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Schuchart named Oconto County district attorney

By **NEW MEDIA STAFF**

Oconto County will soon have a full-time district attorney for the first time in several months.

On Oct. 19, Gov. Tony Evers announced his appointment of Hannah Schuchart to serve as Oconto County District Attorney. Court records indicate she will take over the office Oct. 31.

The appointment fills a vacancy created by former District Attorney Edward D. Burke Jr.'s resignation. Burke was on a medical leave of absence for most of the summer before announcing his retirement as of Sept. 1. With the assistant district attorney position also vacant since May, major trials have been postponed and Brown County assistant district attorneys have been handling more routine court matters.

Schuchart will serve for the remainder of the unexpired term that ends January 2025.

"Hannah Schuchart is a well-respected attorney with trial experience as both a prosecutor and defense attorney," said Evers. "Her well-established relationships in the county will serve her and the people



HANNAH SCHUCHART

of Oconto County well as she embarks on her new role as district attorney." Schuchart began her legal career as a solo practitioner in 2014. Within a few months, she was offered a position with the Wisconsin Public Defender's Office, where she represented indigent clients in Oconto and Marinette counties. Since 2017, she has served as an assistant district attorney in Brown County.

The news release from Evers' press office said Schuchart has taken to trial numerous significant cases, including armed robberies, shootings, stabbings, sexual assaults, and serious domestic violence offenses.

"It is extremely impactful to have a cooperative relationship between the sheriff's office and the district attorney's office," said Oconto County Sheriff Todd Skarban. "I am thrilled to have Hannah onboard as the appointed district attorney for Oconto County."

Schuchart said it's a "great honor"

to accept Evers' appointment.

"I have been fortunate to build and maintain strong relationships with all participants in the Oconto County criminal justice system, and I am uniquely situated to understand both the strengths and struggles of the community," she said in a statement. "I am committed to furthering the safety and well-being of Oconto County citizens each day. I look forward to working alongside law enforcement, the incredible staff in the District Attorney's Office, as well as the wider court system, to ensure that justice is served."

Schuchart is a graduate of Purdue University and the Michigan State University College of Law.

The agenda for the Oct. 20 meeting of the Oconto County Board includes a resolution asking the state to increase the entry-level salary for assistant district attorneys, reflecting the county's difficulty in filling the post left vacant since Lisa Rowe accepted a position in Dane County in May.

The governor's office confirmed Oct. 19 that Rowe was the other applicant who was interviewed for the Oconto County post.

"I look forward to working alongside law enforcement, the incredible staff in the District Attorney's Office, as well as the wider court system, to ensure that justice is served."

HANNAH SCHUCHART, new Oconto County District Attorney

County handing out harm reduction kits

Free drug harm reduction kits containing Narcan, fentanyl test strips and education on how to use these items will be available for pickup from Oconto County Public Health, officials announced Oct. 17.

"Harm reduction is one piece of a comprehensive initiative to impact substance abuse and prevent drug overdoses," said Oconto County Health Officer Debra Konitzer. "We know that every overdose death is preventable. The

goal of harm reduction is save lives and protect the health of people that use drugs and the communities that they live in. We are preventing disease, preventing overdoses and promoting health by meeting people where they are in a non-judgmental way. There will be no questions asked of people who pick up the kits."

Harm reduction kits are available at the Oconto County Courthouse, Building C, third floor at

501 Park Ave., Oconto. The kits are available for pickup Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Health officials also said that public health is working to expand the harm reduction kit distribution, stating that harm reduction kits will be available for pickup in other locations. Additional locations will be announced in the coming months.

For information, go to www.ocph.info or follow Oconto County a Place for You on Facebook.

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Criminal complaint filed in double homicide

Steinmetz accused in shooting deaths of his mother and stepfather

By **WARREN BLUHM**
Editor-in-chief

The man accused of killing his mother and stepfather outside their Little Suamico home told investigators that “a voice” told him that he needed to take a life.

A criminal complaint was filed Oct. 20 in Oconto County Circuit Court charging David Steinmetz, 27, with two counts of first-degree intentional homicide and one count of possession of a firearm by a person convicted of a felony, in connection with the Oct. 1 shooting deaths of Paul Brennan, 75, and his wife, Lori (Steinmetz) Brennan, 55.

During a brief initial court appearance Oct. 21, Judge Jay N. Conley set bail at \$1 million cash and adjourned the hearing until Nov. 15, giving Steinmetz time to retain an attorney or public defender.

The couple’s bodies were found with multiple gunshot wounds outside their home on Melissa Boulevard on the morning of Oct. 2. The investigation determined that the shootings had occurred the previous afternoon, according to the complaint.

One neighbor reported hearing several “pops” from the home and saw a man get into a car and drive away around 5:30-6 p.m. The neighbor “thought that maybe the male was shooting a paintball gun because it wasn’t very loud,” according to the complaint. Another neighbor recognized David Steinmetz, who had lived with the couple for several years, as the driver of the car.

The next morning, other neighbors saw the bodies on the ground outside the home and called police. A short time later authorities began searching for Steinmetz, locating and arresting him about an hour later in the parking lot of Thompson’s County Market. A .22 caliber rifle was in Steinmetz’s car, and he was carrying a machete under his clothing, according to the complaint.

In an interview at the Oconto County Sheriff’s Department, Steinmetz told Investigator Nick School that he had been awake for most of the previous five days, doing “hot rails”

(methamphetamine) a couple of times a day. On Sept. 30, he had run out of gas south of Milwaukee, was picked up by “an old veteran guy” who bought him hot dogs and took him to a police station. The Brennans rented a car to come pick him up because their own vehicle was disabled.

When they got back to Steinmetz’s car, an argument ensued over who would drive the car home, since police had advised that he was too impaired to drive, according to the complaint. Steinmetz said he ended up driving the car anyway, with his mother riding along and Paul Brennan driving the rental vehicle.

After they got home, the argument resumed and at some point Brennan kicked him out. He slept for a while in a truck stop parking lot and met some friends the next day, which allegedly included more meth use, before going to pick up his mother at the rental company after she returned the car.

When they got to the Melissa Boulevard home, “David stated something triggered and he was not acting normal” and “started getting bad feelings and that something bad was about to happen,” according to the complaint. He drove away but came back a short time later, and he told the investigator “a voice kept telling him that he had to take a life or his life would be taken.

“David stated that he had feelings that if he didn’t take his mom’s life, someone is going to take out more of his family,” according to the complaint. “David stated it was like, ‘Take out one life to save 15 other lives.’”

After returning home he stayed in his car for a while, and Steinmetz told the investigator his mother came to the car several times, saying she was worried about him and trying to take the gun away from him.

Finally he got out of the car and “just opened fire on both his mom and (Brennan),” according to the complaint. An autopsy recovered seven “projectiles” from Brennan’s body and four from his wife, according to the complaint, and Steinmetz told School that several shots missed.

Steinmetz has been held at the Oconto County Jail on a probation hold since his arrest. Now that the complaint has been filed, he likely will make an initial appearance in Oconto County Circuit Court on Oct. 21.

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- Prescription and over the counter medications accepted.
- Cross out identifying information on containers.
- Vape devices (without batteries) and cartridges accepted

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HSBS St. Clare
Memorial Hospital
855 S. Main St., Oconto Falls
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Gillett Police Department
150 N. McKenzie Avenue,
Gillett
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Lakewood Town Hall
17181 Twin Pines Rd.,
Lakewood
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Bellin Health
Oconto Hospital
820 Arbutus Avenue, Oconto
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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Little Suamico man sentenced to 25 years for child sex assault

Convicted by jury, Randall Robenhorst continues to maintain his innocence

By **WARREN BLUHM**
Editor-in-chief

A former Oconto County assistant district attorney took the unusual step Oct. 20 of asking a judge to impose the maximum 325-year sentence for a Little Suamico man convicted of seven child sexual assault charges.

Judge Jay N. Conley did sentence Randall J. Robenhorst, to 25 years in prison, followed by 15 years of extended supervision. At the conclusion of a two-day trial in February, a jury deliberated for slightly over an hour before finding Robenhorst guilty of three counts of first-degree child sexual assault, child enticement, and three other related felony counts.

The jury had heard testimony that Robenhorst routinely assaulted a girl for four years beginning when she was 3 years old.

"Usually when people hear the word 'monster,' they think of the monster that hides under the bed or the monster in the dark woods," the victim, now 17, said as the sentencing hearing began. "That is not the monster I think of. When I hear the word 'monster,' the first thing that pops up in my head is you."

The girl detailed some of the acts that Robenhorst committed and said "you traumatized me for the rest of my life," but added that she has worked to get her life together and is finally getting good grades and learning to love in a more healthy way.

"You have completely changed me in ways I never wanted," she said, but added, "You may think that you damaged me, but you never knocked me down."

When the victim finished her statement, Robenhorst said, "Whoa," and applauded quietly, earning a reproach from Conley.

Dane County Assistant District Attorney Lisa Rowe, who has worked the case from the start when she was Oconto County ADA, cited Robenhorst's extensive criminal record, including a 2009 conviction for arson, reading from an investigator's notes

that he said he set fire to his own house because he "was having a bad day," including a ticket he had received the night before.

"Mr. Robenhorst is a loose cannon," Rowe said. "He cannot control himself; he acts out in ways that are dangerous to not only himself but the entire community over what normal people would consider very small issues."

In this latest case, Robenhorst continues to maintain his innocence and has promised to appeal his conviction, but the jury had to decide who was telling the truth and returned "a decisive and pretty quick verdict" finding him guilty on all charges, Rowe said.

"Not only did he commit these horrible acts against this child, he took the stand and lied about it," she said. "He committed perjury, which is victimizing his victim a second time."

The author of a pre-sentence investigation recommended a 25-year prison term followed by 17 years of supervision, Rowe noted, adding that Robenhorst refused to cooperate with the investigator.

"For someone as dangerous as Randall Robenhorst, I don't think it's enough," she said. I think we've overlooked red flags in the past, we've given him a pass or the benefit of the doubt on many crimes for which he has been convicted — 12 before we came to this trial — he's been given chances and second chances. I think we say to him, with this sentence, this is it."

Rowe said Robenhorst "well and richly deserved" the maximum 325 years.

"I'm asking you to put him in a place where he can no longer light houses on fire when he gets a ticket, where he can no longer sexually abuse toddlers repeatedly," she said.

Defense attorney Brent Debord countered with a request for 10 years in prison plus 10 years of supervision.

"The state's recommendations here are not justice, they're vengeance," Debord said. "If the prosecutor could take the defendant out and hang him, she would."

Robenhorst didn't participate in the



Randall Robenhorst, center, looks at supporters of his victim while exchanging documents with attorney DeBord as he is ushered into court Oct. 20 for sentencing on seven felony child sex assault counts.

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pre-sentence investigation because he's angry about the jury's verdict, said Debord, who was not the defendant's trial attorney.

"He has every right to feel that justice did not happen to him, that's why we have the appellate process, and today my purpose is to get him into a position where he can begin that appellate process and possibly get some satisfaction through that system," he said.

When it was his turn to make a statement, Robenhorst again denied all wrongdoing.

"A lot of these allegations are hearsay, there's nobody ever taken to a hospital, the police were never called to check out (the victim) during this time," he said. "I'm not a pedophile ... I'm going for appeal, I have never touched (the victim) in any wrongful way."

As he handed down the sentence, Conley noted the presence in the courtroom not only of the victim and several family members and supporters, but also about a half-dozen people who sat behind Robenhorst and sent letters in the belief he's innocent.

Robenhorst has filed numerous materials that "may well be relevant to post-conviction motions," but the purpose of the Oct. 20 was to sentence him in accordance with the jury's findings, Conley said.

"Mr. Robenhorst is claiming that he's innocent, his supporters believe that he's innocent, well, the jury found him guilty," he said. "I think all of us in this courtroom could agree that somebody that commits these offenses deserves a significant sentence. The argument here is that he didn't do it, not that these crimes aren't horrible."

Conley ticked off the various factors he had to consider in determining a sentence, including protection of the community, the seriousness of the crime, punishment, and the defendant's character.

"I have to find his character to be poor. These crimes say the worst thing you could about anybody's character, but even for Mr. Robenhorst's supporters who think he's innocent, the past record's terrible," Conley said. "You have a lousy record, Mr. Robenhorst — even not looking at this case, I can't find you to be of good character. You have criminal convictions going back to 1979."

The judge said he found the pre-sentence investigator's recommendation as reasonable. Even reduced by the 433 days he spent in jail awaiting trial and sentencing, Robenhorst would be in his mid-80s before he qualifies to get out of prison, Conley said.

Ground broken for Pulaski Dental

Hammerbeck Dental's new home to be visible along state Highway 32

By **WARREN BLUHM**
Editor-in-chief

More than 50 people came out to an empty lot on Corporate Way in Pulaski on Oct. 20 to celebrate groundbreaking on a new home for Hammerbeck Dental in Pulaski.

When the new building opens next June, the business, now located at 759 S. St. Augustine St., will also sport a new name: Pulaski Dental.

Dr. Adam Hammerbeck said the new building will feature a surgical suite so patients don't have to travel to larger communities, and new technology including a dental 3-D printer. The reception area is to include a fireplace and coffee bar for patient comfort, he added.

Ian Wilson of Nolan Carter Architectural Design told the group "it's truly an honor" for the firm to have been selected for this project.

"There's 1,000 different pieces to the puzzle and those are commitments that were made along the way," Wilson said. "The facility as you can see here will be state of the art with room for expansion, surgical suite inside the clinic. It's going to be a beneficial place to practice."

Hammerbeck said the new location, which will be visible along state Highway 32, will be easier for out-of-town patients to find.



Ian Wilson of Nolan Carter Architectural Design tells an assembled crowd Oct. 20 that it's "truly an honor" for his firm to be involved in the new Hammerbeck Dental clinic in Pulaski.

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"Highway 32 is a main artery out of the Northwoods; this will improve our visibility," he said. "We have a lot of pa-

tients from place like Gillett, Mountain, Suring and Oconto Falls."

IEI is serving as general contractor

for the project, which is also supported by the Robert E. Lee and Associates engineering firm.



An artist's rendering of the new Pulaski Dental building.

NOLAN CARTER ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN

OBITUARIES

Joanne Ruplinger

Joanne Ruplinger, 81, Kelly Lake, died peacefully with her daughters at her side at The Cottages Memory Care in Shawano on Saturday, Oct. 22, 2022.

The daughter of Joe and Ester (Everard) Lotter was born and raised on Beaver Lake Farm. She attended St. Anthony Catholic School and graduated from Oconto Falls High School in 1959. After graduation, she moved to Milwaukee, where she met and married the love of her life, Roger Ruplinger. Together they had two daughters. Mrs. Ruplinger held various positions throughout her career and retired from St. Alphonsus Hospital in Port Washington as a billing specialist. After retirement she and her husband retired to Kelly Lake to be closer to family.

Joanne worked hard her entire



life while growing up on the farm to working outside the home while raising a family. She loved working with her hands, whether it was needlework, stained glass, painting, and other crafts. She worked alongside her husband making yard crafts for years and many of those creations can still be seen in yards throughout the community.

She was also known as the Garden Lady of Kelly Lake, starting and selling thousands of perennial plants and establishing a rummage and plant selling tradition during Memorial weekend at Kelly Lake. She sold hundreds of pints of berries to locals and summer

residents for several years as well. Joanne had a beautiful smile, was thoughtful and generous to all and was particularly known and will be remembered by all as being so kind. She had a mischievous side as well, loved to have fun and laugh, and traveled extensively with her husband of 61 years.

Joanne is survived by her daughters, Julie (Mark) Lutz, Green River, Wyoming, and Kathy (Brian) Blumenberg, Neenah; two grandsons, Matt (girlfriend Becky) Blumenberg, Appleton, and Dylan (fiancé Jessica) Blumenberg, Neenah; two brothers-in-law, Bill Angus, Oconto Falls, and Ken Ruplinger, Milwaukee; several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Roger, on Feb. 6, 2022; two sisters, Marion (Norbert "Nubs") Marks and Jean

Angus, two brothers, Robert Lotter and an infant brother; brother-in-law, Harold (Clara) Ruplinger; and two sisters-in-law, Barb Lotter and Diane Ruplinger.

Visitation will be held after 9 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, 2022, at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Oconto Falls until the time of services. Mass of Christian burial will take place at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at the church with the Rev. Walter Stumpf officiating. Burial will follow in Pine Hill Cemetery in the Town of Spruce.

The Ruplinger family wants to especially thank The Cottages of Shawano and Heartland Promedica Hospice staff who lovingly cared for our mother and supported her family during her illness. The family respectfully requests if donations are desired, they be made to the hospice provider of your choice.

Vickie J. Miller

Vickie J. Miller, 72, of Jefferson, passed away on Thursday, Oct. 20, 2022, at Jefferson Memory Care with her loving family by her side.

Vickie was born on June 14, 1950, in Oconto Falls, the daughter of Victor and Claudine (Umentum) Peterson. She grew up in Gillett and married Allan Miller. Vickie was blessed with six loving children, Scott, Jean, Susan, Gary, Jennifer, and Lisa. Vickie and Allan would later divorce.

Vickie worked in a few different capacities during her life, but her favorite was working as a prep-cook in the restaurant industry. She was a longtime resident of



Mercer, and she enjoyed the activities that the community had to offer. The most important thing in Vickie's life was her family. She loved her children

dearly and she was a very proud grandma and great-grandma. She had a quiet and humble personality. Vickie put the needs of her family before her own and was always willing to help a family member or neighbor in need. She will be dearly missed by those she

leaves behind.

She is survived by her six children, Scott (Erin) Miller, of Wakefield, Michigan, Jean Schroedl, of Jefferson, Susan (Dwayne Eden) Miller, of Mauston, Gary (Sunshine) Miller, of Tomah, Jennifer Novak-Miller, of New Lisbon, and Lisa (Michael) LeMaster, of Jefferson; her 20 loving grandchildren; 19 dear great-grandchildren; her three siblings, Danny (Marie) Peterson, of San Francisco, Barbara (Kurt Spaeth) Jaeckel, of Rubicon, and Richie (Sue) Peterson, of Gillett; and the father of her children, Allan Miller, of New Lisbon.

She is also survived by a number

of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her sisters, Judy Peterson and Gloria Severson; and three siblings during childhood.

Per Vickie's wishes, no formal services will be held.

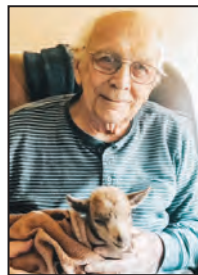
The family wishes to extend a heartfelt thanks to the staff of Jefferson Memory Care, St. Croix Hospice, and Care Wisconsin for the wonderful care they provided Vickie.

The Olsen-Gibson Funeral, of Jefferson, is serving the family. To place an online condolence, please visit www.olsen-gibson.com

Carl W. Dittman

Carl W. Dittman, 90, of Gillett, passed away on Saturday, June 11, 2022. Carl was born May 5, 1932, on the family farm near Berry Lake. He was the youngest son of the late Charlie and Otilia (Dirks) Dittman.

Carl attended the Lutheran High School of Milwaukee. He continued his education at Concordia University, where he received an associate's degree in liberal arts. Carl enlisted in the United States Coast Guard and served during the end of the Korean War. On May 3, 1958, he married his sweetheart, Mavis Giese, at Christ Lutheran Church in Hintz. Carl was a hardworking



farmer, and he was employed by the Shawano Paper Mill for 30 years, retiring in 1998.

In retirement, Carl enjoyed cutting wood and being outdoors,

woodworking, spending time with family, reading, growing tomatoes and watching the field crops grow until harvest. Carl was a lifelong member of Christ Lutheran Church in Hintz.

Carl is survived by his children, Dawn (Ted), Gail and Kyle (Deann) Dittman and Lynn (Stuart) Giese; grandchildren, Aaron and Marissa

Dittman; sister, Marian (Kenneth) Montour; and sisters-in-law, Zoe Dittman and Lorraine Giese. He is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews, other relatives and friends.

Carl was preceded in death by his wife of 50 years, Mavis; his son, Brian Dittman; and his brother, Paul Dittman.

Visitation will be held at Christ Lutheran Church in Hintz on Saturday, Oct. 29, 2022, from 9 a.m. until the memorial service at 11 a.m. with Pastor Michael Pahlke officiating.

Gruetzmacher Funeral Home in Suring is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences can be expressed at www.gruetzmacherfuneralhome.com.

The family would like to thank the staff of The Cottages on Golden Pond Assisted Living in Shawano for the care and compassion offered to Carl and his family during their time of need.

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate donations made to Christ Lutheran Church in Hintz in Carl's honor.



Oconto County taking back drugs this weekend

In conjunction with National Prescription Drug Take Back Day, HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital is partnering with Bellin Health, Healthy Oconto County, Oconto Falls Police Department and Oconto County Sheriff's Department to offer drive-thru, medication drop-off locations on Oct. 29:

- HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital, 855 S. Main St., Oconto Falls, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Bellin Health Oconto Hospital, 820 Arbutus Ave., Oconto, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Lakewood Town Hall, 17181

Twin Pines Road, Lakewood, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

- Gillett Police Department, 150 N. McKenzie Ave., Gillett, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

All waste pharmaceuticals must be generated by a household — no businesses are allowed.

All sites will be drive-through only and people must stay in their vehicle. A volunteer will come to collect items.

People can bring prescription (controlled and non-controlled) and over-the-counter medications, ointments, patches, inhalers, non-

aerosol sprays, creams, vials and pet medications, along with vape pens or other e-cigarette devices (batteries removed).

People cannot bring illegal drugs, needles/sharps, acids, aerosol cans, bio-hazardous materials (anything containing a bodily fluid or blood), personal care products (shampoo, soaps, lotions, sunscreens), household hazardous waste (paint, pesticides, oil, gas) or mercury thermometers.

Participants may dispose of medications by removing the medication from its container and disposing of it directly into a disposal box or into a

clear sealable plastic bag. Plastic pill containers should not be collected. Blister packages without the medications being removed are acceptable.

Liquids will be accepted during this initiative. However, the liquids, creams and sprays must be in their original packaging and their weight evenly distributed within the boxes of collected solid prescription medications. Liquids without the original packaging will not be accepted.

Illicit substances such as marijuana or methamphetamine are not a part of this initiative and should not be placed in collection containers.

County clerk: Report election violations immediately

By WARREN BLUHM
Editor-in-chief

With the Nov. 8 election looming, Oconto County Clerk Kim Pytleski took some time at the Oct. 20 county board meeting to offer a variation on the theme “If you see something, say something.”

Allegations of election irregularities have been part of both political parties’ arsenals dating back to the disputed count in the 2000 presidential election pitting George W. Bush and Al Gore,

but the rhetoric has reached a fever pitch in recent years.

Pytleski said local clerks take complaints seriously and personally, but the most important thing is to report any alleged violations immediately.

“It doesn’t do any good to come back years later and say, ‘In this election, I saw this or I heard this, or this website says, but I don’t remember the name of the website or when I looked at it,’” Pytleski said. “I will run down any complaint that you have or any issue, but it has to be

timely, and it has to be specific.”

She added that she doesn’t engage with people on social media even when she sees false statements out there.

“There have been situations where I’ve seen something false that someone has posted on social media, and typically I will call or make contact on the phone to correct it, and then I’ll ask if they’ll please correct it on their social media account,” Pytleski said.

County Board Chairman Alan Sleeter defended the work of the various municipal clerks who must

undergo training to make sure the election count is accurate.

“We go to great lengths to make sure our elections are secure and safe and fair,” said Sleeter, who also serves as Bagley town clerk.

Pytleski also noted the intense pressure to “get it right” in the current volatile political environment.

“It has gotten very, very rough for a lot of our clerks, and a lot of them are deciding that it’s not worth it,” she said.

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OCONTO COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

Proceedings of Oct. 21

• Robert J. Trepanier, 58, Oconto, waived his right to a preliminary hearing and was bound over on charges of battery or threat to a law officer and misdemeanor criminal damage to property, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred July 10. Arraignment was scheduled for Oct. 25.

• After a preliminary hearing, Tanner A. Friebe, 21, Suring, was bound over on charges of possession of methamphetamine and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Aug. 26. Arraignment was scheduled for Nov. 17.

Proceedings of Oct. 20

• James R. Schiller, 61, Oconto, waived his right to a preliminary hearing and pleaded not guilty to bail jumping, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Aug. 30. A pre-trial conference was scheduled for Nov. 17.

Proceedings of Oct. 19

• Shana Lynn Courchaine, 24, Green Bay, pleaded no contest to possession of methamphetamine, in connection with an incident that occurred March 10. In accordance with a deferred judgment agreement, Judge Michael T.

Judge withheld sentencing and placed Courchaine on one year of probation, with conditions including that she maintain absolute sobriety, complete an alcohol and other drug abuse assessment and follow through on any recommended treatment or counseling.

• Jenna R. Garrigan, 33, Oconto Falls, waived her right to a preliminary hearing and pleaded not guilty to charges of felony bail jumping and misdemeanor disorderly conduct in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred April 2, and additional charges of felony bail jumping and misdemeanor disorderly conduct in connection with an alleged Aug. 27 incident. She was already awaiting trial on charges of false imprisonment and misdemeanor disorderly conduct in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred March 27. A pre-trial conference was scheduled for Nov. 17.

Proceedings of Oct. 18

• Sylvia M. Mcvay, 44, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, pleaded guilty to possession of methamphetamine in connection with an incident that occurred April 28, 2020. Judge levied fines and court fees totaling \$1,793.

• Reese Ashley Chapin, 17, Gillett,

pleaded no contest to misdemeanor charges of taking and driving a vehicle without the owner’s consent and resisting or obstructing an officer, in connection with an incident that occurred Aug. 10. The first charge was amended from a felony in a plea agreement.

Judge Jay N. Conley imposed but stayed a 11/2-year county jail sentence and placed Chapin on two years of probation, beginning with four months in the county jail, minus 68 days already served. The jail time includes Huber release privileges for school and/or work. Conley ordered her to maintain absolute sobriety during probation and complete an alcohol and other drug assessment, following through on any recommendations.

• After a preliminary hearing, Adrian Avila, 22, Green Bay, was bound over and pleaded not guilty to possession with intent to deliver amphetamine or methamphetamine, bail jumping and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Aug. 9. A pre-trial conference was scheduled for Dec. 15.

Proceedings of Oct. 17

• Salvador M. Ortiz, 28, Oconto Falls,

pleaded no contest to possession with intent to deliver methamphetamine and a misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer, in connection with an incident that occurred July 21. Conley scheduled sentencing for Dec. 6 and ordered a pre-sentence investigation.

• A Dec. 13-14 jury trial was scheduled for Travis R. Bolssen, 47, an inmate at Stanley Correctional Institution, who is charged with repeated sexual assault of the same child in connection with incidents that allegedly occurred in 2020. A preliminary hearing was scheduled for Oct. 27 and a final pre-trial conference for Dec. 12.

• After a bail/bond hearing, bond was reduced from \$10,000 to \$5,000 cash for Kevin J. Verhagen, 47, Little Suamico, with the additional \$5,000 directed toward paying his attorney. Verhagen faces four counts of second-degree sexual assault of a child, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred June 25, 2021. Bail conditions include that he have no contact with the alleged victim and must have parental supervision of anyone younger than 18. A status conference was scheduled for Dec. 19.

400!

Barn quilt project reaches major milestone

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Shawano County's pride and joy for almost 12 years has reached another milestone as the barn quilt trail reached 400.

More than 100 people gathered to watch the unveiling of the quilt Oct. 22 at the home of Steven Krueger and Mark Hebert, who purchased the property at the corner of Lakeview Road and state Highway 22 in the Town of Washington in 2014. Besides the unveiling of the quilt, founders Jim and Irene Leuenberger received an actual quilt to commemorate the occasion, along with a special citation from the Wisconsin Legislature presented by outgoing Rep. Gary Tauchen.

Tauchen, who hails from the Bonduel area, noted that he used to bale hay on farmland not far from the Krueger-Hebert homestead.

"This is where I grew up from the fifth grade until I went off to college," Tauchen said. "I spent a lot of time in this community."

Tauchen described the barn quilt project as visionary as he presented the citation following the unveiling.

"It just takes one or two people with a vision to make a difference, and they have really pitched in and helped out," Tauchen said. "There are not too many who will commit 12 years of volunteer work to make things look better, but we appreciate everything they've done and look forward to the 500th."

That elicited some laughs from the crowd and the proclamation from Jim Leuenberger that it was "not going to happen," indicating the barn quilt project could be reaching its conclusion.

The barn was selected after the Leuenbergers looked around the area to see which barn might best house the 400th quilt and asked Krueger if he and Hebert would be interested in having a quilt pattern for their barn.

"I couldn't ask for a better setup than today," Krueger said as temperatures approached 70 at the time of the unveiling with clear skies.

"Just look at this place," Leuenberger said. "Isn't it a beautiful place? It's going to be very visible."

The quilt pattern was selected to match a design on a quilt that Krueger had that was made by his grandmother. The quilt had a pattern that included four triangles merged into a square with the colors of red, yellow, blue and green.

"When Jim stopped over, he had us look at different quilt designs and ideas, and we browsed and tried to figure out what we



Mark Hebert, left, and Steven Krueger pull off the cover to show Shawano County's 400th barn quilt to a crowd of over 100 people Oct. 22 at their homestead on Lakeview Road in the Town of Washington.

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wanted to put on it," Krueger said. "He had mentioned that, since it was the 400th and a milestone that, if we choose a quilt pattern, it would be nice to show a more traditional style pattern, and that's what gave me the idea to model it off a very special quilt that we have in the house from my grandmother."

His grandmother was Isabella Krueger, who passed away 30 years ago.

"This is a nice little memory of her that really was a last-minute idea, but I'm glad it came to our minds," Steven Krueger said. "It's just really special to see it on the barn."

The barn quilt project began in 2010 after the Leuenbergers had seen similar programs during their travels in Iowa and Kentucky. Jim Leuenberger noted that he had brought the idea to his wife and unwittingly roped her into helping to paint the quilts.

"I came home one day from somewhere," he said. "I told Irene that I was going to try and get a barn quilt project started in Shawano County. I knew with this being a dairy county that there were a lot of barns that a quilt would look nice on."

The 400th barn quilt was sponsored by Charlie and Debbie Harvey, owners of Charlie's County Market in Shawano, and it's the third quilt the pair have plunked down the money for, according to Leuenberger.

"Most of them have been sponsored by the owners of the barns, but some of them have been sponsored by 4-H clubs, by individuals in the area," he said. "We've even had a few who don't even live in Shawano County, and we've also had service clubs and businesses sponsor some of the quilts. It's really been a countywide effort as far as getting to this number of barn quilts in our area."

However, it has not just been the Leuenbergers who have been giving of time, space and material. Jim Leuenberger credited the Shawano County Chamber of Commerce with providing the space for him and Irene to paint all of the quilts in the basement. Also, Raddant Electric has provided the time and equipment to install all but one of the 400 quilts, Leuenberger said.

The wood squares provided for the quilt squares has come from Torborg's, while Dearco gave the



Steven Krueger, right, and his partner, Mark Hebert, set up the quilt that inspired the design of the 400th barn quilt in their barn Oct. 22 during the celebration of the barn quilt project.

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Jim Leuenberger, who started the Shawano County barn quilt project in 2010, works on painting the 400th barn quilt at the end of September in the basement of the Shawano County Chamber of Commerce.

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Leuenbergers the paint that has been used to bring all of the quilts to life.

"It's been a nice community effort as far as the project's concerned," Leuenberger said.

Michelle Eron, Shawano County's

tourism manager, noted that the barn quilt program would not be possible without Jim and Irene Leuenberger.

"Your dedication to Shawano County, the barns, agriculture and

everything in this area is appreciated," Eron said, before Jim's sister, Sharon Kleve, presented the Leuenbergers with a quilt she made featuring some of the barns and patterns that are part of the program.

"You know, Jim's been doing barn quilts for years, and I've been doing quilting," Kleve said.

When the Shawano County barn quilt project was conceived, it was estimated that 30 would be installed before the trend faded away, but that did not happen. In the first year, Jim and Irene Leuenberger created 96 barn quilts, and the 100th barn quilt was celebrated in early 2012. The barn quilt project reached 200 by 2013, and the 300th barn quilt was commemorated in 2015.

At that time, Jim Leuenberger said he planned to stop actively soliciting barns to be part of the project but said he and his wife would make barn quilts for anyone who requested on their own, which was why the 400th quilt came seven years later.

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"I knew with this being a dairy county that there were a lot of barns that a quilt would look nice on."

JIM LEUENBERGER, Shawano County barn quilt coordinator

Eight checks deter, catch voter fraud

Voter fraud very rare, but state still takes it very seriously, officials say

By **HOWARD HARDEE**
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The Badger Project

Even though voter fraud is rare, in Wisconsin and nationally, many checks exist to prevent and catch it here, whether it be accidental or intentional.

In the 2020 election, approximately 0.003% of the nearly 3.3 million ballots cast in Wisconsin were submitted illegally by felons not yet eligible to vote because they hadn't completed their full sentences, according to the Associated Press. That's the most common type of prohibited voting, experts say. That number is also about the same amount of illegal votes cast by felons in the 2016 election, the AP noted. Former President Donald Trump won that election by about 23,000 votes.

In the wake of the 2020 election in Wisconsin, voter fraud charges have been filed against at least 24 people in 12 different counties, according to the AP. Of those, 16 were allegedly felons not yet eligible to vote. President Joe Biden won the state in the 2020 election by about 21,000 votes.

Because Wisconsin runs its elections at the municipal level, rather than county or state, it has one of the most decentralized election administration systems in the nation, according to the Wisconsin Elections Commission. The

state has about 1,850 municipalities.

The Badger Project talked to Wisconsin Elections Commission spokesman Riley Vetterkind, as well as Barry Burden, a political science professor and director of the Elections Research Center at UW-Madison, about the checks in place to deter and catch voter fraud in the state.

- All voters are required to register.

Residents may register to vote online at www.MyVote.wi.gov, by mail, at their municipal clerk's office, or at their polling place on Election Day. Only voters with a valid Wisconsin driver's license or state ID card can register online. To prove residency when registering by mail, at their municipal clerk's office, or at the polls on Election Day, voters must bring an official document, like a bank statement or a state ID, that has their current address.

- Photo ID is required to vote by mail, and absentee ballots require a witness.

Voters who request an absentee ballot must be registered to vote. If you request a ballot online at www.MyVote.wi.gov, most voters will need to upload a copy of their photo ID if they haven't done it previously, Vetterkind said.

- Wisconsin also requires the filling out of absentee ballots be witnessed and signed by another person.

The state has online tools that let voters and election officials track ballots as they "wind their way through the system," Burden said. "These tools are quite helpful for providing transparency and as a check on potential crimes such as theft of absentee ballots from mailboxes."

- Felons can't legally vote until

completing their entire sentence — probation, too.

Safeguards are in place to prevent the most common form of prohibited voting — when a resident who is ineligible to vote due to a felony conviction attempts to cast a ballot. The Wisconsin Department of Corrections is required by law to provide the commission with an updated list of people convicted of felonies on a continuous basis, as well as those who have completed their entire sentence and are eligible to vote again, Vetterkind said.

If a person who hasn't completed their full felony sentence tried to register to vote on Election Day, they would most likely get flagged by an election worker. It's not a foolproof system; sometimes individuals slip through, Vetterkind said. But those cases are usually discovered during a post-election audit which is mandated by state law.

This type of illegal voting usually isn't intentional, Burden said.

- Dead people can't vote.

The Wisconsin Election Commission receives regular updates from the Vital Records office in the state's Department of Health and Human Services, which issues death certificates, Vetterkind said. Deceased residents are removed from the voter list.

- Potential voter fraud is investigated.

If voter fraud is suspected, municipal clerks will alert their county district attorney's office for investigation. The Wisconsin Election Commission reports such cases to the Wisconsin State Legislature and posts them online for public viewing. The commission also checks to see if felons still serving their sentence have voted,

in which case they would refer that case to law enforcement.

- Voting equipment is double-checked.

After an election, officials assess the performance of electronic voting equipment by auditing a random sampling of ballots. Compared to 2020, the Wisconsin Elections Commission will double the number of reporting units audited in 2022, from 5-10%, Vetterkind said. Reporting units consist of one or several wards.

During this process, election workers hand-count paper ballots. The total is compared to the election night voting system results. Audit materials are submitted to the Wisconsin Elections Commission for review, and any discrepancies are investigated, Vetterkind noted.

- People can't vote more than once.

Wisconsin is part of a 33-state organization known as the Electronic Registration Information Center that provides reports on potential duplicate registration records in different states and flags registrants who might have died or moved, Vetterkind said.

The organization also detects when somebody tries to vote in more than one state.

- Anyone can report suspected voter fraud.

If a person suspects they've witnessed a form of voter fraud, they can report it to local law enforcement or they can file a sworn complaint with the Wisconsin Election Commission, Vetterkind said. The public's eyes serve as another layer of protection for the integrity of the election, he added.

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Changes made to Wisconsin voting laws

By **PETER CAMERON**
The Badger Project

Since 2020, the state of Wisconsin has made several changes to the way it conducts elections.

Drop boxes have been banned by the Wisconsin Supreme Court. If you used one in previous elections to submit your absentee ballot, you'll have to either mail it or deliver it personally to your municipal clerk's office, the high court ruled.

However, if you have a disability, someone else may help you mail the ballot, or return it to your municipal

clerk's office for you. A federal judge made that ruling in August, citing the federal Voting Rights Act. Having a disability is a self-determination, said Riley Vetterkind, a spokesman for the Wisconsin Elections Commission. No one is going to ask you or the person aiding you for a doctor's note, but the person helping you cannot be your employer or an agent of your employer or labor union, he added.

If you are submitting an absentee ballot, make sure you and your witness fill out all the information properly. Last month, a Waukesha County judge ruled that clerks can no longer fill in

missing information on absentee ballot witness documents.

"The best advice I can give there is paying close, close attention, making sure that everything on your ballot is filled out completely and properly," Vetterkind said.

If you leave off some required information, your ballot might not count.

In the wake of the high-profile case of a political activist who illegally requested multiple absentee ballots for different people, including for Assembly Speaker Robin Vos and Racine Mayor Cory Mason, he sent to his residence, the Wisconsin Elections

Commission has made another change.

If an absentee ballot is requested to be sent somewhere other than to that voter's address on file, the Wisconsin Election Commission will send a postcard to that address alerting the voter to the request, Vetterkind said.

The activist, Harry Wait, has been charged with two felonies and two misdemeanors for his request. He has pleaded not guilty and compared himself to the country's founding fathers in describing his actions.

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Evers headlines tribe's get out the vote effort

Governor touted as friend to Native Americans as officials urge voting for Democrat on Nov. 8

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Gov. Tony Evers is seeking a second term in office, and he's counting on the state's Native American tribes to bolster his support.

Evers appeared in Keshena on Oct. 19 for a Menominee effort to get out the vote and also to meet with tribal leaders from all 11 of the state's federally recognized Native American tribes. Evers noted that he is expecting support from the tribes on Nov. 8 when the general election takes place, but he also hopes that the recent U.S. Supreme Court decision to overturn *Roe v. Wade* will push women to vote blue.

"In the state of Wisconsin, there are more women than men, so we're counting on you," Evers said in a speech at the Family and Community Events Center. "Please deliver."

Evers was quick to point out his close ties with tribes like the Menominee and noted that relationship begins and ends with his respect for tribal sovereignty.

"It's something I've always believed in my soul," Evers said. "I'm so honored to work with tribal leaders and other folks all across this great state."

Evers noted that among his accomplishments was signing an executive order recognizing Columbus Day instead as Indigenous People's Day, as well as another one that apologized to tribes for Wisconsin's role in perpetuating the Indian boarding schools that existed in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, stripping Native Americans of their culture and their dignity.

"At the end of the day, it is about sovereignty, and the opportunity of COVID-19 ... having gone through with tribal leaders has been an eye-opener," Evers said. "Some people across the state didn't believe there was such a thing as a pandemic. They didn't think that was important to get vaccinated, but the tribal leaders that represent the Indigenous people of the state of Wisconsin never went there."

Evers reiterated how important the election coming up is, especially to women. He expressed his support for reproductive rights, believing women know best about their bodies.

"There's a huge difference in my position on that, and my opponent's position," Evers said, referring to



Gov. Tony Evers looks at the shirt and medallion he received from the Menominee tribe on Oct. 19 at the Family and Community Engagement Center in Keshena as Menominee Tribal Vice Chairwoman Gena Kakkak looks on.

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Republican gubernatorial candidate Tim Michels. "I believe that women have the right to make decisions about their reproductive health, and that's not the role of a politician. It's plain and simple."

Menominee Tribal Chairman Ron Corn Sr. told the crowd that it meant a lot that Evers reached out to the tribes during the coronavirus pandemic. Corn noted that he started his time as chairman right in the middle of all the restrictions and found Evers had a sensitivity to the tribes that hadn't been seen as much from other politicians.

"With his leadership and our partnerships, we're coming out the other end of the pandemic with a lot of discussion about all of this," Corn said. "We lost a lot of loved ones along the way, but what we did was we learned."

Corn noted that tribal members owe Evers a lot of gratitude, especially since the governor is willing to come to the reservation regularly and speaking with him and other tribal representatives. He asked his people to show that gratitude by keeping

Evers in office for four more years.

"To me, to have the governor take time out of his busy schedule to come and meet you on your land and talk to you about your issues and not only that but bringing resources, he's being part of the solution and not just listening to the problem," Corn said. "It's so important for people to get out and vote, so encourage family, encourage everybody to get registered and get out to vote."

Voter turnout in Menominee County was one of the highest in the state in 2020, according to Wisconsin Democratic Party Chairman Ben Wikler, with 82% hitting the polls and voting for Democrats, compared with 78% in Dane County and 69% in Milwaukee County. Wikler, who attended the Keshena event, believes that kind of turnout helped U.S. President Joe Biden get elected, and he's hopeful that kind of turnout will be there to help Evers return to office.

"There's no county where more people added to the vote, where the voter turnout went up by more, than Menominee County," Wikler said. "There's no place in Wisconsin

where voters voted more for Democrats than Menominee County."

Wikler noted the high number of children in the audience, and although they're not old enough to vote, he encouraged them to volunteer with efforts to get Evers and other Democrats into state and federal office.

"I'm thrilled that we have a governor who has dedicated his whole life to young people as a teacher, as a school principal, as a superintendent of public instruction," Wikler said. "He says what's best for our kids is what's best for our state."

Evers noted his position on public schools is strong while lashing out at Michels, who has proposed expanding school choice and cutting funding for school districts.

"My opponent, in turn, has said that any more funding for public schools is insanity because he is not in favor of public schools," Evers said. "He's going to remove 40% of the funding going to public schools. That we can't stand for."

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Antigo man charged in Mattoon police chase

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

Eight charges have been filed against Stephen M. Shields, 40, Antigo, in relation to an Oct. 16 incident in Mattoon.

Shields faces charges of attempting to flee/elude an officer, two counts of second-degree recklessly endangering safety, four counts of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of operating a motor vehicle while his license was revoked.

If convicted, Shields faces fines of \$10,000 and 3½ years in prison for attempting to flee/elude an officer, \$25,000 in fines and 10 years in prison for each count of second-degree recklessly endangering safety, \$10,000 in fines and six years in prison for each count of bail jumping, and \$2,500 in fines and one year in county jail for the misdemeanor count of operating a motor vehicle while revoked.

According to the criminal complaint, a Shawano County Sheriff's Department deputy was on normal patrol, when they saw a car pull into a gas station in Mattoon. The deputy recognized the vehicle as allegedly being used for drug trafficking. After running the plates, the results allegedly came back as revoked.

After pulling the vehicle over, the deputy allegedly saw that the brake lights on the vehicle had not turned on to indicate the vehicle being in park. As the deputy was approaching the rear end of the car, the operator of the vehicle drove off.

On the ensuing chase on County Road D, the vehicle allegedly reached speeds as high of 120 miles per hour. The vehicle eventually reached County Road N, where the operator allegedly passed multiple cars while oncoming traffic was present. The chase allegedly occurred between Shawano and Marathon counties, before the operator of the vehicle hit spikes at the intersection of Hummingbird Road and U.S. Highway 45.

After apprehending the operator, he was identified as Shields, who has open felony warrants in Marathon County. The criminal complaint also states that after searching the vehicle, nothing of interest was found.

Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court Judge Katherine Sloma set a cash bond of \$10,000 and scheduled a status conference for Nov. 16.

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Another final pre-trial scheduled for Marion man

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

Another final pre-trial was scheduled for a Marion man charged with third-degree sexual assault during an Oct. 19 final pre-trial.

Cory D. Barnick, 41, faces up to 10 years in prison and fines up to \$25,000 if he is convicted.

"(Assistant District) Attorney (Laura) Nelson and I are still assessing a resolution," said Defense Attorney Earl Lauders III, who is representing Barnick. "As of now we are still on for a jury trial."

With the state sending out subpoenas and both parties receiv-

ing all of the discovery, Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court Judge Katherine Sloma said that the only other thing that she would need to see are motions to eliminate pre-trials, if that is needed.

"We will pick one more date in advance of Dec. 20, where we can make sure that everything is in order before we head to trial," said Sloma.

Dec. 20 is the date that was previously scheduled for a jury trial. In anticipation of that jury trial, Sloma scheduled a final pre-trial for Dec. 14 at 11:15 a.m.

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SUNDAY				EVENING								OCT. 30												
6 PM		6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30												
ABC	Toy Story of Ter- ror! 		The Conners Har- ris takes a stand.  (DVS)		Celebrity Jeopardy! "Quarterfinal 5: Trojan Bellisario, Wil Wheaton and Hasan Minhaj" Troian Bellisario; Wil Wheaton. (N)  (DVS)		Celebrity Wheel of Fortune "Kate Flannery, Steve Agee and Austin Creed" Kate Flannery; Steve Agee; Austin Creed. (N)  (DVS)		The Rookie "The Reckoning" Wesley grows increasingly concerned. (N)  (DVS)		 News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N)  Action 2 News at 10 (N)		 (:35) Entertainment Tonight (N)   (:35) Cover 2		 (:05) Entertain- ment Tonight (N) 		 (:35) Weather Gone Viral Some weather events defy explanation.							
CBS	60 Minutes (N) 		East New York "Going Commando" The team tracks an escaped convict. (N) 		NCIS: Los Angeles "Dead Stick" (N)  (DVS)		Fire Country "Pilot" A young convict seeks redemption. 		 Local 5 News at 10:00  NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)		 (:35) Sports Xtra  (:35) Investi- gate TV		 Osteen  Game Time With Boomer		 (:35) Friends   (:35) SEAL Team 									
FOX	(3:25) NFL Foot- ball (N)  (Live) 		The OT (N)  (Live) 		The Simpsons "Treehouse of Hor- ror XXXIII" (N) 		(-31) The Great North "Blood Actually Adven- ture" (N) 		Bob's Burgers Ani- mated. Louise suspects something sinister. (N)		Family Guy Animated. Peter makes a hologram of himself.		 Seinfeld "The Non-Fat Yogurt"  Fox 11 News at Nine (N)		 Seinfeld "The Mas- seuse" "Girlfriend won't massage Jerry. 		 The Goldbergs  Fox 11 News at 10 (N)		 The Goldbergs  To Be An- nounced		 Am Housewife  Sharyl Attkis- son		 American Housewife  (:35) The National Desk	
NBC	Football Night in America (N)  (Live) 		(:15) NFL Football Green Bay Packers at Buffalo Bills. Super Bowl hopefuls match up in Orchard Park, N.Y., when the Packers face Josh Allen and the Bills. (N)  (Live) 										 News  Newswatch 12 at 10pm		 Graham Bensinger  Outdoorsman International		 Outdoorsman/ Buck McNeely  Funny You							
PBS	Escape to the Chateau "Pig Roaster and Versailles Loo" Dick and Angel pre- pare for an event. 		Miss Scarlet and the Duke on Master- piece "A Pauper's Grave" Eliza is forced into hiding. (N) 		Maggie Murders on Masterpiece The plot in Alan's last novel unfolds. (N) 		Annika on Masterpiece Annika sees a poetic homicide. (N) 		Antiques Roadshow "Vintage Grand Rapids Hour 2" A gold watch fob chain; Glier violin. (N)  (Part 2 of 2) 		Austin City Limits "Parker McCollum; Robert Earl Keen" Singer-songwriter Parker McCollum. 													
WACY	Two/Half Men		★★ Mary Shelley's Frankenstein (1994, Horror) Robert De Niro, Kenneth Branagh.				Mom 		Mom 		The Simpsons		Bob's Burgers		Bob's Burgers		S.W.A.T. 							
WTPX	NCIS "Blast From the Past" 		NCIS "Peacekeeper" 		NCIS "Collective Memory" 		NCIS "Pledge of Allegiance" 		NCIS "The Artful Dodger" 		NCIS "The Artful Dodger" 		NCIS A dead thief turns up. 											
CW	 The Big Bang Theory 		 The Big Bang The- ory A request makes Wolowitz nervous. 		Family Law "Until Death Do Us Part" Ira wants his wife Helen moved. (N) 		Coroner "Degargoony" Gordon and Peggy's plans go awry. (N) 		 WOW - Women  Burgers		 Chicago P.D. "Snitch" Investigating a drug-related homicide.		 Truth of God		 WOW - Women Of Wrestling Leia Makoa vs. Tormenta. (N)		 Extra (N)  		 Bloodline De- tectives					
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WEEKDAYS					MORNING / AFTERNOON																		OCT. 31	
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ABC	Good Morning America				9 Live 2 News	2 25 Words or Less	The View		9 News 9	9 Drew Barrymore	9 GMA3: What	2 Paid Program	General Hospital		9 Tamron Hall 2 GMA3: What You Need to Know	Dr. Phil		9 News at 4PM 9 Action 2 News		2 Action 2 News at 4:30	9 News 9	ABC World News		
9 WAOW 2 WBAY									2 Inside	2 Pawn	2 News										2 News			
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NBC	Today				Today 3rd Hour		Today With Hoda & Jenna		26 12	26 List 12 Neigh- borhood	NBC News Daily		26 Date- line 12 You Bet	12 Pic- tionary	26 Tamron Hall 12 Pictionary	12 Funny You Ask	26 12	12 TMZ	26 Fam- Feud 12 Up North	26 Aft. Focus 12 Jeopardy	26 News 12 News	NBC Nightly News		
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PBS	Hero Elemen- tary	Alma's Way	Curious George	Daniel Tiger's Neigh- borhood	Rosie's Rules	Donkey Hodie	Sesame Street	Pinkali- cious & Peterrific	Dinosaur Train	Elinor Wonders Why	Sesame Street	Rosie's Rules	Ask This Old House	Ameri- ca's Test Kitchen From Cook	Hotel Portofino		Grantchester on Masterpiece		Odd Squad	Arthur	Nature Cat	BBC World News America		
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14 WCWF 34 WYOW																								

TUESDAY				EVENING						NOV. 1		
	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
ABC	Ⓜ News 9 WAOW at 6PM (N)	Ⓜ Pack Attack	Bachelor in Paradise (N) Ⓜ Ⓢ (DVS)				The Rookie: Feds "The Reaper" A search for an international assassin. (N) Ⓜ Ⓢ (DVS)		Ⓜ News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! Ⓜ Ⓢ	(:37) Nightline (N) Ⓢ	
Ⓜ WAOW	Ⓜ Action 2 News at Six (N)	Ⓜ Action 2 News: Your Voice, Your Vote							Ⓜ Action 2 News at 10 (N)			
Ⓜ WBAY												
CBS	Ⓜ Local 5 News at 6:00	Ⓜ Locker Room (N)	FBI "Protective Details" An immigration agent is fatally shot. Ⓜ Ⓢ		FBI: International "Snakes" A couple flees to Albania. Ⓜ Ⓢ		FBI: Most Wanted "Whack Job" A man in witness protection is murdered. Ⓜ Ⓢ		Ⓜ Local 5 News at 10:30 (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N) Ⓜ Ⓢ	(:37) The Late Late Show With James Corden (N) Ⓜ Ⓢ	
Ⓜ WFRV	Ⓜ (5:59) NewsChannel 7 at 6	Ⓜ Locker Room							Ⓜ NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)			
Ⓜ WSAW												
FOX	MLB on FOX Pregame (N) Ⓜ (Live) Ⓢ		2022 World Series Game 4: Teams TBA. (N) Ⓜ (Live) Ⓢ						Ⓜ NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N)	Ⓜ Last Man Standing Ⓢ	Ⓜ Last Man Standing Ⓜ Ⓢ	Ⓜ The Goldbergs Ⓜ Ⓢ
Ⓜ WZAW									Ⓜ Fox 11 News at 10 (N) Ⓢ	Ⓜ Last Man Standing Ⓜ Ⓢ	Ⓜ The King of Queens Ⓢ	Ⓜ The King of Queens Ⓜ Ⓢ
Ⓜ WLUK										Ⓜ (:35) Seinfeld Ⓢ		
NBC	Ⓜ NBC26 News at 6pm (N) Ⓢ	Ⓜ Packers Live	The Voice "The Knockouts Part 2" Artists perform in three-way knockouts. (N) Ⓜ Ⓢ		La Brea "Lazarus" Gavin encounters the building's leader. (N) Ⓜ Ⓢ (DVS)		New Amsterdam "Maybe Tomorrow" Bloom reveals monumental news. (N) Ⓜ Ⓢ (DVS)		Ⓜ NBC26 News at 10pm (N)	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon Ⓜ Ⓢ	(:37) Late Night With Seth Meyers Ⓜ Ⓢ	
Ⓜ WGBA	Ⓜ Newswatch 12 at 6 (N) Ⓢ	Ⓜ Wheel of Fortune "European Vacation" Ⓢ							Ⓜ Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)			
Ⓜ WJFW												
PBS	PBS NewsHour (N) Ⓜ Ⓢ		Finding Your Roots With Henry Louis Gates, Jr. "Flight" Lupita Nyong'o; Lidia Bastianich. Ⓜ Ⓢ		Finding Your Roots With Henry Louis Gates, Jr. "Children of Exile" David Chang and Raúl Esparza. Ⓜ Ⓢ		Frontline "Putin's War at Home" (Season Premiere) Russians push back against Putin. (N) Ⓜ Ⓢ		Escape to the Chateau "Pig Roaster and Versailles Loo" Dick and Angel prepare for an event. Ⓜ Ⓢ		NOVA "Ocean Invaders" How lionfish have invaded the Atlantic. Ⓜ Ⓢ (DVS)	
Ⓜ WHRM												
Ⓜ WLEF												
Ⓜ WPNE												
Ⓜ WACY	Family Feud (N)	Two/Half Men	Dateline "Deadly Circumstances"		Chicago P.D. "Get Back to Even"		My News at 9	NBC 26 Tonight	Two/Half Men	Am Housewife	Am Housewife	Mom Ⓜ Ⓢ
Ⓜ WTPX	Chicago Fire Ⓜ Ⓢ (DVS)		Chicago Fire "Fog of War" Ⓜ		Chicago Fire "Show of Force" Ⓜ		Chicago Fire "Fire Cop" Ⓜ		Chicago Fire "My Lucky Day" Ⓜ	Chicago Fire Ⓜ Ⓢ (DVS)		
CW	Ⓜ MLB on FOX Pregame (N)	Ⓜ The Big Bang Theory Ⓜ Ⓢ	The Winchesters "Masters of War" Millie is worried about her son. (N) Ⓜ Ⓢ		Professionals "Vectors" Vincent discusses business with Grace. (N) Ⓜ		Ⓜ Fox 11 News at Nine on CW	Ⓜ The Big Bang Theory Ⓜ Ⓢ	Ⓜ The National Desk (N) (Live)	Ⓜ The National Desk (N) (Live)	Ⓜ Seinfeld Ⓜ Ⓢ	Ⓜ Young Sheldon Ⓜ
Ⓜ WCWF	Ⓜ Divorce Court (N)	Ⓜ Divorce Court Ⓜ Ⓢ					Ⓜ The Liquidator	Ⓜ Chicago P.D. Ⓜ Ⓢ	Ⓜ black-ish "Stuff" Ⓜ Ⓢ	Ⓜ black-ish Ⓜ Ⓢ		Ⓜ Family Guy Ⓜ
Ⓜ WYOW												

WEDNESDAY				EVENING					NOV. 2			
6 PM		6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
ABC	News 9 WAOW at 6PM (N)	Packers Live	The Conners Darlene receives a promotion. (N) (DVS)	The Goldbergs The country music craze hits the town. (N) (DVS)	Abbott Elementary The teachers view a shocking commercial.	(31) Home Economics "Model Train Set, \$150" (N) (DVS)	Big Sky "Come Get Me" (N) (DVS)		News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N)	(35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! (N) (DVS)		(37) Nightline (N) (DVS)
WAOW	Action 2 News at Six (N)	Action 2 News: Your Voice, Your Vote (N)							Action 2 News at 10 (N)			
WBAY												
CBS	Local 5 News at 6:00 (N)	Green Bay Nation (N)	Survivor (N) (DVS)	The Real Love Boat (N) (DVS)			(8:59) The Amazing Race "It's Simply Medieval" (N) (DVS)		Local 5 News at 10:00 (N)	(35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N) (DVS)		(37) The Late Late Show With James Corden (N) (DVS)
WFRV	(5:59) NewsChannel 7 at 6	Inside Edition (N) (DVS)							NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)			
WSAW												
FOX	MLB on FOX Pregame (N) (Live) (DVS)		2022 World Series Game 5: Teams TBA. (If necessary). (N) (Live) (DVS)									
WZAW												
WLUK												
NBC	NBC26 News at 6pm (N) (DVS)	Total Packers-Matt LaFleur	Chicago Med "Mama Said There Would Be Days Like This" Marcel adjusts to his newfound fame. (N) (DVS)	Chicago Fire "All-Out Mystery" Severide and Kidd investigate. (N) (DVS)			Chicago P.D. "Sympathetic Reflex" Atwater's reactions are questioned. (N) (DVS)		NBC26 News at 10pm (N)	(34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon (N) (DVS)		(37) Late Night With Seth Meyers (N) (DVS)
WGWA	NewsWatch 12 at 6 (N) (DVS)	Wheel of Fortune							NewsWatch 12 at 10pm (N)			
WJFW												
PBS	PBS NewsHour (N) (DVS)		Nature "Woodpeckers: The Hole Story" The evolutionary journey of woodpeckers. (N) (DVS)	NOVA "Nazca Desert Mystery" New clues to the origins of Nazca Lines. (N) (DVS)			Secrets of the Dead "Decoding Hieroglyphics" Ancient Egyptian hieroglyphics. (N) (DVS)	10 Streets That Changed America The evolution of New York's Broadway. (N) (DVS)		Frontline "Putin's War at Home" (Season Premiere) Russians push back against Putin. (N) (DVS)		
WHRM												
WLEF												
WPNE												
WACY	Family Feud (N)	Two/Half Men	Dateline "A Crack in Everything"	Chicago P.D. "The Three Gs" (N) (DVS)			My News at 9	NBC 26 Tonight	Two/Half Men	Am Housewife	Am Housewife	Mom (N) (DVS)
WTPX	Blue Bloods "The Price of Justice"		Blue Bloods "Mob Rules" (N) (DVS)	Blue Bloods "Good Cop, Bad Cop"			Blue Bloods "For the Community"		Blue Bloods "Whistleblowers" (N) (DVS)		Blue Bloods "Guilt by Association"	
CW	MLB on FOX Pregame (N)	The Big Bang Theory (N) (DVS)	DC's Stargirl "Frenemies -- Chapter Nine: The Monsters" Beth makes a major discovery. (N) (DVS)	Kung Fu "Harvest" Sebastian voices his concerns. (N) (DVS)			Fox 11 News at Nine on CW	The Big Bang Theory (N) (DVS)	The National Desk (N) (Live)	The National Desk (N) (Live)	Seinfeld (N) (DVS)	Young Sheldon (N) (DVS)
WCWF	Divorce Court (N)	Divorce Court (N) (DVS)					The Liquidator	Chicago P.D. (N) (DVS)	black-ish (N) (Live)	black-ish (N) (Live)	black-ish (N) (DVS)	Family Guy (N) (DVS)
WYOW												(Part 1 of 2)

THURSDAY				EVENING								NOV. 3	
		6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
ABC		9 News 9 WAOW at 6PM (N)	9 Ent. Tonight	Station 19 "Pick up the Pieces" Travis is the victim of dirty politics. (N) 1 2		Grey's Anatomy "When I Get to the Border" (N) 1 2 (DVS)		(:01) Alaska Daily "I Have No Idea What You're Talking About, Eileen" Eileen goes against orders. (N) 1 2 (DVS)		9 News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! 1 2		(:37) Nightline (N) 2
WAOW WBAY		9 Action 2 News at Six (N)	2 Your Voice, Your Vote							9 Action 2 News at 10 (N)			
CBS		9 Local 5 News at 6:00 (N) 2	9 Local 5 News at 6:30 (N) 2	Young Sheldon George Sr. helps with the football team. (N) 1		(:31) Ghosts A ghost has a connection to the football team. (N) 1		(:01) So Help Me Todd "So Help Me Todd" Todd solicits dating advice. (N) 1 2		9 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N) 1 2		(:37) The Late Late Show With James Corden (N) 1 2
WFRV WSAW		7 (5:59) NewsChannel 7 at 6	1 Inside Edition (N) 1 2					CSI: Vegas "There's the Rub" The death of a prestigious chef. (N) 1 2		9 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)			
FOX		55 The Big Bang Theory Ladies' Night.	55 The Big Bang Theory 2	Hell's Kitchen "Til Chef Do Us Part" The chefs create a wedding menu. (N) 1 2 (DVS)		(:02) Welcome to Flatch Shrub starts dating Kelly's boss. (N) 1		9 NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N) 1		55 Seinfeld George poses as a marine biologist. 1 2	55 Last Man Standing 11 (:35) Inside the Huddle	55 Last Man Standing 11 (:05) The King of Queens 2	55 The Goldbergs 11 (:35) The King of Queens 1
WZAW WLUK		11 Jeopardy! (N)	11 Wheel of Fortune (N) 2					11 Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)		55 Seinfeld "The Chinese Woman" 11 Fox 11 News at 10 (N)			
NBC		26 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) 2	26 Family Feud 11 Wheel of Fortune	Law & Order "Vicious Cycle" A fashion designer is killed. (N) 1 2 (DVS)		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Controlled Burn" Rollins investigates an assault. (N) 1 2 (DVS)		Law & Order: Organized Crime "Blaze of Glory" (N) 1 2 (DVS)		26 NBC26 News at 10pm (N) 2	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon 1 2		(:37) Late Night With Seth Meyers 1 2
WGBA WJFW		26 Newswatch 12 at 6 (N) 2	26 "European Vacation" (N)							26 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)			
PBS		PBS NewsHour (N) 1 2		Wisconsin Life "Hmong Wausau Fest" Celebrate the Hmong Wausau Festival. (N) 1 2		Around the Corner with John McGivern "Viroqua" (N) 1 2		Midsomer Murders "With Baited Breath: Part 1" Tensions run high in Solomon Gorge.		(:44) Midsomer Murders "With Baited Breath: Part 2" Tensions run high in Solomon Gorge. 1 (Part 2 of 2) 2		(:31) The Goes Wrong Show "90 Degrees" A drama set in the American South.	
WHRM WLEF WPNE										(:02) Nature "Woodpeckers: The Hole Story" The evolutionary journey of woodpeckers. 1 2 (DVS)		Finding Your Roots With Henry Louis Gates, Jr. "Flight" Lupita Nyong'o; Lidia Bastianich. 1 2	
WACY		62 Family Feud (N)	Two/Half Men	Dateline 1 2		Chicago P.D. 1 2		My News at 9		NBC 26 Tonight	Two/Half Men		Am Housewife
WTPX		Chicago P.D. "Equal Justice" 1		Chicago P.D. "Lies" 2 (DVS)		Chicago P.D. "To Protect" 1		Chicago P.D. "Blood Relation" 1		Chicago P.D. "Fractures" 1		Chicago P.D. "A Way Out" 1	
CW		14 The Big Bang Theory Ladies' Night.	14 The Big Bang Theory 1 2	Walker "Mum's the Word" Walker and Cassie examine their lives. (N) 1 2		Walker Independence "Friend of the Devil" Abby and Kate's friendship is tested. (N) 1 2		14 Last Man Standing 64 The Liquidator		14 Seinfeld 1 2	64 Chicago P.D. 1 2	14 The National Desk (N) (Live)	14 The National Desk (N) (Live)
WCWF WYOW		64 Divorce Court	64 Divorce Court 1 2									14 Last Man Standing 2	64 Young Sheldon 1
											64 black-ish 2	64 black-ish 2	64 Family Guy 1

WHAT'S HAPPENING

FRIDAY, OCT. 28

BIRNAMWOOD: Pumpkin Stroll
6-9 p.m., Schairer's Autumn Acres, 194
Western Ave. 100-plus themed carved
pumpkins in the corn maze.

SHAWANO: "These Shining Lives," 7 p.m., Shawano Community High School, auditorium, 220 County Road B, Shawano. \$5 adults, \$3 children.

CHASE: Revenge Haunt, 7-11 p.m., Chase Stone Barn, 8246 County Road S. Immersive haunted house experience; not intended for children. \$20. revenge-haunt.com

SATURDAY, OCT. 29

BONDUEL: SPYRT Craft Sale, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., St. Paul Lutheran School, 240 E. Green Bay St. Silent auction, crafters and vendors, Ladies Aid bake sale, chili and ham and cheese sandwich lunch, \$1 admission (not including lunch).

BIRNAMWOOD: Schairer's Autumn Acres, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., 194 Western Ave., weekends through Oct. 31. Horse-drawn wagon rides, corn mazes, petting zoo, sunflower field. Pumpkin Stroll 6-9 p.m. featuring 100-plus themed carved pumpkins in the corn maze.

BONDUEL: Farmtoberfest, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Porter's Patch, W4314 State Highway 156. \$10. Corn maze, hayrides, crafts, pick your own pumpkin. Weekends through Oct. 30.

GRESHAM: Republican Party of Shawano County Fall Dinner, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., The Woodland, 420 Main St. First speaker U.S. Sen. Ron Johnson. Members \$30, Non-members \$35, RSVP with Tom at 563-543-9603.

SURING: Kids Halloween Party, 2-4 p.m., Fire Department Garage, 604 E. Main St. Free goody bag, kids games, prizes and crafts. Geared toward kids under 12. Adult supervision required.



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OCONTO: Trick or Treat with the Machickanee Players, 2:30-6:30 p.m., Park Avenue Theatre, 408 Park Ave.

TIGERTON: Halloween House, 3-5 p.m., 215 Cedar St.

TRICK OR TREAT: Clintonville 4-7 p.m., Oconto 3-6 p.m.

MONDAY, OCT. 31

OCONTO FALLS: Trunk or Treat, 4-6 p.m., St. Anthony Catholic School, 253 N. Franklin St.

TRICK OR TREAT: Abrams 4:30-6:30 p.m., Angelica 4-7 p.m., Birnamwood 4-7 p.m., Bonduel 5-7 p.m., Cecil 5-7 p.m., Chase 4-7 p.m., Gillett 4-6 p.m., Gresham 4-6 p.m., Krakow 4-7 p.m., Little Suamico 4-6 p.m., Marion 5-7 p.m., Menominee Nation 5-7 p.m., Oconto Falls 4-6 p.m., Plaski 4-7 p.m., Shawano 5-7 p.m., Tigerton 5-7 p.m., Wittenberg 4-7 p.m.

BOWLER: Jerilyn Johnson Halloween Drive-Thru, 4:30-7:30 p.m., Mohican Family Center, N8605 Oak St.

TUESDAY, NOV. 1

SHAWANO: Honor Flicks presents a special showing of "Top Gun: Maverick," 2:45 and 5:15 p.m., Shawano Cinema IV, 1494 E. Green Bay St. All retired military and a guest enjoy free entry to the movie and a bucket of popcorn.

THURSDAY, NOV. 3

SHAWANO: Nonprofit Showcase, 3-7 p.m., Peace United Church of Christ, 208 E. Maurer St. Meet representatives from over 10 different nonprofit organizations in Shawano area and learn who they are, what they do and how to get involved.

SATURDAY, NOV. 5

OCONTO: Antiques and Collectibles Sale, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Beyer Home and Carriage Museum, 915 Park Ave. Fundraiser for Oconto County Historical Society.

SHAWANO: Craft and Bake Sale, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., St. Jakobi Lutheran Church, W8089 County Road A. Homemade crafts and baked goods. Fresh cinnamon rolls, muffins, hot cider and coffee available to eat in or take out.

SUNDAY, NOV. 6

SURING: Holiday Craft Bazaar, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., School gyms, 411 Algoma St.

FRIDAY				EVENING							NOV. 4				
		6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30		
ABC		9 News 9 WAOW at 6PM (N)	9 Ent. Tonight	Shark Tank (N) (DVS)		(:01) 20/20 (N)				9 News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! (D)		(:37) Nightline (N)		
9 WAOW		9 Action 2 News at Six (N)	2 Your Voice, Your Vote							9 Action 2 News at 10 (N)					
2 WBAY															
CBS		3 Local 5 News at 6:00	3 Local 5 News at 6:30	S.W.A.T. (N) (D)		Fire Country "Get Some, Be Safe" A vegetation fire gets complicated. (N)		Blue Bloods "Homefront" (N) (DVS)		9 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N) (D)		(:37) The Late Late Show With James Corden (D)		
3 WFRV		7 (5:59) NewsChannel 7 at 6	(N) (D)							9 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)					
7 WSAW			Inside Edition (N) (D)												
FOX		MLB on FOX Pregame (N) (Live) (D)		2022 World Series Game 6: Teams TBA. (If necessary). (N) (Live) (D)							9 NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N)		9 Last Man Standing (D)	9 Last Man Standing (D)	9 The Goldbergs (D)
11 WZAW											10 Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (D)		10 (:07) The King of Queens (D)	10 (:35) Seinfeld (D)	10 (:35) The King of Queens (D)
11 WLWK															
NBC		23 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) (D)	23 Family Feud	Lopez vs. Lopez	Young Rock "The People Need You"	Dateline NBC (D)				23 NBC26 News at 10pm (N)	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon (D)		(:37) Late Night With Seth Meyers (D)		
26 WGBA		10 Newswatch 12 at 6 (N) (D)	12 Wheel of Fortune	"Pilot" (Series Premiere) (N) (D)	(Season Premiere) (N)					23 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)					
12 WJFW			"European Vacation" (N)												
PBS		PBS NewsHour (N) (D)		Washington Week (N) (D)	Here and Now (D)	Broadchurch Trish receives a shocking message.		Summer of Rockets Field puts the home under protection. (D) (Part 5 of 6) (D)		Independent Lens "Home From School: The Children of Carlisle" Carlisle Indian Industrial School. (D) (DVS)		Wisconsin Home Town Stories: Green Bay The growth of Green Bay. (D) (D)			
20 WHRM															
36 WLEF															
38 WPNE															
32 WACY		Family Feud (N)	Two/Half Men	NBA G League Basketball Windy City Bulls at Wisconsin Herd. (N) (Live)				My News at 9	The List (N) (D)	Two/Half Men	Am Housewife	Am Housewife	Mom (D) (D)		
46 WTPX		Hawaii Five-0 (D) (D)		Hawaii Five-0 "Na La 'Ilio" (D)		Hawaii Five-0 (D) (D)		Hawaii Five-0 (D) (D)		Hawaii Five-0 (D) (D)	Hawaii Five-0 (D) (D)				
CW		11 The Big Bang Theory Sheldon gets locked out.	11 The Big Bang Theory (D) (D)	Penn & Teller: Fool Us "Alyson's Smart Ass" Donny Osmond; Dani Daortiz; Ben Train. (N) (D)		Whose Line Is It Anyway? Guest comic Gary Anthony Williams.	Whose Line Is It Anyway? "Padma Lakshmi 2" (D) (D)	11 Last Man Standing (D)		11 Seinfeld (D) (D)	11 The National Desk (N) (Live)	11 The National Desk (N)	11 Last Man Standing (D)	11 Young Sheldon (D)	
14 WCWF								11 Chicago P.D. (D) (D)		11 black-ish "The Dozens"	11 black-ish "The Dozens"		11 black-ish (D)	11 Family Guy (D)	
34 WYOW		34 Divorce Court	34 Divorce Court (D) (D)												



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Concerned Daughter



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and organize documents for tax returns, help decipher medical bills, and review bank statements in order to detect potential financial abuse or fraud.

Depending

on where your mom lives, DMM services may be available through private non-profit elder assistance organizations or government agencies. These agencies often use volunteers to provide basic DMM tasks, such as bill paying at no cost. To find out if this is available in your mom's area contact her Area Aging Agency. Visit ElderCare.acl.gov or call 800-677-1116 for contact information.

In addition to the non-profit DMMs, an increasing number of individuals and private for-profit companies have started offering DMM services for a fee. Cost for

these services varies by region but it often ranges between \$25 and \$100 per hour. Most clients need approximately four hours of services per month, but this too varies according to the complexity of the person's financial situation.

The best place to look for a professional DMM in your mom's area is through the American Association of Daily Money Managers (AADMM.com), which offers an online directory that lets you search by ZIP code. All the pros listed there have signed the group's code of ethics. Some have passed a certification exam to earn the designation of Certified Daily Money Manager.

Before hiring a daily money manager, however, get references from two or more of their clients and check them. Also, find out what they charge and what type of insurance coverage they have. Keep in mind that neither federal nor state governments regulate the DMM industry, so there is little oversight of these services. So

before turning over your mom's bills, make certain it's someone you can trust.

One other highly rated bill-paying service you should know about that's specifically designed for older adults and caregivers is SilverBills (SilverBills.com). Available nationwide, this is a secure concierge bill management service that will manage your mom's bills and pay them on her behalf, on-time and correctly, for a flat fee of \$50 per month.

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Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book. Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org.

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OPINION

Celebrating Halloween shouldn't be mandatory

It's only a few days until Halloween, and with it comes hordes of ravenous children swarming the streets in search of chocolate, candy and whatever newfangled sugary devices are there to guarantee parents will not be getting any sleep until sometime in November. Many times, it's just as much fun for the adults as it is for the kids.

I remember back in the day when my mother would take me out for trick-or-treating. There were some years where we'd go to the next town over and walk up and down Mount Vernon Avenue, and the owners of the historic Victorian homes would eagerly toss candy at the witches and goblins, either for the fun of it or to keep them from bursting through the doors and invading their dwellings. I think we went there mainly because the homes were close together, whereas Chino Valley at the time was all farmland, and trying to go house to house then resulted in very little loot.

Of course, then Halloween turned all regulated, with local governments deciding that such and such time will be for trick or treating, mainly as a safety factor so that you don't wind up with mooshed monsters cracking your windshield because you weren't paying attention after dark. I still think it's silly, but I understand it.

That's why I was a little floored when I saw a news report this weekend about a neighborhood in Com-



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merce, California, going completely crazy, as folks in California tend to do, where a notice went out that handing out candy to trick-or-treaters was mandatory, according to a report on Fox News. It read that the residents of the Bristow Park neighborhood were "obligated" to hand out treats from 8 p.m. to midnight and signed only "Your Neighborhood Watch Captain."

Okay, while I know the definition of some things continues to change, the last time I checked, a neighborhood watch tended to exist to help prevent crime, not dictate to your fellow neighbors that you'd better turn my little storm trooper into a raging, sugar-fueled demon or else.

While I know very little about the neighborhood or the people who live there, it was clear that folks were outraged at the notice. Some were questioning why this anonymous person was not simply expressing gratitude to the folks who would be handing out candy anyway. Others wondered what would be the penalty for not doing such a thing — a sentence of 25 years in hell?

Let's look at some of the things wrong with mandating something.

While most of us are home around 8 p.m., there might be others that are working at that hour and can't be home to hand out candy. Sorry, "captain," but not everybody works nine-to-five. Also, not everyone is going to stay up until midnight if they have to be to work the next morning.

Speaking of hours, how many parents are actually going to stay up until midnight to take their kids out for candy. I remember being allowed to stay up later on Halloween night, but considering this year's Halloween is on a Monday, the fairies and ghouls still have to go to school the next day, and it's doubtful the teachers are going to excuse Halloween hangovers when they're teaching multiplication tables.

There's also the reality that many folks don't celebrate Halloween for religious or other reasons. Some see it as the devil's work, and while I don't agree with that line of reasoning, there's no reason to force these people to participate in something.

This year, in particular, folks are dealing with massive inflation, and things are costing a lot more. Recently, I went to purchase a party-sized bag of peanut butter M&Ms, and what had once cost \$10.99 was now \$15.99. I can only imagine what the Halloween packages are costing folks. Maybe some folks can't afford the candy this year, and they shouldn't be forced to fork it out for someone else's little demons.

It's understandable that the "captain" wants to share the joys of Halloween considering the state of California actively discouraged trick-or-treating the last couple of years because of fears that getting a bunch of kids and their parents together would spread coronavirus and get us all killed. However, it doesn't give someone who obviously can't handle the sugar rush the right to tell his or her neighbors what they can or cannot do.

It's like when the patriotic among us have tried to make it mandatory to say the Pledge of Allegiance or to have prayer in schools. The response has been to ignore it or tell the person where to stick their mandates. Hopefully the folks mandating trick or treating do one of those things. Halloween is not an obligation; it's a privilege.

One more thing — the notice also said the "captain" would be going around the homes on Halloween night. I certainly hope Fox provides an update to this story, because I see two things happening. One, the folks in the neighborhood might be polite enough to simply slam the door in said captain's face, while the other option might result in neighbors going with the "trick" option and burying the neighborhood watch dictator in some random backyard.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Oconto Falls should vote yes on referendum

To the editor:

Last spring, the school board voted to bring to referendum a package that included a new middle school, secure entrances district wide, renovation of cafeterias at Abrams and Oconto Falls elementary schools, upgrades to the technology education and agriculture departments at Oconto Falls High School, student drop off/pick up and other parking areas, and other deferred maintenance requests.

Days prior to the April election, voters district wide received a mailer from a former district employee/school board member urging the community to vote no. Most of the reasoning behind this push to vote no has little to do with the needs of the district and of our kids and everything to do with this person's personal vendetta against the current administration.

This Nov. 8, voters of this school district will once again have the opportunity to vote on a referendum. A team of parents, school staff, board members, and business owners came together to work towards a referendum that addressed the needs of the district while also relying heavily on survey

results that came from the community.

What we came up with, was a scaled down proposal, limiting this ballot question to the needs as follows: A new middle school (\$35,547,000); roof repairs or replacements at OFES (\$1,459,000), OFHS (\$298,500), Abrams (\$190,500); and increased secured entrances district wide (\$135,000). This brings the total package to \$37,630,000.

Washington Middle School has done its best for our students for many generations. It is time to move forward with building a new school, one that has greater opportunity for future generations and one that we can be proud of.

My hope is that as a community we can get behind this referendum and think only about what can benefit our kids. They truly are our future, and they deserve us looking out for them.

I am proudly voting yes for our kids.

Ginny O'Harrow, Oconto Falls

Government the enemy until you need a friend

To the editor:

A young man lived with his parents in a public housing development, attended public school and participated in the "free lunch" program. He entered military service and, upon

discharge, retained National Service Life Insurance.

He attended the State University working part time at the State Capitol to supplement funds provided by his GI education check. Upon graduation, he married a public health nurse, bought a home with an FHA loan and obtained an RFC loan to start a business.

Their baby was born in the City Hospital. Wanting some farmland and a home for his parents, he bought a small ranch aided by the Veterans Land Program. For his livestock, he obtained emergency feed from the government. Later, he put part of his land in the soil bank and the payments soon paid for the ranch. His parents lived comfortably on the ranch thanks to their Social Security and old age assistance checks.

REA lines supplied electricity, the government helped clear his land, a county agent showed him how to terrace it and obtained government funds to build a fishpond.

He reads books from the public library and his banked money is insured by a government agency. His child entered public school, ate free lunches, rode in a school bus, played in the mu-

nicipal park and swam in a public pool.

The man owned an automobile, thus favoring the Federal Highway Program. He signed a petition seeking federal assistance for developing an industrial project to "help the economy" of his area, was the leader in a move to get a new federal building and went to Washington asking the government to build a power dam costing millions to get cheaper electricity for his area.

However, hearing that the per capita income tax bill averaged over \$13,000 for every man, woman and child, he wrote his congressman: "I wish to protest excessive government expenditures and high taxes. I believe in rugged individualism. I think people should stand on their own two feet without expecting handouts from the government; and, as a taxpayer, I am opposed to all socialistic trends and demand a return to the principles of our constitution."

Government is the enemy until you need a friend. Ask the people in Florida if they should go it alone with private insurance companies or should some assistance be provided by all of us through the state and federal government.

Herbert Grover, Gresham



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Halloween can be a fun time of the year, but staying safe should remain the top priority for parents and their costumed children.

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Halloween fun time as long as safety practiced

Halloween is an exciting time of year for children, as they dress up in creative costumes, carve up pumpkins and gather lots of sweets.

While it can be an enjoyable experience, it isn't without its preventable, safety risks. Prevea Health is encouraging parents to become familiar with basic safety tips to make sure their kids stay safe on Halloween.

"A lot of the Halloween general warnings focus on candy safety, but a bigger risk to kids now comes from the traffic on the street," said Dr. Thomas Huffer, Prevea Health pediatrician. "Candy should still be checked for food allergies and tampering or choking hazards for smaller children, and I encourage parents to ration the candy, so kids aren't eating it all in one night."

According to Safe Kids Worldwide, on average, children are more than twice as likely to be struck by a car on Halloween than on any other day of the year. To help kids stay safe during

trick-or-treating, here are some tips for parents from the National Safety Council (NSC):

- Fasten reflective tape to children's costumes and bags or give them glow sticks or a flashlight to carry.
- Accompany young children (12 and under) on their trick-or-treating rounds in the neighborhood.
- If older children are going alone, plan and review an acceptable route and agree on a specific time they should return home.
- Instruct children to travel only in familiar, well-lit areas and stick with their friends.
- Teach children never to enter a stranger's home or car.
- Children and adults alike should put electronic devices down, keep heads up and walk (not run) across the street only at corners or crosswalks.
- Tell children not to eat any treats until they return home so that candy can be checked to make sure it is wrapped as well as to help

avoid any food allergies.

Drivers who are out and about on Halloween night need to be cautious and watch for children walking on roadways, medians and curbs. Particularly, drivers should enter and exit driveways and alleys slowly and carefully and keep an eye out for children in dark clothing at twilight and later in the evening. The NSC also suggests that any new, inexperienced drivers should be discouraged from driving when trick-or-treating is occurring in the community.

For those staying home and handing out treats, the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) recommends removing tripping hazards to keep homes safe for visiting trick-or-treaters. Keep the porch and front yard clear of anything a child could trip over such as garden hoses, toys, bikes and lawn decorations.

Residents should check outdoor lights and replace burned-out bulbs to ensure good visibility, as well as sweep

wet leaves from sidewalks and steps to prevent anyone from slipping on them and keep pets in another room when expecting trick-or-treaters.

Finally, when it comes to the tradition of pumpkin carving, don't allow small children to carve pumpkins with sharp utensils. Instead, they should draw a face with markers. Candlelit pumpkins should be placed on a sturdy table, away from curtains and other flammable objects and they should never be left unattended. Do not place candlelit pumpkins or decorations on a porch or any path where visitors may pass close by. Another safer option is to use an electric candle, flashlight or glow stick to light the pumpkin.

Additional Halloween safety tips are available at <https://www.prevea.com/wellness-hub/blog-details/prevea-blog/2022/10/07/halloween-safety>, or at <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/injury-prevention/halloween.htm>.

Mountain residents want to dine in woods again

Historical society working to reopen Green Lake Picnic Area

By GREG SEUBERT
Correspondent

A historical society is interested in reopening a national forest recreation area near Mountain that has been closed to the public for several years.

Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest officials closed the Green Lake Picnic Area and several other recreation sites throughout the forest in 2015 to reduce costs.

The former park, located along state highways 32 and 64 just south of Mountain in Oconto County, featured a pavilion listed on the National Register of Historic Places, swimming beach, picnic tables and boat landing.

The boat landing has remained open, while the pavilion, swimming beach and restrooms are closed.

Brenda Carey-Mielke, a Town of Mountain supervisor who is also involved with the Mountain Historical Society, said the society wants to see the park reopened.

“Right now, it’s part of the Chequamegon-Nicolet forest,” she said. “Due to budget cuts, they were ordered to close it. The historical society brought forward the fact that there is the pavilion in the park and we were charged by the Secretary of the Interior to maintain it and take care of it. We didn’t have access to it because the park was closed. That’s what started the conversation.”

The pavilion is still standing, but hasn’t been used in years.

Carey-Mielke’s group wants to change that.

“That pavilion is on the national registry,” she said. “It was built by our Civilian Conservation Corps and it’s been an integral part of the community ever since it was built in the late ‘30s. It was built for the workers to have their families come and visit and give them a shelter and fireplace. Everyone has a fond memory of it.”

“We do recognize that we do have an obligation to maintain that structure,” said Mike Brown, ranger for the forest’s Lakewood-Laona District. “We’re trying to figure out what the long-term solution will look like.”

Carey-Mielke’s group has also been working with Dale Mohr, a community resource development educator with



The former Green Lake Picnic Area in Oconto County is one of several recreation sites that the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest shut down in 2015. The day use area included a beach, picnic area and shelter. The Mountain Historical Society is working with forest officials to reopen the park, located just south of Mountain.

GREG SEUBERT

Oconto County’s University of Wisconsin Extension office, to obtain grant funding for the project.

“(The forest) has been working with us diligently to get it reopened. Right now, the historical society is working on an agreement with the forest to reopen the park. We will maintain and care for the pavilion and the park.”

Carey-Mielke was asked if the forest would continue to own the property.

“We’re not there yet,” she said. “That’s up for negotiation. It’ll be a lease, an intergovernmental agreement.”

She also said the Town of Mountain is not interested in purchasing or maintaining the property.

A windstorm in July 2019 that caused extensive damage in the Mountain area also blew through the park four years after it was closed. Much of that damage — including fallen trees — has yet to be cleaned up.

“It really wasn’t hit that hard,” Brown said. “There are a few trees down there, especially in the parking lot. We’re not really worried about

that right now because we’re trying to focus on our open areas.”

“They’re committed to this happening,” Carey-Mielke said. “They promised they would send out a crew in late autumn or early winter and clean it all up.”

A forest crew recently cleaned up the area around the pavilion, she said.

“A tree had fallen on the pavilion,” she said. “I called the forest and they immediately sent someone out and had them remove it.”

Carey-Mielke said she received plenty of feedback after the park closed.

“A lot of people were against that,” she said. “People weren’t quite sure how to go about getting it reopened. The historical society had an honest conversation with the forest. It’s my opinion that they’re operating in good faith with us and they want to work out some type of agreement where we will have access to it.”

Campers from nearby Bagley Rapids Campground, a national forest campground on the Oconto River, often visited the picnic area for swimming because the camp-

ground did not have a beach.

The Chequamegon-Nicolet covers more than 1.5 million acres in portions of Ashland, Bayfield, Forest, Florence, Langlade, Oconto, Oneida, Price, Sawyer, Taylor and Vilas counties.

Most of the forest’s recreational opportunities center around its campgrounds and wilderness areas.

Besides Green Lake Picnic Area, the forest also closed several campgrounds and most of them remain closed today.

The forest continues to maintain a handful of small picnic areas located on bodies of water. Two of them are located in the Mountain area — Bass Lake Recreation Area near Townsend and Wheeler Lake Recreation Area near Lakewood.

“We want to make (Green Lake) available to the community like it once was,” Carey-Mielke said. “There are bath houses attached to the pavilion and we would like to see that restored and opened up so people could go swimming. It could be really beautiful once again.”

OCONTO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Oct. 23

Deputies responded to 31 incidents, including suspicious activity on North Marl Lake Road in the Town of Brazeau, squad damage near County Road B and Little Beaver Lake Road in the Town of Oconto Falls, a disturbance on Saint Juda Lane in the Town of Brazeau, an ATV accident at an undisclosed location, harassment on Bramschreiber Road in the Town of Little Suamico, a missing person on Brock Road in the Town of Maple Valley, a noise disturbance on Red Fox Lane in the Town of Townsend, intoxication on Duame Road in the Town of Stiles, suspicious activity on Kruegers Quarry Road in the Town of Abrams, a disturbance on Gray Lake Road in the Town of Oconto Falls, illegal burning near Pipgrass Road and state Highway 22 in the Town of Oconto Falls, illegal burning on Kayak Court in the Town of Bagley, two traffic stops, one traffic hazard, one miscellaneous traffic incident, one welfare check; one 911 hangup and one open line; two ambulance calls; five crashes, two involving deer, one involving a bear.

Oct. 22

Deputies responded to 49 incidents, including a disturbance on Brazeau Avenue in Oconto, a disturbance on Supervisor Avenue in Oconto, underage

alcohol at an address in the Town of Oconto, threatening on County Road S in the Town of Little Suamico, a disturbance on East Frontage Road in the Town of Little Suamico, harassment on Emond Lane in the Town of Spruce, theft on Mosling Road in the Town of Underhill, a disturbance near County Road E and U.S. Highway 141 in the Town of Abrams, trespassing on South Branch Road in the Town of Breed, property damage on County Road T in the Town of Doty, a death investigation at an address in the Town of Pensaukee, a disturbance on West Frontier Road in the Town of Little Suamico, a noise disturbance on Central Road in the Town of Breed, a disturbance on state Highway 22 in the Town of Oconto, three traffic stops, one traffic hazard, one citizen assist, one miscellaneous traffic incident, one welfare check; three 911 hangups and two open lines; three ambulance calls; 11 crashes, seven involving deer.

Oct. 21

Deputies responded to 54 incidents, including suspicious activity near state Highway 32 and Thelen Road in the Town of Riverview, sexual assault at an address in the Town of Pensaukee, criminal damage on state Highway 22 in the Town of Oconto, sexual assault at an address in the Town of Chase, animal neglect on Gohr Road in the Town

of Chase, property damage on state Highway 32-64 in the Town of Mountain, squad damage near Jack Pine and Old 64 roads in the Town of Mountain, a disturbance on County Road C in the Town of Chase, five traffic stops, one traffic hazard, three traffic offenses, four citizen assists, one miscellaneous traffic incident, five welfare checks; two 911 hangups and one open line; two ambulance calls; eight crashes, five involving deer, one involving a turkey.

Oct. 20

Deputies responded to 55 incidents, including suspicious activity on Knollwood Lane in the Town of Mountain, fraud on state Highway 32 in the Town of Lakewood, a gas leak on Duame Road in the Town of Stiles, internet fraud on East Groninger Street in Suring, suspicious activity on County Road Z in the Town of Brazeau, suspicious activity near Oak Orchard Road and County Road J in the Town of Pensaukee, an animal bite on South Elm Avenue in Gillett, nine traffic stops, two traffic offenses, two citizen assists, four miscellaneous traffic incidents, six welfare checks; one 911 hangup and two open lines; three crashes, two involving deer.

Oct. 19

Deputies responded to 42 incidents, including fraud on East Rost Lake Road in the Town of Brazeau, suspicious activity

on Rugg Road in the Town of Lakewood, a missing person on Cedar Lake Lane in the Town of Doty, harassment on County Road F in the Town of Lakewood, an assault on East Frontage Road in the Town of Abrams, an animal bite on Yurek Road in the Town of Chase, suspicious activity on Shamrock Way in the Town of Little Suamico, two traffic stops, one traffic offense, one miscellaneous traffic incident; three 911 hangups and four open lines; four ambulance calls; seven crashes, four involving deer.

Oct. 18

Deputies response to 44 incidents, including a weapon offense on County Road J in the Town of Pensaukee, theft on Duame Road in the Town of Stiles, suspicious activity near U.S. Highway 141 and Guelig Road in the Town of Stiles, sexual assault at an address in the Town of Underhill, an animal bite on County Road J in the Town of Pensaukee, criminal damage near Morgan River Road and state Highway 32 in the Town of Morgan, property damage on Schmohill Road in the Town of Little River, three traffic stops, one traffic hazard, three traffic offenses, one citizen assist, two welfare checks; two 911 hangups and one open line; two ambulance calls; three crashes, all involving deer.



OCONTO FALLS Community Library

LIBRARY DIRECTOR JOB POSTING OCONTO FALLS PUBLIC LIBRARY

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APPLICATION PROCESS: Applicants are requested to submit a cover letter, resume, college transcript, a City of Oconto Falls job application form (available at <https://cityofocountofalls.com/employment>), and three professional references. Resumes can be submitted until November 30, 2022. Finalists may be required to furnish additional information. Materials should be submitted as follows:

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Oconto Falls Library
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OFSD Residents to Vote on Plan to Address Key Facility Needs

On Tuesday, November 8, the community will vote on a proposed capital referendum for the Oconto Falls School District (OFSD). An approved vote will allow the district to build a new middle school while replacing roofing and establishing more secure entrances across all our schools.

While our facilities have been well-maintained over the years, there are a number of deferred maintenance needs that go well beyond what OFSD can cover through its operational budget alone.

Specifically, some very pressing facility challenges at Washington Middle School (WMS) are negatively affecting the quality of education provided to students. Our roofs need attention throughout the district. Student safety remains a top priority, with a need to make our building entrances more secure.

By acting now, we believe we can address these needs in a way that will ensure a bright future for our students. We also have a unique opportunity to do so without increasing property taxes.

If approved, the referendum would result in a reduced property tax impact from the previous year of \$0.37 per every \$1,000 of assessed property value. This would translate to a reduction from the previous year of about \$37 on a home worth \$100,000 in our community.

If the referendum does not pass, taxpayers will realize a reduction of approximately \$2.62 per every \$1,000 of assessed property value, or a \$262 reduction on a home worth \$100,000 in our community.

No matter what, residents will realize a reduction in the school district portion of their property tax bills. The decision comes down to whether our community should take some of that savings and re-invest it in spaces and facilities that our students will use now and many years to come.

Of the proposed \$37.63 million budget, about \$35.5 million would go toward building a new middle school on a more than 90-acre parcel of land already owned by the district adjacent to both Oconto Falls Elementary School (OFES) and Oconto Falls High School (OFHS).

The new location will provide the new school with much more space for students, along with a field and wooded area that would offer a variety of outdoor educational opportunities. There would also be more of a campus feel for three of our community's schools. The budget also includes the cost of demolition for the existing WMS, if necessary.

The district and board carefully considered simply renovating the current middle school to address the building's facility needs. However, the cost of doing so would be more than 70 percent of the cost of building a new school. Even after those renovations were finished, we would still have a building with structures ranging from 35 to 100 years old and located on a landlocked site.

Our view is that the most responsible use of taxpayer dollars would be to construct a new building that provides students with the resources, spaces, and opportunities they need—now and in the future.

The remaining \$2.13 million in projects would go toward roof repairs and secure entrances at Abrams Elementary, OFES, and OFHS.

More information on the district's facility needs, the process we have used to find solutions, and the question on the ballot November 8 is available at <https://ocontofalls.referendumfacts.org>.

As always, we thank our community for their support of OFSD and the students we serve.

Dr. Dean Hess is superintendent of the Oconto Falls School District



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There are multiple signs elderly being abused

The most common types of abuse are physical, emotional, financial and verbal. The National Council on Aging says up to 5 million older Americans are abused yearly, and the annual loss by victims of financial abuse is estimated to be at least \$36.5 billion.

The Better Business Bureau recommends that family, friends, and caregivers learn the signs of abuse or neglect in older adults. Business owners dealing in the industry can share these signs with employees.

Signs of neglect include lack of basic hygiene, adequate food, or clean and appropriate clothing. When basic needs are not being met for an individual in the care of another, neglect should be suspected.

Medical aids (glasses, walkers, hearing aids, medications) and regular visits with doctors are critical to a healthy and active life for older adults. If these things are absent or ignored, it could be a sign of neglect.

It is necessary for caregivers to supervise their patient or loved one, especially if the person requires additional assistance because of dementia or other disorders. The level of supervision may vary depending on

the needs of the person in care, but in all cases, a lack of supervision could be a sign of neglect.

Adults under medical or family supervision should have assistance to get out of bed and move around. Being confined to a bed can be detrimental to physical and mental health and is a sign of improper care. If an individual is bed-bound, they should still be repositioned and cleaned regularly.

An unsafe home can be a sign of neglect and should be addressed due to safety hazards. Caregivers are tasked, in part, with creating a safe and healthy living environment.

Everyone, no matter their age, requires basic access to utilities and a temperate environment. If these facilities are missing, it could be a sign of neglect or that the person needs additional care and assistance.

Bed sores can happen as older adults become more immobile, but they are preventable with the proper care. Untreated sores are a sure sign that a person is not being cared for properly.

A sudden problem with affording the basics, especially if the person was able to in the past (with no change in

income), is a sign of financial abuse or exploitation. This could be at the hands of a family member, caregiver, or con artist.

Giving excessive financial reimbursement or gifts for care and companionship is another sign of abuse. Care and companionship are necessary and can take a financial toll occasionally, but if care costs are draining an individual's bank account, it's time to investigate and re-assess.

The caregiver controls the person's money but fails to provide for their needs. A sure sign of financial exploitation is when a caregiver fails to provide adequate supplies, food, clothing, or other necessities to an older person.

Caregivers should be concerned with an individual's spending habits if it is damaging to their health or well-being, but normal daily spending should not be of concern to a caregiver.

NOTICE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL GRANT MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR NEW FIRE STATION

The City of Oconto Falls is seeking proposals from competent service provider(s) to assist the City in the overall grant management of its Wisconsin Department of Administration (DOA) Neighborhood Investment Grant Program, American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 activities, funded through the United States Department of Treasury. The Specifications and Scope of Work package is available by [www. http://www.cityofocontofalls.com/seasonal-notice/](http://www.cityofocontofalls.com/seasonal-notice/) additional questions call 920-846-4505. All sealed proposals must be received by mail or in person no later than Monday November 14, 2022 at 12:00 PM.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR TOWN OF SPRUCE, OCONTO COUNTY

Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, November 16, 2022, at 7:00 PM at the Spruce Town Hall, a PUBLIC HEARING on the PROPOSED 2023 BUDGET for the Town of Spruce Electors in Oconto County will be held. Immediately following the public hearing, the Town of Spruce Board will vote on the proposed budget during the regular November 16, 2022 monthly meeting. The proposed budget in detail will be available at the Clerk's office by appointment. The following is a summary of the proposed 2023 budget.

	2022 Budget	2023 Budget	% CHANGE
REVENUES			
Taxes- Local Levy	\$217,861	\$221,485	1.66%
Taxes- Other	\$10,000	\$10,000	
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$173,700	\$194,072	
Licenses/Permits	\$2,100	\$2,100	
Public Charges for Services	\$72,500	\$89,600	
Miscellaneous Revenues	\$1,400	\$1,400	
Fund Balances Applied	\$0	\$0	
TOTAL REVENUES	\$477,561	\$518,657	8.61%

EXPENDITURES			
General Government	\$96,180	\$101,680	
Public Safety	\$76,032	\$83,880	
Public Works	\$188,057	\$195,968	
Health & Human Services	\$600	\$600	
Culture, Recreation & Education	\$73,656	\$93,656	
Conservation & Development	\$750	\$750	
Capital Outlay	\$1,000	\$1,000	
Debt Service	\$6,286	\$6,123	
To Contingency Fund	\$5,000	\$5,000	
To Park Fund	\$10,000	\$10,000	
To Reassessment Fund	\$10,000	\$10,000	
To Capital Fund	\$10,000	\$10,000	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$477,561	\$518,657	8.61%

Town Tax Rate* (Per \$1,000)	\$1.74	\$1.55	-10.93%
Total Equalized Value	\$125,250,400	\$142,967,000	
*Town tax rate estimate subject to change based on final equalized values			

	Est. Balance 1/01/23	Budgeted Revenues	Budgeted Expenses	Est. Balance 12/31/23
Town of Spruce Funds				
Unassigned Working Capital	\$97,000	\$518,657	\$518,657	\$97,000
Unassigned Contingency	\$0	\$5,000	\$0	\$5,000
Assigned- Park Fund	\$0	\$75,000	\$65,000	\$10,000
Assigned- Reassessment Fund	\$30,000	\$10,000	\$0	\$40,000
Assigned- Capital Fund	\$20,000	\$10,000	\$0	\$30,000
Assigned- Emergency Fund	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$50,000
	\$197,000			\$232,000

	Balance 1/01/23	Principal Payment	Interest Payment	Est. Balance 12/31/23
Town of Spruce Debt				
Peshtigo National Bank	\$11,600	\$5,800	\$323	\$5,800

Posted this 28th day of October, 2022
Lisa Peitersen, Town of Spruce Clerk

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NOTICE OF CHANGE IN ADOPTED BUDGET GILLETT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of Wisconsin Statute 65.90(5)(a), that the Gillett School District, on October 20, 2022, adopted the following changes to previously approved budgeted 2022-23 amounts.

GENERAL FUND			
LINE ITEM	PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AMOUNT \$	AMENDED APPROVED AMOUNT \$	CHANGE \$
Anticipated Revenue:			
Transfers-In (Source 100)	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
Local Sources (Source 200)	1,465,485.00	1,509,573.00	44,088.00
Inter-district Payments (Source 300 + 400)	440,868.00	443,161.00	2,293.00
Intermediate Sources (Source 500)	5,525.00	5,525.00	0.00
State Sources (Source 600)	5,191,154.00	5,207,406.64	16,252.64
Federal Sources (Source 700)	795,830.00	836,057.00	40,227.00
All Other Sources (Source 800 + 900)	22,000.00	22,000.00	0.00
Total Anticipated Revenue	7,922,862.00	8,025,722.64	102,860.64
Expenditure Appropriations:			
Instruction (Function 100 000)	3,127,343.75	3,136,866.75	9,523.00
Support Services (Function 200 000)	3,063,038.09	3,084,207.83	21,169.74
Non-Program Transactions (Function 400 000)	1,825,284.00	1,889,326.38	64,042.38
Total Expenditure Appropriations	8,015,665.84	8,110,400.96	94,735.12
Beginning Fund Balance	1,733,454.81	1,733,454.81	0.00
Projected Ending Fund Balance	1,640,650.97	1,648,776.49	8,125.52

SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND			
	PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AMOUNT \$	AMENDED APPROVED AMOUNT \$	CHANGE \$
Beginning Fund Balance	538,835.33	538,835.33	0.00
Ending Fund Balance	646,685.33	646,685.33	0.00
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	1,844,268.00	1,841,683.38	(2,584.62)
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	1,736,418.00	1,733,833.38	(2,584.62)

FOOD SERVICE FUND			
	PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AMOUNT \$	AMENDED APPROVED AMOUNT \$	CHANGE \$
Beginning Fund Balance	197,254.19	197,254.19	0.00
Ending Fund Balance	105,629.19	118,571.19	12,942.00
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	246,500.00	279,742.00	33,242.00
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	338,125.00	358,425.00	20,300.00

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC TEST TOWN OF MAPLE VALLEY

A PUBLIC TEST OF THE ELECTRONIC
VOTING EQUIPMENT FOR THE November 8, 2022
ELECTION WILL BE HELD
ON November 1, 2022 AT 5:30 pm
AT THE MAPLE VALLEY TOWN HALL
9088 CNTY HWY Z
SURING, WI 54174

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Public Notice Town of Lena Residents

The Town of Lena will conduct their public testing of voting equipment on Thursday, November 3, 2022, at 6:00 PM at the Lena Town Hall, 6087 Goatsville Rd. The test is open to the public.

The General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022. Polls are open from 7 AM until 8 PM. A photo ID is now required to receive a ballot in all elections.

Dawn VanArk
Town Clerk

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CITY OF OCONTO FALLS 2023 PROPOSED BUDGET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Tuesday, November 15, 2022 at 6:30 pm in the Council Chambers of the Oconto Falls Municipal Building, 500 North Chestnut Avenue, Oconto Falls, Wisconsin, a public hearing will be held on the proposed 2023 budget. Following the public hearing, the Council will meet to vote on the proposed budget during the regular Council meeting at 7:00 pm. The proposed budget is available for inspection on the City website at www.cityofocontofalls.com, at City Hall, the Oconto Falls Public Library, the Oconto Falls Post Office and Iverson's Piggly Wiggly.

The following is a summary of the proposed 2023 City Budget:

	2022 Approved Budget	2022 Estimated Budget	2023 Proposed Budget	% Change
General Fund				
Revenues				
General Government	2,573,432	2,578,539	2,717,676	5.6%
License	38,130	37,573	37,750	-1.0%
Gifts & Grants	37,782	28,811	42,793	13.3%
Penalties & Forfeitures	36,500	37,977	52,600	44.1%
Special Assessments	131,257	134,290	153,055	16.6%
All Other Revenues	150,547	295,409	187,125	24.3%
Fund Balance	78,000	92,819	20,438	-73.8
G.F. Revenues	3,045,648	3,205,417	3,211,437	5.4%
Expenditures				
General Government	982,355	1,132,846	1,019,644	3.8%
Protection Person & Property	821,064	821,071	876,610	6.8%
Health, Welfare, & Sanitation	260,863	254,325	250,739	-3.9%
Transportation	351,984	335,498	386,001	9.7%
Education & Recreation	186,625	196,800	176,156	-5.6%
Conservation & Development	3,572	3,920	3,582	0.3%
Transfer to Debt Service	406,385	406,385	448,715	10.4%
Transfer to Capital Projects	32,800	65,219	49,991	52.4%
G. F. EXPENDITURES	3,045,648	3,216,065	3,211,437	5.4%
GF NET SURPLUS (DEFICIENCY)	0	-10,648	0	
DEBT SERVICE FUND				
Revenues	406,385	406,385	448,715	10.4%
Expenditures	406,385	415,742	448,715	10.4%
DSF NET SURPLUS (deficiency)	0	-9,357	0	
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND				
Revenues	39,300	284,410	487,668	1140.9%
Fund Balance	0	0	0	0.0%
Expenditures	39,300	319,775	487,668	1140.9%
CPF NET SURPLUS (deficiency)	0	-35,365	0	
TAX LEVY				
General Fund	1,027,071		1,028,760	0.2%
Debt Service Fund	406,385		448,715	10.4%
Capital Projects Fund	32,800		49,991	52.4%
Total Approved Levy	1,466,256		1,527,466	4.2%
Levy limit	1,466,256		1,527,466	4.2%

A quorum of the Common Council may be in attendance of this public hearing.

Notice was given to the public at least 15 days prior to this hearing - Notice was forwarded to newspapers and any news media or persons who have requested the same - Notice was published in the Oconto County Times Herald, Notice was posted at City Hall, Oconto Falls Community Library, Iverson's Piggly Wiggly, and on the City website at www.cityofocontofalls.com

Any person wishing to attend the hearing who requires special accommodations because of a disability should contact the Clerk's office at 920-846-4505 with adequate notice so appropriate accommodations can be made.

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TOWN OF STILES NOTICE OF PUBLIC TEST

In accordance with Wis. Stats 5.84(1), Notice is hereby given that the Public Test of the ICE voting machine to be used at the 2022 Primary Partisan Election on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, will be conducted for the Town of Stiles on Monday, October 31, 2022, at 11:00 A.M. at the Stiles Town Hall, 5718 Watercrest Rd., Lena. The Public Test is open to the general public.

Jill Babino, Town of Stiles Clerk

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CITY OF OCONTO FALLS NOTICE OF PUBLIC TEST

In accordance with Wis Stats 5.84(1), Notice is hereby given that a Public Test for the voting machine to be used at the General Election on November 8, 2022 will be conducted for the City of Oconto Falls on Tuesday, November 1, 2022 at 10:00 AM at the City Municipal Building, 500 N. Chestnut Avenue. The Public Test is open to the general public.

Jenny Friedman
Deputy Clerk

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TOWN OF SPRUCE NOTICE OF PUBLIC TEST

In accordance with Wis Stats 5.84(1), Notice is hereby given that the Public Test of the ICE voting machine to be used at the 2022 General Election on Tuesday, November 8, 2022 will be conducted for the Town of Spruce on Thursday, November 3, 2022 at 5:30 PM at the Spruce Town Hall, 9097 County Rd B, Oconto Falls. The Public Test is open to the general public.

Lisa Peitersen
Spruce Town Clerk

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TOWN OF OCONTO FALLS NOTICE OF PUBLIC TEST

In accordance with Wis. Stats 5.84(1), Notice is hereby given that the Public Test of voting machines to be used at the General Election on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, will be conducted for the Town of Oconto Falls on Monday, October 31, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. at the Town of Oconto Falls Town Hall, 8680 State Hwy 22 West, Oconto Falls. The Public Test is open to the general public.

Susan L Mogged
Town of Oconto Falls, clerk

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City of Gillett Notice

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Phone: 920-855-2255 • Fax: 920-855-6283

PUBLIC NOTICE: Public Test

In accordance with Wis Stats 5.84(1), Notice is hereby given that the Public Test of the Automatic Tabulating Equipment to be used at the November 8, 2022 Election in the City of Gillett will be conducted on October 31, 2022 at 1:00 PM at Gillett City Hall, 150 N McKenzie Ave, Gillett, WI. This test is open to the public.

Chelsea Anderson, Clerk Treasurer
WNAXLP

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WITT-BIRN WINS D3 REGIONAL TITLE

**Chargers' volleyball team tops
Bears in 5-set thriller**

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Wittenberg-Birnawood's Payton Foster sets the ball as teammate Halle Beversdorf looks on during a Division 3 regional title match against Bonduel on Oct. 22 in Wittenberg.

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HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL



Wittenberg-Birnamwood volleyball players celebrate after winning a Division 3 regional title match against Bonduel on Oct. 22 in Wittenberg.

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Witt-Birn edges Bonduel in regional title

Chargers win in 5 sets

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School volleyball team edged Bonduel in five sets to claim a thrilling Division 3 regional title on Oct. 22 in Wittenberg.

After the Chargers won a tight, five-set match over Bonduel in mid-September, the rematch figured to be a good one. It was all that and more, with Witt-Birn again prevailing — this time by scores of 19-25, 26-24, 25-14, 13-25, 15-10.

Fittingly, the deciding fifth set was a back-and-forth battle between the Central Wisconsin Conference-East Division foes.

Bonduel scored first on an Audrey Weier kill, but Witt-Birn responded by winning the next five points to force a Bonduel timeout. Reese Rogowski tied the set with a kill before Payton Foster served a couple aces. Another Rogowski kill followed by a Bonduel attack error

led to the timeout.

It was then the Bears' turn to go on a run, scoring five straight to go up 6-5. A block got things started before Hailee Thompson scored for the Bears. Some strong serves from Lila Pleshek helped the Bears finish off the run.

Witt-Birn responded with a 6-0 run to grab a lead it wouldn't relinquish. Rogowski had kills for the first four points before back-to-back aces from Kiara Deruchowski made it an 11-6 lead for the hosts.

Bonduel got another block to stop the run, but an error followed by a kill from Witt-Birn's London Metropulos moved the Chargers to two points from victory.

The Bears continued to fight, with a Weier kill followed by another block getting the visitors back within four. Melaina Granquist snuck a tip point in to get Witt-Birn within a point of victory, only to have Bonduel's Josie Anvelink deliver a kill to keep the match going.

Foster finally ended the match with another well-placed tip.

"It felt great," said Rogowski of

winning a regional title over a conference opponent. "We were kind of nervous going in because we know that they can keep up with us and knew it was going to be a competitive match. It feels great to know that we pulled out on top."

"It feels awesome," added Foster. "Very happy and proud of our team."

Witt-Birn will get a crack at another conference team in the sectional semifinal. The Chargers will host Weyauwega-Fremont on Oct. 27, with the winner advancing to the sectional final on Oct. 29.

The first two sets of the regional final match were about as tight as can be.

Bonduel pulled ahead early in set one behind a couple aces from Macy Niles. Metropulos delivered several kills to help Witt-Birn settle in and eventually grab the lead.

The teams traded blows during the middle of the set and were tied at 14 before Bonduel seized control with a 5-1 run. Anvelink had a couple kills later on to help the Bears win the opening set.

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More photos from the regional title can be found on the NEW Media Inc. Sports Facebook page at www.facebook.com/NewMediaIncSports.

"It's really fun," said Niles of playing inside an energized gym with so much at stake. "I mean, it's tough, but you got to be mentally tough. It feels really good to have the fans have our back and everything; it just makes us play better."

Witt-Birn had the lead early on in set two, but a Bonduel 5-0 run forced a timeout from the hosts. Weier and Nakiyah Henning delivered kills on the run.

As she did in set one, Metropulos got the Chargers going with a kill followed by an ace. The hosts were still down 12-9 before a Rogowski kill flipped the momentum. Rogowski then was serving as the Chargers wrapped up a 5-0 run.

Bonduel quickly tied things back up after a Abby Stoltenow kill and Niles ace. The teams remained within two points of each other the rest of the set.

Witt-Birn had a chance to win the

set but an attack went out of bounds, tying the set at 24. Metro-pulos then delivered the go-ahead kill after a long volley between the teams before a Bonduel attack error capped the set.

"We had to take a break and kind of reset and think about what we were messing up on and find the open spots on the floor and just put the ball there," said Foster on how the team turned things around.

Sets three and four were a much different story than the opening two sets, with each team taking one in lopsided fashion.

Witt-Birn trailed 6-4 in set three before using a 13-0 run to take complete control. Rogowski got the run started with several kills before strong serving and several aces from Foster capped it.

"Our serve receive wasn't the greatest in the one set where they ended up pulling away a few points more," said Thompson. "I think if we would have been right there all the games, we could have maybe won in four sets instead of taking them to five."

Bonduel raced out to an 8-0 lead in set four as Niles served. Stoltenow came through with a couple key kills during the run, and then Weier had several kills later on to help the Bears tie the match at two apiece.

In the end though, the CWC-East champs found a way to come out

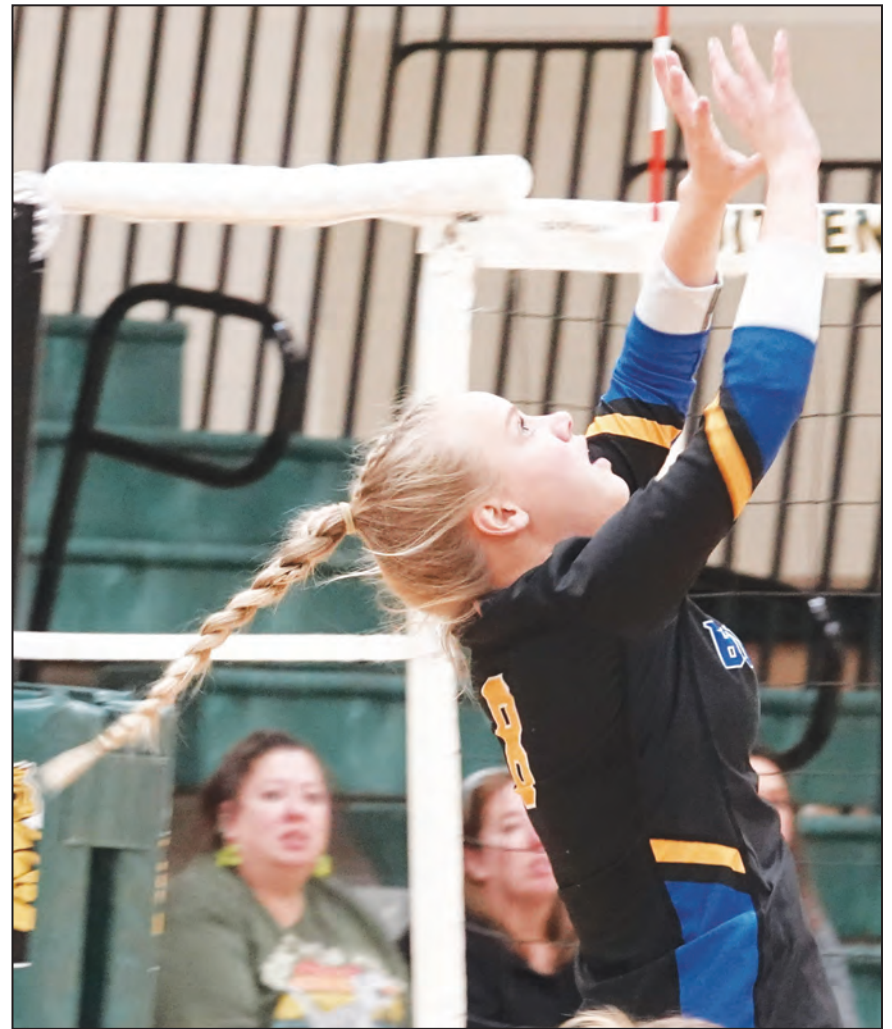


Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Lilly Betry serves the ball during a Division 3 regional title match against Bonduel on Oct. 22 in Wittenberg.

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on top, like they did in the team's matchup earlier this season and like the Chargers have done against most teams on the schedule this fall.

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Wittenberg-Birnamwood volleyball players celebrate after winning a Division 3 regional title match against Bonduel on Oct. 22 in Wittenberg.

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HIGH SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY

Pulaski's Opolka qualifies for state championships

Senior takes 11th at sectional

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Pulaski High School cross-country runner Angela Opolka kept her senior season alive by placing 11th at the Division 1 Manitowoc Lincoln Sectional on Oct. 22 at Meadow Links Golf Course in Manitowoc to qualify for the state meet.

Opolka completed the course in 20 minutes, 23.9 seconds.

"I was so excited and nervous for this race. I think everyone on my team was more confident in me making it to state than I was," said Opolka. "I think I had the best start of any race of my career at this meet. I felt confident and

determined and just worked toward sticking towards the front and going fast.

"The race was definitely a tough one, especially the last mile. There were some pretty good-sized hills and the last bit of the race was difficult to make it through, but I pushed myself as hard as I could."

Opolka will now get the opportunity to end her high school career on the state's biggest stage.

She and the rest of the Division 1 girls field are scheduled to run at 1:20 p.m. Oct. 29 at The Ridges Golf Course in Wisconsin Rapids.

"Qualifying for state is amazing. I am going to miss cross-country so much, and it is the perfect conclusion to my career," said Opolka.

"My coaches and team gathered around me and told me they were so proud of me, but I really could not have done it without each and

every one of them. Every person on the team was so excited for me. I am just so happy I actually made it."

The senior has goals set for state, but earning a certain place or time isn't among them.

"Next week, the goal is to have fun and run as hard as I can," said Opolka. "I just want to see how good I can place. The hard part is already over; to me, the accomplishment is just making it to state. I still want to run my best race, but it's really about enjoying the experience."

Behind Opolka, the Pulaski girls placed fifth at the sectional with a score of 120.

Olivia Stedl just missed out on an individual spot at state after taking 14th in 20:30.5. Emerson Fabry placed 17th in 20:39.5.

Grace Goodness (22:18.1) and Rachael Allen (22:23.6) capped the

ONLINE

Full results from the sectional can be found at <https://www.wiaawi.org/Sports/Fall/Girls-Cross-Country/Tournament>.

team score, finishing 38th and 40th, respectively. McKenna Lowery also ran for the Red Raiders, coming in 62nd in 24:05.

The Pulaski boys finished ninth as a team with a score of 254.

Dayne Nowak led the boys team with a 25th-place finish in 17:49.6.

Peyton Yaw claimed 51st in 18:58.1, while Griffin Nowak was 55th in 19:14.7. Daniel Augustine (19:26.9) and Arden Gillen (19:27.1) capped the team score and placed 61st and 62nd, respectively.

Dayne Groth (19:47.8) and Thomas Murphy (20:14.3) also ran for the Red Raiders.

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HIGH SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY



The Bonduel girls cross-country team holds up a plaque after winning the Division 3 Athens Sectional on Oct. 21.

DIANE SCHNELL

Bonduel girls, Gillett boys qualify for state

Individuals from Bonduel, Gillett, Witt-Birn also advance

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Bonduel girls and Gillett boys cross-country teams each qualified for state after placing first or second at the Division 3 Athens Sectional on Oct. 21 at Erbach Park in Athens.

The Bonduel girls won the sectional title with a team score of 49. The Gillett boys came in second with a mark of 70, edging Marathon by a single point.

The sectional also produced three area individual state qualifiers. Bonduel's Ben O'Brien advanced in the boys race, while Gillett's Carleigh Kaczmarek and Wittenberg-Birnhamwood's Rory Salvesen came out of the girls race.

The state-qualifying teams and individuals will next compete at the state championships on Oct. 29 at The Ridges Golf Course in Wisconsin Rapids. The Division 3 girls race kicks off the day at noon, with the D3 boys race at 2 p.m.

Bonduel

The Bonduel girls had four run-

ners place in the top 12 to come out as sectional champs.

Teagan Engel led the way with a sixth-place finish in 21 minutes, 0.7 seconds.

The next three finishers occupied spots 10-12. Mariah Wondra (21:17.1) was 10th, Kendra Troxel (21:17.4) was 11th and Ashlyn Kurey (21:17.6) was 12th.

Joselyn Bohm capped the team score with a 23rd-place finish in 22:28.9.

"It feels very special to make it to state again as a team especially back-to-back years," said Troxel. "Our team has worked so hard this year, so finishing first as a team at sectionals is a big accomplishment."

"This trip to state is so special because we were so short in numbers compared to our previous state-qualifying teams, and every person had to step up for us to make it, and everybody did," said Wondra. "Our team has been supporting, believing and pushing each other each all season, which prepared us well for the sectional meet."

Cierra Schnell (22:53.7) and Anna Beaumier (26:14.6) also ran for the Bears at the sectional meet.

The state appearance will be the Bonduel girls fifth in its history, with each one coming since 2017. The team's top finish at state was seventh back in 2017, with 11th- and 12th-place finishes since.

"Next weekend, I would like our team to place since this is the first year

we are projected to place at state," said Troxel. "It would be a great way to end the year, and it's even more exciting because I know we have the potential. Since this is my last race, I would like to enjoy it and take it all in, but I would also like to get a PR (personal record) and end my season strong."

"My goal for our team is to pull a major upset and take home the title, but even if that doesn't happen, I hope that everyone has an amazing and fun experience at state," said Wondra.

O'Brien placed fifth with a time of 17:19.6 to punch an individual ticket to state.

"Today at sectionals I pushed as hard as I could and tried to stick with and pace myself with the runner in front of me," said O'Brien. "I stayed in fifth the whole race and ended up placing fifth and qualifying as the second individual."

It will be the sophomore's first chance to race at state.

"Qualifying for state means a lot to me because it is what I set as my goal for this season," said O'Brien. "I had the goal of making state since last year after sectionals so it meant a lot to me when I got my goal today. My goals for state are to get in the top 50 and try to get a PR."

The Bonduel boys placed fifth at the sectional as a team with a score of 149.

Race Anvelink (18:36.1) placed 19th, while Ayden Dunst (18:58) was 27th. Ben Reisner (20:35.7) and Griffin Uelmen (21:11.2) capped the team score,

finishing 56th and 64th, respectively. Keaton Bahr (25:17.9) and Dillon Delcore (37:05.3) also ran for the Bears.

Gillett

The Gillett boys team was powered by the Peterson brothers, but had all five scoring runners in the top 35.

Alex Peterson won the boys race in 16:18.6, about 12 seconds faster than any other runner.

"Every year being able to qualify for state is a blessing," said Alex Peterson, who hopes to place first individually at state. "But this year, as a senior, is extra special since I get to run in the biggest meet of the year one more time."

"The guys really came through today. We know nothing is given to us, and we must work to earn everything. Everybody embraced that attitude and we ran well enough to run another week."

Evan Peterson crossed the finish line in 17:15.5 to claim fourth place. Brady Wendorff took eighth in 17:31.3.

Scott Herroux (19:35.8) and Chase Anderson (19:49.1) capped the team score, taking 33rd and 35th, respectively. Nash Stange (20:52.9) and Zander Davis (22:15.2) also ran for the Tigers.

"Our team definitely was prepared for this race and we all knew what had to be done to get all of us to the state meet. And we all definitely delivered on that goal by gritting it out through the whole race and passing everyone we could," said Evan Peterson. "And that really mattered

because it came down to one point if we made it or not, so every person that was passed counted and I'm really excited for how things turned out and for the young guys on our team to experience racing at state for the first time."

The Gillett boys team qualified for state for the ninth time in school history. The top finish from a Tiger team was fourth in 2007.

Kaczmarek earned her spot at state after taking second in the girls race with a time of 20:25.5.

"I placed as well as I did by giving it my all, and just running my kind of race," said Kaczmarek. "I knew what was at stake and I wasn't willing to give it up."

The senior will be competing at state for a third straight season.

"Qualifying for state as a senior means the world to me because I know how much time I put in and it's so rewarding seeing it pay off," said Kaczmarek. "I get an extra chance to run while many others don't. My goals for the state meet are (to) enjoy my last time in a Gillett cross-country uniform, improving my time from last year on the course, and lastly hopefully making top 20."

The Gillett girls took fifth at the sectional with a score of 127.

Sophia Limberg (22:40.9) came in 24th, while Cheyenne Krueger (23:46.7) took 42nd. Kasey Hansen (24:05.9) and Laney DeBauch (24:08) capped the team score, finishing 46th and 47th, respectively.

Lily Hansen (24:35.3) and Megan Wagner (41:33.7) also ran for the team.

Witt-Birn

Salvesen earned her individual spot at state after finishing third in 20:29.8.

"Going into the race I was not sure what to expect and I was nervous," said Salvesen. "I knew it was going to be some great competition. I just had the goal of pacing myself to be in the top five."

The freshman accomplished just that and now will get to end a brilliant first high school season on the state's biggest stage.

"I am so excited to go to state as a freshman," said Salvesen. "I am honored to be able to have a great team and coaches who support me. I can't wait to compete against all of the other amazing athletes who love competing at that level of intensity as much as I do."

Salvesen doesn't have a specific place in mind for when she runs at state, hoping instead to "finish on a high note and run my hardest, give it everything I have and leave it all out on the course."

Salvesen was one of four Witt-Birn

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girls to run at the sectional, so it didn't earn a team score.

Annika Resch (27:15.7) placed 77th, Ava Hegewald (29:14.7) took 87th and Amelia Bessert (29:14.7) was 88th.

The Witt-Birn boys team placed ninth with a mark of 196.

Craig Wendel (19:52.4) took 36th to lead the Chargers. Mason Meverden (20:04.6) placed 40th, while Ian Salvesen (20:05.9) was 41st.

Jonas Bushman (20:16.3) and Owen Schultz (21:05.1) capped the team score, finishing 46th and 62nd, respectively. David Fons (21:13.6) and Hayden Miller (21:41.4) also ran for the team.

Other area teams

Gresham/Bowler, Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy, Marion, Menominee Indian and Suring also sent runners to the sectional meet.

Marion had two boys and one girl race at the sectional. Tristan Herro (21:50.8) took 71st, while Jesse Trebus (24:47.4) was 85th in the boys race. Bridget Much (29:05.5) placed 86th in the girls race.

The Menominee Indian boys team placed sixth with a mark of 188. Two Eagles ran in the girls race.

Lloyd Reevis (19:19.6) led the boys team with a 30th-place finish, while Isaiah Moss (19:26.3) was 31st. Barron Waupoose (20:22.1) claimed 47th, Maech Corn (20:25.4) took 51st and Francis Delabrau (20:47.6) was 58th to cap the five-runner team.

Urijah Reevis (23:25) and Mariah Fish (25:51.7) ran in the girls race, taking 35th and 66th, respectively.

Suring had its girls team place eighth with a score of 187.

Georgia Gerndt led the team with a 16th-place finish in 21:48.4. Ginger Gerndt (23:23.2) placed 34th. Hailey Thomson (25:17.6), Allyson Seibert (25:52.6) and Morgan Suring (26:07.2) capped the team score placing 59th, 67th and 68th, respectively. Samantha Seibert (27:33.2) also ran for the Eagles.

Two Gresham/Bowler boys competed. Bryson Nelson (20:25.9) placed 52nd, while Kobe Miller (24:48.6) took 86th.

Four girls and one boy from the Lena/STAA co-op competed.

Haley Van Ark (26:16) placed 70th to lead the girls runners, while Eric Kosch (20:22.1) was 48th in the boys race. Miriam Alberts (27:50.6) placed 81st, Chaela Rabas (28:38.1) claimed 84th and Kali Fischer (31:47.8) was 90th in the girls race.



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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Witt-Birn falters offensively against Kiel

Chargers eliminated after 10-point loss

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School football team wasn't able to get much going offensively during a Division 5 level one playoff loss to Kiel on Oct. 21 in Wittenberg.

Third-seeded Witt-Birn grabbed the lead after a touchdown pass in the second quarter, but sixth-seeded Kiel immediately answered and then tacked on nine points in the fourth quarter to seal up its 16-6 win.

"I just think they executed almost every play perfectly," said Witt-Birn senior David Gauderman on Kiel's play. "There wasn't one spot where we had a big offensive play or had a really big defensive play. It was just a dogfight; they just won the battle."

"First of all, they were really big compared to what we thought they were," said Charger senior Max Fraaza. "They really just drove blocks; they really kind of pounded us, I guess."

Witt-Birn's offense started the game with the ball and looked to be headed toward a strong offensive showing after picking up a couple first downs on the legs of Gauderman and quarterback Nathan Waupekenay. After getting in Kiel territory, a couple short runs forced Witt-Birn to pass on third down, and an incomplete pass led to a punt.

The Chargers' defense also started strong, with Coye Brillowski falling on a fumble to give the hosts the ball at the Kiel 30-yard line.

A short run and pass led to passes on third and fourth down, and Kiel forced incompletions on each one to thwart the great scoring opportunity for the Chargers.

After the Witt-Birn defense forced a punt after a three-and-out, the Chargers' offense again moved the ball up the field. This time, Marshall Fraaza teamed up with Gauderman and Waupekenay to get the ball to the team's 48-yard line. The Chargers weren't able to move the ball any further in the next three plays and again chose to punt.

Witt-Birn got the ball back at the Kiel 44 after its defense forced another three-and-out and punt. This time, the Chargers capitalized.



A group of Wittenberg-Birnamwood defenders bring down a Kiel runner during a Division 5 playoff game on Oct. 21 in Wittenberg.

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Gauderman and Waupekenay churned up 21 yards on the ground before Waupekenay connected with Keegan Benbo on a 23-yard touchdown pass on a fourth-and-6 play. The pass was tipped up in the air before deflecting right to Benbo, who raced up the left sideline for an easy touchdown.

Just when it looked like Witt-Birn had settled in, Kiel responded. The Raiders scored on a 65-yard touchdown pass on the second play of the ensuing drive, with the receiver breaking several tackles on his way to the end zone.

"They played fast and physical," said Witt-Birn coach Jason Rieck of Kiel. "I think it just came down to a little bit of a lack of execution on our part. Realistically, in a 16-6 game, they had a broken play where they had a big play and then we had a missed tackle that they took to the house. Otherwise, I think our defense played really well. Our offense had room for improvement, but that's the way it goes — they made more plays than we did."

After the Kiel touchdown made it 7-6, the teams traded punts going into halftime.

The second half was a continuation of the first half, with both teams

struggling to do much offensively. Each team punted after its first three offensive possessions.

On the third Witt-Birn punt, the snap sailed over the head of punter Edwyn Sanchez. He was able to locate and scoop up the ball and eventually get a short punt off.

Kiel started the ensuing drive on the Witt-Birn 34 and, after converting a fourth-and-6 play from the 30, scored on a 1-yard run two plays into the fourth quarter. The Raiders settled for the extra point to go up eight, 14-6.

Witt-Birn took a couple deep shots up the left sideline to Casey Kielman on the next drive but wasn't able to connect.

On first down, Kielman nearly hauled in a pass that saw the ball trapped between his helmet and right hand, then after the ball rolled onto his neck, nearly made a bobbling catch that he would have taken to the end zone. After the near-spectacular catch, Kielman nearly made a diving catch on third down.

To make matters worse, the snap on the punt attempt that followed went over the head of Sanchez again, this time resulting in a safety.

Kiel chewed up a couple minutes

of clock before Witt-Birn got the ball back after a punt.

Waupekenay and Fraaza connected a couple times for first downs, moving the ball to the Kiel 48. A penalty put Witt-Birn behind the chains and after a couple backward runs, Waupekenay had to miss a play because his helmet came off. Backup Bryson Schmid got the Chargers into a fourth-and-14 situation, but an incomplete pass with Waupekenay back on the field ended the drive.

Kiel picked up a couple first downs after that, burning up all of Witt-Birn's timeouts and eventually the rest of the fourth quarter clock.

Witt-Birn capped the season with an 8-2 record, with a forfeit win against Amherst knocking out one of the team's two true conference losses.

Kiel 0 7 0 9 —16
Witt-Birn 0 6 0 0 —6

Second quarter

WB: Keegan Benbo 23-yard pass from Nathan Waupekenay (kick blocked), 6:34

K: Harrison Zorn 65-yard pass from Connor Faust (Tate Hartlaub kick), 5:37

Fourth quarter

K: Faust 1-yard run (Hartlaub kick), 11:09

K: Safety (Witt-Birn snap out of end zone), 9:59

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HIGH SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY

Shawano teams both qualify for state again

Oconto Falls' Adams advances as individual

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Shawano Community High School cross-country teams each qualified for state for a second straight year after top-two finishes at the Division 2 Oconto Falls Sectional on Oct. 22 at The Patriot Golf Club in Abrams.

The Shawano girls came in first with a score of 69, while the boys took second with a mark of 89.

Oconto Falls also ran well at the sectional, with Ben Adams earning an individual spot at state after placing sixth in the boys' race.

The two teams and Adams will compete at the state championships on Oct. 29 at The Ridges Golf Course in Wisconsin Rapids. The Division 2 girls race is set for 12:40 p.m., with the boys racing at 2:35 p.m.

Shawano

The girls team won the sectional title behind top-10 individual finishes from Bailey Hendricks, Lily Guenther and Grace Chelberg.

Hendricks led the way for the team, placing fourth in 20 minutes, 4.1 seconds. Guenther claimed sixth in 20:19.6, while Chelberg finished eighth in 20:32.4.

Maci Beyer and Adalyn Barkley capped the girls team score by placing 22nd and 29th, respectively.

Beyer completed the course in 21:47.3.

"Me and my team ran so well because of all the support we have from teammates and our parents, and we tried our best to keep all the negativity out of our head," said Beyer.

Barkley turned in a time of 22:15.4. "Qualifying to state means a lot for our team. It showed us that all of our hard work put into the season paid off," said Barkley. "With lots of injuries that occurred in our team during the season, it was difficult for us to see what our full potential was. But having some of those injured runners back up to place, it really pushed the team and got us to where we are currently."

Beyer and Barkley said the team doesn't have any specific team goals in mind about where it hopes to place at state, instead hoping to run their best and place as high as they can.



Shawano's Lily Guenther, left, and Bailey Hendricks run alongside each other during the Division 2 Oconto Falls Sectional on Oct. 22 at The Patriot Golf Club in Abrams.

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"With all of the hard work we have been putting in, we are using this meet to show everyone what we are capable of doing," said Barkley.

Anabelle Schroeder and Lauren Harkey will also run for the Hawks at state. Schroeder completed the sectional course in 22:28.3, with Harkey across the finish line in 22:59.1.

Will Chelberg and Ethan Onesti turned in top-five finishes to help the Shawano boys place second and qualify for state.

Chelberg passed several runners in the second half of the race to eventually take second in 16:46.9. Onesti claimed fourth in 17:12.1.

Andon Chelberg was the next

Hawk across the finish line, taking 13th in 17:55.3.

"The meet today was pretty stressful," said Andon Chelberg. "We went in knowing that we were fully capable of another state run and just needed to perform how we have the whole season. I think we were all pretty worried about letting our team down, especially our seniors. Individually, I have no regrets and thought I did everything I could have to help my team advance."

"As a team, I trusted that my teammates would step into the spots we needed them in. I wasn't let down because after I finished, I noticed my faster teammates, Ethan and Will, had performed excellently.

Along with that I saw the rest of my teammates, Connor (Chelberg), Aidan (Preston), Jaymin (Boivin) and Quinn (Olson), give it all they had to catch people in the chute, knowing every spot counted."

Connor Chelberg was the fourth Hawk runner to finish, placing 31st in 18:46.7.

"Our team ran great," said Connor Chelberg. "We were all hyping each other up, because we knew we had another shot at state. The team went out there and gave it all they got. Will, Ethan and Andon knew what they had to do and got the job done."

"The seniors performed really well. Aidan Preston, who had been

out for most of the season, went out and PR'd (set a personal record) by a minute, which helped us out so much. Jaymin and Quinn had a great race and caught as many guys as they could. For me, I was just trying to go after as many runners. I am super proud of my teammates."

Preston, a senior, capped the team score by placing 44th in 19:29.6. Boivin, another senior, came in 59th in 20:22.2, while Olson was 73rd in 20:52.5.

After racing at state last year, the boys team now knows what to expect and intends to make some noise at state.

"As a team, we all want to have fun, but now after a year of knowing what state is like, we want to get serious and see what we can do with more competition," said Andon Chelberg.

Oconto Falls

Adams completed the course in 17:21.5 to finish sixth and punch his ticket to state.

"I was excited about today. I wanted to do well," said Adams. "I set my mind to run with the front-runners and did my best to keep pace. The competition was strong."

He qualifies for state a season after his older brother Joe also qualified for state as an individual. It will be Ben's first state run as a sophomore.

"To qualify means so much to me," said Adams. "I worked toward this goal all year, and all those miles paid

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off. Our team this year was special; we pushed each other to be our best."

As he prepares for state, his main goal is to soak up the experience.

"For next week, my goal is to enjoy every minute," the sophomore said. "You never know if you will make it again. I will push hard to do my best."

The Oconto Falls boys placed ninth at the sectional with a score of 186, while the girls came in fourth with a mark of 107.

Griffin Kopke (18:43.2) was the second boys finisher, taking 28th. Evan Yuma (19:08.3) placed 35th for the Panthers.

Brant Laluzerne (20:09.5) took 56th, while Emerson Rice (20:38.5) was 69th to cap the team score. Layton Rickert (21:33.6) and Garrett Ganter (22:52.1) also ran for the Panthers.

Hannah Ludemann (21:01), Brooke Hodkiewicz (21:15.5), Hailey Delzer (21:35.1) and Maddy Przybylski (21:52.4) placed in the top 25 to help the girls team to a strong finish. Ludemann placed 13th, Hodkiewicz 15th, Delzer 21st and Przybylski 24th.

Mackenzie Lotto (22:24.6) placed 34th to cap the team score. Ava Hodkiewicz (22:27.8) and Sydney Bell (22:42.1) also ran for the Panthers.



Shawano's Lily Guenther, left, and Bailey Hendricks run alongside each other during the Division 2 Oconto Falls Sectional on Oct. 22 at The Patriot Golf Club in Abrams. MORGAN RODE | NEW MEDIA

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Chet and Emil's Monday Women's League

Team	W	L
Cady Home	12 1/2	7 1/2
Banner Banks	10 1/2	9 1/2
Star Campsite	9	11
Chet and Emil's	7	13

High team handicap games: Star Campsite 745, Cady Home 734, Banner Banks 699.

High individual scratch games: Kim Zeller 206, Tracy Anderson 204, Cindy Mortenson 174, Courtney Tryba 170, Julia Stewart 168, Alicia Schinzel 154.

High team handicap series: Star Campsite 2,116, Cady Home 2,087, Banner Banks 1,997.

High individual scratch series: Kim Zeller 549, Tracy Anderson 533, Cindy Mortenson 487, Courtney Tryba 458, Alicia Schinzel 442, Christy Clark 441.

Him & Hers Couples — Lakeshore Lanes

Team	W	L
Brothers Pub	26	2
Buss Automotive	22	6
Gingerly Salon	21	7
Bust N' Balls	16	12
Brothers Pub Too	16	12
Keglers	15	13
MW Auto Body	14	14
Pin Heads	12	16
Just 4 Fun	11	17
CDH	7	21

Lunds Corner Bar	4	24
The Farmers	4	24

High individual scratch games: Dave Hackbarth 279, Bobby Reiter Jr. 269, Eric Schuh 265, Steve Rouse 261, Kyle VanDerLinden 247, Sharon Buss 238, Ashley Schuh 237, Kevin Zuleger 236, Bill Grosskreutz 236, Mary Metoxen 234, Sandy Weisnicht 224, Darcie O'Kimosh 192, Diane Durkee 185.

High individual scratch series: Bobby Reiter Jr. 714, Dave Hackbarth 688, Mary Metoxen 674, Kevin Zuleger 660, Eric Schuh 650, Sharon Buss 641, Steve Rouse 632, Steve Renik 623, Ashley Schuh 607, Darcie O'Kimosh 542, Sandy Weisnicht 509, Diane Durkee 504.

Chet and Emil's Tuesday Commercial

Team	W	L
White Insurance	12	6
Chet and Emil's	11	7
Kautza Excavating	10	8
Clark Construction	10	8
Schmidt Schulta	8	10

High team scratch games: Chet and Emil's 1,065, Kautza Excavating 1,061, Clark Construction 980.

High individual scratch games: Andy Hegewald 300, Jeremy Praslowicz 267, Brian Rew 264.

High team scratch series: Chet and Emil's 2,981, Kautza Excavating 2,968, Clark Construction 2,858.

High individual scratch series: Jeremy Praslowicz 739, Brian Rew 690, Andy Hegewald 687.

Lakeshore Masters — Lakeshore Lanes

Team	W	L
Golfside	105	23
Northern Advantage	88	40
Launching Pad	82 1/2	45 1/2
Bamboo	78	50
Farmall Fanatics	76	52
Rosie's Railway	68	60
Dearco Distributors	55 1/2	72 1/2
Brother's	48 1/2	79 1/2
Lakeshore Lanes	48 1/2	79 1/2
Full Service Tents	47	81
Pin Pricks	37 1/2	90 1/2
Shawano Auto Sales	33 1/2	94 1/2

High team scratch games: Golfside 704, Northern Advantage 700, Launching Pad 680.

High individual scratch games (top 7): Steve Hoffman 265, Carson Malueg 263, Bill Grosskreutz 256, Brad Weisnicht 254, Mark Cornish 246, Todd Schertz 244, Sean Johnson 243.

High team scratch series: Golfside 2,025, Launching Pad 1,947, Northern Advantage 1,944.

High individual scratch series (top 7): Carson Malueg 743, Todd Schertz 713, Brad Weisnicht 703, Bill Grosskreutz 691, Steve Hoffman 673, Sean Johnson 663, Jeff Arndt 662.

Chet and Emil's Thursday Early Birds

Team	W	L
Schairer Farms	3	1
Rightway Propane	3	1

M and J Harvesting	1	3
Stadler Farms	1	3

High team scratch games: Rightway Propane 586, Schairer Farms 584, M and J Harvesting 564.

High individual scratch games: Kim Zeller 235, Susan Zeinert 189, Jennifer Rainville 183, Melissa Trzebiatowski 177.

High team scratch series: Rightway Propane 1,658, Schairer Farms 1,630, M and J Harvesting 1,629.

High individual scratch series: Kim Zeller 554, Susan Zeinert 465, Jennifer Rainville 445, Darcy Hille 442.

Chet and Emil's Wednesday Business

Team	W	L
Karcz Lending	16	2
CWAA	12	6
Rew Motors	11	7
S and M Tool	10	8
Kessen Auto Body	7	11
Chet and Emil's	6	12
Kropf's Meat	6	12
TLC Auto Body	4	14

High team scratch games: S and M Tool 1,081, Karcz Lending 1,017, Kessen Auto Body 975.

High individual scratch games: Dave Schultz 232, Shawn Walkush 224, Tyler Carlson 201.

High team scratch series: S and M Tool 3,064, Karcz Lending 3,016, Chet and Emil's 2,695.

High individual scratch series: Adam Karcz 778, Ed Resch 635, Doug Kunst 631.

HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL

Oconto Falls, Lena win regional titles

Shawano, Gresham,
Bonduel appear in
regional finals

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Oconto Falls and Lena volleyball teams both won regional titles after winning multiple matches last week.

Lena was a No. 4 seed in Division 4, and after rallying past No. 5 Gillett in a regional quarterfinal, upset No. 1 Suring and No. 2 Gresham to win a regional title.

Oconto Falls, a No. 2 seed in Division 2, swept No. 3 Mosinee and No. 10 Antigo to win its regional title.

Division 4

Lena opened the postseason hosting Gillett on Oct. 18. The Wildcats dropped the first two sets before winning the final three to keep their season alive. Lena won by scores of 16-25, 17-25, 25-16, 25-16, 15-5.

Natalie McNurlen posted 14 total kills to lead Lena to victory. Makynna Herald recorded 26 assists, while Peyton Dorow had eight attack kills and three aces.

Alabama Lambert totaled five attack kills, and Claire Brooks had four attack kills.

Hailey Elsner posted 17 attack kills for Gillett, while Halle Fisher had 11 digs and six total kills. Mia Soper also recorded 11 digs for Gillett. Reece Franti contributed nine digs, while Cilena Guns and Bella Matczak served four and three aces, respectively.

Lena then traveled to Suring on Oct. 20 and pulled off a 25-20, 16-25, 25-12, 23-25, 15-11 win.

McNurlen tallied 13 total kills for Lena, while Dorow had six attack kills and eight aces. Brooks and Lambert contributed five and four attack kills, respectively. Herald finished with 22 assists.

Christine Sleeter led Suring with 12 total kills and six assists, while McKenzie Chesterfield had seven attack kills. MaShya Seefeldt totaled 11 assists and three aces, Emma Kristof posted 16 digs and Trinity Remic and Bailey Stuart chipped in six digs each.

In the regional final against Gresham, Lena won by scores of 16-



Lena's Claire Brooks, right, leaps up to try and block the ball after Suring's MaShya Seefeldt hit it during a Division 4 regional semifinal match on Oct. 20 in Suring.

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25, 25-16, 19-25, 25-20, 15-10.

McNurlen tallied 11 total kills for Lena, while Dorow and Lambert had five attack kills each. Herald recorded 22 assists and three aces,

Brooks served four aces and Breanna Koslowsky had three aces.

Chloe Bohl led Gresham with 18 kills, while Jessa Jensen had 14. Josie Cervený tallied 11 service points and

11 digs, Lexi Baddmoccasin-Barnes contributed 29 assists and Rylie Kakwitch had 13 digs. Maddie Haffner finished with eight service points.

Lena will next battle No. 1

Wabeno/Laona in a sectional semifinal match in Shawano on Oct. 27.

For all volleyball sectional results, visit www.newmedia-wi.com. Results will also appear in the Nov. 4 paper.

Before making the regional final, Gresham swept No. 3 Bowler (25-20, 25-9, 25-20) and No. 7 White Lake (25-9, 25-2, 25-16).

Against Bowler, Gresham's Bohl and Jensen led the team with 10 and nine kills, respectively. Baddmoccossin-Barnes recorded 13 assists, while Janay Pecore-Kirkland had 18 service points and seven aces.

Bowler's Isabella Stevens tallied seven kills, seven digs and five blocks. Natalie Rickert added five kills, while Brandi Spencer had 14 assists, nine digs and four attack kills. Shianne Pyke contributed 14 digs, while Ava Paiser had six assists.

Haffner finished with 30 service points and 15 aces to lead Gresham against White Lake. Aria Irving tallied seven service points.

Bohl posted a team-leading six kills for Gresham, while Tia Terrio had five kills. Baddmoccossin-Barnes tallied eight assists, while Cerveney had five.

In a regional quarterfinal match on Oct. 18, Bowler swept No. 6 St. Thomas Aquinas Academy by scores of 25-5, 25-9, 25-5.

Rickert tallied six attack kills and three aces for Bowler, while Stevens had five attack kills. Paiser served 11 aces while chipping in five assists and four attack kills.

Spencer led the Panthers with 12 assists and also served six aces. Bertina Dodge had a team-leading six digs and added nine aces. Paige Treptow served seven aces, as Bowler finished with 40 aces as a team.

In other area regional quarterfinal action, Tigerton and Marion were both eliminated after losses in their first matches.

Tigerton, a No. 12 seed, wasn't able to pull an upset against fifth-seeded Hilbert, losing by scores of 25-17, 25-12, 25-16.

Skyler Hauser posted eight total kills and 11 digs for Tigerton, while McKenzie Hoffman had 11 digs and eight assists.

Jade Selle contributed seven service points, six digs and three attack kills for the Tigers, while Samantha Suehring also had three attack kills. Abby Swartz tallied six service points.

Marion, a No. 14 seed, had its season wrap up after a 25-3, 25-5, 25-6 loss to No. 3 Sevastopol.

Division 2

Oconto Falls opened the post-season hosting Antigo in a regional



Lena's Kennedy Marquardt, center, leaps up to try and block the ball as teammates Peyton Dorow, right, and Alabama Lambert look on during a Division 4 regional semifinal match against Suring on Oct. 20 in Suring.

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semifinal on Oct. 20. The Panthers won by scores of 25-15, 25-20, 30-28.

Amber Otto led Oconto Falls with 20 attack kills, four aces and six digs, while Brailyn St. Louis added 11 attack kills. Hanna Krejcarek contributed 16 assists, nine digs and three aces.

Grace Molitor was credited with four total blocks for the Panthers. Kyndra Staidl led the team with 13 digs, while Morgan Moynihan had 14 assists.

The Panthers then swept Mosinee by scores of 26-24, 25-20, 25-22 in the regional final on Oct. 22.

Otto and St. Louis led Oconto Falls with 18 and 10 attack kills, respectively. Staidl led the team with 18 digs.

Krejcarek and Moynihan finished

with 12 and 11 assists, respectively, for the Panthers. Moynihan also had nine digs, while Madison Uelmen, Krejcarek and Otto had eight each.

Oconto Falls will next battle No. 1 Tomahawk in a sectional semifinal match on Oct. 27 in Tomahawk.

Shawano, a No. 5 seed, also competed in Division 2, topping No. 12 New London (25-14, 25-10, 25-18) and No. 4 Waupaca (27-25, 25-23, 23-25, 25-19) before falling to No. 1 Tomahawk (25-19, 19-25, 25-17, 25-18).

Against New London, Abby Bystol led Shawano with 11 kills, while Leah Nordin had eight. Alix Heath tallied 26 assists on the night.

Sam Richter and Megan Dillenburg recorded 12 and 11 digs, respectively, for the Hawks. Richter served

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four of the team's 11 aces.

In the win over Waupaca, Coral Cook recorded 16 kills and three aces to power Shawano to victory. Nordin added 13 kills and four blocks.

Heath racked up 41 assists on the night for the Hawks. Richter and Gabby Koenig tallied 18 and 16 digs, respectively.

In the season-ending loss to Tomahawk, Cook and Nordin tallied 12 and 11 kills for Shawano. Heath finished with 33 assists and three aces.

Nordin and Bystol recorded three blocks each for the Hawks. Richter led the team with 20 digs.

Division 3

Prior to squaring off in the regional final, No. 1 Witt-Birn topped No. 9 Coleman (25-15, 25-12, 25-17), while No. 4 Bonduel knocked off No. 13 Oconto (25-19, 25-18, 25-16) and rallied past No. 5 Peshtigo (23-25, 21-25, 25-12, 25-17, 15-12).

Against Coleman, Witt-Birn's London Metropulos posted 16 attack kills, served 11 times and had three aces. Reese Rogowski added 12 attack kills, 12 digs and three block kills.

Lilly Betry finished with 18 assists for the Chargers. Melaina Granquist chipped in three block kills.

In Bonduel's win over Oconto, Hailee Thompson posted 24 assists, 10 digs, four kills and three aces for the Bears. Audrey Weier tallied 12 kills and eight digs.

Nakiyah Henning finished with 15 digs and five kills for the Bears. Macy Niles provided 18 digs.

Weier tallied 23 kills and 14 digs for Bonduel against Peshtigo, while Thompson had 30 assists, 24 digs and six kills.

Lila Pleshek contributed 24 digs for the Bears. Niles totaled 19 digs and six aces, while Josie Anvelink chipped in five kills.

Menominee Indian, a No. 14 seed, saw its season come to an end after a 25-13, 25-16, 25-15 loss to third-seeded Iola-Scandinavia in a regional quarterfinal match on Oct. 18 in Iola.

Division 1

Pulaski was the lone area team competing in the Division 1 bracket.

The 11th-seeded Red Raiders lost by scores of 25-20, 25-19, 25-17 to No. 6 Hortonville in a regional semifinal match on Oct. 20 in Hortonville.

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HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

Pulaski wins D2 regional title

Red Raiders outscore 2 opponents 21-1

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Pulaski High School boys soccer team won a Division 2 regional title after a pair of lopsided wins in regional postseason matches in Pulaski.

After a 12-0 win over eighth-seeded Green Bay West on Oct. 18, the top-seeded Red Raiders cruised to a 9-1 victory over fifth-seeded Marshfield on Oct. 22.

In the regional title win over Marshfield, Hayden Burkel and Maddox McKeefry each netted hat tricks to lead Pulaski. Ryan Drafz, Hudson Schultz and Jack Ryan tallied the team's other three goals.

Chase Ambrosius was credited with four assists on the night for the Red Raiders. Dylan Carley, Corbin Tackmier and Ben Uelmen had one assist each.

Pulaski goalies Mason Baker and Gaven Haldemann needed to make just three combined saves as the hosts

outshot Marshfield 23-4 on goal.

McKeefry got the scoring started after scoring off an Ambrosius assist in the 17th minute. Burkel then netted his first goal off an Ambrosius assist in the 19th minute.

In the 22nd minute, Ambrosius assisted on another Burkel goal to make it 3-0. Drafz then scored an unassisted goal in the 23rd minute.

Burkel finished off his hat trick with a goal off a Carley assist in the 27th minute. Schultz was set up by Tackmier for a goal in the 34th minute to cap the first half scoring.

McKeefry finished off his hat trick with the first two goals in the second half. He scored unassisted in the 41st minute before scoring in the 47th minute off another Ambrosius assist.

Ryan scored off a Uelmen assist in the 51st minute for the team's final goal.

Marshfield scored its lone goal in the 59th minute.

The Red Raiders will next host No. 2 West De Pere in a sectional semifinal matchup on Oct. 27. Visit www.newmedia-wi.com for results from that match. A recap of any sectional games will appear in the Nov.

4 edition of the paper.

In its regional semifinal win over Green Bay West, Ryan netted a hat trick to lead Pulaski.

Ambrosius and Luke Hanstedt scored two goals each for the Red Raiders. Austin Lipsey, Burkel, McKeefry, Carley and Tackmier each scored once for the Red Raiders.

Tackmier also was credited with two assists, while Ryan and Alex Kouzov had one assist each.

Baker and Haldemann did not need to save any shots, as Pulaski outshot Green Bay West 31-0.

Ambrosius scored the first two goals of the contest. He scored unassisted in the 10th minute and then off a Ryan assist in the 15th minute.

Burkel and Lipsey then added unassisted goals in the 18th and 32nd minutes, respectively. Ryan capped the first half scoring with an unassisted goal in the 39th minute.

McKeefry netted a goal in the 53rd minute to get the second half scoring started for Pulaski. Hanstedt then scored off a Tackmier assist in the 65th minute.

Carley scored unassisted in the 69th minute before Tackmier scored off a

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Kouzov assist in the 71st minute.

In the 76th minute, Tackmier set up Hanstedt for his second goal. Ryan capped the impressive showing for the Red Raiders with unassisted goals in the 77th and 78th minutes.

Other regional action

Shawano and Gresham/Bowler were both eliminated from the postseason after losses in regional matches on Oct. 18.

Third-seeded Shawano was upset by sixth-seeded Green Bay Southwest during a Division 2 regional semifinal match on Oct. 18 in Shawano.

Julian Perez netted the Hawks' goal. Ninth-seeded Gresham/Bowler was eliminated after a Division 4 regional quarterfinal match loss against No. 8 Northland Lutheran on Oct. 18 in Kronenwetter.

Colby Belongia scored the co-op's goal off a Wesley Thies assist.

HIGH SCHOOL SWIM

Witt-Birn swimmers rack up strong finishes at Bay Sprints

By **NEW MEDIA STAFF**

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School girls swim team earned several strong finishes at the Bay Conference Sprints on Oct. 20 in Shawano.

The quartet of Faith Resch,

Reese Dickman, Annika Resch and Olivia Bessette won the 100-yard freestyle relay with a time of 52.99 seconds. The same four came in third in the 200 medley relay with a time of 2:08.25.

Jessica Storlie, Ava Hegewald, An-

drea Powell and Claire Timm teamed up for a fourth-place finish in the 100 medley relay (1:06.35).

Individually, Dickman placed second in the 50 freestyle (26.22). Faith Resch placed third in the 100 freestyle (59.46) and 25 freestyle (12.25).

Shawano/Bonduel also competed at the conference event.

The 100 freestyle relay team of Alli Brown, Lila Melchoir, Tela Hopfensberger and Piper Novitski placed sixth in the 100 freestyle relay in 58.83 for the team's top finish.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Mertz, Allen lead Wisconsin past Purdue

Wisconsin opened up 21-0 lead early on

By **TAMIRA MADSEN**
The Associated Press

Graham Mertz likes the direction that Wisconsin interim head coach Jim Leonhard is taking the Badgers.

Mertz threw for two touchdowns, Braelon Allen rushed for 113 yards and a score and Wisconsin defeated Purdue 35-24 on Oct. 22 in Madison.

John Torchio had two interceptions, including a 31-yard return for a touchdown for the Badgers (4-4, 2-3 Big Ten Conference), who rebounded from a 34-28 double overtime loss at Michigan State.

The game marked the first home win for Leonhard, who took over for Paul Chryst on Oct. 2.

"I appreciate everything he's done, the energy he's brought; he's done a great job of rallying us and giving us a great plan to go succeed," Mertz said

of Leonhard, a former Wisconsin player and Badgers defensive coordinator who has led the team to a 2-1 record.

Allen, who surpassed 100 yards for the fifth time this season, went to the injury tent late in the third quarter with a left arm injury but returned in the fourth.

Mertz went 13 of 21 for 203 yards with two touchdowns and zero interceptions for the Badgers, who have won 16 straight games against Purdue.

Purdue's four-game winning streak was snapped, and the Boilermakers (6-2, 3-2 Big Ten) fell one game behind Illinois for the lead in the Big Ten West standings.

Purdue coach Jeff Brohm said he was disappointed in the Boilermakers' effort, especially allowing Wisconsin to take a 21-0 lead after the first quarter.

"We dug ourselves a hole early and, without question, couldn't get out of it," Brohm said. "Our team doesn't have a lot of margin for error, and we can't do that.

"We did fight to the end, but it was

not a good day for our football team. Wisconsin flat-out beat us."

The Badgers scored on their opening drive as Mertz threw a 29-yard touchdown strike to Skyler Bell.

Less than one minute later, Torchio picked off Aidan O'Connell and dashed 31 yards for a touchdown that increased Wisconsin's lead to 14-0.

Leonhard said that he was pleased with the Badgers' fast start, along with the communication on the sideline and on the field.

"They had confidence in what we were asking them to do, and they finished," Leonhard said. "They made some big plays and got a ton of momentum and energy in the stadium."

Allen's 14-yard touchdown made it 28-3 in the first minute of the second half.

The Boilermakers capitalized on a fumble to get a short field, scoring on an 8-yard pass from O'Connell to Payne Durham. But that was quickly negated with a 54-yard burst by Isaac Guerendo 90 seconds later.

Wisconsin was without the team's

sack leader and best pass rusher as outside linebacker Nick Herbig did not play.

Leonhard said that Herbig was "banged up" and limited during practice leading up to the Purdue game. Herbig might've seen action, if the game dictated the need.

"We knew we would have him on a very limited pitch count if he was going to be available," Leonhard said. "As the flow of the game happened, we were able to keep him off the field, which I think is the best decision for him."

Leonhard, who spent seven seasons as the Badgers defensive coordinator, said a bye next week will be a good time to talk to the players about what the future will look like if he takes over the program on a permanent basis.

"I'm excited to kind of let them see a little bit of what the vision would be, but there's still work to do here in the second half of the season to make it a reality," he said.

The Badgers next game will be Nov. 5, when the team hosts Maryland.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Bonduel, Lena/STAA advance after upset wins

Pulaski, Shawano, Oconto Falls eliminated from playoffs

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Bonduel and Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy co-op football teams each pulled upsets in the first round of the postseason to keep their seasons alive.

Pulaski, Shawano and Oconto Falls all were eliminated after losses on Oct. 21.

Sixth-seeded Bonduel upset third-seeded Crivitz 22-7 in a Division 6 playoff game in Crivitz. The Bears will next head to No. 2 St. Mary's Springs on Oct. 28.

Louis Hrabik gave Bonduel the lead with a 9-yard touchdown run in the first quarter. After Crivitz tied it, Noah Weier hit Josiah Basten on a 27-yard pass to give the Bears a seven-point lead at halftime.

Hrabik scored from 12 yards out to put Bonduel up 20-7 in the third quarter. A safety in the fourth quarter capped the scoring.

Hrabik rushed for 122 yards in the

contest, while Weier had 55 passing yards. Basten hauled in three passes for 44 yards.

Lena/STAA was a No. 4 seed at the 8-player level and avenged its lone loss of the season by upsetting top-seeded Gibraltar 30-21 on Oct. 21 in Fish Creek. The co-op outscored Gibraltar 22-8 in the second half.

Lena/STAA will take on No. 3 Wabeno/Laona on Oct. 28 for its next postseason game.

Sidney Sylvester hauled in an 11-yard touchdown pass from Sam Marquardt to give Lena/STAA an 8-6 lead late in the first quarter.

Marquardt rushed for scores of 17, 58 and 13 yards between the third and fourth quarters to power the co-op to victory.

Marquardt finished with 194 rushing yards and 52 passing yards, while Logan Graef had 70 rushing yards. Tyler Shallow picked off a pass to lead the co-op's defense.

In Division 2, fifth-seeded Pulaski fell a little bit short, losing 21-13

against fourth-seeded Marshfield on Oct. 21 in Marshfield.

Marshfield led 14-0 at halftime before Pulaski scored twice in the third quarter to get within a point. Maverick Cole rushed for a 62-yard touchdown before Brock Steinbrecher intercepted a pass and returned it 40 yards for a touchdown.

The hosts added a touchdown early in the fourth quarter for the game's final score.

Cole rushed for 123 yards in the contest, while Logan Shultz passed for 126 yards. Gatlin Robaidek led a balanced receiving corps with three catches for 58 yards.

Pulaski finishes the season with a 7-3 overall record.

Seventh-seeded Shawano couldn't slow second-seeded Mosinee during a Division 3 playoff game on Oct. 21 in Mosinee. The hosts won 50-20.

Shawano scored first on a 100-yard interception return by Michael Metcalf-Grassman, but Mosinee scored the final three touchdowns of the half and the first four touchdowns in the second half.

Jerzy Brocker tossed a 5-yard touchdown to Jacob Landon in the fourth quarter and later scored on a 1-yard run.

Shawano capped the season with a 3-7 overall record.

Seventh-seeded Oconto Falls had its season come to a close after a Division 4 playoff loss to second-seeded Freedom on Oct. 21 in Freedom. The hosts won 49-22.

Freedom scored the game's first three touchdowns before Oconto Falls scored back-to-back touchdowns to tighten things up. Carter Hill connected with Kody Vorpahl on a 7-yard pass for the Panthers' first score and then Cole Bozile picked off a pass and returned it 40 yards for a score.

Freedom added two touchdowns and a safety in the first half and two more scores in the third quarter to run away with the lead.

Skylar Dalton scored on a 3-yard run in the final quarter for the Panthers.

The Panthers finished the season with a 4-7 overall record, which included one forfeit win.

COLLEGE HIGHLIGHTS

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

UW-La Crosse

Pulaski High School graduate Maggie Hernandez had a monster week on the field for the UW-La Crosse women's soccer team.



MAGGIE HERNANDEZ

She scored four goals and added an assist in the team's 7-0 win over Dubuque on Oct. 19. In total, Hernandez took eight shots, with five on goal. Hernandez became the fourth player

in UWL history to score at least four goals in a game.

The Pulaski grad added an assist in the team's 3-0 win over UW-La Crosse on Oct. 22. She also took four shots, with two on goal.

Hernandez now has six goals and five assists on the season, and has helped UWL to a 15-1-1 record.

Grand Canyon University

Wittenberg-Birnamwood grad Wyatt Dickman continued his strong start to his sophomore season while helping the Grand Canyon University men's swim team to two wins over Seattle University on Oct. 21-22.

On Oct. 21, Dickman was on the first-place finishing 200-yard medley relay team that posted a time of 1 minute, 32.57 seconds. He placed first in the 500 freestyle with a time of 4:49.4.

The following day, Dickman won the 1,000 freestyle (10:01.03) and 200 breaststroke (2:06.73).

Wisconsin Lutheran College

Menominee Indian grad Allen



ALLEN SMITH

Smith registered a solo tackle in the Wisconsin Lutheran College football team's win over Eureka on Oct. 22.

Smith is now up to three total tackles on the season.

UW-River Falls

Shawano graduates Gage and Crede Timm both played in the UW-River Falls football team's rout of UW-Eau Claire on Oct. 22.

Gage Timm had four total tackles, with three being solo and one being assisted. He was also credited for a ½ tackle for loss and returned a kickoff 8 yards.

Crede Timm punted four times for 144 combined yards. He had a long punt of 51 yards.

Concordia-St. Paul

Pulaski grad Andrew Egnarski led the Concordia-St. Paul football team with 10 total tackles in its loss to Northern State on Oct. 22.

Egnarski was credited with five solo tackles and five assisted tackles. He also forced a fumble.

For the season, Egnarski has 29 solo tackles, 25 assisted tackles, 1½ tackles for losses and a forced fumble.

UW-Stevens Point

Pulaski graduates Gracie Mihalski and T.J. Shaw each swam for the UW-Stevens Point swim team during dual losses to UW-Eau Claire on Oct. 22.

Shaw placed fifth in the 1,000 freestyle (10:51.65), sixth in the 500 freestyle (5:13.14) and 16th in the 100 freestyle (54.82) while also



GRACIE MIHALSKI

helping form the 10th-place finishing men's 400 freestyle relay (3:47.11).

Mihalski was on the seventh-place finishing women's 400 freestyle relay (4:09.69) and ninth-place finishing 200 medley relay (2:07.95). Individually, she placed 11th in the 50 freestyle (27.87) and 12th in the 100 backstroke (1:11.24).

Colorado Mesa University

Pulaski graduate Sadie Kelley tied for 52nd place while golfing for the Colorado Mesa women's team at the Nick Turner Invitational on Oct. 16-18.

Kelley had a total score of 161 after firing rounds of 81 and 80.

UW-Eau Claire

Bonduel grad Isaac Garside turned in a strong game for the UW-Eau Claire football team despite its loss to UW-River Falls on Oct. 22.

Garside hauled in a 49-yard touchdown reception for the team's lone score in the game. He finished with six catches for 89 yards, rushed four times for 19 yards and returned five kickoffs for 101 combined yards.

Former Bonduel grad Parker Bohm served as the UWEC football team's long snapper on the extra point try.

Oconto Falls grad Autumn Canavera and Gillett grad Ryann Wagner both ran for the UW-Eau Claire women's cross-country team City Wells 5K on Oct. 21.

Canavera placed seventh in 20:02, while Wagner was 22nd in 21:09.

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UW-Green Bay

Witt-Birn graduate McKenna Metropulos helped form two relay teams for the UW-Green Bay women's swim team at the Wisconsin Showcase on Oct. 22.

The 400 freestyle relay team she was on placed second in 3:43.41. Metropulos and the 200 medley relay team came in third in 1:51.27.

University of Minnesota Duluth

Pulaski grad Logan Kobus punted twice for the University of Minnesota Duluth football team during its loss to Bemidji State on Oct. 22.

Kobus' two punts traveled a combined 70 yards, with a long of 37 yards.

He also served as the team's holder on kick attempts.

University of Minnesota Morris

Menominee Indian grad Bryce Dixon was credited with an assisted tackle in the University of Minnesota Morris football team's win over Martin Luther on Oct. 22.

Dixon now has three assisted tackles for the season to go along with two receptions for 29 yards.

Carroll University

Pulaski graduate Jake Binkowski and Shawano grad Kaleb Lowney each recorded tackles for the Carroll University football team in a loss to Wheaton on Oct. 22.

Binkowski led the team with seven total tackles, with each one being a solo tackle. He also got one hit on the opposing quarterback.

Lowney was credited with one solo tackle.



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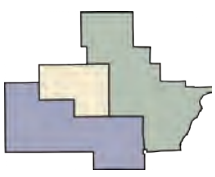
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PLAY TAKES THE SHINE OFF

**SCHS actors sharing plight of
the working class in the 1920s**

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Catherine Donohue, played by Selah Schmitt, is the narrator for "These Shining Lives." She talks about her early days with the Radium Dial Company as her co-workers — from left, Frances O'Connell, played by Lydia Green, Pearl Payne, played by Leslie Lemerond, and Charlotte Purcell, played by Jaiyah Mendoza — are hard at work.

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Tale of strength, perseverance hits SCHS

‘These Shining Lives’ casts light on poor, hazardous working conditions at watch factory

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Shawano Community High School's fall play is not being done for glowing reviews, but it should radiate with some folks in the working class.

SCHS is performing “These Shining Lives” on Halloween weekend, telling the tale of four women who worked for a watch factory unaware that the radium that management claimed had health benefits was slowly killing them.

The play starts in 1922 with Catherine Donohue, who doubles as the narrator, eager to start her new job at the Radium Dial Company. Her husband, Tom, starts out supporting his wife's endeavor to work but soon grows frustrated when he realizes it means he'll have to provide care to the children more and prepare meals. Catherine soon forms a strong bond with her co-workers, Charlotte, Frances and Pearl. None of them realize until it is too late that their supervisor, Mr. Reed, is not telling them the truth about the radium-laced paint they use to paint the dials on the watches they produce.

Over the course of 90 minutes, the play transitions to the women discovering that their hands are glowing in the dark like the dials on the watches, and then they develop jaw infections and bone pain. These concerns are dismissed by doctors and company officials, who encourage them to take some aspirin. It's not until they visit a doctor in Chicago that they are diagnosed with radium poisoning.

The play is based on real events, and the real Catherine Donohue and her co-workers sued the company, winning several times including the final time that was appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court. Donohue died in 1938, shortly after she testified before the Illinois Industrial Commission.

Director Alex Konen, wanting to break away from the string of comedies he's directed over the last few years, feels the story is one that should resonate with anyone who has worked in hazardous conditions or been misinformed by workplace management.

“I read a number of scripts, but

AT A GLANCE

WHAT: “These Shining Lives”

WHEN: 7 p.m. Oct. 27-29, 2 p.m. Oct. 30

WHERE: Auditorium, Shawano Community High School, 220 County Road B, Shawano

ADMISSION: \$5 adults, \$3 children. Tickets available at shawanotheater.ludus.com or at the door.

one of them that was on my list to check out was called ‘Radium Girls,’” Konen said. “As I was reading it, I had a colleague from my grad program recommend this show. She said that it's better and less complicated in terms of what they have you do.”

Konen said that the difference between the two shows is that “Radium Girls” focuses more on the manager, Mr. Reed, and portraying him as more of a bad person. “These Shining Lives,” however, focuses more on the resilience of Donohue and her colleagues, which really resonated with Konen.

“It's more about: ‘This is our story, and this is what we went through,’” he said.

Konen opted to showcase the sickness in a way that wasn't grotesque or would make the audience extremely uncomfortable. He wants the audience to see more of the strength and the perseverance of the protagonists.

“I wanted to make sure it was something where the audience could come and watch and see a little bit of history and the strength of the women involved,” Konen said.

This show is unique in that it has two different casts, with one performing Thursday and Saturday while the other one will perform Friday and Sunday. Konen said a lot of talented students auditioned for the show, making it difficult for him to determine one person to play some of the parts. There are some actors who play major roles in one group and minor roles in the other.

“It was a struggle to chop one group off and say, ‘I'm going to choose this individual,’” Konen said. “It was a challenge for me. I'm also trying to make the (theater) department grow, and I thought I could maintain and push that a little further by double-casting and having them swap out.”



Tom Donohue, played by Owen Krueger, shares a loving moment with his wife, Catherine, played by Selah Schmitt, in a scene from “These Shining Lives.”

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Factory workers, from left, Frances O'Connell, played by Lydia Green, Pearl Payne, played by Leslie Lemerond, and Charlotte Purcell, played by Jaiyah Mendoza, are hard at work painting dials at the Radium Dial Company in a scene from “These Shining Lives.”

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Tom Aumann, right, vice president of the Shawano County Historical Society, introduces Edi Cornelius-Grosskopf to the members at the society's annual meeting Oct. 17 at the Shawano Civic Center. Grosskopf was the featured speaker, talking about her mother's life and the time spent in an Indian boarding school.

LYNN ZAFFRANN

Speaker tells of mother's strength, survival

Cornelius-Grosskopf recounts mother's life, including years in Indian boarding school

By **LYNN ZAFFRANN**
Correspondent

Edi Cornelius-Grosskopf showcased the dark side of the United States' relations with Native American tribes while speaking at the Shawano County Historical Society annual membership meeting Oct. 17 at the Shawano Civic Center.

Cornelius-Grosskopf's sad, yet inspirational, presentation focused on her mother's experience of being forcibly taken from her family to live in an Indian Boarding School in Tomah. Her mother's experiences prompted Cornelius-Grosskopf to write a book, "Traveling Home Blessed by Spirit-filled Songs: A Journey to Indian Boarding School and Home."

"Less than 50% of the American population knows about the Indian boarding schools, and that's just a smidgeon of what this book is about," Cornelius-Grosskopf said. "It talks about her home life, the culture, the traditions in Oneida that she grew up in before she was sent off to Tomah on a train. My mother was taken from home in about 1918. Birth certificates

weren't kept at the time, but she thought that she had been about 10 or 11 years old."

The boarding schools were established with an objective of "civilizing" and assimilating Native American children into American culture, Cornelius-Grosskopf said. When Indian children, some as young as 3 years old, were taken from their families, their parents and grandparents didn't know if they would ever return. Illnesses such as influenza and whopping cough caused many to die in the schools. Children were punished for speaking their native languages. They were stripped of their names, their native clothing and their hair.

"My mother, Alice King Cornelius, got tuberculosis in the boarding school," Grosskopf said. "She was taken home to die. She was skin and bones, and my grandfather had to carry her. The nuns and the priests from the Episcopal church in Oneida came over every day and brought her medicines and prayers. In about six months, she was completely healed and went on to have 12 children and I was the youngest. My mother lived an amazing

life and died when she was 97. This is how I came to write the book."

While researching the book, Cornelius-Grosskopf visited the Tomah area, which now houses the Veterans Administration office, but the buildings and grounds still remain, she said.

"It is very emotional and personal that my family lived through this," Cornelius-Grosskopf said.

Her grandmother in Oneida was able to prevent the government agents from finding her children by teaching them how to hide in their home.

"She would crack open her door, just a little bit, and she would say 'No, I don't have children to take to your white man's school.' She didn't speak English, only Oneida. Every year, she would buy a little more time to keep the children at home," Cornelius-Grosskopf said. "Once she did have to send her four oldest children off, they were separated because the agents didn't want them speaking their language together or running off together."

Cornelius-Grosskopf said that her grandmother didn't know if she would ever see the children again.

Grosskopf is a proponent of the book "The Story of Act 31: How Native History Came to Wisconsin Classrooms" written by J.P. Leary. In 1991, it was mandated that two units of Indian history and sovereignty were required in Wisconsin elementary schools and one unit in high schools. She feels that the history of the boarding schools needs to be brought out.

She touched on generational trauma that resulted from multiple issues, including the boarding schools, and encouraged the audience to research that topic. She recommended the Wisconsin Indian Education website to find good information on these subjects.

In addition to her mother's story, Grosskopf said that there are common, everyday values included in her book. "We need to be teaching these to our kids," she elaborated.

The book is available on Amazon and at Beans and Books in Shawano.

Grosskopf has a master's degree in family and consumer sciences education and is currently self-employed as a family wellness coach and consultant.

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Sandhill, whooping cranes make home in Wisconsin

Do you remember the first time you heard the call of a sandhill crane, that eerie, prehistoric bugle that conjures images of pterodactyls flying overhead? My first time, I was alone at dusk in unfamiliar woods. I seriously wondered if I had traveled back in time.

I was both curious and terrified as the sound steadily grew louder from behind me. When the creatures appeared one by one over my head, I could conclude that they were not pterodactyls but certainly as remarkable as any pterosaur would have been.



LISA JANSEN

That is when my love affair with these hypnotic birds began.

Fast forward a half century (what also seemed like time travel), I found myself crossing the country to the Festival of Cranes at Bosque Del Apache National Wildlife Refuge in New Mexico. This refuge is a wintering location for tens of thousands of cranes. While there, I attended a workshop to learn more about them.

During the workshop, the presenter identified that the two best places to see and learn about cranes were both in Wisconsin, the International Crane Foundation in Baraboo and the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge (NWR). He asked if anyone had been to these places. I raised my hand and explained that I lived in Wisconsin. The participants looked at me with admiration



Sandhill cranes are a common sight around the Navarino Wildlife Area, but they can also be seen in other places around Wisconsin. LISA JANSEN



A pair of whooping cranes take a respite near some water in the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge. Whooping cranes were driven almost to extinction but are slowly making a comeback.

LISA JANSEN

that I had these special places in my own backyard.

Wisconsin is a hidden gem for crane lovers. The International Crane Foundation is the headquarters for a global effort to conserve cranes and their ecosystems. They are the only place in the world that houses all 15 species of cranes. They offer tours, a friendly welcome center, and four miles of nature trails. They also host events including The Great Midwest Crane Fest coming Nov. 10-12. Check out their website <https://savingcranes.org> for more information.

North America is home to two species of cranes, the sandhill crane and the whooping crane. Both species have had their troubles. By 1900, sandhill cranes were almost hunted to extinction but today are the most numerous crane species in the world. In 1940, the whooping crane population dwindled to 15. According to the American Bird Conservancy, they remain the rarest of all the cranes and classified as endangered.

Before 2001, I was unaware of the plight of the whooping cranes. That year, one of my college students explained she would be arriving late to class because she was involved in a

project to help the whooping cranes at the Necedah NWR. The project was called Operation Migration.

Through Operation Migration, six-week-old whooping cranes that were hatched and raised in captivity were moved to the Necedah NWR and taught to fly behind an ultralight aircraft. Come fall, seven birds followed the planes to Florida. It took just one guided trip for them to learn the migration route and they returned on their own in spring where they started.

Since then, the whooping crane population has been trending upward. This summer, 74 made Wisconsin their home and the total population has reached 800. To learn more, go to <https://www.fws.gov/refuge/necedah> or check out the Friends of Necedah NWR at <https://friendsofnwr.org>.

Although not a guarantee, I often see whooping cranes on my visits to the Necedah NWR. From the observation tower looking far over the marshes, their large white body and red cap stand out. I see them as I drive along Goose Pond and Sprague Pool and while hiking along the Boghaunter Trail. One special day, as I rode a bus during a workshop at the refuge, four majestic whooping cranes stood 10 feet

away from the road allowing us to bask in wonder at their presence.

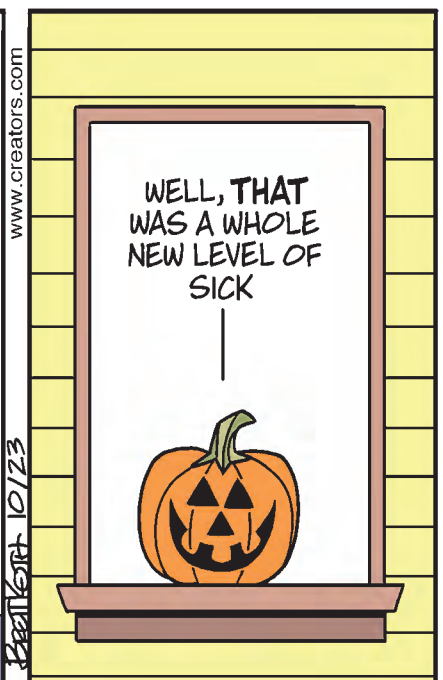
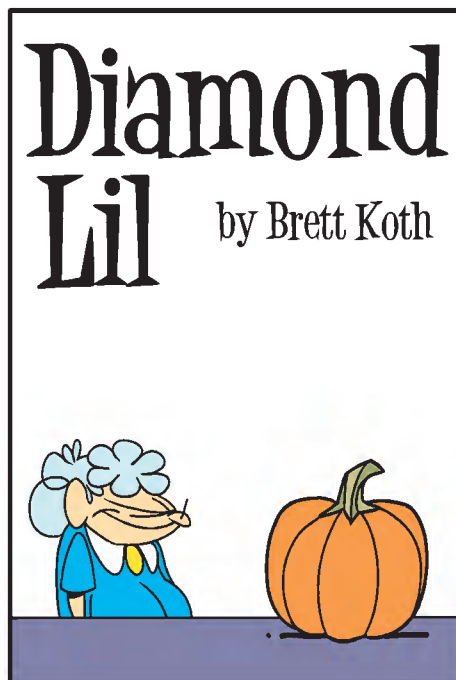
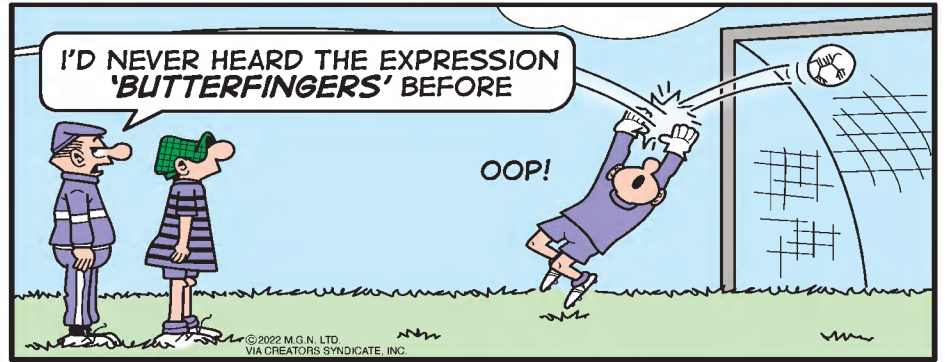
In Northeast Wisconsin, at the Navarino Nature Center in Shawano County, over 15,000 sandhill cranes come to roost every summer. The center holds events for kids, seniors, hikers, and special holidays, and offers trolley rides to see the cranes. One of my favorite things to do is watch the sandhill cranes take off at sunrise to go to their feeding grounds. Imagine seeing these beautiful creatures ascending through the silky morning mist, bellowing their bewitching wail as sunlight peaks over the horizon.

Also close to home, the Oconto Marsh is becoming a popular resting spot for sandhill cranes. Their numbers increase as fall migration goes into full swing bringing hundreds to this area in late October and November. It is another magical place to revel in their sunrise departure and sunset return.

Whether you want to relive that feeling you had when you first heard the call of a crane, or experience this marvel of nature for the first time, the opportunity to see, hear, and witness these magnificent birds is right here in our own backyard.

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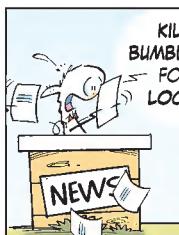
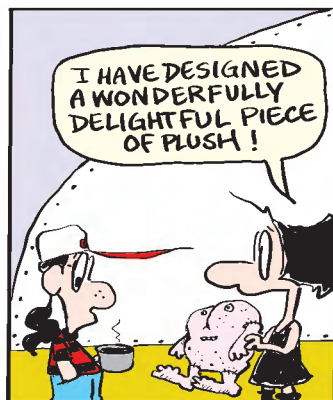
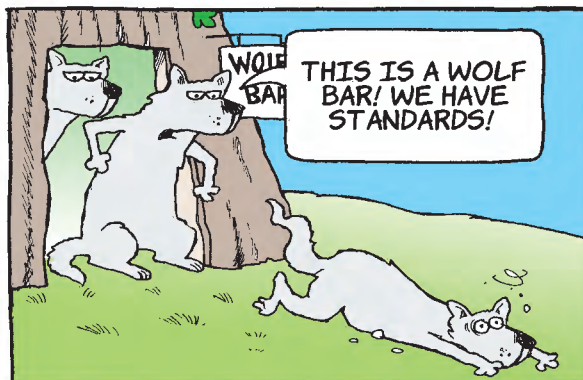
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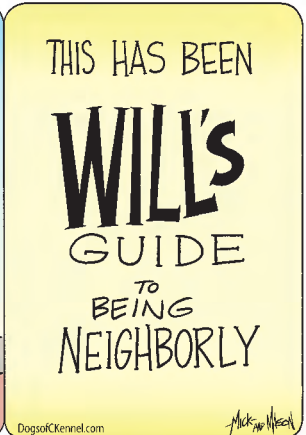
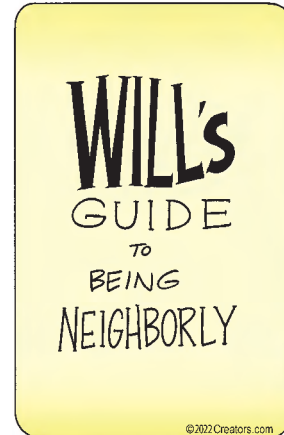
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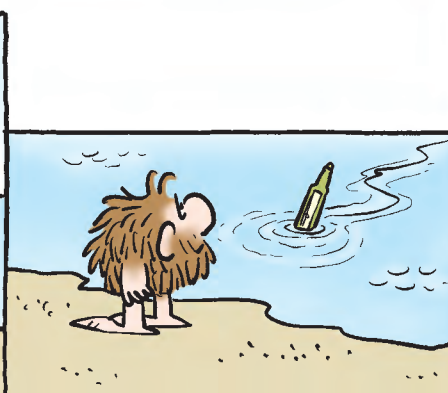
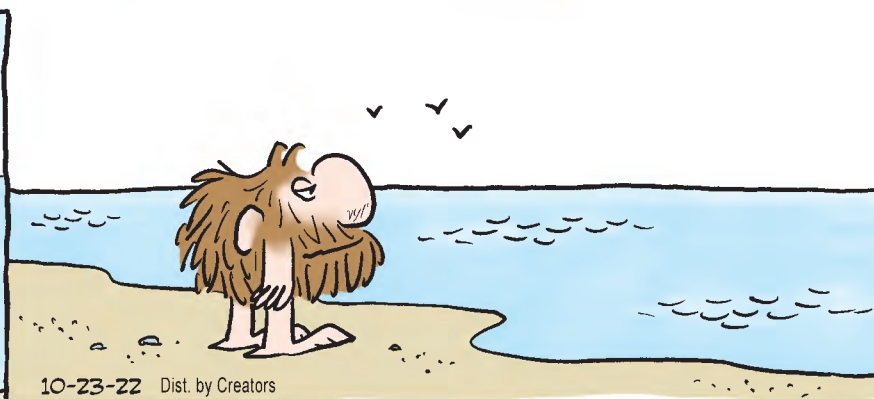
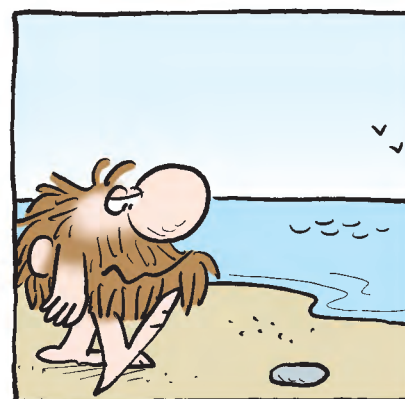
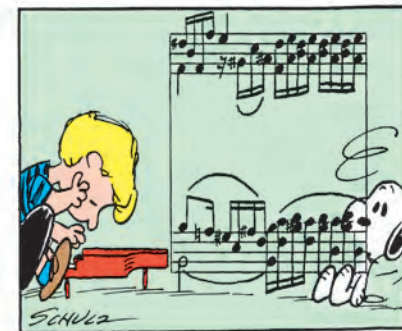
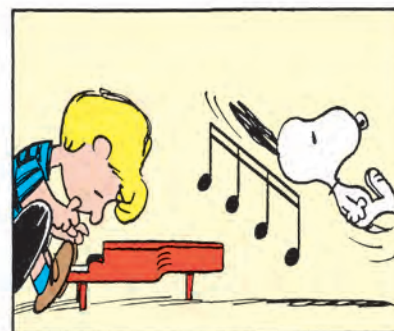
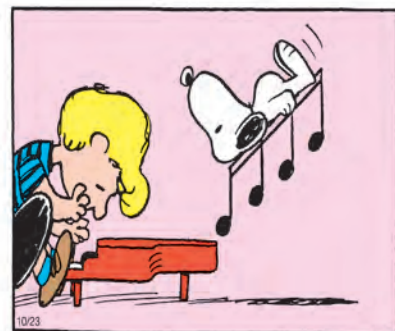
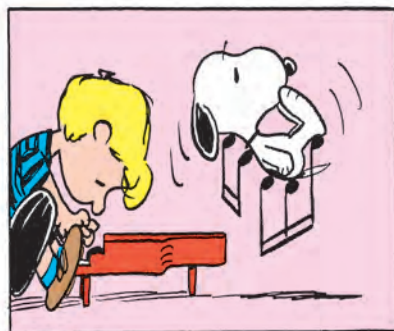
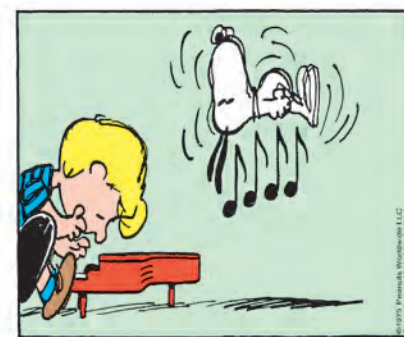
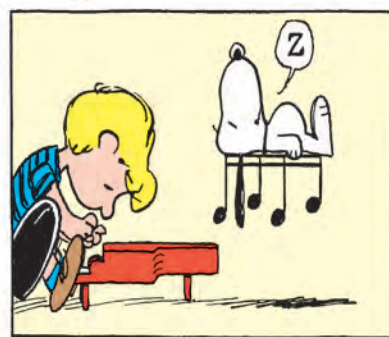


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Football season reignites Packers, Badgers love

Autumn might as well be renamed Football. Almost every TV channel has wall-to-wall sports coverage, nearly all of it devoted to football. There's at least one game on four days a week, sometimes as many as three on a single network. On off-days, there are entire channels devoted to reruns, rehashes, reviews, followed by previews, predictions and pre-game programming. The upside is it's a welcome diversion for those of us seriously considering relocating to outer space to get away from what's happening in the world today.

Despite this reality-escaping potential of 24-7 football, I watch exactly two games — the Badgers and the Packers. My husband Jon, Mr. Negativity, always starts the season with the same prognostication: "They'll be lucky to win a couple of games this year." This always causes a bit of a kerfuffle at Otter Run because I am what he calls "high strung" when it comes to my teams.

Consequently, my strategy to keep my blood pressure from going into the stratosphere is to record the games and watch them later, if they win. My reasoning is that football is entertainment, and when I stop being



KATHLEEN MARSH

entertained, I stop watching. However, since the Badgers have been so good in past years, I foolishly began tuning in live this year, fully expecting them to not only win but dominate. Alas. The team has been so disappointing that head coach Paul Chryst was fired five games into the season. Jon emerged from his man cave (aka dead animals room) to deliver that news wearing Badger swag, a vintage T-shirt he bought in Pasadena when we went to the 2011 Rose Bowl. Naturally, he couldn't resist the "I told you so" moment. Best we leave the rest of that conversation to the imagination.

I'm not sure when sports gear and paraphernalia came to be known as swag, but I don't mind admitting I join mega-millions of rah-rah-ers who enthusiastically display team loyalty by becoming walking billboards. On fall Saturdays, you will see me sporting red and white, and you can count

on me wearing the green and gold on Green Bay Game Day. I also keep handy a few luck-inducing items, like my Ron Dayne sweat-stained towel from the day they retired his number at Camp Randall and my Packer-green scarf and matching shoes which are held in reserve for the most critical games.

If I had to choose, I'd say my favorite sports clothing item is a Packer jersey emblazoned with the number 52. Any die-hard Packer fan knows this is the number once worn by linebacker Clay Mathews. I had huge hair envy for Clay's unruly blonde mane and loved his intensity on the field. I teasingly called Clay my Packer boyfriend.

"He's so homely, he's gorgeous," I would chirp. Clay didn't know I existed, but I was sad to see his skills decline and the team let him go. I placed his jersey in the back of my closet, hoping he might return like Randall Cobb did this year. He didn't, but now I proudly wear the jersey again: Clay decided to retire as a Green Bay Packer.

Lest you think I am overdoing this swag thing, according to industry figures, swag generates billions of

dollars in annual sales. Wisconsin and Green Bay items are among the perennial top sellers. Other popular clothing items are those covered with slogans that are clever, heart-warming or sarcastic: "I root for two teams: the Packers and whoever's playing Minnesota," or "Welcome to Mr. Rodgers' Neighborhood" printed around a big number 12. Any football fan can identify with this one: "Referees Wanted: No Experience Necessary."

The bottom line is we Packers and Badgers fans more than do our part to keep this economic juggernaut humming, even though some items may be hard to find and or more expensive this year.

Side note to husband: Christmas is coming, and I sure could use a new Packers sweatshirt. Kathleen Marsh is a lifelong educator, writer and community advocate. She has published eight books, four on the history of Townsend, where she and husband Jon are happily retired on the beautiful Townsend Flowage.

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CLUB NOTES

Oconto Falls FFA

Two high school and 12 middle school students of the Oconto Falls FFA Chapter attended the Wisconsin Association of FFA FIRE Conference and were awarded the Spirit Award on Oct. 15 at the Fox Valley Technical College Campus in Appleton.

FIRE stands for "Foundations in Reaching Excellence." The conference helps young FFA members discover opportunities in the FFA organization and gain valuable leadership skills. This is one of three conferences held around the state of Wisconsin for seventh-, eighth- and ninth-grade FFA members. Over 400 members will attend these conferences.

The Spirit Award is given out at each conference to the Chapter that is judged to be the most engaged and made the most out of the learning opportunities at the conference.

The FIRE Conference is designed to inform beginning FFA members about the FFA and motivate them to participate in its many activities. Students learned about communication skills, social skills, goal setting, FFA awards and programs, and opportunities in agriculture along with developing leadership skills to help them be effective members in their local chapters.

The conference is conducted by the 2022-2023 State FFA Officer Team with assistance from the FVTC-Appleton Post-Secondary Agricultural Student Organization. This conference



Oconto Falls FFA chapter members stand next to the sponsor banner with the state officers, wearing FFA official dress; State Officer Executive Director Cheryl Zimmerman, standing at far left; and chapter advisors Walter Taylor and Mariah Markhardt after being awarded the Spirit Award at the FIRE Conference from the state officer team at Fox Valley Technical College.

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was centered around the theme "Mapping Our Journey." All of the state officers encouraged students who attended the FIRE Conference to set goals for their FFA involvement and meet people from around the state who can help them reach those goals.

Not only does this conference help students understand the FFA organization and all its opportunities, but helps them develop skills in meeting

people, working with others and setting goals with a plan of action.

"In the FFA, we assist members starting in seventh grade to develop skills they will need for future careers and opportunities," said Cheryl Zimmerman, state FFA executive director. "FFA develops the whole person and these young members are taking a step in the right direction."

— Abigail Roskom

CLUB NOTES



Shown with quilts put together by the Quilting Friends are, from left, Alan Woznicki, Randolph Ostrowski, Edward Hable, Richard Thayer, William Omernick, Brett Babi, John Christensen, Carl Beletsky and Roy Spranger.

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Quilting Friends of Hatley

The Quilting Friends of Hatley was formed in 2008 by a few ladies in the Hatley area. Members of this group come from Hatley, Bevent, Elderon, Wittenberg, Birnamwood and Antigo areas. When the Hatley American Legion Auxiliary disbanded a couple of years ago, they found a few worthy causes that would benefit from a donation from their treasury and we were one of them.

Our group has sewn many comfort quilts which have gone to deserving community members, and for the past seven years, we have made it our goal to create a quilt for servicemen/women who signed up for the Honor Flight from the Bevent, Elderon, Eland, Hatley and Wittenberg communities. When the roster for the flights is published, a couple of our members take a quilt to the servicemen and women who are going on those flights.

So far, we have presented 96 honor and comfort quilts. This has been a very rewarding and humbling experience for us as we come away after the visits having listened to many stories.

Now what do quilters do when they have money in their pockets? They buy fabric. We had been given a quantity of fabric from a quilt shop that closed in Wausau. Most of the fabric was Civil War reproductions, and they worked out well for these Honor quilts.

That is when it was decided to give back to this community as the auxiliary had given to us. We put together some patterns, purchased some batting and backing and made more Honor quilts. Now we are ready to pay it forward to this local American Legion Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 441. Some of these quilts have been worked on by as many as eight to 10 ladies as there are usually at least six stages to making a quilt and each quilt is unique. Selecting fabric, cutting it out, sewing pieces together, sandwiching, quilting and binding it, and they are usually used as lap quilts.

We asked to attend their post meeting. Some members had already received a quilt when they went on the Honor Flight, including Carl Beletsky, Henry Blarek Jr., Gilbert Budnick, Valerian Fermanek, Gary Milanowski, Bernard

Omernick, John Popp and Gerald Schroeder.

Those receiving quilts recently are Brett Babi, John Christensen, Edward Hable, William Omernick, Randolph Ostrowski, Roy Spranger, Richard Thayer and Alan Woznicki. Members to receive theirs after the meeting were Rob Anderson, Victor Borgemoen Jr., Robert Erdmann, Myron Janikowski, Arlyn Maier, Raymond Meister, Clyde Patterson, Richard Popp, Adam Wanta and Daniel Wanta.

Delta Kappa Gamma, Nu Chapter

Terry Lorge, FWD Museum director, talked about the fascinating history of the Four Wheel Drive Seagrave Company during a tour of the museum in Clintonville during Nu Chapter's October meeting.

Brothers-in-law William Besserlich and Otto Zachow, along with Walter Olen, established the Badger Four Wheel Drive Auto Company in 1909. They patented the first successful four-wheel drive automobile in the world that year.

Olen was the first president of the company. Besserlich and Zachow separated in 1913 when Besserlich moved to Oshkosh to form the

Oshkosh Truck Company.

In 1917, the U.S. government awarded \$65 million to Clintonville FWD to produce the Model B Ammunition Carrier truck for the war effort. The company employed 1,000 during the war, subcontracting to four other companies. Twenty women test drove the trucks 50 miles before they were shipped overseas. After the war, the trucks were used across the United States as city utility vehicles. Luella Bates, a FWD test driver, crisscrossed the country in 1920 to demonstrate the durability of the truck.

FWD acquired the Columbus Division of Seagrave in 1963. Seagrave produced fire truck ladders. All of Seagrave's operations were transferred to Clintonville.

The museum moved into the present 68,000-square-foot building 6½ years ago, housing over 70 historic vehicles. It is operated by eight volunteers. For information, visit the FWD website, <http://www.fwdseagravemuseum.org/>

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Rain doesn't dampen spirits of young archers

A little rain and wind didn't stifle the enthusiasm of 17 youngsters who experienced community policing via bows and arrows.

Their squeals and laughter proved that the first Badges and Bullseyes program in the Clintonville area Oct. 12 was a rousing success.

From the time we set up foam targets, arrow holders and donated Mathews Genesis bows at Clintonville Bow Hunters club west of Clintonville to the time the kids returned to Clintonville Police Department in two



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school vans, an almost steady rain fell and the wind blew. The canopy over the club's pavilion area offered the youngsters a dry spot to shoot from, although they didn't mind getting a little wet when retrieving their arrows.

The archery instruction program is part of Clintonville PD's community policing program, led by Officer Joe LeBreck. The department adopted a statewide program launched by former Pewaukee police officer Bob Kraemer called the Cops and Kids Foundation. Even Kraemer himself was at the event, eagerly snapping photos with his camera. He launched



Instructors, from left, Don Rogalski of Wisconsin Bowhunters Association, Clintonville Police Department School Resource Officer Tyler Bartel and Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Conservation Warden Jonathan Kaiser help a group of Clintonville girls Oct. 12 during a Badges and Bullseyes archery program.

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the program in the Milwaukee and Pewaukee areas in 2010, and it's been spreading through the state ever since.

Kraemer's nonprofit foundation provides grants and equipment to get the program started, then steps back and watches it take root with community support like a growing child. This is what's happening in Clintonville, with the city creating a funding mechanism to support both com-

munity policing and a K-9 program. Donations of money and prizes or other giveaways continue to come in. An Aug. 4 golf event raised \$8,000 to help with the program, LeBrock said.

Every kid at the archery event received a T-shirt with sponsor names printed on it.

Kids never pay a cent to sign up, and they always come home with plenty of gear and full stomachs. Students ages 7 to 17 at the archery event

dined on hot dogs and bratwurst grilled by members of Clintonville Bow Hunters Club (Jim Schoenike, Mike Bevernitz and Gary Kaczorowski), and went home with T-shirts, tote bags, color-changing cups, water bottles, hand towels, caps and stickers, donated by the city of Clintonville and 4imprint in Oshkosh.

The first official Cops and Kids Foundation event in Clintonville was the May 4 Cops and Bobbers fishing outing, when 24 kids fished on Pigeon Lake, with pontoon boats provided by the Pigeon Lake Foundation.

A Gutter Busters bowling program is slated for Dec. 28 at Memory Lanes Bar and Grill in Clintonville.

Most of the kids at the archery event had shot bows before, but a few needed extra help. Lending a hand on the shooting line were Clintonville Police Officer Casey Ebert, who used to work at an archery shop, and School Resource Officer Tyler Bartel, as well as Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Conservation Warden Jonathan Kaiser and Don Rogalski, a Wisconsin Bowhunters Association district director and club treasurer. WBA, based in Clintonville with an archery museum there, provided targets, bows, arrows and other gear for the event.

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COLLEGE NOTES

Western Technical College

Rebecca Charles, from Shawano, was named to Western Technical College's president's list of high distinction for the summer 2022 term.

To be included on the president's list, students must achieve a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher and carry six or more credits in an associate's degree or technical diploma program.

UW-Oshkosh

Following are summer graduates of the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh — many of whom participate in the spring ceremony but become official when their degrees are complete.

- Bonduel: Garret G. Riemer, Bachelor of Business Administration in information systems

- Abrams: Luke J. Martinson, Master of Science, mathematics education

The UW-Oshkosh 148th spring commencement, with a pair of ceremonies May 14, recognized the accomplishments of students from all three of its campuses (Fond du Lac, Fox Cities, Oshkosh) as well as online degree programs. Nearly 1,500 students earned associate, bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees and joined the ranks of more than 100,000 UW Oshkosh alumni.

UW-Stout

Scholarships valued at more than \$1.2 million were awarded to 531 University of Wisconsin-Stout students this year through the Stout University Foundation.

The students were recognized in a prerecorded video message, which included a list of winners and messages from Chancellor Katherine Frank, donors, alumni and recipients.

Local students receiving scholar-

ships include the following:

- Suring: Tiffany Johnson, Patricia Coker Endowed Graduate Scholarship, Nelda G. Runnalls Scholarship

- Shawano: Matthew Bohm, Alma and Charles Pagnucco Endowed Scholarship, John Carter Family Memorial Scholarship, Norman (Tom) Olson FOB Memorial Scholarship, Tobias Wozniak, Orvil and Dorothy Wilsey Engineering Endowed Scholarship

- Tigerton: Nathaen Wanta, Ruge Family Annual Scholarship, John C. Neuenfeldt Endowed Scholarship

UW-Whitewater

The following local students are among the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater scholarship recipients receiving financial awards for the 2022-23 academic year.

- Oconto: Lauren Hope Bruemmer, Chancellor Scholars

- Mountain: Peyton McGinnis, Kenneth and Myrtle (Kit) Shimota Education Scholarship

- Townsend: Sunshine Nelson, Warhawks Thrive Scholarship

- Gillett: Hannah Wendorff, Transfer Excellence Scholarship

- Bonduel: Baylie Hansen, Chancellor Scholars

- Pulaski: Rachel Wasielewski, Chancellor Scholars; Paige Willer, Florence Kopas Scholarship, Greenhill Scholarship

UW-La Crosse

The following area students completed degree requirements at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse in August.

- Lena: Stephanie Peitersen, Bachelor of Science in radiation therapy, highest honors

- Sobieski: Thomas Loehner, Bachelor of Science, exercise and sport science, honors

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AROUND THE COMMUNITY

'White Christmas' next show out of Abrams

Abrams Spotlight Productions Inc. invites the community to its performance of Irving Berlin's "White Christmas."

The musical, directed by Debra Jolly, will be presented Dec. 1-4 and Dec. 8-11 at the Nancy Byng Community Theater, 5852 Maple St., Abrams. Shows are at 7 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays and 1 p.m. Sundays.

"White Christmas" is a long-time tradition for those of us who remember the beloved movie televised every Christmas and remember the sacrifices made by the soldiers and those on the homefront of World War II," Jolly said. "It is about longing for home and family and love, especially when you are far away, not knowing when or if you will get home again."

Veterans are an important part of "White Christmas," and a generous donor gifted 50 free tickets for veterans. Veterans are encouraged to call the box office, 920-826-5852, to reserve free tickets while supplies last.

"White Christmas" is a story about a song-and-dance team, played by Bobby Buffington and Preston Pelegrin, who put on a show in a Vermont inn and fall for a stunning sister act, played by Elizabeth Jolly and Ali Carlson. The show is full of dancing, laughter and some of the greatest songs ever written. The score features "Blue Skies" and, of course, the unforgettable title song, "White Christmas."

The colorful costumes ring true to the happy 1950s look.

"The number of costumes required is daunting, especially with a community theater budget and a theater building that needs a new roof, but we had a wonderfully hard-working and frugal costume crew to make it work," Jolly said.

New at the theater for this performance is a side stage to keep the show moving seamlessly through scene changes. Also new is a winter-themed special effect.

Tickets are on sale now for this tale of joy and goodwill by visiting the website at abramsspotlightproductions.com or calling the box office. Prices are \$17 for adults, \$15 for senior citizens and children and \$8 for any child 4 and under.

Library to give out books for Halloween

Shawano County Library's fifth annual Trick or Treat Book Give-



Ali Carlson and Elizabeth Jolly will perform the song "Sisters" with these feathered fans in the Abrams Spotlight Productions Inc. show "White Christmas." CONTRIBUTED

away will occur during the city's trick or treat hours from 5-7 p.m. Oct. 31.

The book giveaway is planned on the 400 block of South Franklin Street. The main library will be closing at 4 p.m. that day.

In the past, the library has distributed an average of 945 books to children at this event. Several book giveaways occur throughout the county during the year with an average of 2,800 books being gifted to children annually. Book giveaways are sponsored by the Friends of Shawano County Libraries, Inc.

For information, contact the library at sha@shawanolib.org or 715-526-3829.

Frigo Cheese fire 'Remember When' topic

Lena's "Remember When" Series will hold another hour of reminiscing from 6-7 p.m. Nov. 2 at the Lena Village Hall, 117 E. Main St.

The planned topic is the "Frigo Fire" which occurred in January 1996. Ed Patenaude, who was village

president during that time, will present on how life in Lena was impacted because of the fire.

The "Remember When" sessions are held the first Wednesday of each month and features a main storyteller who shares personal recollections and connections to Lena's past. For information, contact the village hall at 920-829-5226.

Sachin Shivaram named as New North co-chair

Sachin Shivaram, CEO of Wisconsin Aluminum Foundry in



SACHIN SHIVARAM

Manitowoc, has been named as a new co-chair of New North Inc., joining Michelle Schuler of Microsoft.

He takes over the co-chair responsibilities of Tim Schneider, who has accepted the role of president and CEO of Bank Five Nine in Oconomowoc.

The co-chairs serve as primary representatives of the organization and share its top leadership roles and responsibilities, leading the board of directors and executive committee in fulfillment of the organization's mission, vision and work programs.

"We are excited to have Sachin as a new co-chair of New North," says Barb LaMue, president and CEO of New North Inc. "He is a leader within our region's manufacturing industry and has a real passion for economic development. Sachin also has been a great ambassador for our region, helping to tell our story to those who may be considering relocation to the New North."

Shivaram holds a bachelor's degree in history and literature from Harvard University, a law degree from Yale Law School and a master's degree in political science from the University of Cambridge.

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UNCHARTED TERRITORY

Green Bay has no more wiggle room

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Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers, middle, lays face down after the final play of the game was unsuccessful, leading to a 23-21 loss on Oct. 23 in Landover, Maryland.

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Packers lose 3 straight for first time since 2018

Packers look to rewrite season against Bills

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

After losing 23-21 to the Washington Commanders in week seven, the Green Bay Packers have reached unfamiliar territory, something they haven't seen in four years.

The team has now dropped three in a row at the hands of the New York Giants, New York Jets and Washington Commanders, the first time that the team has lost three games in a row since 2018.

After the loss to the Commanders, the Packers sit at just 3-4 on the season, two wins behind the Minnesota Vikings in the NFC North. Regression was expected from the team as a result of the offseason, but three losses in a row has never happened under head coach Matt LaFleur. The team hadn't had two regular season losses under LaFleur until the loss to the Jets.

"It's unfamiliar territory for us, especially under coach LaFleur, so we have to keep putting our heads down working," said running back Aaron Jones.

Players and coaches alike continued to express their belief in the team and the expected outcome of the season. Quarterback Aaron Rodgers even said that the three losses and the pending matchup against the Buffalo Bills are a good thing for the team, as he alluded to the team's current adversity.

"This week, nobody's going to give us a chance," said Rodgers. "Going to Buffalo on Sunday Night Football, a chance to get exposed. Shoot, it might be the best thing for us."

Of course the play of the receivers, the play of the linebackers and the overall team morale has been poor, but Green Bay currently faces its biggest problem of the season, and that is on the offensive line.

On Sunday, rookie Zach Tom received the first start of his career at left tackle, a spot that didn't seem like a concern two years ago. It has become obvious that David Bakhtiari, who fills that spot when healthy, is not progressing the way



Green Bay Packers cornerback Jaire Alexander, right, attempts to disrupt a pass intended for Washington Commanders wide receiver Terry McLaurin during Green Bay's 23-21 loss on Oct. 23 in Landover, Maryland.

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that Green Bay had hoped.

Consistently getting the two-time All-Pro back on the field has become a challenge for Green Bay, as Bakhtiari missed the first two games of the season, played in 56% of the snaps or less against Tampa Bay and the Giants, more than 95% of the snaps against New England and the Jets, and then missed the entire game against the Commanders.

The injury forces Green Bay to be flexible on the offensive line, often moving players around to see what fits the best for that week. Tom was the main beneficiary this past week, but Elgton Jenkins was able to slide back to guard, with Yosh Nijman filling that right tackle spot.

While Tom and Nijman played fine by any NFL standard, especially against a good Washington front four, Rodgers knows that having Bakhtiari on the field makes a difference.

"When (Bakhtiari) couldn't go, we adjusted to it, and kind of changed a lot of things around to try and give Zach (Tom) some help, but we're a better team when (Bakhtiari) is out there," said Rodgers.

The Green Bay Packers are undoubtedly in a strange spot in terms of what the future holds. Playoffs do not really feel guaranteed at this point for a team that hasn't really thought about missing the extra games since before LaFleur took over. The upcoming schedule consisting of the Bills, Detroit Lions, Dallas Cowboys, Tennessee Titans and Philadelphia Eagles is going to prove to be a major challenge for Green Bay.

Missing on throws, committing penalties and finishing tackles are just three of the issues that Green Bay will need to clean up if the team figures that it can get its season back on track. The Packers have made their own bed, losing three games that they were favored to win, in preparation for a night game in Buffalo, but that doesn't mean the season is over.

Of the 10 games left on the regular-season schedule, seven of those teams are currently at .500 or better. If the season does in fact take a turn for the better, the tough regular season should prepare the Packers for a run. The players and coaches know that it does not get easier, but that doesn't change the expectation.

"We have to stick together," said Packers defensive tackle Kenny Clark. "We are a family and it's not going to get any easier. We have to go into Buffalo and get a win."

The frustration level is at a high for Packers players, coaches and fans, but as Rodgers had said, this next handful of games will really prove what kind of team Green Bay has.

On the endings of each of the last two games, LaFleur has noted his team's desire to finish playing the game, even if it was out of reach. That culminated in a goal-line stop against the Jets and a last-second, desperation play against the Commanders that looked somewhat promising of scoring a touchdown.

That 60-minute mentality will have to be on display now, as there is no more wiggle room for Green Bay.

If the players and coaches really do believe that this team has what it takes to win a Super Bowl, a productive showing against the best team in the AFC on Sunday night is the first step to turning the season around.

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2	Mason Crosby	K	6-1	207	38	16	Colorado
6	Dallin Leavitt	S	5-10	195	28	4	Utah State
7	Quay Walker	LB	6-4	241	22	R	Georgia
8	Amari Rodgers	WR	5-9	212	23	2	Clemson
9	Christian Watson	WR	6-5	208	23	R	North Dakota State
10	Jordan Love	QB	6-4	219	23	3	Utah State
11	Sammy Watkins	WR	6-1	211	29	9	Clemson
12	Aaron Rodgers	QB	6-2	225	38	18	California
13	Allen Lazard	WR	6-5	227	26	4	Iowa State
16	Pat O'Donnell	P	6-4	220	31	9	Miami
20	Rudy Ford	S	6-0	200	27	6	Auburn
21	Eric Stokes	CB	6-0	194	23	2	Georgia
22	Shemar Jean-Charles	CB	5-10	184	24	2	Appalachian State
23	Jaire Alexander	CB	5-10	196	25	5	Louisville
24	Tariq Carpenter	S	6-3	230	23	R	Georgia Tech
25	Keisean Nixon	CB	5-10	200	25	4	South Carolina
26	Darnell Savage	S	5-11	198	25	4	Maryland
27	Patrick Taylor	RB	6-2	217	24	2	Memphis
28	AJ Dillon	RB	6-0	247	24	3	Boston College
29	Rasul Douglas	CB	6-2	209	27	6	West Virginia
31	Adrian Amos	S	6-0	214	29	8	Penn State
33	Aaron Jones	RB	5-9	208	27	6	Texas-El Paso
45	Eric Wilson	LB	6-1	230	28	6	Cincinnati
50	Zach Tom	OL	6-4	304	23	R	Wake Forest
52	Rashan Gary	LB	6-5	277	24	4	Michigan
53	Jonathan Garvin	LB	6-4	257	23	3	Miami
55	Kingsley Enagbare	LB	6-4	258	22	R	South Carolina
56	Jack Coco	LS	6-2	248	24	R	Georgia Tech
58	Isaiah McDuffie	LB	6-1	227	23	2	Boston College
59	De'Vondre Campbell	LB	6-3	232	29	7	Minnesota
63	Rasheed Walker	T	6-6	324	22	R	Penn State
69	David Bakhtiari	T	6-4	310	31	10	Colorado
70	Royce Newman	T/G	6-5	310	25	2	Mississippi
71	Josh Myers	C/G	6-5	310	24	2	Ohio State
73	Yosh Nijman	T	6-7	314	26	3	Virginia Tech
74	Elgton Jenkins	G	6-5	311	26	4	Mississippi State
75	Sean Ryan	T/G	6-5	321	22	R	UCLA
76	Jon Runyan	G	6-4	307	25	3	Michigan

78	Luke Tenuta	T	6-8	314	23	R	Virginia Tech
81	Josiah Deguara	TE	6-2	238	25	3	Cincinnati
83	Samori Toure	WR	6-1	191	24	R	Nebraska
84	Tyler Davis	TE	6-4	252	25	3	Georgia Tech
85	Robert Tonyan	TE	6-5	240	28	5	Indiana State
87	Romeo Doubs	WR	6-2	204	22	R	Nevada
89	Mercedes Lewis	TE	6-6	267	38	17	UCLA
90	Jarran Reed	DL	6-3	307	29	7	Alabama
91	Preston Smith	LB	6-5	265	29	8	Mississippi State
93	T.J. Slaton	DL	6-4	330	25	2	Florida
94	Dean Lowry	DL	6-6	296	28	7	Northwestern
95	Devonte Wyatt	DL	6-3	304	24	R	Georgia
97	Kenny Clark	DL	6-3	314	27	7	UCLA
99	Jonathan Ford	DL	6-5	338	24	R	Miami
Reserve/Injured							
18	Randall Cobb	WR	5-10	195	32	12	Kentucky
40	Tipa Galeai	LB	6-5	229	25	2	Utah State
51	Krys Barnes	LB	6-2	229	24	3	UCLA
67	Jake Hanson	C	6-4	296	25	2	Oregon
Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform							
32	Kylin Hill	RB	5-10	214	24	2	Mississippi State
Reserve/Non-Football Illness							
72	Caleb Jones	T	6-9	370	23	R	Indiana
Practice Squad							
17	Ramiz Ahmed	K	5-11	193	27	1	Nevada
19	Danny Etling	QB	6-3	222	28	1	LSU
34	Micah Abernathy	S	6-0	195	25	1	Tennessee
35	Corey Ballentine	CB	5-11	196	26	4	Washburn
38	Innis Gaines	S	6-1	202	24	1	TCU
39	Tyler Goodson	RB	5-9	197	21	R	Iowa
43	Kiondre Thomas	CB	6-0	186	24	1	Kansas State
48	DQ Thomas	LB	6-2	216	23	R	Middle Tennessee State
49	Kobe Jones	LB	6-3	255	24	1	Mississippi State
54	La'Darius Hamilton	LB	6-2	261	24	2	North Texas
80	Shaun Beyer	TE	6-5	250	25	1	Iowa
82	Kawaan Baker	WR	6-1	210	24	1	South Alabama
86	Travis Fulgham	WR	6-2	211	27	3	Old Dominion
88	Juwann Winfree	WR	6-1	210	26	3	Colorado
96	Jack Heflin	DL	6-3	304	24	2	Iowa
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2	Tyler Bass	K	5-10	183	25	3	Georgia Southern
3	Damar Hamlin	S	6-0	200	24	2	Pittsburgh
4	Jaquan Johnson	S	5-10	191	26	4	Miami (Fla.)
6	Isaiah McKenzie	WR	5-8	173	27	6	Georgia
7	Taron Johnson	CB	5-11	192	26	5	Weber State
8	Sam Martin	P	6-1	205	32	10	Appalachian State
10	Khalil Shakir	WR	6-0	190	22	R	Boise State
13	Gabe Davis	WR	6-2	210	23	3	UCF
14	Stefon Diggs	WR	6-0	191	28	8	Maryland
15	Jake Kumerow	WR	6-4	209	30	5	Wis.-Whitewater
16	Isaiah Hodgins	WR	6-3	201	24	2	Oregon State
17	Josh Allen	QB	6-5	237	26	5	Wyoming
18	Case Keenum	QB	6-1	215	34	10	Houston
20	Zack Moss	RB	5-9	205	24	3	Utah
21	Jordan Poyer	S	6-0	191	31	10	Oregon State
24	Kaiir Elam	CB	6-1	191	21	R	Florida
25	Taiwan Jones	RB	6-0	195	34	12	Eastern Washington
26	Devin Singletary	RB	5-7	203	25	4	Florida Atlantic
28	James Cook	RB	5-11	190	23	R	Georgia
30	Dane Jackson	CB	5-11	180	25	3	Pittsburgh
33	Siran Neal	CB	6-0	206	28	5	Jacksonville State
39	Cam Lewis	CB	5-9	183	25	3	Buffalo
40	Von Miller	LB	6-3	250	33	12	Texas A&M
41	Reggie Gilliam	FB	6-0	244	25	3	Toledo
43	Terrel Bernard	LB	6-1	224	23	R	Baylor
44	Tyler Matakevich	LB	6-1	235	29	7	Temple
46	Ja'Marcus Ingram	CB	6-2	190	25	R	Buffalo
47	Christian Benford	CB	6-1	205	22	R	Villanova
49	Tremaine Edmunds	LB	6-5	250	24	5	Virginia Tech
50	Greg Rousseau	DE	6-6	266	22	2	Miami
53	Tyrel Dodson	LB	6-0	237	24	3	Texas A&M
54	Baylon Spector	LB	6-0	233	24	R	Clemson
55	Boogie Basham	DE	6-3	281	24	2	Wake Forest
57	A.J. Epenesa	DE	6-6	260	24	3	Iowa
58	Matt Milano	LB	6-0	223	28	6	Boston College
60	Mitch Morse	C	6-6	305	30	8	Missouri
67	Justin Murray	OT	6-5	304	29	5	Cincinnati
68	Bobby Hart	T	6-5	310	28	8	Florida State
69	Reid Ferguson	LS	6-2	235	28	6	Louisiana State

71	Ryan Bates	G/C	6-4	302	25	4	Penn State
73	Dion Dawkins	T	6-5	320	28	6	Temple
75	Greg Van Roten	G	6-4	295	32	8	Penn
76	Rodger Saffold	G	6-5	325	34	13	Indiana
77	David Quessenberry	T/G	6-5	310	32	5	San Jose State
79	Spencer Brown	T	6-8	311	24	2	Northern Iowa
85	Quintin Morris	TE	6-2	252	23	1	Bowling Green
88	Dawson Knox	TE	6-4	254	25	4	Mississippi
89	Tommy Sweeney	TE	6-5	251	27	4	Boston College
90	Shaq Lawson	DE	6-3	265	28	7	Clemson
91	Ed Oliver	DT	6-1	287	24	4	Houston
92	DaQuan Jones	DT	6-4	320	30	9	Penn State
93	Brandin Bryant	DT	6-2	305	29	1	Florida Atlantic
97	Jordan Phillips	DT	6-6	330	30	8	Oklahoma
99	Tim Settle	DT	6-3	313	25	5	Virginia Tech

Reserve/Injured

5	Marquez Stevenson	WR	5-10	180	24	2	Houston
23	Micah Hyde	S	6-0	197	31	10	Iowa
72	Tommy Doyle	T	6-8	320	24	2	Miami (Ohio)
80	Jamison Crowder	WR	5-9	177	29	8	Duke

Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform

27	Tre'Davious White	CB	5-11	192	27	6	Louisiana State
65	Ike Boettger	G	6-6	313	28	5	Iowa

Practice Squad

11	Matt Barkley	QB	6-2	234	32	10	Southern California
19	KeeSean Johnson	WR	6-1	201	26	3	Fresno State
22	Duke Johnson	RB	5-9	210	29	8	Miami
31	Kyler McMichael	DB	6-0	202	22	R	North Carolina
32	Jordan Miller	DB	6-2	190	25	3	Washington
36	Jared Mayden	S	6-0	205	24	1	Alabama
42	Joe Giles-Harris	LB	6-2	240	25	2	Duke
51	Eli Ankou	DT	6-3	325	28	6	UCLA
56	Mike Love	DE	6-3	255	28	2	South Florida
61	Justin Zimmer	DT	6-3	292	30	4	Ferris State
62	Greg Mancz	C/G	6-4	302	30	7	Toledo
70	Alec Anderson	T	6-5	305	23	R	UCLA
74	Ryan Van Demark	OT	6-6	307	24	R	Connecticut
84	Zach Davidson	TE	6-7	245	24	1	Central Missouri
87	Tanner Gentry	WR	6-2	209	27	1	Wyoming

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29	Xavier Rhodes	CB	6-1	210	32	10	Florida State
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THE SERIES

Packers vs. Bills
All-time, regular season: 5-8
All-time, postseason: never met
All-time, at Bills: 0-6
Streaks: The Green Bay Packers have never won a road game against the Bills, being outscored 148-73 over six previous matchups. In the overall series, the Packers have won four of the last six matchups.
Last meeting, regular season: Sept. 30, 2018, Packers won 22-0 against the Bills at Lambeau Field in Green Bay. Aaron Rodgers threw a touchdown pass to Jimmy Graham and Aaron Jones rushed for a score, while Mason Crosby knocked in three field goals.

SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time	TV
Sept. 11	at Minnesota	Loss 23-7	
Sept. 18	vs. Chicago	Win 27-10	
Sept. 25	at Tampa Bay	Win 14-12	
Oct. 2	vs. New England	Win 27-24 (OT)	
Oct. 9	vs. N.Y. Giants (London)	Loss 27-22	
Oct. 16	vs. N.Y. Jets	Loss 27-10	
Oct. 23	at Washington	Loss 23-21	
Oct. 30	at Buffalo	7:20 p.m. NBC	
Nov. 6	at Detroit	noon FOX	
Nov. 13	vs. Dallas	3:25 p.m. FOX	
Nov. 17	vs. Tennessee	7:15 p.m. Prime	
Nov. 27	at Philadelphia	7:20 p.m. NBC	
Dec. 4	at Chicago	noon FOX	
Bye week			
Dec. 19	vs. L.A. Rams	7:15 p.m. ESPN	
Dec. 25	at Miami	noon FOX	
Jan. 1	vs. Minnesota	3:25 p.m. CBS	
Jan. 7/8	vs. Detroit	TBD TBD	

OFFENSE

WR

Romeo Doubs
Samori Toure

RB

Aaron Jones
A.J. Dillon

QB

Aaron Rodgers
Jordan Love

WR

Sammy Watkins
Amari Rodgers

WR

Allen Lazard
Christian Watson

TE

Mercedes Lewis
Robert Tonyan

RT

Elgton Jenkins
Rasheed Walker

RG

Royce Newman
Sean Rhyan

C

Josh Myers

LG

Jon Runyan
Zach Tom

LT

David Bakhtiari
Yosh Nijman

DEFENSE

CB

Eric Stokes
Keisean Nixon

DE

Dean Lowry
Devonte Wyatt

NT

Kenny Clark
T.J. Slaton

DE

Jarran Reed
Devonte Wyatt

CB

Jaire Alexander
Rasul Douglas

OLB

Preston Smith
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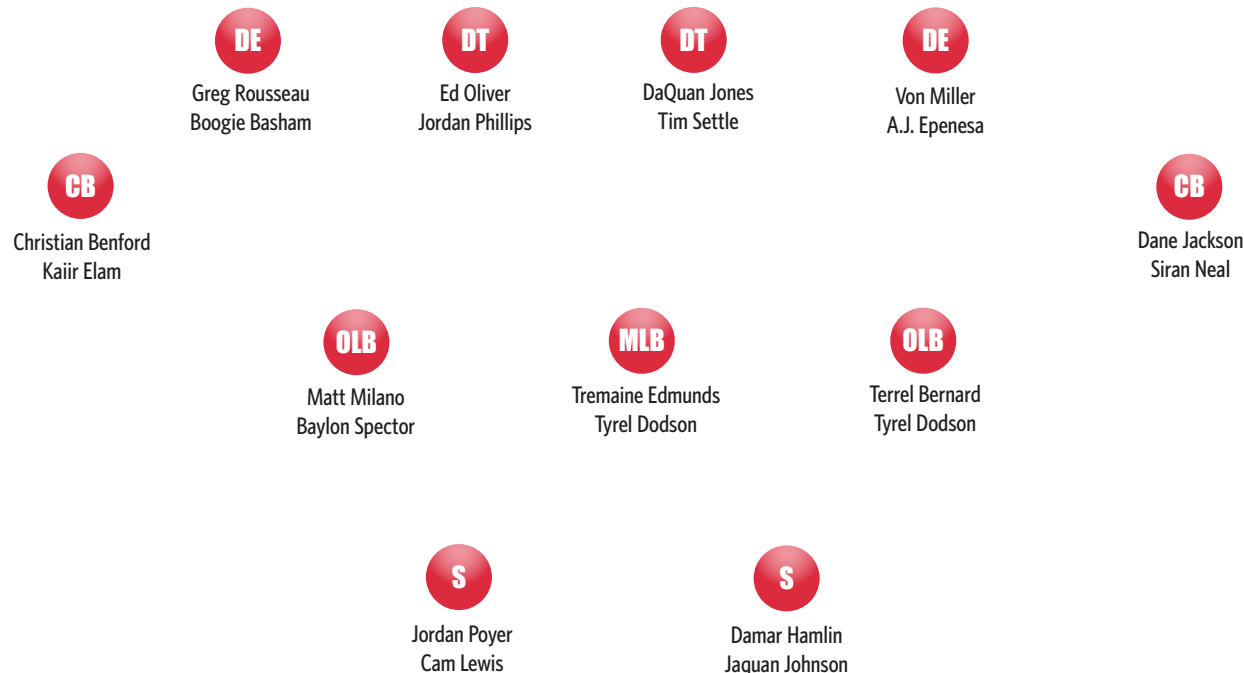
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Thursday's Games

Baltimore at Tampa Bay, 7:15 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Denver at Jacksonville in London, 8:30 a.m.

Carolina at Atlanta, noon

Chicago at Dallas, noon

Miami at Detroit, noon

Arizona at Minnesota, noon

Las Vegas at New Orleans, noon

New England at N.Y. Jets, noon

Pittsburgh at Philadelphia, noon

Tennessee at Houston, 3:05 p.m.

Washington at Indianapolis, 3:25 p.m.

San Francisco at L.A. Rams, 3:25 p.m.

N.Y. Giants at L.A. Rams, 3:25 p.m.

Green Bay at Buffalo, 7:20 p.m.

Monday's Games

Cincinnati at Cleveland, 7:15 p.m.

Next Thursday's Games

Philadelphia at Houston, 7:15 p.m.

Teams on bye: Kansas City, L.A. Chargers.

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NOTEBOOK

By **BILL HUBER**
Correspondent

Second half troubles

The Green Bay Packers aren't half-bad. The problem is they're only half-good. And that could mean a full-time headache on Sunday night at the Buffalo Bills.

The slumping Packers enter the primetime showdown having lost three in a row to tumble to 3-4. It's not hard to find an explanation that's a lot more than half-baked.

In week five against the Giants in London, the Packers led 20-10 at halftime but were outscored 17-2 in the second half and lost 27-22.

In week six against the Jets at Lambeau Field, the game was tied 3-3 at halftime but the Packers were outscored 24-7 in the second half and lost 27-10.

In week seven against the Commanders in Washington, the Packers led 14-10 at halftime but were outscored 13-7 in the second half and lost 23-21.

Through the first seven weeks of the season, the Packers are plus-22 in first-half scoring. That's seventh-best in the NFL. However, they're a woeful minus-43 in the second half, the second-worst mark in the NFL.

While the Packers have flailed like a blindfolded kid trying to hit a pinata, the Bills have knocked the candy right out of their opponents. They are a league-best plus-67 in second-half scoring en route to their 5-1 record.

Green Bay's offense, unable to adapt to life without Davante Adams, has scored only five touchdowns in the second half. That unit's struggles are somewhat predictable. The problems on defense, however, are completely unexpected considering the perceived talent on that side of the ball and the preseason hype.

The Giants had three "real" possessions in the second half in which they tried to move the ball. They went field goal, touchdown, touchdown. The Jets had four "real" possessions and went punt, touchdown, touchdown, field goal. The Commanders had four possessions and went touchdown, field goal, field goal before draining most of the remaining 3:26 and punting.

In those 11 possessions, the Packers allowed nine scores.

During the second halves of their seven games, the Packers haven't been able to stop the run (league-worst 34 rushing first downs



Green Bay Packers offensive linemen Elton Jenkins, top left, and Yost Nijman, top right, look to help quarterback Aaron Rodgers up during the team's game against the Washington Commanders on Oct. 23 in Landover, Maryland.

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allowed) or the pass (30th-ranked 7 yards per attempt).

On Thursday, defensive coordinator Joe Barry said, "I don't think there's anything really to read into that or a trend that's happening." That seemed a ludicrous statement at the time, and especially so in light of what happened on Sunday.

On Sunday, the Commanders drove five plays for 69 yards and the go-ahead touchdown, 16 plays for 72 yards for a field goal and nine plays for 46 yards for the clinching field goal. On the 16-play drive, the

Packers gave up a third-and-11. On the nine-play drive, they gave up a third-and-8. On the final drive that drained most of the clock, they gave up a third-and-9.

Unlike his coordinator, coach Matt LaFleur does see a trend. And it's a big reason why his team is in deep trouble.

"That's something that we looked at and it's definitely the consistency at which we play," he said. "We gave up a lot of third-down conversions in the second half. I think the penalties, we had some situations where

it was second-and-6, we get a TFL, it's about to be third-and-7, we get called for a defensive holding, first down.

"We've got to do a better job of making sure we get all 11 guys on the same page doing their responsibility, because there were some times we had some miscommunication and that stuff, that leads to drive-extending plays and explosive plays, and you can't have it."

Zach Tom saves the day

The Packers spent all last week

getting ready to debut a new offensive line. With David Bakhtiari having started the previous four games, the coaches felt confident enough in their left tackle that they could move his backup, Yosh Nijman, to right tackle.

That allowed them to move Elgton Jenkins, who had started five games at right tackle, back to left guard, where he earned Pro Bowl honors in 2020. Jon Runyan, who had started 22 of a possible 23 games at left guard in 2021 and 2022, shifted to right guard.

It all sounded good until the team reported for its Saturday walk-through before departing for Washington. Bakhtiari's knee — the same one that cost him the end of the 2020 season, most of 2021 and the start of 2022 — wasn't feeling right. The Packers held out hope that he'd be able to play but, following a pre-game workout, he was listed among the inactive.

The Packers stuck with all the line changes and inserted fourth-round rookie Zach Tom into Bakhtiari's slot on about 2 hours' notice.

"It was definitely pretty, 'Woah,'" Tom said on Monday.

The late change led to some last-minute scrambling by LaFleur. Some plays that included one-on-one blocks by Bakhtiari had to be scrapped. Other plays were adjusted.

"Let's just say I was a little bit later getting out to the pregame warm-up than typical, shuffling some things around," LaFleur said. "But it is what it is. In a game, that may happen and that's even more chaotic, but at least you had some time to kind of re-organize some things. Obviously, it didn't necessarily help us. It's not like we were very productive offensively."

According to Pro Football Focus, Tom didn't allow a single pressure in pass protection. There were a lot of quick passes and Tom was given plenty of help. Still, it was a solid starting debut for a promising prospect.

"I think I did all right," he said. "I think there's still some things that I need to get better at — using my hands, that's going to be something I continue to harp on. Overall, I think I did all right."

Big underdogs

The Packers are 10½-point underdogs for Sunday. Previously, an Aaron Rodgers-led team had been an underdog of more than seven points just once: the 2014 opener at Seattle, when they lost 34-14 as 8½-point underdogs.



Green Bay Packers running back Aaron Jones, left, runs with the ball as tight end Robert Tonyan blocks for him during the game against the Washington Commanders on Oct. 23 in Landover, Maryland.

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On paper, this is a huge mismatch. Moreover, the Bills are coming off their bye week. For what it's worth — and it might not be worth anything — the Packers were 6½-point underdogs at undefeated Arizona last season when their top three receivers were inactive but won 24-21.

Dark humor

LaFleur managed one laugh during Monday's 22-plus-minute press conference. It was gallows humor, though. What's the state of the receiver corps with Allen Lazard (shoulder) joining Randall Cobb (ankle; injured reserve) and Christian Watson (hamstring; missed last two games) on the injured list?

That's obviously not ideal under any circumstances, and especially so given the quality of opponent coming up. Buffalo is No. 1 in points allowed, total defense and interception percentage and No. 2 in opponent passer rating.

"It's definitely not where we want it to be in terms of that room, but injuries are a part of this game," LaFleur said. "You've got to adjust, you've got to adapt. It's not the first time. We've gone through this before here. So, we've got to get some guys ready to play. Bottom line."

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Miami @ Detroit

Arizona @ Minnesota

Las Vegas @ New Orleans

New England @ NY Jets

Pittsburgh @ Philadelphia

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Washington @ Indianapolis

San Francisco @ LA Rams

NY Giants @ Seattle

Cincinnati @ Cleveland Mon., Oct. 31

Tie Breaker Game: Green Bay @ Buffalo



This Week's Picks:

Tampa Bay	New Orleans	NY Giants
Denver	New England	Cincinnati
Atlanta	Philadelphia	
Dallas	Tennessee	
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Morgan Rode
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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score : Green Bay 17 @ Buffalo 38



This Week's Picks:

Baltimore	Las Vegas	NY Giants
Jacksonville	NY Jets	Cincinnati
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Tim Murphy
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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 3 @ Buffalo 55



This Week's Picks:

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Jacksonville	NY Jets	Cincinnati
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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 21 @ Buffalo 20



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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 10 @ Buffalo 31



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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 35 @ Buffalo 14



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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 10 @ Buffalo 38

KEYS TO THE GAME

By **BILL HUBER**

Correspondent

The Green Bay Packers (3-4) will travel to face the Buffalo Bills (5-1) at 7:20 p.m. on Sunday at Highmark Stadium in Orchard Park, New York. NBC will televise the game.

History

In a series that dates to 1974, the Bills lead 8-5. Appropriately with Halloween coming up, Buffalo has been a house of horrors for the Packers. The Bills are 6-0 at home.

Coaches

Green Bay — Matt LaFleur, 42-14, fourth season. Buffalo — Sean McDermott, 54-33, sixth season.

When the Packers have the ball

The Josh Allen-powered Bills offense gets the hype but it's the Buffalo defense that's the real juggernaut. It ranks No. 1 in points allowed (13.5 per game) and total defense (281.5 per game).

Drilling deeper, it's first in rushing yards per attempt (3.52) and interception percentage (4.85), fourth in sack percentage (9.22) and sixth in yards per passing play (5.98).

In the major categories, the "weak" link is third down, where the Bills are "only" 13th. Buffalo's defense vs. four-time MVP Aaron Rodgers must have seemed like must-see TV for NBC when it was shown its slate of games.

The Bills' base defense is 4-3 but they play almost exclusively out of nickel. Up front, it's future Hall of Famer Von Miller and 2021 first-round pick Greg Rousseau as the ends. The 33-year-old Miller, who ranks first among active players with 121½ sacks, is fifth in the league with six this season. Rousseau has four. They are interchangeable but Miller mostly rushes from the right and against the left tackle. A pair of recent second-round picks, A.J. Epenesa and Carlos Basham, provide quality depth.

At tackle, 2019 first-round pick Ed Oliver and Daquon Jones are the starters and 345-pound Jordan Phillips is the next man in. Oliver is the big name but Jones has been the best player. Phillips had 9½ sacks in 2019.

Matt Milano and Tremaine Edmunds are the primary linebackers. They cover a lot of ground and are active at the line of scrimmage. Edmunds has a team-high 36 tackles. Milano, who is one of the game's most underrated linebackers, has 32 and is second on the team with four passes defended. If the Packers do line up to run the ball, Terrell Bernard is the



Green Bay Packers cornerbacks Jaire Alexander, left, and Rasul Douglas cross the goal line in unison after Douglas recovered a fumble and returned it for a score during a game against the Washington Commanders on Oct. 23 in Landover, Maryland. The score was negated by a Packer penalty. GREG MELLIS | NEW MEDIA



Green Bay Packers running back Aaron Jones, right, celebrates a touchdown with quarterback Aaron Rodgers during the team's game against the Washington Commanders on Oct. 23 in Landover, Maryland. GREG MELLIS | NEW MEDIA

third linebacker.

The secondary remains strong, even with former Packers standout Micah Hyde out for the season with a neck injury. Hyde's running-mate at safety, Jordan Poyer, is a fantastic player. He is tied for the NFL lead with four interceptions.

Incredibly, in his first four seasons, Poyer started 10 games. Since joining the Bills in 2017, he's started 83 of a possible 87 games and intercepted 22 passes. Second-year player Damar Hamlin is the other safety.

Dane Jackson and rookie first-

rounder Kaiir Elam are the corners and Taron Johnson mans the slot. Relatively speaking, this is the weakest group. According to Pro Football Focus, Elam has given up a catch rate of 76.9% and Johnson has given up the seventh-most yards after catch of any corner in the NFL. Can the Packers take advantage, though, with Randall Cobb (ankle) on injured reserve and Allen Lazard (shoulder) banged up?

When the Bills have the ball

After almost losing to Patriots rookie Bailey Zappe and then losing to

the Giants' Daniel Jones, the Jets' Zach Wilson and the Commanders Tyler Heinicke, the Packers will have to contend with MVP front-runner Josh Allen.

Allen is a remarkable player. A strong-armed but inaccurate quarterback at Wyoming, Allen ranks seventh in the league with a 66.9% completion rate. He has 17 touchdowns vs. four interceptions and is second in passer rating (109.1) and yards per attempt (8.28). He's also the team's leading rusher with 257 yards, two touchdowns and a 5.5-yard average.

Allen is perhaps the best quarterback in the NFL. His favorite target, Stefon Diggs, is perhaps the best receiver in the NFL. He's caught 49 passes for 656 yards and six touchdowns. Diggs ranks in the top four in those categories even while having a bye last week.

Meanwhile, Gabe Davis is perhaps the most dangerous deep threat in the game. He leads the NFL with 27.4 yards per catch, and his four touchdowns have covered 98, 62, 34 and 26 yards.

The other big-time threat is tight end Dawson Knox. While he's caught only 15 passes in his five games this season, he had 49 grabs for 587 yards and nine touchdowns last year. Slot receiver Isaiah McKenzie has 17 catches for 162 yards and three touchdowns.

Explosive Devin Singletary is the primary running back. He has 256 rushing yards (4.5 average) and is second on the team with 22 receptions (7.6 average). The Bills use something that's rare in today's NFL: a fullback. Reggie Gilliam hasn't carried the ball but he does have seven catches.

The offensive line consists of Dion Dawkins at left tackle, Rodger Saffold at left guard, Mitch Morse at center, Ryan Bates at right guard and Spencer Brown at right tackle.

Special teams

Kicker Tyler Bass is 9-of-11 on field goals. His career-long kick was a 58-yarder in 2020. Less than half his kickoffs have resulted in touchbacks, so Keisean Nixon might get some chances on returns.

Punter Sam Martin has averages of 48.2 yards (gross) and 43.1 (net). Of his 11 punts, only four have been returned for 16 yards. LaFleur said Amari Rodgers could be out as returner after his third fumble of the season last week.

With veteran Jamison Crowder out with a broken ankle, rookie Khalil Shakir is the punt returner. Like the Packers, the Bills are happy to take touchbacks on kickoffs. McKenzie has averaged 24 yards on his three returns.

Q&A WITH LUKE TENUTA

By **BILL HUBER**
Correspondent

The Packers claimed offensive tackle Luke Tenuta off waivers from the Indianapolis Colts on Oct. 17. He was a sixth-round pick in this year's draft by the Buffalo Bills, so Green Bay is his third team during his rookie season.

Q: What's it like joining a new team during the middle of the season?

A: My pops (Jon Tenuta) was a college coach, so I moved six times as a kid, so you get used to it. Obviously, I didn't have to move in the middle of the fall and I was fortunate enough that I would get to stay through the school year. But I definitely got used to moving as a kid, so you pick up and go and go where the football is.

Q: Is it nice having a familiar face here with Yosh Nijman, who played with you at Virginia Tech?

A: It's awesome. It's just like when he was a senior and I was a redshirt (freshman). I came in and learned from him a lot, so it's the same thing pretty much — getting to learn from him. It's awesome having him right next to me (in the locker room) and for him to

show me around all that stuff.

Q: Funny how it works out, that there was an empty locker right next to him.

A: I came in yesterday, I was like, 'No way!' It was awesome. I think in college I was on the same block as him. Now we're right next to each other. So, it's awesome.

Q: He went undrafted in 2019 and didn't play here until last season. So, is that a playbook you can follow, and have you followed his career?

A: Oh, yeah, definitely. All through college, watching him develop and then get the opportunity last year and then keep building on that, so it's been really cool to watch him.

Q: You mentioned your dad earlier. Your mom played college basketball and both your brothers were college athletes. What was it like growing up in such an athletic home?

A: It was cool. Everyone played sports. My mom and pops played sports at Virginia, and my two older brothers, one played college football and the other one's still a professional baseball player. Sports were everything.

As much as we moved with my pops being a college coach, sports helped us make friends and all that good stuff. So, it was awesome growing up with an athletic, competitive family.

Q: I remember talking to T.J. Watt at the Scouting Combine about growing up with J.J. Watt and Derek Watt and how they fought a lot as kids because they were so competitive. How about you with your brothers?

A: Oh, yeah. It was exactly that. Both my front teeth — most of my teeth — knocked out as a kid because of my brothers.

Q: Seriously?

A: Oh, yeah, them throwing me around. It was awesome, though. Now I'm bigger than them so payback.

Q: Awesome?

A: Yeah, yeah. Them being older than me, I got to hang out with the older kids in the neighborhood and got to play with them, so I always thought it was sweet.

Q: So, who has the bragging rights now?

A: That's tough because we all golf, too. I always say Matt, my middle brother plays pro baseball. He's obvi-

AT A GLANCE

Number: 78
Age: 23
Season: Rookie
College: Virginia Tech

ously the best baseball player. He's a left-handed pitcher so he's got that.

We usually go through who won in golf. We play a lot of golf, so whoever wins golf is the best athlete at the time. But I'd definitely say all of us have different things we can brag about, but it always comes down to the golf course.

Q: Who's the best golfer?

A: It used to be always Matt. Now, my oldest brother, Zach, has gotten better and I've been getting better. I broke 80 for the first time last summer so we're getting better.

Q: What's the opportunity here with the Packers?

A: Whatever they need me to do, coming in here, learn the offensive scheme and do anything they need me to do.

Q: What's it been like dealing with the ups and downs of being drafted, released and so on?

A: Yeah, it's definitely been an experience. I'm glad to be part of the journey.

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Packers lose to Commanders, drop 3rd in a row

Green Bay struggles again on offense

By **STEPHEN WHYNO**
The Associated Press

Aaron Rodgers finished the game face down on the turf after sailing a lateral out of bounds on a frantic, failed final play.

This is not exactly what the four-time NFL MVP envisioned when he returned for another season in Green Bay.

Rodgers and the offense sputtered, penalties piled up at the most inopportune moments, and the Packers lost their third game in a row, 23-21 to the Washington Commanders on Oct. 23 in Landover, Maryland, for their longest skid since 2018.

Nursing a sore thumb and out of sync with receivers, Rodgers was 23 of 35 for 194 yards and the Packers went 0 of 6 on third down. Green Bay (3-4) had just 232 total yards of offense to Washington's 364 and lost Allen Lazard to a shoulder injury, making him the team's third wide receiver to go down during the first losing streak under coach Matt LaFleur.

"We just got to play better — all of us," said Rodgers, who taped his throwing hand at halftime after jamming the thumb on a couple of snaps. "There's probably a number of plays in every phase that we could've done better. The margin of error is so tight, a couple calls don't necessarily go our way and we don't execute at all on offense in certain situations. ...

"It's not winning football."

Rodgers is right: The problems were not limited to offense. Amari Rodgers continued his struggles returning punts by muffing one that set Washington up in the red zone, and cornerback Eric Stokes was flagged for a costly illegal contact penalty that wiped out a fumble return touchdown and later for unsportsmanlike conduct.

The negatives outweighed the few positives: a 63-yard pick-6 of Taylor Heinicke by De'Vondre Campbell and two touchdown passes from Rodgers to Aaron Jones — the second of which completed a 75-yard drive aided by Washington penalties that pulled the Packers within two with 3:26 left in the fourth quarter and gave them one final chance to end the skid before falling short.

Playing behind a remade offensive



Green Bay defenders Preston Smith (91), Jarran Reed (90) and Dean Lowry (94) try to bring down Washington quarterback Taylor Heinicke during a game on Oct. 23 in Landover, Maryland.

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Green Bay Packers coach Matt LaFleur reacts during the team's loss to the Washington Commanders on Oct. 23 in Landover, Maryland.

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line without All-Pro left tackle David Bakhtiari, Rodgers struggled to find a rhythm, missing wide-open receivers at times and other times putting the ball in their hands for ill-timed drops. The Packers rushed for just 38 yards.

"We didn't run the ball particularly well, didn't catch it particularly well,

and I didn't really move a whole lot to extend plays until that last drive," Rodgers said.

The Packers had no third-down conversions for the first time since 1999 — 370 games ago with Brett Favre at quarterback and before Rodgers graduated high school. It added up

to the Packers "losing to teams that we feel like we're better than," Jones said, and the losses rarely go like this for a team used to winning.

"Our guys are extremely disappointed," LaFleur said. "I don't think anybody thought we'd be in this spot that we're in right now."

With no blitzing necessary and a basic defensive scheme, Washington's front four also played a role in frazzling Rodgers and making him look more like a rookie than a 38-year-old four-time NFL MVP. Only a series of penalties on the Commanders (3-4) made the game close in the final minutes.

Heinicke, making his first start of the season in place of injured Carson Wentz, threw for two touchdowns and was 20 of 33 for 200 yards after starting 1 of 7 for 14 yards with the interception. One of those TD throws was a perfect pass to Terry McLaurin.

Heinicke also found McLaurin for a 12-yard completion on third-and-9 just before the two-minute warning, sparking "Terry! Terry!" chants from the Commanders fans outnumbered by Packers supporters and helping seal the team's second consecutive ugly victory.

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