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Autumn Swille is a little shy about meeting Santa Claus as mom Ellyn Swille looks on during Christmas in the Park on Dec. 3 in Gillett.

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OCONTO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Dec. 4

Deputies responded to 37 incidents, including threatening on Galuska Road in the Town of Abrams, threatening on North Porcupine Lake Road in the Town of Spruce, suspicious activity on County Road I in the Town of Stiles, threatening on Star Lake Road in the Town of Riverview, six traffic stops, one traffic offense, one citizen assist, one miscellaneous traffic incident, two welfare checks; five 911 hangups and three open lines; one ambulance call; two crashes, both involving deer.

Dec. 3

Deputies responded to 32 incidents, including an animal bite on Book Lane in the Town of Little Suamico, suspicious activity near South Range Line and Sherman roads in the Town of Little River, a disturbance on Logtown Road in the Town of Oconto, suspicious activity on Funk Road in the Town of Oconto, three traffic stops, one traffic hazard, two miscellaneous traffic incidents, one welfare check; two 911 hangups and two open lines; one ambulance call; one crash.

Dec. 2

Deputies responded to 34 incidents, including harassment on Ridge Street in the Town of Mountain, trespassing on Ball Park Road in the Town of Little Suamico, theft on state Highway 22 in the Town of Oconto, theft on Klatt Road in the Town of Underhill, an animal bite on County Road

I in the Town of Stiles, property damage on Funk Road in the Town of Oconto, four traffic stops, one traffic offense, three miscellaneous traffic incidents, one welfare checks; two open-line 911 calls; two ambulance calls; five crashes, two involving deer, one involving a bear.

Dec. 1

Deputies responded to 42 incidents, including a drug investigation at an address in the Town of Spruce, trespassing on McComb Lake Road in the Town of Mountain, property damage on Brookside Cemetery Road in the Town of Pensaukee, theft on Spring Hill Road in the Town of Gillett, a disturbance on McDonald Street in Oconto, eight traffic stops, two traffic hazards, three traffic offenses, three citizen assists, one miscellaneous traffic incident, one welfare check; one open-line 911 call; two ambulance calls; four crashes, two involving deer.

Nov. 30

Deputies responded to 51 incidents, including suspicious activity on state Highway 22 in the Town of Stiles, fraud on Kozlowski Road in the Town of Pensaukee, a disturbance on Main Street in Oconto, an unwanted party on state Highway 32 in the Town of Riverview, nine traffic stops, one traffic offense, one citizen assist, four miscellaneous traffic incidents; four 911 hangups and two open lines; three ambulance calls; two crashes, both

involving deer.

Nov. 29

Deputies responded to 29 incidents, including suspicious activity on County Road G in the Town of Maple Valley, suspicious activity near County Roads VV and R in the Town of Underhill, trespassing on County Road AA in the Town of Breed, suspicious activity on Zastrow Road in the Town of Gillett, trespassing on Peshtigo Brook Road in the Town of How, a disturbance on state Highway 22 in the Town of Oconto Falls, four traffic stops, two traffic hazards, one traffic offense, three miscellaneous traffic incidents; one 911 hangup; one crash, involving deer.

Nov. 28

Deputies responded to 33 incidents, including sexual assault at an address in the Town of Morgan, harassment on James Way in the Town of Brazeau, theft on County Road S in the Town of Little Suamico, animal neglect on County Road C in the Town of Chase, trespassing on Falk Road in the Town of Abrams, drugs at an address in the Town of Brazeau, a noise disturbance on Oak Orchard Road in the Town of Abrams, a disturbance on Main Street in the Town of Abrams, a disturbance on state Highway 22 in the Town of Oconto Falls, one traffic stop, two citizen assists, one miscellaneous traffic incident, one welfare check; three crashes, two involving deer.

Village of Lena applies for water project funds

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources has announced the Village of Lena is an applicant for funding through the Safe Drinking Water Loan Program to improve its public drinking water system.

The project includes the re-

placement of water mains on parts of West Maple Street and Third Street. The loan program has determined that the project will not result in significant adverse environmental effects, and no further environmental review or analysis

is needed before proceeding with funding the project.

The public is encouraged to submit comments regarding this decision and the potential environmental impacts of this project. Submit comments by Dec. 16 to Department of Natural Resources, c/o Kevin Olson, Community Financial Assistance, CF/2, 101 S. Webster St., P.O. Box 7921, Madison, WI 53707; Kevin.Olson@wisconsin.gov; or 608-234-2238.

Notice of Rate Increase Water Customers of the Oconto Falls Water And Light Commission

This is to give you notice that the Oconto Falls Water And Light Commission will file an application on December 9, 2022, with the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC), for authority to increase water rates. Rates for general service will increase 4.5 percent. The increase is necessary to reduce the existing deficiency in present rates. The request is being made under Wis. Stat. 196.193. Rate increases granted under this statute do not require a public hearing. The effect of the increase for some selected customers is shown below. Public Fire Protection and Wholesale rates (if applicable) will also increase 4.5 percent.

Customer Classification	Meter Size	Cubic Feet	Existing Monthly Rate	Revised Monthly Rate
Average Residential	3/4	500	\$27.05	\$28.28
Multifamily	2	4,100	\$166.17	\$173.78
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Large Residential	3/4	800	\$37.55	\$39.26
Public Authority	1 1/2	6,900	\$240.40	\$251.45

Oconto Falls Water And Light Commission anticipates that this rate increase will go into effect on February 1, 2023. If you have any questions about the rate increase request, call the Oconto Falls Water And Light Commission at (920) 846-4507.

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Gillett approves 2023 city budget

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

The Gillett City Council on Dec. 1 approved a \$1.764 million city budget for 2023. The measure includes a \$644,165 property tax levy for city purposes.

Approval was held up briefly after some confusion over whether the budget included the latest changes made during a Nov. 14 review by the finance and personnel committee.

Alderspersion Gary Spaulding said he didn't see a \$20,000 investment that was supposed to go into a fund to buy a new/used truck for the city fire department.

"We should be planning this stuff," Spaulding said. "You know, 'In four years, we're going to put a new street sweeper in; in five years, we're going to get a new truck.' We gotta be doing stuff like that; we're not doing that."

City Clerk/Treasurer Chelsea Anderson said the \$20,000 was part of the city's capital outlay budget.

Once the council was convinced they had the right numbers, the budget was OK'd.

Fire Chief Kurt Hicks said he has checked out several vehicles to replace the department's existing aerial/ladder truck, which dates to 1998.

"They all look pretty on the deal, until you really get talking to them," Hicks said. "Some of them even on the turret in the back, their seals were shot. They had replaced transmissions. We're not going to get a truck for \$30,000 or \$40,000; you're going to have to spend \$100,000 or \$150,000 to get a good used truck that should last us 20 years."

Hicks said he's constantly looking at online sites, but promising trucks are often off the market again before he can bring a proposal to the city council.

In other business, the council hired the law firm of Hinkfuss, Sickel, Pettitjean and Whiting to serve as city attorneys.

Alderspersion Deb Rudie said a

representative from the Green Bay firm was the only person to actively seek the job.

"He was the only one who came and spoke to us, answered our questions, stayed for our entire meeting, took notes, learned about us. I would say we hire them," Rudie said. "If it doesn't go well, it's a month-to-month agreement; we have no commitment to them."

Alderspersion Marie Blaser said she would like to see them at monthly council meetings. Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, the city attorney was expected to sit in on meetings, and the consensus around the table was that the council wants that practice to resume.

Hanaway Ross Law Firm has been the designated city attorney. The changeover is effective Jan. 1.

OCONTO COUNTY COURT

Proceedings of Nov. 29

Bond was set at \$5,000 cash for Collin Andrew Hilker, 23, Appleton, after he was charged with possession of methamphetamine, two counts of felony bail jumping and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Nov. 28. His initial appearance was adjourned until Jan. 12.

Proceedings of Nov. 28

Bond was set at \$7,500 cash for Jordan Beverly Clark, 23, Oconto Falls,

after she was charged with three counts of bail jumping, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Nov. 24. Her initial appearance was adjourned until Dec. 15.

Bond was set at \$4,000 cash for Laurence P. Reichert, 49, White Lake, after he was charged with operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (fourth offense) and misdemeanor operating while revoked, in connection with an incident that allegedly occurred Nov. 27. His initial appearance was adjourned until Dec. 15.



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The newest Oconto Falls ambulance, purchased through Demers Ambulances and Pomasi Fire Equipment Inc. sports a patriotic graphics package that helps the vehicle stand out, says service director Patrick Ahlgrim.

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Chili, booyah, raffles back local paramedics

Oconto Falls Ambulance Service holds its first holiday open house in three years

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

The Oconto Falls Ambulance Service headquarters was full of visitors Dec. 3 enjoying chili and booyah, choosing which bucket raffles to enter and bringing their children for a visit with Santa Claus.

It's the first time in three years that the annual fundraising event could be held in person, service director Patrick Ahlgrim said.

"We sold the booyah and chili with drive-up service during the pandemic, and we did an online auction, although we still sold raffle tickets," Ahlgrim said. "It's great to have everyone back."

This was also the first fundraiser since the provider became Oconto County's first critical-care paramedic service at the beginning of 2022, which has made the organization a lot busier, he said.

"We've tripled our call volume from a year ago," Ahlgrim said.

This is the first year of a five-year contract for the newly upgraded ambulance service, which serves the towns

of Oconto Falls, Morgan and Stiles, the city of Oconto Falls and the village of Lena. Each municipality has a vote on the board of directors and contributes annual fees to the operation.

Ahlgrim and his wife, Angie, pursued the upgrade in part because of the delays incurred when patients needed to be transferred under paramedic care to a hospital in Green Bay or Milwaukee. In those cases, patients were dependent on the out-of-county ambulance's availability and the time it takes to arrive. Now the paramedics are based in Oconto Falls.

It has made a big difference having a full-time crew — a critical-care paramedic and a non-medical (EMR, EMT or AEMT) — available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, Ahlgrim said. The personnel rotate living at the ambulance service, serving two, 24-hour shifts a week.

The response time has also been aided by the service's newest ambulance, which has the latest, state-of-the-art equipment and can manage snowy roads better.

"We needed to add a four-wheel-



Duane Lundwall dishes a generous helping of booyah during the Oconto Falls Ambulance Service's open house fundraiser Dec. 3.

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drive vehicle to our fleet," Ahlgrim said, adding that the new ambulance stays in the Oconto Falls area to handle emergency 911 calls, and the older ambulances are used for the transports to big-city hospitals.

Ahlgrim showed off the new epoxy concrete flooring that Josh Wirtz and NEW Concrete installed in mid-November, replacing aging carpet in the offices and corridors.

Building upgrades have also been done by James Klein Carpentry and Steve Spaulding, Mark Hillberg and Hillberg Electric and EZ Glide Garage Doors, he said.

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OBITUARIES

Ruby A. Christensen, 76, of Cecil, passed away on Monday, Dec. 5, 2022. Ruby was born on June 8, 1946, to the late Oscar and Johannah (Hischke) Block in Oconto Falls. On Aug. 12, 1967, Ruby married Norman Christensen at St. John's Lutheran Church in Pulcifer.

Ruby owned and operated the Gillett Beauty Center for over 30 years. Ruby was very active in the community. She served as a Cub Scout leader, youth group leader, Sunday school teacher, and ladies aid member. Ruby was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church. She enjoyed playing cards, bowling and walking. Ruby greatly enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and going to Camp Luther in



Thomas, Alexis, Paige, Peyton, Pamela, Bailey, Ryan, Aidan, Joshua, Justine, Megan, and Michael; sister, Ruth Christensen; brothers, Ruben Block and Russell (Kathy) Block; sisters-in-law, Delores Christensen, Rochelle Christensen, and Marlene Christensen;

the summer.

Ruby is survived by her husband, Norman; five children, Kelly, Kim (Kevin) Hendrikson, Kyle (Karen), Kerry (Carrie), and Kara (Jesse) Tulogeski; 12 grandchildren,

brother-in-law, Joe Ondik. She is further survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; numerous brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law.

Visitation will be held on Friday, Dec. 16, 2022, at Gruetzmacher Funeral Home in Suring from 4-8 p.m. Visitation resumes on Saturday, Dec. 17, 2022, at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Bonduel from 10 a.m. until the funeral service at 11 a.m. Ruby will be interred at St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery.

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

The family would like to thank the staff of Bellin Memorial Hospital in Green Bay for the care and compassion offered to Ruby and her family during their time of need.

Further thanks to the Rev. Timothy Shoup and the Rev. Mark Palmer for visiting Ruby and helping the family through this difficult time.



Mary Jane Karst

Mary Jane Karst, 84, passed away on Monday, Nov. 28, 2022, in Appleton. She was born Oct. 1, 1938, to the late Karl and Alice (Kolaske) Baier in Oshkosh. On Aug. 5, 1961, she was united in marriage to Richard Karst at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Oshkosh. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in Bayfield in 2011, where they enjoyed vacationing for many years. Mary was a kindergarten teacher in the public schools and gave private piano lessons for 25 years. She was a huge Rod Stewart fan, as well



the Mielke Theatre. She enjoyed quilting with the Shawano Area Quilters. St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church

as Neil Diamond, and enjoyed attending concerts at the Performing Arts Center and Weidner Center. One of her favorite performances was "Les Mis."

Locally, Mary acted in plays at the Mielke Theatre. She enjoyed quilting with the Shawano Area Quilters. St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church

in Cecil was her home church. Mary Jane spent the last few years of her life at Country Villa Assisted Living in Freedom, where she loved to socialize and play cards and bingo; especially sheephead.

She is survived by her three children, Mary Ellen (Scott Kuntz) Karst, Tom (Lynn) Karst and Susan (Tom) Vande Walle; and two grandchildren, Elizabeth (Andrew) Vande Walle and Ryan Karst.

Mary Jane is preceded in death by her husband of 52 years, Dick; her

parents and one brother.

A funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 16, 2022, at Swedberg Funeral Home in Shawano with Deacon Todd Raether officiating. Entombment will be in Sacred Heart Mausoleum. Visitation will be held at 11 a.m. Friday until the time of service at the funeral home.

The family would like to say a special thank you to the staff at Country Villa Assisted Living for their compassion for and excellent care of Mother. www.swedbergfuneralhome.com

Mavis M. Rindt, 94, of Shawano, passed away on Friday, Nov. 18, 2022. Mavis was born in the Town of Belle Plaine on July 20, 1928, to the late George and Effie (Fink) Thimke. She was confirmed in 1943 in the United Methodist Church and has been a lifelong member. Mavis attended Ainsworth and Sunny Hill schools before graduating from Shawano High School with the Class of 1946. On Oct. 15, 1949, Mavis was united in marriage to Norman G. Rindt.

Norman and Mavis celebrated 69



ties, she was a former member of the Flour Queens Shawano County Home Club and the Shawano County His-

years of marriage before Norman's passing in 2018. Mavis worked for a variety of banking institutions before she and her husband purchased their farm. Active in community activities,

torical Society. For many years, Mavis enjoyed sewing rag rugs and working on her own and other family's genealogy. Her grandchildren lived next door, and she loved spending time with them.

Mavis is survived by her son, Mike (Patty) Rindt; grandchildren, Reagan Rindt and Riley (Melissa) Rindt; a great-grandson, Austin; and her brother, James (Barbara) Thimke. She is further survived by numerous nieces, nephews, other family and friends.

Mavis was preceded in death by

her husband, Norman; her parents; and two sisters and their husbands, Lillian and Silas Darling and Betty and Vernon Ainsworth.

A funeral service for Mavis was held at the United Methodist-Church on the Hill on Wednesday, Nov. 23, 2022, with the Rev. Daniel Kim officiating. Burial in Woodlawn Cemetery followed the service. Memorials may be directed to the Church on the Hill or the Shawano County Historical Society.

www.swedbergfuneralhome.com

Dorothy A. Sorensen, 80, of Gillett, passed away on Saturday, Dec. 3, 2022. Dorothy was born on Dec. 27, 1941 to the late Oscar and Catherine (Kurek) Sorensen. She graduated from Gillett High School with the class of 1960. After high school, Dorothy began working as a secretary at the Green Bay Correctional Institution, which she retired from in 2000.

Dorothy spent her retirement lovingly caring for her brother, Jimmy. She was a very involved member of St. John Catholic Church in Gillett. Dorothy loved playing solitaire and other



sports fan and enjoyed watching the games on television.

Dorothy is survived by her son, Joe (Julie) Moreau; four siblings, Ronald

card games. She greatly enjoyed spending time and having dinner with her family. She enjoyed the many birthday parties with her nieces and nephews. Dorothy was an avid Wisconsin

(Janice) Sorensen, Darlene Hodny, James "Jimmy" Sorensen, and Carol (Daniel) Brown; three grandchildren, Morgan, Ryan and Jacey. She is further survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives, and close friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother-in-law, Laddie J. Hodny; special friend, Virgil Schoen.

Visitation will be held on Satur-

day, Dec. 10, 2022, at St. John Catholic Church in Gillett from 9 a.m. until the

Mass of Christian burial at 11 with the Rev. Francis Dias officiating. She will be interred at St. John Catholic Cemetery.

Gruetzmacher Funeral Home in Suring is assisting the family with arrangements.

Online condolences can be expressed at www.gruetzmacherfuneralhome.com.



OBITUARIES

Janet Gallagher, 85, Shawano, formerly of Oconto Falls, died Wednesday evening, Nov. 30, 2022, at home in the presence of her two daughters. She was born Oct. 1, 1937, in Oconto Falls to Wesley and Hilda (Rusch) Christensen. Janet graduated Oconto Falls High School with the Class of 1955 and, after graduation, began working for the Oconto Electric Co-op.

In 1960, she married Tom McDougal and, in 1968, purchased the Windmill Bar and Restaurant, which they ran together until 1977. In 1974, Janet returned to work at Oconto Electric until retiring in January



help neighbors out however she could. As an avid reader, she enjoyed the summertime when she could sit on her porch, soak up the sun and do her gardening. Her granddaughter Angel was the highlight of her life

2000. On Jan. 6, 1979, she married Lowell Gallagher and later moved to Shawano. Janet will be fondly remembered as a fun-loving person, being everyone's friend and willing to

and together, they had many good times and made great memories.

Survivors are her two daughters, Candace (fiancé Tommie Smith) Stora, Chicago; Jody (special friend Kevin) Sheaffer, Shawano; one granddaughter, Angel Eggleston, Chicago; her stepchildren, Candace Foss, Brenda Reynolds and Rachel (Brian) O'Brien; six step-grandchildren, one sister-in-law, Vickie Gallagher, Green Bay; many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Lowell, infant brother Jim, one sister Joyce (Ed) Arndt, niece Judy Arndt, stepdaughter Susan Gallagher, stepson

John Gallagher and brother-in-law Gary Gallagher.

Visitation with the urn present will take place after 9 a.m. Friday, Dec. 9, 2022, at Jones Funeral Service in Oconto Falls until the time of service. Memorial services will be held 11 a.m. Friday at the funeral home with Vicar Keith Sorlie officiating. Burial will follow in Bethel Lutheran Cemetery in Green Valley.

Janet's family would like to thank doctors, nurses and staff at Aurora Hospital in Green Bay, as well as Unity Hospice for their care and concern shown to all of them during their time together.

Lucas L. "Dibs" Christenson

Lucas L. "Dibs" Christenson, 46, of Shawano, died tragically Saturday evening, Nov. 19, 2022, at his home in Shawano.

Lucas was born July 20, 1976, in Green Bay, a son of the late Steven Christenson and the late Jean (Schaetz) Kobiske. He attended Menominee Tribal School and Ashwaubenon High School. He worked various jobs, including bartending, to provide for his family until he found his "dream job" and earned the nickname "Parts God." He was employed at Alpha Automotive in Green Bay. On Aug. 3, 2013, Lucas was united in marriage to Kimberly in Marshfield. Following their marriage, the couple lived in Shawano.

Lucas was known for his quick wit and sarcastic sense of humor. He was the first to lend a hand to those in need. He loved spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren. Lucas followed Norse mythology. He enjoyed hockey as well as other sports. Lucas loved a good round of golf, pizza and his favorite meal — steak with a side of steak.

Left to cherish his memory are his



Christenson and Andre Lampinen, both of Shawano; four grandchildren, Carson, Samuel and Cameron Otto and Nevaeh Christenson; two sisters, Jinger Kasiner-Sutalo and Cheryl Palmer; and many nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Ronnie Bushey, and his special aunt, Leean Blazer.

A private family visitation was held Tuesday, Nov. 29, 2022. A public celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Mickelson Funeral and Cremation Service of Shawano is assisting the family with arrangements. Please share online condolences at www.mickelsonfs.com.



Phillip J. Chilcote

Phillip J. Chilcote, 57, Oconto Falls, died Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 24, 2022, at home. He was born July 30, 1965, in China Lake, California, to Arthur and Joyce (Hary) Chilcote-Moore. Phillip worked as a full-time fireman and with county rescue in California before moving to Wisconsin.

Survivors are his son, Jacob Chilcote, Pulaski; his mother, Joyce Moore, Lake Isabella, California; one brother, Justin Chilcote, Bakersfield, California; one sister, Wendy Grubbs,



Rosemond, California.

He was preceded in death by his father.

There will be no public visitation or service. Cremation will take place.

Jones Funeral Service in Oconto Falls is serving the Chilcote family.

James C. Kenote

James C. "Jim" Kenote, 56, of Shawano, walked on, after a brief battle with cancer, on Monday, Nov. 14, 2022, in Appleton. James was born in Harvey, Illinois, on Oct. 3, 1966, to the late Ronald and Joyce "Bunny" (Heath) Kenote. Jim was a graduate of Menominee Indian High School and attended the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. On May 20, 2001, he was united in marriage to Karen Konrardy.

Jim worked in the restaurant business for many years as both a manager and a cook. When he retired in 2021, Jim returned to the Wisconsin area and enjoyed spending time in the woods or cooking. He was a fan of movies and superheroes, and he had an extensive collection of comic books and superhero collectibles, especially Batman. Jim also had a passion for music, and Pink Floyd was his favorite group. He was a loving husband,



father and brother and took great care of his family.

James is survived by his wife, Karen; his daughter, Nicole Kenote; his brothers, Waylon (Savannah) Kenote and Michael Kenote;

aunts and uncles, Janice (Philip) Reed, Margaret (Cornelius) Wendell, William (Carol) Heath, Steve Heath and Linda Heath; and cousins, Maria Conn and Tina Gouty Yellow. He is further survived by nieces, nephews, other family members and friends.

A memorial service will be held at 4:30 p.m. Dec. 17, 2022, at Swedberg Funeral Home, Shawano. Visitation will be held at 3 p.m. until the time of service at the funeral home.

www.swedbergfuneralhome.com

Jewel D. Posselt

Jewel D. Posselt, 81, of Shawano, passed away on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 24, 2022. She was born July 5, 1941, to the late Alvin and Lily (Wussow) Nadler in Shawano. Jewel was a graduate of Bonduel High School. On May 30, 1964, she was united in marriage to David Posselt in Shawano. He preceded her in death in 2011. Jewel was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church Stony Hill. Jewel's children knew her well for her love of her home and keeping it lovingly decorated throughout the year. Jewel's other pastimes included painting, bowling, cards, socializing with friends and spending time with her grandchildren. She also spoke fondly of donating her time to the Ladies' Aid at the church.

She is survived by her children,



Kerry (Mark) Harding, Dan Posselt and Andy (Jessa) Posselt; nine grandchildren, Sam, Jacob, Isabella, Oscar, Rowan, Aria, Elliot, Cedar and Martin.

Jewel is preceded in death by her husband, David; her parents; and daughter, Michelle.

A memorial service will be held at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18, 2022, at Swedberg Funeral Home with Pastor Conradt officiating. Visitation will be held at noon at the funeral home until the time of service. Inurnment will be in Stony Hill Cemetery.

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Leigha Hackey and Benny, a Class A mini-pony rescue, from Thunder Ridge Drafts draw a crowd as they enter the exhibition building at Zippel Park during Christmas in the Park in Gillett on Dec. 3.

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School district looks at improving public image

Communications consultant seeks to work with Shawano to better inform staff, community

By **LEE PULASKI**

City Editor

The Shawano School District is working on reviving its public image, and it could be turning to a communications consultant to help restore trust with the public.

The Shawano School Board received a presentation Dec. 5 from Dorreen Dembski, who runs her own communications company out of Fond du Lac that focuses on internal communication and public relations for school districts. She has 18 years of working as a communications director for various school districts and then worked with the Wisconsin Association of School Boards before starting her own business.

"Communications is one of those things that escapes a lot of schools — not because you don't have the desire or even that you don't have the goal, but oftentimes you don't have the people on staff who can get the work done," Dembski said. "I started working with schools a long time ago, and I continue to work with schools now on my own as an independent contractor."

Interim Superintendent Kurt Krizan said that the presentation was just to get an idea of the services that could be offered through Dembski. If the board was interested, he said he would ask her for a formal proposal.

However, the question of cost soon

came up, and Dembski indicated that six months of work from her company could cost the district around \$25,000, which brought up questions from the board members. Dembski said the cost breaks down to about \$3,000 to \$4,000 per month to start, which includes dedicating 20 hours a month to examining what the district's needs are.

"Whether it's doing your newsletter or working on your social media content strategies, there's a lot of work that gets done in the first year for a foundation to be built," Dembski said.

Board member John Arens sees better communication as essential, saying that there's little to no marketing going on in the district. However, he wanted to make sure that this proposal didn't turn into more work for the staff.

"The one thing I don't want to see is that we're paying money, and it means more meetings for people," Arens said. "I need something to actually happen with this. If we look at a marketing person, what do we need to bring in? If we bring in seven outside students that join the school district, that pays for our marketing person."

Board member Karen Smith noted that the district has already offered a hefty pay hike for the work proposed to be done in house. She referred to when the board voted in 2020 to give Robyn Shingler, Shawano Community

Education director, a \$20,000 pay hike to take the lead in the district's marketing and community engagement.

"Are we going to be reducing that department's salary if we go this way?" Smith said.

Board member Alysia Pillsbury said she appreciated the opportunity to be able to think about the communications proposal, as she was feeling some déjà vu about the issue of public relations coming back on the board's agenda.

"I just want to know that there's going to be a return on that investment," Pillsbury said.

Dembski noted that much of her company's work focuses on ongoing communications, but she has also worked to inform communities about school referenda. Shawano's public schools have been considering going out for operational and capital requests to voters but have held off since a survey conducted earlier in the year indicated a lack of trust in the district's handling of finances, with most of the finger-pointing aimed at former Superintendent Randi Anderson.

Dembski said the reason many school districts are behind in their communications effort is that the transmission of information has changed as the internet has become entwined in people's lives. Prior to the internet, information came out more slowly with time for officials to

prepare a response, something that has been lost in the age of around-the-clock information dissemination.

"Information moves quickly.

We also have misinformation and disinformation and, with all of those things, it makes communication a 24-7 job," Dembski said. "Some of us prefer emails; some of us prefer texts. Some of us prefer face-to-face. We all have our own preferences, and we only attend to what's important to us."

The key to improving public relations, in Dembski's view, will require district officials to understand that the timing of information going out is powered more by the community than by the schools.

"People want information when they want it, not when you want to send it," Dembski said. "That's a big problem for school districts — what to send, when to send it, how to send it. Another downside is that if we don't provide the information people are looking for, they become frustrated, disillusioned, think that you're hiding something."

Dembski praised some of the work done so far, including recognizing outstanding staff and students. She noted that a presentation earlier in the meeting where Krizan handed out certificates honoring people with Hillcrest Primary School is something that's not seen very often in schools.

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ABC	Good Morning America (N) 		9 Good Morning America (N)  9 Action 2 News: This Morning (N)		9 Wildlife  9 Morning	9 oh baby! "Fun in the Sun"	9 Hearts of  9 Wildlife	9 Saving Pets  9 oh baby!	9 Sports Stars  9 Christmas	9 Organic Whole Food	College Basketball Georgetown at Syracuse. JMA Dome. (N)  (Live) 				College Basketball Alabama at Houston. Fertitta Center. (N)  (Live) 				9 Heroes  9 Inside Edit.	9 Moyshe Beregovsky	9 Cleaning Secrets!	ABC World News	
CBS	9 Mission  9 CBS Sat	9 Hope in the Wild  (EI)	9 CBS Sat  9 Lucky Dog	9 Innovation Nation	9 Mission Unstoppable	9 Hope in the Wild  (EI)	All In With Laila Ali 	Did I Mention Invention?	9 Outdoors  9 Paid Prg.	9 Identity Theft  9 Paid Program	9 Paid Program 	NFL Generations (N)  		College Football Today (N)	College Football Navy vs Army. Lincoln Financial Field. (N)  (Live) 						CBS Weekend News		
FOX	55 Xplor. Planet  11 News	55 Xploration Space	FIFA World Cup 2022 Live (N)		FIFA World Cup 2022 Quarterfinal: Teams TBA. (N)  (Live) 				FIFA World Cup 2022 Today (N)  			FIFA World Cup 2022 Quarterfinal: Teams TBA. (N)  (Live) 			FIFA World Cup 2022 Today (N) 		College Basketball Villanova vs Boston College. Prudential Center. (N)  (Live) 						
NBC	25 Today  12 (6:00) Today	12 906 Outdoors	12 Today's Homeowner	News-Kids Edition	Earth Odyssey With Dylan	Wild Child  (DVS)	Harlem Globetrotters	One Team-Sports	93 Paid Prog.  93 The Voyager	93 Nutriseal  93 Roots Less	Paid Program 	Paid Program 	PGA Tour Originals (N)	PGA Tour Golf QBE Shootout, Second Round. From Tiburon Golf Club in Naples, Fla. (N)  (Live) 		Swimming Winter Junior National Championships - East. From Greensboro, N.C. (N Same-day Tape)  				93 MyPil-low  93 Nutriseal	NBC Nightly News		
PBS	20 Hero Elementary  (EI)  35 WLEF (DVS) 38 WPNE	Alma's Way  (EI)  (DVS)	Curious George (EI)	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood  (DVS)	Viewers' Choice									Viewers' Choice						Great Performances "Josh Groban's Great Big Radio City Show" Josh Groban performs. 			
32 WACY	Hearts	oh baby!	Paid	Mak	Clean	Out	MidWest	Bensin	World's	World's	SOS: Survive		Sporting	Raised	Offshore	Spanish	Heartland		Mod	Mod	Gold	Gold	
45 WTPX	MacGyver 		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		
CW	14 Outdoor  34 Pop-star!	14 34	Jack Hanna's Into the Wild	Jack Hanna's Into the Wild	Jack Hanna's Into the Wild	Jack Hanna's Into the Wild	Pet Vet Dream Team 	Tails of Valor  (EI) 	14 Science  34 Live Life-Win	14 Aging Joints?  34 Paid Program	14 Paid Program  34 Rescue	14 Cook Like  34 Theft	14 Boundless  34 *** The Devil's Own (1997) Harrison Ford.		14 WOW - Women Of Wrestling Robbie Rockette takes on Kandi Krush.		14 Sports  34 Highway	14 Greatest Sports	14 Christmas Lighting Made  34 Bloodline Dete	14 Last Man  34 Burgers	14 Last Man  34 Burgers		

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ABC		9 News 9 WAOW at 6PM (N)	9 Men's Health - Secret for Prostate Health	NBA Countdown (N) (Live) HD	NBA Basketball Boston Celtics at Golden State Warriors. Chase Center. (N) (Live) HD				9 News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N)	9 (:35) Weird Earth	9 (:05) The Song "Brian McKnight" HD	9 (:35) Storm of Suspicion		
9 WAOW		9 Action 2 News at Six (N)	9 Paid Program						9 Action 2 News at 10 (N)	9 (:35) Investigate TV		9 (:35) Opry (N Same-day Tape)		
2 WBAY														
CBS		9 Game Time With Boomer	9 Discover Wisconsin	Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer Animated. Burl Ives narrates an animated tale. HD		Frosty the Snowman Animated. Frosty heads north. HD		(:31) Frosty Returns Animated. Snow-removal spray. HD	(:01) 48 Hours HD	9 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N)	9 (:35) HS Sports Xtra (N)	9 (:05) Friends HD	9 (:35) Friends HD	
5 WFRV		9 NewsChannel 7 at 6	9 Inside Edition Weekend (N) HD							9 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)	9 (:35) Beat the Odds	9 (:05) The Song HD	9 (:35) Opry (N Same-day Tape)	
7 WSAW														
FOX		FOX College Hoops Extra (N) HD (Live) HD	College Basketball	Arizona vs Indiana. MGM Grand Garden Arena. (N) HD (Live)				FOX College Hoops Extra (N) HD (Live) HD	93 The Big Bang Theory	93 The Big Bang Theory HD	Hell's Kitchen "Let the Battle Begin" Each chef must cook a signature dish. HD (DVS)	93 S.W.A.T. Hondo is leery of Leroy's motives. HD	93 Wheel of Fortune "Teacher's Week" HD	
55 WZAW								11 Fox 11 News at Nine (N)	93 The Big Bang Theory HD	11 Seinfeld HD				
11 WLUK														
NBC		93 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) HD	93 Paid Program	Password "Jon Hamm & Jimmy Fallon" Contestants play a word game. HD		Dateline NBC HD			Saturday Night Live "Tom Hanks; Edie Brickell & New Bohemians" From Dec. 8, 1990: Tom Hanks. HD		93 News	(:29) Saturday Night Live "Steve Martin; Martin Short; Brandi Carille" Hosts Steve Martin and Martin Short. (N) HD (Live) HD		
25 WGBA		12 Inside the Huddle	12 Wheel of Fortune "Teacher's Week" HD						12 Newswatch 12 Saturday					
12 WJFW														
PBS		(5:00) Great Performances "Josh Groban's Great Big Radio City Show" Josh Groban performs. HD		John Sebastian's Folk Rewind (My Music Presents) Artists of the 1950s and '60s. HD					The Doobie Brothers: 50th Anniversary at Radio City Music Hall Celebrating 50 years with the band. HD			Viewers' Choice		
20 WHRM														
35 WLEF														
38 WPNE														
32 WACY		Family Feud HD	Two/Half Men	Chicago Fire "A Closer Eye" HD		Chicago P.D. "Good Men" HD		Am Housewife	Am Housewife	The Simpsons	Family Guy HD	Family Guy HD	S.W.A.T. HD	
45 WTPX		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		
CW		14 The Big Bang Theory HD	14 The Big Bang Theory A friendship is tested. HD	Criss Angel's Magic With the Stars "The Greatest Levitation of All Time" Corbin Bleu and Miles Brown. HD		World's Funniest Animals Special guest Gilles Marini. (N) HD	World's Funniest Animals Elephants; dogs; a pair of cats. HD	14 The Rookie HD (DVS)	93 ** Sabrina (1995) Harrison Ford, Julia Ormond. HD	14 The National Desk (N) (Live)		14 TMZ (N) HD		
14 WCWF		93 The Good Doctor HD						93 The Liquidator HD						
34 WYOW														

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ABC	Good Morning America (N) 		9 This Week w/ George Stephanopoulos		9 Capitol 9 This Week		9 Financial 9 UpFront		9 Packers 9 Hearts of 9 Coldwell 9 Vets-Pets		9 Wisconsin 9 Free Ent.		9 Song-Searcher 9 Home.		9 Whacked Out Sports		Heisman Trophy Ceremony (N) 		Women's College Basketball Connecticut at Maryland. Xfinity Center. (N)  (Live) 		9 Greatest 9 Paid Prg.		9 Nutriseal 9 Paid Program		ABC World News 9		9 News 9 News					
CBS	6 News	6 Sunday Mass	CBS News Sunday Morning (N) 			Face the Nation (N) 		9 Game Day 9 Retirement		The NFL Today (N) 		NFL Football New York Jets at Buffalo Bills. The Bills seek revenge from their divisional rival as they host the Jets in a pivotal AFC East tilt. (N)  (Live) 					NFL Today Post-game (N)  (Live) 			Major League Fishing (N) 		CBS Weekend News		9 Paid Prog. 9 News-Chan								
FOX	55 SciQ	55 Mountain Faith	55 FOX News Sunday (N) 		11 Sharyl Attkisson		55 Invest. 55 Paid Program 		FOX NFL Kickoff (N)  (Live) 		FOX NFL Sunday (N)  (Live) 		NFL Football Minnesota Vikings at Detroit Lions. The Vikings face the Lions for a key NFC North tilt. Minnesota edged past Detroit 28-24 on Sept. 25. (N)  (Live) 					(:25) NFL Football Tampa Bay Buccaneers at San Francisco 49ers. Tom Brady faces a familiar former teammate when his Buccaneers visit Jimmy Garoppolo and the 49ers. (N) 														
NBC	Sunday Today With Willie Geist (N) 		25 M't Press 12 Athlete		12 Home Remodeler		25 Know 12 Meet Press		25 MidWest Outdoors		93 Paid Prg. 12 Remodeler		93 Paid Program 93 The Huddle		93 Nutriseal 12 Paid Program		93 Blade 12 Paid Prog.		Paid Program 		Paid Program 		PGA Tour Golf QBE Shootout, Final Round. From Tiburon Golf Club in Naples, Fla. (N)  (Live) 			Figure Skating ISU Grand Prix Final. From Turin, Italy. (N Same-day Tape)  			25 News 12 Nutriseal		NBC Nightly News	
PBS	20 Hero Elementary  (EI)  (DVS)	Alma's Way  (EI)  (DVS)	Curious George  (EI)  (DVS)	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood  (DVS)	Viewers' Choice									Viewers' Choice																		
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WTPX	MacGyver 		MacGyver 		The Search for Secret Santa (2022)				A Christmas in Royal Fashion (2018)				A Royal Christmas Ball (2017) 				A Royal Christmas Engagement 				Princ-Christmas											
CW	11 Worship	11 Daily	11 Catholic Mass	11 Paid Program	11 Outdoor	11	11 Mad Dog & Mer-rill Midwest	11 Larry K	11 Polka	11 The Big Bang	11 Paid Prog.	Paid Program 	11 Emeril	11 Paid Program	11 Christmas Mail (2010) Ashley Scott, A.J. Buckley.		11 Highway Thru Hell		11 Christmas Light-ing Made		11 Sheldon	11 Sheldon										
WCWF	64 Tomorrow	64 In Touch		64 Key of David	64 Mass			64 Shel-don	64 Sheldon	64 Theory	64 Big Bang		64 March	64 Paid Program 					64 WOW - Women		64 Fam. Guy	64 Fam. Guy										
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ABC		*** Avatar (2009, Science Fiction) Sam Worthington, Voice of Zoe Saldana, Sigourney Weaver. A former Marine falls in love with a native of a lush alien world.  							The Conners Jackie moves in with Neville.  	 News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N)	 (:35) Entertainment Tonight (N)  	 (:05) Entertainment Tonight (N)  	 (:35) Weather Gone Viral Nature keeps people on their toes.			
 WAOW  WBAY		60 Minutes (N)  			National Christmas Tree Lighting: Celebrating 100 Years Tree lighting in Washington, D.C. (N)  		Must Love Christmas (2022, Romance) Liza Lapira, Nathan Witte, Neal Bledsoe. Premiere. A snowbound novelist finds herself in a love triangle.  			 Local 5 News at 10:00 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)		 (:35) Sports Xtra 7 (:35) Investigate TV	 Osteen 7 Game Time With Boomer	 (:35) Friends   (:35) SEAL Team  		
FOX		NFL Football Tampa Bay Buccaneers at San Francisco 49ers.	The OT (N)  	The Simpsons Animated. Nelson learns the art of hockey goonery.	(:31) The Great North Animated. Moon rescues a reindeer. (N)  	Bob's Burgers "The Plight Before Christmas" (N)  	Family Guy "The Candidate" (N)  	 Seinfeld "The Pony Remark"   11 Fox 11 News at Nine (N)	 Seinfeld "The Busboy" George costs busboy his job.  	 The Goldbergs   11 Fox 11 News at 10 (N)  	 Goldbergs   11 Sharyl Attkisson	 American Housewife   (:05) The National Desk	 American Housewife Katie realizes she is too judgmental.			
NBC		Football Night in America (N)  		(:15) NFL Football Miami Dolphins at Los Angeles Chargers. Tua Tagovailoa and the Dolphins face Justin Herbert and the Chargers. Los Angeles is 2-3 at home. (N)  										 News 12 Newswatch 12 at 10pm	 The Race 12 Outdoorsman International	 Graham Bensinger 12 Funny You Ask
PBS		(2:00) Viewers' Choice			Jerry Apps: Food & Memories  			Viewers' Choice			Antiques Roadshow "The Gen X Years" Matt Groening artwork.  		Austin City Limits "Leon Bridges; Khruangbin" Leon Bridges; trio Khruangbin.  			
 WHRM  WLEF  WPNE																
 WACY		Family Feud  	Two/Half Men	*** The Devil's Own (1997, Suspense) Harrison Ford, Brad Pitt.				Mom  		Mom  		The Simpsons	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	S.W.A.T.  	
 WTPX		(5:00) A Prince for Christmas  		A Prince and Pauper Christmas (2022) Brittany Underwood.  				A Christmas Princess (2019) Erin Gray, Cameron Jebb.  				A Prince and Pauper Christmas  				
CW		 The Big Bang Theory  	 The Big Bang Theory Sheldon wants revenge against Amy.  	Family Law "Legacy" Malpractice at a fertility clinic. (N)  		Coroner "Safe Space" A bereaved Peggy is missing. (N)  		 WOW - Women 13 Liquidator		 Chicago P.D. Intelligence works with the CFD.  		 Truth of God	 WOW - Women Of Wrestling (N)  	 Extra (N)  	 Moviefone TV  	
 WCWF  WYOW		 The Good Doctor  														

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ABC	Good Morning America				9 Live	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			9 News 9 NewsChannel 7	Bold and the Beautiful	The Talk		Let's Make a Deal		9 Friends 7 Clark-son	9 Friends	9 Local 5 News 7 Jdg Judy	9 Local 5 News 7 Jdg Judy	9 News 9 NewsChannel 7	CBS Evening News	
CBS					CBS Mornings				9 Local 5 7 25 Words	7 Paid Program	The Price Is Right		The Young and the Restless								9 Friends 7 Clark-son	9 Friends	9 Local 5 News 7 Jdg Judy	9 Local 5 News 7 Jdg Judy	9 News 9 NewsChannel 7
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FOX	55 Business First	55 Ag-Day	55 Dateline		55 Rachael Ray 11 Live with Kelly and Ryan		55 The Jennifer Hudson Show 11 Fox 11 Living With Amy		55 Fam-Feud	55 Fam-ily Feud	55 Blast 11 Varied	55 Daily Blast Live	55 Judge Mathis		55 Hot Bench 11 Barrymore	55 Hot Bench 11 Barrymore	55 Judge 11 Peo. Court	55 Judge Judy	55 News 11 Jdg Judy	55 Fam-Feud 11 Jdg Judy	55 Shel- don 11 News	55 Young Sheldon			
55 WZAW	11 WLUK									11 Rachael															
NBC	Today				Today 3rd Hour		Today With Hoda & Jenna		26	12	NBC News Daily		26 Date- line 12 You Bet	12 Piction- ary	26 Tamron Hall 12 Pictionary	12 Funny You Ask	26	12 TMZ	26 Fam- Feud 12 Up North	26 Aft. Focus 12 Jeopardy	26 News 12 News	NBC Nightly News			
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20 WHRM	35 WLEF	38 WPNE																							
32 WACY	Judge	Relative	Divorce	Divorce	Wom	Grill'n	iCRIME	iCRIME	The First 48		Dateline		Chicago Fire		Sherri		TMZ Live		Mod	Mod	Gold	Gold			
46 WTPX	Varied Programs																								
CW	14 Na- tional	34 Caught in Provi- dence	14 Weather 34 M'ry	14 Paid Program		14 Court 34 S. Wilkos	14 Hot Bench 34 Karamo	14 Hot Bench	14 Pater- nity 34 M'ry	14 Pater- nity Court	14 Law & Order: SVU 34 XTRA	34 Ac- cess Hol- lywood	14 Judge Jerry 34 Sherri		14 Judge Mathis 34 Judge Jerry		14 Piction- ary 34 Karamo	14 You Bet Your Life	14 Jeopardy 34 Steve Wilkos	14 Funny You Ask	14 You Bet	14 Shel- don 34 Judge			
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ABC	9 News 9 WAOW at 6PM (N)	Entertainment To-night (N) 	Celebrity Wheel of Fortune "London Hughes, Fortune Feimster and Bobby Berk" London Hughes; Fortune Feimster. (N) 		CMA Country Christmas A holiday celebration.  		Avatar: The Deep Dive -- A Special Edition of 20/20 (N) 		9 News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N) 9 Action 2 News at 10 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!  		(:37) Nightline (N) 			
9 WAOW 2 WBAY	9 Action 2 News at Six (N)														
CBS	9 Local 5 News at 6:00 	9 Locker Room (N) 7 Locker Room	FBI "Fortunate Son" Nina goes to Scola with a proposal. (N) 		FBI: International "Hail Mary" Vo goes under cover. (N) 		FBI: Most Wanted "Appeal" Three prosecutors are assassinated. (N) 		9 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) 9 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N) 		(:37) The Late Late Show With James Corden (N) 			
5 WFRV 7 WSAW	9 (5:59) NewsChannel 7 at 6														
FOX	9 The Big Bang Theory 	9 The Big Bang Theory 	The Resident "Peek and Shriek" Multiple victims arrive at Chastain. 		TMZ's Merry Elfín' Christmas The biggest stories of 2022.  		9 NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N) 9 Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)	9 Seinfeld Jerry loves an expensive suede jacket. 	9 Seinfeld "The Abstinence" 	9 Last Man Standing 	9 Last Man Standing 	9 The Goldbergs 			
55 WZAW 11 WLUK	9 Jeopardy! (N) 	9 Wheel of Fortune (N) 							9 Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (Live)		9 (47) The King of Queens 	9 (:35) The Neighborhood 			
NBC	9 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) 	9 Packers Live 9 Wheel of Fortune	The Voice "Live Cutdown Show" (N) 		The Voice "Live Finale, Part 2" (Season Finale) The winner is revealed. (N) 				9 NBC26 News at 10pm (N) 9 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon 		(:37) Late Night With Seth Meyers 			
26 WGBA 12 WJFW	9 Newswatch 12 at 6 (N) 	"Disney Secret Santa"													
PBS	PBS NewsHour (N) 		O Holy Night: Christmas With the Tabernacle Choir Songs and stories of Christmas. (N) 		In a Different Key A woman worries about her son's future. 				The St. Olaf Christmas Festival: A New Song of Grace and Truth The St. Olaf Christmas Festival. 		NOVA "Ghosts of Stonehenge" Clues about who built Stonehenge. 				
20 WHRM 36 WLEF 38 WPNE															
32 WACY	Family Feud 	Two/Half Men	Dateline "A Bronx Tale" 		Chicago P.D. "All Cylinders Firing"		My News at 9	NBC 26 Tonight	Two/Half Men	Am Housewife	Am Housewife	Mom 			
48 WTPX	Chicago Fire "Chopper" 		Chicago Fire "Arrest in Transit" 		Chicago Fire "Santa Bites" 		Chicago Fire "Let Him Die" 		Chicago Fire "Ambush Predator"		Chicago Fire Shay's sister visits.				
CW	9 The Big Bang Theory 	9 The Big Bang Theory 	The Winchesters "Pilot" John meets demon hunter Mary. 		Professionals "Deep Fake" After taking Grace to safety, Peter goes to Dublin where Zora faces prison for infidelity. (N) 		9 Last Man Standing 	9 Seinfeld 	9 The National Desk (N) (Live)	9 The National Desk (N) (Live)	9 Last Man Standing 	9 Young Sheldon 			
14 WCWF 34 WYOW	9 Divorce Court (N) 	9 Divorce Court 					9 The Liquidator 	9 Chicago P.D. 		9 black-ish 	9 black-ish 	9 Family Guy 			

WEDNESDAY					EVENING					DEC. 14		
	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)	Entertainment Tonight (N) 	A Very Backstreet Holiday The Backstreet Boys sing holiday songs. (N) 		Abbott Elementary	(:31) Abbott Elementary A traveling storytelling troupe visits. 	Finding Harmony Transforming a community into a chorus. (N)  		9 News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!  		(:37) Nightline (N) 
9 WAOW												
2 WBAY	9 Action 2 News at Six (N)								9 Action 2 News at 10 (N)			
CBS	9 Local 5 News at 6:00 (N)	9 Green Bay Nation (N)	Survivor (Season Finale) (N) 						9 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N) 		(:37) The Late Late Show With James Corden (N) 
5 WFRV		9 Inside Edition (N) 							9 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)			
7 WSAW	9 (5:59) NewsChannel 7 at 6											
FOX	9 The Big Bang Theory 	9 The Big Bang Theory 	LEGO Masters "Water Works; Finale: Master Build" (Season Finale) The teams must build a fountain. (N)  				9 NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N)	9 Seinfeld Getting seated at a Chinese restaurant. 	9 Seinfeld "The Andrea Doria"	9 Last Man Standing 	9 Last Man Standing 	9 The Goldbergs 
55 WZAW							9 Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)		9 Fox 11 News at 10 (N)	9 (47) The King of Queens 	9 (:35) The Neighborhood 	
11 WLUK	9 Jeopardy! (N) 	9 Wheel of Fortune (N) 										
NBC	9 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) 	9 Total Packers-Matt LaFleur	Saturday Night Live "A Saturday Night Live Christmas Special" A collection of holiday sketches. (N) 				That's My Jam Celebrities play festive musical games.  		9 NBC26 News at 10pm (N)	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon 		(:37) Late Night With Seth Meyers 
26 WGBA		9 Wheel of Fortune							9 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)			
12 WJFW	9 Newswatch 12 at 6 (N) 											
PBS	PBS NewsHour (N) 		The Earthshot Prize 2022 Earthshot Prize winners. (N) 		NOVA "Rebuilding Notre Dame" Restoring Notre Dame Cathedral. (N) 		American Experience "Test Tube Babies" In-vitro fertilization.  		The Ornament of the World The history of medieval Spain. 			
20 WHRM												
36 WLEF												
38 WPNE												
32 WACY	NBA G League Basketball Fort Wayne		Mad Ants at Wisconsin Herd. (N)		Family Feud 		Two/Half Men		My News at 9		NBC 26 Tonight	
48 WTPX	NCIS "Beneath the Surface" 		NCIS "A Thousand Words" 		NCIS A string of soldiers are killed.		NCIS "Tailing Angie" 		NCIS "Toil and Trouble" 			NCIS "The Last Link" 
CW	9 The Big Bang Theory 	9 The Big Bang Theory 	Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer Animated. Grandma goes missing.  		Masters of Illusion: Christmas Magic 2022 Magicians perform holiday magic. 		9 Last Man Standing 		9 Seinfeld 		9 The National Desk (N) (Live)	9 The National Desk (N) (Live)
14 WCWF							9 The Liquidator 		9 Chicago P.D. 		9 black-ish "Inheritance" 	9 The National Desk (N) (Live)
34 WYOW	9 Divorce Court (N) 	9 Divorce Court 									9 black-ish 	9 black-ish 
											9 black-ish 	9 Family Guy 

THURSDAY			EVENING								DEC. 15		
	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)	Entertainment To-night (N) 	Beauty and the Beast: A 30th Celebration Live action/animated. Honoring the film's 30th anniversary. (N)  			The Parent Test "Which Way Is the Right Way?" (Series Premiere) Families face the yes day challenge. (N)  		9 News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N)	(35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!  		(37) Nightline (N) 		
9 WAOW	9 Action 2 News at Six (N)							9 Action 2 News at 10 (N)					
2 WBAY													
CBS	9 Local 5 News at 6:00 (N) 	9 Local 5 News at 6:30 (N) 	Ghosts "The Christmas Spirit, Part One; The Christmas Spirit, Part Two" Samantha plays matchmaker. (N) 		So Help Me Todd "Swipe Wright" (N) 		CSI: Vegas "In the White Room" Two bodies are discovered. (N) 		9 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N)	(35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N) 		(37) The Late Late Show With James Corden (N) 	
5 WFRV	9 (5:59) NewsChannel 7 at 6		9 Inside Edition (N) 						9 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)				
7 WSAW													
FOX	9 The Big Bang Theory "The Hot Troll Deviation" 	9 The Big Bang Theory 	HouseBroken Animated. Honey's holiday wish comes true. 		Welcome to Flatch Shrub is courting Beth.  		Call Me Kat Max has returned home from Nashville. 	9 NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N)	9 Seinfeld "The Phone Message" George regrets a nasty message.	9 Seinfeld "The Little Jerry" 	9 Last Man Standing 	9 Last Man Standing 	9 The Goldbergs 
55 WZAW	9 Jeopardy! (N)		9 Wheel of Fortune (N) 				9 Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)		9 Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (Live)	9 Last Man Standing 		9 (47) The King of Queens 	9 (:35) The King of Queens 
11 WLUK													
NBC	9 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) 	9 Family Feud	9 Wheel of Fortune		★★ Dolly Parton's Christmas of Many Colors: Circle of Love (2016, Drama) Jennifer Nettles, Ricky Schroder, Gerald McRaney. Dolly Parton's father tries to buy his wife a wedding ring. 			9 NBC26 News at 10pm (N)	(34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon 		(37) Late Night With Seth Meyers 		
26 WGBA	9 Newswatch 12 at 6 (N) 		"Disney Secret Santa" (N)					9 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)					
12 WJFW													
PBS	PBS NewsHour (N) 				Wisconsin Life "Ice Age Trail Alliance" Angela Fitzgerald joins volunteers with the Ice Age Trail Alliance as they build a new boardwalk on the Lodi Marsh Segment of the trail. 		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. 	(31) The Goes Wrong Show "The Spirit of Christmas" The players present a Christmas story.	(01) Finding Your Roots With Henry Louis Gates, Jr. "Where Did We Come From?" Erin Burnett; Amy Carlson. 	The Earthshot Prize 2022 Earthshot Prize winners. 		
20 WHRM													
36 WLEF													
38 WPNE													
32 WACY	Family Feud 	Two/Half Men	Dateline "Mystery in South Beach"		Chicago P.D. "A War Zone" 		My News at 9	NBC 26 Tonight	Two/Half Men	Am Housewife	Am Housewife	Mom 	
48 WTPX	Chicago P.D. "The Other Side" 		Chicago P.D. "Closure" 		Chicago P.D. "Rage" 		Chicago P.D. 	(DVS)	Chicago P.D. "In the Dark" 	Chicago P.D. "Burnside" 			
CW	9 The Big Bang Theory 	9 The Big Bang Theory 	Christmas Around the USA Celebrating Christmas. (N) 				9 Last Man Standing 	9 Seinfeld "The Little Jerry" 	9 The National Desk (N) (Live)	9 The National Desk (N) (Live)	9 Last Man Standing 	9 Young Sheldon 	
14 WCWF	9 Divorce Court (N) 		9 Divorce Court 						9 black-ish 		9 black-ish 	9 black-ish 	9 Family Guy 
34 WYOW													

Meth, THC, fentanyl found in drug arrest

Shawano man charged had warrant out from Outagamie County

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

A Shawano man was charged Dec. 2 with multiple drug-related charges in relation to an incident in the Town of Menominee on Dec. 1.

James L. Lamczyk, 38, was charged with one count of possession of amphetamine/methamphetamine/etc., with intent (greater than 10-50 grams), one count of possession of fentanyl, with intent (greater than 10-50 grams), one count of possession of THC (second or subsequent offense) and three misdemeanor counts of possession of drug paraphernalia.

If convicted, Lamczyk faces fines of up to \$100,000 and 25 years in

prison for each count of possession of amphetamine/methamphetamine/etc., with intent (greater than 10-50 grams) and possession of fentanyl, with intent (greater than 10-50 grams). He also faces up to \$10,000 in fines and 3½ years in prison for possession of THC (second or subsequent offense) and \$500 in fines and 30 days in prison for each misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia.

According to the criminal complaint, a Menominee County Sheriff Department’s sergeant was on duty when they were alerted that James Lamczyk was at the Menominee Casino and Resort and it was believed that Lamczyk had a felony warrant. After communicating with the Menominee Dispatch Center, it was allegedly indicated that Lamczyk had two felony warrants and was on active probation/parole.

The Menominee County Sheriff’s Department sergeant was allegedly alerted that Lamczyk was getting into a

vehicle in the parking lot. From there, another responding deputy allegedly pulled up to Lamczyk’s vehicle, explained that he had a warrant out and detained him. While searching Lamczyk, officers allegedly found what they believed to be methamphetamine in Lamczyk’s wallet.

A vehicle search followed, where officers allegedly found a piece of foil with burnt residue, a glass smoking device — that is allegedly used for methamphetamine, two metal containers that allegedly contained a large amount of gray substance — which officers believed to be fentanyl and a backpack containing a green, leafy substance, two glass smoking pipes, a used syringe, a green hallow pen and a digital scale.

Using a testing kit, officers allegedly determined that 0.9 grams of a crystal substance, 10.52 grams of a separate crystal substance, a glass smoking device, and the used syringe all tested positive for methamphet-

amine, while the hollow green pen, burnt tin foil piece and digital scale all tested negative. The 9.9 grams of a leafy, green substance, a yellow, glass smoking device and a black grinder all tested positive for marijuana. The two metal containers — one containing 1.69 grams of a gray substance and one containing 9.5 grams of a gray substance — tested positive for fentanyl.

According to court records, Lamczyk had a bench warrant issued from Outagamie County on Oct. 27. The charges from that case includes one count of theft of movable property, one count of burglary and one misdemeanor count of criminal damage to property.

During Lamczyk’s Dec. 2 initial appearance, Shawano-Menominee Circuit Court Judge William Kussel Jr. set a cash bond of \$10,000 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Dec. 9.

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WHAT’S HAPPENING

SATURDAY, DEC. 10

SHAWANO: FRESH Project Winter Market/Craft Show, 9 a.m. to noon, First Presbyterian Church, 100 W. Presbyterian St.

SHAWANO: Christmas Extravaganza Vendor and Craft Fair, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Wolf River Lutheran High School, W7467 River Bend Road.

OCONTO: Gift Wrapping Fundraiser, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Park Avenue Theatre, 408 Park Ave. Machickanee Players will wrap Christmas presents to raise funds for HVAC improvements and accessibility in the

theater. \$3-\$15.

GILLETT: Cookie Crawl, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Gillett Public Library Community Center, 204 E. Main St.

SHAWANO: Open Skating with Shawano Hockey, 6:30-8 p.m., Crawford Center, 225 S. Waukechon St. Weekly through Dec. 17.

SUNDAY, DEC. 11

SHAWANO: Learn to Skate with Shawano Hockey, 4-7 p.m., Crawford Center, 225 S. Waukechon St. Learn to skate 4-5 p.m., open skate 5:30-7 p.m. Weekly through Dec. 18.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 14

BONDUEL: Advent Service, 6 p.m., Zion United Methodist Church, 134 E. Green Bay St.

THURSDAY, DEC. 15

OCONTO: Auditions for “War of the Worlds,” 6 p.m., Park Avenue Theatre, 408 Park Ave. Machickanee Players production.

FRIDAY, DEC. 16

KESHENA: Winter Farmers Market, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., College of Menominee Nation Cultural Building, N172 State Highway 47-55.

OCONTO: Christmas Party, 7 p.m., Park Avenue Theatre, 408 Park Ave. Hosted by Machickanee Players.

BOWLER: Marie Osmond in concert, 8 p.m., Mohican North Star Casino, W12180 County Road A. northstarcasino.com

SATURDAY, DEC. 17

OCONTO: Auditions for “War of the Worlds,” 10 a.m., Park Avenue Theatre, 408 Park Ave. Machickanee Players production.

OCONTO: Machickanee Players Stage Acting Workshop, noon, Park Avenue Theatre, 408 Park Ave.

FRIDAY				EVENING						DEC. 16			
	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)	Entertainment To-night (N) (D)	Shark Tank A new take on a drawing tool. (D) (DVS)		(:01) 20/20 (D)				News 9 WAOW at 10PM (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! (D)		(:37) Nightline (N)	
WAOW WBAY	Action 2 News at Six (N)								Action 2 News at 10 (N)				
CBS	Local 5 News at 6:00 (5:59) NewsChannel 7 at 6	Local 5 News at 6:30 (N) (D) Inside Edition (N) (D)	Reindeer in Here Animated. Saving the future of Christmas. (D)		The Greatest AtHomeHolidayVideos Videos featuring holiday cheer. (N) (D)		Blue Bloods (DVS)		Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N) (D)		(:37) The Late Late Show With James Corden (D)	
WFRV WSAW													
FOX	The Big Bang Theory (D) Jeopardy! (N) (D)	The Big Bang Theory (D) Wheel of Fortune (N) (D)	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (N) (Live)					NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N) Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)	Seinfeld "The Apartment" Jerry encourages Elaine to move.	Seinfeld "The Comeback" (N) (Live)	Last Man Standing (D) (:07) The King of Queens (D) (:35) Seinfeld (D)	Last Man Standing (D) (:35) The King of Queens (D)	The Goldbergs (D) (:35) The King of Queens (D)
WZAW WLUK													
NBC	NBC26 News at 6pm (N) (D) NewsWatch 12 at 6 (N) (D)	Family Feud (D) Wheel of Fortune (D) "Disney Secret Santa" (N)	Lopez vs Lopez The Lopezes celebrate Nochebuena. (N) (D)	Young Rock "Dwanta Claus" Dwayne gets into the holiday spirit.	Dateline NBC (N) (D)				NBC26 News at 10pm (N) NewsWatch 12 at 10pm (N)	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon (D)		(:37) Late Night With Seth Meyers (D)	
WGBA WJFW													
PBS	PBS NewsHour (N) (D)		Washington Week (N) (D)	Here and Now (N) (D)	Broadchurch Pieces of evidence come to light.		Lights Before Christmas: Radiance on Rails An illuminated antique steam train. (D)		(:01) POV "Let the Little Light Shine" National Teachers Academy. (D) (DVS)			European Christmas Markets European holiday shops. (D)	
WHRM WLEF WPNE													
WACY	Family Feud (D)	Two/Half Men	NBA G League Basketball Fort Wayne Mad Ants at Wisconsin Herd. (N)				My News at 9	The List (N) (D)	Two/Half Men	Am Housewife	Am Housewife	Mom (D)	
WTPX	Hawaii Five-0 "Ha'iole" (D)		Hawaii Five-0 "Ua Lawe Wale" (D)		Hawaii Five-0 "Kame'e" (D)		Hawaii Five-0 "Mea Makamae" (D)		Hawaii Five-0 "Ma'ema'e" (D)		Hawaii Five-0 "Ka Hakaka Maika'i"		
CW	The Big Bang Theory (D)	The Big Bang Theory (D)	The 90th Annual Hollywood Christmas Parade The annual Hollywood Christmas parade. (N) (D)					Last Man Standing (D)	Seinfeld "The Comeback" Chicago P.D. "Some Friend"	The National Desk (N) (Live)	The National Desk (N) (Live) black-ish (DVS)	Last Man Standing (D)	Young Sheldon (D)
WCWF WYOW	Divorce Court (N) (D)	Divorce Court (D)										The Liquidator (D)	

OPINION

GUEST COLUMN

Working to reduce ODs in Indigenous community

Over 107,000 people died from an overdose this year, with rates rising most quickly among Black and Indigenous communities. Moreover, the CDC revealed that only one in 10 Indigenous people with a substance use disorder reported receiving treatment. Similar to other Indigenous communities across the United States, the Menominee Indian Tribe has experienced the devastating impact of the overdose crisis. At Maehnowesekekiyah Wellness Center, we are indigenizing care and centering our culture in services to reduce health disparities and prevent overdose in our community.

The Maehnowesekekiyah Wellness Center provides a variety of therapeutic interventions to people with mental health and substance use disorders, including outpatient-based services, peer support, community education, and outreach. Indigenous people with opioid and substance use disorders are routinely denied access to treatment due to systemic social and health barriers. In addition to mental health stigma, prohibitive costs and transportation issues, one of the most prominent barriers is a lack of culturally informed healthcare and supportive services.

It is vital to integrate our cultural values into the different treatment



ADDIE CALDWELL

approaches that we offer, and to acknowledge the ways in which Menominee people are still impacted by our history. Indigenous communities have been subjected to genocide, disease, and displacement. As recently as this summer, mass gravesites of Indigenous children are still being discovered at boarding schools, within museums and state universities. Indigenous people not only must cope with this intergenerational and historical trauma, but they experience ongoing traumatization and marginalization.

Rather than promote Westernized treatment models such as the 12-step program, we are working towards utilizing harm reduction and evidence-based approaches that help Menominee people reconnect to their roots and history of our tribe. The Maehnowesekekiyah Wellness Center specifically has Indigenous clinicians and elders who work with clients. In therapeutic sessions and groups, we also utilize Indigenous medicines, such as smudging with sage and

providing education on how to use traditional medicines in a respectful way.

We want to incorporate our culture in every aspect of care. This includes providing self-care workshops, which are aimed at connecting individuals to their culture through traditional craftwork and indigenous based workshops, in collaboration with other local tribal programming. We have created a community garden, where wellness center participants can learn to grow medicinal plants.

Moreover, as the Maehnowesekekiyah Wellness Center continues to grow, our goal is to expand harm reduction resources in the community. While a common misconception is that harm reduction “enables” people who use drugs, this public health approach to drug use can reduce overdose deaths and save lives. Through our community education program, we want to destigmatize harm reduction and teach people how to use naloxone in the event of an overdose.

Further, we hope to expand access to additional harm reduction strategies, such as fentanyl test strips so that people can use drugs more safely. Syringe services have not been introduced yet, and we do not have the funds currently to introduce this harm

reduction intervention in our community. Not everyone is ready to stop using drugs, and it's crucial to meet them wherever they are at on their road to recovery.

Earlier this year, our team was trained in Generation Red Road, an intensive curriculum that teaches us how to adopt holistic, culturally relevant models of care to better support people with substance use disorders. We are now guiding our clients who have substance use disorders through this curriculum so they can better understand trauma and addiction through a cultural lens.

Ultimately, I believe culture is a form of prevention. As a tribe, we are tired of tragically losing our family members, friends, loved ones to overdose. Menominee people deserve to thrive, and they deserve access to culturally driven care and harm reduction resources that can help end overdose in our community. Though we have experienced collective pain as a community, we believe that celebrating the Menominee tribe's rich culture and history is essential to supporting people on their path to recovery.

Addie Caldwell is the director of wellness programs at the Maehnowesekekiyah Wellness Center on the Menominee Reservation in Wisconsin.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Same-sex marriage protected by law

To the editor:

When Gov. Lee Dreyfus signed the Wisconsin Anti-Discrimination Law, he was asked if that included same-sex marriage. He said, “yes,” and viewed marriage as a function of the state or civil authority. A civil marriage is a contractual union which can be dissolved when either party wishes.

Former Gov. Dreyfus said the state should provide the same rights to same-sex households with the same legal benefits and responsibilities as a male-female household. There are some who are concerned if there is any sexual activity involved; to which, he said, we should never let the state regulate such personal and private behavior. He believed that there is clearly a difference between state-approved marriage and religious or church marriage, called holy matrimony.

The joining of man and woman is considered a sacrament in some churches, and some churches may have a religious preference to not perform same-sex marriages, but that is a faith-based, private matter and clearly does not eliminate contractual right of same-sex couples to engage in a civil contract or state-approved marriage.

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The successful candidate will be a strong leader and working supervisor with excellent business judgement who will be responsible for assuring the financial health of the organization while meeting key business objectives including high reliability, excellent customer service and a safe work environment.

Applicants should have a combination of education and experiences that provides knowledge, skills and abilities in municipal public works. Strong communication and team building skills are essential. CDL is required. Salary and terms are commensurate with experience ranging. 40 hours a week. Monday – Thursday 6a-4p. Must be available for on-call snow and rotating week-ends for Utility.

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- Ability to maintain effective working relationships with representatives of other agencies, City officials, employees and the public.
- Working knowledge and operation of heavy equipment.
- Ability to maintain records and schedule activities relative to his/her responsibilities.
- CDL required
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- Pass DOT physical and DOT drug test prior to employment.
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- Must have a response time of 20 minutes.

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Application deadline: Monday, December 12, 2022 at 4 pm

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*Our hearts were almost broken, we wanted
you to stay, but when we saw you sleeping so
peaceful, free from pain, how could we wish
you back with us, to suffer that again. It broke
our hearts to lose you, but you did not go
alone, for part of us went with you,
the day God took you home.*

*If roses grow in Heaven, Lord please pick a
bunch for us, place them in my Mother's arms
and tell her they're from us. Tell her we love
her and miss her, and when she turns to smile,
place a kiss upon her cheek and hold her for awhile.*

*Because remembering her is easy, we do it every day, but there's an
ache within our hearts that will never go away.*

*Don't think of her as gone away, her journey's just begun. Life holds so
many facets, this earth is only one.*

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#1491

December 9, 16 & 23, 2022
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
OCONTO COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 22IN94

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

Gilbert J. Haight
DOD 11/9/2022

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 6/25/1954 and date of death 11/9/2022, was domiciled in Oconto County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 5855 Wedgewood Drive, Little Suamico, WI 54141.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is 3/3/2023.
5. A claim may be filed at the Oconto County Courthouse, 301 Washington St, Oconto, Wisconsin.
Wanezek, Jaekels, Daul, & Babcock, S.C.
417 S. Adams Street
Green Bay, WI 54301
920-437-8191
Bar No. 1004756
DATE SIGNED: November 23, 2022
Electronically signed by Peggy Miller
Register in Probate
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#1492

December 9, 16, 23, 30, 2022
& January 3 & 13, 2023
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
OCONTO COUNTY
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
Case No. 21-CV-53

Plaintiff:

COVANTAGE CREDIT UNION

-Vs-

Defendant:

DOUGLAS KEMPKE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure entered on June 8, 2021 in the amount of \$37,851.88 the Sheriff will sell the described premises at

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public auction as follows:

TIME: January 31, 2023 at 10:00 am

TERMS: Pursuant to said judgment, 10% of the successful bid must be paid to the sheriff at the sale in cash, cashier's check or certified funds, payable to the Oconto County Clerk of Courts. (Personal checks cannot and will not be accepted). The balance of the successful bid must be paid to the clerk of courts in cash, cashier's check or certified funds no later than ten days after the court's confirmation for the sale or else the 10% down payment is forfeited to the plaintiff. The property is sold 'as is' and subject to all liens and encumbrances.

PLACE: Oconto County Courthouse, 2nd Floor, Lobby of the Treasurer's Office, 301 Washington Street, in the City of Oconto and Oconto County

DESCRIPTION: Real property in the Town of Abrams, County of Oconto, State of Wisconsin, and is described as follows:

Part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast (SE 1/4 of SE 1/4), Section Twenty-seven (27), Township Twenty-seven (27) North, Range Twenty (20) East, in the Town of Abrams, Oconto County, Wisconsin, described as follows: Commencing at the East 1/4 corner of said Section 27; thence South 00 deg. 00' 00" West along the East line of said Section 27, 1330.68 feet to the NW corner of said SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of said Section 27 and being the point of beginning; thence continuing South 00 deg. 00' 00" West, 214.50 feet; thence South 87 deg. 38' 50" West, 202.95 feet; thence North 0 deg. 00' 00" East, 214.50 feet; thence North 87 deg. 38' 50" East, 202.95 feet to the point of beginning. EXCEPT THEREFROM any parts used for road/highway purposes.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2991 County Road EE, Abrams, WI 54101

DATED: December 5, 2022

Galanis, Pollack, Jacobs & Johnson, S.C.

Attorneys for Plaintiff

839 N. Jefferson Street, Suite 200

Milwaukee, WI 53202

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Asst Variety**
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7.7-14.8oz**

Kelly Lake Sanitary District Addendum Article IX. Waste Water Service Charges

Section 9.01 Policy Pg 28
Sub letter K & L

Explanation of quarterly billing after construction permits issued

K-1 Disconnect/Reconnect billing

A disconnect/reconnect does not constitute a lapse in quarterly billing. Property owner is responsible for quarterly payments whether building is hooked to sewer or not.

L-1 New hook up connections billing

New connection billing will commence on the first of the next month after sanitary district representative has made connection inspection.

Example:

If inspection done on last day of month billing will begin the next day on first of month.

If inspection done on First day of month billing will begin on first of next month.

Section 9.01 Policy

Letter "B"

The rate set forth in this ordinance shall take effect upon the first day of the month after connection inspection by a district representative and discontinues upon the same.

APPENDIX A

KLSD Fee Schedule

User Charge System

Kelly Lake Sanitary District No. 1
Oconto County, Wisconsin

TABLE I

Sanitary District Fees and Charges in Effect as of January 01, 2023

Hook-Up. (Includes permit and inspection)	\$5,000.00
Disconnect/Reconnect (Includes permit and inspection)	\$440.00
Disconnect Only (Includes permit and inspection)	\$220.00
Per Diem Fines	\$10.00 per day when applicable
Second Offense to Ordinance	\$ 2500.00 plus \$25.00 per day until corrected
Third Offense to Ordinance	\$ 5000.00 plus \$50 per day until corrected
Replacement of Lateral (Includes permit and inspection)	\$ 220.00
Quarterly Users Fee	\$ 130.00 per unit
Yearly Licensed Hauler Permit	\$ 50.00 per year
Licensed Hauler of Septage	\$ 6.00 per 1,000 gallons
Licensed Hauler of Holding Tank Waste	\$ 11.00 per 1,000 gallons

TABLE II

User Charge Equivalents

Classification	User Charge Equivalent
1. Single Family Residence	1 Unit
2. Housekeeping Cabin, Cottage, or Apartment	1 Unit
3. Multiple Units under a Single Roof	1 Unit per Apartment
4. Motel Unit	1/3 of a Unit
5. Restaurant or Tavern	1 Unit per 13 Stools
6. Restaurant with only Class B Liquor License	1 Unit per 18 Stools
7. Dance Hall	1 Unit per 1900 Persons per Year
8. Gas Station/ Convenience Store	1 Unit
9. Arcade/ Ice Cream Shop/ Misc	1 Unit
10. Laundromat	1 Unit per 3 Regular Washers; 1 Unit per Triple Washer; 3/4 Unit per Washroom
11. Hair Salon	1 Unit
12. Campground (no hook-ups)	1 Unit per 6 Campsites
13. Other	1/2 Unit classification shall exist in a separate structure (in addition to a regular residence or place of habitation) that has only a sink and/or toilet Any other plumbing fixtures in the structure connected to the sewer system e.g., tub, shower, etc., will cause unit to be classified as 1 full unit.

TABLE III

Billing: Late fees (payments received after the 20th of the month \$15.00/Unit will be assessed on the next billing.

Penalties: A late fee of 1.5% will be placed on all delinquent payments. Not including quarterly billing.

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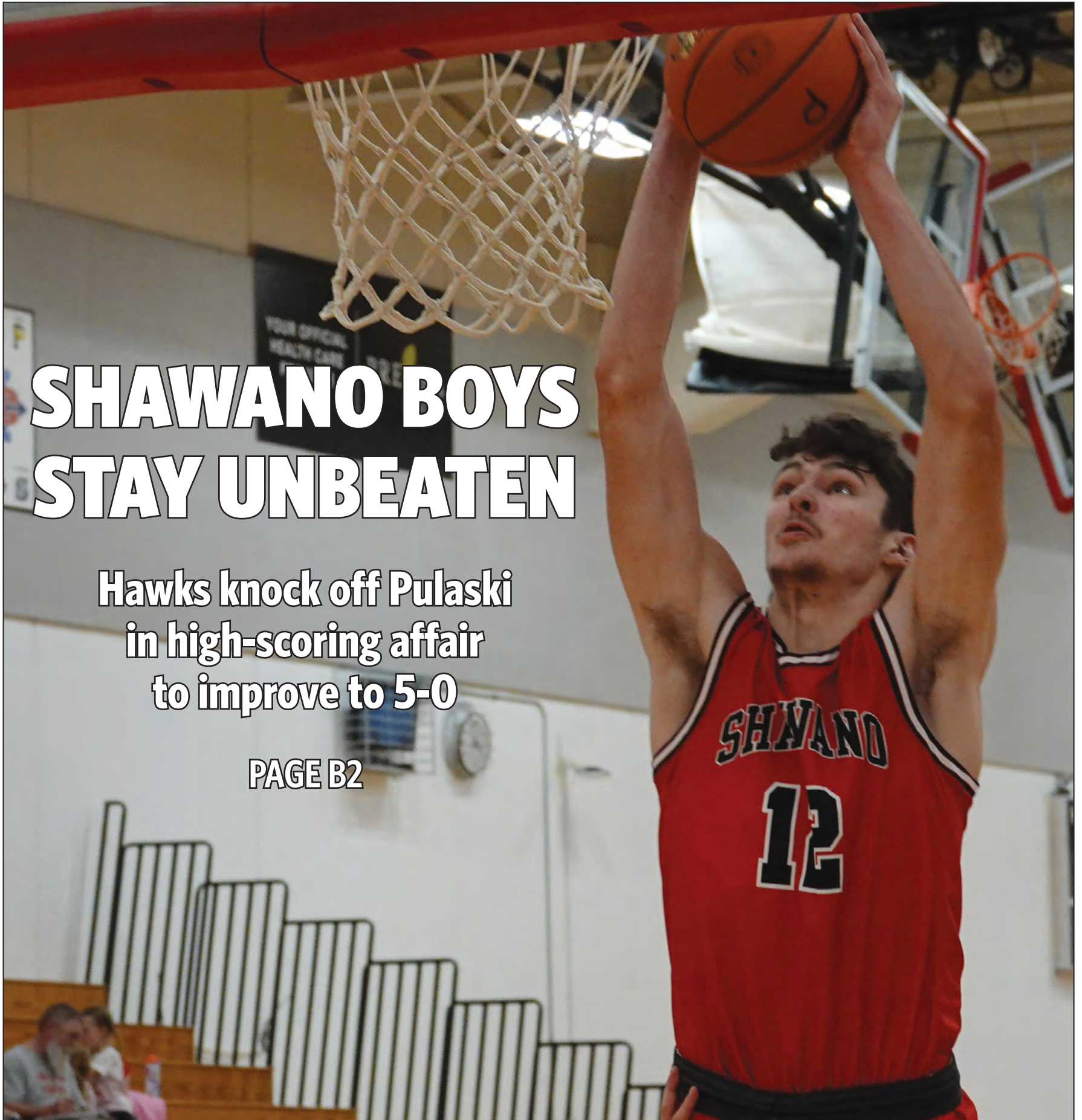
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SHAWANO BOYS STAY UNBEATEN

Hawks knock off Pulaski
in high-scoring affair
to improve to 5-0

PAGE B2

Shawano's Brandon Reed goes up to dunk the ball off an inbound play during a nonconference game against Pulaski on Dec. 3 in Pulaski.

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Shawano boys hold off Pulaski in thriller

Metcalf-Grassman, Landon combine for 55 points for Hawks

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Shawano Community High School boys basketball team kept its perfect season alive after holding off Pulaski late in a high-scoring nonconference battle on Dec. 3 in Pulaski. Shawano prevailed by a final score of 80-78.

Shawano built a double-digit lead by the end of the first half and led by a couple possessions for much of the second half before Pulaski clawed back into it. The visiting Hawks led by 12 points with two minutes to go, but the Red Raiders kept fighting and trimmed their deficit to just one.

After missing some free throws to allow Pulaski to hang around, Shawano knocked down its final four attempts to finally seal the contest.

"It's all trust, it comes down to knowing that you have your teammate's back and they have yours and no matter how hard it gets, you have to keep the same mindset and trust your teammates are going to make the right play," said Shawano's Jacob Landon on how the team held on late after giving up its lead.

It was Landon that knocked down four free throws over a minute-plus stretch to put Shawano up 73-61 with two minutes to play.

Pulaski's furious comeback began with a 3-pointer from Colin Schultz and was followed by a bucket from Derek Shaw. After free throws from Shawano's Michael Metcalf-Grassman, Shaw buried a 3-pointer.

Shawano missed three free throws over the next couple minutes, and two buckets from Schultz over that span brought the hosts within three with 17.8 seconds to play.

The Hawks traveled after inbounding the ball, giving Pulaski a chance to tie it with a 3-pointer. Shaw, who scored 36 points in the game, wasn't able to hit on a triple attempt, and then Metcalf-Grassman swatted away a follow-up



Pulaski's Colin Schultz, right, puts up a shot as Shawano's Jacob Landon, left, and Luke Guenther defend during a nonconference game on Dec. 3 in Pulaski.

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chance by Pulaski under the basket.

Shawano then decided to foul with 6.2 seconds remaining, with Schultz converting both attempts to make it 76-75.

A infraction was called on Pulaski before the ball was inbounded, giving Shawano two free throws and the ball. Landon made both free throws to reach 30 points for the contest, and then Metcalf-Grassman hit two more free throws to get to 25 points.

Shaw hit a triple as time expired, capping a game in which he buried eight 3-pointers. He kept Pulaski in striking distance all game before

Schultz heated up down the stretch.

"I like the fact that we battled back, which is good, that's what we want to do," said Shaw of the team's efforts.

"Our goal every game is to give ourselves a chance at the end, so at halftime we were down a little bit and wanted to make a run so we could get back in it and hopefully make it interesting."

It was a back-and-forth battle between the teams in the early going. Metcalf-Grassman gave the visitors a 9-7 lead before Schultz hit a 3-pointer and Shaw knocked down two triples to put the hosts up 16-9.

Shawano responded with a big 17-4 run, with Landon doing most of the scoring for the Hawks.

Later on, an 11-1 run by the Hawks — this time with Landon and Luke Guenther doing the majority of the scoring — created a 15-point cushion.

Pulaski didn't let things unravel though, ending the half on a 7-2 run, with Brady Wotruba and Shaw scoring the points.

The second half was a continuation of the first, with both offenses scoring at a torrid pace.

Deacon Carroll got into the scoring mix for Shawano, while Shaw hit a couple more shots for Pulaski. Brandon Reed then scored three straight buckets for the Hawks off inbound plays — including a thunderous jam off a lob play — but the Red Raiders continued to find ways to score on their end.

Shaw knocked two a couple 3-pointers and scored eight points for the hosts during a quick 10-2 run to make it a three-point game with still nearly nine minutes to play.

Metcalf-Grassman and Landon teamed up to answer for Shawano. In fact, that duo scored all 20 of the team's points over the next seven-plus minutes.

Pulaski wasn't able to score at the pace it had most of the contest, but the baskets it converted were crucial in hanging around. Schultz and Wotruba converted and-one opportunities and Wotruba also scored after a steal.

Metcalf-Grassman credited Pulaski for fighting back several times in the contest before the Hawks were finally able to put them away.

"We just had to box out and get rebounds on defense when they did miss and then it was just taking care of the ball at the end and knocking down free throws," said Metcalf-Grassman.

Shawano 42 38 — 80

Pulaski 32 46 — 78

Shawano (80): Logan Sipple 0-0 2, Luke Guenther 2-4 9, Julian Perez 0-2 0, Michael Metcalf-Grassman 5-6 25, Jacob Landon 7-8 30, Brandon Reed 0-0 10, Deacon Carroll 0-1 4.

Pulaski (78): Derek Shaw 4-5 36, Colin Schultz 3-3 17, Brady Wotruba 1-1 11, Gatlin Robaidek 2-2 4, Derek Block 0-0 2, Dylan Dorn 2-3 8.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Witt-Birn girls continue hot start to season

Chargers open conference play with lopsided win

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School girls basketball continued its impressive start to the season with a convincing 62-31 win over Shiocton in a Central Wisconsin Conference-East Division matchup on Dec. 2 in Wittenberg.

The Chargers shot 36% from the field — missing some good looks near the rim — and missed seven free throws, but the team made up for it by knocking down 11 3-pointers and turning Shiocton over early and often.

The win pushed Witt-Birn to 5-0 overall and 1-0 in conference play.

“I think we just have a great bond with each other, and we can really — without actually verbally communicating — we just kind of know where everyone is going to be on the floor,” said freshman Rory Salvesen, who led the team with 19 points on the night. “And that really helps us out, because we know where we got to be, and we know who is going to be where when. It’s really a benefit for our team.”

Salvesen was one of three Chargers to hit three 3-pointers in the contest. Senior Reese Rogowski and freshman Melaina Granquist each hit three triples and provided 16 points for the hosts. Senior Jami Wendler hit the team’s other two 3-pointers to score her six points.

It was a slow start offensively for Witt-Birn. The Chargers missed their first five shots and were only able to score seven points in the first seven minutes. Despite the cold shooting to start the game, the hosts were tied thanks to great defensive play.

“We stayed true to our defense and worked hard on the defensive end, and that led to a lot of steals and turnovers on their end,” said Rogowski. “We were able to push down the floor and get some easy baskets.”

After not hitting a triple in the early portion of the game, Witt-Birn caught fire from deep to bust the game wide open.

Wendler hit a 3-pointer to get things started before Salvesen, Rogowski and Granquist each made



Witt-Birn's Jami Wendler fires a jumpshot during a conference win over Shiocton on Dec. 2 in Wittenberg.

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one. Salvesen converted a 2-point make — the team’s first non-triple in nine minutes — before she hit another 3-pointer, making it 24-11.

After a Shiocton basket, Salvesen had a steal and bucket before Granquist buried another triple. Granquist converted another shot before Wendler hit her second 3-pointer to cap the scoring in the first half and give the Chargers a 34-13 halftime lead.

The 3-point barrage briefly carried over into the second half, with Rogowski hitting a triple, but after that the Chargers went scoreless for five-plus minutes. Despite the scoring drought, the lead was never truly threatened because the hosts only surrendered nine points in that span.

Granquist broke the drought with a free throw, sparking a 16-0 run which helped Witt-Birn close up the win.

Sophomore Faith Resch, Salvesen and Rogowski joined Granquist to provide the scoring on the big run.

Granquist and Salvesen hit their final 3-pointers during that stretch.

From there, Witt-Birn was able to coast to the victory, with Rogowski, Granquist and junior Katherine Stewart tallying the team’s final points.

Along with leading the team in points, Salvesen also was credited with nine steals, six rebounds and five assists. Rogowski had eight rebounds and three assists, while Granquist had six boards.

Senior Allison Linke contributed six rebounds and four steals for the Chargers in what turned out to be a balanced effort.

Despite the lopsided score and perfect start to the season for the Chargers, the team knows it can still get better. That gives the players some big aspirations.

“We have high expectations this season, so just being able to get this first win in the conference by this much and not have all of us playing

our best shows that once we do hit our peak that it will be good,” said Rogowski.

“You can always be better; never settle for anything,” said Salvesen. “At practices, we’re constantly pushing one another, which is great. I love the group of girls that I get to be with every day and the coaching through everything. The motto is to get better always, never settle, push to be the best you can be. That’s kind of the mindset we go into every day in practice.”

Shiocton 13 18 — 31

Witt-Birn 34 28 — 62

Witt-Birn (62): Reese Rogowski 5-6 16, Allison Linke 0-2 0, Rory Salvesen 2-2 19, Jami Wendler 0-2 6, Katherine Stewart 0-0 2, Faith Resch 2-4 2, Melaina Granquist 3-3 16.

Shiocton (31): Abigail Daniels 0-0 5, Kendal Stingle 2-5 7, Aliyah Reese 0-2 0, Alexis Garcia 0-0 7, Kiley Dorn 3-4 5, Autumn Taylor 1-2 1, Claire Collar 0-0 6.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Gillett takes down Gresham in nonconference clash



Gillett's Cilena Guns, left, converts a shot as teammate Cheyenne Krueger looks on during a nonconference win over Gresham on Nov. 29 in Gresham.

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3 Tigers combine for 45 points

By MORGAN RODE

Sports Editor

The Gillett Secondary School girls basketball team earned a non-conference road win over Gresham on Nov. 29 in Gresham after controlling the start of the second half.

The visiting Tigers went on a 16-4 run at the start of the second half to put away a pesky Wildcats group. Gillett went on to win 51-33.

Gillett scored on its first possession of the final half. Gresham answered with a couple free throws before the Tigers rattled off the next eight points. At that point, Gillett led 40-19 and cruised to victory from there.

"We definitely boxed out a lot more in the second half than the first half," said Gillett's Cheyenne Krueger on what the team did in the second half to pull away. "We made sure that even if we made a mistake, we kept our heads up and that really helped push us to a 20-point lead."

Cilena Guns led Gillett with 20 points in the contest — despite missing the last chunk of the game with an injury. She scored eight of the points on the Tigers' second-half spurt.

Guns also helped the visitors grab the lead in the opening half, scoring back-to-back buckets early on and then tallying eight of the team's final 13 points to give the team a 28-16 halftime advantage.

The Tigers pushed the ball every chance they could against Gresham's press, and it led to some quality looks.

"I feel like when we're on a fast-break, it was easy layups, so there really wasn't much to really compete with — I was wide open for the fastbreaks," said Guns.

Aside from Guns' 20-point performance, Krueger and Carleigh Kaczmarek also scored in double figures.

Kaczmarek heated up in the second half and tallied 14 points for Gillett. She scored the team's final seven points.

Krueger was aggressive all night and attempted all of the team's free throws on her way to an 11-point

showing for the Tigers.

"It's such a relief because if I'm having a bad night, I can always count on my teammates to pick it up where I'm lacking," said Krueger of the balanced scoring attack. "Even if they aren't having a good shooting night, they always make up for it in rebounds or steals."

Gresham's Jessa Jensen opened the scoring in the contest with a 3-pointer, but Gillett scored the next 11 points.

A three-point play from Jensen, basket from Josie Cerveny and another triple from Jensen made it a two-point game, 13-11.

Gillett scored the next two baskets before Maddie Haffner knocked down a 3-pointer for Gresham.

It took the Wildcats nearly three minutes to score again, and by then, Gillett had built an eight-point cushion.

The Tigers also ended the half on a 6-0 run to push that lead to double digits.

Haffner knocked down Gresham's free throws near the start of the second half, but it was another three minutes until the team scored again.

"I think we weren't talking enough," said Jensen on some of the team's struggles. "When we want to throw into the lane, we want to do a bounce pass and we were trying to lob it, or throwing it when we shouldn't have, and I think our passes got away from us. We weren't talking enough and our shots were just off."

The mini scoring droughts proved to be too much for the hosts to overcome in the end, despite a solid finish to the contest.

Janay Pecore-Kirkland, Chloe Bohl, Haffner and Jensen all scored late for the Wildcats, with many of the points coming off offensive rebounds.

Jensen led the team with 12 points, while Pecore-Kirkland had eight and Haffner seven.

Gillett 28 23 — 51

Gresham 16 17 — 33

Gillett (51): Lily Hansen 0-0 2, Halle Fisher 0-0 4, Cilena Guns 0-0 20, Carleigh Kaczmarek 0-0 14, Cheyenne Krueger 6-6 11.

Gresham (33): Lexi Baddmoccasin-Barnes 1-2 1, Jessa Jensen 1-1 12, Maddie Haffner 2-2 7, Josie Cerveny 0-0 2, Rylie Kakwitsch 0-2 0, Chloe Bohl 1-2 3, Janay Pecore-Kirkland 0-3 8.

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Gillett bests Marion in nonconference clash

Tigers with well-rounded effort in opener

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Gillett Secondary School boys basketball team turned in a well-rounded effort in its 61-33 nonconference victory over Marion on Dec. 1 in Gillett.

The Tigers knocked down nine 3-pointers while also attacking the paint against Marion's zone defense. Gillett also locked the visiting Mustangs down on the defensive end, and pulled away for a lopsided win in its season-opening contest.

"It's good. Last year, we lost our first couple of games and we started out very low, but it's nice to get a win in our first game," said Jesse DeBauch, who led the Tigers with 20 points.

"It feels great, we got a lot of confidence now," said Austin VandeCorput, who added 15 points. "We just got to build on that and keep that momentum going."

Gillett looked like it might run away with the game early after jumping out to a 9-2 lead in the first three minutes. Ben Matczak hit a triple for the team's first points of the year, and then DeBauch knocked down a couple more triples.

Parker Miller kept Marion in the contest, scoring six straight points for his team to cut the deficit to two, but another DeBauch 3-pointer forced a Marion timeout.

"In zone, that's all you can really do is move the ball fast. We get it to our high post, and they look opposite and it's usually wide open," said DeBauch. "In zone, you can't really guard that."

With Marion making some tweaks to its defensive approach, Gillett countered to continue getting good offensive looks.

VandeCorput got into the heart of the Marion defense and was able to knock down a couple shots from around the free throw line. His play near the paint helped keep defenders off the 3-point line, and the hosts ended the opening half with six 3-point makes.

"I know when I'm in the middle of a zone there's a lot of people, so when I get it, I like to look for the dish, and if it's not there, I like to make my move and go up for a basket," said VandeCorput.

Miller kept the Mustangs within striking distance for much of the first half, but a 3-pointer from Aydin Franti



Gillett's Tyler Frank, left, goes up for a shot as Marion's Parker Miller, right, tries to block it and teammate Sam Gueths (20) looks on during a nonconference matchup on Dec. 1 in Gillett.

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and bucket from Tyler Frank right before the halftime buzzer gave the hosts a 32-15 halftime lead.

Marion's Jaden Stuhr hit a shot on the visitor's opening possession of the second half and a 3-pointer from Sam Gueths brought the Mustangs within 12. After that, Gillett went on a 6-0 run and ran away with the lead.

"Our offense we were running, we didn't really get open looks, we weren't going as hard as we normally do," said Miller. "Defensively, we weren't fast enough tonight."

"They pressured the ball really well and they played tight defense — there's not much you can do," said Stuhr of Gillett's play. "They knocked down some good 3s and continued hitting their shots throughout the game and made it tough to play good defense when they do that, and they'd also be quick inside."

Miller led Marion with 16 points in the contest. Stuhr, who picked up four first-half fouls, was second on the team in scoring with seven points.

The Mustangs were missing a



Gillett's Jesse DeBauch shoots a jumpshot during a nonconference game against Marion on Dec. 1 in Gillett.

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couple players and only had eight players suited for the contest.

Gillett had seven players score in the contest. Along with DeBauch and VandeCorput scoring in double figures, Matczak finished with 11 points.

Marion went on a 6-0 run in a two-plus minute span to make it a 52-33 game with just under six minutes to play.

After that, the Mustangs didn't score again, with DeBauch going on

a personal 6-0 run to help seal the contest.

Marion 15 18 — 33

Gillett 32 29 — 61

Gillett (61): Ben Matczak 1-2 11, Tyler Frank 1-2 3, Aydin Franti 1-2 6, Bradin Bjelland 3-4 3, Nathan Rowell 0-0 3, Austin VandeCorput 0-2 15, Jesse DeBauch 0-1 20.

Marion (33): Jack Van Kooy 3-6 3, Jaden Stuhr 1-2 7, Sam Gueths 0-0 3, Ryan Malueg 2-2 4, Parker Miller 1-4 16.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

New Badgers coach Fickell begins by reaching out to his new players

Wisconsin AD apologizes to team for tough season

By **STEVE MEGARGEE**
The Associated Press

Wisconsin football coach Luke Fickell spent much of his first day on the job speaking to his new players, knowing many of them had hoped this search would have a different outcome.

His message to them was sympathetic but direct.

"Change is inevitable," Fickell said Nov. 28 during a welcome event before his introductory news conference. "The growth is what's optional. I'm willing to grow."

Fickell posted a 57-18 record in six seasons at Cincinnati and helped the Bearcats earn a College Football Playoff berth last year. He has Big Ten experience as a former Ohio State defensive lineman and interim head coach.

Yet his immediate challenge will be winning over a roster featuring many players who weren't shy about saying they wanted this job to go to Jim Leonhard, the former Wisconsin defensive coordinator who went 4-3 as the Badgers' interim head coach after the Oct. 2 firing of Paul Chryst.

"We'll all be growing together through this change," Fickell said. "It's never easy. It's never easy, but the things that are easy aren't what last. The things that are easy aren't going to get us to where we want to go, to get us back to where we deserve and believe we need to be."

Athletic director Chris McIntosh said Fickell will get a seven-year contract averaging \$7.8 million per year.

Fickell, 49, takes over a Wisconsin program that hasn't won a Big Ten title since 2012 and must win its bowl game to avoid its first losing season since 2001.

Wisconsin hasn't indicated its staffing plans for the bowl game, though Fickell said he and Leonhard had started talking it over.

"I'll be coaching in some way, shape and form," Fickell said. "We'll figure out what that means."

The hiring of Fickell represents a second stunning move by McIntosh, who took over this job last year after the retirement of Barry Alvarez.

First McIntosh fired a coach who had won 72% of his games, though Chryst had gone just 15-10 since 2020 and was off to a 2-3 start this year. Then he passed up the opportunity to make Leonhard the permanent replacement and instead spent big to bring in Fickell, who has a much more proven track record.

Leonhard is a former Wisconsin walk-on who developed into an All-

American safety, played 10 years in the NFL and gained a reputation as one of college football's top defensive coordinators. McIntosh praised Leonhard's performance as interim head coach, called him "part of the DNA of this program" and said he gave him "very strong consideration" before deciding on Fickell.

"It became evident that Luke and his experience and his belief system and his approach and his process, which was proven and does align with what we believe here, was the way that I felt we should go and the way I felt best positioned our program for long-term success," McIntosh said.

Fickell can identify with Leonhard's circumstances, having gone 6-7 as the interim head coach at his alma mater in 2011 after the exit of Jim Tressel and before the arrival of Urban Meyer at Ohio State. Fickell said he's open to the possibility of including Leonhard on his staff if there's mutual interest.

But he noted that Leonhard figures to have plenty of options.

"Jim will know what's best for him," Fickell said. "Jim will know what's best for this program. Jim will know what's best for this team. And I respect that. We'll continue to talk about what the future looks like, but we don't know what that is right now."

McIntosh said he did apologize to Wisconsin's players this season for all they've endured. Dozens of them attended the public welcome for Fickell.

Many players expressed their disappointment over the firing of Chryst back in October before calling for Leonhard to get the job. They've also dealt with tragedy off the field, as former running backs coach Gary Brown died in April and former teammate Devin Chandler was one of three Virginia players killed in a shooting earlier this month.

"The experience that these kids on this team had this year isn't one that I would wish on anyone," McIntosh said. "It's been extremely difficult. That's why I said earlier how proud of the approach they took. When we met with them last night, I recognized it and I apologized for decisions I have made this season that have contributed to the challenges of this season. That just can't be overlooked. It's been the hardest part for me and it's clearly been hard on these players, on these student-athletes."

Wisconsin is counting on Fickell to help the program move forward and get back to competing for titles in a Big Ten that should get much more competitive with Southern California and UCLA arriving in 2024.

Fickell has referred to Wisconsin as a destination job. He appreciated Wisconsin's program while competing against it as a player and coach. He can't wait to lead it.

"I'm incredibly excited to get started," Fickell said. "We can't get this thing rolling fast enough."

Deer gun harvest numbers up across Wisconsin

The preliminary 2022 nine-day gun deer season harvest totals were up 14.4% across Wisconsin.

A total of 203,295 deer were harvested this year, compared to 177,667 a year ago. Of this year's total, 104,898 deer taken were antlerless, while 98,397 were antlered.

All four deer management zones showed harvest increases from 2021 for both antlered and antlerless harvests. The Central Forest Zone (30.6%) saw the most significant increase, with the Northern Forest Zone (19.3%) also seeing a considerable increase. The Central Farmland Zone was up 13.5%,

while the Southern Farmland Zone was up 10.2%.

The Central Farmland Zone in Adams County led the state with over 12 deer registered per square mile. Vernon County led the Southern Farmland Zone with almost seven deer registered per square mile. The Central Forest Zone in Eau Claire County registered 4.8 deer per square mile. Taylor County registered the most per square mile in the Northern Forest Zone at four.

Opening weekend saw cold temperatures and snow throughout the state, with ideal conditions except

for the strong winds on Nov. 19. DNR staff across the state reported good weather throughout the weekdays of the season. Warm weather later in the season melted snow, reducing deer and hunter activity.

More information regarding preliminary registration totals, including county-level numbers, is available at dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/WildlifeHabitat/harvest/deerharvest.html.

Since archery seasons opened on Sept. 17, hunters have registered 301,540 deer statewide.

As of 11:59 p.m. on Nov. 27, sales for gun, bow, crossbow, sports and patron

licenses reached 795,072. Of that total, 436,423 were for gun privileges only and 554,898 were for all gun privileges including gun, sports and patron licenses. The year-to-date sales for all deer licenses are down 1.6% from the same time last year.

This year, licenses were sold to hunters in all 50 states, Washington, D.C. and Puerto Rico. Additionally, hunters came from 21 different countries to deer hunt in Wisconsin.

As of Nov. 29, the DNR reported eight firearm-involved injuries and one fatality for the entire 2022 gun deer season.

ATHLETE PROFILE: MICHAEL METCALF-GRASSMAN

Shawano senior eyes another big season



Shawano's Michael Metcalf-Grassman takes a free throw during the team's nonconference win over Pulaski on Dec. 3 in Pulaski.

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The Shawano Community High School boys basketball team is off to a perfect 5-0 start this winter season after a strong 2021-22 season. Michael Metcalf-Grassman, playing in his senior season, has been a big part of the team's success of late and is off to a hot start this season.

Metcalf-Grassman scored 31 points in a win over Lakeland Union on Nov. 22, and then scored 21 points while also contributing eight rebounds and four assists in a win over Clintonville on Nov. 26.

The senior scored 28 points in a home win over Appleton North on Nov. 29 before scoring 18 points in a victory over Wittenberg-Birnhamwood on Dec. 1. He scored 25 points in a tight win over Pulaski on Dec. 3.

Metcalf-Grassman is coming off a junior season in which he averaged just under 20 points a game and landed on the Bay Conference's second team.

Q: When did your interest in basketball begin?

A: When I was around 3 years old. My parents (Kari and Don Grassman; Brady Metcalf and Kris Rhode) bought me a mini hoop that I used to play on all the time.

Q: What is your favorite part about the basketball season?

A: Having fun and competing with your friends every day.

Q: What has the game of basketball taught you over the years?

A: That it is important to be able to work as a team and that nothing is given, everything has to be earned.

Q: As a senior, how do you try to lead the rest of your team?

A: I try to lead by example. We set a standard for our team, and I try to make sure myself and everyone else reaches that standard every day.

Q: What is your favorite thing to do on the basketball court, and why?

AT A GLANCE

Athlete: Michael Metcalf-Grassman

Sport: Boys basketball

Positions: Mainly shooting guard, small forward

School: Shawano Community High School

Year: Senior

A: My favorite thing to do on a basketball court would be dunking. It is something I always wanted to do, so now that I can, it is pretty fun.

Q: Do you have any individual goals you hope to accomplish this winter season?

A: If we accomplish our team goals first, my individual goals will all sort themselves out.

Q: In order for the team to have a successful season, what needs to happen?

A: We need to make sure we do the little things right every single game. We also need to hold each other accountable all season long.

Q: Before a game starts, do you or the team have any routines or rituals you go through?

A: One of our team routines is we all sit in the locker room listening to music to hype ourselves up.

Q: What's your favorite memory of competing on the Shawano boys basketball team?

A: My first dunk against Seymour at home in front of our student section is probably my favorite memory.

Q: Favorite movie, TV show and musical artist?

A: Movie — "The Hangover." TV show — "Peaky Blinders." Musical artist — 21 Savage.

Q: Name one thing about yourself that not many people know.

A: My least favorite food is pickles.

Q: What are some things you hope to accomplish after graduating high school?

A: I want to attend a four-year university. I also want to play basketball in college.



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ATHLETE PROFILE: CARLEIGH KACZMAREK

Tigers' senior hopes to lead team to success

The Gillett Secondary School girls basketball team has high hopes for the winter season. They are returning several key players from a team that placed second in the Marinette & Oconto Conference last winter. Senior Carleigh Kaczmarek is one of those players, and she's ready to lead the team this year.

Kaczmarek led the squad in scoring a season ago and made the all-conference first team for her all-around play. She averaged 12.2 points, 3.5 rebounds, 2.9 assists and 1.9 steals per game.

The senior also is a long-distance runner, competing for the cross-country and track and field teams for the Tigers.

Q: When did your interest in basketball begin?

A: From the minute I was born. My dad (Mike) has been a basketball coach since I can remember. The gym was practically my second home; I was always in it. I always begged to go to the gym and go to practices with him. I constantly had a basketball in my hand.

Q: What is your favorite part about the basketball season?

A: The fun and competitive practices and games, along with the fans/student sections at games. They bring so much energy. Overall, the whole season is just so much fun because I make so many more new memories to be thankful for.

Q: As a senior, how do you try to lead the rest of your team?

A: As a senior, I lead the rest of my team by giving them as many opportunities as possible to get into the gym. I give reminders on the court, celebrate teammate's wins/success with touches and words, team wins, communicate and give teammates confidence.

Q: As the season ramps up, what are you and the team most

AT A GLANCE

Athlete: Carleigh Kaczmarek
Sport: Girls basketball
Position: Guard
School: Gillett Secondary School
Year: Senior

focused on?

A: The team is most focused on getting better every day and game. Along with getting better at boxing out and rebounding.

Q: What is your favorite thing to do on the basketball court and why?

A: Create — whether it's a pass, drive or shot. I love having good plays, high-fiving teammates, smiling and laughing with them.

Q: Do you have any individual goals you hope to accomplish this winter season?

A: To be a better player and leader than last year, while enjoying my last season in a Gillett Tigers uniform with my best friends next to me.

Q: In order for the team to have a successful season, what needs to happen?

A: We need to play to the best of our ability, work as a team, box out and have fun.

Q: Before a game starts, do you or the team have any routines or rituals you go through?

A: I do, or have someone braid my hair. Also I take a picture with the team or someone.

Q: What's your favorite memory of competing on the Gillett girls basketball team?

A: I have many memories and choosing a favorite is really hard, so my top two are my game-winning shot at Wausau East last year, or our regional semifinal against Florence last year.

Q: Favorite movie, TV show, and musical artist?

A: Movie — "Top Gun" and



Gillett's Carleigh Kaczmarek calls out instructions to her teammates during a nonconference game against Gresham on Nov. 29 in Gresham.

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"Christmas with a Prince." TV show — "All-American" or "Hawaii Five-O." Musical artist — Kane Brown and Dan and Shay. I don't really have favorites, but these are my top ones.

Q: Name one thing about yourself that not many people know.

A: Every time I go to the gym

and after every practice, I have to make 50-100 free throws before leaving the gym.

Q: What are some things you hope to accomplish after graduating high school?

A: To be successful in whatever I decide to do, along with staying close to my teammates and continue to come back and support them.

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COLLEGE HIGHLIGHTS

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St. Norbert College

Shawano graduate Nathan Krizan earned a spot on the All-Northern Athletics Collegiate Conference first team after his senior football season at St. Norbert.



NATHAN KRIZAN

Krizan helped St. Norbert average 155.8 yards rushing per game and was on an offensive line that allowed just 17 quarterback sacks.

Oconto Falls graduate Emily Gonnering and Lena graduate Kennedy Marquardt each competed in



KENNEDY MARQUARDT

two events for the women's track and field team during the Ripon Winter Open on Dec. 2-3.

Marquardt placed second in the 300 dash (43.8) and 10th in the 200 (27.8). Gonnering came in 17th in the weight throw (12.01 meters) and 22nd in the shot put (8.87 meters).

Bemidji State University

Shawano Community High School graduate Brooke Theis played a combined 44 minutes across a pair of Bemidji State women's basketball games last week.

In a loss to St. Cloud State on Dec. 1, Theis posted two points, two rebounds and a steal across 22 minutes. In a loss to Minnesota-Duluth on Dec. 3, Theis recorded two points, four rebounds and one assist across 20 minutes.

Northern Michigan University

Wittenberg-Birnamwood grad Abi Fraaza helped the Northern Michigan women's basketball team to two wins last week.

In a win over Purdue Northwest on Dec. 1, Fraaza tallied three points and one rebound across 15 minutes.

She played six minutes against UW-Parkside on Dec. 3, recording two points and a rebound.

Wisconsin Lutheran College

Bonduel graduate Kara Troxel played in both of the Wisconsin Lutheran women's basketball team's

games last week.

She started and played 15 minutes during a loss to Concordia on Nov. 30, tallying two points and one rebound. Troxel contributed four points, two assists and a steal across 18 minutes in a win over Edgewood on Dec. 3.

Pulaski graduate Trevor Stiede combined to play 43 minutes across two games for the WLC men's basketball team last week.

In a win over Concordia on Nov. 29, Stiede tallied 12 points, two rebounds, two assists and a steal across 28 minutes. He recorded three points and one assist in 15 minutes and a loss to Edgewood on Dec. 3.

Ripon College

Witt-Birn grad Lauren Bahr had a busy couple days of swimming for the Ripon women's swim team at the Pioneer Classic in Grinnell, Iowa, on Dec. 2-3.



LAUREN BAHR

Individually, Bahr took 14th in the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 1 minute, 5.96 seconds. She placed 16th in the 100 freestyle (57.83), 29th in the 50 freestyle (26.67) and 36th in the 100 IM (1:10.16).

Bahr was on several relay teams, helping the 200 freestyle team (1:45.67) take ninth, the 400 medley team (4:21.07) to 11th, the 200 medley team (1:59.62) to 13th and the 400 freestyle team (3:51.33) to seventh.

UW-Stevens Point

Pulaski grads T.J. Shaw and Gracie Mihalski each competed at the Wheaton Invitational Swim Meet on Dec. 2-3 while representing UW-Stevens Point.

Shaw placed fourth in the 1,650 freestyle with a time of 17:20.19. He was 12th in the 500 freestyle (4:54.98) and 20th in the 200 freestyle (1:50.16).

Mihalski took 26th in the 100 backstroke (1:11.08), tied for 29th in the 50 freestyle (27.23) and was 32nd in the 100 freestyle (59.9).

Oconto Falls graduate Graeson Pankratz wrestled in an extra match during the UW-Stevens Point wrestling team's dual with UW-Oshkosh on Dec. 1.

Pankratz won the 133-pound bout by major decision, 10-1.

UW-Parkside

Pulaski graduate Sheridan Flauger started and played 30-plus minutes in both of the UW-Parkside women's basketball team's games last week.



SHERIDAN FLAUGER

Flauger played 32 minutes in a win over Michigan Tech on Dec. 1, tallying 18 points, two rebounds, six assists and a steal. She had seven points, six rebounds, one steal and two assists across 34 minutes in a loss to Northern Michigan on Dec. 3.

St. Cloud State University

Pulaski graduate Jasmine Litt combined to play 17 minutes across two St. Cloud State women's basketball team's games last week.

In a win over Bemidji State on Dec. 1, Litt tallied three points and four rebounds across nine minutes. Litt grabbed two rebounds across eight minutes in a win over Minnesota-Crookston on Dec. 3.

Grand Canyon University

Witt-Birn grad Wyatt Dickman swam in several events for the Grand Canyon men's team during the Miami University Invite that took place Dec. 1-3.

Dickman came in eighth in the 500 freestyle (4:41.96), 10th in the 100 breaststroke (55.97) and fourth in the 200 breaststroke (2:00.53).

Dickman was also on the ninth-place finishing 400 medley relay (3:22.36), second-place finishing 800 freestyle relay (6:37.16) and sixth-place finishing 400 freestyle relay (3:02.44).

Concordia University

Bonduel graduate Kalleigh Schroeder got the indoor track and field season started by competing

in the triple jump for the Concordia women's team at the Ripon Winter Open on Dec. 2-3.

She placed fifth in the event with a top leap of 9.28 meters.

Saginaw Valley State University

Shawano grad Tori DePerry



TORI DEPERRY

helped the Saginaw Valley State women's basketball team to a win over Wayne State on Dec. 3.

DePerry played 39 minutes and scored 17 points. She also tallied 11 rebounds, three assists and a block.

Carroll University

Pulaski grad Jake Binkowski made the College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin second team for his play as a defensive back for the Carroll football team.

The sophomore intercepted four passes this season, returning three for scores. He also had 43 total tackles and a fumble recovery.

Concordia University-St. Paul

Pulaski graduate Andrew Eg-narski landed on the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference second team after his junior season on the Concordia-St. Paul football team.

He was the conference's top tackler with 10.8 stops per game. He racked up 10-plus tackles in each of the team's final six games.

UW-Eau Claire

Bonduel grad Parker Bohm was named to the All-Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference honorable mention team as a special teams player for the UW-Eau Claire football team.

Bohm served a long snapper for Eau Claire, while also tallying three total tackles.

Pulaski grad Karcz drafted into XFL

Pulaski High School graduate Kendall Karcz was drafted by the Seattle Sea Monsters during the XFL Draft on Nov. 16.

Karcz was part of the Green Bay Packers rookie minicamp after graduating from St. Norbert College.

As a senior at St. Norbert, Karcz was named a first-team All-

American by the American Football Coaches Association and the Associated Press Little All-America Team.

He intercepted seven passes that season to go along with 51 tackles.

Seattle is one of eight teams in the American football minor league. League play is expected to begin in mid-February.



The Wisconsin DNR reminds turkey hunters that 2023 spring harvest authorization applications are due by 11:59 p.m. on Dec. 10.

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Spring turkey harvest applications due

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources reminds wild turkey hunters that applications for the 2023 season are due by 11:59 p.m. on Dec. 10.

Hunters can apply for harvest authorizations or purchase preference points toward future drawings at GoWild.wi.gov or through an authorized license agent.

Turkey harvest authorizations are issued through a preference-based drawing system. More information on the turkey preference drawing is available in the Turkey Frequently Asked Questions (dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/hunt/turkey-question.html).

Applicants may choose up to two time period and zone combinations that they would like to hunt. As a third choice, applicants may choose one zone in which they will accept a harvest authorization for any period. This third choice can be the same zone as the first and/or second choice.

The second and third choices are optional, but applicants are encouraged to submit additional choices to maximize their likelihood of drawing a harvest authorization.

Successful applicants are notified by mail after the drawing results are finalized. Applicants not selected will receive a preference point that will increase their chances

of drawing a harvest authorization the following spring season. Hunters can check their application status online through Go Wild.

Any harvest authorizations not awarded in the drawing will be available for purchase as bonus harvest authorizations. Bonus harvest authorizations will cost \$10 for residents and \$15 for non-residents.

All turkey hunters must possess a valid spring turkey license and wild turkey stamp when they acquire their spring turkey harvest authorization. A 2023 spring turkey license is \$15 for Wisconsin residents and \$60 for non-residents. The 2023 wild turkey stamp is \$5.25. Licenses will

go on sale March 1, 2023.

The 2023 spring turkey season is as follows:

- Youth Hunt – April 15-16
- Period A – April 19-25
- Period B – April 26-May 2
- Period C – May 3-9
- Period D – May 10-16
- Period E – May 17-23
- Period F – May 24-30

For information on hunting in state parks, visit the DNR webpage at dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/parks/hunt. All harvested turkeys must be registered. For information on how to register your turkey, visit the DNR turkey hunting and management webpage at dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/hunt/turkey.

2023 black bear harvest applications due by Dec. 10

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources reminds black bear hunters that applications for the 2023 season are due by 11:59 p.m. on Dec. 10.

Hunters can apply for harvest authorizations or purchase preference points toward future drawings at GoWild.wi.gov or through an authorized license agent.

Preliminary estimates show hunters harvested approximately 4,100 bears during the 2022 black bear season. Final harvest totals will be available at a later date. In the meantime, DNR staff and the Bear Advisory Committee are currently determining the 2023 harvest quotas.

The drawing for 2023 harvest

authorizations will take place in early February.

With growing interest in bear hunting in Wisconsin and a limited number of licenses, the DNR encourages the public to review management zone boundaries and license wait times while making hunting plans.

Last year's bear drawing results and zone-specific wait times are available on the DNR's website at https://widnr.widenet.net/s/jlcmr7z-7vg/beardrawing_summary2022.

Bear permit applicants must apply at least once during any period of three consecutive years to retain their accumulated preference points otherwise all accumulated preference points will be lost.

If an applicant is selected in the drawing, their preference points will be reset to zero, even if they do not purchase the harvest permit. Applicants must remain aware of drawing status.

Applicants selected in the drawing are notified by mail shortly after the drawing and may purchase their 2023 Class A bear license beginning in March 2023. Applicants may also check their status online through their Go Wild customer account (gowild.wi.gov/).

The current zones are part of the Wisconsin Black Bear Management Plan, 2019-2029, developed by the DNR Bear Advisory Committee and approved by the Natural Resources Board in May 2019. The new bear

management zones (p.widencdn.net/rz6opf/BMZ_2021) are designed to address bear conflicts and manage desired population levels effectively.

The season structure for the 2023 bear season is as follows:

Zone A, B and D: Sept. 6-12 with the aid of dogs only; Sept. 13-Oct. 3 with the aid of dogs, aid of bait, and all other legal methods; Oct. 4-10 with the aid of bait and all legal methods not using dogs

Zone C, E, and F: Sept. 6-Oct. 10 with the aid of bait and all other legal methods not using dogs.

For more information on bear hunting in Wisconsin, visit the DNR bear hunting webpage at dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/hunt/bear.

WIAA Board sanctions lacrosse as sport

Spring sport to begin in 2024

The Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association Board of Control approved the addition of lacrosse as a sanctioned sport at its December meeting on Dec. 2.

After receiving a presentation from the committee assigned to evaluate the feasibility of adding boys and girls lacrosse to sports sponsored by the WIAA, the board unanimously passed the proposal that targets the spring of the 2023-24 school year for the inau-

gural season with a tournament series. Additional details, including season regulations and tournament procedure, will be communicated when they become available.

It's the first time an entirely new sport has been introduced for both genders since the addition of boys and girls soccer in 1982-83. Since that time, hockey and wrestling expanded to girls sponsorship in 2002 and 2022, respectively, and boys volleyball was reinstated in 2000, but those sports were already sanctioned for the other gender.

"We commend members of the planning committee for months of

work and collaboration with member schools that already sponsor the sport," WIAA Executive Director Stephanie Hauser said. "Our staff and membership look forward to the new opportunity for student-athletes to participate in a sport quickly gaining popularity around the nation."

Among the action items approved by the board include the 2021-22 independent audit report conducted and presented by Hawkins Ash CPAs, the October general fund statements and payments, the deferred liability fund report for September, and the 2022-23 meeting dates calendar.

The executive staff provided re-

ports to the board on the Competitive Balance Ad Hoc Committee, continued efforts to recruit and retain licensed officials, review of participation in the Wisconsin Athletic Directors Association Conference, awareness of upcoming membership elections, a review of fall tournaments as well as an update on the InsideOut Initiative endorsed by the board in October.

The board received liaison reports from John Ashley of the Wisconsin Association of School Boards, Paul Manriquez of the Department of Public Instruction and Eric Plitzuweit of the Wisconsin Athletic Directors Association.

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Him & Hers Couples — Lakeshore Lanes

Team	W	L
Brothers Pub	40	9
Brothers Pub Too	34	15
Gingerly Salon	33	16
Keglers	29	20
Bust N' Balls	28	21
Buss Automotive	27	22
Pin Heads	23	26
Lunds Corner Bar	20	29

MW Auto Body	19	30
Just 4 Fun	18	31
CDH	14	35
The Farmers	9	40

High individual scratch games: Brad Weisnicht 269, Bill Grosskreutz 258, Steve Rouse 247, Jesse Metoxen 241, Mary Metoxen 235, Dave Rindt 235, Kevin Zuleger 227, Mary Renik 219, Ashley Schuh 219, Sharon Buss 207, Darcie O'Kimosh 199, Diane Durkee 194.

High individual scratch series: Bill Grosskreutz 734, Kevin Zuleger 657, Brad Weisnicht 654, Steve Rouse

649, Steven Renik 631, Daniel Poels 628, Sharon Buss 588, Ashley Schuh 588, Mary Metoxen 565, Diane Durkee 557, Mary Renik 539, Sandy Weisnicht 522.

Chet and Emil's Monday Women's League

Team	W	L
Star Campsite	25	19
Cady Home	21	23
Banner Banks	20 1/2	23 1/2
Chet and Emil's	20 1/2	23 1/2

High team handicap games: Star Campsite 745, Chet and Emil's 736, Cady Home 731.

High individual scratch games: Kim Zeller 225, Tracy Anderson 191, Jen Duranceau 189, Courtney Tryba 183, Alicia Schinzel 180, Christy Clark 174.

High team handicap series: Cady Home 2,132, Banner Banks 2,086, Star Campsite 2,058.

High individual scratch series: Kim Zeller 529, Jen Duranceau 525, Tracy Anderson 498, Courtney Tryba 485, Barbara Praslowicz 467, Alicia Schinzel 447.

Chet and Emil's Tuesday Commercial

Team	W	L
Chet and Emil's	27	9
Kautza Excavating	24	12
Clark Construction	20	16
Schmidt Schulta	17	19
White Insurance	15	21

High team scratch games: Chet and Emil's 1,080, Kautza Excavating 1,067, White Insurance 976.

High individual scratch games: Jeremy Praslowicz 268, Austin Rekow 267, Tim Lemke 242.

High team scratch series: Chet and Emil's 3,147, Kautza Excavating 2,977, White Insurance 2,792.

High individual scratch series: Austin Rekow 741, Jeremy Praslowicz 725, Andy Hegewald 652.

Lakeshore Masters — Lakeshore Lanes

Team	W	L
Dearco Distributors	34	14
Golfside	32	16
Northern Advantage	32	16
Farmall Fanatics	30 1/2	17 1/2
Lakeshore Lanes	29 1/2	18 1/2
Launching Pad	28 1/2	19 1/2
Rosie's Railway	24 1/2	23 1/2
Brother's	19 1/2	28 1/2
Bamboo	18 1/2	29 1/2
Full Service Tents	16	32
Pin Pricks	12	36

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High team scratch games: Dearco Distributors 728, Golfside 689, Brother's 679.

High individual scratch games (top 7): Tony Wyrobeck 288, Mark Schachtschneide 279, Carson Malueg 268, Stu Marotz 262, Don Pedersen 257, Jeff Arndt 248, Steve Hoffman 246.

High team scratch series: Brother's 1,947, Golfside 1,913, Launching Pad 1,883.

High individual scratch series (top 7): Carson Malueg 722, Don Pedersen 694, Zack Ruehle 692, Jeff Arndt 688, Mark Schachtschneide 667, Tony Wyrobeck 659, Blake Schuebel 650.

Chet and Emil's Thursday Early Birds

Team	W	L
Schairer Farms	15	9
Rightway Propane	12	12
Stadler Farms	12	12
M and J Harvesting	9	15

High team scratch games: Rightway Propane 630, Schairer Farms 630, M and J Harvesting 546.

High individual scratch games: Susan Zeinert 225, Kristine Beran 206, Katie Hanke 178, Samantha Stadler 173

High team scratch series: Rightway Propane 1,795, Schairer Farms 1,772, M and J Harvesting 1,561.

High individual scratch series: Susan Zeinert 522, Kristine Beran 502, Kim Zeller 489, Samantha Stadler 474.

Chet and Emil's Wednesday Business

Team	W	L
S and M Tool	23	13
Karcz Lending	23	13
CWAA	22	14
Rew Motors	19	17
Kropf's Meat	15	21
Chet and Emil's	14	22
TLC Auto Body	14	22
Kessen Auto Body	14	22

High team scratch games: S and M Tool 1,093, Karcz Lending 1,047, Kropf's Meat 997.

High individual scratch games: Tyler Krull 267, Rhett Matz 246, Doug Kunst 228.

High team scratch series: S and M Tool 3,061, Karcz Lending 2,982, Kropf's Meat 2,850.

High individual scratch series: Dave Schultz 710, Jeremy Praslowicz 696, Paul Hanke 596.

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WRESTLING

Bonduel finishes 4-0 at Seymour Duals

Bonduel picked up wins over Peshtigo (42-33), Seymour (40-36), Lena (42-33) and Waupun (42-38) during the Seymour Duals on Dec. 3 in Seymour.

Jaxon Bogacz (106), Parker Perry (170) and Tyson Bogacz (182) all finished with 4-0 records for Bonduel.

Shawano goes 2-3 at Catbird Duals

Shawano defeated Cashton (42-36) and Dodgeville (60-24) while losing to West Salem/Bangor (61-15), North-western (48-30) and Holmen (48-27) at the Catbird Duals on Dec. 3 in West Salem.

Caden Young and Drake Herm each finished 5-0 on the day for Shawano. Herm spent just 4 minutes, 17 seconds on the mat during those matches.

Cody Popelka posted a 4-1 record for the Hawks. Dane Hodkiewicz and Carsen Herm each earned three wins.

Shawano girls perform well in Kimberly

Several Shawano girls earned strong finishes during a tournament on Dec. 2 in Kimberly.

Onna Hermann and Macey Nelson led Shawano with first-place finishes.

Hallie Wondra, Jenna Moede, Caitlyn Moede, Courtney Schenk and Harry Fritz all placed second for the Hawks. Vivian Waldburger earned a third-place finish.

Oconto Falls finishes 0-3 at home quad

Oconto Falls dropped duals to Wrightstown (40-37), Crandon (48-28) and Shiocton (45-36) during a Dec. 1 quadrangular in Oconto Falls.

Against Wrightstown, Luke Gilbertson (285 pounds), Cole Bozile (132) and Nick Trepanier (195) all won by pin for Oconto Falls. Parker Peterson (138) won by major decision, while Luke Trepanier (145) was a winner by decision. Garrett Ganter (106) and Taylor Whiting (113) picked up forfeit wins for the Panthers.

In the loss to Crandon, Gilbertson (220) and Jeremy Earley (152) both won by pin. Bozile (132) and Nick Trepanier (182) each won by decisions, while Peterson (138) won by major decision again. Luke Trepanier (145) won by forfeit.

Ganter (113), Bozile (132), Peterson (138), Luke Trepanier (145) and Gilbertson (285) won by pin against Shiocton. Whiting (106) earned a forfeit win.



Oconto Falls' Parker Peterson, top, attempts to finish off his match with a pin during a 138-pound matchup against Crandon on Dec. 1 in Oconto Falls. Peterson ended up winning the match by major decision.

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Gillett 68

Gresham 18

Gillett knocked off Gresham in a nonconference matchup on Dec. 3 in Gillett.

Ryan Pensis scored 18 first-half points for Gillett. Jesse DeBauch finished the contest with 12 points, while Austin VandeCorput and Ben Matczak had 10 points each.

Tyler Frank and Lavonzell Smith chipped in six points each for the Tigers.

Wyatt Nietzer scored seven points to lead Gresham in scoring.

Luxemburg-Casco 62

Oconto Falls 49

Oconto Falls dropped a North Eastern Conference contest against Luxemburg-Casco on Dec. 2 in Luxemburg.

Grayson Cahak led Oconto Falls with 18 points. Kody Vorpahl chipped in 12 points for the Panthers.

Shawano 62

Witt-Birn 42

Shawano knocked off Wittenberg-Birnamwood in a Dec. 1 nonconference clash in Shawano.

Michael Metcalf-Grassman and

Jacob Landon each scored 18 points to lead Shawano offensively. Landon knocked down four of the team's six 3-pointers.

Logan Sipple chipped in 10 points for the Hawks. Brandon Reed tallied eight points.

Michael Miller and Oliver Fraaza scored nine points each for Witt-Birn. Mason Meverden contributed eight points.

Tigerton 55

Tri-County 34

Tigerton picked up a Central Wisconsin Conference crossover win over Tri-County on Dec. 1 in Tigerton.

Ryder Graham tallied 21 points and nine rebounds to lead Tigerton to the win. Asher Michaelis recorded eight boards, eight assists and three steals, while Sam Anheuser had 10 rebounds and six points.

Joey Zimdars recorded seven points and five boards for the Tigers. Loghan Wanta had seven points and seven rebounds, while Colby Wanta scored seven points and had four steals.

Witt-Birn 62

Antigo 39

Wittenberg-Birnamwood dominated the second half to pick up a nonconference win over Antigo on Nov. 29 in

Antigo. The Chargers outscored the hosts 41-23 in the final half.

Mason Meverden knocked down six 3-pointers and led Witt-Birn with 26 points. He made five 3-pointers in the second half.

Michael Miller added 10 points for Witt-Birn, all in the first half. Marshall Fraaza tallied seven points, while Casey Kielman had six.

Shawano 68

Appleton North 54

Shawano picked up a nonconference home win over Appleton North on Nov. 29 in Shawano.

Michael Metcalf-Grassman powered Shawano with 28 points.

Jacob Landon chipped in 11 points for the Hawks. Luke Guenther provided 10 points, while Brandon Reed had nine points.

Bowler 65

Lena 35

Bowler cruised to a nonconference win over Lena on Nov. 29 in Lena.

Emmitt Kietlinski made 14 shots and finished with 31 points for Bowler.

Bowler's Marcus Malone added 20 points, including three 3-pointers. Danian Schultz tallied eight points.

Anthony Seefeldt scored nine points to lead Lena offensively.

Elcho 51**Tigerton 28**

Tigerton fell to Elcho in a nonconference clash on Nov. 29 in Elcho.

Ryder Graham and Loghan Wanta each scored six points for Tigerton.

Colby Wanta had five steals for the Tigers, while Sam Anheuser had three.

Little Chute 75**Oconto Falls 23**

Oconto Falls couldn't get much going offensively in a NEC game against Little Chute on Nov. 29 in Oconto Falls.

Caden Birr scored eight points for Oconto Falls, while Kody Vorpahl added six points.

GIRLS BASKETBALL**Gresham 67****Northland Lutheran 51**

Gresham earned a CWC-North victory over Northland Lutheran on Dec. 2 in Kronenwetter. Gresham scored 48 points in the opening half and led by 20 points at the break.

Maddie Haffner knocked down four 3-pointers and scored 28 points to power Gresham. She scored 20 points in the opening half.

Josie Cerveney chipped in 10 points for the Wildcats, while Rylie Kakwitsch had eight points. Chloe Bohl and Janay Pecore-Kirkland each contributed seven points.

Lena 64**Crivitz 35**

Lena routed Crivitz in a Marinette & Oconto Conference clash on Dec. 2 in Lena. Nine different Wildcats scored in the win.

Whitney Potter hit eight shots and led Lena with 18 points. Chaela Rabas was also in double figures with 10 points.

Eva Brooks tallied nine points for Lena, while Claire Brooks had eight. Natalie McNurlen added seven points and Breanna Koslowsky had six points.

Suring 54**STAA 22**

Suring eased past St. Thomas Aquinas Academy in an M&O matchup on Dec. 2 in Marinette.

MacKenzie Bailey led Suring with 15 points, 11 rebounds and nine steals, while Emma Kristof had 12 points and four steals.

Emily Peterson chipped in eight points and grabbed six rebounds for the Eagles. Hailey VanRens tallied six points, six assists and five rebounds.

Parker Zahn and Georgia Gerndt both pulled down six boards for Suring, while Hailey Thomson had seven. Kaylee Otradovec was credited with five steals.

Tri-County 34**Tigerton 22**

Tigerton lost a CWC crossover game to Tri-County on Dec. 1 in Tigerton.

Abby Swartz led Tigerton with nine points and nine rebounds, while Isabell Zychowicz chipped in six points.

Aaliyah Lederhaus had 15 rebounds for the Tigers.

Witt-Birn 63**Marathon 35**

Witt-Birn cruised to a nonconference win over Marathon on Nov. 29 in Wittenberg.

Reese Rogowski scored 20 points to lead Witt-Birn to victory. Melaina Granquist tallied 11 points, while Jami Wendler had 10. Rory Salvesen contributed nine points and Allison Linke had seven points.

Granquist also pulled down 11 rebounds to finish with a double-double. Linke had six steals, while Salvesen finished with four steals.

Suring 51**Wausaukee 44**

Suring rallied past Wausaukee in an M&O matchup on Nov. 29 in Suring. The Eagles outscored the visitors 31-21 in the second half.

Christine Sleeter tallied 21 points, eight rebounds, six blocks and three steals to lead Suring.

Bunny Cramer tallied 10 points, four steals and four assists for the Eagles, while Birdee Cramer had nine points and 10 boards. Emma Kristof chipped in eight points.

MacKenzie Bailey finished with 11 rebounds, five assists and three blocks for Suring.

Ashwaubenon 46**Shawano 41**

Shawano dropped a tight nonconference clash to Ashwaubenon on Nov. 29 in Ashwaubenon.

Leah Nordin led Shawano with 14 points.

Elcho 30**Tigerton 28**

Tigerton fell just short in a nonconference battle with Elcho on Nov. 29 in Tigerton.

Aaliyah Lederhaus posted 12 points and 16 rebounds to lead Tigerton.

Abby Swartz pulled down nine rebounds for the Tigers, while Sienna Breaker scored eight points.

BOYS HOCKEY**Antigo 9****Medford 3**

Antigo rolled to a Great Northern Conference win over Medford on Dec. 1 in Medford.

Witt-Birn's Owen Dickman netted



Wittenberg-Biramwood's Melaina Granquist, right, takes a 3-pointer after teammate Allison Linke, left, set a screen for her during the team's win over Shiocton on Dec. 2 in Wittenberg.

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three goals and added an assist to help Antigo to victory.

Shawano co-op 7**Waupun 0**

The Shawano co-op blanked the Waupun junior varsity team on Dec. 1 in Waupun.

Karson Stoss scored twice for the co-op, while Blake Knope, Aidan Beaulieu, Michael Dillenberg, Gavin Hundt and Noah Davids each scored once. Knope also had two assists. Goalie Dylan Prochaska made five saves to record the shutout.

Shawano co-op 6**Neenah 1**

The Shawano co-op topped the Neenah junior varsity squad on Nov. 29 in Grand Chute.

Karson Stoss scored three goals for the co-op. Louis Hrabik added two goals, while Aidan Beaulieu had the

other goal. Owen Curran was credited with two assists, while goalie Dylan Prochaska made 31 saves.

BOYS SWIM**Medford 75****Shawano 56**

Shawano dropped a dual against Medford on Dec. 1 in Medford.

Shawano's Brady Hannes, Ben Langlois, Braden Barkley and Baelyan Putz teamed up for a first-place finish in the 200-yard medley relay with a time of 2 minutes, 14.66 seconds.

The same quartet won the 400 freestyle relay in 4:34.37.

Individually, Langlois won the 200 IM in 2:31.35, while Barkley was the top finisher in the 50 freestyle (27.03). Putz placed first in the 100 freestyle (1:10.17). Barkley also won the 100 backstroke (1:12.37), while Langlois was first in the 100 breaststroke (1:13.9).

Shawano to host 2024 Show Ski Nationals

Shawano will once again host Show Ski Nationals.

The National Show Ski Association recently announced that Shawano would serve as the host of the 2024 Division 2 Nationals. That will take place on Aug. 3-4.

Shawano hosted D2 Nationals for the first time ever in 2021. The Shawano Ski Sharks competed against nine other teams that year and placed second.

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TREES TAKE OVER TIGERTON



Annual Christmas festival really decks village's halls

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The Grinch sits next to a decorated Christmas tree during Tigerton Main Street's Festival of Trees at its office building on Dec. 2. Trees decorated by local businesses and organization will be on display through Christmas at 215 Cedar St., where visitors can take a tour through the trees and ultimately vote on their favorite.

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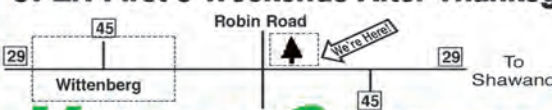


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Trees in various colors and styles line the first floor of the Tigerton Main Street building, during the organization's annual Festival of Trees events on Dec. 2. The trees decorated by local businesses and organizations will be on display for visitors through Christmas.

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Festival of Trees rings in Christmas

Trees will be on display at Tigerton Main Street throughout December

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

One local community organization has brought back a holiday tradition in Tigerton.

Tigerton Main Street opened its Festival of Trees event at the organization's office on Dec. 2. Visitors were treated to wintertime snacks and treats while they toured the office, which is decorated for the season with trees from various organizations in the area.

Also present at the event was the Grinch, who children and adults were invited to talk with and take pictures with. She explained that visitors are given the opportunity to vote on which trees that they like the best, using pennies. Whichever organization receives the most votes, will get a prize, which is yet to be named.

"Today, we are kind of bringing the community together with our annual Festival of Trees lighting," said Tigerton Main Street Manager Amanda Marker. "The community can

come in, look at the trees and vote on which ones they like the best. It is just something fun to do."

Marker said the more than 20 trees on display are decorated by various businesses and organizations in Tigerton and in surrounding areas. Marker explained that the Festival of Trees lighting event is held in early December every year and helps not only to give the community an opportunity to meet each other and catch up, but also to help ring in the holiday season.

"I had a lot of volunteers who did the decorations, too, outside of the trees," said Marker. "We like to hold this to help bring in Christmas spirit. This is one of our bigger events to help bring people together — this and Applefest in September."

The lighting was the first day that visitors had the opportunity to tour the trees and enjoy some holiday treats. If someone missed it though, it is no problem, as Marker said that the trees will be on display through Christmas. She added that an updated schedule will be posted on Tigerton Main

Street's Facebook page, Tigerton Main Street Inc.

"I will be here from 1:30-4:30 p.m. every day throughout the week, and then we have some volunteers," said Marker. "I am working on getting a schedule to put out to the public."

In terms of preparation, Marker said that planning for the event happens weeks in advance. She said with the help of board members from Tigerton Main Street and other community members, the event was able to be set up smoothly.

"I had a couple of high schoolers come, and they dragged all the trees up to the second floor, and we had a haunted house set up for Halloween," said Marker. "That was a way to utilize trees for something other than one month. It was like a little haunted forest."

Marker added that seeing various community members come together to help Tigerton Main Street make this event a reality again was a welcomed sight and helped her to work on other things.

"It is so nice," said Marker. "It has definitely been a relief that we have had all of this help."

She said that Tigerton Main Street has around the same amount of trees as last year. She said that hasn't stopped visitors from taking the tour of the trees in the building. Marker said that one thing that stuck out to her in their early hours of the lighting was seeing the amount of children and their reactions to the trees and The Grinch.

"I work at the elementary school too, so seeing the kids come in, me knowing who they are and seeing the excitement on their faces — it has been just a really nice start to the holiday season," said Marker.

In terms of what visitors can expect when they arrive, Marker said that she wants visitors just to enjoy their time among the specially decorated trees.

"I would say just kind of let everything go, enjoy the decorations and get into the holiday spirit," said Marker.

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Sweetgrass Behavioral Health new provider for Shawano area

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

With her husband, children, sisters, mother and invited guests looking on, Alegra Fowler formally opened her new clinic, Sweetgrass Behavioral Health, on Dec. 2.

"This is something I've been dreaming about for some time," Fowler told the group that packed into the small office suite at 102 E. Green Bay St. in Shawano. "Thank you to my family and you all for your support."

Fowler, a psychotherapist and licensed clinical social worker with experience working for the Oneida Nation and Menominee Tribal Social Services, said she saw a need for a local mental health provider for ages 10 and up.

Her services include cognitive behavioral therapy, trauma-focused therapy and grief counseling, as well as brainspotting, which her literature describes as "a powerful, focused treatment method that works by identifying, processing and relating core neurophysiological sources of emotional/body pain" and other symptoms.

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"Because of its medicinal properties," Fowler said. "It's very helpful in purifying and healing the system."

The goal of her service is to provide a neutral, safe space for clients to help them heal, become energized and regain their inner strengths, she said.



Chef Tom Jonet eases another batch of shrimp into the fryer during the open house and ribbon-cutting for Sweetgrass Behavioral Health in Shawano on Dec. 2.
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After graduating from the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay in 2002, Fowler worked for the College of Menominee Nation for nearly nine years, then returned to UW-Green Bay to study for her Master of Social Work. She did her internship with Oneida Behavioral Health and spent three years as a family preservation social worker for Menominee Tribal Social Services,

earning her certification as a licensed clinical social worker in 2019 and going to work with the Oneida.

At least two dozen people attended the ribbon cutting, including Fowler's husband, Joel, her mother, Ava Fowler, and sisters Alden Payne and Alea Cox.

"We're all proud of her," Ava Fowler said, encouraging visitors to partake

of the spread prepared by Tom Jonet, longtime chef at Reinhart Foodservice in Shawano. "You have to eat if you want to have a beautiful day."

To get information or make an appointment, call Fowler at 715-280-8130, email contact@sweetgrassbh.com or visit www.sweetgrassbh.com.

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Alegra Fowler cuts the ribbon Dec. 2 to open Sweetgrass Behavioral Health in Shawano. Looking on are her family, from left, Daryl Fowler-Doxlator, Alynn Fowler-Doxlator, Joel Fowler and Addyson Fowler. She is further joined by representatives from Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce Suzanne Wittman, executive director; Kathy Mocadlo, Advanced Physical Therapy; Donna Hobscheid, Coldwell Banker the Real Estate Group; Clint Whitehorse, Badger State Event Productions; and Lisa Meisner, concierge for the chamber.
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Calendar art features dazzling trail photos

I have a love-hate relationship with trail cameras. Checking their SD cards is like an early Christmas — opening those images on my point-and-shoot camera in a hunting blind brings the surprise gift of the local bucks, does and even an occasional coyote or raccoon that pass by.



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I've had more than my share of issues with these magical little hunting tools. First, they suck batteries like Winnie the Pooh at his honey jar, especially when it's cold. Second, some of them are so complex that they require an engineering degree to set properly. I've only owned three brands of trail cams: Moultrie, Wildgame Technologies and Browning. The Moultrie was simple to use and took fairly good photos, but had a somewhat slow trigger speed (faster is better to avoid missing moving animals) and eventually stopped working. The Wildgame Technologies seems to work a little better, and I've had pretty good luck with it. The Browning has an amazing range of 100 feet, no-glow flash and a complex menu that I still haven't mastered.

I set the Browning up once when we were on vacation and, when I got back, I had thousands of photos of a moving tree limb. Recently, I tried it in a deer woods and accidentally set it on time lapse (I still haven't figured out the purpose for such a setting, unless you want photos of a melting iceberg) and got 2,500 photos, spaced a minute apart, of my ground blind and two photos of turkeys.

Seeing deer and other game moving through an area is useful to help you know what sort of bucks or does are there, but a beautiful buck photo taken at 2:35 a.m. doesn't mean you will ever see that buck during legal shooting hours.

One man who knows trail cameras and has put them to work for him is Jim Schoenike, of rural Marion. He produces an annual wildlife calendar shot only with his trail cams. His tips on trail cam usage can help you use them more effectively, and might encourage you to use them during the off-season to get extraordinary shots of wildlife, just as he has.

The avid deer hunter and owner of about 200 acres of woods, swamp and farm fields in Waupaca County first started using basic trail cameras in the early 2000s, when they still used film. Like most of us deer hunters, he just wanted to know what bucks and does were roaming his hunting haunts.

Schoenike, president of Clintonville Bow Hunters and a columnist for the Wisconsin Bowhunters Association magazine, began to catalog his thousands of images, including raccoons, hawks, owls, foxes and even bears, bobcats and wolves.

Schoenike's calendars, produced under his Big Oaks Products moniker (www.bigoakproducts.com), have amazingly sharp, clear photos that are so much better than any trail cam photos I've ever seen. In fact, many of the images rival those shot with professional cameras.

He offers many tips on using trail cams, but the



Jim Schoenike, of rural Marion, produces a wildlife calendar entirely from trail camera photos. He displays two of the Cuddeback cameras he uses and two favorite photos — a juvenile red-tailed hawk and a stalking bobcat — from his archives of more than 50,000 images. You can see his calendars at BigOakProducts.com.

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keys are to position the camera properly (at the proper height for the animal you are trying to capture) and make sure the lighting is sufficient.

Placing the camera with the sun to the rear is obvious. Depending on the time of day you may expect the deer or other game to show, you may need more than one camera pointing in different directions for optimum results. In most cases, face your cameras to the northeast or northwest.

He uses a fully adjustable bracket that allows the camera to be positioned at almost any angle.

Practice good scent control around your trail cams, even wearing rubber gloves if possible.

He's stuck with Cuddeback cameras because he knows how they work and because they have proven reliable. Cuddebacks have a fast 1/4-second trigger when motion is detected, resulting in capturing more images than a slower trigger time. He may have up to two dozen cameras out at any time and uses them all year, not just during the deer season.

One thing I like about the Cuddebacks he showed me was that some models feature a dial setting,

rather than an electronic menu. This means fast and simple settings that can be checked at a glance. I hate clicking through long menus and hoping they are set properly.

He agrees with the philosophy of the simpler, the better.

He never shoots video, saying video is less useful for determining a buck's antlers than still photos. He's not used any of the newer cameras that send images to a cell phone.

He powers his two dozen cameras with ordinary alkaline batteries, stocking up when they are on sale.

Trail cams aren't just used by hunters. He encourages birdwatchers to set one up near the backyard bird feeder, or set one on a post frequented by hawks and owls. He built a box to protect a camera and make it easier to mount on a post. That's how he got several of his most dramatic shots.

His photos also caught the attention of Fleet Farm, which has sold holiday gift tins of candy with his Big Oak Products images for many years. He also sells note cards and prints of his amazing photos.

Dear's gone hunting, brought home a deer

Though my home and heart are in the Northwoods, I don't come from a deer hunting family. My people were dairy farmers, and the idea of taking time off to go up north to kill a tough, stringy buck when you are raising your own grass-fed beef was beyond comprehension. There was one time, though, that a neighbor gave us some fresh venison steaks. Mom was game to try it, but as a busy farm wife, she didn't have time to find out how to cook it.

Oh, dear. To this day I am convinced those steaks were from a mean old bark-fed buck looking for revenge, because they actually looked and chewed like leather. The meat had such a "wild" taste that, for once, my father did not insist we eat everything on our plates. In fact, I think that was the only time I ever saw him leave more than a morsel on his plate.

My first husband wasn't really a hunter, either, but he went to deer camp for cognac, camaraderie and card games. He never brought home a deer, and that was fine by me. If he had, like my mother, I would have had no idea what to do with it. The truth is I had no desire to learn, so years passed



KATHLEEN MARSH

40 that I have genetically-transmitted high cholesterol. As luck would have it, that year I married my second husband, who had been deer hunting since age 10. Jon explained that venison has very little fat and no cholesterol, perfect for someone with my heredity who likes red meat. I was excited when he brought home a buck that year. My game plan was to learn how to prepare it so I could eat it without gagging.

Taking advice from a cousin who was a lifelong connoisseur, I succeeded, and over the years I've learned to cook all kinds of wild game: squirrel, turkey, rabbit, grouse, elk and, of course, venison. I have had guests say it's better than beef, though I would never try to fool anyone and always ask

before I needed to change my destiny — and my diet.

The motivation came from a strange source, a primary care physician who informed me when I turned

before serving it. I have found many ways to prepare a great meal of venison, but if you've come into possession of some, here's an easy, delicious recipe.

While the meat is thawing but still firm, remove all the silver skin and fat with a sharp knife. This eliminates the wild taste. Loins are easy; all they need is to be cooked or grilled quickly at high heat and eaten immediately. However, that will not work if you are cooking less tender cuts. These should be thinly sliced or cut into small chunks (think tenderloin tips). Measure a couple tablespoons of flour into a plastic bag, throw in the venison and shake the bag to coat the meat.

Next, brown the venison over medium high heat in butter just until the red is gone. Season with salt and pepper. It really adds a nice touch and makes for a tender finish if you add a splash of Worcestershire sauce and a squirt of ketchup. Smother the meat in onion, garlic, canned or fresh mushrooms, whatever you like, and simmer gently in beef broth for at least three hours. Be sure to add water as needed to keep the meat in a simmering liquid at all times. As my mother learned

the hard way, venison can turn to shoe leather in a hurry.

As for the beef broth, I prefer Penzy's, but even broth made from the little cubes wrapped in foil will do. Just be aware they are loaded with salt. Whatever you do, do not add spices like bay leaf or thyme if you have never tasted them before. For most people, it's the unfamiliar spice and not the venison they dislike.

When the meat is fork tender, cook down the juice to make a delicious brown gravy. Ladle the meat and gravy over mashed potatoes, noodles, rice or pasta. Cooked carrots and peas and grilled French bread make perfect sides. Serve it piping hot, then sit back and enjoy both the meal and the compliments!

Oh, in case you were wondering, Jon got a nice eight-point buck on opening weekend. He says every year that this might be the year we won't have venison in the freezer. I hope that never happens, because I am told grilled cheese is loaded with cholesterol.

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.

Prayers answered and unanswered guide lives

Do you pray? How and when do you pray? Prayer according to Meriam Webster Dictionary is "an address (such as a petition) to God or a god in word or thought."

I was raised in a family with a religious foundation. My mom, dad, grandparents and myself attended church every Sunday, always sitting in the same pew. I attended parochial grade school and high school, so I was taught early on in life how to pray. I had learned the basic simple prayers and recited them habitually to the point I stopped believing the words. They didn't seem to have any meaning anymore.

From the age of 18 years old to about 38 years old, I would pray when things didn't go my way or when I found myself in a crisis. I very rarely prayed for someone else or just prayed to thank God. I



KATHRYN HENNES

would pray for a relationship to work out. When it didn't, I would blame God. Years down the road, I would realize God did answer my prayer in His way, not mine, and God's answer was much better than mine could ever have been.

I began to understand prayer more when I found my spirituality in a power greater than myself whom I call God. I no longer prayed without feeling and sincerity. I do pray the Lord's Prayer given to us by Jesus and a prayer I wrote mainly at night when I go to bed.

During the day my praying is

more like a conversation with God. Something like "God, thank you for your blessings, what do you need me to do today? Please guide and protect me in the tasks I need to do. Bless and protect my family and friends today and always. In Jesus name I ask this, Amen." This is how I pray now or at least try to, but I am not perfect and do fall short. My God is patient and will be there to listen.

God already knows what is in my heart and soul. I will sometimes pray silently with the feeling in my heart and the thoughts in my head. You can pray however you understand and feel. A simple "Hi God, thank you," or "Help me please, God," is a start to praying. I have found humbling myself on my knees and praying with true sincerity seems to help me find the answers, not necessarily the answers I am asking for but

answers just the same. The answers to your prayers may not be what you want or think they should be, but they will be in accordance with God's will for you. Your prayers may not be answered on your timeframe, but they will be answered according to God's plan. Time, patience, and faith is needed to receive the answer to your prayers. In this day and time, everything is faster paced and confusing. With all the pain and suffering around us today, why not try to pray then wait for the answer? What will you have to lose? You perhaps will gain everything. Talk with God today. He is listening. Bless you.

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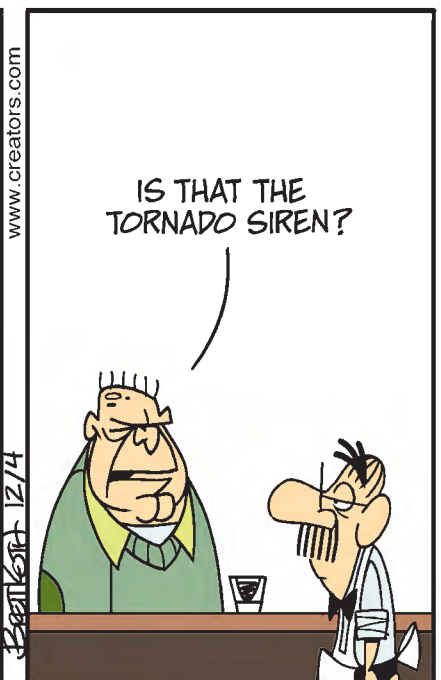
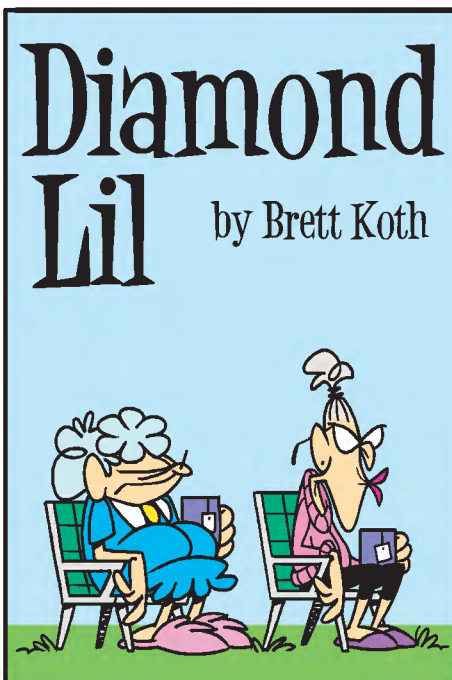
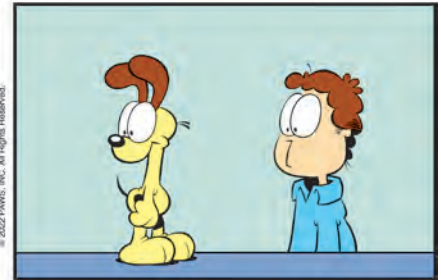
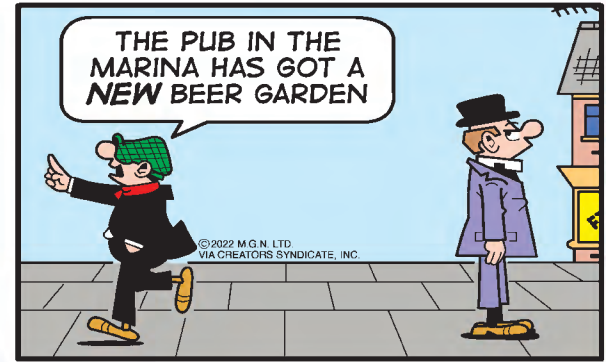
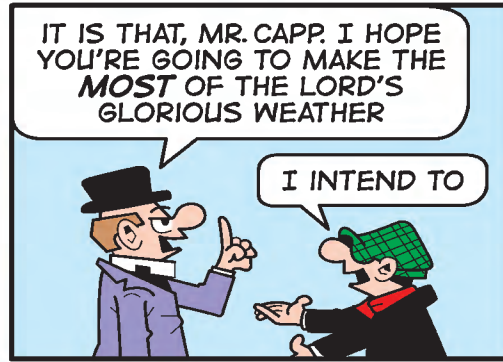
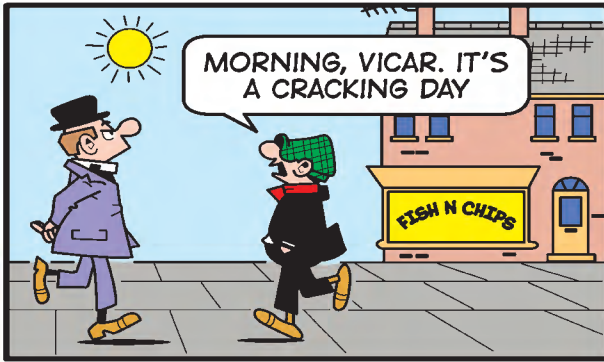
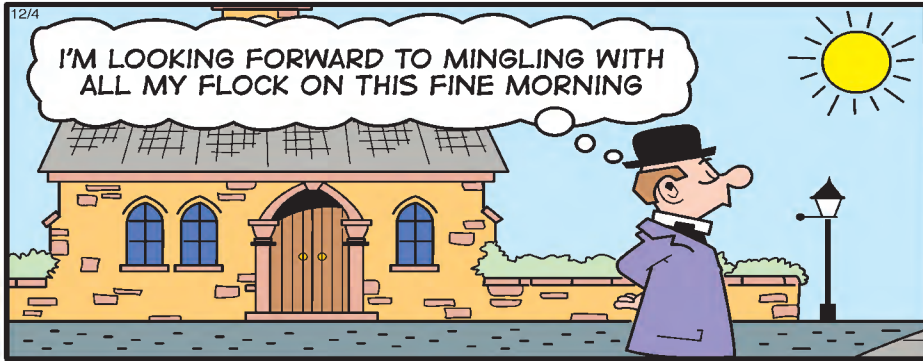
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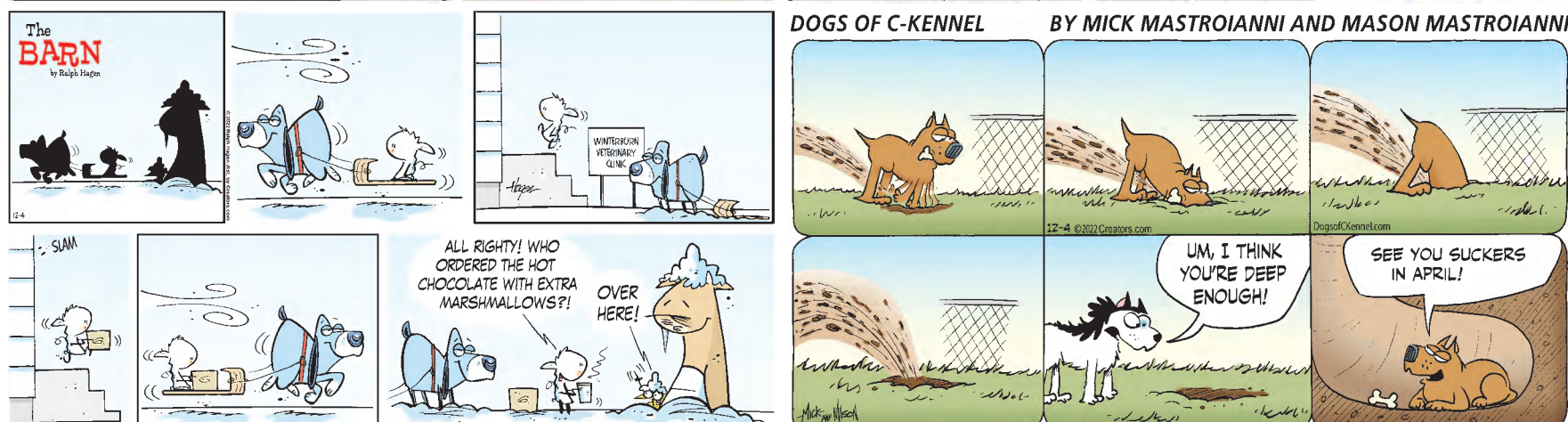
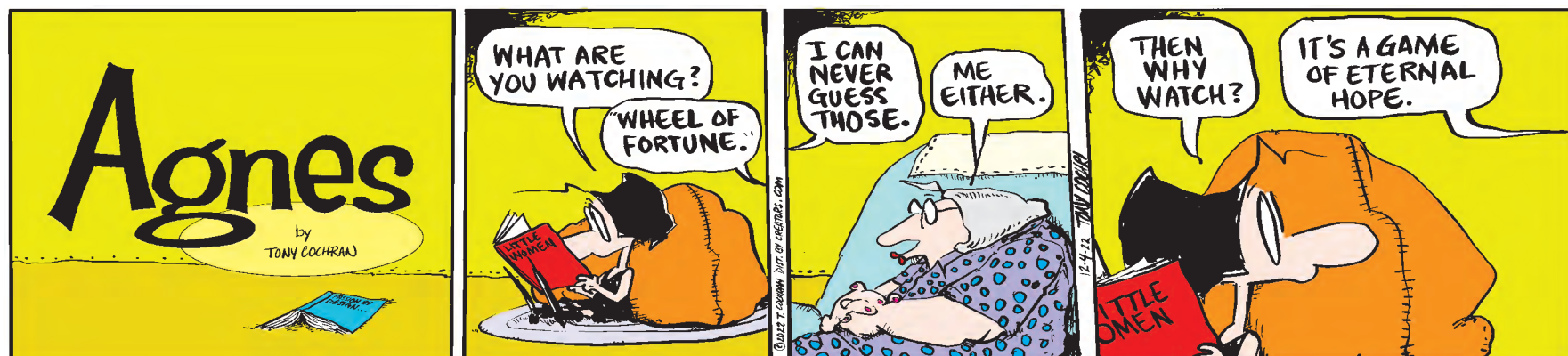
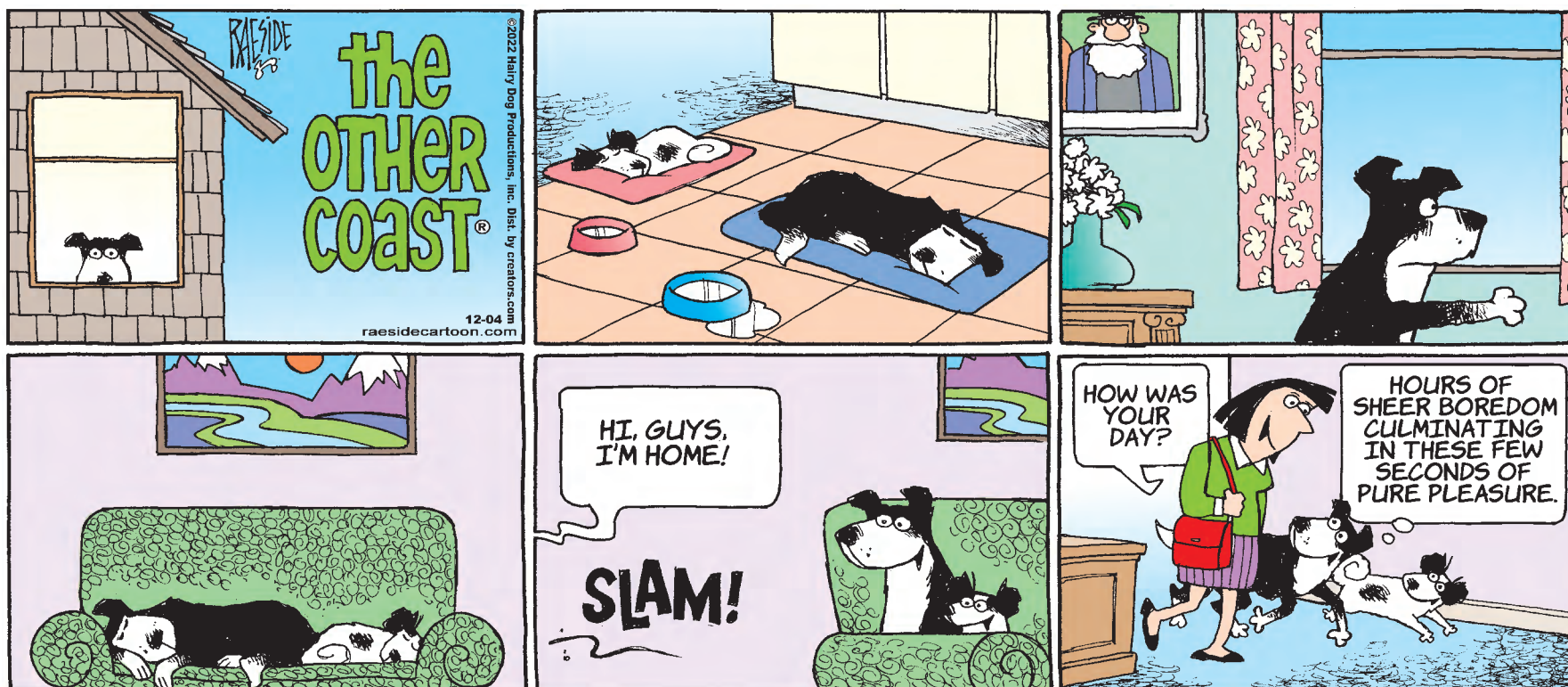
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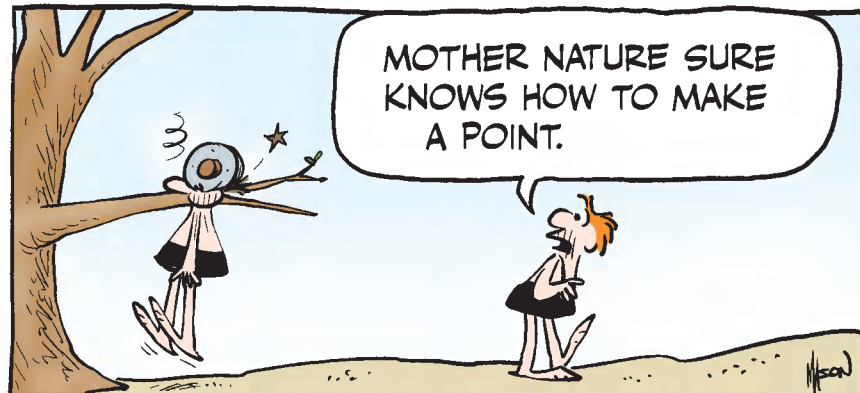
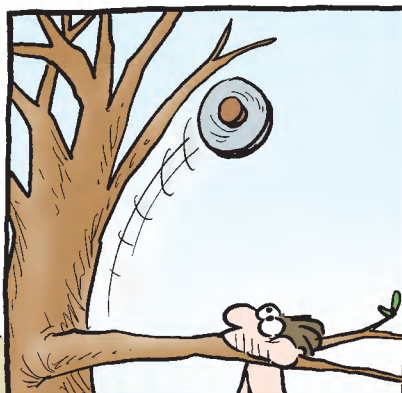
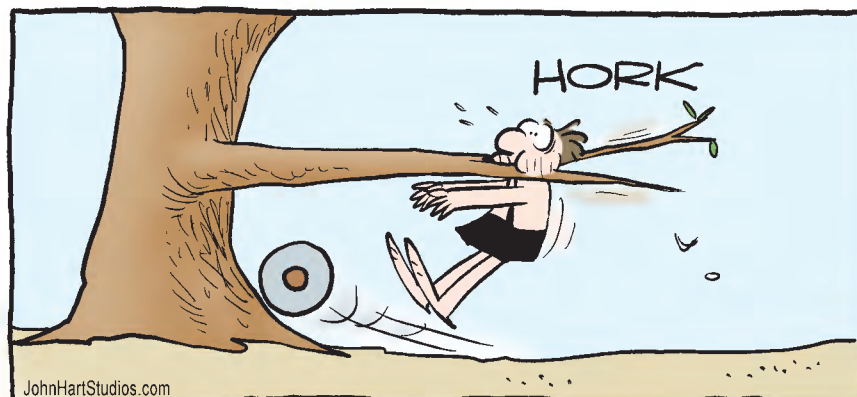
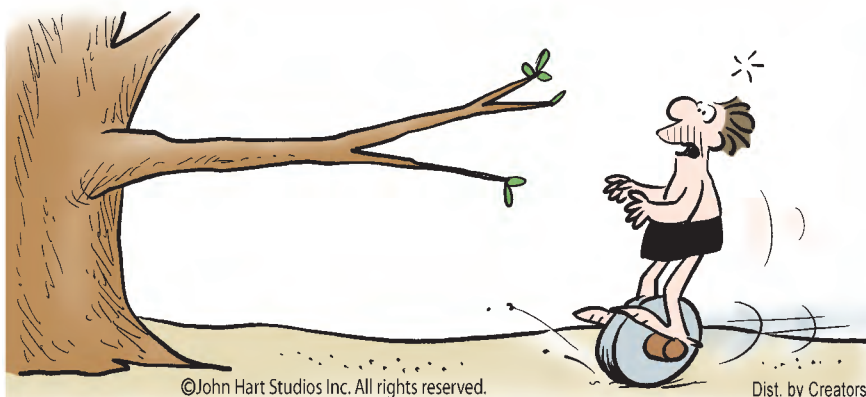
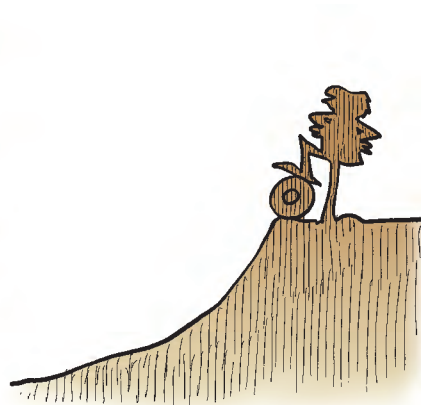


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Sheldon and Merissa Cannon are shown with their children, Trenton, 7, and Robert, 1, and their barn quilt at W3896 County Road BE, Bonduel.

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Quilt combines cattle with flowers

The nation's largest barn quilt trail in Shawano County continues to grow with the addition of its 401st quilt. It is on a barn owned by Sheldon and Merissa Cannon at W3896 County Road BE, Bonduel.

The Cannons just moved to their new home a few months ago. They plan to grow sunflowers, fruits and vegetables and raise beef cattle. Thus, their quilt pattern, which combines the two, is called "Beef and Blooms." It was painted by the Shawano County barn quilt committee.

Sheldon Cannon grew up working on farms in the Bonduel and Cecil areas, and both he and Merissa had wanted to have their own place. When this one came up for sale, they purchased 2.5 acres of the property, which includes the barn and house.

The farm was homesteaded by John Luebker and his wife in 1869 when they moved to the area from

Dodge County. They built a log cabin on the property in 1870 and added onto the house and built the barn in 1900.

Theodor and Alma (Luebker) Kupsky owned the farm for a number of years, until it was purchased by Ted and Marian (Westphal) Kupsky in 1958. They sold the last piece of the farm land in 2008. The farm was an active dairy farm from 1900 to 1987 and went through several owners after Ted and Marian moved out. Formerly known as the Luebker Family Homestead, it is now the Cannon Family Farm.

"We really like our quilt and are very happy to be part of Shawano County's barn quilt trail," Merissa Cannon said.

The barn quilt was put on display by LeRoy Raddant and his son, Keith, who owns Raddant Electric in Shawano.

Gillett library plans Cookie Crawl, other December activities

The holidays are just around the corner, and Gillett Public Library has a variety of programs planned for December.

A cookie fundraiser called the Cookie Crawl is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dec. 10. Boxes of cookies will be \$5 and available for people to pick their own cookies. Bags will be available for \$2 for those preferring smaller portions. Santa will make an appearance from noon to 2 p.m.

Highlights of upcoming adult programs include the Aging and Disability Resource Center hosting a Memory Café in the Gillett Library Community Center, 204 E. Main St., Gillett, from 1-2:30 p.m. Dec. 20, where visitors can make a holiday ornament, decorate holiday cookies, play bingo and listen to holiday songs provided by Joe and Colleen Wicker. Call 715-526-4712 or 715-526-4708 to RSVP by Dec. 16. Oconto County Health and Human Services provides job and GED assistance from 10 a.m. to noon Dec. 22.

For kids, liven up your tree with a do-it-yourself gingerbread house ornament from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Dec. 19 in the community center. A Teen Tuesday from 4-5 p.m. Dec. 20 will be DIY ornaments. Snacks will be provided.

During winter break, the Gillett library has a variety of activities for families.

From 12:30-1:30 p.m. Dec. 26, visitors can make treats for the Oconto County Humane Society. On Dec. 27, the library will kick off a new program called Full STEAM Ahead, also 12:30-1:30 p.m., where children K-2 will learn about shapes through reading and fun activities. On Dec. 28 from 1-3 p.m., Pathfinder and Community Board Games will be held in the Library Community Center. Dec. 29 from 11-11:30 a.m., the library will showcase another puppet show. Dec. 30 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., families can make bird feeders to feed their feathered friends in frigid temperatures.

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AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Hoffman gets Wisconsin Farm Bureau accolades

Christa Hoffman was selected as the winner of the Wisconsin Farm Bureau's Young Farmer and Agriculturist Outstanding Agriculture Professional Award at the organization's 103rd annual meeting on Dec. 4.

Hoffman is a business development administrator at URUS. She manages grant-funded projects focused on improving cattle management practices on farms in emerging markets. Working for a global cattle genetics company, her primary focus is establishing new commercial markets while providing access to artificial insemination to make long-term impacts on production and profitability of farms. Hoffman and her husband, Brad, raise two young children on the family's dairy farm in Gresham.

"This contest recognizes Young Farmer and Agriculturist members going above and beyond for agriculture and within their communities," said WFBF President Kevin Krentz. "Christa is a shining example of the impact Farm Bureau members have in rural areas."

The Outstanding Agriculture Professional Award is presented to a Farm Bureau member between the ages of 18 and 35 who has not derived a majority of his or her income from a farm for the past three years. Examples of occupations of ideal applicants include agricultural education instructor, fertilizer salesperson, veterinarian, farm employee, journalist or marketer.

Hoffman serves on the Shawano County Farm Bureau board of directors and is the co-chair for Brunch on the Farm.

She will receive \$1,500 courtesy of Growmark Inc., the opportunity to attend the 2023 AFBF Fusion Conference in Jacksonville, Florida, and is eligible to participate in the 2023 YFA Washington, D.C., Fly-In.

The Wisconsin Farm Bureau Foundation co-sponsors this contest with Growmark Inc., and Rural Mutual Insurance Company. This is a new Wisconsin Farm Bureau award replacing the Excellence in Ag competition.

Auditions open for 'War of the Worlds' radio play

The Machickanee Players are holding auditions for their upcoming production of "War of the Worlds" at 6 p.m. Dec. 15 and 10 a.m. Dec. 17. Auditions will be held at the Park Avenue Playhouse, 408 Park Ave., Oconto. The



Christa Hoffman, of Gresham, was the recipient of the Wisconsin Farm Bureau's Young Farmer and Agriculturist Outstanding Agriculture Professional Award at the organization's 103rd Annual Meeting on Dec. 4.

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performance dates are Feb. 10-12 and Feb. 17-19.

"War of the Worlds" is a radio play, only now the audience will be able to watch how a live radio production occurs. In 1939, this radio program swept the country as listeners truly believed that aliens had invaded the earth.

This production will need 10-15 actors and actresses of various ages for this performance. Call 920-834-4353 or email susie.machickaneeplayers@gmail.com for more information.

Shawano County Library eliminates fines system

Beginning Jan. 1, Shawano County Library will be fines-free on all books. This means that books will no longer accrue a daily overdue fine when items are not returned by the due date. Two years ago, the library removed fines on children's and teen books.

In 2019, the American Library Association passed the Resolution on Monetary Library Fines as a Form of Social Inequity. The resolution outlines that removing fines tends to increase

library card adoption and usage while retaining fines leads to barriers in access to materials and resources.

Items that are never returned, lost or damaged will continue to be billed to the patron account. Movies, video games, music and other all other media will continue to accrue daily fines at this time.

For information, contact the library at sha@shawanolibrary.org or 715-526-3829.

SNBT donates to Oconto County aging commission

This October marked 148 years that The Stephenson National Bank and Trust (SNBT) has been servicing the needs of the community.

SNBT may no longer hand write its ledgers, or use bank notes as currency, but the long-lasting bank continues to be involved in its local community.

"Our Chairman's Challenge has become an annual staple of employee support for local non-profits," said Daniel Peterson, SNBT president and chief executive officer. "This year it

marks our 148th anniversary, and I can think of no better way to celebrate this milestone than by giving back, because the success of the bank has always stemmed from our community."

All SNBT branches participated in a collection drive during the months of October and November. The Oconto office donated its collected items to the Oconto County Commission on Aging Inc.

Hillside Assembly to present Christmas show

Hillside Assembly of Gillett will perform its Kids Christmas Musical at 7 p.m. Dec. 17 at the church, 5890 State Highway 22, Gillett.

The half-hour musical is full of fun and meaningful arrangements and includes new songs from Dove Award-winning children's writers Anna Lampe, Alisen Wells, and Nick Robertson, along with some favorite Christmas carols.

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by Mark McClain

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Packers have won eight
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Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers salutes the crowd after the team topped the Chicago Bears on Dec. 4 in Chicago.

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Packers beat Bears, take over all-time wins lead

Rodgers salutes Soldier Field in possible last game at Chicago

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

A win over the Chicago Bears pushes the Green Bay Packers to the winningest franchise in NFL history.

The first matchup in this storied rivalry came in 1921, when the then-Chicago Staleys (a name that would change to the Bears a year later) shut out the Packers 20-0 on the back of a 45-yard touchdown run from Pete Stinchcomb.

Since that game, the rivalry has evolved to include such NFL Hall of Fame players as Walter Payton, Ray Nitschke, Gale Sayers and Brett Favre. While players and championships come and go, one thing has remained constant in the rivalry — Chicago holding the record for most all-time wins in NFL history.

In the offseason, many pointed at the week two matchup between the teams as the game where Green Bay could pass Chicago in all-time wins. Since Chicago won its week one matchup against San Francisco and the Packers lost their week one matchup to Minnesota, that anticipated matchup was delayed. In a divine circumstance, the teams came together in week 13, tied in the all-time NFL win column.

Winning this game puts the Packers at No. 1 all-time in wins, with 787. This is the first time since 1920 that the Bears have not held the record for the most wins — another NFL history-defining chapter in this storied rivalry.

“That’s a pretty cool deal for us to be the all-time winningest franchise,” said Green Bay Packers head coach Matt LaFleur.

Since games continue to be played, this record is not set in stone for Green Bay, and Chicago has a chance to reclaim its spot atop the list in two weeks. Over the next two weeks, Green Bay is on bye and then hosts the Los Angeles Rams at home on Monday night.

The Bears, on the other hand, have a bit more difficult schedule as they match up with Philadelphia, followed by Buffalo. While this record



Green Bay Packers defensive lineman Dean Lowry, left, and Kenny Clark celebrate during the team's win over the Chicago Bears on Dec. 4 in Chicago.

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may change a couple times over the course of the rest of the season, one thing hasn't changed — Aaron Rodgers owning the Chicago Bears.

In what could be his last appearance at Soldier Field, Rodgers saluted the crowd as he walked off the field with his 24-5 career record against the Bears. In those 29 games, Rodgers has thrown for 6,695 yards (230.9 per game), 64 touchdowns (2.2 per game) and only 10 interceptions (0.3 per game).

“Right now, we’ve flipped the all-time series. We’ve flipped the all-time wins,” said Rodgers. “I’ve had a lot of success against them, so I think in a few years, you look back and you feel pretty good about your contributions to the rivalry.”

Rodgers’ contributions to rivalry have been more than plentiful, as he has hooked up with receivers Randall Cobb, Davante Adams and Jordy Nelson on numerous occasions. A

newcomer seems to have emerged into that list in Christian Watson.

Now, it’s probably not likely that Rodgers is going to spend as much time with Watson against the Bears as the other four players, but in the two games that Watson has played against Chicago, he has recorded 57 receiving yards, 46 rushing yards and two combined touchdowns.

“I definitely had a feel for it — just the intensity of the game. I felt it from the first drive,” said Watson, on what it feels like to play in this rivalry. “Obviously, you feel the fight every single play, and I mean it’s exciting to get any win, but it’s definitely (exciting) to get a win against the Bears and a win against an NFC North opponent.”

In a disappointing season for Green Bay, Rodgers and the Packers proved that they still own the Bears, beating them twice. While Chicago was able to build such a strong lead

in the win column through the 1940s, ’50s, ’70s and ’80s, Favre and Rodgers have done more than enough to swing the rivalry back in Green Bay’s favor.

Overall, the record between the two storied franchises is 105-95. With Chicago seemingly finding its next franchise quarterback in Justin Fields, the Packers may need to act quickly after Rodgers inevitably retires.

Does that include Jordan Love, or do the Packers go a different route? Nobody really knows the answer to that, and it may not be known for the next couple of years.

What is known, though, is that the Packers are 10 games ahead in the head-to-head record and at the top of the all-time wins list, something no team other than Chicago has accomplished since 1920.



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6	Dallin Leavitt	S	5-10	195	28	4	Utah State
7	Quay Walker	LB	6-4	241	22	R	Georgia
9	Christian Watson	WR	6-5	208	23	R	North Dakota State
10	Jordan Love	QB	6-4	219	24	3	Utah State
11	Sammy Watkins	WR	6-1	211	29	9	Clemson
12	Aaron Rodgers	QB	6-2	225	39	18	California
13	Allen Lazard	WR	6-5	227	26	4	Iowa State
16	Pat O'Donnell	P	6-4	220	31	9	Miami
18	Randall Cobb	WR	5-10	195	32	12	Kentucky
20	Rudy Ford	S	6-0	200	28	6	Auburn
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
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	28	6	Texas-El Paso
35	Corey Ballentine	CB	5-11	196	26	4	Washburn
38	Innis Gaines	S	6-1	202	24	1	TCU
45	Eric Wilson	LB	6-1	230	28	6	Cincinnati
47	Justin Hollins	LB	6-5	248	26	4	Oregon
50	Zach Tom	OL	6-4	304	23	R	Wake Forest
51	Krys Barnes	LB	6-2	229	24	3	UCLA
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
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74	Elgton Jenkins	G	6-5	311	26	4	Mississippi State
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	30	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
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21	Eric Stokes	CB	6-0	194	23	2	Georgia
40	Tipa Galeai	LB	6-5	229	25	2	Utah State
52	Rashan Gary	LB	6-5	277	25	4	Michigan
67	Jake Hanson	C	6-4	296	25	2	Oregon
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72	Caleb Jones	T	6-9	370	23	R	Indiana
Reserve/Suspended by Commissioner							
75	Sean Rhyan	T/G	6-5	321	22	R	UCLA
Practice Squad							
17	Ramiz Ahmed	K	5-11	193	27	1	Nevada
19	Danny Etling	QB	6-3	222	28	1	LSU
27	Patrick Taylor	RB	6-2	217	24	2	Memphis
34	Micah Abernathy	S	6-0	195	25	1	Tennessee
39	Tyler Goodson	RB	5-9	197	22	R	Iowa
43	Kiondre Thomas	CB	6-0	186	24	1	Kansas State
46	Nick Guggemos	TE	6-5	247	26	1	University of St. Thomas
48	DQ Thomas	LB	6-2	216	24	R	Middle Tennessee State
54	La'Darius Hamilton	LB	6-2	261	24	2	North Texas
57	Tim Ward	LB	6-6	255	25	3	Old Dominion
80	Dede Westbrook	WR	6-0	178	29	6	Oklahoma
82	Jeff Cotton	WR	6-2	206	25	1	Idaho
86	Travis Fulgham	WR	6-2	211	27	3	Old Dominion
88	Juwann Winfree	WR	6-1	210	26	3	Colorado
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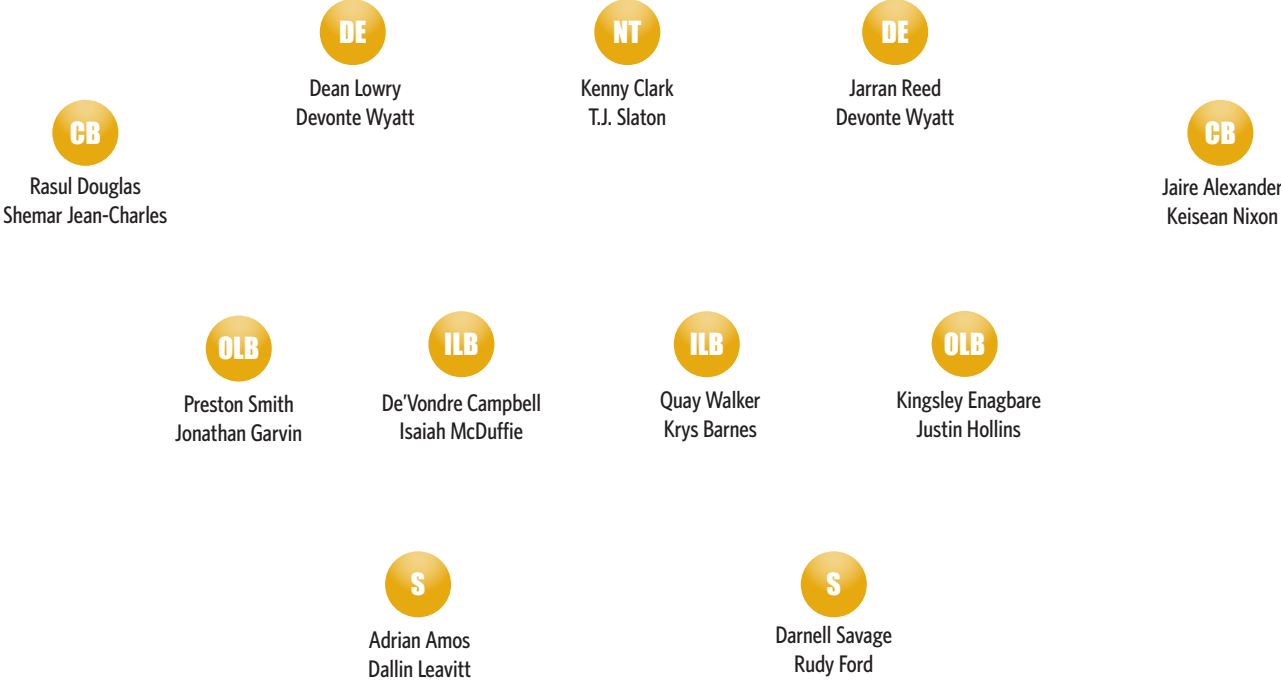
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Sunday's Games
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Cleveland at Cincinnati, noon
Houston at Dallas, noon
Minnesota at Detroit, noon
Philadelphia at N.Y. Giants, noon
Baltimore at Pittsburgh, noon
Jacksonville at Tennessee, noon
Kansas City at Denver, 3:05 p.m.
Carolina at Seattle, 3:25 p.m.
Tampa Bay at San Francisco, 3:25 p.m.
Miami at L.A. Chargers, 7:20 p.m.

Monday's Games
New England at Arizona, 7:15 p.m.

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Next Thursday's Games
San Francisco at Seattle, 7:15 p.m.

STANDINGS

NFC East				AFC East			
Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Philadelphia	11	1	0	Buffalo	9	3	0
Dallas	9	3	0	Miami	8	4	0
N.Y. Giants	7	4	1	N.Y. Jets	7	5	0
Washington	7	5	1	New England	6	6	0
North				North			
Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Minnesota	10	2	0	Baltimore	8	4	0
Detroit	5	7	0	Cincinnati	8	4	0
Green Bay	5	8	0	Cleveland	5	7	0
Chicago	3	10	0	Pittsburgh	5	7	0
South				South			
Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
Tampa Bay	6	6	0	Tennessee	7	5	0
Atlanta	5	8	0	Indianapolis	4	8	1
Carolina	4	8	0	Jacksonville	4	8	0
New Orleans	4	9	0	Houston	1	10	1
West				West			
Team	W	L	T	Team	W	L	T
San Francisco	8	4	0	Kansas City	9	3	0
Seattle	7	5	0	L.A. Chargers	6	6	0
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By **BILL HUBER**
Correspondent

Receiver room revamped

The offseason trade of Davante Adams played a big role in the colossal disappointment that has been the Green Bay Packers' 2022 season. How general manager Brian Gutekunst replaced Adams could play a big role in the franchise's quick rebound.

Second-round pick Christian Watson leads all NFL rookies with nine touchdowns, including seven touchdown receptions, on the strength of an astounding four-game stretch of eight touchdowns. Fourth-round pick Romeo Doubs showed plenty of promise before suffering an ankle injury that's essentially cost him the last five games. And, in a smattering of snaps, seventh-round pick Samori Toure has delivered a couple big plays.

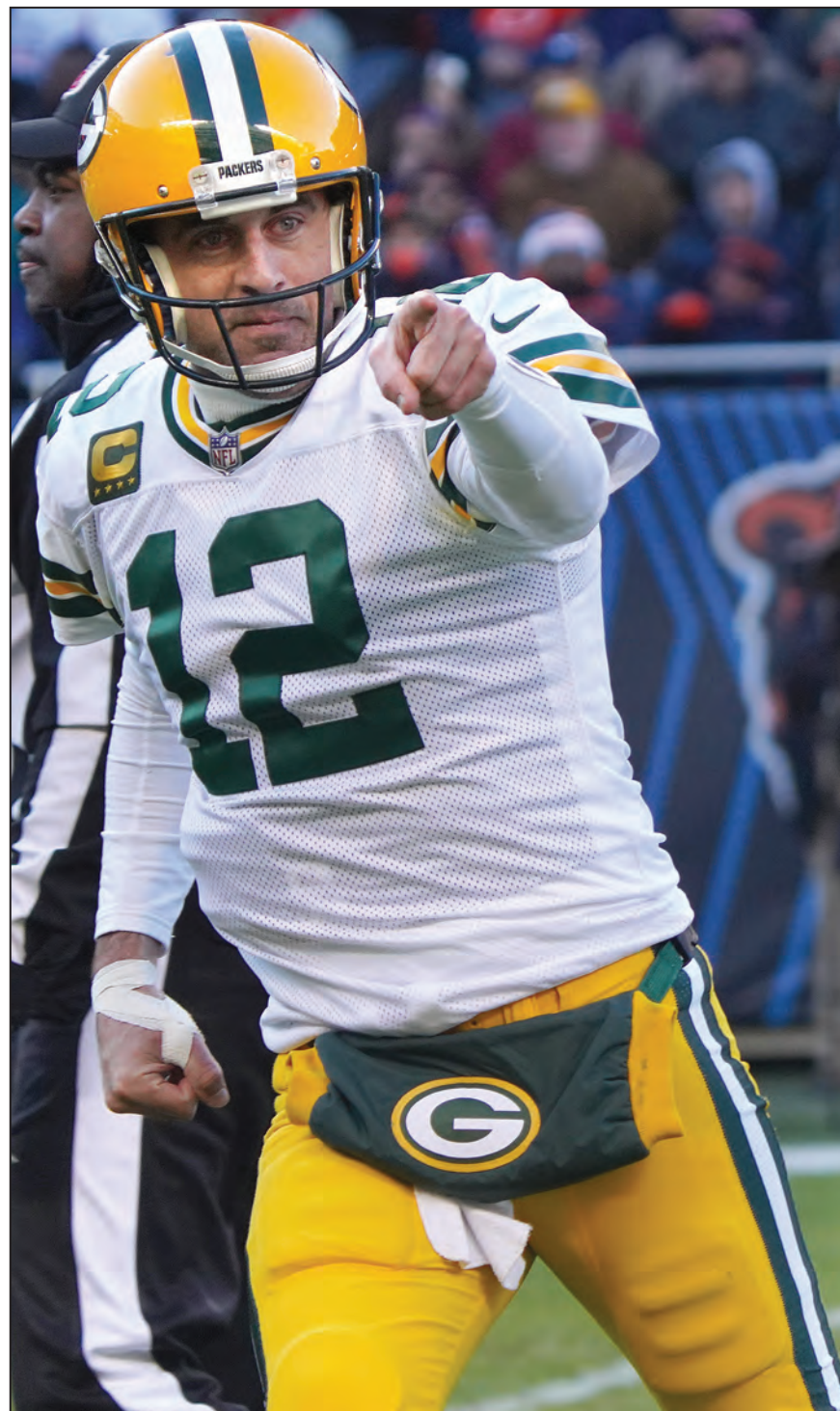
"I'm very high on those guys' ceilings and what they could do as a group," Gutekunst said Monday.

Watson has taken the league by storm in one of the most incredible turnarounds imaginable. He infamously dropped a 75-yard touchdown at Minnesota on his first NFL snap in week one. Hamstring issues and a concussion limited him to only 81 snaps the next eight weeks. His season appeared to be going from bad to worse when he dropped his first two targets against Dallas in week 10.

And then came the play that changed everything, a 58-yard touchdown pass that jumpstarted Green Bay's upset win over the Cowboys. He scored three touchdowns vs. Dallas, two vs. Tennessee, one vs. Philadelphia and two vs. Chicago. His eight touchdowns in four games tied Randy Moss' NFL record for most touchdowns in a four-game span by a rookie receiver.

"You've got to give that kid a lot of credit because, obviously, the way the season started, going into camp with the (knee) surgery and then having to miss that time and falling behind because of different injuries and stuff," Gutekunst said. "I think a lot of guys, that would've been it, right? 'Hey, let's get to the next season and see how it goes.'"

"But I give him a lot of credit for not losing faith and not losing his work ethic because, when the opportunities presented themselves, he's made the most of them. I think the thing I'm most proud about



Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers points to the sideline during the win over the Chicago Bears on Dec. 4 in Chicago.

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with Christian right now is he really has a desire to be great and he's not walking around here like he's arrived in any way. I think he truly wants to be the best version of himself that he can be, and he knows there's still a lot of work out there for him."

Gutekunst rolled the dice on Watson in this year's draft. With six receivers off the board in the top 20 picks, he used his first-round picks on linebacker Quay Walker and defensive tackle Devonte Wyatt. At the start of day two of the draft,

he didn't just trade his two second-round picks to select Watson. He traded his second-round picks to the rival Minnesota Vikings.

It's one thing to make a trade. It's another to make a trade with a division foe. Imagine the outcry had Watson been a Year 1 bust while the Vikings got a couple stars. Instead, Watson looks like a future star.

"I always have a sigh of relief when our players do well," Gutekunst said. "I'm not really looking back on all that. I'm just

really happy for the player and for Christian. He's done a heck of a job on his own, fighting through some of these things and just being prepared for his opportunities. It's not easy making it in this league, especially as a young player and coming in with a quarterback who has a standard that is so high. Those guys have been fighting really hard to get to that standard, and to see it come to the other side of it is really nice to see."

There's definitely more room for growth. Despite practically taking up residency in the end zone, he's only caught 15-of-26 targets the past four games. The Packers have to find ways to get the ball into the hands of the rookie with rocket speed and suddenly sure hands.

"Obviously, you want to get your playmakers the ball, and he's done a great job when we've gotten him the ball of making some big-time plays," coach Matt LaFleur said. "We'll continue to look, and I think right now is a great time for us to look at different ways that you can potentially get him the ball, whether it's on those jet sweeps and what else we can build off of that."

"But he is an explosive player, no doubt about it. You've seen it two weeks in a row where he just outruns everybody. He's a guy that you want to give as many opportunities to as possible."

No regrets

This past offseason, Gutekunst could have gone one of two ways. One, he could give quarterback Aaron Rodgers a contract extension to free up salary cap space to make additional moves to fortify a roster that reached NFC Championship Games in 2019 and 2020 and was the No. 1 seed in 2020 and 2021. Or, he could have traded Rodgers and moved forward with Jordan Love.

Gutekunst went with the first option. Going about as all-in as possible by kicking tens of millions of cap dollars into future seasons so he could re-sign linebacker De'Vondre Campbell and cornerback Rasul Douglas and add a few veterans, the Packers seem destined to miss the playoffs after an unprecedented three consecutive seasons of 13-plus wins.

"No regrets. Not at all," Gutekunst said. "Obviously, heading into the season, being the No. 1 seed the last two seasons leading into this season, a lot of high hopes. "We were certainly expected to

be competing for a championship, and we are still in it. If we're able to dig our way back into this thing, we still feel like we have the ability to do that. But this season has not gone as we expected. But I think back then when we made those decisions, certainly, we were looking at a different outcome right now."

Will Bakhtiari be back?

When the Packers signed David Bakhtiari to a four-year, \$92 million contract extension in November 2020, it was a reward to a player who was on his way to first-team All-Pro honors for the second time in his career.

About six weeks later, Bakhtiari suffered a torn ACL at practice. The injury not only derailed Green Bay's run to the Super Bowl but it derailed his brilliant career. He missed almost all of the 2021 season and the start of the 2022 season. When he's played, he's been great. But the knee remains the great unknown. He was a part-time player against the Giants and Lions and a surprise inactive against the Commanders.

Moving forward, Bakhtiari has cap charges of \$29 million in 2023 and \$33 million in 2024. The Packers could move on this offseason



Green Bay Packers cornerback Jaire Alexander, right, gets beat on a deep pass during the game against the Chicago Bears on Dec. 4 in Chicago.

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and create some cap space; he's due a \$9.5 million roster bonus on the third-day of the 2023 league year. Or, they could roll the dice with a premier player at a premium position with the belief that the worst is

behind him.

Gutekunst wouldn't tip his hand on which way he was leaning.

"I thought he played really, really well, and (the knee) was holding up really well, and then just

snakebit with the appendectomy (before the Chicago game) and what he's going through right now," Gutekunst said. "But he's playing at a very, very high level. Left tackles don't grow on trees."

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Love debate heats up as season slips away

With playoff chances dwindling, will team make QB switch?

By **BILL HUBER**
Correspondent

With a broken thumb, Aaron Rodgers continued to start at quarterback for the Green Bay Packers. With injured ribs, Rodgers started at Chicago.

If/when the Packers are eliminated from the NFC playoff race — they're hanging on by a whisker with a 5-8 record entering their week 14 bye — the Packers could make a call to the bullpen to Jordan Love.

Does Love need to play?

Would it be nice for Love to play?

Will Love play?

General manager Brian Gutekunst, speaking on Dec. 5 during his mandatory, once-per-regular-season news conference, addressed each of those questions.

First, it's the narrative that Love needs to play to show the Packers what he can do both in terms of being the long-term successor at quarterback and for activating the fifth-year option on his contract, a \$19.8 million decision that must be made by May 1.

The team's controversial first-round pick in 2020, Love has gotten substantial playing time in three games in three seasons.

He struggled in a regular-season start at Kansas City when Rodgers was out with COVID in 2021. He struggled while playing with mostly backups in the 2021 finale at Detroit. And he was sharp in relief of Rodgers during the fourth quarter at Philadelphia last month, when he led the team to 10 points in two possessions.

That's not much playing time, but three years of behind-the-scenes work carries a lot of weight in the long-term projection.

"We're really pleased with his progression and what he's been able to do," Gutekunst said. "I think that it would be really good for him, the growth that you need to go through, seeing things for the first time, making those mistakes that you need to make. But I think from our end of it, we've seen what we need to see."

If that sounds like nonsense — can the team really have a strong belief in a player one way or the other without significant playing



Green Bay Packers backup quarterback Jordan Love, left, looks for an open receiver as Philadelphia Eagles pass rusher Brandon Graham looks for a sack in a matchup between the two teams in Philadelphia on Nov. 27.

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time? — that was the consensus of three personnel executives who talked to Sports Illustrated's Packer Central.

"I'd say that, yes, you'd have some sense of whether a guy has 'it' by then or not," one of them said. "Three years is a good length of time to have a body of work to observe/make a judgment on that. Especially at that position, seeing how he operates daily, how he interacts with guys on and off the

field, how locked in he is during practice and also how successful he is against the starters while running the scout team."

That doesn't mean there wouldn't be upside to getting Love in the lineup. There's no substitute for experience and handling situations in the heat of the moment. The Packers, for instance, knew Rodgers was going to be a successful starter before he replaced an injured Brett Favre at Dallas in 2007.

Rodgers had and up-and-down first season as a starter in 2008 before leading the team to the playoffs in 2009, winning the Super Bowl in 2010 and winning his first MVP in 2011.

"Obviously, we've seen him for three years in practice and doing the things that he's doing," Gutekunst said. "I think there was a stretch here while Aaron's been banged up where he's had a lot of reps with the 1s, which was great

for him. I think it was great for us to see, but it was also just really, really good for him to experience game-planning each week.

"I think quarterbacks got to get into this league, play a bunch of games before they learn how to win, but I do think we feel very confident that Jordan can move the ball, score points and do the things that we ask of our quarterbacks."

Presumably, Rodgers will be in the starting lineup next Monday night against the Los Angeles Rams. After winning again at Chicago on Sunday, he said the thumb was "close to being a nonissue" and the ribs will be "close" to healed following the bye.

But if the Packers lose that game and are officially knocked out of the playoff race, will it be time to give Love those meaningful reps for the final games at Miami on Christmas and at home against Minnesota and Detroit to close the season?

Rodgers has said he'd be willing to step aside "without any bitterness or resentment."

Gutekunst, however, wasn't ready to say Love would get those opportunities.

"I think obviously if we get to that point, we'll kind of look at those things," he said.

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"But I think no matter even if we're eliminated from the play-offs which it wouldn't be ideal, we're going to still go out to win the game, and I think that's really important. There's a bunch of guys in that locker room that deserve that, so we're going to go out to win the game and we're going to make the decisions that are in the best interests of us going and winning the game."

Would Gutekunst like to see Love go win a game?

"Sure," he responded. "I mean whoever's playing, you know what I mean? It's one of those things, it's as long as I think whoever gives us the best chance to win needs to be out there. It's only fair to this locker room. That's the way I feel about it. I think Matt (LaFleur) feels the same."

"Again, there's always kind of different ways to look at things, but football's a little bit different game than some others, so we'll make those decisions when we get there and what's best for the football team and going out and winning those games."

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Cleveland @ Cincinnati
Houston @ Dallas
Minnesota @ Detroit
Philadelphia @ NY Giants

Baltimore @ Pittsburgh
Jacksonville @ Tennessee
Miami @ LA Chargers
Carolina @ Seattle
Tampa Bay @ San Francisco
New England @ Arizona Mon., Dec. 12

Tie Breaker Game:
Kansas City @ Denver



This Week's Picks:

Las Vegas	Baltimore
Buffalo	Tennessee
Cincinnati	LA Chargers
Dallas	Seattle
Detroit	Tampa Bay
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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score : Kansas City 31 @ Denver 13



This Week's Picks:

LA Rams	Baltimore
Buffalo	Tennessee
Cincinnati	Miami
Dallas	Seattle
Minnesota	San Francisco
Philadelphia	Arizona

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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Kansas City 27 @ Denver 24



This Week's Picks:

LA Rams	Baltimore
Buffalo	Jacksonville
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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Kansas City 24 @ Denver 10

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3	Sunday, September 25	at Tampa Bay Buccaneers	1:25 p.m.	FOX
4	Thursday, October 2	NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS	3:30 p.m.	SCBS
5	Sunday, October 9	at New York Giants (London)	8:00 a.m.	FOX
6	Sunday, October 16	NEW YORK JETS	12:10 p.m.	FOX
7	Sunday, October 23	at Washington Commanders	1:10 p.m.	FOX
8	Sunday, October 30	at Buffalo Bills	7:10 a.m.	FOX
9	Sunday, November 6	at Detroit Lions	12:10 p.m.	FOX
10	Sunday, November 13	DALLAS COWBOYS	12:25 p.m.	FOX
11	Thursday, November 17	TENNESSEE TITANS	7:15 p.m.	FOX
12	Sunday, November 27	at Philadelphia Eagles	1:00 p.m.	FOX
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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Kansas City 28 @ Denver 17



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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Kansas City 38 @ Denver 17



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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Kansas City 20 @ Denver 10



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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Kansas City 28 @ Denver 7



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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Kansas City 29 @ Denver 10



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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Kansas City 31 @ Denver 20



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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Kansas City 27 @ Denver 10



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Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Kansas City 38 @ Denver 14



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Philadelphia

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Tennessee
Miami
Seattle
Tampa Bay
New England

Jim Wiegand
Tower Clock
Eye Center

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Kansas City 27 @ Denver 9

Q&A WITH CHRISTIAN WATSON

By **BILL HUBER**
Correspondent

Having traded Davante Adams, the Packers entered the 2022 NFL Draft in dire need of an impact receiver. Early in the second round, general manager Brian Gutekunst sent his two second-round picks, Nos. 53 and 59, to Minnesota in exchange for pick No. 34, which he used on Watson.

After dropping a 75-yard touchdown pass on his first NFL snap and playing only 81 snaps the next eight games due to injuries, Watson has scored eight touchdowns the last four weeks — tied with Hall of Famer Randy Moss for most in NFL history by a rookie receiver. After scoring two touchdowns at Chicago, here was his postgame interview.

Q: You caught the touchdown pass on fourth down. Even though you missed so much time, do you feel like you have chemistry with Aaron Rodgers?

A: For sure. For sure. I think the more reps I get with 12, the better that chemistry gets. I've got a ways to go personally, in terms of getting to the level that I want to be at, to be able to connect with 12 even more, but I'm still a work in progress.

Q: Do you feel unstoppable? Not every play but that you're too talented to be stopped for too long?

A: I think that's my mindset, for sure. That's the mentality everyone has to have, honestly, when they're out there. When you're going every single play, it's a one-on-one between you and the man across from you. So, I think that's the mentality everyone has out there, and it's definitely the mentality I have, for sure.

Q: Have you thought about what your numbers might be and where this team would be if not for the injuries?

A: Obviously, there's what ifs and stuff like that, but I can't predict any of that. I think that God had a plan for me and it's working out just the way he planned.

Q: You got bragging rights over the Bears. Do you have a feel for the rivalry?

A: For sure. I definitely had a feel for it and just the intensity of the game. I felt it from the first drive. Obviously, you feel the fight every single play, and I mean, it's exciting to get any win, but it's definitely exciting to get a win against the Bears and get a win against an



Green Bay Packers receiver Christian Watson carries the ball during a win over the Chicago Bears on Dec. 4 in Chicago.

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NFC North opponent.

Q: What's the feeling of taking the all-time NFL lead with 787 wins?

A: It's exciting. I can only speak for myself but I truly feel blessed to be part of an organization like the Green Bay Packers. Regardless of how the season so far has gone for us, I'm just happy to be part of this organization.

Q: Can you take us through the jet-sweep touchdown? You got past Sammy Watkins and he started celebrating. What's that feeling like?

A: Yeah, to be honest, if I see nothing in front of me, it's looking pretty good. Honestly, that's exactly what I saw: I saw no one. I saw the corner go in with Sammy on his little crack block and I knew if the corner's not coming off there's no one that's going to make the play from the inside.

Q: Was your leap into the end zone planned?

A: No, actually, that was not

planned at all and, when I was in midair, I had no clue what I was doing. So, I've got to come up with something beforehand if I'm going to do something like that because that was definitely not what I was trying to do or planned on doing.

Q: The last four games, you've had 17 touches and eight touchdowns. Have you ever had a stretch like that?

A: I have not. I have not. Not even close, honestly. Obviously, having a run-first team in college, we weren't relying as much on the pass game as we were the run game in college. So, it wasn't expected of me nor were the opportunities always present. But I'm just doing what I can with the opportunities when they come.

Q: Entering the draft, some scouts thought you were really talented but really raw. Have you improved that much during your time or were you pegged as being rawer than you actually were?

AT A GLANCE

Number: 9
Age: 23
Season: Rookie
Position: Wide receiver
College: North Dakota State

A: I think I was definitely pegged as being rawer than I truly was. I definitely feel like I have a lot of growth, a lot of potential, as well. I was in an offense that was really successful at what we did and, if I only needed to run three or four routes for us to be successful and win championships in college, then that's exactly what we were going to do.

But I think there was a lot that scouts or anyone who turned on the tape wasn't able to see out of me just because we didn't need to do that to be successful. So, I think I've been able to continue to prove that I can do more and more than people thought I could do, but I think there's a lot of room for growth, as well.

Rodgers, Packers rally in 4th quarter to beat Bears



Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers scrambles during a win over the Chicago Bears on Dec. 4 in Chicago.

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Green Bay Packers running back A.J. Dillon runs with the ball during a game against the Chicago Bears on Dec. 4 in Chicago.

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Watson scores 2 more touchdowns

By **ANDREW SELIGMAN**
The Associated Press

Aaron Rodgers figured the Green Bay Packers were in a good spot and would find a way to pull out the win. Given his history against the Chicago Bears, it wasn't exactly a big leap of faith.

Rodgers led three fourth-quarter scoring drives, receiver Christian Watson took an end-around 46 yards for a touchdown in the closing minutes after Jaire Alexander intercepted Justin Fields, and Green Bay rallied to beat Chicago 28-19 on Dec. 4 in Chicago.

The Packers (5-8) looked like they were on their way to another loss after dropping seven of eight. They trailed by 13 in the second quarter and were down 19-10 through three before before outscoring Chicago 18-0 in the fourth on the way to their eighth straight win over their rival.

The Bears (3-10) lost their sixth game in a row.

"There was probably a lot of people that felt good at 19-10," Rodgers said. "So did I."

AJ Dillon ran for a 21-yard touchdown in the opening minute of the fourth. Mason Crosby kicked a 32-yard field goal to give Green Bay a 20-19 lead with just under five minutes left after Chicago's Cairo Santos had a 40-yard attempt blocked.

The Bears drove to the Packers 43 before Alexander stepped in front of a pass intended for Equanimeous St. Brown.

Three plays later, Watson sprinted untouched to the end zone, leaping across the goal line with his arms spread.

The Packers opted to go for 2, and Rodgers completed a pass to Mercedes Lewis, making it 28-19 with 1:51 remaining.

Fields was then intercepted at the Green Bay 5 by Keisean Nixon.

The Bears were left frustrated and vowing to do better after failing to convert late in a game yet again. Chicago has six losses by one score, and this was almost the seventh.

"You have to find ways to close games out," coach Matt Eberflus said. "We're excited about these

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next four games to get ourselves in position to do that. We were right there to get that done, and we'll get that done in the future."

Rodgers didn't exactly dominate the Bears. But he showed he still owns them, as he shouted last year toward the crowd at Soldier Field.

Rodgers, who exited last week's loss to Philadelphia with a rib injury and has been dealing with a broken right thumb since early October, improved to 25-5 against Chicago including the playoffs.

The four-time MVP completed 18 of 31 passes for 182 yards and a touchdown.

"He always gives you confidence that we can go out there and execute whatever the play is," coach Matt LaFleur said.

"I thought our o-line was doing a great job and then his ability to extend plays, just have that poise to kind of hang in there and allow those guys to go off schedule and work, gives me a lot of confidence."

Watson had 48 yards receiving and a touchdown reception — the rookie's seventh in the past four games — to go with that huge run. Dillon ran for 93 yards, and the Packers moved ahead of Chicago for the NFL lead in regular-season wins with 787.

"It is crazy and it is awesome to be a part of. Most wins in football at this level, it is really an honor to be part of the Packers and be part of that winning tradition," Dillon said.

The Bears led 19-10 with 1:50 left in the third after Santos kicked a 28-yard field goal. The Packers pulled within two in the opening minute of the fourth on a 21-yard run by Dillon to cap a four-play, 82-yard drive aided by a pass-interference penalty against Jaylon Jones.

Then the Packers blocked Santos' kick to stay within two.

Crosby nailed a 32-yarder to give the Packers a 20-19 lead with 4:49 remaining after Rodgers failed to squeeze a 14-yard pass to Robert Tonyan in the end zone.

Rodgers said his thumb is "close to being a non-issue," and his ribs probably will be, too, for Green Bay's next game in two weeks.

Running back Aaron Jones (shin) was hurt in the first half but returned.

Jones up for Walter Payton NFL Man of the Year Award

Winner to be announced at NFL Honors

The Green Bay Packers announced that running back Aaron Jones has been named the team's nominee for the NFL's Walter Payton Man of the Year Award.

Considered one of the league's most prestigious honors, the award recognizes an NFL player for outstanding community service activities off the field, as well as excellence on the field. Each of the league's 32 nominees were announced Dec. 6.

"We are honored to nominate Aaron for this prestigious award," said Packers President/CEO Mark Murphy. "We are incredibly proud of him for the great work he does both on and off the field. His A&A All the Way Foundation has had such an influence on the kids and families it serves.

"He has also been a devoted contributor to our Packers Give Back efforts, including serving as our Salute to Service spokesperson this year. We are so fortunate to have him in Green Bay. He is an amazing young man and a tremendous role model for all of our players."

Jones has been a constant presence in the community dating back to his time in high school and college, and especially since coming to Green Bay in 2017. In his six years with the Packers, Jones has jumped at every opportunity to take part in community events.

Having grown up with two parents in the U.S. Army and with other loved ones who have served, causes affiliated with the military are particularly important to Jones. During his time in Green Bay, he's been a big part of the Packers' Salute to Service efforts, from sending videos to veterans to speaking to youth at military academies and taking part in events like the team's Huddle for Heroes aimed at honoring veterans.

He's visited service members in the hospital and visited military bases, including Fort Bliss in his native El Paso. He also devoted his time this year to serving as the team's Salute to Service spokesperson to help honor those who serve their country.

Jones also has been involved with numerous programs and charities that benefit kids. He has attended a variety of events at the Boys & Girls Club, both in Green Bay and in Milwaukee, and he hosts football camps during the



Green Bay Packers running back Aaron Jones runs with the ball during a win over the Chicago Bears on Dec. 4 in Chicago.

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offseason in El Paso and Wisconsin.

Jones also has a special connection with kids battling illnesses, including cancer. He frequently visits children in the hospital or those who are facing health issues, whether in person or over video chat, and has highlighted them and their courage through the My Cause My Cleats campaign.

He has taken his community involvement to the next level in recent years by building upon the work of his foundation, the A&A All the Way Foundation, with his twin brother, Alvin. The A&A All the Way Foundation is dedicated to making an impact in the lives of children through charitable giving and action and executes events that inspire, educate and promote unity and diversity across multiple communities.

The foundation helps address children's basic needs, providing opportunities for recreation and fitness, and supporting children in military families. Through the foundation, Jones has done turkey giveaways for needy

families in both El Paso and Green Bay, run football camps for kids and given bikes away to students.

His Yards for Shoes campaign donates a pair of shoes to children at Boys & Girls Clubs throughout Wisconsin for every rushing yard he gains up to 1,000 yards. The foundation also includes the Freedom Is Campaign, which focuses on honoring military families each month by raising funds to provide joy-filled experiences to children who have parents serving in the military, such as a trip to the zoo or a family movie night.

As a nominee, Jones will wear a Walter Payton NFL Man of the Year helmet decal through the end of the season in recognition of his accomplishments on and off the field.

All 32 team winners will be highlighted as nominees and recognized for their important work during the weekend leading up to Super Bowl LVII. The 2022 Walter Payton NFL Man of the Year will be announced during NFL Honors, a primetime

awards special to air the Thursday before Super Bowl LVII, on NBC.

All 32 nominees will receive up to a \$40,000 donation in their name to their charity of choice. The winner of the Walter Payton NFL Man of the Year award will receive a \$250,000 donation to the charity of his choice.

For the eighth year, each Walter Payton Man of the Year nominee will also take part in the Charity Challenge, a social media campaign designed to support and promote team nominees.

Fans can vote on Twitter by using #WPMOYChallenge followed by their favorite nominee's last name or Twitter handle. The player whose unique mention is used the most between Dec. 6 and Jan. 8 will receive a \$25,000 contribution to his charity of choice, while the second- and third-place finishers will receive \$10,000 and \$5,000 donations.

Hashtag information and official rules can be found at nfl.com/manoftheyear.

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Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers looks on during the team's game against the Minnesota Vikings on Nov. 21 in Minneapolis. GREG MELLIS / NEW MEDIA

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4	Sunday, October 2	NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS	3:25 p.m.	FOX
5	Sunday, October 9	vs New York Giants (London)	3:25 p.m.	CBS
6	Sunday, October 16	NEW YORK JETS	8:30 a.m.	
7	Sunday, October 23	at Washington Commanders	*12 p.m.	FOX
8	Sunday, October 30	at Buffalo Bills	*12 p.m.	FOX
9	Sunday, November 6	at Detroit Lions	*7:20 p.m.	NBC
10	Sunday, November 13	DALLAS COWBOYS	*12 p.m.	FOX
11	Thursday, November 17	TENNESSEE TITANS	*3:25 p.m.	FOX
12	Sunday, November 27	at Philadelphia Eagles	7:15 p.m.	prime video
13	Sunday, December 4	at Chicago Bears	*7:20 p.m.	NBC
14	Monday, December 19	BYE WEEK	*12 p.m.	FOX
15	Sunday, December 25	LOS ANGELES RAMS	7:15 p.m.	
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How to create the perfect charcuterie board for your holiday party

(StatePoint) Are you hosting a holiday party and looking for a simple way to impress your guests?

The Texas Roadhouse Butcher Shop is sharing steps for building an eye-catching and mouth-watering charcuterie board that will add color, flavor and variety to your holiday table.

1. Grab a platter or surface to display your charcuterie. Anything will work, even a simple cutting board. Just be sure to choose a size that you can fill completely.

2. Use dishes or ramekins of mismatched sizes, shapes and colors to hold dressings, toppings and sauces. This will keep your board clean and add fun visual details to the display.

3. Include two to four cheeses of contrasting flavors and textures to please all palates, and to complement other elements of the board. The varieties you select should represent these basic categories: hard cheese, (such as Chardonnay Bellavitano) soft cheese, (such as brie) and blue cheese (such as French Roquefort).

4. While a traditional charcuterie



More holiday hosting tips are available at trbutcher.com. STATEPOINT

board typically sticks with cured meats, the holiday season is the perfect occasion for adding depth and richness to your feast with grilled meats, such as filet, sliced into strips. Whether you are firing up the grill or preparing on a cooktop, allow any cooked meats to rest well before adding them to your board.

5. No charcuterie board is complete without some crunch. Add two to three options like pita

crackers, crusty breads or toasted baguettes that will stand up to the weight of your meats and cheeses.

6. Now, add some brightness and sweetness to your board. Fresh fruits like blueberries, strawberries and green grapes, and preserves such as peach pepper jam, will add contrast to rich, salty meats and cheeses. Don't forget seasonal sweets and treats like soft peppermints, peanut brittle, chocolate dipped pretzels and candied nuts.

7. You'll want your charcuterie board to look as if it's overflowing. So, as you're building it out, start with the largest elements like the cheeses and meats first, followed by smaller items like crackers, fresh produce and sweets. Fill in any holes with sprigs of aromatic rosemary for trimming, along with additional portions of the smaller items. The various elements of the board should pair well together, so it's OK if they touch.

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Screen-free holiday gift ideas for families

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2. Kitchen assistance: Introduce adults and kids alike to the fundamentals of baking with a family-friendly baking kit subscription. Each month, a new kit is mailed to your recipients' home with recipes, activity booklets

and all the ingredients needed to create something delicious.

3. Swim time: The weather may be frightful, but that's no reason why families can't enjoy a delightful day at the pool. Consider gifting your favorite family with a day pass to an indoor aquatic center or water park. For families with young children, look for a facility that offers splash pads and swim lessons. For those with older kids who are already proficient swimmers, check for amenities like water slides and wave pools. Want to take it a step further? Sign your recipients up for an indoor pool membership until summer returns.

4. Inspiration: Give families all the ideas and inspiration they need to beat boredom, create new traditions and make memories with "The Adventure Challenge: Family Edition." This journal offers 50 adventures in different categories, along with space to share thoughts and photos about each experience.

5. Board — not bored: Encourage some good old-fashioned family fun with board games. From chess and checkers to modern classics to the latest trendy games, this is a gift option that's sure to engage family members of all ages.



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