shawano Historical Society Heritage Park, 524 N. Franklin St. Antique bicycles, period costumes, presentations on collecting and restoration, exhibits and demonstrations. Pie and Ice Cream Social 2-4 p.m., old-fashioned beverage booth 1-4:30 p.m.

MONDAY, SEPT. 9

KESHENA: College of Menominee Nation Career and Resource Fair, 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Five Clans Ballroom,

Menominee Casino Resort, N277 State Highway 47-55. Apply on the spot with area businesses. Resources available include NEWCAP and Job Center of Wisconsin Resume Support.

OCONTO FALLS: Food Truck Event, 4-7:30 p.m., St. Anthony Parish, 253 N. Franklin St. Gyros, Kona shaved ice, fried cheese curds, corn dogs, funnel cakes, cookie dough, burgers, BBQ and Caribbean foods. Beverages for sale, live music.

OCONTO: Cemetery Walk "If Tombstones Could Talk," 6 p.m., Oconto Catholic Cemetery, 3024 N. River Road.

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.

OCONTO: Masonic Pine Lodge 188, 6 p.m., 513 Superior Ave. Family and friends welcome at 6 p.m. dinner, stated communication meeting follows at 7 p.m.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 10

SHAWANO: SaYPro Event - Headshot Happy Hour, 5-7 p.m., The Naberhood, 214 S. Sawyer St. Details at saypro.org.

OCONTO: Cemetery Walk "If Tombstones Could Talk," 6 p.m., Oconto Catholic Cemetery,

3024 N. River Road.

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

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 11

OCONTO: Cemetery Walk "If Tombstones Could Talk," 6 p.m., Oconto High School, 1717 Superior Ave.

NEOPIT: Recovery talking circle, 6-8 p.m. The Circle House, W6715 Shawpokasic St. Information: Mindy Thunder at 715-799-3835 or mthunder@mitw.org.

POUND: Line Dancing with the North Country Kickers, 6:30-9 p.m., Equity Hall, W7403 State Highway 64. Lessons 7 p.m. Admission \$5. For information, call 920-606-4370 or 920-829-6316.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 12

SHAWANO: Wisconsin Deer Hunters Event, 5-10 p.m., Crawford Center, 251 S. Waukechon St. Guest speakers, raffles, and much more. Advance tickets \$80. Youth (16 and under) \$50. At the door \$95.

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

NAVARINO: Crafts with NNC

— Introduction to Mandala, 6-8 p.m., Navarino Nature Center, W5646 Lindsten Road. Member \$20, non-members \$25, register at navarino.org/events

OCONTO: American Legion Post 74, 6 p.m., Crivello's, 818 Main St. Come early for social time and remain after for a light buffet.

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

FRIDAY, SEPT. 13

ONEIDA: College of Menominee Nation Benefit Golf Outing, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Thornberry Creek Golf Course, 4470 N. Pine Tree Road. 9 a.m. shotgun start, raffles, 50/50, President's Challenge. Details at menominee.edu

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

SATURDAY, SEPT. 14

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

SURING: Car Show, Krueger Kustoms, 718 E. Main St. All era cars, trucks, bikes, semis, Jeeps, ATVs, UTVs and race cars welcome. 50/50 raffle, food and

drinks, meat raffle.

BONDUEL: Patriot Day Celebration, 9:30 a.m., Village Park, 214 E. Park St. Fire Department Stair Walk 9:45 a.m., luncheon at the park 11 a.m., followed by short program including music, presentation of colors, guest speaker and recognition of those serving the community including veterans, police, fire and EMS.

WITTENBERG: Dedication of Veterans Memorial, 1 p.m., Community Park, South Webb Street. Hosted by American Legion Post 502. Ceremony to be followed by a meal in the park served by Wittenberg Fire Department.

SHAWANO: Headstones, 5:30 p.m., Woodlawn Cemetery, 1115 E. Green Bay St. Honoring The Korean War Veterans of Shawano County. Graveside stories and recollections. Free. Presented by the Shawano County Historical Society and the Shawano Parks and Recreation Department in cooperation with the Shawano American Legion and VFW.

KESHENA: 37th Anniversary Celebration, 7 p.m., Menominee Casino Resort, N277 State Highway 47-55. Free show by Sting Ray's Jukebox Rock Show. Special tributes to Elvis and Shake Rattle and Roll.



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Pulaski shuts out Appleton East, Shawano

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Aug. 30
Pulaski 2, Appleton East 0
One goal in each half was enough for Pulaski as the Red Raiders shut out Appleton East 2-0 in non-conference action.
Maddox McKeefry started the scoring with an unassisted goal at 23 minutes.
At 53 minutes in the second half, Riley Crocker scored on an assist from Hudson Schultz.
Pulaski had nine shots on goal compared to two for Appleton East. Josh Roth had one save for the Red Raiders, and Henry Benz had seven for Appleton East.

Aug. 29
Pulaski 3, Marshfield 3
Pulaski and Marshfield battled to a 3-3 tie in non-conference action on the Red Raiders' field Aug. 29.
Pulaski opened the game with Maddox McKeefry scoring with an assist from AJ Schenk eight minutes into the game. Marshfield scored twice in the first half to lead 2-1 at the break.
McKeefry had an unassisted scored at the 44-minute mark to tie the contest at 2-2. At 72 minutes, Marshfield regained the lead, but the Red Raiders tied it back up eight minutes later on an unassisted goal from Hudson Schultz.

Pulaski had nine shots on goal, while Marshfield had five. Josh Roth had three saves for the Red Raiders.

Aug. 27
Pulaski 7, Shawano 0
Maddox McKeefry and Tate Gerth each scored a pair of goals as Pulaski shut out Shawano on its home field 7-0 on Aug. 27.
The Red Raiders led 4-0 at the half, first on an unassisted goal by McKeefry and then another unassisted goal by Hudson Schultz. McKeefry and Gerth each scored again for the Red Raiders on penalty kicks.
Scoring in the second half began with a penalty kick goal by Nolan Pratt at the 51st minute.

Gerth scored his second goal nine minutes later with an assist from Deegan Lambert. The final goal came at 73 minutes from Josh Aranda with an an assist from Henry Kanzenbach.
Pulaski's Jonah Drews and Josh Roth worked the goal. Ryan Buerman was Shawano's goalkeeper, and he had 17 saves.
The Red Raiders had 21 shots on goal, while Shawano had none.



Pulaski's Maddox McKeefry (22) braces himself for a kick in the Red Raiders 7-0 shutout over Shawano on Aug. 27.

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Above, Shawano and Pulaski players work up a sweat in their Aug. 27 game at Shawano Community High School. The Red Raiders shut out the Hawks 7-0. At right, Donovan Holderness (11), a captain for Pulaski's soccer team, leans into his kick.

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Red Raiders pull out victory in final seconds

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Aug. 30
Pulaski 21, Hortonville 18

The Red Raiders opened the scoring with less than a minute remaining in the first quarter against Hortonville and then scored with less than a minute left in the game to seal the 21-18 win.
With 59 seconds left in the first quarter, Ethan Schmidt connected with Trevor Schuessler on a 6-yard pass as Pulaski went on top 7-0.
Hortonville scored twice in the second period and led 12-7 at halftime. They extended the lead to 18-7 with a third quarter touchdown.
At 2:54 in the third,

Schmidt tossed an 11-yard touchdown to Joey Mijal for a 3-yard score, bringing the Red Raiders to within four, 18-14.
Then, with 24 seconds left on the game clock, Brock Weidman ran the ball in from the 2-yard line. A Miles Wippel extra point kick ended the game with Pulaski getting the three-point win.
Schmidt was 18-of-34 for 212 yards and two touchdowns. Schuessler led the receiving corps with six catches for 83 yards.
Pulaski's run game was nonexistent as five runners carried the ball 23 times for negative six yards. Schmidt led the runners with eight yards on nine carries.

Bryce Wotruba had one interception for Pulaski.
Wittenberg-Birnamwood 26, Tomahawk 14
Wittenberg-Birnamwood evened its overall record to 1-1 with a 26-14 home victory over Tomahawk.
The Chargers will open CWC-Large Conference action with a home game against Weyauwega-Fremont at 7 p.m. Sept. 6.
Three Lakes/Phelps 34, Gillett 32
Gillett came up short in its season opener, dropping a 34-32 decision to Three Lakes/Phelps.
The Tigers will host Florence at 6 p.m. Sept. 7.
Alma Center Lincoln 28, Marion/Tigerton 16
The Mustangs scored 16 points in the first quarter

as they jumped out to a quick lead, but Alma Center Lincoln didn't roll over.
From there, the visiting team scored 14 points in the second quarter and another 14 in the third quarter to win 28-16.
Three Lakes/Phelps will play at Marion at 7 p.m. Sept. 6.
Aug. 29
Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas 30, Niagara 0
Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas opened its 2024 campaign with a 30-0 shutout of Niagara.
Oconto Falls 36, Peshtigo 6
Oconto Falls defeated Peshtigo 36-6 in non-conference action.
Coleman 22, Bonduel 20
Trailing 22-0 in the

third quarter, Bonduel battled back but came up two points short in its 22-20 loss to Coleman.
The Bears put their first touchdown on the board on a 25-yard pass from Cade Johnson to Quinn Wesenberg. The two-point conversion failed.
In the fourth quarter, Johnson tossed a 11-yard pass to Ryan Westrich for another TD, with the two-point conversion failing again.
Another TD pass from Johnson to Sam Roberts from 30 yards out was followed by a two-point conversion pass from Johnson to Colin Fischer to bring the Bears to within two points.
Johnson ended the night 16-for-25 for 239 yards and

three TDs.
Fischer carried the ball nine times for 16 yards.
Wrightstown 57, Shawano 0
Highlights were few and far between when Shawano was pounded 57-0 at Wrightstown.
Wrightstown scored 22 points in the first quarter (including a safety), 21 in the second (including an interception returned 35 yards for a score) and 14 in the fourth. There was no scoring in the third quarter.
Jerzy Bocker completed 5-of-15 for 26 yards and one interception.
Marcus Brezgel carried the ball 17 times for 73 yards, and Austin Heling caught four passes for 23 yards.

Golf outing to benefit Bonduel athletics

Annual event set for Sept. 14 at Shalagoco

BY KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

It's almost time for the Bonduel Track and Field annual golf outing to benefit all Bonduel athletic

programs. This year's four-person scramble and dinner event will be held Sept. 14 at the Shawano Lake Golf Course (Shalagoco). Organizer Greg Strayer said the group formed nearly two decades ago to help with the costs of maintenance of the football field and track. Now, the goal is to raise funds for a new press box and a shed for maintenance equipment that would be under the press

box. "Years ago, the press box was built by the shop class, and it's in need of repairs," Strayer said. "The school would also like it moved because, after they created a new school entrance, the box blocks the view of the entrance." The latest estimates are the press box and maintenance area would cost about \$150,000, said Chris Rank, activities director at Bonduel High School and a member of the Bonduel

Track and Field group. Funds were recently donated to buy travel bags for the football team. "We have a new youth volleyball program starting, and we're looking to get some help with the cost of uniforms," Rank said. "We really help all levels – youth, middle school and high school – in whatever ways we can, whether it's existing programs or helping new ones get off the ground." Long-term plans at the

school include a turf field for football and expanding the six-lane track to eight lanes. The golf outing usually raises between \$8,000 and \$12,000, Stayer said. "We have about 100 golfers come out, hole sponsors, raffles and community donations," he said. The shotgun start will be at noon. Cocktails will be served at 5 p.m., with the dinner at 6 p.m. Prizes, raffles and auctions will follow the meal.

Strayer noted that the golf outing alternates each year between the Shalagoco and Golden Sands Golf Course. The price to participate is \$80 per person, which includes 18 holes of golf, cart, dinner and prizes. For the meal only, the price is \$45 per person. For information or to book a tee time, call the Shalagoco at 715-524-4890 or Strayer at 920-378-9955.

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Chargers runners capture title at Pittsville Invite

Aug. 29 Rhineland Invitational

Ryan Corn and Urijah Reeves paced the Menominee Nation High School boys and girls cross-country runners at the Rhineland Invitational on Aug. 29. Corn, a sophomore, finished in 20th place in the 5,000-meter race in 19:41.0. He was joined by junior Barron Waupoose, who placed 25th in 19:52.3; freshman Bryant Waupoose III, who finished 27th in 20:02.3; senior Francis Delabrau, who placed 53rd in 21:28.9; and senior Quinn Olson, who finished 60th in 22:01.6. Reeves, a junior, finished in 29th place with a time of 25:56.4. Senior Anisa Waupoose placed 64th in 32:52.9, and junior Keira Nacotee was 69th in 36:29.9.

**Aug. 29
Pittsville Invitational** Wittenberg-Birnamwood's girls cross-country team finished first and the boys were second at the Pittsville Invitational on Aug. 29.



Menominee Nation junior Urijah Reeves set the pace for her teammates at the Rhineland Invitational. She completed the 5,000-meter cross country contest in 25:56.4, which placed her 29th.

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Rory Salveson was the sole first place finisher for the Chargers, crossing the finish line in 21:40. Nor Bushman was third in 22:12, with Harper Kroll in fifth in 22:30 and Gabrielle Timm in seventh in 23:40. Also competing for Wittenberg-Birnamwood were

Sydney Schairer in 20th in 28:08 and Jayden Zeinert in 29th place in 31:13. The boys were led by Landon Meronk, who finished ninth in 21:46. Five more finished in the top 20. They were Jonas Bushman, 14th, 22:54; Milo Salveson, 16th, 23:07; Hayden Miller, 18th, 23:11;

Marty Nowinsky, 19th, 23:12; and Taras Guk, 20th, 23:16. Carson Meronk placed 21st in 23:22; Dalton Fletcher was 23rd in 23:42; Coleton Mueller finished 24th in 23:44; and Carter Walvogel was 32nd in 25:41. **Standing Rock Invitational** Marion's Brooklyn Ahlers finished 27th in the 3,200-meter run and Bella Conover placed 40th in the 5,000-meter run at the Stevens Point invitational. Ahlers' time was 16:28.80, and Conover's was 29:43.40. Also in the longer run, Bridget Much placed 62nd

in 34:40.50, and Mieka Hirshovn was 69th in 41:35:00. For the boys, Tristan Herro placed 33rd in the 5,000-meter run. His time was 23:53.80. **Aug. 28
Freedom Irish Invite** Gillett's Bradyn Wendorff won the 5,000-meter run at the Freedom invitational with a time of 17:40.28. Teammates Nash Stage placed 16th in 19:51.20 and Scott Herroux was 24th in 20:52.20. In the 3,200-meter run, Noah Soper led Gillett with a sixth place finish in 9:43.00. He was joined by Braxton Valley, 17th, 10:31.20;

Alex Valley, 25th, 11:05.50; Johnny DiMaggio, 26th, 11:10.80; Ryker Gruel, 48th, 12:50.50; and Van Blaszkowski, 60th, 14:18.30. Amanda Pate finished second in the girls 3,200-meter run in 10:12.20. She was joined by Halle Wendorff, who place 23rd in 11:56.90, and Sharlese Stage, who placed 44th in 12:50.30. In the 5,000-meter run, Hope Soper led Gillett, placing 11th in 23:27.30. Sophia Limberg placed 27th in 23:57.20; Maggie Kaczmarek was 37th in 26:39.20; Lily Hansen placed 40th in 26:54.50; and Cilena Guns finished 54th in 32:53.70.

Shawano golfers win Jaguar Classic

BY NEW MEDIA STAFF

Aug. 30 Jaguar Classic

Shawano golfers scored seven under par for a 65 and earned first-place honors at the Jaguar Classic at Hilly Haven Golf Course in Ashwaubenon. The Jaguar Classic is a four-person scramble with alternating drives. Twenty-one teams competed. De Pere placed second with a 67, and Seymour was third with a 68. Shawano is in second place in the Bay Conference. Next up is a conference mini-meet Sept. 10 at Seymour. **Aug. 27
Bay Conference Mini-Meet #5** Shawano's Sophie Eggert scored a 42 and earned medalist honors at the Bay Conference Mini-Meet #5 on Aug. 27 at Cherry Hills Golf & Lodge in Sturgeon

Bay. Bonduel's Morgan Staszak was next in line with a 47. Also scoring for the Hawks were Madelyn Moesch with 52, Lily Glysch with 57 and Delanie Kunze with 58. Junior Morgan Evans scored 60. Other Bears adding to the team total were Paige Wolf at 57, Leah Court at 65 and Raina Dworniczak at 66. Junior McKenna Onesti scored a 70. Seymour won the meet with a 206, followed by Shawn with a 209. Bonduel placed fourth with a 235. **Fox River Classic Conference Mini-Meet #2** The Red Raiders scored 439 to place them sixth out of seven teams at the Fox River Classic Conference Mini-Meet #2 at Riverdale Country Club in Sheboygan. Bay Port won with a 330.

Scores for Pulaski were 105, 107, 108 and 119. **Bay Conference Mini-Meet #4** **Aug. 26** Shawano golfer Sophia Eggert was the medalist once again when the Hawks competed Aug. 26 in the Bay Conference Mini-Meet No. 4 at Golden Sands Golf Course in Cecil. Eggert's score of 40 set the pace for the Hawks, who placed second with a 192. Seymour won with a 177, and Bonduel placed fifth with a 211. Joining Eggert for Shawano were Lily Glysch with a 45, Melanie Kunze with a 52 and Madelyn Moesch with a 55. Morgan Evans also carded a 55. Bonduel was led by Raina Dworniczak and Paige Wolf, each with a 49. They were joined by Morgan Staszak with a 52 and Hailey Spates with a 61. Leah Court scored a 65.

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Chargers place second at Bay Conference Relays

Earn 4 first place finishes

After only having six swimmers on varsity last year, the Wittenberg-Birnamwood swim team is back bigger and better for 2024.

The Chargers have a full varsity team as well as a pair of swimmers for JV events.

At the Bay Conference Relays on Aug. 29 in Sturgeon Bay, Wittenberg-Birnamwood placed second with 120 points, with Door County United in first with 127.

The team earned four first-place finishes as well as two each for second and third.

In the 200-yard medley relay, Brooklyn Beran, Reese Dickman, Kelsie Davis and Faith Resch finished with a time of 1:58:04. Faith Resch, Claire Timm, Andrea Powell and Ava Hegewald completed the 200-yard freestyle 4x50 relay in 1:56.87.

In the 3x100-yard breaststroke relay, it was Olivia Bessette, Rylee

Crick and Reese Dickman touching in 3:50.47. Resch, Bessette, Dickman and Davis had a time of 3:56.54 in the 400-yard freestyle relay.

Chloe Hanson, Bessette, Elizabeth Behnke and Timm placed second in the 100-yard freestyle relay 4x25 with 59.33, and Powell, Davis and Crick earned second in the 200-yard butterfly 50-100-50 relay in 2:07.51.

Hegewald, Powell, Crick and Beran placed third in the 400-yard medley 4x100 intermediate medley in 4:59.8, and Beran, Behnke, Hanson and Ava Filtz placed third with a time of 9:10.77 in the 750-yard freestyle relay 400-200-100-50.

Filtz, Hegewald, Hanson and Addie Schmid were fourth in the 200-yard medley reverse order in 2:38.14.

Sixth place in the 3x100 backstroke was captured by Timm, Schmid and Behnke in 4:18.16.



The Wittenberg-Birnamwood swim team cheers one of their teammates at the Bay Conference Relays on Aug. 29 in Sturgeon Bay. CONTRIBUTED

Carroll continues winning ways, despite rough time for team

By NEW MEDIA STAFF
Aug. 28
Pulaski 5, Shawano 2

The Shawano girls tennis team battled against an experienced Pulaski team to get two wins as Pulaski

captured five victories. Upstart freshman Jaelyn Hietpas won her second match in a row with 6-4,

6-0 victory. Rachael Carroll continued her winning streak with 6-0, 6-0 wins. Each team won two singles matches. Pulaski's Ruth Krause

topped Ireland Setteman 6-1, 6-3 at No. 1 singles, while teammate Isabella Skalecki defeated Hadley Rettke 6-0, 6-1 in the No. 3 spot.

At No. 2, Carroll beat Aubrie Schluessler 6-0, 6-0, and at No. 4, Hietpas defeated Anna Krause. Alyssa Eggert and Addison Heezen of Pulaski won 6-1, 6-3 over Claire Weiland and Olivia Dobratz at No. 1.

At No. 2, it was Ayla Groteluschen and Linde Lemerond shutting out Madison Miller and Lana Owens 6-0, 6-0.

The scores of 6-0, 6-1 at No. 3 were in favor of Hailey Jansen and Gretchen Rottier over Ava Hoffman and Abriella Mahkimitas-Kurkiewicz.

Aug. 26
Shawano Triangular
Shawano tennis singles player Rachel Carroll went 2-0 and extended her season mark to 11-1 when the Hawks hosted Manitowoc and Oshkosh North in a triangular Aug. 26.

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Volleyball season begins for several local teams

Tigerrton keeps matches close, exciting as Tigers open season at Marion Invitational

BY NEW MEDIA STAFF

Aug. 29 Marion Invitational
Tigerton High School played in their first volleyball matches of the season Aug. 29 at the Marion Invitational.

Except for the first match of the night, the Tigers kept the sets close and exciting.

The Tigers lost their first match to Menominee Nation with identical set scores of 25-10. Menominee Nation also beat Tigerton 2-0.

Tigerton then defeated Phelps 2-1 with set scores of 25-22, 25-27 and 15-12. Elcho defeated Tigerton 2-0 with set scores of 25-19 and 26-24. Tigerton beat Faith Christian Academy in the fourth round 2-0 with set scores of 25-17 and 25-17.

In the final match of the evening, Tigerton defeated Marion 2-1 with set scores of 15-25, 25-16 and 15-13.

“Tonight was our first chance to play together in competition,” Tigerton coach Holly Meverden said. “The girls will work hard, and we will figure out how to make it work

in many areas as needed. I see so much potential on the floor and am sure that I will see improvement.”

For the tournament, Danika Tiller led Tigerton with 47 assists.

Angel Welch collected 43 digs, with Aaliyah Lederhaus having 24, Jade Selle and Lillian Welch with 20 each and Sienna Breaker getting 18.

Presley Stewart-Rolfs scored 21 kills, while Lederhaus had 15, Selle had 14 and Lillian Welch with 12.

Stewart-Rolfs notched 41 points and 17 aces, Breaker had 34 points and seven aces, and Tiller had 19 points and four aces.

Lederhaus led the team with three block kills.

Crivitz Triangular
Suring downed Oneida Nation 3-0 and then lost 4-0 to Crivitz at the latter’s home triangular.

Against Crivitz, Suring was defeated 25-19, 25-22, 25-14, 3-0.

Wausaukee 3, Gillett 2

Gillett dropped to 2-2 on the year with a 3-2 loss to Wausaukee at home.

Aug. 27 Winneconne Quad

Invitational

Shawano finished runner-up at the Winneconne Quad Invitational in their first matches of the season Aug. 27.

The Hawks dropped their match against their hosts 18-25, 25-22, 13-15. However, Shawano came back and defeated Denmark 25-17, 25-16, and then topped Wautoma in three sets 11-25, 25-15, 15-10.

“The night had many ups and downs as we learned our rotations and positions, but overall, it was a successful night,” coach Dan Trudgeon said. “We played Winneconne first and the final set came down to the wire with Winneconne coming out on top 13-15. It was a night to learn from after only three practices as a team this season.”

The Hawks were led by Leah Nordin and Natalie Bystol with 24 and 21 kills, respectively. Both led the team with five aces as well. Teagen Thompson led the team in digs with 25, and Amelia Klement led the offense with 35 assists.

SPASH Tournament
Wittenberg-Birnam-

wood opened its season in tournament action at Stevens Point Area Senior High School, finishing 3-1 in the process.

“It was a good start to the season by finishing first in the Silver Bracket,” coach Becky Rew said. “The girls played hard, fought back in a couple matches and ended the day 3-1. We started a little slow in our first match but turned it around quickly to win the next three games.”

The highlight of the day was when the girls fought back from a deficit against Green Bay NEW Lutheran to win the second and third sets and take the match.

The Chargers lost 1-2 to De Pere with set scores of 14-25, 25-17, 8-15; beat Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln 2-0 by scores of 25-18, 25-14; defeated Green Bay NEW Lutheran 2-1 on scores of 18-25, 25-22, 15-13; and downed Rhinelander 2-0 by set scores of 25-13, 25-23.

Kaitlin Tuskowski posted 52 serving attempts with eight aces and 17 assists; Makayla Meronk had 22 serving attempts with five aces and 30 digs; and Lily Metropulos recorded 23 serving attempts with five aces and 36 hitting attempts with 10 kills, 30 assists and 27 digs.

Melaina Granquist recorded 52 hitting attempts with 14 kills and six block kills. Charlie Eichman had 38 hitting attempts with 11 kills and five block kills, and Evelyn Fletcher had 34 hitting attempts with 10 kills.

Gresham 3, Three Lakes 2

Gresham won three sets against Three Lakes to improve to 1-1 on the year.

Gillett Quad
Gillett went 2-1 at its home quad with wins over Stockbridge and White Lake and a loss to Sevastopol.

Both wins were 3-0 shutouts, while the loss was also a 3-0 shutout in favor of Sevastopol.

Battle of the Valley
Oconto Falls lost 2-1 to Fox Valley Lutheran in their opening contest at the Battle of the Valley in Ashwaubenon. However, the Panthers came back and shut out Little Chute 2-0 to end their day.

Shiocton Invite
Suring lost 2-0 to

Shiocton at the Shiocton Invite.

Oconto Invite
Menominee Nation was shut out 2-0 by both Oconto and Bonduel at the Oconto Invite.

The Bears started out with a win over Menominee Nation 25-11, 25-14.

Bonduel then lost to Valders in three sets after winning the first set 25-22, 22-25, 12-15.

It took two sets for the Bears to defeat Mishicot 25-19, 25-17.

Bonduel lost its last match in three sets against the host Oconto after winning the first set, 25-20, 21-25, 11-15. Oconto went on to win their invite.

Bonduel was lead by Audrey Weier who tallied 28 kills and 29 digs. Other strong contributors were Juliana Jacobs with 19 kills and Audrey Jacobs with 13 kills. Josie Anvelink led in digs with 31. Tatum Sporisky tallied 29 digs and seven aces. Paige Niquette had 40 assists. And Jayla Reinke had 28 assists.

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As a whole, the team did not perform as well as Carroll. Shawano was 0-2.

Oshkosh North 8, Shawano 1

Carroll won her No. 2 singles match 6-2, 6-0 over Arianna Bauer. Dropping their singles matches were Ireland Setterman, Hadley Rettke and Amelia Belter.

All five Shawano duos lost their doubles matches. They included Claire Weiland and Olivia Dobratz (one win), Lana Owens and Madison Miller (two wins), Abriella Mahkimetas-Kurkiewicz and Ava Hoffman (three wins), Harper Rettke and Caroline Bergman (one

win) and Chloe Gilling and Ruby Onesti (no wins).

Manitowoc Lincoln 6, Shawano 1

Again, Carroll had the only win for Shawano, claiming 6-2, 6-0 victories over Allison Gates.

Setterman was shut out at No. 1 singles, Hadley Retake won four games at No. 3, and Jaelyn Hietpas won four games at No. 4. Weiland and Dobratz were shut out at No. 1 doubles. Miller and Owens had close contests but came up short, falling 6-4, 7-5 at No. 2 doubles. At No. 3, Hoffman and Mahkimetas-Kurkiewicz won two games.



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- ACROSS
- 1 NBA star Curry

6 "It's my turn"

10 Modern artist Mondrian

14 Knight suit

19 Midwestern air hub

20 Baja resort, for short

21 Regarding, in memos

22 Illusionist's shout

23 Corporate accountant's calculation

26 Prods into action

27 Protect with a policy

28 Big family

29 "Permission granted"

31 "What did you say?"

32 Cutting out

34 Carry in inventory

36 MIT's address

39 HS senior's exam

40 DC-based alliance

42 Ridiculous

44 Fleecy beasts

45 Hillary/Norgay claim to fame

49 Descendant

52 Prod into action

53 Italian cheese

54 Religious doctrine

55 '90s fad disk

56 Wonder Woman in recent films

58 Actor Baldwin

62 Having fun

64 Kid's taboos

66 Many a remote battery

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70 The 5 in 7, 195

75 Slip up
- 76 Stately shader

77 Placed in a box

78 Extremely small

79 Bygone fast fliers: Abbr.

81 Lead voice in *Up*

84 Dr. of rap

86 Floor models

87 Slow tempo

90 Well-executed

91 Imitative skill

92 Joan Rivers' onetime *Tonight* Show role

98 Very soon

99 Crumpet cousin

100 Sleep study test

101 Metaphor for intrigue

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106 Waits on the phone

108 *Goosebumps* guy

111 Flatbread of India

112 Watch tots

114 Prince William's mom

116 Recycled tech products

117 More frosty

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123 Message from a teacher

124 Achilles' weak spot

125 Date with a dr.

126 Flower fragment

127 NFL rusher's success

128 Communicate

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11 "Equal" starter

12 Online crafts site

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15 Pal of Pooh

16 Retired soccer star

17 Tanzanian archaeological site

18 Most impulsive

24 Choir guy

25 Sort of steak

30 Latin jazz

33 Fill the tank

35 Manipulate, as dough

37 Phony coin

38 Pago Pago's place

41 Brawny

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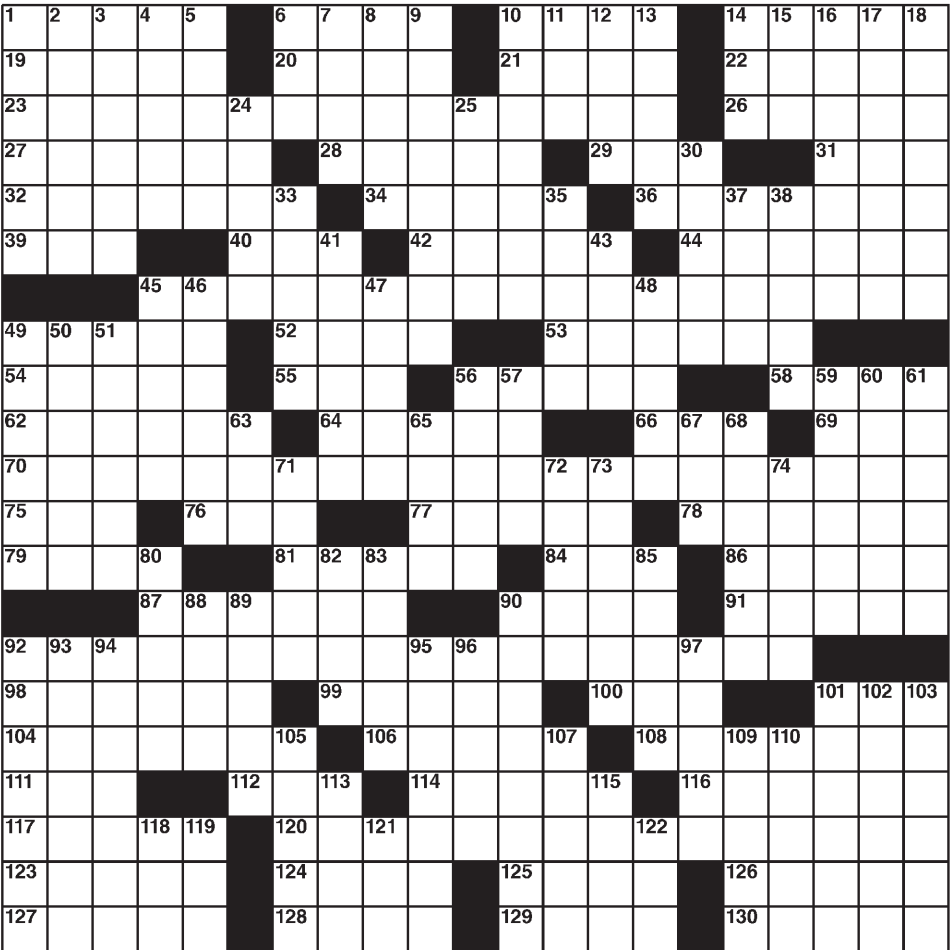
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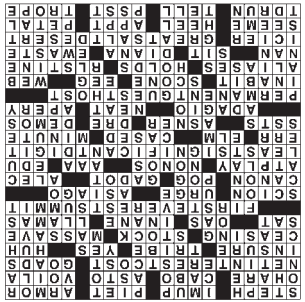
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• Marc R. Haecker, 37, Birnamwood, had his proba-tion revoked March 21 for possession of methamphet-amine, felony bail jumping and two misdemeanor counts of operating while revoked. On

Aug. 27, Judge Katherine Sloma sentenced him to 18 months in prison, followed by 18 months of extended supervision, with credit for 233 days served. • Crystal J. Hager, 35, Sur-ing, pleaded no contest Aug.

27 to possession of metham-phetamine. Sloma withheld sentencing and placed her on three years of probation. • Jeffrey A. Cloud, 34, Shawano, was charged Aug. 26 with three counts of felony bail

jumping and a misdemeanor count of operating while revoked. Judge William Kussel Jr. set a \$500 cash bond and

scheduled a preliminary hear-ing for Sept. 9. • Hunter R. Jones, 18, Shawano, was charged Aug.

26 with felony bail jumping. Kussel set a \$500 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Sept. 27.

TOWN OF WITTENBERG
RESOLUTION TO REVISE LOCAL LEGAL POSTING LOCATIONS
RESOLUTION NO. 2024-8-20-01

STATE OF WISCONSIN
SHAWANO COUNTY

WHEREAS: Wisconsin Statute 985.01(7), 985.02 (2) (a), 985.02 (2) (b), 985.02 (2) (c), 985.02 (3) and 985.08 (1) provide a method of notification of legal notices

WHEREAS: Under previous law, a municipality must post notice in at least three public places likely to give notice to persons affected, and must post a notice that would be published before the act or event requiring notice no later than the time specified for the first newspaper publication, or if the notice would be published after the act or event requiring notice, must post the notice within one week after the act or event.

WHEREAS: Under 2015 Senate Bill 137, signed into law on November 11, 2015, a municipality that opts to post a legal notice in lieu of publication may, instead of posting the notice in three public places, post the notice in one public place and publish the notice on the municipality's Internet site,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Town of Wittenberg, Shawano County, Wisconsin does hereby consider our Town website and the posting board at our meeting location to be our legal posting locations.

This resolution repeals any previous resolutions or ordinances pertaining to the towns posting locations.

Signed this 20th day of August 2024.

Richard Beversdorf
Richard Beversdorf, Town Chairman

August 20, 2024
Date

Attested by:

Maria F Donat
Maria F. Donat, Town Clerk

August 20, 2024
Date

WNAXLP

Town of Wittenberg
Alcohol-Related License Fee Ordinance
ORDINANCE NO.: 2023-5-16-01 (AS AMENDED)

STATE OF WISCONSIN
Shawano County Town of Wittenberg

SECTION I – TITLE AND PURPOSE
This ordinance is entitled Town of Wittenberg Alcohol-Related License Fee Ordinance. The purpose of this ordinance is to establish a schedule of the fees for all types of alcohol-related licenses issued by the town.

SECTION II – AUTHORITY
The Town Board of the Town of Wittenberg, Shawano County, Wisconsin, has the specific authority under those specific sections of ch.125, Wis. Stats., stated next to the name of the license listed in the Schedule of Fees for Alcohol-Related Licenses set forth below to establish fees for alcohol-related licenses issued by the town.

SECTION III – ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE
This ordinance, adopted by the town board on a roll call vote with a quorum present and voting and proper notice having been given, adopts the Schedule of Fees for Alcohol-Related Licenses set forth below and establishes the fees for alcohol-related licenses issued by the town as stated therein.

LICENSES ISSUED FOR CONSUMPTION OFF PREMISES:
Class "A" Fermented Malt Beverage (beer) License: **\$100.00**
"Class A" Intoxicating Liquor License: **\$200.00**

LICENSES ISSUED FOR CONSUMPTION ON PREMISES: (Amended on 8/20/2024)
Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage/Beer License: **\$100.00** annually
"Class B" Intoxicating Liquor License: **\$200.00** annually
Class "B" 6-month Fermented Malt Beverage/Beer License: **\$50.00**
Class "B" Temporary (aka Picnic) License (Beer or Wine ONLY): **\$10.00**

LICENSE FOR THE SALE OF WINE ONLY:
"Class C" Wine License: **\$100.00** annually

OPERATOR LICENSES: (Amended on 8/20/2024)
Regular Operator's License: **\$25.00** (valid for 2 years, but will expire June 30th in the 2nd year)
Wallet Size (card) Operator's License: **\$5.00** (can only be issued after obtaining a valid Regular Operator's License)
"Provisional" Operator's License: **\$15.00** (valid only for a 60 days)
"Temporary" Operator's License: **\$10.00** (for non-profit)

PUBLICATION: (Amended on 8/20/2024)
Beginning in 2025, the annual \$20.00 publishing fees charged to businesses and ball teams will end. All license applications will be posted on the Town of Wittenberg's town hall entrance and published to the Town of Wittenberg's official website: www.townofwittenbergWI.gov.
State law does not require the publication, or posting, of applicants applying for Temporary Class "B" (aka picnic) beer or wine licenses.

SECTION IV – SEVERABILITY
If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of this ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are severable.

SECTION V – EFFECTIVE DATE
This ordinance will become effective on July 1st, 2024, with the issuance of 2024-2025 licenses. The town clerk shall properly post or publish this ordinance as required under s. 60.80, Wis. Stats.

Adopted this 16th day of May 2023.

Richard Beversdorf
Richard Beversdorf,
Town Chairman

Attest:
Maria F. Donat
Maria F Donat,
Town Clerk

**This Ordinance was amended on August 20th, 2024 to clarify the differences between the Temporary Class "B" (aka Picnic) License, and the 6-month Fermented Malt Beverage-Beer License. The Publication section was updated with website publishing information and the publishing fee has been eliminated.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BARBARA A. NELSON
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 2024-PR-000050

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 09-19-1951 and date of death 05-10-2024, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W6013 Lake Drive Shawano, WI 54186.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is November 19, 2024.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Office, Attorney Michael A. Maas Heritage Law Firm, LLC 2050 Riverside Drive Green Bay, WI 54301 920-785-8570 1061377

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Please take notice All-Stor Self Storage - Shawano located at N5857 Hwy 47-55N/4844 Waukechon St/1003 Waukechon St., Shawano WI 54166 intends to hold a Auction of storage units in default of payment. The sale will occur as an Online Auction via www.storageauctions.com on 9/26/2024 at 10:00AM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods, furnishings and garage essentials, Samantha And Lisa Ward Biese unit #B-13; Kateri King unit #D-17; Richard/Jodee Pahl unit #D-25; Stacey Fowler unit #E-12; Winona K Pywasit unit #H-27. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply.

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09/06/24, 09/13/24, 09/20/24
STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Troy D. Piotrowski DOD: 07/23/2024

Amended
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 24 PR 56

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 10/28/1970 and date of death 07/23/2024, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N6930 County Road Q, Wittenberg, WI 54499
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is [Date] December 3, 2024.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Attn: Register in Probate, 311 N Main Street, Wisconsin, Room 202.
Form completed by: Atty. Ashley J. Reimer/glm 106 McDill Avenue, Suite 100 Stevens Point, WI 54481 715-544-8393 Bar Number 1064834

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09/06/24, 09/13/24, 09/20/24
STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Donald J. Foley
Amended
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 24 PR 45
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth July 14, 1958 and date of death June 30, 2024, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N178 Lawn Rd., Seymour, WI 54165.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is November 28, 2024.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Office.
Form completed by: Attorney David C. Van Straten II PO Box 67 Seymour, WI 54165 Telephone 920-833-2356 Bar Number 1061400

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, SHAWANO COUNTY
IN RE: THE PATERNITY OF M.E.H. Petitioner/Joint Petitioner A Christopher Wayne Heatley 629 W 5th ST Shawano, WI 54166

Respondent/Joint Petitioner B Morgan E. Fisher 401 S. Warrington Ave Cecil, WI 54111

Order To Show Cause and to Change: Legal Custody Physical Placement
Case No. 2023FA000111

The State of Wisconsin (Child Support Agency) is a party to this action:

The Affidavit was filed on August 13, 2024.
IT IS ORDERED THAT Morgan Fisher appear in person at the following date and time: Eric Hendrickson, FCC Shawano Co Courthouse- County Board Room 311 N. Main St Shawano, WI Sept. 24, 2024 11:00 a.m. or as soon as the matter may be heard, to show cause (give reasons) why the requests in the affidavit should not be granted. if you do not appear as indicated, the court may proceed without you and grant the request and/or issue a warrant for your arrest.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing
Case No. 24CV117
IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF Linken Arik Ambrose By (Petitioner) Clara Mae Cockrum By (Co-Petitioner) Philip Norman Wilson
NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Linken Arik Ambrose To: Linken Arik Wilson
Birth Certificate: Linken Arik Ambrose
IT IS ORDERED:
This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County, State of Wisconsin.
Judge's Name: Judge Sloma Place: Shawano County Courthouse, Br. 1, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, WI 54166 Date: September 18, 2024 Time: 1:45 p.m.
If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-526-9347 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:
Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in The Shawano Leader, a newspaper published in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin.
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Amended
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 24 PR 51
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 09/11/1944 and date of death 05/15/2024, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 1255 S. Waukechon, Apt. 2, Shawano, WI 54166.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is [Date] November 14, 2024.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Office, Michael C. Meyer, Attorney at Law P.O. Box 178, 111 Grant Street Marion, WI 54950 715-754-5000 1018364 Bar #

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Sept. 1
Deputies responded to 40 incidents, including an alcohol offense at Texas Jay's, N11004 U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Aniwa; harassment at the Bamboo Bar, W5884 Cedar Court in the Town of Wescott; bail jumping on East Green Bay Street in Shawano; trespassing at USA Raceway, W5901 County Road BE in the Town of Wescott; two assaults at the Shawano County Fairgrounds, 900 E. Green Bay St., Shawano; trespassing on West Summit Street in Wittenberg; missing person at the Shawano County Fairgrounds, 900 E. Green Bay St., Shawano; custodial interference on West Green Bay Street in Bonduel; fireworks on Cattau Beach Drive in the Town of Wescott; fireworks on state Highway 22 in the Town of Washington; seven 911 calls; four reckless driving incidents; one traffic hazard; one welfare check; three crashes.

Aug. 31
Deputies responded to 45 incidents, including bail jumping on state Highway 29 in the Town of Richmond; bail jumping on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; trespassing on North Taylor Street in Wittenberg; restraining order violation on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; noise at the ATV Park, 1100 Quad Park Lane, Tigerton; fight in progress at the Shawano County Fairgrounds, 900 E. Green Bay St., Shawano; counterfeit at the Shawano County Fairgrounds, 900 E. Green Bay St., Shawano; seven 911 calls; six reckless driving incidents; one traffic hazard; one welfare check; two crashes.

Aug. 30
Deputies responded to 57 incidents, including property theft at 22 Shell, N4543 State Highway 22 in the Town of Belle Plaine; fraud on state Highway 156 in the Town of Maple Grove; bail jumping on Railway Street in the Town of Green Valley; property theft on South Warrington Avenue in Cecil; warrant at the Menominee Tribal Jail, W3272 Wolf River Drive, Keshena; found property on Knollwood Court in the Town of Wescott; noise on Tile Drive in the Town of Maple Grove; threatening on Old Keshena Road in the Town of Wescott; drugs on County Road M in the Town of Belle Plaine; lost property at the Shawano County Fairgrounds, 900 E. Green Bay St., Shawano; harassment at the Shawano County Fairgrounds, 900 E. Green Bay St., Shawano; missing person at the Shawano County Fairgrounds, 900 E. Green Bay St., Shawano; two found property calls at the Shawano County Fairgrounds, 900 E. Green Bay St., Shawano; intoxication at Hayman Falls County Park, N4347 Hayman Falls Lane in the Town of Pella; intoxication at the Shawano County Fairgrounds, 900 E. Green Bay St., Shawano; property theft at the Shawano County Fairgrounds, 900 E. Green Bay St., Shawano; juvenile problem at the Shawano County Fairgrounds, 900 E. Green Bay St., Shawano; assisting with a fire on Big Lake Road in the Town of Red Springs; six 911 calls; two reckless driving incidents; three traffic hazards;

two welfare checks.

Aug. 29
Deputies responded to 35 incidents, including a failure to report to jail at the Huber Work Release Center, 1240 Engel Drive, Shawano; operating without a license on state Highway 29 in the Town of Richmond; found property at the Shawano County Fairgrounds, 900 E. Green Bay St., Shawano; five 911 calls; seven reckless driving incidents; two traffic hazards; two welfare checks; one crash involving a horse.

Aug. 28
Deputies responded to 28 incidents, including property theft at Dairy Cove, 100 W. Nabor Road, Cecil; sick animal on Hofa Park Drive in the Town of Maple Grove; two 911 calls; four reckless driving incidents; two traffic hazards; two welfare checks; two crashes.

Aug. 27
Deputies responded to 48 incidents, including a failure to report to jail at the Huber Work Release Center, 1240 Engel Drive, Shawano; repossession on Roosevelt Road in the Town of Seneca; boar problem on Shore Drive in the Town of Wescott; lost property on U.S. Highway 45 in Aniwa; restraining order violation on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; harassment on Holy Hill Road in the Town of Green Valley; nine 911 calls; two reckless driving incidents; eight traffic hazards; one welfare check; five crashes.

Aug. 26
Deputies responded to 36 incidents, including an eviction on Mountain Bay Trail Drive in Shawano; sick animal on River Bend Road in the Town of Belle Plaine; property theft at an undisclosed location in Wittenberg; animal bite on Smalley Street in the Town of Wescott; warrant on County Road Y in the Town of Belle Plaine; two 911 calls; one reckless driving incident; one traffic hazard; two welfare checks; four crashes.

SHAWANO POLICE
DEPARTMENT

Sept. 1
Officers responded to 21 incidents, including operating while intoxicated at Longhorn Saloon, 1181 S. Main St.; fight in progress at Kwik Trip, 1241 E. Green Bay St.; traffic hazard on East Richmond Street; animal bite at an undisclosed location; assisting the fire department on South Main Street; welfare check at Sharona's Bar, 111 S. Washington St.; neglected animal at American Marine, 1100 E. Green Bay St.; welfare check on Woodlawn Drive; bail jumping on Olson Street; lost property at American Legion Hall, 850 S. Lincoln St.

Aug. 31
Officers responded to 27 incidents, including juvenile alcohol on South Cleveland Street; juvenile alcohol on East Center Street; reckless driving on East Richmond Street; warrant arrest on North Franklin Street; lost property on South Main Street; property theft on South Main Street; reckless driving on state Highway 47-55 in the Town of Wescott; juvenile alcohol on East Randall Street; threatening on Aspen Court; welfare check on South Washington Street; threatening on Mountain Bay Trail Drive; harassment on South Sawyer Street; reckless driving on state Highway 22 in the

Town of Wescott; juvenile problem on East Richmond Court; curfew violation at Naberhood Plaza, 214 S. Main St.

Aug. 30
Officers responded to 39 incidents, including property damage at Lakeshore Lanes, 210 N. Airport Drive; assisting the fire department on South Lincoln Street; welfare check at Smalley Park, 211 N. Riverside Drive; fraud at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; bail jumping at an undisclosed location; trespassing on South Bartlett Street; intoxicated person at an undisclosed location; reckless driving on Waukechon Street; reckless driving at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; property theft on South Evergreen Street; assisting the fire department at Shawano Health Services, 1436 S. Lincoln St.; reckless driving on East Elizabeth Street; property theft on East Richmond Street; tobacco problem at an undisclosed location; injured animal at the Shawano County Humane Society, 1290 Jaycee Court; fight in progress on East Center Street; vehicle crash on South Andrews Street; juvenile problem on South Union Street; welfare check on South Lafayette Street; found property at Shawano Police Department, 125 S. Sawyer St.; trespassing at Odisha House of Rest, 1330 E. Green Bay St.

Aug. 29
Officers responded to 39 incidents, including vandalism at an undisclosed location; juvenile problem on South Andrews Street; shoplifting at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; intoxicated person on West Picnic Street; juvenile problem at Naberhood Plaza, 214 S. Main St.; reckless driving at Associated Bank, 129 E. Division St.; neglected animal on East Green Bay Street; juvenile problem on East Maurer Street; reckless driving on state Highway 47-55 in the Town of Wescott; operating without a license on East Green Bay Street; assisting the fire department on East Green Bay Street; welfare check at Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St.; fraud at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; threatening at Shawano Community Middle School, 1050 S. Union St.; vehicle crash with property damage on North Main Street; welfare check at Dunkin Donuts, 1209 E. Green Bay St.; trespassing at The Store, 404 E. Green Bay St.

Aug. 28
Officers responded to 22 incidents, including property theft at Kwik Trip, 1241 E. Green Bay St.; welfare check on South Lincoln Street; reckless driving on South Lincoln Street; welfare check on South Picnic Street; welfare check at Birch Hill Care Center, 1475 Birch Hill Lane; reckless driving on state Highway 22 in the Town of Wescott; found property at Stubborn Brothers Brewery, 220 S. Main St.; drugs at Washerette, 950 Green Bay Court.

Aug. 27
Officers responded to 14 incidents, including a utility problem on South Franklin Street; vehicle crash with property damage on North Franklin Street; vehicle crash at ThedaCare Medical Center, 100 County Road B; operating while intoxicated at Probation and Parole, 1340 E. Green Bay St.

County set to name new zoning administrator

BY KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

The Shawano County Planning, Development and Zoning Committee was expected to approve the hiring of a new county zoning administrator when it met Sept. 4.

On the agenda was the discussion and possible approval of a resolution to appoint Kimberly Gierach to the post.

The previous zoning administrator, Jessica Van Buren, is still listed on the county website as the real property lister, a position she held while also serving as zoning administrator.

In July, the committee held a closed session to discuss personnel issues

in the department. On a motion by Supervisor Ken Capelle and a second by Supervisor Lowel Hammett, it was decided to have the human resources department carry out the plan of action as discussed and agreed upon during closed session.

Julie Hasser, human resources director, did not elaborate. Within weeks, Jim Davel, county coordinator, informed the committee the county had two applicants, and interviews would be held in the second week of August.

Gierach was previously the zoning administrator in the Town of Ledgewiew in Brown County, a position she started in December.

First Emma Frost book creepy

“Itsy Bitsy Spider” by Willow Rose was one of the most disturbing books I’ve read in a long time. It has two storylines that collide in a horrific way.

Fanoe Island, just off the coast of Denmark, has long had distinct social classes. In 1977, young Astrid crossed that line by becoming pregnant by the son of the island’s overbearing matriarch. No one knew that the woman had lured Astrid into the old bomb shelter in her back garden and locked her in. The bunker may have been clean and well stocked, but poor Astrid was utterly trapped.

As the months went by the old woman would occasionally deliver supplies, but there was no way for Astrid to escape. Alone and terrified, Astrid gave birth to Sebastian. As he grew, Sebastian’s only “pets/toys” were the many spiders that shared

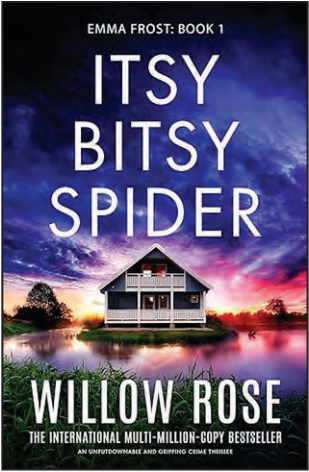


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the bunker. Along the way Astrid told him all about how she came to be locked in the bunker and who had caused it. She told him that if he ever got the chance, he should run — run as fast and as far as he could.

The other storyline finds Emma Frost arriving on Fanoe Island. She has inherited a big house from her paternal grandmother and decided to move into the old mansion with her 13-year-old daughter, Maya, and 7-year-old son, Victor. As a typical teen, Maya is furious about being uprooted, but Victor is thrilled.

Victor has several medical conditions on the autism spectrum. He hates to be touched and occa-



sionally suffers seizures. Victor is happiest when he’s outdoors, so the huge, tree-filled “back garden” is paradise to him.

The next morning Emma wakes to sirens. Someone has been killed. While waiting for information she is introduced to the slightly odd man across the street, Jack, and his neighbor Sophia. She quickly learns that Jack is an artist who stuttered

AT A GLANCE

BOOK: Itsy Bitsy Spider (Emma Frost, Book 1)
AUTHOR: Willow Rose
PUBLISHER: Buoy Media
YEAR PUBLISHED: 2020
NUMBER OF PAGES: 230

when nervous and Sophia is a free spirit raising five children from five different men. Emma decided they could be friends.

Using her ex-husband’s computer skills, Emma hacked into the police files and found photos of a gruesome murder. As a writer, Emma decides to use the death as a basis for a book. Within days another older woman is murdered in the same way, so Emma digs deeper, leading to a final confrontation with an unexpected perpetrator.

Fanoe Island has lots more secrets so I’m sure Emma will have many more adventures to read about.



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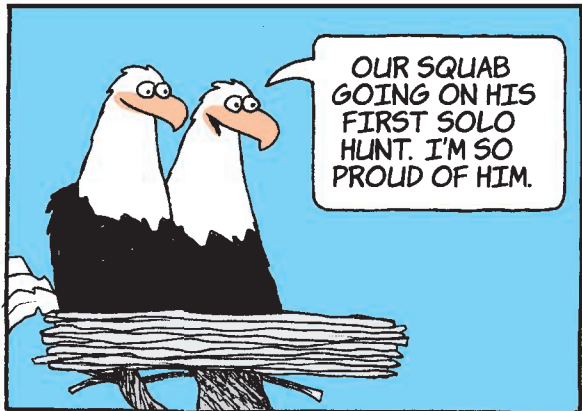
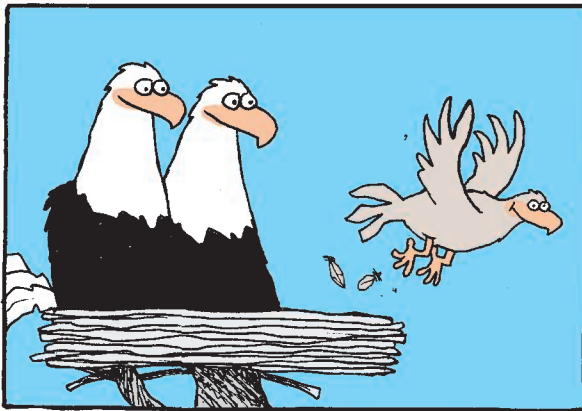
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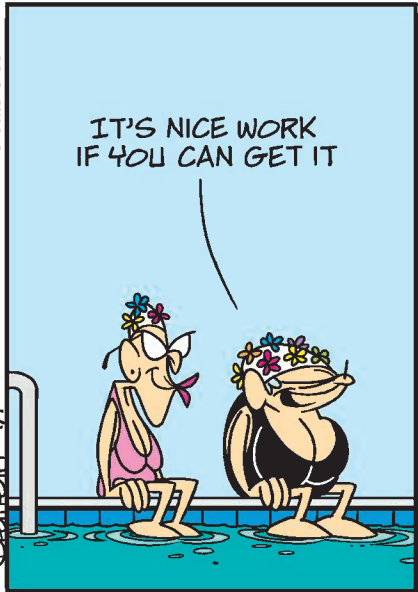
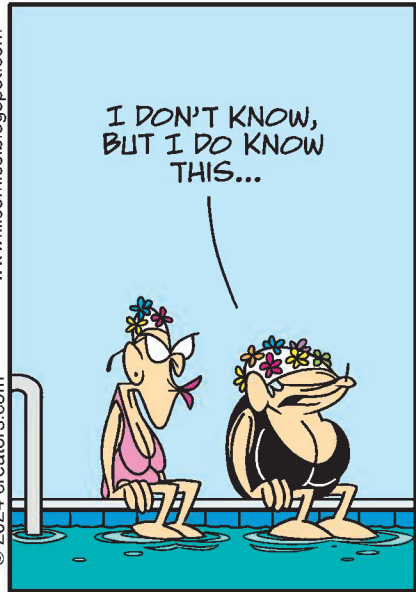
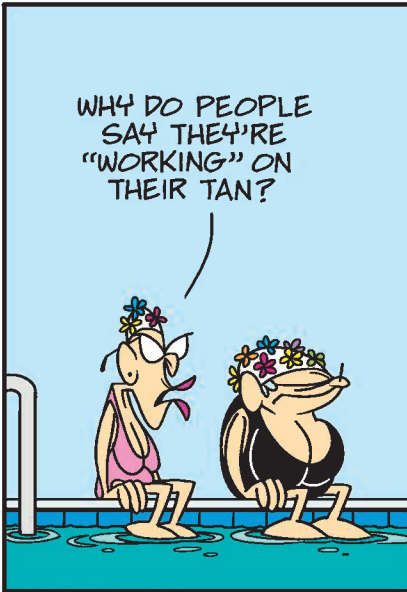
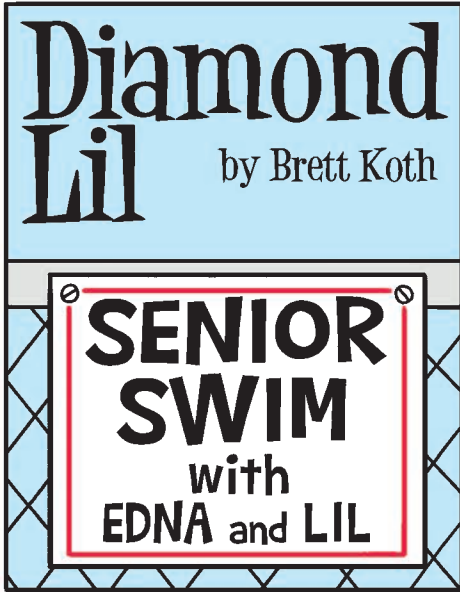
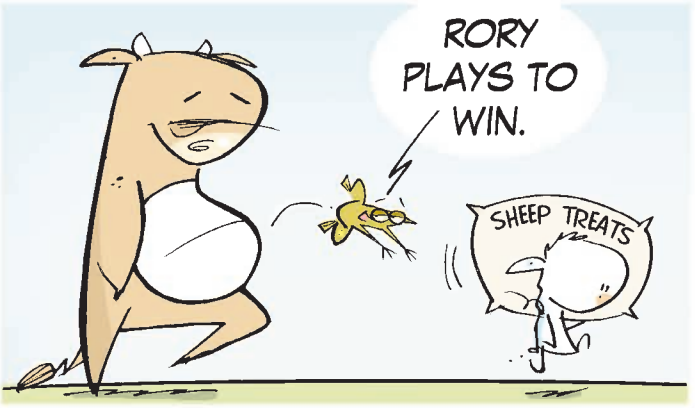
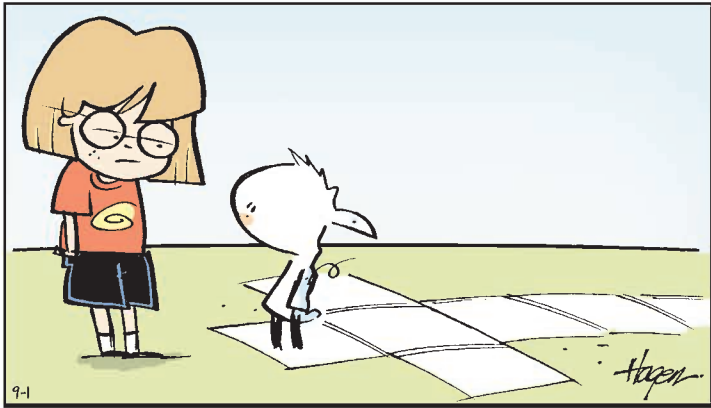
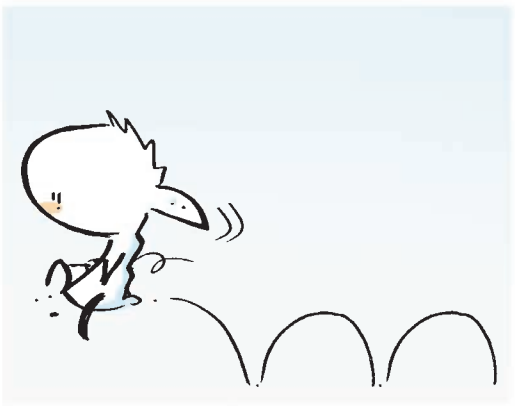
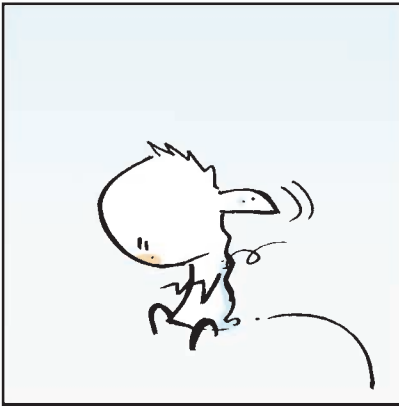
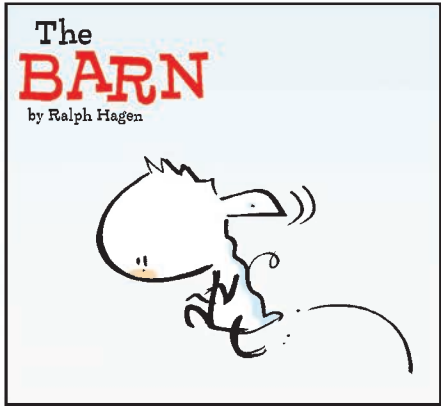
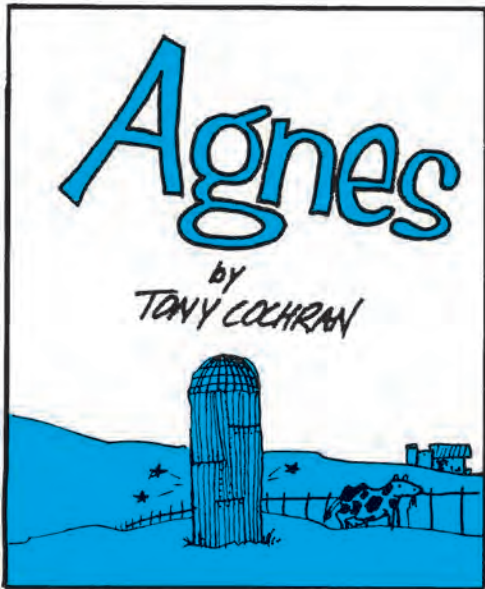


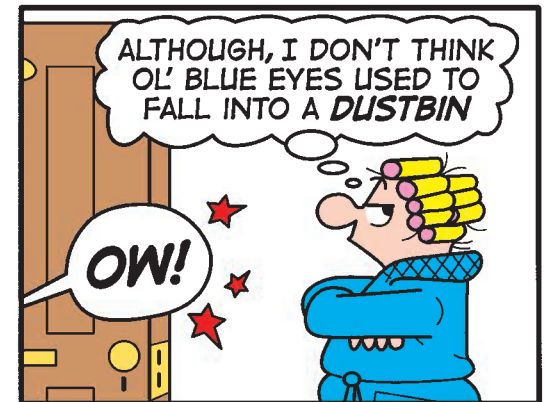
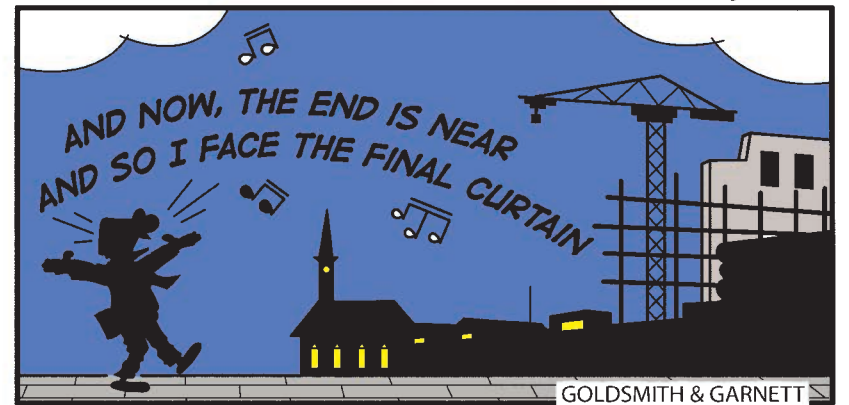

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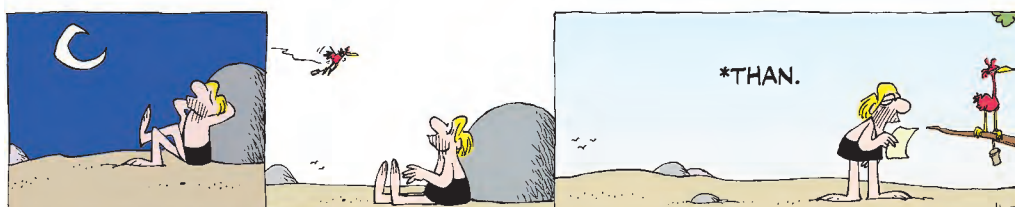
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No expectations of a ‘sophomore slump’ for Love

Another year of experience with receivers will make for a dangerous team

BY JACOB WESTENDORF
Green & Gold Express

Ben Parker once said, “With great power, comes great responsibility.”

OK, so maybe Jordan Love isn’t Spiderman, but his new contract certainly puts him in the limelight more than he was a season ago.

Think back to this time last year.

Love was a brand new quarterback. There were expectations, but how could anyone know what the team was going to be in for?

Love was replacing a legend in Aaron Rodgers. The team around him was historically young.

What did Love do?

He answered every question and then some.

Love was the best quarterback in football down the stretch of the 2023 regular season. He parlayed that into a strong performance in his first career playoff game against the Dallas Cowboys.

The clock, unfortunately, struck midnight a week later in San Francisco.

The Packers outplayed the 49ers for the better part of their divisional round loss but were unable to overcome a late missed field goal and two Love interceptions at the end of the game.

Nonetheless, by the end of that night in San Francisco, the Packers’ arrow was pointed skyward. They went from a team in transition to a bonafide Super Bowl contender within a span of six months.

Love was entering the final year of his deal, but everyone around the organization knew there was going to be a new contract given to their new franchise quarterback.

“Stability at that position really allows you to have some security with the way we build our team,” general manager Brian Gutekunst said in June. “We’re looking forward to getting that done, but it never goes fast.”

It didn’t go fast. In fact, Love had a brief hold-in as his contact was not completed by the start of training camp.

After a short amount of time on the sideline, Love’s contact was completed and he became a very wealthy man.

Four years for \$220 million. That contract came with stability Love has never had throughout his tenure in Green Bay.

Love didn’t ask for any of the situations that sur-



With a complete year as the starter under his belt, Jordan Love will be a force to contend with when the Packers play the Eagles on Sept. 6 in Brazil.

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rounded him being drafted by the Packers, but those were the cards he was dealt.

Instead of complaining about them, Love thrived.

That leads into this season, Love’s second at the helm, and first as a bonafide franchise quarterback.

Expectations are high. They always are in Green Bay, but this year is different from last. The Packers know that, and so does Love.

So is there any added pressure that comes with that?

“Pressure is a privilege” is something most professional athletes would say.

It’s hard to imagine Love feeling any more pressure than he already has in his short career.

Love was labeled the worst draft pick ever upon his arrival. He watched his predecessor feud with the franchise they both played for because the Packers had the nerve to select Love in the first place.

He started a game on short notice in one of the most hostile environments in the NFL. He struggled and was mostly written off.

His next extended cameo came against the best team in the NFC at the time in Philadelphia.

Then when he stepped into the spotlight, it was not all sunshine and rainbows. The Packers fell to 3-6 before a 6-2 finish catapulted them into the playoffs.

As the Packers fell to 3-6, Love was looking at a possibility of being one-and-done as a quarterback. The NFL does not wait or you to struggle.

A player is either ready to contribute almost immediately, or he’s unceremoniously shipped out of town.

Love, as is his nature, didn’t flinch.

He just performed.

That leads to a question about whether Love can continue to play well like he did for the second half of the season. The Packers’ offense is certainly set up to challenge for one of the top spots in the NFL.

Remember, last season all of his primary pass catchers were rookies or second-year players.

All of those players got a lot of reps and went through the growing pains together.

Now, they’re all ready to play fast and should know the offense like it is second nature.

That’s a situation that can be likened to Matt LaFleur’s first season as the



Look for continued improvement in the Packer receiving corps as the young squad gets another year of experience with quarterback Jordan Love.

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head coach. The offense looked great at times but struggled at others.

Rodgers and everyone else were trying to learn something new on the fly.

Then in 2020, the offense climbed to the best in the NFL.

The Packers’ offense could be in for a similar rise this year.

Christian Watson believes he’s fixed his hamstring issues that plagued him through the 2023

season.

When he plays, the offense truly is a different version of itself due to his speed that can take the top off of defenses.

Jayden Reed and Don-tayvion Wicks are both a year older and a year wiser.

Tucker Kraft and Luke Musgrave both should not be swimming upstream trying to learn the offense and just be able to contribute right away as well.

Then there’s the ever steady Romeo Doubs who lead the team in touchdowns a year ago.

The backfield includes Josh Jacobs, who should be part of the passing game, and could be in line to rediscover his form from 2022 when he won the rushing title.

At the controls, it’s Love. With LaFleur calling the plays, those two should be in an even better spot in their second year together.

There should be no worries of a sophomore slump.

The only worry should be about the backup quarterback position, which saw some turnover this offseason.

Michael Pratt was picked in the seventh round but released after what Gutekunst called an underwhelming pre-season by both backup quarterbacks.

Sean Clifford was also released after the team traded for former Tennessee Titans quarterback Malik Willis but then brought back to the practice squad.

The inexperience at backup does not matter much if the starter stays healthy.

Which, if Love does, he could be in line for an MVP caliber season.

Packers, Eagles evenly matched in opener

Green Bay's defense against Eagles' offensive line could be where this game is won or lost

By **JACOB WESTENDORF**
Green & Gold Express

PACKERS OFFENSE VS. EAGLES DEFENSE

The Philadelphia Eagles' defense helped lead them to the Super Bowl during the 2022 season. Their pass rush was vicious, as they set the team record for sacks that year.

Last year saw the defense fall apart down the stretch. The pass rush was not as vicious, and the team will now be breaking in some new rushers.

Haason Reddick was traded to the New York Jets this offseason and replaced by Bryce Huff. Fletcher Cox, one of the anchors of the Eagles, retired this offseason.

Former first-round pick Nolan Smith could be in line for a bigger role this year, and the ageless Brandon Graham returns for one final season.

In the secondary, Howie Roseman was active in addressing what might have been his team's biggest weakness a year ago.

Quinyon Mitchell was added in the first round to play cornerback. It's unclear if he will start.

One of the favorites in the draft process for the Packers and their fans was Iowa defensive back Cooper DeJean.

The Eagles jumped ahead of Green Bay in the second round to grab him. He could play in the slot. He could play safety. It's unclear where DeJean will play, but he has a chance to impact the game at multiple levels for the Eagles' defense.

Perhaps the biggest change the Eagles made on defense was at defensive coordinator.

Jonathan Gannon left the Eagles after their Super Bowl appearance to be the head coach of the Arizona Cardinals.

They replaced him with Sean Desai, who was eventually replaced by Matt Patricia during the season.

Neither of those options worked well, and the Eagles hired former Packers' nemesis, Vic Fangio.

Fangio has tormented the Packers as a coordina-



Their last regular season matchup between the Packers and Eagles came in 2022, when the Eagles piled up more than 300 yards rushing in a 40-33 victory. That game saw Jordan Love make his first extended cameo in 2022 and likely was part of what gave the Packers so much confidence to install him as the starting quarterback in 2023.

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tor in both San Francisco and Chicago.

This is a different coaching staff and quarterback, but Fangio is one of the most respected defensive minds in all of football.

Green Bay's offense was the biggest reason the team found its way into the divisional round of the NFC playoffs a year ago.

Jordan Love and the offense as a whole struggled through the first nine games of the season.

They were 3-6 and stuck in a rut.

From there, Love turned it on, playing like arguably the best quarterback in all of football.

Love's ability to manipulate defenses with his eyes grew down the stretch of the year, and so did his chemistry with his receivers.

The Packers had a different leading receiver in each of their final three games, as they had to win all three to make the postseason.

Love's performance in that stretch, where he only turned the ball over once, helped him land the biggest contract for quarterbacks this offseason.

Love is now established as the franchise quarterback. He's the present and

future in Green Bay.

Is there an MVP in his future? That remains to be seen, but the Packers' offense is incredibly optimistic this year coming off of a year where they were unsure about everything.

Speaking of uncertainties – the backfield is new. The question is will it be improved?

Marshawn Lloyd and Josh Jacobs have replaced Aaron Jones, who was released this offseason.

Jacobs comes from Las Vegas and won the rushing title two years ago. Last year was not as productive for Jacobs as he held out for all of training camp.

Jacobs is hoping to rediscover his form and could have an opportunity to get off to a good start against Philadelphia.

AJ Dillon was set to be part of this tandem, but he is injured and will miss the season with a neck injury. Emanuel Wilson will be the next man up in his place.

The offensive line is where the Packers have the most transition. David Bakhtiari was an opening day starter. He's gone.

Green Bay's first round pick was offensive lineman Jordan Morgan. Morgan was touted as a tackle but has played almost

exclusively at guard during camp when he was healthy.

Zach Tom and Rasheed Walker are the tackles. Tom is an anchor. He's the team's best offensive lineman just edging out left guard Elgton Jenkins.

Rasheed Walker had a very strong finish last year. He's still a question mark because he had some ups and downs last year.

His strong finish, however, included shutting out Nick Bosa and Micah Parsons in the postseason.

If the Packers can block the Eagles' front, they have a good chance of winning the game.

PACKERS DEFENSE VS. EAGLES OFFENSE

Green Bay's defense undertook a major facelift this offseason. Joe Barry is out. Jeff Hafley is in.

The room is buzzing with optimism surrounding the hire and the hopes that they'll be able to think less and hunt more.

The Packers added four new safeties, including free-agent Xavier McKinney, who is expected to take a major leadership role in the secondary.

It looks like he'll be joined by second-round pick Javon Bullard as his running mate. Evan

Williams had a nice camp as well; it'll be interesting to see if the Packers can get all three guys on the field in the secondary.

The cornerback position across from Jaire Alexander is one to note as well. Eric Stokes appears to be the leader to start across from him.

Stokes is coming off two injury-riddled seasons and looking to find consistency with both his health and performance.

The front seven is where this Packers' defense has its bread buttered.

Rashan Gary is entering a big season, another year fully removed from his ACL surgery. Gary was a menace in camp, wrecking several practices, and now will get an opportunity to do that against a different team.

Kenny Clark was extended in the offseason, and the Packers think that he is going to have a big year in Hafley's defense.

Apart from those guys, the group is deep and talented. Devonte Wyatt enters a big year, and this defense theoretically fits his skillset the best.

Karl Brooks enters his second season and was a menace to opposing offenses a year ago.

In terms of development, however, the biggest player to keep an eye on is second-year edge rusher Lukas Van Ness. Green Bay's switch to a 4-3 alignment should help him be more explosive and comfortable out of a 3-point stance. If he's able to breakout, Green Bay's defense will be cooking with gas.

Finally, the steady veteran Preston Smith returns for another season. He's as consistent as they come and will start across from Gary.

Philadelphia's offense is led by Jalen Hurts. Hurts had a down year last year after a near MVP season in 2022. The Eagles fired their offensive coordinator Brian Johnson to bring in Kellen Moore to help get their offense back on track.

AJ Brown and Devonta Smith combine for one of the best receiver combina-

tions in all of football. Dallas Goedert is still playing at a high level as well.

The big addition to the Eagles' offense was running back Saquon Barkley. Barkley's talent should be an interesting mix with Moore's offense.

The offensive line remains relatively intact but did lose its leader and future Hall of Famer Jason Kelce to retirement this offseason.

Green Bay's front against the Eagles' offensive line could be where this game is won or lost.

SPECIAL TEAMS

Special teams as a whole is a giant question mark across the league in at least one facet.

The NFL changed the rules for the kickoff this offseason, adopting the kickoff rules from spring football.

In theory, that should mean more opportunities for Keisean Nixon, the Packers' back-to-back All-Pro kick returner.

The Packers have to like their chances if Nixon has more opportunities to get the ball in his hands. The same is true for Nixon.

Green Bay's kicking situation is a bit of a mess. Anders Carlson was dreadful a season ago.

He had competition in the offseason, but nobody really ran away with the kicking job. Any time a kicker trots onto the field, Packer fans have to be crossing their fingers.

The Eagles are different. Their kicker, Jake Elliott is one of the best in the NFL. The Eagles' return game does not have much juice to it. Perhaps that changes with the dynamic kickoff rule.

They did, however, finish in the top 10 of Rick Gosselins' special teams rankings.

For comparison's sake, Green Bay finished 29th.

This is a big year for Rich Bisaccia and his special teams group. Bisaccia is the highest paid special teams coordinator in all of football. They need a better performance from this group, and that does not apply solely to the kicker.

GREEN BAY PACKERS AT PHILADELPHIA EAGLES

TIME AND DATE: 7:15 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6
LOCATION: Sao Paulo, Brazil
TV: Peacock (Subscription required) or NBC 26 WGBA-TV
RADIO: Flagship WRNW-FM Milwaukee — 97.3; Packers Radio Network includes WIXX-FM Green Bay — 101.1, WRLO-FM Antigo — 105.3, WLST-FM Marinette — 95.1, and WSAU Wausau — 550 AM and 95.1 FM
2023 RECORDS: Packers, 9-8 (lost Divisional Round). Eagles 11-6 (lost Wildcard Round).
HISTORY: The Eagles and Packers

have played each other 46 times, which includes three postseason meetings. The most recent meeting in the post-season came in 2010 when a Tramon Williams interception preserved a 21-16 Packers victory in a season that would see them win the Super Bowl. Their last meeting in the regular season came in 2022, when Jalen Hurts and the rest of the Eagles piled up more than 300 yards rushing in a 40-33 victory. That game saw Jordan Love make his first extended cameo in 2022 and likely was part of what gave

the Packers so much confidence to install him as the starting quarterback in 2023.
COACHES: Packers — Matt LaFleur (fifth season, 56-27). Eagles — Nick Sirianni (fourth season 31-17).
PACKERS SCHEDULE
Friday, Sept. 6 at Philadelphia at Sao Paulo, Brazil, 7:15 p.m. Peacock
Sunday, Sept. 15 vs. Indianapolis Noon FOX
Sunday, Sept. 22 at Tennessee Noon FOX
Sunday, Sept. 29 vs. Minnesota Noon CBS

Sunday, Oct. 6 at LA Rams 3:25 p.m. CBS
Sunday, Oct. 13 vs. Arizona Noon FOX
Sunday, Oct. 20 vs. Houston Noon CBS
Sunday, Oct. 27 at Jacksonville Noon FOX
Sunday, Nov. 3 vs. Detroit 3:25 p.m. FOX
Week 10 BYE
Sunday, Nov. 17 at Chicago Noon FOX
Sunday, Nov. 24 vs. San Francisco 3:25 p.m. FOX
Thursday, Nov. 28 vs. Miami 7:20 p.m. NBC
Thursday, Dec. 5 at Detroit 7:15 p.m.

Amazon Prime
Sunday, Dec. 15 at Seattle 7:20 p.m. NBC
Monday, Dec. 23 vs. New Orleans 7:15 p.m. ESPN
Sunday, Dec. 29, at Minnesota Noon FOX
Week 18 vs. Chicago TBD
NFL SCHEDULE
Thursday, Sept. 5
Baltimore at Kansas City, 7:20 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 6
Green Bay at Philadelphia (at Sao Paulo, Brazil), 7:15 p.m.
Sunday, Sept. 8

Carolina at New Orleans, Noon
Minnesota at NY Giants, Noon
New England at Cincinnati, Noon
Pittsburgh at Atlanta, Noon
Houston at Indianapolis, Noon
Arizona at Buffalo, Noon
Tennessee at Chicago, Noon
Jacksonville at Miami, Noon
Denver at Seattle, 3:05 p.m.
Las Vegas at LA Chargers, 3:05 p.m.
Dallas at Cleveland, 3:25 p.m.
Washington at Tampa Bay, 3:25 p.m.
LA Rams at Detroit, 7:20 p.m.
Monday, Sept. 9
NY Jets at San Francisco, 7:15 p.m.

Clark shines as gold standard on defensive line

Last draft choice standing for former GM Thompson

BY JACOB WESTENDORF
Green & Gold Express

avid Bakhtiari. Aaron Rodgers. Jordy Nelson.

That's it.

Those are the only significant third contracts the Green Bay Packers have given out in the last 10 years.

It just does not happen often.

The Packers and general manager Brian Gutekunst live by the adage and philosophy of it being better to move on a year early instead of a year too late.

That's why Davante Adams was traded. That's why Randall Cobb was allowed to leave.

It's why so many others, regardless of their stature, have been unceremoniously shown the door at the end of their tenure.

Kenny Clark was likely staring at a similar fate. He was entering the final year of a contract he signed at the completion of his rookie deal.

With the Packers' unwillingness to give third contracts out, and the investment the Packers have made in the defensive line, it was possible they could look at Clark as someone else they'd want to move on from a year early instead of a year too late.

Those worries were subsided before training camp started.

On July 21, Ian Rapoport of NFL Network reported the Packers had signed Clark to a three-year extension worth \$64 million.

It was surprising in that Clark's contract got done before Jordan Love's. Usually the quarterback's contracts get done before anyone else's.

All other business is understandably put on hold due to the complications that can arise from these mega deals. That's especially true for a deal for a franchise quarterback.

In this case, along with many others, Clark bucked that trend.

His contract was done first.

His third, with the only franchise he's ever known.

Was there concern? Were there reasons to believe that Clark could begin to slow down? Of course.

Clark has been a workhorse in Green Bay. He's only turning 29 in October, but was drafted at the ripe age of 20.

He's playing his ninth season in the



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NFL, despite still being on the correct side of 30.

"Kenny's just a pro's pro," Gutekunst said at the start of training camp. "He puts the right things first, and the main thing's the main thing for Kenny. He loves football. To play as long as he has at the level that he has, you've got to love it. He certainly loves football, and he's an unselfish team guy. He's all about winning. He is the exact example of the kind of guys we want in that locker room."

When you hear the way Gutekunst talks about Clark, it's easy to see why the Packers were willing to make him an exception.

He also knocked on wood feverishly after saying that Clark was a gamble worth taking.

The other reality is that Clark is still the defensive line's best player. They used two picks on the defensive line in last year's draft.

TJ Slaton is entering a contract year. Devonte Wyatt is a former first-round pick but has yet to be consistent enough to become an impact player.

Of all the defensive linemen on the roster, Clark is still the gold standard. No, he's not Aaron Donald. Nobody is. He is, however, one of the best players in the sport at his position.

He was third on the team in sacks last year with 7.5, which was a career high. He should have more opportunities to attack the quarterback in Jeff Hafley's scheme that prioritizes disruption and attacking opposing backfields.

Clark is also the last man standing in a couple different ways.

The 2016 Green Bay Packers went to the NFC Championship Game and lost to the Atlanta Falcons.

With Aaron Rodgers and David Bakhtiari leaving the team in the last two offseasons, Clark is the last player

from that team who went on that special run before falling just short of the Super Bowl.

He is also the last draft choice standing for Packers Hall of Fame general manager Ted Thompson.

Clark knows the responsibility and the honor that comes with being one of the rarities in Green Bay.

"It was huge for me, because I truly wanted to be one of those guys," Clark said to Si.com's Bill Huber. "I look up to guys who have been here - A-Rod, Clay (Matthews), D-Bak and all those guys who played and played at a high level, got third contracts here and are really legends here. For an organization like this, it was huge for me to stay here and get this contract - be well compensated but still be here and be a part of this."

Now, Clark will be part of this, and will likely have a bust in the Packers Hall of Fame when his playing days are over.

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KEYS TO THE GAME

Hurts, Barkley could spell trouble for Packers

By JACOB WESTENDORF
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The Green Bay Packers are back on the field this week to take on the Philadelphia Eagles. The game will not take place on American soil, as both teams are traveling to Brazil to play as part of the NFL's international series. The Packers are entering the season as potential Super Bowl contenders after a strong finish to their 2023 season. They won a playoff game in Dallas before bowing out to the San Francisco 49ers, a familiar playoff nemesis, in the Divisional Round. The Philadelphia Eagles also likely view themselves as contenders to get back to the Super Bowl. The Eagles made the playoffs last year but struggled mightily down the stretch before getting embarrassed by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in the Monday night game of Super Wild Card Weekend. Here are our keys to the Packers coming out on top in an early season showdown.

New-Look Defense vs. Saquon Barkley

The Green Bay Packers can change the coordinators. They can change

personnel. One thing has remained the same during Matt LaFleur's tenure as head coach. They stink against opposing run games. The running back they're facing in Jeff Hafley's debut as defensive coordinator? Some guy named Saquon Barkley. Barkley has been one of the better backs in football since entering the league, and defected from New York to Philadelphia this offseason, as famously seen on "Hard Knocks." Barkley's ability to affect the game in both phases of offense likely is what drew Howie Roseman and Philadelphia's front office to him this offseason.

Green Bay's defense was not good enough last season under Joe Barry, prompting the change to former Boston College head coach Hafley. Hafley has drawn rave reviews early in his tenure, but everything is for real now. A defense cannot survive on vibes and energy alone. At some point, there needs to be substance behind the words that are spoken. Green Bay's defense has done a lot of talking over the years but rarely backed it up on the field.



Green Bay Packers coach Matt LaFleur congratulates Philadelphia Eagles quarterback Jalen Hurts after the Eagles defeated the Packers 40-33 in a Sunday Night Football game.

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Friday's game against the Eagles gives them a chance to make an early statement against one of the league's best offensive playmakers. **Linebackers vs. Jalen Hurts** Jalen Hurts' career was jumpstarted by the Green Bay Packers in a way. During the 2020 NFL season, the Packers were punishing Carson Wentz to the point where then Eagles' coach Doug Pederson decided he'd seen enough of Wentz. He went to Jalen Hurts,

and the rest, as they say is history. Hurts never relinquished the job and has thrived ever since. He was an MVP candidate for the majority of the 2023 season before the entire team faltered down the stretch. His last game against the Packers nearly won him the 2022 league MVP award. Hurts and the Eagles' rushing attack piled up more than 300 yards against Green Bay's woeful defense.

The only reason the game was close was because Green Bay's offense was able to match Philadelphia score for score. The Packers have rebuilt their linebacker room since that cold November night in Philadelphia. Quay Walker was just a rookie. He's entering a season where the Packers are hoping to see more consistency from the third-round linebacker. His highs are incredibly high. For example, the interception he returned for a touchdown last season in

Chicago. The lows, can also be aggravating. Missed tackles, missed assignments and inconsistency have marred Walker's career thus far. That's not something that is going to play well against Kellen More and his offense with Hurts at the helm. The linebackers next to Walker are a question mark as well. Isaiah McDuffie looks to be a full-time starter, something he's never been since entering the NFL three years ago. Next to him was Eric Wilson, a career special teams player. The Packers drafted two linebackers in the top 100 of this year's draft, but training camp was not kind to either player. Edgerrin Cooper missed a bulk of the time with a lower-body injury that hampered his ability to get into the starting lineup. Ty'Ron Hopper had some nice moments, but as soon as he gained any momentum, he was sidelined with an ankle injury. The athleticism from both Cooper and Hopper could play better against Hurts' and his running ability. When it comes to quarterbacks in the run game,



Christian Watson races away with the ball in a game against the Eagles nearly two years ago. In that Sunday Night Football game, Watson caught four passes for 110 yards and a touchdown, including a 63-yarder from backup quarterback Jordan Love that he caught at midfield and took to the house. For his performance in the month of November, Watson was awarded Rookie of the Month.

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there may be no player other than Lamar Jackson more dangerous with the ball in his hands than Hurts.

One other note to watch is whether the Eagles will still employ the famed “brotherly shove” as Jason Kelce retired.

Passing Game vs. Eagles

Young Secondary This might be Green Bay’s biggest advantage coming into Friday night’s game. The Packers’ passing game is entering its second full season together.

Jordan Love is established as the quarterback of the future, and all of his

weapons are back around him.

They should be locked and loaded for a big run.

The same cannot be said for the Eagles’ defensive backfield. Darius Slay returned but is starting to show signs of age.

Around him, the Eagles have some question marks.

Quinyon Mitchell was a highly thought of player through the draft process but will be playing in his first NFL game. He was not consistently starting during the preseason, either.

Cooper DeJean was a Packers’ favorite during the draft process and could play safety in Philadelphia

or be that interchangeable piece that saw him sought after by so many teams during the pre-draft process.

Isaiah Rodgers, Kelee Ringo and James Bradberry are all possibilities for who could be the starting cornerback across from Slay.

Bradberry was the starter for the Eagles during their Super Bowl season but had a rough 2023, drawing the ire of the Eagles’ fanbase.

Green Bay’s passing game should have some prime opportunities in this matchup if Love has time to find his receivers.

Narveson wins kicking job in Green Bay

Carlson, Joseph released after preseason battle

By **LUKE REIMER**
Green & Gold Express

The Green Bay Packers will have a new face heading the special teams unit this year, rookie kicker Brayden Narveson.

Last offseason, Packers general manager Brian Gutekunst made Anders Carlson the 207th pick in the NFL Draft. Immediately stepping into the starting kicker role, Carlson converted on 27-of-33 attempts, while making 34-of-39 extra point attempts. On the surface, those numbers look adequate, but the misses in big spots, including in the NFC Divisional Round against the Sana Francisco 49ers, caused concern.

To help combat this concern, Gutekunst brought in veteran kicker Greg Joseph this offseason to challenge Carlson for the starting kicking job. Joseph made a name for himself in the NFL, making 82.2% of kicks in Minnesota over the past three seasons.

Many thought the two-month competition between the two kickers would give a better idea of the position, as well as

stabilize it a bit. That ultimately did not come to fruition, as both kickers were cut after the preseason and the Packers elected to sign Brayden Narveson, who spent the offseason with the Tennessee Titans.

Narveson spent the previous six years kicking in college – two years at Iowa State, three years at Western Kentucky and one year at North Carolina State. While in college, Narveson converted 78% of his field goal attempts and 100% of his extra point attempts, totaling 409 career points. He also earned two second-team All-Conference USA Awards while with Western Kentucky.

In the preseason for the Titans, Narveson flashed his skill, making 6-of-7 field goal attempts and two extra point attempts. The apex of his Titans career came in the team’s second preseason game against the Seattle Seahawks. In the game, he drilled a 59-yard field goal.

Narveson’s power has been on full display his whole career, as during his time at North Carolina State, he booted a 57-yard field goal, which stands as

the school record. Going back even further, he also converted a 58-yard field goal during his time in high school.

“(Narveson) has had a lot of work at the battery to this point, you know, where he was in Tennessee and coming out of school ... so I think that he will be ready to go,” said Packers special teams coordinator Rich Bisaccia.

While his 100% extra point rate in college is certainly a sign for good fortune, bringing a kicker into the organization with no experience on the team a week and half before the first game may cause some concern. Either way, Bisaccia is confident in Narveson, saying the Green Bay evaluated the kicker throughout the spring and summer months.

“We did a deep dive into him coming out from NC State, because we liked him,” said Bisaccia. “He’s got a great body, he is strong and he had a really good preseason over there at Tennessee, so we have been following him along with others throughout the preseason, but we did a lot of work on him coming out.”



The Packers elected to sign Brayden Narveson as their kicker going forward in the 2024 season. He spent the offseason with the Tennessee Titans. Narveson spent the previous six years kicking in college – two years at Iowa State, three years at Western Kentucky and one year at North Carolina State.

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Willis preparing for new role in Green Bay

Backup quarterback taking new role one day at a time

By JACOB WESTENDORF
Green & Gold Express

In a surprise move, the Green Bay Packers released their prospective No. 2 and No. 3 quarterbacks and traded for Malik Willis of the Tennessee Titans to serve as the backup to Jordan Love this season.

“Very grateful for the organization — both Tennessee and Green Bay — for giving me the opportunity to play at the next level,” Willis said. “Things happened, so I’m here now and grateful to coach and the GM and everybody who’s a part of this things for having me here. I’m a Packer now, so that’s what it is.”

Can you learn enough fast enough to be the backup in Week 1?

I think I’m going to take this thing day by day and do what I can to prepare myself to be in position to do that.

What do you want to show?

I’m not sure I’m going to show or trying to show anything. I think I’m gonna take this thing day by day. It’s a quick turnaround and do my best to learn the offense and be prepared to back up Jordan and do whatever I can to help this organization and this team.

What excites you about being behind Jordan?

I think it’s cool. We have the same agent, so I have a previous relationship with him and just getting anything ... I mean he went to the playoffs last year, so that’s awesome. I can learn anything I can from him.

Process to learn this offense?

The process, it’s more than anything getting in front of it and learning

everything you can, being really a sponge to anything the coaches have, anything the other guys in the room have, anything I can read on my own and watch film and seeing it done, just more than anything repetition. That’s what it is at this point.

How did you find out about the trade?

I met with Ran and coach Callahan and they gave me the news. They said it’s either a positive or a negative, depending on how you look at it, and it this is an opportunity to come and be a 2 and work my way to get better every day and learn something along the way.

Any carryover from Callahan’s offense?

I feel there’s definitely some crossover as far as what we were doing this year with Callahan and even before that with what we were doing my rookie year just as far as terms and the build of it goes and the type of systems it is. I think I’ll get more familiar with it as we go.

Did you see a trade coming at all?

I mean, I didn’t wake up thinking I was going to be traded, no sir. So it definitely caught me by surprise.

More than anything, you just take it (for) what it is. Quick turnaround, and the season’s starting. There’s no more lounging around and kinda getting ready for the season. This is what it is. There’s no time to really think about it. It’s time to go.

How have you grown since those three starts as a rookie?

I mean, in all aspects. That’s the last time I really got to go and put something out there on tape for myself. You work hard every day to work



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on those things that may be deficiencies or just mistakes. You learn from those bumps and bruises. You just wait for another opportunity. You just stick around until you get another opportunity, and I think that’s been the main thing — focus on the process and not maybe the results.

You’re teammates with McKinney again.

It’s crazy. We went to high school together for a year. I had transferred out there to Roswell. We end up going to the state championship, so that’s awesome. And then we got Ty’Ron Hopper, his big cousin, he played with us on that championship run team and he came a year after, so it’s cool to see him here as well. There’s a lot of guys that are familiar faces that are in the building.

What’s a good scout report on yourself?

I think when you’ve played enough games, you can have something you hang your hat on. I don’t say I’m hanging my hat on anything as of right now. I think that only comes with reps and confidence building being out there on the

field and as far as working hard and doing what I can every day to get better, I’ll continue to do that until the opportunity arises.

First impressions of Green Bay?

I mean, it’s nice. It was warmer than I thought it was gonna be.

For now.

Did I jinx it? My bad.

What have you learned about yourself as a player?

I’ve learned that — I learned at a crazy rate. This is my fourth offense going into my third year, so it’s what it is, and just being able to adapt has really made me not proud but definitely leaning on that and continuing to just grind and work hard and continuing to let things play out how they’re supposed to.

Last 48 hours for you?

Yeah, all the other stuff didn’t really matter. It’s more than anything getting ready for practice today.

That’s really been the main thing and making sure we’re jumping on this thing as fast as we can. It’s not much time. There’s not much reason to not give into it, you know what I mean?

Conversation with Matt LaFleur, what was that like?

I won’t speak for him. I’ll let you guys ask him and he just basically said let’s go, let’s get to work and he’s glad to have me, so that’s awesome.

You had good stats in preseason?

It’s reps, at the end of the day. That’s the most important thing. You get to go out there and play football against guys that are doing the same as you, trying to get better. I think it’s not anything you put real stock into as far as realization of where you are in your position, but I think it’s definitely awesome to get live reps against guys you don’t go against every day, against somebody you have to prepare for.

It’s a mock game for the season. That’s what it is. It’s preseason. It helps you lock in on how you want to prepare for a game and how you want to go out there and execute. You see those little things you may have seen on film and be able to utilize it outside of, oh, everything’s scripted in practice. You go play football.

How much have you played in cold, sub-freezing weather?

Not below freezing, no, sir, but Liberty was pretty cold. We played a game that was like 20, 15 degrees. I’ve played some pretty cold games. We played here and it snowed before the game my rookie year.

That was pretty cold. Not below freezing, I haven’t yet. Oh, I’m lying. My rookie year we played in Nashville against Houston and it was negative 5, negative 2, something like that.

But you didn’t play in that game, right?

No, I started. I had my

scuba suit on. **The Packers just added former Titans kicker Brayden Narveson. He kicked a 59-yarder in preseason.**

Yeah, you’ve got to go look that up. It’s cool. That whole situation was cool. Coach Colt (Anderson), the special teams coordinator, he vouched for him and said, ‘Send him out there. Let’s kick one.’ And he ended up making one of the longest kicks in Tennessee history. That’s awesome. I’m glad for him. He deserves it. I’m glad to be here as well. God’s given me this opportunity, and I’m ready for it.”

Ready for a fresh start?

You think about that. You really don’t put much stock into that. You just go to work each day and you kind of fight the perceptions of what you have on tape. That’s what it is. That’s truth. You can’t really put that on anybody else. You can’t put that on yourself as well. Sometimes the situation allows for what it allows, and you just continue to work each day and do what you can. That’s all I worry about.

What’s the role of a backup QB once season starts, aside from getting yourself ready to play games?

That, and just supporting any way you can, as far as anything. You’re just there to help along the way.

How much of Jordan’s game have you watched?

It looks like I’m going to be watching a lot of it. Just getting all the concepts and stuff together, watching the clips and cut-ups and just seeing how he’s reading it so I can figure out what I’m going to do with it, same thing.

Green Bay finalizes roster as it looks for another playoff push

By Luke Reimer
Green & Gold Express

The preseason is over, and fans all over the world are gearing up for the NFL season.

The Packers finished the preseason with a 2-1 record, winning games over the Cleveland Browns and the Baltimore Ravens, while losing to the Denver Broncos.

Green Bay’s first game of the preseason was against the Browns and featured something that Packers fans aren’t totally used to — the starters playing in the game.

While starters have played in the past, the quarterback has always been the position that Green Bay has been cautious with. Given Aaron Rodgers’ pedigree, it didn’t

make much sense for him to play in the preseason. Now that he is the highest paid player in NFL history, Jordan Love somewhat slides into that position. Fans did get to see a little Love in the first game though.

After two touches from Josh Jacobs to open the game, Love connected with Dontayvion Wicks on the third play of the game for a 65-yard touchdown. That was all Green Bay needed to see out of Love, as the Green Bay starting quarterback finished the 2024 preseason with a statline of 2-for-2 with 63 yards and a touchdown.

“I am happy with the touchdown, that was the goal,” said Love, after the first game. “We wanted to go out there, get our series and put up points. I was

happy with the way I went out.”

That was all of the time that Love saw this preseason, and with what Green Bay coaches saw out of the Utah State alum to end the year last season, that is all that was really needed.

As far as the rest of the preseason, Emanuel Wilson led the team in rushing yards and rushing touchdowns as he fought hard to earn a spot on the 53-man roster. Malik Heath led the team in receiving yards with 83 and tied for the lead in touchdowns with one.

As for passing, it was Sean Clifford who led Green Bay with 207 yards and one touchdown, while Michael Pratt finished with 178 yards and one touchdown.

Throughout training camp and the preseason, the big story in Green Bay would be who will sit behind Love on the depth chart. After Clifford and Pratt struggled at times in the preseason, general manager Brian Gutekunst outsourced the position and traded for Tennessee Titans backup quarterback Malik Willis.

Bringing Willis on late in the summer will force the third year quarterback to learn quickly and be ready in the event that Love cannot finish or suit up for a game.

“I think that I am going to take this thing day by day and do what I can to prepare myself to be in position,” said Willis. “It is a quick turnaround, (I am going to) do my best to learn this offense, be

prepared to back up Jordan and do whatever I can to help this organization and this team.”

The low point of the Packers preseason was its second game in Denver. Green Bay elected not to play its starters on either side of the ball, while Denver did the opposite. This led to a 27-2 victory in favor of the Broncos.

“I think that it is a good lesson for our guys in terms of it doesn’t matter who is out there — if you don’t put your best foot forward each and every time you go out onto that field, these things happen to you,” said Packers head coach Matt LaFleur after the game.

The Packers mustered just 168 total yards in the game with just 69 in the first half. It is easy to write

this loss off to backups playing against starters, but LaFleur is right in saying that every time you are on the field, it has to be a fight. There was not much of a fight in Green Bay in this game.

A silver lining to this game though was the opportunity for coaches to evaluate positional battles, most notably the backup quarterback position and the kicker position. While no one in either battle will suit for the Packers this season, sometimes less is better.

Finally, the Packers closed out the preseason with a matchup against the Baltimore Ravens. This was a final performance for those making the roster. Green Bay pulled out a 30-7 victory to close the 2024 preseason.

GREEN BAY PACKERS

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Player	#	Pos	HT	WT	Age	Exp	College
Jaire Alexander	23	CB	5-10	196	27	7	Louisville
Zayne Anderson	39	S	6-2	206	27	2	BYU
Corey Ballentine	26	CB	5-11	196	28	6	Washburn
Karl Brooks	94	DL	6-3	296	24	2	Bowling Green
Javon Bullard	20	S	5-10	198	21	R	Georgia
Kenny Clark	97	DL	6-3	314	28	9	UCLA
Edgerrin Cooper	56	LB	6-2	229	22	R	Texas A&M
Brenton Cox Jr.	57	DL	6-4	250	24	2	Florida
Andre Dillard	73	T	6-5	315	28	6	Washington State
Romeo Doubs	87	WR	6-2	204	24	3	Nevada
Kingsley Enagbare	55	DL	6-4	258	24	3	South Carolina
Rashan Gary	52	DL	6-5	277	26	6	Michigan
Travis Glover	79	T	6-6	317	24	R	Georgia State
Malik Heath	18	WR	6-2	213	24	2	Mississippi
Ty'Ron Hopper	59	LB	6-2	228	23	R	Missouri
Josh Jacobs	8	RB	5-10	223	26	6	Alabama
Elgton Jenkins	74	G/T	6-5	311	28	6	Mississippi State
Tucker Kraft	85	TE	6-5	259	23	2	South Dakota State
MarShawn Lloyd	32	RB	5-9	220	23	R	USC
Jordan Love	10	QB	6-4	219	25	5	Utah State
Isaiah McDuffie	58	LB	6-1	227	25	4	Boston College
Xavier McKinney	29	S	6-0	201	25	5	Alabama
Bo Melton	80	WR	5-11	189	25	1	Rutgers
Jacob Monk	62	C/G	6-3	308	23	R	Duke
Jordan Morgan	77	T/G	6-5	311	23	R	Arizona
Arron Mosby	53	DL	6-3	250	25	2	Fresno State
Luke Musgrave	88	TE	6-6	253	24	2	Oregon State
Josh Myers	71	C/G	6-5	310	26	4	Ohio State
Brayden Narveson	44	K	6-0	215	24	R	N.C. State
Keisean Nixon	25	CB	5-10	200	27	6	South Carolina
Kitan Oladapo	27	S	6-2	216	23	R	Oregon State
Matt Orzech	42	LS	6-3	245	29	5	Azusa Pacific
Jayden Reed	11	WR	5-11	187	24	2	Michigan State
Sean Rhyan	75	G	6-5	321	23	3	UCLA
Ben Sims	89	TE	6-5	250	24	2	Baylor
T.J. Slaton	93	DL	6-4	330	26	4	Florida
Preston Smith	91	DL	6-5	265	31	10	Mississippi State
Eric Stokes	21	CB	6-1	194	25	4	Georgia
Kadeem Telfort	76	T	6-7	322	25	1	UAB
Zach Tom	50	OL	6-4	304	25	3	Wake Forest
Carrington Valentine	24	CB	6-0	189	22	2	Kentucky
Lukas Van Ness	90	DL	6-5	272	23	2	Iowa
Quay Walker	7	LB	6-4	241	24	3	Georgia
Rasheed Walker	63	T	6-6	324	24	3	Penn State
Christian Watson	9	WR	6-4	208	25	3	North Dakota State
Daniel Whelan	19	P	6-5	216	25	2	UC Davis
Dontayvion Wicks	13	WR	6-1	206	23	2	Virginia
Evan Williams	33	S	5-11	200	23	R	Oregon
Malik Willis	2	QB	6-1	225	25	3	Liberty
Emanuel Wilson	31	RB	5-10	226	25	2	Fort Valley St. U
Eric Wilson	45	LB	6-1	230	29	8	Cincinnati
Colby Wooden	96	DL	6-4	273	23	2	Auburn
Devonte Wyatt	95	DL	6-3	304	26	3	Georgia
Reserve/Designated to Return							
Jonathan Ford	99	DL	6-5	338	25	2	Miami
Reserve/Injured							
LJ Davis	40	CB	6-1	203	25	1	Northern Arizona
Tyler Davis	84	TE	6-4	252	27	5	Georgia Tech
AJ Dillon	28	RB	6-0	247	26	5	Boston College
Ralen Goforth	44	LB	6-1	227	23	R	Washington

Player	#	Pos	HT	WT	Age	Exp	College
Saquon Barkley	26	RB	6-0	233	27	7	Penn State
Zack Baun	53	LB	6-3	225	27	5	Wisconsin
Mekhi Becton	77	T	6-7	363	25	5	Louisville
Reed Blankenship	32	S	6-1	203	25	3	Middle Tenn. St.
Thomas Booker IV	59	DT	6-3	301	24	2	Stanford
A.J. Brown	11	WR	6-1	226	27	6	Mississippi
Oren Burks	42	LB	6-3	233	29	7	Vanderbilt
Grant Calcaterra	81	TE	6-4	240	25	3	SMU
Jalen Carter	98	DT	6-3	314	23	2	Georgia
Britain Covey	18	WR	5-8	173	27	3	Utah
Jordan Davis	90	DT	6-6	336	24	3	Georgia
Nakobe Dean	17	LB	5-11	231	23	3	Georgia
Cooper DeJean	33	DB	6-0	198	21	R	Iowa
Landon Dickerson	69	G	6-6	332	25	4	Alabama
Jahan Dotson	83	WR	5-11	184	24	3	Penn State
Jake Elliott	4	K	5-9	167	29	8	Memphis
Kenneth Gainwell	14	RB	5-9	200	25	4	Memphis
C.J. Gardner-Johnson	8	S	5-11	210	26	5	Florida
Dallas Goedert	88	TE	6-5	256	29	7	South Dakota State
Brandon Graham	55	DE	6-2	265	36	15	Michigan
Bryce Huff	0	DE	6-3	255	26	5	Memphis
Jalyx Hunt	58	OLB	6-3	252	23	R	Houston Christian
Jalen Hurts	1	QB	6-1	223	26	5	Oklahoma
Lane Johnson	65	T	6-6	325	34	12	Oklahoma
Fred Johnson	74	T	6-7	326	27	6	Florida
Patrick Johnson	48	OLB	6-2	248	26	4	Tulane
Cam Jurgens	51	C/G	6-3	303	25	3	Nebraska
Trevor Keegan	79	G	6-5	306	24	R	Michigan
Darian Kinnard	72	G/T	6-5	322	24	2	Kentucky
Rick Lovato	49	LS	6-2	249	31	8	Old Dominion
Avonte Maddox	29	CB	5-9	184	28	7	Pittsburgh
Jordan Mailata	68	T	6-8	365	27	7	
Braden Mann	10	P	5-11	198	26	5	Texas A&M
Tristin McCollum	36	S	6-3	195	25	1	Sam Houston State
Tanner McKee	16	QB	6-6	231	24	2	Stanford
Quinyon Mitchell	27	CB	6-0	193	23	R	Toledo
Moro Ojomo	97	DT	6-3	292	23	2	Texas
Kenny Pickett	7	QB	6-3	220	26	3	Pittsburgh
Eli Ricks	23	CB	6-2	188	22	2	Alabama
Kelee Ringo	22	CB	6-2	207	22	2	Georgia
Isaiah Rodgers	34	CB	5-10	170	26	4	Massachusetts
Will Shipley	28	RB	5-11	209	22	R	Clemson
Darius Slay Jr.	2	CB	6-0	190	33	12	Mississippi State
DeVonta Smith	6	WR	6-0	170	25	4	Alabama
Nolan Smith Jr.	3	OLB	6-2	238	23	2	Georgia
Tyler Steen	56	OL	6-6	321	24	2	Alabama
Josh Sweat	19	OLB	6-5	265	27	7	Florida State
Jeremiah Trotter Jr.	54	LB	6-0	225	21	R	Clemson
Ben VanSumeren	57	LB	6-2	231	24	2	Michigan State
Devin White	45	LB	6-0	237	26	6	LSU
Milton Williams	93	DT	6-3	290	25	4	Louisiana Tech
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Le'Raven Clark	73	T	6-5	319	31	8	Texas Tech
Jacob Harris	--	WR	6-5	211	27	3	UCF
Joseph Ngata	86	WR	6-3	217	23	1	Clemson
Albert Okwuegbunam Jr.	85	TE	6-5	258	26	5	Missouri
Ainias Smith	82	WR	5-9	176	23	R	Texas A&M
Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform							
Sydney Brown	21	S	5-10	211	24	2	Illinois

My favorite Green Bay Packer memories

Laverne's husband Al ended up practicing with the Green Bay Packers but due to his commitment and responsibilities to the farm he never ended up part of the team. They had season tickets and would go to all the games. Fuzzy Thurston also had season tickets and sat nearby. They always left the game early though, walking back to their car, they parked at K-Mart and listened to the end of the game on the radio so they could beat the traffic. They had to get home to their cows. Cows don't wait!

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Dillon saga continues after being placed on IR

By Luke Reimer
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A.J. Dillon has had quite the hectic start to his NFL career. After being drafted in the second round of the 2020 NFL Draft, the Green Bay Packers were supposed to have the best one-two punch in the NFL with Dillon and Aaron Jones. Four years later, neither running back will be suiting up for the Packers this season.

While Jones moved on to Minnesota, Dillon was put on the season-ending injury reserve list with a neck injury, similar to an injury he suffered last season. That means Dillon will not be able to suit up and will miss the entire season. This injury

certainly hurts both the Packers and Dillon.

“We are very, very cautious with heads, necks and hearts around here; we always have been,” said Green Bay Packers general manager Brian Gutekunst. “Obviously (Dillon) had the injury last season. It was just something that we weren’t comfortable with at the moment. Hopefully that will change in time.”

“Obviously he won’t be with us this year, and he is going to need some time to get through this to see exactly how this will shake out. I am wishing the best for him, and obviously he is a pro’s pro and it is tough when these things happen.”

The injury comes at a very bad time in Dillon’s career, as he was slated to

carry part of the workload from the running back position this season with the release of Jones and the acquisition of Josh Jacobs.

This past offseason, Dillon had signed a fairly unorthodox contract with Green Bay; a four-year qualifying contract. What that means is Dillon was offered a contract, because he was on the team for four uninterrupted consecutive credited seasons. Because Dillon was on the 90-man active/inactive roster for those four consecutive years, he qualified for this contract.

A qualifying contract comes under the pretense of a one-year deal with a base salary of up to \$1.45 million more than the base player. So, Dillon can max that contract to \$2.57



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million, but just the \$1.45 million will be counted against the salary cap. This is a rarely used contract in the league, as many teams either agree to an extension earlier in the players’

career or use the franchise tag. Without Dillon this season, Green Bay’s backfield may be in a small state of disarray. Jacobs is expected to be the featured

back and will probably receive a lion’s share of the workload.

Behind him is rookie running back MarShawn Lloyd. While Lloyd wowed in his time at USC, he has faced injuries all off-season and may not be ready for Week 1. That leaves Emanuel Wilson, who fought his way onto the 53-man roster this season and will likely see early work this season as Lloyd recovers.

Either way, Green Bay’s depth at the running back position could be an issue if Jacobs goes down early with an injury. It will be curious to see if the Packers go out and sign a veteran free agent like Leonard Fournette or James Robinson to stabilize the position.

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Tie Breaker Game:
Final Score: LA Rams 21 @ Detroit 28

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New York Giants
San Francisco

Tie Breaker Game:
Final Score: LA Rams 17 @ Detroit 20

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New York Giants
San Francisco

Tie Breaker Game:
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