

First time flyer



Flying for the first time, 9-year-old Graham Pribyl, with his mother, Kirsten Kubsch, and his sister, Kensleigh Pribyl, from Sobieski, reached the front of the line. He was one of 175 kids who received free flights from EAA Chapter 640 on Aug. 15 at the 2026 Annual Fly-In and Car Show at the Shawano Airport. After landing, Kubsch said Graham described it was the best 20 minutes of his life.

GREG MELLIS | NEW MEDIA

Gillett cancels football season

By GREG SEUBERT
Correspondent

Gillett High School will not field a varsity football team this season.

The school has had an 8-player varsity team for several years but will still have a junior varsity squad in 2026.

The Tigers were originally scheduled to open the season Aug. 20 against Marion/Tigerton in Marion.

According to a post on the Gillett School District Facebook page, student safety and providing athletes with the highest-quality experience possible were factors in the decision.

“After careful consideration and discussions with our players, parents, coaches and school administration, the Gillett School District has made the decision to transition to a junior varsity football season for the 2026 fall season rather than fielding a varsity team,” the post reads. “While we understand this news will be disappointing to many members of our school and community, this decision was guided by two important priorities: student safety and providing our student-athletes with the highest quality experience possible.”

The Tigers had eight games scheduled this season, including Across the Bay Conference matchups with Suring and Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas.

“A junior varsity schedule provides our players with the best opportunity to safely develop their skills, gain valuable game experience and continue growing as athletes and teammates,” according to the Facebook post. “We are confident this approach will create more opportunities for success this season while strengthening the foundation of our football program for the years ahead.”

The district intends to restart the varsity program down the road.

“The Gillett School District remains committed to offering football opportunities for our students and to rebuilding participation as we look toward future varsity seasons,” according to the Facebook post. “Our coaches and student-athletes are excited to continue working together, developing their skills and proudly representing the Tiger tradition. A junior varsity football schedule and additional season information will be shared with families and the community as soon as it is finalized.”

Crowley bests Hong in gubernatorial primary

Milwaukee County executive will face Tiffany in November

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

U.S. Rep. Tom Tiffany easily secured the Republican nomination in the Wisconsin governor’s race in the Aug. 11 primary, but assumed front-runner for the Democrats state Rep. Francesca Hong narrowly lost her chance to go toe-to-toe with the current Congressman in a close race with Milwaukee County Executive David Crowley.

Local voting, for the most part, mirrored statewide numbers as thousands of voters in northeast Wisconsin cast a ballot either in the Republican primary or the Democratic primary. Oconto County reported 26% for the election. Shawano and Menominee counties did not have voter percentages readily available.

Tiffany bested Andy Manske in all three counties after getting the endorsement of President Donald Trump. In Menominee County, Tiffany got 69 votes to one for Manske. Tiffany received 3,958 votes in Shawano County to Manske’s 111, and the vote in Oconto County was 4,469 for Tiffany and 129 for Manske.

The Democratic race for governor was much more competitive with four candidates remaining on the ballot, even though three more who dropped out did so after ballots were set up. Even though the statewide race was razor thin, Crowley won by a wider margin in Oconto County with 1,526 votes compared to 954 for Hong. The margin was a little closer in Shawano County with 1,388 votes for Crowley and 1,037 for Hong. Hong led in Menominee County with 158 votes, while

Crowley received 129.

The front-runners announced on election night that the fight wasn’t over, and there was more work to be done in the next three months.

“This fight is bigger than any one party,” Tiffany said in a press release. “It’s bigger than any one candidate. This fight is about Wisconsin and protecting the state we know and love. It’s about lowering property taxes, returning the surplus to you, getting utility costs under control and letting hardworking Wisconsinites keep more of what they earn. Let’s move Wisconsin forward, together.”

“From day one, this campaign has been about what comes next for Wisconsin: making life more affordable,

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OBITUARIES

DOROTHY KOZLOSKI

Dorothy Kozloski, 95, Little Suamico, passed away Saturday, Aug. 8, 2026, at Alpha Senior Concepts in Suamico. Dorothy was born Sept. 27, 1930, to the late Sam and Adele Patenaude.

On April 7, 1951, Dorothy married Richard Kozloski. The couple shared 71 wonderful years together. Dorothy cleaned the Little Suamico Grade School and then Abrams Grade School for many years. Cleaning was her passion; good luck trying to find any dust or dirt after her cleaning and especially in her house.

Dorothy is survived by her daughter, Nancy Schaden (John); her grandchildren, Kevin Schaden, Heather (Victor) Barron and Rick Peters; great-grandchildren, Clay, Addi, Macie, Nolan and Emmy; brother-in-law, Dennis Hernet; sister-in-law, Judy Kozloski; and several nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

In addition to her husband, Richard, she was preceded in death by an infant daughter; a son-in-law, Dick Schaden; granddaughter, Melissa Peters; great-grandson, Ethan Barron; two sisters, Vivian (Dan) Kozloski and Mary Ann Hernet; father-in-law and mother-in-law, John



and Marie Kozloski; brother-in-law, Chester (Betty) Kozloski; and sisters-in-law, Lucille (William) Drzewiecki and Dorothy (Kenneth) Diederich.

Funeral services were held at Marnocha Funeral Home on Monday, Aug. 17. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery, Suamico.

A very special thank you to Linda Coopman who always took the time to stop for a visit. The family would also like to extend many thanks to the staff at Alpha Senior Concepts and Moments Hospice for all their wonderful care, along with Allison from Sequoia Medical Services.

Online condolences may be offered to the family at www.marnochafuneralhome.com or on the Marnocha Funeral Home Facebook page.

Jack’s Fry Shack wins chamber golf outing

A day of golf, fellowship and community support brought local businesses and residents together Aug. 5, as the Peshtigo and Oconto Area Chamber of Commerce hosted its annual golf outing at Little River Country Club.

The team from Jack’s Fry Shack captured first place with a score of 33. Team members received gift certificates to the country club.

The nine-hole scramble drew 48 golfers competing on 12 four-person

teams, with seven additional guests joining the group for dinner following the event. Together, participants helped generate \$3,557.76 in net proceeds to support chamber programs, community initiatives and educational scholarships.

Brian Sabel, golf outing committee chair and chamber board member, said the event’s success reflects the strong support of the local business community.

“We are incredibly

grateful for the support of our sponsors, golfers, donors and volunteers,” Sabel said. “The success of this event is a direct reflection of the generosity and commitment of our local business community.”

While the outing provides an opportunity for area businesses and community members to connect outside of the workplace, its impact extends well beyond the golf course.

A significant portion of the event’s value comes

through the Peshtigo chamber’s scholarship program. Proceeds help fund four \$750 scholarships awarded each year to graduating seniors from Peshtigo High School.

“The golf outing continues to be one of our most important fundraising events,” Sabel said. “Not only does it support chamber activities and strengthen relationships within our business community, but it also helps provide educational opportunities for local students.”

Abrams Spotlight holding radio play auditions

Abrams Spotlight Productions Inc. will hold auditions Aug. 24-25 for its winter show, “Miracle on 34th Street: A Live Musical Radio Play” to be presented Dec. 3-6 and Dec. 10-13.

This show, directed by Debra Jolly, calls for male and female cast members, ages 8 and up, with a special tap dance number featuring children ages 8-12.

Based on the beloved holiday classic, this heartwarming story follows Kris Kringle, a kind and cheerful man who claims to be the real Santa Claus after becoming a department store Santa. When his

identity is questioned, a courtroom battle begins that asks everyone to consider one important question: Do you believe? This unique production brings the magic of a live radio broadcast to the stage with actors, music, sound effects and storytelling all coming together to create a memorable holiday experience.

Individuals can audition: 6-8 p.m. Aug. 24 or 25, at the Nancy Byng Community Theater, 5852 Maple St., Abrams. Individuals who audition should come prepared to sing one minute of a song from a musical. A pianist will be available to play sheet music, or those who audition can

provide their own accompaniment.

The auditions will also include a reading. Children interested in the tap dance performance will take part in a brief choreography audition.

If an in-person audition isn’t feasible, contact ASPI at 920-826-5852 or theater.aspi@gmail.com to submit a video audition.

To save time, individuals are encouraged to complete the online audition paperwork prior to auditions. A link can be found under the Events/Auditions tab at www.abramstheater.com. The auditions tab also includes rehearsal information and character descriptions.

COURT NEWS

• Cody K. Race, 37, Pound, pleaded no contest June 24 to aggravated battery intending bodily harm. Judge Jay Conley sentenced him Aug. 11 to three and a half years in prison followed by three years of extended supervision with conditions.

• James E. McDonald, 37, Oconto, pleaded guilty Aug. 11 to a misdemeanor charge of possession of drug paraphernalia. A related felony charge was dismissed but read into the record in a plea agreement. Conley sentenced him

to 12 months in county jail.

• Christopher M. Chamberlain, 43, Prophetstown, Illinois, was charged Aug. 5 with criminal damage to property and a misdemeanor count of disorderly conduct. Conley set a \$1,500 cash bond Aug. 6 and adjourned his initial appearance until Oct. 15.

• Daryl L. Upton, 47, Cecil, was charged Aug. 10 with possession of methamphetamine. Schuchart set a \$1,000 cash bond and adjourned her initial appearance until Oct. 15.

Annie Frances launching children’s books Aug. 23

An Oconto-based children’s book author will debut her two new books at a launch party Sunday.

Annie Frances will read excerpts and sign books from 3-5 p.m. Aug. 23 at The Sim Links, 908 Main St., Oconto.

Frances, aka Annette Boehmer, grew up on a 100-year-old family homestead in Oconto County where tall tales were a part of life. A lifelong student of history and family legends, she writes with a deep reverence for the past and the

quiet lessons it has left behind.

“I wanted to write stories from the homestead and make them fun for everyone to read,” Frances said. “Boys tend to be reluctant readers, so that’s why I chose a boy to be the protagonist in the story.”

“The Treasure of the Thistle Tree” tells the story of an intergenerational friendship between Oliver the Fourth, age 12, and his



ANNIE FRANCES

companion, Mr. Peppercorn, age 99. Full of adventure, “The Treasure of the Thistle Tree” is the first book in a series for middle grades.

“M o C h e P o” (short for Monkey, Cheetah and

Polar bear) is a children’s picture book. This story follows Mimi the monkey and Chase the cheetah as they journey from the polar caps to South America, the grasslands and Wisconsin

to help Panuk the polar bear find home.

“The story brings together such different personalities, but all of the characters belong together,” Frances said. “Kids can learn that it’s OK to be different from other kids.”

Anyone who attends the launch party can meet the author and get a signed copy of her children’s books. Books will also be available for purchase after Aug. 23 at the author’s website, www.anniefrancespen.com.

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Wall of Fame ceremony taking place in October

Oconto Falls High School will be inducting new people into its Wall of Fame on Oct. 3.

The induction ceremony will take place at 10:30 a.m. at the high school, 210 N. Farm Road, Oconto Falls. Past inductees are welcome to come to the ceremony but must RSVP by Sept. 14 by calling Donna Eckes at 920-848-4467.

Established in 1996, the Oconto Falls High School Wall of Fame honors Oconto Falls alumni who have demonstrated exceptional

civic achievements and professional success following their high school years.

For 30 years, inductees have exemplified the highest standards of service, leadership and community contribution — qualities that the Oconto Falls School District strives to instill in all of its graduates. Their remarkable accomplishments reflect not only their personal dedication and success, but they also serve as a beacon of inspiration for current and future students.

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OCONTO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Aug. 13

Deputies responded to 52 incidents, including a wrong-way driver on U.S. Highway 141 near County Road M in the Town of Lena; a noise disturbance on Harley Street in Lena; a fire control burn at Bonita Barn, 5659 Business 41, Town of Oconto; suspicious activity on County Road EE in the Town of Abrams; fire on Arndt Road in the Town of Spruce; a disturbance on Einberger Lane in the Town of Lakewood; theft on River Road in the Town of Breed; four traffic stops, one traffic hazard, one traffic offense, two citizen assists, six miscellaneous traffic incidents, one welfare check; two 911 hangups and one open line; four ambulance calls; one crash.

Aug. 12

Deputies responded to 55 incidents, including fraud on Emma Lea Lane in the Town of Lakewood; suspicious activity near Kingston Road and state Highway 32-64 in the Town of Mountain; a death investigation at a redacted location; seven traffic stops, one traffic hazard, one traffic offense, two citizen assists, three miscellaneous traffic incidents; one 911 hangup and three open lines; four ambulance calls.

Aug. 11

Deputies responded to 69 incidents, including a noise disturbance on Main Street in the Town of Abrams; property damage on Grosse Road in the Town of Little Suamico; suspicious activity on Aspen Drive in Sobieski; an animal bite on Old 64 Road in the Town of Mountain; fraud on Eagle Drive in the Town of Little Suamico; harassment on Pickerel Access Road in the Town of Brazeau; a disturbance on County Road J in the Town of Little Suamico; suspicious activity on Sheridan Street in Oconto Falls; suspicious activity on Holiday Inn Road in the Town of Spruce; six traffic stops, one traffic hazard, three traffic offenses, one miscellaneous traffic incident, four welfare checks; one 911 hangup and five open lines; nine ambulance calls; four crashes, two involving deer.

Aug. 10

Deputies responded to

76 incidents, including suspicious activity near state Highway 22 and U.S. Highway 141 in the Town of Stiles; lewd and lascivious behavior on Gillett Town Hall Road in the Town of Gillett; fire on Sandalwood Road in the Town of Abrams; a wanted person at the Law Enforcement Center, 220 Arbutus Ave., Oconto; animal neglect on County Road D in the Town of Abrams; harassment at Northlakes Community Clinic, 15397 State Highway 32, Lakewood; harassment on Ranch Lake Drive in the Town of Brazeau; a disturbance on County Road S in the Town of Oconto; suspicious activity on Wiedenheft Lane in the Town of Abrams; trespassing on Joyce Lane in the Town of Lakewood; harassment on Aspen Drive in the Town of Little Suamico; suspicious activity on Pipeline Road in the Town of Bagley; four traffic stops, six traffic offenses, two citizen assists, three miscellaneous traffic incidents, three welfare checks; five open-line 911 calls; seven ambulance calls; two crashes, one involving a bear.

Aug. 9

Deputies responded to 54 incidents, including suspicious activity near County Road J and state Highway 22 in the Town of Oconto; a death investigation at a redacted location; fireworks on County Road T in the Town of Townsend; a disturbance on Dionne Street in Lena; attempted burglary on County Road AA in the Town of Breed; a disturbance near Thompson Lane and County Road D in the Town of Abrams; assault on Yatso Road in the Town of Spruce; four traffic stops, one traffic hazard, five citizen assists, three miscellaneous traffic incidents, one welfare check; five open-line 911 calls; 10 ambulance calls; one crash, involving deer.

Aug. 8

Deputies responded to 64 incidents, including a structure fire on Jameson Way in the Town of Little Suamico; harassment on Morgan River Road in the Town of Morgan; harassment on County Road T in the Town of Townsend; suspicious activity on state Highway 32 in the Town of Chase; harassment on Aspen Drive in the Town of Little Suamico; a weapon offense on Bailey Lane in the Town of Lakewood;

trespassing on Mourning Dove Road in the Town of Little Suamico; a wanted person on County Road C in the Town of Chase; suspicious activity on East Main Street in Suring; fireworks on Berry Lake Road in the Town of Underhill; suspicious activity on Knollwood Lane in the Town of Mountain; a disturbance on Safian Road in the Town of Chase; an ATV accident on state Highway 32 in the Town of Gillett; a noise disturbance on Maiden Lake Road in the Town of Riverview; two traffic stops, two traffic offenses, five citizen assists, six miscellaneous traffic incidents, three welfare checks; three 911 hangups and two open lines; eight ambulance calls; one crashes, involving deer.

Aug. 7

Deputies responded to 85 incidents, including fraud on Pleasant View Drive in the Town of Chase; suspicious activity on Sundance Drive in the Town of Chase; suspicious activity activity on Creekview Drive in the Town of Abrams; criminal damage on County Road E in the Town of Morgan; harassment at Boot Lake Campground in the Town of Doty; illegal burning on Overlook Lane in the Town of Chase; theft on County Road T in the Town of Townsend; suspicious activity on Konitzer Road in the Town of Morgan; harassment on County Road T in the Town of Townsend; an ATV accident on County Road J in the Town of Little Suamico; a disturbance on Vermeiren Road in the Town of Pensaukee; a noise disturbance on County Road N in the Town of Oconto; 10 traffic stops, one traffic hazard, five traffic offenses, two citizen assists, five miscellaneous traffic incidents, one welfare check; four 911 hangups and four open lines; eight ambulance calls; one crash, involving deer.

8/21/26 STATE OF WISCONSIN OCONTO COUNTY

SURING PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOARD VACANCY

The Suring Public School District is seeking applications from qualified community members to fill a vacancy on the Board of Education.

Qualifications:

Applicants must be a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years old, fulfilling the eligible elector requirements under Wisconsin Statute §6.02. The candidate must be a resident of the townships of Doty, Mountain, or Riverview. The term will run from the date of appointment to April 2027. The board functions as a decision-making body, providing policy and financial oversight to the district. The board seeks a collaborative individual, one who is able to represent and be open to diverse views and interested in making a thoughtful and powerful contribution to the school district and the children it serves.

How to Apply:

Declaration of Candidacy forms may be picked up at the Suring Public School District Office at 411 E. Algoma St., Suring, WI 54174. Please include a letter of interest outlining your qualifications.

Deadlines & Key Dates:

- Application Deadline: Friday, September 4, 2026, by 4:00 p.m.
- Board Meeting & Interviews:

Candidates must appear in person before the School Board on Wednesday, September 9, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. at

Suring Public School District, 411 E. Algoma St. Suring, WI, 54174. WNAXLP OCO095

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INVITATION TO BID Town of Underhill

LRIP-Local Roads Improvement Program Project ID: 39508802701 - Cardinal Road (Intersection of Downtown Lane southward to intersection of County Highway V; Intersection of County Highway V southward to intersection of Mosling Road and County Highway V) The TOWN OF UNDERHILL, OCONTO COUNTY is accepting sealed bids for pavement replacement of .82 miles of Cardinal Road.

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Bids will be opened and awarded on Tuesday, September 1, 2026, at 7:30 p.m. at the Town of Underhill Community Center, 5597 Cardinal Road, Gillett, WI 54124.

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2026 homecoming parade will be out of this world

The parade theme for this year's Shawano homecoming parade, sponsored by Shawano Community High School, the city of Shawano, Charter Casting and the Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce, is "Out of This World."

The parade begins at 6 p.m. Sept. 25, with lineup on Elizabeth Street beginning at 5 p.m. Parade participants can be dropped off at Elizabeth and Lincoln streets, and everyone must check-in with a volunteer wearing a yellow vest.

Participants will not be allowed to park on Elizabeth Street before or during the parade. They also can not park in or block the Popp's Ball Park Cafe or South Forty parking lots.

Entries are currently being accepted for the parade. Categories include Best Business Entry, Best Club/Organization Entry and Best School Entry.

To register, go to <https://forms.gle/N2BU3aPQDmSdQHx87> or www.shawanocountry.com.

OBITUARIES

DEACON ROBERT 'ROB' HENDRICKS

Deacon Robert "Rob" Hendricks, 66, passed peacefully close to home Aug. 12, 2026, after a long health journey.

Rob is a beloved husband of over 41 years to Phyllis; a loving father to Jaclyn Hendricks, Kristyn (Matt) Elbe and Bob (Allie) Hendricks; a devoted grandpa to Archer, Remy, Robby, Jackson and Baby Hendricks (expected soon).

Rob served his parish, Ss. Edward and Isidore, as a deacon for the last six years and a parishioner for over 20 years. With his vast knowledge and brainpower (he made us put that in there), he served as a mentor and catechist for the Christian formation program for youths. He was also active in the food pantry and many other activities in parish life, and you would often find him flipping burgers behind the grill at the church picnic or at the drive-through pet blessings.

Rob's love of music streamed through many adventures, from his own band performing in high school and college, to his successful business, Tango, DJing around Wisconsin weddings, schools and events to the Howard-Suamico and Pulaski school district sporting events. He was always playing his Van Halen and Sammy Hagar and passing his love of '70s and '80s rock down to his kids and grandkids.

Rob was born in Tigerton, and, after graduating high school in 1978, he attended UW-Stevens Point, graduating with a bachelor's in business administration in 1985, where he met Phyllis and married after graduation. The couple called Suamico home.

His professional career was economic development for Native American governments and was successful in ventures such as OTIE, which was awarded one of the Architect and Engineering services IDIQ contracts from USAF. While working, Rob also successfully finished his master's at UW-Green Bay for business management and



certified economic development in 2002, completed the Emmaus Program as a commissioned minister of religious education in 2008, as well as his master of theological studies from St. Norbert College in 2020.

He received his deaconate training and ordination through Silver Lake College and the Green Bay Diocese in 2020. He retired as the business manager for St. Agnes Parish in Green Bay in 2025 to focus on being a deacon.

Rob is survived by his wife, children and grandchildren; his siblings, Mary (Roger) Jameson, Barb (James) Stern, Tom (Mary) Hendricks and Claire (Mark) VandenHeuvel; and many nieces and nephews.

He preceded in death by his father and mother, Robert and Jeanne Hendricks; and grandparents, Cecelia Hendricks and Clarence and Mary Roeske.

His sense of humor, knowledge and leadership will be missed dearly. Friends are invited to gather with family at Ss. Edward and Isidore Church, 3667 Flintville Road, Suamico, on Saturday, Aug. 29, from 9 a.m. until noon. The funeral Mass will be celebrated at noon. Burial will follow in the parish cemetery.

We want to put a special thank you to his healthcare team at Select Specialty the last several months, specifically Ester, Tanya, Virgie, Mamo, Kara and Laurie for their above-and-beyond dedication of visiting on their breaks and days off and their love and support to not only Rob but to Phyllis, as well.

DANIEL DAVID FLAUGER

Daniel David Flauger, 84, of Appleton, passed away at home Aug. 7, 2026, surrounded by his loving family, after an extended battle with colon cancer. He fought the good fight, but his body was tired.

A celebration of life will

take place from 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 29, 2026, at Kessler Fahrenkrug Funeral Home, 304 S. Commercial Street, Neenah. Words of remembrance will be held at 1:30 p.m. followed by military honors conducted by the

There was nothing more comforting than hearing their voices boom across the floor when they felt like Rob was not being cared for to their level of care, or watching Ester dance to Van Halen's "Jump" to get Rob going, Tanya's stories to lighten any mood and Virgie and Mamo's comfort and willingness to always jump in, even when they weren't assigned to Rob were much appreciated. Mamo came to the rescue many times when he was not on Dad's room.

Thank you to Deacon Gerard, who we met by chance in Chicago when he was with family in ICU next door to Rob. It was wonderful when he found out a fellow deacon was there. He came to the room often to pray and talk to our family and even made several very long trips back to check in and make sure we were doing OK.

To Mike and Amy Tallistich goes a big thank you for their hospitality and generosity in giving up their home (and peace and quiet) for several months while we were displaced. We are grateful for the generosity of Brian and Erin Weller and support of Phyllis' siblings. To the neighbors who took care of our home in Suamico while we were away, including storm control and snow removal in order to remove something off of our plate, thank you.

Lastly, thank you to Dad's friends, family and parish who stepped up in ways we could not believe. Your help and support brought comfort and support and brought him close to home when he eventually passed. That is community, that is faith. Rob would always say the right people will enter your life at the right time. Timing happens for a reason and we witnessed that firsthand during this difficult journey. Thank you will never be enough.

Online condolences may be offered at www.marnochafuneralhome.com or on the Marnocha Funeral Home Facebook page.

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For the complete obituary, please visit kesslerfh.com.

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Tiffany visits Shawano after primary



The Shawano County Republican Party hosted its nominee for governor, Tom Tiffany, Aug. 13 at the Lighthouse Bar and Grill in Shawano. Fresh from his primary victory two days earlier, Tiffany met with Shawano business leaders highlighting his campaign vision against democratic nominee David Crowley.

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Shawano Mayor Bruce Milavitz and his wife, Charlene, enjoyed welcoming Tiffany to Shawano on Aug. 13.

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City review process begins on county building

Final approvals expected to come to council in October

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

The city of Shawano is expected to vacate portions of three roads once work begins on the new government building for Shawano County, and steps will be taken in the next couple of months to get approval.

The city is looking at vacating Second Street from the Shawano County Jail to Franklin Street, Third Street from Main Street to Franklin Street, and Washington Street from Fourth Street to Second Street.

City Administrator Eddie Sheppard noted that the city has been working with Kurt Berner, project leader with the Samuels Group, in requesting information on how the new government

center is going to impact the city. The road vacations are among those impacts.

"We're essentially laying out a schedule for the review process," Sheppard said to the Shawano Common Council during its Aug. 12 meeting.

The review process will begin with the Shawano Plan Commission on Aug. 26, followed by the council getting updates at its Sept. 9 meeting.

"We'll be getting more concrete details about where they are with any changes being made," Sheppard said. "We'll have better looks at designs and just see how the inflow and outflow of traffic will be to our satisfaction, which we've been scrutinizing pretty heavily."

A public hearing will take place at the Sept. 30 plan commission meeting. Besides vacating the roads, the city will be looking then at changing the zoning, as the proposed area is a mixture of residential and

commercial zonings, according to Sheppard.

"It's just cleaner if we make it one combined zone for planning and development," he said. "There are going to be a lot of things going on this campus."

The site plan review will also take place at the Sept. 30 meeting, Sheppard added. Once all that is completed, everything will return to the council Oct. 14 for final approval.

"We're very early in the process, but we've been working closely with them to make sure you have the information you need so that you're comfortable with the decisions that need to be made," Sheppard said.

He added that the traffic study done by the county needs a few more details to satisfy the city and ensure that what's being proposed will be safe for the area.

"I think that's their goal, as well," Sheppard said.

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Lunch by the lake



ABOVE: Deputy Nathan Thornborrow with the Shawano County Sheriff's Department plays cornhole with some local youth Aug. 13 at Shawano Lake County Park during the sheriff's department's Lunch in the Park. LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA
LEFT: The beach and grassy area at Shawano Lake County Park was filled with people Aug. 13 as the Shawano County Sheriff's Department held one of its Lunch in the Park programs. LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA

Behling's lawyer leaving delays stalking case

Defendant accused of tracking ex-girlfriend with device

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

Another delay took place in the case against Shawano resident Aaron Behling, who was charged almost a year ago with stalking his ex-girlfriend.

Behling, 36, has been charged with stalking by intercepting an electronic communication, misuse of a GPS device, possession of THC with a repeat offense and possession of methamphetamine with a repeat offense. He has pleaded not guilty to all of the charges.

His attorney, Joe Furnstahl, will be leaving the Shawano Public Defender's office at the end of August, so substitute counsel needs to be found. Wood County Circuit Court Judge Gregory Jerabek set a status conference for 2:15 p.m. Sept. 23 at the Shawano County Courthouse.

According to the criminal complaint, the victim told police she found a tracking device, later identified as a Logistimatics Mobile 200 4g GPS tracker, on her vehicle after having an oil change completed. The mechanic doing the oil change had discovered something unusual near one of the tires and asked to do a tire rotation.

The victim told police she and Behling had broken up recently and that he had accused her multiple times of cheating on him. Behling allegedly said that was not the case when he was initially interviewed by police.

Police reportedly found in his basement another Logistimatics GPS tracker, along with five empty syringes, a vape cartridge that tested positive for marijuana and a syringe with white residue that tested positive for meth.

According to the complaint, the victim said she and Behling had been in a

relationship since September 2022. The pair had a son together, and the victim alleged that the accusations of infidelity began when she was pregnant. Behling was arrested for domestic violence and served one year in prison.

The victim also detailed instances when Behling allegedly parked down the road and watched her workplace. One such incident included when she started a training session in Antigo. Behling allegedly called her and accused her of going to Antigo to meet someone.

Another incident took place in Shawano at a local gas station where Behling allegedly arrived and caused a scene. The victim told officers she had not told Behling she was going to the gas station.

Another incident took place at a Shawano fast-food restaurant where Behling allegedly grabbed the victim's cell phone and started looking through it, later driving her back to work but reportedly not returning the phone.

Other erratic behavior the victim alleged includes when the victim met with her boss to express her concerns about Behling's controlling tendencies, and he called and demanded she send a photo of her in her office to prove she was at work. Behling also allegedly purchased semen tests to test her underwear.

If convicted, Behling faces up to six years in prison on the stalking charge. However, he was convicted on felony drug charges in Fond du Lac County, so his sentence could get an additional four years.

For the misuse of a GPS device, it could get him another nine months imprisonment. He also faces another 3½ years on each of the drug counts. The drug charges could also add four years to his sentence because of the Fond du Lac County case.



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Staying hydrated important during pregnancy

Pregnancy brings many changes to the body, including an increased need for fluids.

While drinking water may seem like a small daily habit, staying hydrated plays an important role in supporting digestion, circulation, amniotic fluid, temperature regulation and overall comfort throughout pregnancy.

Health experts recommend that pregnant patients make hydration a daily priority, especially during warm weather, illness, physical activity or periods of nausea and vomiting. The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists recommends drinking eight to 12 cups, or 64-96 ounces, of water each day during pregnancy.

“Hydration is one of the simplest ways pregnant patients can support their health and their baby’s development,” said Dr. Liz Edinger, Aspirus obstetrician and gynecologist. “Water helps move nutrients through the body, supports healthy blood volume and can help reduce common pregnancy discomforts such as constipation, headaches and

overheating.”

Dehydration can happen when the body loses more fluid than it takes in. During pregnancy, that risk can increase because the body is working harder, blood volume expands and symptoms such as morning sickness can make it harder to keep fluids down. Warning signs may include dark-colored urine, dizziness, dry mouth, fatigue, headache, infrequent urination or feeling unusually overheated.

Pregnant patients can take practical steps to stay hydrated by carrying a refillable water bottle, sipping throughout the day, adding fruit or citrus for flavor, choosing water with meals, eating water-rich fruits and vegetables, and increasing fluids during hot weather or after vomiting or diarrhea.

“A helpful goal is to make hydration part of your routine rather than waiting until you feel thirsty,” said Edinger. “Thirst is not always the earliest sign that your body needs fluids. Pale yellow urine is one simple indicator that you may be staying well hydrated.”

Sweet treats, drinks for school supplies



Shawano-area children were pouring lemonade and selling cookies and other sweet treats Aug. 13 at a stand set up on South Andrews Street. The lemonade stand was set up to raise money to purchase school supplies for Hillcrest Primary School and Olga Brenner Intermediate School to help families that can't otherwise afford to get the supplies they need. The stand also accepted donations of school supplies; anyone who donated got free lemonade.

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Doctor recommends family meals

Between school, sports, work and after-school activities, finding time for everyone in the family to eat together on a regular basis can feel nearly impossible.

However, research shows families don't need to share dinner every night to experience meaningful benefits. Just three meals together each week can make a big difference.

Eating together helps kids have better diets and lowers their obesity risk. However, the benefits go beyond just physical health.

“Kids also tend to have

significantly lower risk for depression, anxiety and disordered eating habits when they are able to eat together as a family,” said Dr. Gretchen Karstens, Aspirus Health pediatrician.

Kids aren't the only ones who benefit. Studies also show 91% of parents say family meals reduce stress in their household.

To get these benefits, meals don't need to be elaborate or formal.

“It could be pizza movie night on Saturdays. It



GRETCHEN KARSTENS

could be everybody gets together for breakfast on Mondays so that we can organize the week,” Karstens said. “It doesn't have to be a fancy meal. You get these benefits whether you're eating organic vegetables or sandwiches. What's more important is the atmosphere.”

Creating space regularly where conversations can happen strengthens connections and builds important life skills. Even when conflict arises or

things feel messy, those moments still have significant value. Kids learn from all kinds of interactions, whether they are light, serious, tense or peaceful.

“These are key opportunities in our kids' lives to really impart how to be in society,” Karstens said. “Our ability to manage conflict and engage others in conversation can directly impact how we feel about our own efficacy in groups and socially.”

The U.S. Surgeon General declared loneliness an epidemic in 2023, and it remains an ongoing public health crisis today. One major factor is the rise of technology and how often people, especially kids, rely on it for communication instead of in-person interaction. In that environment, family mealtime can stand out as a meaningful opportunity to connect.

“In an era of a lot of communication via text, a lot of communication via email, we have fewer face-to-face interactions,” Karstens said. “Carving out a regular time to sit down and have a meal together could end up being the highlight of your day.”

For information about building healthy routines for the family, talk to a pediatrician or family medicine provider.

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Scammers targeting back-to-school shoppers

The back-to-school season is a busy time of year for both students and guardians.

Consumers of all ages will be searching for the best deals on the supplies and products they need, and for scammers, this presents an opportunity. No matter how consumers are preparing for the upcoming school year, the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection is here to help with tips and resources.

Online shoppers may be drawn to ads that promote huge discounts but later discover they were posted by scammers. To avoid online back-to-school scams, be cautious of social media ads or links sent in promotional emails and texts, even if they are for a well-known and trusted company. Double check the website's address for errors or minor differences from the usual URL before entering personal or payment information. Use a credit card for extra protection against fraud.

Fake online ads are not the only scam during the back-to-school season. Young consumers lose money to scams more frequently than older consumers, and that's why scammers specifically target college students with textbook scams, fake job offers,

phishing and many other types of fraud.

Students can take these measures to protect themselves:

- Only use well-known and trusted websites and sales platforms. For lesser-known sites, search the internet for reviews and scam reports before clicking any links or entering personal information.
- Pay close attention to small details to spot inconsistencies and errors, like an unusual email address. Even if the information appears to be related to a trustworthy company or person, it could be a sign of an imposter scam. Consumers who are unsure if a message is legitimate should take action to verify the message is real before acting on it.
- Pause before reacting. Scammers use urgency to get consumers to act before they think. That urgency could be positive, like a flash sale that's ending soon, or negative, like a threat.
- Talk to a trusted friend or family member about the situation. Sometimes, an outside perspective can help point out the red flags.

For information, visit consumerprotection.wi.gov or contact the Consumer Protection Hotline at 800-422-7128 or datcpho@wisconsin.gov.



Staking out the donut shop

ABOVE: There were plenty of law enforcement officers staking out Dunkin' on Aug. 14, including, from left, on the roof, Officer Sam Meshnick, Lt. Dan Conradt and Isaiah Manthey; on the ground, Officer Brandy Hoffman, Deputy Greg Dey and Officer T.J. Mueller. The officers partnered with the doughnut chain to hold Cop on a Rooftop, an event to raise money for Special Olympics.

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LEFT: Shawano County Sheriff deputies Landen Christen, second from right, and Greg Dey, right, talk with a family that stopped Aug. 14 at Dunkin' for breakfast in Shawano before heading to work and daycare.

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Sleep adjustments important as school year begins

As families prepare for another school year, school supply lists, open houses and new schedules often top the to-do list. But there is one back-to-school essential that can have just as much impact on a child's success in the classroom – sleep.

"Sleep plays a big role in kids' brain development, behavior, learning, immunity and growth," said Dr. Kevin Morgan, pediatrician at Aspirus Health.

Yet many children aren't getting enough rest. Nationally, about 35% of children ages 4 months to 14 years do not get enough sleep, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

As summer winds down, many families find themselves facing later bedtimes, sleeping in and less structured schedules. To help children get back on track before the first day of school, Morgan offers three tips.

The first is to establish a consistent routine. Consistency is one of the most important factors in healthy sleep habits.

"Ideally, a bedtime routine should begin about an hour before bedtime," Morgan said. "That might include picking up toys, getting into pajamas, brushing teeth and taking a bath or shower."

Over time, these routines signal to the brain that it is time to relax and prepare for sleep.

Morgan's second tip is to put electronics away. Phones, tablets, televisions and gaming devices can make it harder for children to transition into sleep mode.

"Screens are probably the biggest obstacle to good sleep habits," Morgan said. "I strongly recommend keeping electronic devices out of the bedroom whenever possible and turning off screens at least an hour before bedtime."

Instead of scrolling, gaming or watching videos before bed, families can encourage reading, puzzles or other quiet activities that promote relaxation.

For his third tip, Morgan said shifting a sleep schedule takes time and should be started early.

"Don't wait until the last minute," said Morgan. "Instead, begin re-establishing routines a couple of weeks before school starts."

Gradually moving bedtime 10-15 minutes earlier each day can help children adapt more comfortably and reduce frustration.

Starting early also gives families time to talk about the upcoming school year and build healthy habits together.

"Help them understand why good sleep habits are so important," Morgan said. "Setting those expectations ahead of time can make the transition back to school much smoother for everyone."

Healthy sleep habits can help children arrive in the classroom ready to learn, grow and succeed. By creating consistent routines, limiting electronics and starting early, parents can set the stage for a smoother transition back to school and a stronger start to the year.

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Jahnke starts, ends first for feature win at Shawano Speedway

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

New London's Tanner Jahnke started and ended first in the IMCA modifieds feature race Aug. 15 at the Shawano Speedway.

He topped Wausau's Marcus Yarie, who started eighth and finished second, and Shawano's Jordan Bartz, who started sixth and placed third.

Jahnke also won the first heat, and Shawano's Trent Nolan won the second heat.

In the IMCA sport compact feature, Clintonville's Tanner Westphal started fifth and won the 12-lap race.

He defeated fellow Clintonville drivers Brandon Schirpke, who started and finished second, and Brad Wedde, who started fourth and placed third.

Clintonville's Calvin Stueck won the first heat race, and Seymour's Bo White captured the checkered flag in the second heat.

Cole Magnin, of Oconto Falls, won the IMCA sport modifieds feature. He moved up one spot after starting in the second position.

Seymour's Tim Jorgenson started fifth and finished second, and Shawano's A.J. Springborn started sixth and placed third.

Springborn won the only heat race.

In the IMCA stock cars feature, it was Nolan winning after starting in eighth. Gillett's Travis Welch started and finished second, and Clintonville's Jeremie Hedrick started fourth and placed third.

Welch won the first heat, and Pulaski's Riley Magee won the second heat.

Bartz leads the modified points race with 489, just eight points ahead of Shawano's Jeffery Teske.

Wedde leads the sport compact points race with 452, five points ahead of Westphal.

In the sport modifieds, it's Magnin leading with 480 points, topping Tiger-ton Forrest Kern by 22.

Mark Eswein, of Wisconsin Rapids, leads the points race in the stock car division with 469. Oconto Falls' Kyle Frederick is next with 461.

Racing gets underway at 6 p.m. Aug. 22 and Aug. 29, with the season finale set for Sept. 5.



Shawano School District Superintendent Kurt Krizan is flanked by Shawano Community High School students and staff, as well as Shawano School Board members, as he cuts the ribbon Aug. 17 declaring the new high school stadium officially open.
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SCHS stadium opens to the public

Facility will be home to Hawks' football, soccer, track

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

Students and staff at Shawano Community High School were excited to officially open its new athletic stadium to the public Aug. 17 as more than 200 people wandered around to see the artificial turf, brand new bleachers, scoreboard and more that will be the home for the Hawks for many years to come.

From the \$51.2 million

referendum project, about \$9 million went into the stadium, which will host football and soccer games, along with track meets. Work began on the stadium began in fall 2025 just after the football and soccer seasons ended.

"To our students, families, community members, alumni and guests that have joined us today, this stadium belongs to you, too," said Kurt Krizan, superintendent. "It's a reflection of the investment the community made in our schools and the young people we serve."

Krizan acknowledged the work done by Hoffman Planning and Design to make the stadium a reality, along with construction crews and district staff.

"The two words of 'thank you' don't seem to magnify the pride this moment brings to me, but no

two words can sum up the gratitude on behalf of the district," Krizan said.

He noted that getting the referendum approved was the easy part, but then the hard work came in turning the stadium into a reality. He noted careful planning and difficult decisions went into what people view after the ceremony.

"A project of this size does not happen without an enormous number of people doing their job, often behind the scenes," Krizan said. "I want to thank the students and their families. You're the reason we're here. The stadium will host games, meets, practices, classes, celebrations and memories, but the facility itself is not the important part. The most important part will be the students who walk on the field, run on the track and cheer in the stands. They

will learn how to compete, how to work together, how to handle disappointment, how to lead and how to represent their school and their community."

Shawano School Board President Christine McKinnies said she sees the stadium as a lasting legacy, even when the moments of the opening ceremony are forgotten.

"Today, we see the part of a physical realization of this community's investment," McKinnies said. "For years to come, this field will be a place where games will be played, the marching band will perform, the bleachers will be filled with our staff, our students and families."

The Hawks' first home game will be at 7 p.m. Aug. 28 against Lakeland Union.

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Girls golf underway for Shawano, Pulaski

The 2026 girls area high school golf season kicked off Aug. 13 with the Seymour Thunder Invitational at Crystal Springs Golf

Course.

Of the 16 teams competing, Pulaski placed 14th with 458, and Shawano was right behind them at

459.

Scoring for the Red Raiders were Ellie Mork at 100, Kylie Weidbrenner at 116, Taylor Murphy at 119

and Madison Schuh at 123.

Talia Van Hout carded a 131.

Scoring for the Hawks were Lauren Seehafer at

103, Alyssa Singer at 110, Hailey Hawkinson at 113 and Isabella Race at 133.

Cora Flaig also carded a 133.

Dairyland League's 's final four includes Broncos

Semifinals scheduled for Aug. 23

By GREG SEUBERT
Correspondent

The top three seeds have advanced to the second round of the Dairyland League baseball playoffs.

No. 1 Bonduel, No. 2 Waupaca and No. 3 Hortonville are in the semifinals after opening the post-season Aug. 16 with wins over Hofa Park, Marinette and Shawano, respectively.

Bonduel 12, Hofa Park 0 (7 inn.)

Jett Thielke struck out 13 batters for Bonduel and held the eighth-seeded

Panthers scoreless over six innings to get the win on the mound.

The Broncos had 14 hits. Chase Reinke had three hits, scored twice and drove in a pair of runs, while Eric Yogi Gruenwald, Adam Frost, Easton Reinke and Barret Bohm added two hits each.

Navarino at Cecil
Results not reported.

Hortonville 6, Shawano 3

The Stars scored five runs in the first two innings and held on for the win over the sixth-seeded

Lobos.

Chris Atwood held Shawano to one run over six innings to get the win on the mound.

Waupaca 8, Marinette 1

Defending grand champion Waupaca ended Marinette's season by handing the seventh-seeded Redbirds a loss in Waupaca.

Aug. 23 schedule
League semifinals (all games start at 1:30 p.m.)

No. 4 Cecil or No. 5 Navarino at No. 1 Bonduel; No. 3 Hortonville at No. 2 Waupaca.



The family of George and Rosetta Henn was inducted into the Navarino Rangers Hall of Fame on Aug. 9 at the team's final regular-season game in Navarino. The Henns sold the land for the field where the Rangers play their home games to the Town of Navarino for \$1 in 1948.

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*Hawks football team
prepares for season
with scrimmage against
Chargers, Hodags
and Red Robins*



Shawano football players participated in a scrimmage at Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School on Aug. 14, taking on the Chargers, the Antigo Red Robins and the Rhinelander Hodags. The Hawks will open play at their new stadium at 7 p.m. Aug. 28 against Lakeland Union High School.

ROBERT MAINHARDT

All four top seeds moving on in BABA playoffs

By GREG SEUBERT
Correspondent

The Badger Amateur Baseball Association’s four No. 1 seeds opened the postseason Aug. 16 with three convincing wins and a forfeit victory. Eland, Gresham and Little Falls picked up wins over Elderon, Menominee and Leopolis in the North, East and West divisions, respectively, while Weymont forfeited to New London in the South-Central Division. Finals in all four divisions will be played at 1:30 p.m. Aug. 23.

North Division
Eland 13, Elderon 7
Peyton Flees had four of Eland’s 15 hits in the Engineers’ home win over the WhiskeyJacks. Charlie Woida added three hits on a home run and a pair of doubles, while Nick Barns had two hits. Jacob Ligenza also had a home run for Eland. Brandon Groshek had two of Elderon’s 10 hits. Tyler Nelson picked up the win on the mound, and Thomas Lemanczyk took the loss.
Antigo/Polar 18, Birnamwood 8
The third-seeded Bears

ended the second-seeded Kings’ season with a loss in Birnamwood. Chris Sippl picked up the win on the mound, and Mason Meverden took the loss.
East Division
Gresham 16, Menominee 3 (7 inn.)
The top-seeded Gophers needed only seven innings to defeat the Indians in Gresham. Clintonville 21, Marion 9
Clintonville hosted Marion and handed the Meisters a 12-run loss.
West Division
Little Falls 12,

Leopolis 0
Leopolis came up short against the defending BABA grand champions.
Wittenberg 13, Caroline 10
The Pilots hosted their first playoff game in 15 years and held on to top the Cougars.
Little Falls 14, Tilleda 0 (7 inn.)
The Loggers blanked the Woodchucks on Aug. 11 in Clintonville to complete a suspended game from Aug. 9.
South-Central Division
New London 9, Weymont 0

The fourth-seeded White Bass forfeited the game to the top-seeded Irish.
Scandinavia 5, Plover 2
Scandinavia headed to Plover and returned home with a win over the Pterodactyls.
New London 14 Scandinavia 3 (7 inn.)
New London picked up a win over the Vikings Aug. 12 in a rescheduled game. Tyler Gerrits had three hits to lead New London at the plate, while Ethan Herzfeldt and Ethan Bergen added two hits each.

Michael Glodowski, Brycen Cashin and Ben Lee each had a hit for the Vikings. Connor Brinkman struck out 10 batters while picking up the win on the mound, and Glodowski took the loss.
Aug. 23 schedule
Division finals (all games start at 1:30 p.m.)
North Division: No. 3 Antigo/Polar at No. 1 Eland. East Division: No. 2 Clintonville at No. 1 Gresham. West Division: No. 2 Wittenberg at No. 1 Little Falls. South-Central Division: No. 3 Scandinavia at No. 1 New London.

Brandenburgs, others headed to BABA Hall of Fame

Dan, Patsy and Lois Brandenburg are among the members of the Badger Amateur Baseball Association Hall of Fame and Museum’s 2026 Hall of Fame class. The family will be honored during the annual Hall of Fame Banquet on Oct. 17 at Northwinds Banquet Hall in Marion. Joining the Brandenburgs are Bob Moe, John Boda, Rick Boda, Larry Resch, Jeff Ostrowski, Al Boyd, Harvey Grosskopf, Tim Young and Pat Peskie. The banquet celebrates individuals whose dedication,

leadership and love of the game have helped shape BABA baseball throughout the organization’s 80-year history. It brings together former players, families, fans and supporters from across the league to recognize those who have made a lasting impact on amateur baseball. The BABA Hall of Fame and Museum and Marion Area Historical Society continue to build their partnership to establish a permanent home for the hall of fame and museum adjacent to the historical society’s grounds. The two organizations share

a commitment to preserving the history of the Marion area and the rich tradition of BABA baseball. “The Hall of Fame is growing and so is our vision,” said Jeremy Schoenike, secretary/treasurer of the museum. “We’re excited to recognize this outstanding Hall of Fame class while building our partnership with the Marion Area Historical Society and working toward a permanent home for BABA’s history.” The BABA Hall of Fame and Museum recently launched its

official website and Facebook page, which provide a central location for banquet information, Hall of Fame news and updates as the organization continues to grow. The Hall of Fame is also seeking historic photographs, newspaper clippings, programs, uniforms, memorabilia and personal stories from throughout the league’s history. Community members who have items to share or who want to support the organization’s mission are encouraged to visit the website or attend

this year’s banquet. Tickets, banquet information and additional details are available at www.babahalloffame.org. Updates and announcements can be found at www.facebook.com/babahalloffame. General admission tickets for the banquet are \$30 and are available online. Guests can also reserve the Captain’s Table, which includes reserved seating for eight guests and entry into a special Captain’s Table drawing. Advance ticket purchases are encouraged to assist with banquet planning.

‘Matt and Lesley Show’ gets more popular

Clerk, parks director inject personalities into efforts to inform on city happenings

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

Most days, Lesley Nemetz is busy making sure there are no stray records at Shawano City Hall, while Matt Hendricks makes sure everyone is having fun at the city parks and the newly re-opened Shawano Recreation Center.

Once a month, though, the pair arrive at the WTCH radio station and sit down with “Breakfast Club” host Doug Erdman and talk about all things Shawano. They now have their own show called the “Matt and Lesley Show.” It started in January 2025 and has resulted in the city being more in the spotlight.

For years, the “Breakfast Club” had held an open slot for Shawano mayors to come and talk about various city issues, according to Nemetz. When the mayor couldn’t make it, either Nemetz or Hendricks would fill in to give information on what’s going on in the city, what’s going to be on the agenda for the Shawano Common Council and more.

Then the pair hit upon the idea of both of them teaming up to share the spotlight and do it in a fun way that goes beyond the general listing of city activities. They sat down with Erdman and WTCH general manager Eric Voight about what could be done to make city news more interesting. Since then, people have taken notice, with Hendricks and Nemetz both saying that they’ve had people come to them at the grocery store or somewhere else in town and comment they heard them on the radio.

“Matt and I found it to be really beneficial to be able to talk to the community about all sorts of things,” Nemetz said. “While we have our own departments, he and I are involved in the vast majority of things in the city of Shawano. Our management team takes great pride in making sure that, whether you work at City Hall or park and rec or DPW (Department of Public Works), we all know what everybody has going on so that, if there is a question in the community, we can all be knowledgeable and ready to answer that.”

Neither Hendricks nor Nemetz are originally from Shawano, but they both now choose to call the community home. It’s that integration and involvement that helps to put a positive spin on what the city is doing, whether it’s new park amenities, freshly paved roads or new events at city facilities.

“Neither of us have any intention of leaving,” Nemetz said. “It’s just wanting to do better for the community and



Lesley Nemetz, left, and Matt Hendricks interact well with each other Aug. 12 as they talk about what’s happening in the city of Shawano during the “Breakfast Club” in the WTCH radio studio. Nemetz and Hendricks realized they had an interesting dynamic and decided to create the “Matt and Lesley Show” as a way to not only be transparent about city inner workings but also make them fun and entertaining.

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letting people know.”

Social media in the area tends to be full of people talking about not knowing what’s going on in the community, and the “Matt and Lesley Show” serves as a way for the city to be more transparent, said Nemetz, who also serves as the city’s community relations manager.

“Part of my job – and I’m bringing Matt along for the ride – in communications is trying to make sure people do have an opportunity to know. So utilizing WTCH with their great reach ... and utilizing that platform allows us to talk more about what’s going on in our community,” she said.

With more and more distrust in government at all levels, Hendricks is eager to talk about what’s going on in Shawano.

“With government today, people are ‘Oh, they’re not transparent. They’re hiding things,’” Hendricks said. “I can

only speak for the city of Shawano’s local government, because that’s what I know, and I believe that not to be true. If someone comes in and wants to know more, all of our staff can do that. We don’t have anything to hide.”

It wasn’t enough, though, just to have a show with their names on it. Hendricks said he and Nemetz asked ChatGPT to come up with a logo for them, and that evolved to having their own T-shirts.

“I was like, ‘Whoa. We’ve got a brand. Let’s roll,’” Hendricks said.

An original jingle that the pair tried to have in the beginning gave way to something better with the help of WTCH staff.

“We had a sad, little jingle in the beginning that we tried,” Nemetz said. “Then Eric came in from WTCH and said, ‘Hey, I redid your jingle for you guys. What do you think?’ It’s pretty

great.”

Originally, Nemetz and Hendricks were on the “Breakfast Club” for an hour, but they came to realize that condensing everything into 30 minutes was better due to people’s attention spans. Now, the pair are usually on WTCH from 8:30-9 a.m. on the second Wednesday of each month, and then they walk next door to the WJMQ studio and talk with Jay Cruz, host of “Cruz in the Mornings.” Most of the content is the same between the two stations, but sometimes they can go off on different tangents, depending on the host.

“If you spend too much time on something, even if it’s a topic we love, that doesn’t necessarily mean everyone else loves it,” Hendricks said. “If you can say something in two or three or four sentences as opposed to three or

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Mary Kluck walks with her dogs through her family farm.

SHARON VANORNY

NTC graduate turns life on farm into book

Kluck’s tale for kids attracts historical society’s attention

By KALEY FECH
Special to NEW Media

Mary Kluck, a 2024 graduate of North-central Technical College, recently became a published author, but her book, “Welcome to My Farm,” started long before it was ever printed on a page.

It began with the life she lived growing up on her family’s sixth-generation dairy farm, where every day meant caring for cows and learning firsthand that every glass of milk and block of cheese

represent countless hours of hard work. Thus began Kluck’s passion for agriculture and education.

A photo shows a person pouring feed from a scoop into a wheelbarrow inside a barn. Several black-and-white cows stand nearby, with sunlight coming through the open doorway.

She was able to combine both into a published children’s book that is helping the next generation understand where

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their food comes from.

“I wanted to be that bridge,” Kluck said. “It’s important for kids to make the connection from field to fork and understand the hardworking farmers and animals that make it possible.”

Growing up in rural Wisconsin, she noticed that fewer children had direct connections to agriculture than previous generations.

“There are a lot of kids whose relatives grew up on farms, but that’s starting to fade away,” Kluck said. “I wanted to help educate students about where their food comes from.”

While in high school, Kluck was active in FFA, and she was looking for a project that would benefit her community. She began imagining how to bring the farm into an elementary school classroom.

Kluck took photographs from her family’s farm,

showing each stage of a cow’s life, from calf to heifer to milking cow, and compiled explanations of how their care changes as they grow. She highlighted the different feeds cattle eat throughout their lives and included photos of their stalls and familiar routines.

The book began simply – a printed document to serve as a classroom resource. She received grants from the Wittenberg-Birnamwood FFA Alumni and the Shawano County Farm Bureau, which helped fund the first printed copies.

A photo shows a person climbing into a green tractor with large yellow wheels. Two dogs stand on the grass beside the tractor. A red barn, fencing, and several black-and-white cows are visible in the background.

Kluck graduated from Wittenberg-Birnamwood

High School in 2022, but she kept working on the book. She knew she wanted a future in agriculture, and several family members, including her brother and cousin, had attended NTC and encouraged her to do the same. She graduated in 2024 after studying dairy science and agribusiness.

Eventually, the Wisconsin Historical Society became interested in the book, helping bring the book to publication. The book is now available for purchase and is reaching readers all over.

“It feels amazing to see all of the hard work come to life,” Kluck said. “I’m able to share the passion I have for the dairy industry while helping kids make that connection between food and farm.”

Initially, Kluck had envisioned using her education to operate a dairy farm, but as her book grew, so

did her aspirations. After graduating from NTC, Mary transferred to the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay.

Today, Kluck serves as an Agricultural Ambassador at the Food + Farm Exploration Center in Plover, where she continues the same mission that inspired her book.

The center features interactive exhibits exploring crop production, greenhouses, grocery stores, agricultural technology, machinery and STEM. Children can experiment with displays, explore how crops are grown and discover the science behind food production through hands-on learning.

Between her book and her job, Kluck said she hopes children develop an appreciation not only for farmers, but also for the animals, responsibility and stewardship that make agriculture possible.



Welcome to My Farm



Mary Lewandowski

AT A GLANCE

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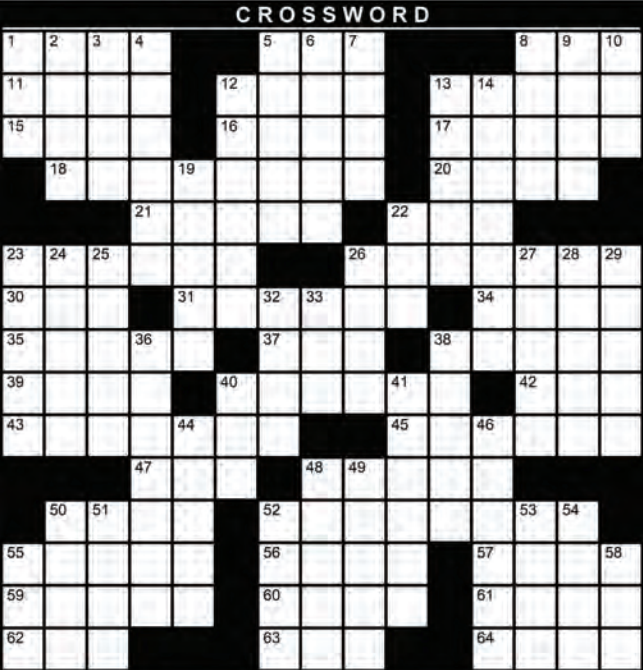
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17. Like Siberian winters
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21. *Apparition investigated in a Scooby-Doo cartoon
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31. Always, in Rome
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35. From then on
37. Am is to I as ____ is to we
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39. International Civil Aviation Organization
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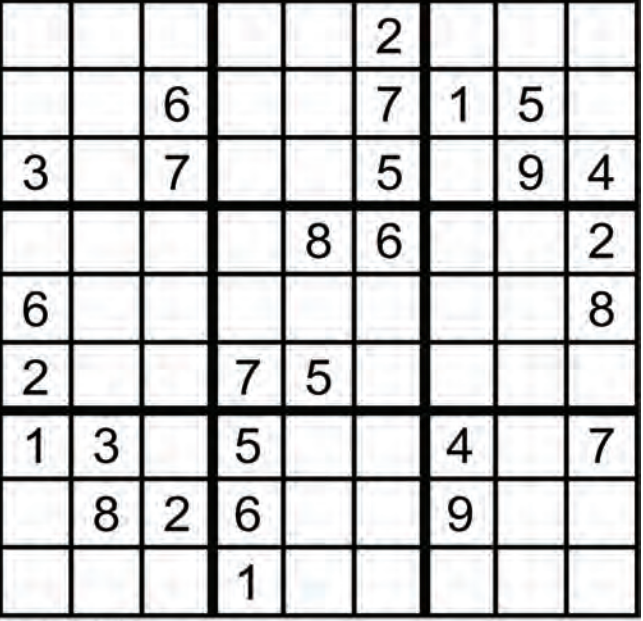
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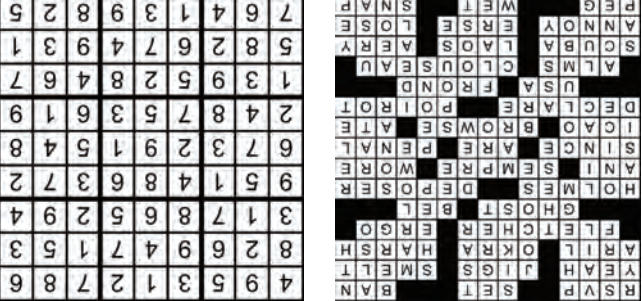
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Bonus antlerless deer permits available

If you've been observing this year's crop of fawns following Mama around the pastures and field edges lately, you're probably excited to see two or even three young ones in tow.

It's a good news/bad news story as it means plenty of opportunities for hunters this fall but potential disaster for motorists; and it's a reflection that we still haven't done a great job controlling herd growth to match carrying capacity.

The weekly reports of car-deer accidents in the local newspapers are tapering off after the June spring peak when does typically birth their young. Most of us know that November is the worst month of all for vehicle-deer crashes as the bucks enter the rut and farmers harvest their corn and soybeans. A big doe took out my beloved 2010 Honda Odyssey last July, and I've had a vendetta against does ever since.

It will soon be time to do our duty as hunter-conservationists and trim the herd with bow, crossbow, rifle, shotgun and muzzleloader. That has to include shooting does or "antlerless deer," which occasionally



Deer overpopulation, common throughout the Central Farmland zones, results in starvation and diseases that hit does and fawns the hardest. Harvesting antlerless deer can help restore proper carrying capacity.

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COLUMNIST

includes button bucks. As much as I hated the Earn-a-Buck years (when you had to shoot an antlerless deer before you could shoot a buck), I got the very real biological goal of herd control. Some hunters don't think we should ever shoot does because "the does draw the bucks to my land," and that selfish thinking is a big part

of the problem. Officially, Quality Deer Management embraces the harvest of does, but we all know trophy hunters who just won't do it. You'd think after decades of reading about deer biology in the magazines (Deer and Deer Hunting published in Waupaca is one of the best), we'd all have this figured out. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources has done its best to manage the herd for a healthy population (our state still boasts the most record

bucks in America), but we hunters have to shoulder the responsibility of making these goals happen as stewards of the land and its wildlife. Once again, hunters in Shawano County and surrounding counties will have plenty of opportunities this fall to shoot antlerless deer, with three free permits per bow and gun buck permit. Shawano, Oconto (Central Farmland portion), Waupaca and Portage county hunters get three each, while Langlade

County (Central Farmland portion) gets two.

If you want more antlerless permits, you are in luck. Earlier this week, bonus antlerless permits went on sale for \$12 each (\$20 for non-residents). You may purchase one per day per person until sold out. (It is rare for a sellout in any county.) You must designate which county you will hunt in and whether it is on private or public land. (Antlerless tags are not weapon-specific.)

Shawano County's bonus antlerless permit quota is 1,000 for public land and 5,500 for private land. Oconto County's quota in the Central Farmland portion is 500 for public and 1,300 for private land.

For a list of county quotas and more information on antlerless permits, go to <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/permits/bonusavailability.html>

Does don't have flashy antlers to impress your hunting buddies or adorn your walls, but they do taste amazing. A grilled rare doe tenderloin or steak can impress anyone. Antlerless deer offer hunting chances for young or new hunters that the wise, old bucks may not – especially during the bow/crossbow season. (Anyone can get lucky during the gun season, right?) Fawns are especially tender and

certainly compare to veal in tenderness. This is why my wife likes to tell me to "Shoot a small one" as I walk out the door.

I don't know if it's the testosterone in a buck, but I feel does almost always taste better than bucks. According to the National Deer Association (new to me also), does do taste better. Age, diet and how the meat was handled after the kill are other factors affecting venison flavor. Read about different species of deer and how the stronger scent of buck meat also can affect taste at <https://deerassociation.com/which-venison-tastes-better-bucks-or-does/>

One of the best reasons to hunt does is that it helps prevent starvation and disease caused by overpopulation. Overgrazing also destroys habitat for ground-nesting songbirds and other wildlife.

Sept. 12 is opening day for the bow and crossbow season. It's your first chance to look at whitetail hunting in a whole new way and put the emphasis on helping the ecosystem while putting some tasty venison in the freezer in the form of does.

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There's never a bear around when you need one

One day a while back, my husband was hauling gravel to fill in ruts on a path in our woods. We use this path to reach our sap lines, and the deluge of rain that came down a while ago did a number on it. He was in the woods with the tractor, trailer and skidder making all kinds of racket.

A notice on one of his trail cameras popped in. Stopping to glance at his phone, he wondered what it had taken a picture of. It made his jaw drop.

FARM LIFE FROM A FARM WIFE



KAY REMINGER
COLUMNIST

sighting was all my husband needed to stay crazy excited about bear hunting. As a small girl, I'd had a reoccurring dream in which a black bear was chasing me around and around our empty barn. Barely keeping ahead of him, I rushed from stanchion to stanchion, his hot breath on the back of my neck. It was terrifying.

So when my husband had a desire to actually bait and hunt one, my gut tightened, even these many years later.

From what I understood, the process sometimes takes a while, from applying to actually getting picked. He'd applied and waited. The desire sort of waned. One day, he even mentioned he probably wouldn't go bear hunting.

I breathed a sigh of relief. Short-lived.

The very next day, I went out to the mailbox and there, tucked in with junk mail, was a yellow-colored notice congratulating my husband on getting picked for a bear tag. I almost fell over and was quite tempted to throw it out. He wasn't



After catching a black bear on a trail camera in their woods, Kay's husband is anticipating a successful hunt.

KAY REMINGER

home. I reasoned with myself he'd made up his mind. He would never know.

I couldn't do it.

Thus started our journey to secure a bear.

Last year, one day as he was cutting wood, he came across a beech tree that was hollow inside. So he cut it in about a 2-foot length. Because it was hollow in the center, we could fill it with sweets.

Keeping that in mind, one day we headed to Bob's Bear Bait in Birnamwood

and stocked up on enough junk to turn the bear into a diabetic.

Coming home, we stored the loot on the trailer in our shed. Not a wise decision as within days it had attracted a raccoon who informed his mom, dad, siblings and cousins that he'd found free food and it was delicious.

The first day we noticed an issue was with a full box of missing Teddy Grahams, which the bait people had given us free. They were

gone, along with some gummy worms.

We moved all the items into a garbage can with a secured lid and stuck a block of cement on top, just to make sure.

Setting a live trap – as time went on – we'd captured and relocated eight raccoons in six days. Yes. Two days had had two in the trap at one time. Their house is in the woods. Our shed is off-limits.

Deciding on a spot to bait, we hauled the hollow

log along with the goodies, which included nuts and seeds, out to a place in our 40-acre swamp. He'd taken a trail cam from one spot and relocated it to the bear-bait spot, facing toward the hollow log to catch any movement. Placing a sheet of plywood on the top along with a heavy stone (to ward off smaller critters), we wait.

As of this writing, we have not had a hit on the bait stump. Disappointing to say the least. Well, for him. He's since chosen a different location, again securing a trail cam close by.

Time will tell if this will be the spot.

If so, I might have to look up bear meat recipes and may actually like a bearskin rug in my back room.

To be continued ...

("Everything that lives and moves about may be food for you. Just as I gave you the green plants, I now give you everything." Genesis 9:3, New International Version)

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

WHAT'S HAPPENING

FRIDAY, AUG. 21

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

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

SATURDAY, AUG. 22

GILLETT: Oconto County Youth Fair, 8 a.m. to noon, Zippel Park, 150 N. McKenzie St. Free admission. Small animal and caged bird, horse, cat and dog shows.

SHAWANO: FRESH Project Shawano Farmers Market, 8 a.m. to noon, Franklin Park, 235 Washington St. Check Facebook page for cancellations and weekly updates.

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

SUNDAY, AUG. 23

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

ABRAMS: Farmers Market, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Town Square, 5877 Main St.

CECIL: Sacred Heart Parish Golf Outing, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., Golden Sands Golf Course, 300 Nabor Road. Eighteen holes of golf, prizes and raffles. Public event; all are welcome. Team check-in 11 a.m., shotgun start 1 p.m., buffet dinner.

MONDAY, AUG. 24

TOWNSEND: American Red Cross blood drive, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Townsend Town Hall, 16564 Elm St. Appointments at RedCrossBlood.org or 800-733-2767.

TUESDAY, AUG. 25

OCONTO FALLS: Oconto County Farmers Market, 4-8 p.m., Memorial Field. Chili Cook-Off. Music with Codi Ness.

OCONTO: Tunes on Tuesday, 6-8 p.m., Beyer Home, 917 Park Ave. Music with Rapid Transit.

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

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 26

STILES: St. Patrick's Rummage

Sale, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., 5760 County Road I.

BONDUEL: Farmers Market, 4-7 p.m., corner of Cecil and Green Bay streets.

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

THURSDAY, AUG. 27

SHAWANO: Small Business Education Series, 8:30-9:15 a.m., Sweet Life Eatery, 116 N. Main St. Presentation and Q&A with Heather Pahl, owner of Martin Jewelers.

GILLETT: Oconto County Youth Fair, 9 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., Zippel Park, 150 N. McKenzie St. Swine show 9 a.m. followed by sheep show, exhibitions open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., music with Josh Berton 3:30-5:30 p.m., Midway open 4-10 p.m., opening ceremony 6 p.m., music by Homegrown 6:30-10:30 p.m., bingo 7 p.m., Ag Olympics at grandstand 7 p.m. Admission free; parking \$5 or \$10 four-day pass.

BOWLER: Nature Bathing Along the Trail Walk, 10 a.m., Snowmobile Pavilion, 104 E. Railroad St. Outdoor enthusiast Nikole

Koszarek leads a 1.5-mile walk designed to help participants slow down, engage their senses and experience the natural beauty of the the Mountain-Bay State Trail.

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

SHAWANO: WAMSCO Meat Raffle, 5-6 p.m., Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. Raffle drawing, other prizes and games to benefit Waterways Association of Menominee and Shawano Counties.

SHAWANO: Thursdayz at Franklin, 6-8:30 p.m., Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. Spark Spark Bang. Bring your own chairs, food and drink available, 50/50 raffles.

SHAWANO: The After Party, 8-10 p.m., The Naberhood, 214 S. Main St. Music with North Forty.

FRIDAY, AUG. 28

GILLETT: Oconto County Youth Fair, 9 a.m. to 11:30 p.m., Zippel Park, 150 N. McKenzie St. Rabbit show 9 a.m., exhibitions open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., beef show 10 a.m., Midway open noon to 10 p.m., music by Randy Peterson 12:30 p.m. and 4 p.m., Bob

Bohm's Family Entertainment at 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 7 p.m., music by Ken and Kris 3-6:30 p.m., bingo 4 p.m. and 7 p.m., music by Driftwood 8-11:30 p.m., 4x4 Truck Pulls at grandstand 7 p.m. Admission free; parking \$5 or \$10 four-day pass, grandstand admission \$10, \$5 ages 5-17.

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

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

SATURDAY, AUG. 29

SHAWANO: FRESH Project Shawano Farmers Market, 8 a.m. to noon, Franklin Park, 235 Washington St. Check Facebook page for cancellations and weekly updates.

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

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

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four paragraphs, you still get your message out."

"It's so different," Nemetz added. "Doug and Jay are just different vibes, but it's nice. Both of them are really a lot of fun and willing to talk to us about local government."

With the advent of radio station websites, Hendricks and Nemetz even have fans who are not within the coverage areas.

"We are both humble enough to realize we are not this nationally syndicated show," Nemetz said. "However, we are having a huge reach because technology allows people from all over to listen to it. I know there are people in Nevada who listen to us on a regular basis. We've had people who have

contacted us from the Carolinas because they were working on a research project and asked us if we'd be able to talk about a person and get more information out."

The only thing Hendricks and Nemetz wish is that more people would call in to the studios when they're on if they have questions about city matters. Hendricks noted that it's easy for people to complain by being "keyboard warriors" with social media, but they'll get a lot more information interacting with the "Matt and Lesley Show."

"We do encourage more people to call or text in," Hendricks said. "Every once in a while, we get people with a few questions. That's another way to be interactive."



WTCH "Breakfast Club" host Doug Erdman, left, talks Aug. 12 with Shawano City Clerk Lesley Nemetz, center, and Parks and Recreation Director Matt Hendricks about what's happening with the renovated recreation center.
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8/7/26, 8/14/26, 8/21/26
STATE OF WISCONSIN
SHAWANO COUNTY

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY
Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC
Plaintiff,
vs.
Craig Charles Ternouth, Jane Doe
Ternouth a/k/a Amanda Ternouth a/k/a Amanda Spangler and Cross River Bank Defendants.
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
Case No. 25-CV-000133
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure entered on September 3, 2025 in the amount of \$87,159.61 the Sheriff will sell the described premises at public auction as follows:
TIME: September 9, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.
TERMS: Pursuant to said judgment, 10% of the successful bid must be paid to the sheriff at the sale in cash, cashier's check or certified funds, payable to the clerk of courts (personal checks cannot and will not be accepted). The balance of the successful bid must be paid to the clerk of courts in cash, cashier's check or certified funds no later than ten days after the court's confirmation of the sale or else the 10% down payment is forfeited to the plaintiff. The property is sold 'as is' and subject to all liens and encumbrances.
PLACE: In the front lobby of the Shawano County Courthouse, City and County of Shawano
DESCRIPTION: Commencing at a point on Vinal Street 10 feet Southwest from the most Northerly point of Lot One (1), Block Three (3), according to the recorded Plat of the Martin Luther Orphan Home Association Subdivision of Block Twenty-seven (27), according to the recorded Original Plat of the Village of Wittenberg, in the Village of Wittenberg, Shawano County, Wisconsin; thence running in a Southeasterly direction at right angles with Vinal Street 140 feet to Lot Number Six, Block Number One of the Martin Luther Orphan Home Association Subdivision of Block Number Twenty-seven; thence in a Northeasterly direction parallel with Vinal Street 71 feet 4 inches more or less; thence in a Northwesterly direction at right angles with Vinal Street 140 feet to Vinal Street; thence in a Southwesterly direction along Vinal Street 71 feet 4 inches more or less to the place of beginning. Also all that part of Lot Six (6), Block One (1), according to the recorded Plat of the Martin Luther Orphan Home Association Subdivision of Block Twenty-seven (27), according to the recorded Original Plat of the Village of Wittenberg, Shawano County, Wisconsin, lying North and East of a line described as follows: Commencing at a point on Vinal Street 10 feet Southwest from the most Northerly point of Lot Number One, Block Number Three, of the Martin Luther Orphan Home Subdivision of Block Number Twenty-seven, according to the recorded Original Plat of the Village of Wittenberg, Shawano County, Wisconsin; thence running in a Southeasterly direction at right angles with Vinal Street 140 feet to Lot Number Six, Block Number One of said Martin Luther Orphan Home Association Subdivision of said Block Number Twenty seven and there shall be the place of beginning; thence continue in a Southeasterly direction at right angles with Vinal Street across said Lot Number Six to the South line of said Lot Number Six. Together with Easement Agreement recorded as Doc. No. 731870.
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 317 W Vinal St Wittenberg, WI 54499-9055
DATED: July 7, 2026
Gray & Associates, L.L.P.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
16345 West Glendale Drive
New Berlin, WI 53151-2841
(414) 224-8404
George Lenzner
Shawano County Sheriff
Please go to www.gray-law.com to obtain the bid for this sale
Gray & Associates, L.L.P. is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If you have previously received a discharge in a chapter 7 bankruptcy case, this communication should not be construed as an attempt to hold you personally liable for the debt.
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SHA-259**

8/7/26, 8/14/26, 8/21/26
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DAVID R. HELSEL
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(Informal Administration)
CASE NO. 2026PR49
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth June 24, 1981, and date of death April 23, 2026
was domiciled in SHAWANO County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 114 W. Stevens Avenue, Shawano, WI 54166.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is October 31, 2026.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, Shawano County, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, WI, Room 202.
BY THE COURT:
DATE SIGNED: July 24, 2026
Electronically Signed by Gwen Hoffman.
James E. Lewis & Van Sickie, LLC
2149 Velp Avenue, Suite 206, Green Bay, WI 54303.
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SHA-273**

8/7/26, 8/14/26, 8/21/26
STATE OF WISCONSIN
SHAWANO COUNTY

CIRCUIT COURT
BROWN COUNTY
Publication Summons and Notice
Case No. 26-CV-760, Class 30301
CREATIVE FINANCE, INC.
815 Business Park Road
Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965,
Plaintiff,
Vs.
CARLESE MARIE TOURTILLOTT & VARLIN FRANKLIN BASINA
N2075 Hickory,
Keshena, WI 54135,
Defendants.
You are hereby notified that the plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. Within forty (40) days after August 7, 2026, you must respond with a written demand for a copy of the complaint. The demand must be sent or delivered to the court, whose address is: Clerk of Circuit Court BROWN COUNTY COURTHOUSE 100 S. Jefferson Street, Green Bay, WI 54301 and to the plaintiff's attorney, Ann L. Patteson, von Briesen & Roper, s.c., 300 North Broadway, Suite 2B, Green Bay, WI 54303. You may have an attorney help or represent you. If you do not demand a copy of the complaint within 40 days, the court may grant judgment against you for an award of money or other legal action requested in the complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property. This is an attempt to collect a debt. Any information obtained shall be used for that purpose.
Dated this 30TH day of July, 2026.
Ann L. Patteson
Plaintiff's Attorney
von Briesen & Roper, s.c.
300 N. Broadway, Ste. 2B
Green Bay, WI 54303
Telephone 920.713.7800
**WNAXLP
SHA-275**

8/7/26, 8/14/26, 8/21/26
STATE OF WISCONSIN
SHAWANO COUNTY

CIRCUIT COURT
CASE NO. 2025CV000220
FORECLOSURE CASE CODE: 30404
NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC Plaintiff,
vs.
DUSTIN G. DEMRO; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DUSTIN DEBRO, IF ANY; et al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure entered on January 13, 2026, in the amount of \$253,867.76, the Sheriff, or Designee, will sell the described premises at public auction as follows:
TIME: September 9, 2026, at 9:00 AM
TERMS:
1. 10% of the successful bid must be paid to the sheriff at the sale in cash, cashier's check, or certified funds, payable to the clerk of courts (personal checks cannot and will not be accepted). The balance of the successful bid must be paid to the clerk of courts in cash, cashier's check or certified funds no later than ten days after the court's confirmation of the sale or else the 10% down payment will be forfeited to the Plaintiff.
2. Sold "as is" and subject to all legal liens and encumbrances. 3. Buyer to pay applicable Wisconsin Real Estate Transfer Tax in addition to the purchase price.
PLACE: main level of the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 North Main Street, Shawano, WI 54166
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: LOT THREE (3), BLOCK TWO (2), OF J.J. BRZEZINSKI'S FIRST ADDITION, IN THE TOWN OF ANGELICA, SHAWANO COUNTY, WISCONSIN. TAX KEY NO.: 004600500100
PROPERTY ADDRESS: W145 CENTER STREET, KRAKOW, WI 54137
Submitted by: Scott D. Nabke
Bar No.: 1037979
Diaz Anselmo & Associates, P.A. P.O. BOX 19519 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33318 (954) 564-0071
Facsimile: (954) 564-9252
Service E-mail: answersms@dallegal.com
Dated this 30 day of July 30, 2026, George Lenzner Shawano County Sheriff or Designee
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8/14/26, 8/21/26, 8/28/26, 9/4/26
STATE OF WISCONSIN
SHAWANO COUNTY

STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY
Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing
Case No. 26CV156
IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF
Carson Allen Harris
By Carson Allen Harris
NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Carson Allen Harris
To: Carson Allen Clay
Birth Certificate: Carson Allen Harris
IT IS ORDERED:
This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County, State of Wisconsin
Judge Name: William F Kussel JR
Place: Shawano County Courthouse
311 N Main ST, Shawano, WI 54166
Date: 09/02/2026
Time: 8:15a.m.
**WNAXLP
SHA-282**

8/14/26, 8/21/26, 8/28/26
STATE OF WISCONSIN
SHAWANO COUNTY

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE MATTER OF THE ROGER AND RAMONA HANSON REVOCABLE TRUST DATED FEBRUARY 12, 1988
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. Eric C. Hanson and Stuart T. Hanson are the co-trustees of the Roger and Ramona Hanson Revocable Trust Dated February 12, 1988.
2. The decedent, Ramona T. Hanson, with a birth date of August 4, 1931, and date of death of June 29, 2026, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a post office address of N6145 Eagle Lane Wittenberg, WI 54499.
3. Deadline to make claims: All persons or companies having claims against Ramona T. Hanson and/or the Roger and Ramona Hanson Revocable Trust Dated February 12, 1988, must present their claims to the attorney for the trustee on or before November 24, 2026, which is four (4) months after the date of July 24, 2026, the date of first insertion and publication of this Notice in the Shawano Leader, or the claims will be forever barred as set forth in Section 701.0508 of the Wisconsin Statutes.
4. Notice of claims: Claims must be presented by delivering or mailing the claim in the form required by Section 701.0509(2) of the Wisconsin Statutes. The claim is deemed presented upon receipt by the attorney for the trustee at the address set forth herein.
5. Publication of this notice shall constitute notice to any persons whose names or addresses are unknown.
6. Attorney for trustee: Attorney Ashley L. Hawley, Ruder Ware, L.L.S.C., P.O. Box 8050, Wausau, WI 54402-8050.
4921-7622-3934, v. 2
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SHA-279**

8/14/26, 8/21/26, 8/28/26
STATE OF WISCONSIN
SHAWANO COUNTY

Case No. 2025CV000280
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COUNTY

Associated Bank, N.A.
Plaintiff,
v.
Marie I. Birr a/k/a Marie Inez Birr
Defendant.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of a judgment of foreclosure made in the above-entitled case on May 14, 2026 in the amount of \$12,706.47, I will sell at public auction, located in the main lobby of the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, WI 54166, on

September 9, 2026

At 9:00 AM, all of the following described premises, to wit:

SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF SHAWANO AND STATE OF WISCONSIN:

A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THAT PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 29, TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, OF RANGE 15 EAST, IN SHAWANO COUNTY, WISCONSIN, BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTH QUARTER CORNER OF THE SAID SECTION 29; THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 52 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE QUARTER LINE 300.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 51 MINUTES 34 SECONDS WEST 24.75 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF A TOWN ROAD; THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 52 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE SAID WEST LINE 202.50 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 51 MINUTES 34 SECONDS WEST 250.25 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE ON THE SAME LINE 250.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 52 SECONDS WEST 209.54 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 51 MINUTES 34 SECONDS EAST 250.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 52 SECONDS EAST 209.54 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING.

Street Address: N2930 Branch Ln, Clintonville, WI 54929
Tax Key No. 010-29340-0130

THE PROPERTY WILL BE SOLD AS IS AND SUBJECT TO ANY AND ALL REAL ESTATE TAXES, SUPERIOR LIENS OR OTHER LEGAL ENCUMBRANCES.

TERMS OF SALE: CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK or CERTIFIED FUNDS, payable to the Shawano County Office of the Sheriff (10% down payment at sale, balance due within ten (10) days of Court approval; down payment to be forfeited if payment not received timely). Buyer must comply with

minimum bidder qualifications as set forth in Wis. Stat. Å§ 846.155. Buyer to pay applicable Wisconsin Real Estate Transfer Tax in addition to the purchase price.

George Lenzner
Sheriff of Shawano County, Wisconsin

Codilis, Moody & Circelli, P.C.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
(414) 775-7700
50-25-01404
NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector.
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8/21/26
STATE OF WISCONSIN
SHAWANO COUNTY

Notice of Rate Increase
Water Customers of the Bonduel Water and Sewer Utility

This is to give you notice that the Bonduel Water and Sewer Utility will file an application on September 1, 2026, with the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC), for authority to increase water rates. Rates for general service will increase 3.0 percent. The increase is necessary to reduce the existing deficiency in present rates. The request is being made under Wis. Stat. 196.193. Rate increases granted under this statute do not require a public hearing. The effect of the increase for some selected customers is shown below. Public Fire Protection and Wholesale rates (if applicable) will also increase 3.0 percent.

Customer Classification	Meter Size	Gallons	Existing Monthly Rate	Revised Monthly Rate
Average Residential	3/4	4,000	\$32.04	\$33.02
Commercial	1	10,000	\$68.10	\$70.19
Industrial	4	20,000	\$198.12	\$204.14
Public Authority	1 ½	5,000	\$50.55	\$52.09
Multifamily	2	10,000	\$89.10	\$91.82

Bonduel Water and Sewer Utility anticipates that the rate increase will go into effect on October 30, 2026. If you have any questions about the rate increase request, call the Bonduel Water and Sewer Utility at (715) 758-8779.
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SHA-290**

8/21/26, 8/28/26, 9/4/26
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT

SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Robert Lee Jansen
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 26 PR 56
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 12/06/1951 and date of death 06/01/2026 was domiciled in - Shawano County, State of WI with a mailing address of N6026 Wolf River Rd Shawano, WI 3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is November 20, 2026
5. A claim may be filed at the SHAWANO County Courthouse 311 N. MAIN ST. SHAWAND, Wisconsin, Room 202, PROBATE OFFICE
Form completed by:
Terri A. Jansen
N6026 Wolf River Rd
Shawano, WI 54146
952.693.8884
**WNAXLP
SHA-302**

8/14/26, 8/21/26
STATE OF WISCONSIN
SHAWANO COUNTY

Notice of Public Hearing
Planning, Development and Zoning Committee Meeting
Wednesday, September 2, 2026 @ 9:00 AM
Shawano County Courthouse, Rooms A & B
Members: Ken Capelle, Curt Korth, Kathy Luebke, Steven Pollock, James Radtke
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Shawano County Planning, Development and Zoning Committee under the Shawano County Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 40, in Rooms A/B on September 2, 2026 at 9AM, to consider the following application:
Z-10-26: Lynn M Murphy, agent for Brenda L Stevens, Wanda M Blundon, FKA Wanda M Waldevogel, Lynn M Murphy, and Dorothy A Chase, owners request zone change from the FP, Farmland and Forest Preservation Zoning District to OAR, Open Lands, Agriculture and Residential Zoning District for the purpose of constructing a Single-Family Dwelling on approximately 13.1600 total acres. Property is located and described as Part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4, Section 6, T29N R11E, was Parcel 1 Volume 4 of Certified Survey Map Page 388 Map #1289 Now Known As Lot 2 Certified Survey Map #4772, located in the Town of Aniwa. Tax Parcel: #006-06130-0010. Currently vacant land.
Any interested person may address the Planning, Development and Zoning Committee by letter or appear in person, or by agent, and be heard at the public hearing. Written correspondence must bear a legible signature of the author as well as the primary address of the signer. The Committee will accept and review all previously received pertinent information relative to the above listed item(s) during the open session of the public hearing on September 2, 2026. Notice is further given that printed copies of these proposals are available for public inspection in the Planning and Development office during regular business hours.
Please note that upon reasonable notice, effort will be made to accommodate the needs of any person wishing to attend who, because of disability, requires special accommodation through appropriate aids and services. Call 715-526-6766 to leave a message for arrangements.
Dated this August 7, 2026
For: The Shawano County Planning, Development and Zoning Committee
By: Kyle Waelchli, Zoning Administrator

NOTE: Any person may appear at the public hearing and be heard and/or submit comments to be read into the record for Committee consideration. Correspondence must bear a legible signature of the author as well as the primary address of the signer. Accommodations due to disability can be made by calling: 715-526-6766
Meeting notice emailed/posted:
Shawano County Courthouse, Department of Human Services, Shawano County Library, Shawano Leader, WTCH Radio, Shawano County Civic website @ coshawanowi.civicweb.net
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SHA-286**

8/21/26
STATE OF WISCONSIN
SHAWANO COUNTY

NOTICE OF JOINT REVIEW BOARD MEETING
REGARDING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO PROJECT PLANS FOR TAX INCREMENTAL DISTRICT (TID) NUMBER 2 and TAX INCREMENTAL DISTRICT (TID) NUMBER 3 IN THE VILLAGE OF BONDUDEL, WISCONSIN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Village of Bonduel will hold a Joint Review Board (JRB) meeting on August 27, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. at the Bonduel Village Hall, located at 117 W. Green Bay Street. The purpose of this meeting is for the JRB to consider approval of the resolution adopted by the Bonduel Village Board on July 8, 2026, amending TID 2 and TID 3 and approving their project plans. The meeting is open to the public. To attend the meeting virtually, please contact Village Hall at least three (3) days prior to the meeting to request access information. Copies of the proposed amended project plans are available for review in the clerk's office located at the Bonduel Village Hall, 117 W. Green Bay Street, and will be provided upon request. Arrangements for either inspection or receipt of a copy of the project plan may be made by contacting the village clerk, 117 W. Green Bay Street, Bonduel, WI; phone (715) 758-2402
Dated this 7th day of August 2026
Michelle Maroszek, Clerk
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The purpose of the meeting is to review the annual report and the performance and status of the Tax Incremental Districts governed by the Joint Review Board as required by W is. Stat. Å§ 66.1105(4m) (f).

The meeting is open to the public. Copies of the annual report will be available for viewing in the offices of the Village Clerk at the Bonduel Village Hall, located at 117 W. Green Bay Street, during normal business hours and will be provided upon request.

By Order of the Village of Bonduel, Wisconsin

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The first auction will feature the contents of the warehouse and is online now and open for bidding. The auction includes a wide variety of tools, building supplies, HVAC equipment, a forklift, a 2016 Subaru Forester, freezers, and other equipment and

operational assets.

The warehouse auction will begin closing Aug. 25, at 6 p.m., with one lot closing every 20 seconds thereafter. Customer pickup will take place the following day, Aug. 26, at the Oconto location.

A second auction will feature the contents of Newcap's office and clinic at the same Oconto facility. That auction will open for online bidding following the conclusion of the warehouse auction and is scheduled to close on Sept. 15. Additional details and the complete

catalog for the office and clinic auction will be posted when bidding opens.

Bidding is open to the public and takes place exclusively online through Titletown Auction Company's website. Every lot opens with a \$2 starting bid and will sell to the highest bidder regardless of price, with no reserve.

A 15% buyer's fee and applicable 5.5% Wisconsin sales tax will be added to all purchases.

Auction catalogs, photos, bidding information, and updates are available at www.titletownauctions.com.

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strengthening our schools, creating good-paying jobs and making sure opportunity reaches every corner of our state," said Garrett Randolph, Crowley's campaign manager, in a press release. "Now, David is focused on bringing people together, earning the support of Democrats, Republicans, independents and anyone who believes Wisconsin is at its best when we work together and deliver results."

The other major race Aug. 11 was to determine who would face off against Rep. Tony Wied in the November general election. Rick Crosson won the race districtwide,

edging out Mark Scheffler and Katrina de Ville, respectively.

In Shawano County, Crosson received 917 votes, while de Ville finished second with 885 votes and Scheffler 809. Crosson received 1,052 votes in Oconto County, followed by Scheffler with 956 and de Ville with 946.

Other competitive race results include the following:

- Lieutenant governor, Republican: Oconto County, 2,387 votes for David Varnam, 1,692 for Will Martin; Menominee County, 34 for Varnam, 21 for Martin; Shawano County, 2,168 for Varnam, 1,442 for Martin.

- Secretary of state, Republican: Oconto County, 2,167 votes for Jay Schroeder, 706 for Brayden Myer, 687 for Nate Pollnow, 472 for Cindy Werner; Menominee County, 27 for Schroeder, nine for Pollnow, eight for Werner, seven for Myer; Shawano County, 2,313 for Schroeder, 696 for Pollnow, 487 for Werner, 437 for Myer.

- State treasurer, Democratic: Oconto County, 1,588 votes for Dylan Helmenstine, 1,315 for Yee Leng Xiong; Menominee County, 176 for Xiong, 127 for Helmenstine; Shawano County, 1,396 for Xiong, 1,227 for Helmenstine.

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The 2025-26 Oconto County Youth Fair board members are, from left, seated, Cliff Gerbers, treasurer; Cindy Arndt, secretary; and Dan Arndt, vice president. Standing, from left, Pete Vorpahl, member; Nicole Blaskowski, member; Jeff Dickson, member; Wendy Vorpahl, member; Jake Kasten, president; Roxann Arndt, member; Bob Schmacher, member; Bernie McCarthy, member; and Michelle Klimpke, member.

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Fair going high-tech with new website

Construction will impact how visitors arrive at fairgrounds

By GREG SEUBERT
Correspondent

Looking for the latest information about the upcoming Oconto County Youth Fair?

Fair organizers have made finding details about the 85th annual event — set for Aug. 27-30 at the Oconto County Fairgrounds in Gillett — quick and easy by launching a new website, www.ocontocountyyouthfair.org.

Information is also available on the fair's Facebook page, but Fair Secretary Cindy Arndt said visitors and exhibitors can find updated information on the website.

That information includes details on how to get to the fairgrounds because of the ongoing construction on state Highway 22. Fair visitors will run into the ongoing road construction work and detours in and around the city.

"It's going to be a problem," Arndt said. "You will not be able to come in from (Highway) 22 from the north at all. That's still going to be closed. From the west, we hear rumors that it may be open to Main Street, but that remains to be seen. Everybody has an opinion and tells you a different story. If you come in from the east to Gillett, Washington Street

is accessible. If you're coming from other directions, you may have to take the detour on Klaus Lake Road and come back on Washington."

That's where the improved website is a helpful tool, Arndt said.

"It's brand new," she said. "Our old website was very hard to use. We weren't in charge of that one, so we scrapped it and took it over ourselves. It has all the directions on there. It's very simple and easy to use with a lot of information. It's very user-friendly. You go on and use the little click-downs on the top."

Although the fair doesn't officially get underway until Aug. 27, events will kick off Aug. 22 with the small animal, caged bird, cat dog and horse shows.

The day will begin with the small animal and caged bird show at 8:30 a.m., followed by the horse show at 9 a.m., the cat show at 9:30 a.m. and the dog show at approximately 10 a.m.

"We don't have room for it at the fair," Arndt said when asked why the shows are held early. "We don't have room to house horses. Everything's used up, and they'd like to have their small animal, cat, dog and caged bird shows inside. We just don't have the room in any of the barns to do that. They do theirs the Saturday before (the fair opens), and we're trying to get more people to come to that."

"This year, we're having some music. There will be a food truck and some vendors. We're going to try to do an apple pie bakeoff

where they bring their pies to be judged. There are two age group categories. There's a puzzle contest where they'll come and put a puzzle together in a certain amount of time. We're also doing a make-and-take patriotic craft for 5- to 10-year-olds."

The fairgrounds will also be open Aug. 26 for the swine and sheep show.

As in the past, the fair's four-day run will include junior and open class exhibits and shows; a midway with carnival rides; family entertainment; live music; truck and tractor pulls; and vendors in the Expo Hall.

Arndt said this year's fair will have a few new additions.

"We have a new gentleman doing his magic act," she said. "It's called Bob Bohm's Family Entertainment. That'll be three shows a day Friday, Saturday and Sunday."

Improvements have also been made to the track, which hosts truck and tractor pulls.

"On Saturday night, we'll have what we're calling Smoked at the Fair, which will be farm tractors and semis," Arndt said. "The truck pull is big on the Fourth of July, but the antique ones are starting to wane a little bit. They want to see smoke, and they want to see power. We still want to keep the antiques in our shows, so on Sunday, we're having an antique tractor show where they can come and just display their tractors."

A major attraction at the fair each year are the animals that FFA and 4-H members and Scouts exhibit, but Arndt said other projects

are featured as well.

"We have an entire expo hall full of things kids bring, anything from produce, fruit, crops, house plants, clothing, crocheting, knitting, pictures are a big thing, anything to do with art," she said. "We also have Junior, Open and Senior Citizens classes, so even if you're not in anything, but you're still in Oconto County and want to bring something to the fair, you can enter it in the Open class."

Volunteers and the fair board help make the fair a reality each year, according to Arndt.

She is the secretary of the board, which also includes President Jake Kasten; Vice President Dan Arndt; Treasurer Cliff Gerbers; and members Michelle Klimpke, Nicole Blaskowski, Bob Schmacher, Wendy Vorpahl, Pete Vorpahl, Roxann Arndt, Bernie McCarthy and Jeff Dickson.

"There are a lot of hours spent by fair board people, the officers in particular," Cindy Arndt said. "We'll meet and run through ideas and bring them to the board for approval. A lot of that happens behind the scenes and that's a whole year deal. We kind of start after the fair's over working on the next year."

Last year's fair was Arndt's first as fair secretary.

"It kind of showed me how I didn't have everything organized," she said. "On my end, it's making sure I have things that the kids need and making sure that they have their paperwork that's supposed to be there."

The animal and project exhibits

are one of the reasons behind the fair's success, Arndt said.

"I think that's part of it," she said. "People like to come see what the kids are doing. Getting other people from the county involved with their own stuff in the Open class also helps. People like to come and enjoy the sights and sounds and smells of a fair. A good carnival is a must, and Christman Amusements has been extremely good to us. They're great to work with."

The fair hasn't changed much over the years, Arndt said.

"I don't know that it really has, other than it's maybe a little more glitzy, and it's probably a little better organized than it used to be," she said. "It's so important to try to have things done ahead of time so when somebody's asking for something, you can help them."

"I can't say enough about the people that sponsor the fair, that give monetary donations," she added. "We can't charge anyone to come into the fair, so we have to find other ways to generate money to run the fair. Without those people, it would be difficult."

Weather will play a role in fair attendance, and Arndt said organizers lucked out last year with ideal conditions.

"Last year, we had four great days," she said. "If we have an all-day rain, that really knocks down attendance. Sometimes the pulls get canceled, but the show ring is basically covered, and it can still go on if it's raining."

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Fair gives 4-H members chance to shine

Exhibits highlight variety of interests

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

The Oconto County Youth Fair is a natural fit for the hundreds of students enrolled in Oconto County 4-H groups, but participation isn't required.

"The Oconto County Youth Fair provides 4-H members with an opportunity to showcase the skills, knowledge and projects they have worked on throughout the year," said Aimee Elkins, 4-H youth development educator with Oconto County's University of Wisconsin-Extension Unit. "As the nation's largest positive youth development organization, 4-H serves youths from kindergarten through one year beyond high school and offers opportunities for young people to explore their interests, develop life skills and build confidence through hands-on learning."

There's no limit to what they can learn, Elkins said.

"Whether a young person is interested in animal science, photography, art, foods, STEM, leadership, woodworking or countless other project areas, the fair provides an opportunity to celebrate their growth and accomplishments while sharing their learning with the community," she said.

Participating in the fair gives young people a chance to demonstrate what they have learned, receive feedback, build confidence and share their interests with others.

"Our goal is to provide a wide variety of opportunities that allow youths to explore

their interests and develop life skills in ways that are meaningful to them," Elkins said. "However, many of our members choose to participate, because the fair provides a unique opportunity to exhibit projects, connect with peers, receive recognition for their hard work and engage with the broader community."

While livestock projects are often the most visible, fair exhibits include everything from photography and visual arts to foods, STEM projects, natural sciences and more.

The success of youths at the fair is often made possible through the support of volunteers, club leaders, parents, grandparents and other adults who encourage, mentor and cheer them on throughout the year.

"The fair is as much a celebration of community support as it is a celebration of youth achievement," Elkins said.

Oconto County 4-H currently includes nine community clubs, several school-based clubs and about 275 youth members.

Elkins is busy enough throughout the year, but she steps it up during the fair as well as the weeks leading up to it.

"My role during the fair is educational in nature and focused on supporting youths, volunteers, families and fair visitors," she said. "Throughout the week, I work closely with volunteers and fair partners, answer questions, provide guidance related to 4-H projects and youth development, and help create positive learning experiences for participants and the public."

She also creates hands-on educational opportunities such as activity stations, educational displays, demonstrations and interactive scavenger hunts that help visitors learn more about youth development and the many project areas represented within 4-H.

The arts, food sciences and STEM projects continue to be a very popular area for many 4-H members, but Elkins has seen



Youth from all across Oconto County always have a good time at the fair showing animals and other exhibits.
GREG MELLIS | NEW MEDIA

growing participation in animal science projects – particularly goats, poultry and rabbits.

"Livestock exhibitors often look forward not only to their traditional breed and showmanship classes but also to fun events such as costume and formalwear contests, which allow youths to showcase creativity while building confidence and sportsmanship," she said.

As far as Elkins' favorite part of the fair, she enjoys seeing young people shine.

"There is something incredibly rewarding about watching youths proudly share a

project they have worked hard on, explain what they learned, work through challenges and gain confidence through the experience," she said. "I also enjoy seeing the relationships behind those accomplishments – including the volunteers, parents, grandparents and mentors who have invested their time and encouragement throughout the year."

"Seeing those moments of pride, growth and accomplishment is what makes fair week so rewarding."

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FOOD COLUMNIST

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ABOVE: Kathryn Raddatz, of Oconto Falls, gives her Jersey heifer, Glitterbug, a quick manicure with black spray paint before entering the show ring during the 2025 Oconto County Youth Fair. Glitterbug went on to place first in her class. NATHAN BIRR

LEFT: Cullen Arndt, of Suring, keeps track of his hog, Antonella, at the 2025 Oconto County Youth Fair. GREG SEUBERT

RIGHT: Ila Perlich, 9, of Underhill, stands in the show ring for the first time at the 2025 Oconto County Youth Fair. Her market lambs took fifth and seventh place. NATHAN BIRR





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The Aging and Disability Resource Center of the Wolf River Region provides no-cost information and assistance about services that help the elderly and people with disabilities. Our professional staff will help connect you and your family with the services that can help you. We can provide consultation at one of our offices, over the phone, in your own home or at another community location.

Some of the free disability and senior services the ARDC offers include:

- Information and assistance to help maintain independent living through supportive services
- Access to private-pay or publicly funded long-term care options
- Details on prevention and early intervention programs
- Connection to services you can apply for such as Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Foodshare and Medicaid

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Facebook: Gillett Sno & ATV Riders
Email: gillettsnoatvriders@gmail.com

New members welcome!
Monthly meeting locations can be found on our Facebook Page.

This is our upcoming event

END OF SEASON EVENT

WHERE: Gillett Sno & ATV Riders Clubhouse
6021 Klaus Lake Rd, Gillett

WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 26, 2026

- Bean Bag Tournament - Registration 11:00
Noon Start (*Boards and Bags provided*) bring a partner.
- Meat Raffles, Bucket Raffles, and 50/50's all day.

- Walk around gun raffle

**If you are not eligible to own a firearm, you may not participate in any gun raffle.

- Poker Hands from 1pm - 3pm
- Bucket Prizes Drawn at 5:30
- Serving Burgers, Brats, Beer, and Soda

SUMMER LONG POKER RUN 2026

LIST OF STOPS

- | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 172-9Mile All Sports Resort | Remi's Reel Em' Inn |
| 192 Animal's Bear Trail Inn | Sandy Corners Bar & Grill |
| 228 Arrowhead Saloon | 196 Schoolhouse Bar & Grill |
| 232 Article 15 | Ship Wreck'D |
| 242 Blue Spruce | 210 Skinny Dave's Bar |
| Bullpen | 222 South Shore Pub & Grill |
| Gillett R-Store | 247 Spirits of Gillett |
| 243 Gillett Shell | Take A Chance In Advance |
| OJ's Midtown Restaurant | 174 The Olive Pit |
| 238 Old Smashin Bar | The Shop |
| Old Still Saloon | 180 Thunder Lake Bar & Grill |
| 130 Old Town Bar & Restaurant | 182 Wheel Inn |
| 136 Phill's Philling Station | Wildfire Trails Bar |
| Randy's Place Bar & Bowl | Woody's Bar and Grill (Now Stumpy's) |
| Roxy & Rosie's Bar & Grill | 227 Wouters' |

Rules

- \$10 per Poker Hand payed at event
- Pay out based on entries
- 5 Stops gets you 5 cards for poker hand
- A card for every 5 stops after 5
- Up to 10 cards for all 30 stops
- Starts as soon as trails are open

Poker run ends at Club Building September 26, 2026

6021 Klaus Lake Rd Gillett, WI 54124

Poker Hand Drawing 1pm-3pm

Check Facebook page for more info on event

#'s on stops are the #'s on Oconto County trail



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