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Members of Birnamwood American Legion Post 341 hold colors as they salute those who have passed during the Birnamwood Memorial Day program on May 30. Guest speaker Yauo Yang shared the story of his parents' journey to Wisconsin and his experiences in the U.S. military. SEE STORY, PAGE A3.

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Judge: There's enough evidence to bind Retzlaff

Officers called upon to testify regarding police chase, recent arrest at Wittenberg restaurant

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Marathon County Circuit Court Judge Mark Moran ruled May 31 that the Shawano County district attorney had enough evidence to bind Ann Retzlaff over on felony charges from a police chase in 2021 and her arrest in 2022 on a bench warrant when she did not appear in court.

Retzlaff has been charged with fleeing and eluding officers and two counts of second-degree recklessly endangering safety, as well as a misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer stemming from the police chase. She also faces misdemeanor charges through Menominee County for resisting and failing to stop.

Retzlaff was arrested April 20 in Wittenberg and charged with felony and misdemeanor counts of bail jumping for not appearing in court in November 2021. She's also facing two misdemeanor counts of disorderly conduct for her reported behavior during her arrest.

Alan Leiser, who is currently with the Crivitz Police Department but was a Shawano County sheriff's deputy in May 2021, testified that Retzlaff did not try to pull over even as several law enforcement vehicles were chasing her with lights and sirens, only pulling over on state Highway 29 after officials twice deployed spike strips that deflated her tires. He testified seeing that one of his colleagues had to jump out of the way after she drove away during the stop following another deputy using a Slim Jim to open the passenger door of Retzlaff's black Dodge Ram.

Leiser said there were six deputies between Shawano and Menominee counties who were involved in pursuing and detaining her.

"She kept claiming she was a sovereign citizen, and she was claiming that we were violating her rights," Leiser said.

Kurt Kitzman, a former sheriff's



Ann Retzlaff walks into Branch 2 of the Shawano County Courthouse on May 31 for her preliminary hearing on charges stemming from a May 2021 police chase and another arrest on April 20 of this year on a bench warrant.

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lieutenant who recently became the chief of the Pulaski Police Department, testified he tried to talk to Retzlaff during the stop on Highway 29, but that she wasn't being rational. He said he had to jump away from her vehicle when it started moving away.

"My right shoulder was probably touching the vehicle," Kitzman said. "I had to jump out and away from the vehicle."

Deputy Matt Higgins, one of the arresting officers in April, testified that there were only a few customers in the Wittenberg restaurant when he entered to arrest Retzlaff. When she was asked to stand up and be taken into custody, Higgins said she became extremely verbal and confrontational. As deputies were taking her outside, Higgins said, Retzlaff called one a

"(expletive deleted) prick."

Retzlaff did not have any witnesses to testify on her behalf, claiming she did not know she need to subpoena them to be in the courtroom. She also tried to argue that law enforcement did not have any right to pull her over because she is not a "commercial" driver, but Moran denied her objections and requests to drop charges.

Retzlaff filed a motion on May 25 for another bond hearing, hoping to reduce the \$15,000 bond she currently faces, but that has not yet been scheduled. She is currently in the Shawano County Jail.

Moran said the next step would be an arraignment, at which time Retzlaff will get to enter her plea.

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Yang shares story regarding patriotism

Longtime Wausau resident, son of Hmong refugees, share his experiences in Wisconsin and the U.S. military

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

Wausau native and veteran Yaou Yang was the guest speaker during the Birnamwood American Legion Post 341 Memorial Day service on May 30.

After the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, Yang said he wanted to do his part to keep America safe.



YANG

"I thought that the right American thing to do, is to sign up and defend my country," said Yang. "Against all of the wishes of everyone, in 2002, I signed up for the Wisconsin Army National Guard."

When he began his training in Neillsville, he met Staff Sgt. Todd Olson. After boot camp in Georgia, Yang said that his unit was deployed to Iraq.

"I was deployed to Iraq immediately after boot camp," said Yang. "We got shuffled with other communities, but through all of that shuffling, Todd Olsen was still my squad leader."

Yang explained that IEDs (improvised explosive devices) were planted every night. He and his fellow soldiers would have to walk or drive the streets to prevent planted IEDs.

"On Dec. 26, 2004, we had just been in Iraq for about three weeks," said Yang. "That night was just another routine patrol. Staff Sgt. Todd Olsen was the number one leading our formation. An hour into our mission, they already had an IED waiting for us. When Staff Sgt. Todd Olsen got close enough, they used a remote control to detonate that IED. Staff Sgt. Todd Olsen got hit by that IED."

After calling the Quick Reaction Force, Yang said that the unit got news saying that Olsen had succumbed to his injuries.

"It was so strange that just like that, I would never see Staff Sgt. Todd Olsen again," said Yang.

When they got back to Neillsville, the first person to greet the unit was Olson's wife, Nancy.

"She tried to cheer us up," said Yang. "She said that Todd served his community — he was on the school board and a football coach. Nancy told us that if we want the legacy of Todd Olson to continue, then we must serve



White crosses sit outside of Birnamwood Elementary and Middle School honoring those who have served that have passed. The crosses were created in Witt-Birn technical education teacher Waylon Resch's class as a project for Memorial Day.

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our community."

He also talked about his experiences as a Hmong youth growing up in Central Wisconsin, beginning with his people's support of the United States in the Vietnam War.

"Due to the communist aggression that was happening in Southeast Asia, U.S. forces needed an indigenous group to form an alliance with to fight the war," said Yang. "We the Hmong people said for you, Americans, we are willing to fight on your behalf."

He explained that when the United States pulled out of Vietnam, the Hmong were left behind.

"The North Vietnamese people were turning their guns on the Hmong because of their alliance with the United States," said Yang. "When the communist regime came into my parents' village, they knew that if they did not escape, they were going to be killed."

Yang explained that his parents took his three older siblings and ran through the jungles to get to Thailand.

"When they got to the Thailand, my parents ended up having to bury my three older siblings," said Yang. "It is very difficult to run through the jungles carrying three little children. My mom was pregnant with me at that time, and if she was one of the 30,000 Hmong people that died, I would not be here."

He explained that he and his family lived in poverty as refugees for seven years before coming to the United States.

"Of all of the communities that we could have went to, it was here — Central Wisconsin," said Yang.

Yang said that once again, the family lived in poverty. His parents and

nine children lived in a two-bedroom duplex.

"That was my upbringing in Central Wisconsin," said Yang. "I was thankful for no longer having to live in the refugee camp."

Going to school, Yang talked about how classmates and teachers could tell that he lived in poverty. He said that

one teacher formed a relationship with him, inviting Yang's family over for their first Christmas.

"For the first time in my life, I finally felt what it was like to be an American," said Yang. "She continued to shower my family with love, including bringing us boating, camping, fishing, you name it."

He noted that the teacher who showed affection was Caucasian.

"I learned a lesson from her," said Yang. "I learned that here in America, you love, it does not matter the color of your skin, you just love."

Yang recalled that in his sophomore year of college, the Sept. 11 attacks happened.

"I thought a lot about that day," explained Yang. "How dare these Middle-Eastern terrorists come to the United States to destroy who they really think are bad Americans, when in my heart, I know that Americans are kind, loving people."

He concluded his speech urging the audience to serve the community to honor those who have fallen.

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• Jennifer E. Johnson, 37, Suring, was charged May 23 with one count of possession of narcotic drugs and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia. Judge Katherine Sloma set a cash bond of \$500 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for June 1.

• Winona K. Pyawasit, 46, Shawano, was charged May 23 with one count of possession of methamphetamine, one count of possession of narcotic drugs, four counts of bail jumping, one misdemeanor count of possession of THC and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia. Sloma set a cash bond of \$500 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for June 1.

• Hayley C. Pyawasit, 40, Shawano, was charged May 23 with one count of possession of methamphetamine and one count of possession of narcotic drugs. Sloma set a signature bond of \$2,500 and scheduled a resumed initial appearance for June 8.

• Tiffany R. Thomas, 37, Shawano, was charged May 23 with two counts of possession of narcotic drugs, four counts of bail jumping, one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia and three misdemeanor counts of bail jumping. Sloma set a cash bond of \$2,500 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for June 1.

• Darryl D. Bork, 60, Tigerton, was charged May 23 with two counts of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of disorderly conduct. Sloma set a cash bond of \$1,000 and scheduled a resumed initial appearance for May 25.

• Steven C. Gonzalez, 31, Clintonville,

was charged May 24 with one count of operating a vehicle to flee/elude and officer, two counts of bail jumping, one misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer and four misdemeanor counts of bail jumping. Judge James R. Habeck set a cash bond of \$5,000 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for May 26.

• Theresa A. Gunderson, 42, Birnamwood, was charged May 26 with one count of operating a vehicle to flee/elude an officer, one count of first degree recklessly endangering safety, one count of resisting an officer, one count of possession of an electric weapon, nine counts of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer. Sloma set a cash bond of \$10,000 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for June 10.

• Charges against Leonard J. Pecore, 29, Gresham, were dismissed May 25 on prosecutor's motion. Those charges include one count of possession of methamphetamine, one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia and four misdemeanor counts of bail jumping.

• Charges against Tara R. VanBoxtel, 30, Seymour, were dismissed May 25 on prosecutor's motion. Those charges include one count of possession of methamphetamine and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia.

• Charges against April M. Weaver, 40, Antigo, were dismissed May 25 on defendant's motion. Those charges include one count of possession of THC (second or subsequent offense),

one count of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia.

• Hilary S. Brantler, 41, Stratford, was charged May 26 with one count of bodily harm or threat to an employee of health care facility or family, five counts of bail jumping, one misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer, one misdemeanor count of disorderly conduct, one misdemeanor count of operating while intoxicated (third offense), one misdemeanor count of resisting/failing to stop three misdemeanor counts of bail jumping. Judge William F. Kussel Jr. set a cash bond of \$5,000 and a signature bond of \$10,000. He also scheduled a preliminary hearing for June 2.

• Daniel Thunder, 49, Gresham, was charged May 26 with one count of bail jumping. Kussel set a signature bond of \$1,000 and scheduled a resumed initial appearance for June 7.

• Montana R. Olson, 25, Suring, pleaded no contest May 26 to one count of escaping criminal arrest. In another case, Olson pleaded no contest to one count of escaping criminal arrest. Kussel sentenced Olson to 120 days in jail and three years of probation.

• Nicholas W. Temple, 27, Oconto Falls, pleaded no contest May 26 to one count of possession of methamphetamine, one count of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of possession of cocaine/coca. One count of possession of THC (second or subsequent offense) and two counts of bail jumping were dismissed, but read into the record. Kussel sentenced Temple to seven years in prison

and three years of extended supervision.

• Elmer J. Kakwitsch, 39, Shawano, was charged May 27 with one count of operating a vehicle to flee/elude an officer, one count of possession of methamphetamine, 12 counts of bail jumping, one misdemeanor count of operating while revoked and one misdemeanor count of bail jumping. Sloma set a cash bond of \$10,000 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for June 6.

• Malorey C. Burroughs, 35, Shawano, was charged May 27 with two counts of bail jumping. Sloma set a signature bond of \$1,000 and scheduled a resumed initial appearance for June 16.

• Leonard J. Pecore, 29, Gresham, was charged May 27 with one count of burglary to a building or dwelling, one misdemeanor count of theft of movable property, less than or equal to \$2,500 and two misdemeanor counts of bail jumping. Sloma set a cash bond of \$250.

• Bradley J. Miller, 39, Shawano, was charged May 27 with two counts of bail jumping, one misdemeanor count of attempted theft of movable property, less than or equal to \$2,500, one misdemeanor count of criminal damage to property and two misdemeanor counts of bail jumping. Sloma set a cash bond of \$1,000 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for June 10.

• Storm W. Killer, 28, Stanley, pleaded guilty May 27 to one count of possession of narcotic drugs. Another count of possession of narcotic drugs and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia were dismissed, but read into the record. Sloma fined Killer \$100.

PUBLIC RECORD

SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

May 30

Officers responded to 18 calls, including a disturbance on West Picnic Street; property theft on East Fifth Street; reckless driving on East Maurer Street; reckless driving on South Franklin Street; criminal damage on East Lieg Avenue; reckless driving on North Airport Drive; harassment on South Maiden Lane.

May 29

Officers responded to 34 calls, including a disturbance on West Eagle Street; disorderly conduct on Waukechon Street; a theft attempt on East Elizabeth Street; criminal damage on South Prospect Street; a hit and run at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; a domestic disturbance at El Tequila, 1240 E. Green Bay St.; criminal damage on South Prospect Street; an assault on East Green Bay Street.

May 28

Officers responded to 10 calls, including a weapons offense at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; a drug offense at

Charlie's County Market, 521 S. Main St.; disorderly conduct on Hillside Lane; harassment on East Maurer Street; an assault on South Weed Street.

May 27

Officers responded to 26 calls, including a domestic disturbance on West Picnic Street; reckless driving on East Green Bay Street; car property damage on East Green Bay Street; a threat on East Maurer Street; a hit and run on South Weed Street; a drug offense on Arlington Street;

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

May 30

Deputies responded to 36 calls, including a fight in progress on North Main Street in Shawano; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Richmond; bail jumping on state Highway 22 in the Town of Green Valley; reckless driving on U.S. Highway 45 in Birnamwood; one crash, involving deer.

May 29

Deputies responded to 45 calls,

including operating while intoxicated on County Road BE in the Town of Hartland; reckless driving on County Road BE in the Town of Hartland; a drug problem on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; a weapons offense on Short Lane in the Town of Birnamwood; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Waukechon; operating while intoxicated on Eland Road in the Town of Birnamwood; a threat on Mork Avenue in the Town of Wescott; reckless driving on U.S. Highway 45 in Tigerton; a disturbance on High Street in Birnamwood; reckless driving on state Highway 22 in Cecil; three crashes, two involving deer.

May 28

Deputies responded to 44 calls, including operating while intoxicated on County Road A in the Town of Red Springs; reckless driving on state Highway 22 in the Town of Belle Plaine; a weapons offense on East Green Bay Street in Shawano; a restraining order violation on Old Keshena Road in the Town of Wescott; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of

Richmond; a disturbance on Sunset Lane in the Town of Washington; a weapons offense on County Road J in the Town of Morris; a weapons offense on Oak View Drive in the Town of Washington; a domestic disturbance on state Highway 22 in the Town of Belle Plaine; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Maple Grove; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Wittenberg; reckless driving on state Highway 22 in the Town of Belle Plaine; two crashes.

May 27

Deputies responded to 53 calls, including operating while intoxicated on state Highway 47-55 in the Town of Wescott; a threat on Elm Street in Tigerton; a weapons offense on Green Valley Road in the Town of Green Valley; reckless driving on North Main Street in Shawano; reckless driving on state Highway 47 in the Town of Lessor; a restraining order violation on Opperman Way in the Town of Richmond; reckless driving on U.S. Highway 45 in Tigerton; two crashes.

Bowler School breaks ground on new agriculture building

Superintendent hopes expansion gives students more opportunities for the future

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

Ground was broken May 31 on a new agriculture and technical education building in the Bowler School District.

"This had been a goal of our school board for a couple of years," said Bowler Superintendent Glenda Butterfield-Boldig, noting that the building should be completed for the start of the 2023-24 school year. "They have really done a great job making some tough decisions as time has gone without going to referendum. We are very proud of that."

Butterfield-Boldig noted that with a skilled worker shortage in Wisconsin, now felt like the right time to start constructing the new building.

"We want to have the ability to provide opportunities for our kids to learn the skills to enter the workforce, if that is what they choose to do when they leave high school," said Butterfield-Boldig. "They will have training; their job does not have to be entry level. They will have certifications when they leave here."

The new building will be an extension of the school, where students will have more opportunities to work hands-on with agriculture and technical education.

"This building is going to open a lot more opportunities for students," said Bowler freshman Derek Schreiber, who is looking at going into engineering after high school. Schreiber pointed out that he and his fellow students will have access to a car lift and high-tech computer numerical control, or CNC, machines. "It adds more avenues in the program here. It is a great time to be a Bowler student."

Abby Behnke, a Bowler counselor for middle and high school students, voiced her support for Bowler's agriculture and technical education programs.

"In the years that I have been in Bowler, I have always been impressed by the lengths that our career and technical education teachers go to, to ensure that our students have mean-



Members of the Bowler school administration — led by Superintendent Glenda Butterfield-Boldig, third from left — throw dirt in the air to celebrate the groundbreaking of the new Bowler agriculture and technology building on May 31. The building will be home to a greenhouse class, an aquaponics class and animals that students will raise for the Shawano County Fair.

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ingful experiences," said Behnke. "Living in a rural community — it can be challenging to provide genuine, hands-on experience to our students."

She noted that in the past, students had to travel if they wanted to get practical experience with technical education.

"This makes our in-school facilities that much more important," said Behnke. "We are excited about the additions to our technical education and agricultural facilities. We know that they will give our students a multitude of opportunities to participate and to learn real world skills that will apply to their futures."

Graduating senior and 2022 FFA President Brady Strassburg said that even though he is graduating, he is excited for the opportunities that other students will receive from this facility.

"In this construction, we are getting a brand new greenhouse for our greenhouse class," said Strassburg, listing what students and the community can expect from the facility. "We are getting an aquaponics room for our aquaponics class. Finally, there will be a barn for students to house their fair animals, if they don't have room at their house."



Bowler Superintendent Glenda Butterfield-Boldig thanks students, teachers and the school board for their support in getting this building plan rolling on May 31. She said that she hopes this building will provide students with their agricultural building blocks needed for their futures.

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Strassburg noted that he is excited that students will have the opportunity to display experiences that some people may not be accustomed to.

"We are hoping that this will encourage more students to show at the fair," said Strassburg. "One of the best things about this new building is that we can show everyone what it is like to raise animals and have the farm experience. We are hoping that this will raise interest in the agriculture world

and show careers that are available."

Butterfield-Boldig said that she hopes students leave Bowler developing skills with up-to-date technology for their future.

"We also want them to know that agriculture is not just about planting and bailing hay," said Butterfield-Boldig. "This agriculture addition is about giving kids the opportunity to explore all the things that agriculture has to offer."

St. James perches principal on roof

Kaiser's roof-sit raises almost \$32K to replace playground equipment at school

By LYNN ZAFFRANN
Correspondent

When a fire truck pulls up in front of a grade school, concerns arise about a possible fire.

When a fire truck pulled up in front of St. James Lutheran School in Shawano on May 22, however, Principal David Kaiser hopped into the ladder's cherry picker bucket to be hauled up to the roof of the school for the Keep Kaiser on the Roof playground fundraiser.

"It wasn't my idea," Kaiser said, "A committee member suggested it as a unique way to kick off the fundraiser, and the fire department agreed to help."

Kaiser was up on the school roof starting on May 22 at 12:36 p.m. and came down 72 hours later. His rooftop adventure was a means of encouraging contributions to upgrade playground equipment at St. James. The goal for the three days was \$32,000, and Kaiser came very close to meeting it through this exciting escapade.

Kaiser, the same school principal who wears his flannel pajamas to visit kindergarten students in their homes as a way to encourage them to read, devised a twist on the typical sit-on-a-rooftop moneymaker.

"I have seen people do roof-sits before, but I also know that my friends and family and some parents here. If I tell them to pay to bring me down off the roof, they would just let me sit there," Kaiser shared with a big smile on his face. "So, I thought to myself, how could I make sure that they get a bang for their bucks, so let's reverse it and you pay to keep me up here. Because that's the kind of love that they have for me."

Contributions of \$5 added one minute to his planned stay. A larger contribution of \$350 would keep him on the roof a full hour longer.

From his rooftop perch, Kaiser had a unique view of the playground.

"Our playscape out there is 20 years old," he said, pointing from the roof down to the playground, "and it's showing its wear. Some plastic is cracking now, the protective coating on the metal is starting to peel, and it's just old and it's time. It's more an eyesore than anything else."

According to Kaiser, most of the current equipment will be ripped out and replaced. There will be more pre-



David Kaiser has a bird's-eye view of the St. James Lutheran School playground equipment that will be replaced after a close-to-goal fundraiser highlighted by his three-day perch on the school roof. As the school's principal, he planned a roof-sit to draw attention to the fundraiser.

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school-friendly equipment installed. A jungle gym and a Spinami (an upright spinning whirl), each bought two years ago with Race for Education money, will remain.

"We're trying to at least raise enough money to purchase the equipment," Kaiser said. "If we get the equipment and also win a grant that I wrote from the Lutheran Church Extension Fund, that will put us right around the \$71,000 mark, which is what we need for equipment, shipping and installation."

"We are having a current eighth grader, our salutatorian, do his Eagle Scout project. He will install a Gaga Ball Pit for us, a nice thing there," said Kaiser.

A Gaga Ball Pit is a kinder, gentler version of dodgeball, played with a soft foam ball.

When asked about his first night spent alone on the roof, Kaiser said: "Last night was a fright. One of my friends said: 'You do know there is a frost advisory,' which I was

unaware of."

The temperature went down to 37 degrees overnight, but he was equipped with a tent, an air mattress and three blankets.

Even the police were involved in his first night of the roof-sit.

"They called me and asked if I knew that there was a man sitting on the edge of your roof," Kaiser explained, with a grin. "I said: 'I am that man' and they said: 'OK, good, we were just making sure that was you.' They told me that they were going to take up a collection and bring it over to the school."

Although he enjoyed some free time to read books, a desk was set up for him with his Chromebook in an area where he could access Wi-Fi to do some work. A chair and a floor lamp overlooking the playground were placed at the roof's edge. There was a bucket with a rope that he used to pull treats and donations up to the roof. Kaiser greeted students in the morning from the roof at the front of the build-

ing and others dropped off by bus on the playground side.

"I think that everything has fallen into place," Kaiser said. "I think that the amount of parental support and student care was something that I wasn't ready for. I have a few kindergartners and first-graders that will visit me (on May 24) just to make sure that Mr. Kaiser is OK, because they knew that my first night was pretty cold and they were worried about me."

Kaiser noted that his wife, Erika, who teaches kindergarten at St. James, only gave him permission to be up on the roof until May 25, noting he went up shortly after his daughter graduated on May 20.

"The graduation party was on Saturday, and I went on the roof on Sunday," Kaiser said. "She and I would sooner or later like to see each other."

Although the roof-sit is over, donations are still welcomed and can be dropped off or sent to the school office, 324 S. Andrews St., Shawano. Questions can be directed to 715-524-4815.

Bonduel Lions dedicate veterans memorial

Johnson joins in dedication while showcasing those in United States Armed Forces

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

The village of Bonduel finally has a monument to pay tribute to the brave men and women who have died while serving in the U.S. Armed Forces.

The Bonduel Lions Club, in conjunction with American Legion Post 217 and Celebrate Bonduel, have erected a stone monument on the corner of County Road BE and state Highway 117 in Lions Park. The monument was revealed and dedicated during a small ceremony on May 30.

Geoff Dowden, treasurer for the Lions, said the effort to erect a monument started three years ago, before the pandemic derailed things. Since then, more than \$10,000 has been raised to create the stone monument obtained through Schneider Monument.

"It took lots of planning and legwork," Dowden said to the crowd of over 100 people at the ceremony. "There was a lot of good discussion at numerous meetings and a strong consensus about what we believe is a terrific final project."

Dowden said that the monument revealed on Memorial Day was just a down payment on future projects, but specifics on what else would be created to honor area veterans have not been determined yet.

"It is our hope that we have done something worthy of honoring those who have served our country and provided us with freedoms that we all have today," Dowden said. "This is our way of showing much-deserved recognition, respect, honor and thanks to all veterans for the sacrifices they have made for us. We want them to know that they have not gone unnoticed and



U.S. Sen. Ron Johnson speaks May 30 at Lions Park in Bonduel as the new veterans memorial stands proudly with the inscription "In Honor of Those Who Served."

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will not be forgotten."

The monument got an added boost with a visit from U.S. Sen. Ron Johnson. He noted the traffic traveling along Highway 117 as visitors to Shawano Lake and other tourist points in northern Wisconsin were returning home as the late-day ceremony was taking place.

"It was because of the sacrifice and service of all those who have served who have allowed them to enjoy the weekend with their families," Johnson said. "From my standpoint, Memorial Day is a special day of remembrance but also of reflection as we remember all who fought and died and served and sacrificed."

That sacrifice is considered by the senator to be "that one crucial ingredient" that makes America the country that it is.

"We need to remember them," he said.

the case for the invading Russian forces trying to take over the land of its neighbor. He said U.S. soldiers have more in common with their counterparts in Ukraine but stand out because they will fight for anyone's freedom, whether it's American or for another country.

"We've got Russian soldiers — what are they fighting for?" Johnson said. "They're fighting to conquer land. They're 18-year-old kids that don't have a clue what they're doing. Now, the Ukrainians, they're fighting and dying for their country, for their individual freedom. We've certainly done that here in America ... what's pretty unique about American men and women who have served and sacrificed is they've traveled halfway around the world to fight for, yes, our freedom, but they're also fighting and dying for the freedom for people they don't even know, cultures they don't even participate in."

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Memorial Day summed up in anonymous letter

Bohm tells woman's story of how she came to understand holiday's importance

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Shawano came out to honor the fallen at its annual Memorial Day observance May 30 at Woodlawn Cemetery as more than 300 people gathered to pay tribute to those put on a uniform and were never able to do so again.

Even though there were many in attendance, Shawano County Board Chairman Thomas Kautza noted that most who were there had gray in their hair, and he admonished the younger generations for not taking time to be a part of the observance.

"What I would like to see is a few more younger faces at this," Kautza said. "If you look around, everybody's getting white hair like what I got, and that's not a good sign. This day is becoming just another holiday for people, and that's not what it should be. We live in a very good country, the best one in this planet, and they don't realize the sacrifices that were made for them anymore and what it took to get us where we are."

Kautza noted that many of the people in attendance had been in the armed services, while others are family members of those who have served. He said he was not a service member, just a member of the public, and he was disturbed that there weren't more people at the ceremony.

"I'd like you all to think about that, and if you know anybody who just goes up to their cabin, poke them a little bit. It don't hurt," Kautza said. "We should be honoring the great people who gave us this country that we live in."

Dennis Bohm, who not only serves as master of ceremonies every year but was this year's featured speaker, read a letter to the crowd that he received from a woman that touched him deeply. He declined to identify who the letter writer was, feeling it was inappropriate to do so without her permission, but he said he was moved by what she had to say.

"I read the letter for a third time, a fourth time, and even a 10th time," Bohm said after the ceremony.

In the letter, the unidentified woman wrote about a Memorial Day in the 1960s, recalling how she would rather be doing anything but watching



Virginia Nuske and Dorothy Gouine, widows of Vietnam War veterans, walk a ceremonial wreath to its stand during the Memorial Day ceremony May 30 at Woodlawn Cemetery in Shawano.

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all the ceremonies, which were mandatory in her family. This included a parade in which her grandmother was wearing a purple hat and riding in a car in remembrance of the letter writer's uncle, Bud.

Reading more from the letter, Bohm revealed that the letter writer had come upon a photo of her uncle, who had been killed during World War II 20 years earlier, and found some other items of his as her grandmother came into the room. The grandmother had told her about how Uncle Bud had been killed when he was 19, and how he planned to buy a home for the grandmother once he finished the service, along with coming home, starting a farm of his own and marrying his high school sweetheart.

Death robbed him of most of those dreams, according to the letter, but Uncle Bud's death had provided the

grandmother with \$10,000, which was used to build the home where the family was celebrating Memorial Day that day.

"I finally understood why it was so important for Grandma and me to remember Uncle Bud on this day," Bohm said, reading from the woman's letter. "If he'd lived longer, he might have built that house for Grandma, married his high school girlfriend. There might have been children and grandchildren to remember him by. As it was, there was only that box."

Bohm suggested that once a year was not enough to remember those who have died in the pursuit of America's freedom.

"Let's not only remember them today. Let's remember them every day," Bohm said as the bells in the nearby chapel chimed.



Becky Van Buren sings the National Anthem at the Shawano Memorial Day service May 31 at Woodlawn Cemetery.

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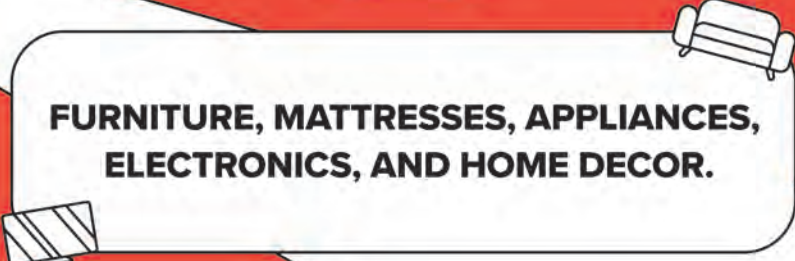
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Shawano says farewell to 2022 graduating class

181 graduating seniors take next steps in life

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

Caps were thrown and tears were shed as Shawano Community High School sent off another graduating class to take their first steps of the rest of their lives.

One hundred eighty-one seniors were honored as the gymnasium in Shawano Community High School was filled with supportive family, friends and educators on May 27.

“Seniors, 13 years has brought you here today. Congratulations,” said Shawano School District Superintendent Randi Anderson. “Your resilience over the last four years has granted you the opportunity to walk across the stage.”

Anderson spoke on the Class of 2022’s effort and hard work to navigate education during the COVID-19 pandemic and times where things at school were unclear.

“Your high school path has been nothing but constant challenges and change,” said Anderson. “You experienced in-person learning, hybrid learning and 100% virtual. You have had to mask, not mask, social distance and so much more. Throughout all of these challenges, your determination has gotten you here today.”

She noted that the class has learned how to thrive, rather than survive when times got difficult.

Co-valedictorian Jackson Smits urged his fellow graduating seniors, that wherever they go, to discover who they really are.

“I could assure all of the parents that all of the scientists, mechanics and artists here are sure of their paths in this exact moment, but sometimes a little bit of self-discovery is needed,” said Smits. “Even if that means four or five major changes and possibly a move back into the basement.”

While urging his classmates to discover themselves, Smits also warned that they cannot please everyone.

“Each and every one of us has had a different academic journey and experience,” said Smits. “We are all different. We are complex, who all have our own stories. We all have something in common, we are all individuals. Be sure that every once in a while, put yourself first. Don’t forget who you are.”

Co-valedictorian Kate Williams



Shawano Community High School graduates sit and cheer on their fellow classmates during the Shawano graduation ceremony on May 17.

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Shawano senior Jack Rusch smiles as he walks back to his seat after receiving his diploma during the 2022 Shawano graduation ceremony on May 27.

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followed Smits, comparing the 2022 graduating class with the beautiful nature in Shawano and Menominee County.

“Each tree has its own characteristics: some are oak trees, some are pine trees, some have long branches, some have short and some may even grow fruit. Each one brings diversity to the well being of our community,” said Williams. “We are not so different than our surroundings. Our high school is its own diverse ecosystem and whether you lived here one year or eighteen years, we all have roots that connect us to this community.”

Williams noted the similarity between a tree’s growth process and her fellow graduates.

“We too follow a similar pattern when we grow into our true selves,” said Williams. “Though we aren’t maples, oaks, cedars or birch, we have

developed our own, unique ways of being them.”

Co-valedictorian Isabel Roloff spoke to her classmates and the audience about the power of mentors.

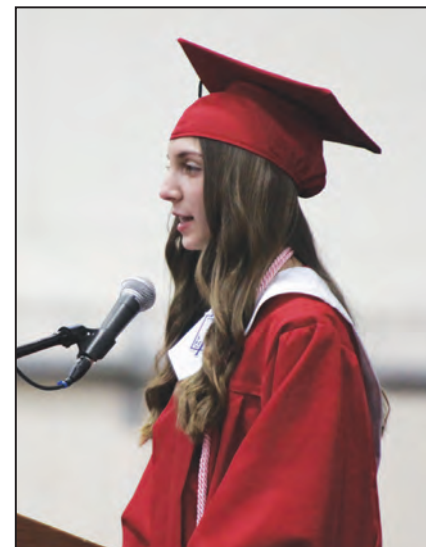
“Looking back to our younger years, we all have family members, teachers or friends who we looked up to,” said Roloff. “We were a blank slate and absorbed the values that we were taught. We have taken pieces of other people’s puzzles and made them ours. We have so much life left, so many mentors to meet and so many opportunities to become the best versions of ourselves. By surrounding ourselves with people that align with our goals, we can make them a reality.”

Roloff closed her speech by asking her fellow graduates to take advantage of the opportunities to surround themselves with people that they wish to mimic.



Shawano graduating senior and co-valedictorian Kate Williams claps along with her fellow graduates during the 2022 Shawano graduation ceremony on May 27. Williams delivered a speech comparing the growth of the class to the trees in Shawano and Menominee County.

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Shawano graduating senior and co-valedictorian Isabel Roloff delivers her speech during the 2022 Shawano graduation ceremony on May 27. Roloff thanked both the education staff and friends and family for her years in school.

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“Many of us take on the values of our friends and families, because we spend so much time together,” said Roloff. “We must realize the impact of our role models.”

SCHS Principal Scott Zwirschitz congratulated the Class of 2022 as they began the rest of their lives.

“I would like to personally congratulate each and every one of you,” said Zwirschitz. “For everyone’s family and friends, we would like to thank you as well.”

LOCAL TV LISTINGS

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3	WAOW	Good Morning America (N)		Good Morning America (N) Action 2 News: This Morning (N)		Wildlife Morning	oh baby! "Sunny Snow"	Hearts of Wildlife	oh baby!	Hearts of	Free Ent.	Heart of a Missionary: The Story	Feel the Beat	Paid Program	2022 Women's College World Series Game 7: Teams TBA. (N) (Live)				Cherry Blossom	Today's Home-owner	Paid Prog.	ABC World News	
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5	WFRV	Mission CBS Sat	Hope in the Wild (N) (EI)	CBS Sat Lucky Dog	Innovation Nation	Mission Unstoppable (N)	Hope in the Wild (N) (EI)	Pet Vet Dream Team (EI)	All In With Laila Ali (EI)	Outdoors	Paid Program	Cornhole ACL Pro Shootout. From Mesa, Ariz. (Taped)	Course Record	PGA Tour Golf the Memorial Tournament, Third Round. (N) (Live)						Paid Home	CBS Weekend News		
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	11	WLUK	11 News			11 Life 2.0	11 Sci Q (EI)	11 Get-Breeze				11 Paid Prg.	11 Big Deal	11 Great-est	United by Football: USFL							11 Jeopardy!	11 Wheel
26	WGBA	Wild Child	26 One Team	2022 Roland-Garros Tennis Women's Final. (N) (Live)				2022 Roland-Garros Tennis Men's Doubles Final. (N) (Live)				AMA Supercross (Taped)		2022 U.S. Women's Open Golf Championship Third Round. (N) (Live)						MyPillow	NBC		
	12	WJFW	12 906 (DVS)																	12 Slim Cycle	Nightly News		
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3	WFRV	1 News 1 NewsChannel 7	1 Discover WI 1 Inside Edition	Bull "Better Angels" Bull defends a midwife. 1		48 Hours (N) 1		48 Hours (N) 1		1 News 1 NewsChannel 7	1 Never Fear 1 John McGive	1 (:05) Bu 1 (:05) The Song
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26	WGBA	23 NBC26 News	13 Paid Prog. 12 Wheel Fortune	Transplant "Between" Bash is split between two patients. (N) 1		Dateline NBC 1				23 News 12 Newsweek 12 Saturday	(:29) Saturday Night Live 1	
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21	WHRM	The Carol Burnett Show Guest: Bernadette Peters. 1		Father Brown "The Red Death" A VIP is murdered at a New Year ball. 1		Death in Paradise A chess match ends in murder. 1		The Mallorca Files "Number One Fan" A top model vanishes from a train. 1		Grantchester on Masterpiece A nun is found dead. 1 (DVS)		The Fall Doubts surface about Spector's amnesia.
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48	WTPX	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law-Swift
14	WCWF	1 Big Bang 1 Mac-Gyver	1 Minor League Baseball	1 Whose Line is it Anyway? 1	1 Would I Lie to You? (N) 1	1 Masters of Illusion (N) 1	1 Masters of Illusion 1	1 The Goldbergs 1	1 Whose? Graveyard Shift	1 Would I Lie to You? (N) 1	1 Masters of Illusion (N) 1	1 Masters of Illusion 1
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3	WFRV	News Sunday Sunrise	News-maker Sunday (N)	CBS News Sunday Morning (N)			Face the Nation (N)		Mass Retirement	Paid Program	Paid Program	PBR Bull Riding Rodeo Corpus Christi. From Corpus Christi, Texas.	PGA Tour Originals	PGA Tour Golf the Memorial Tournament, Final Round. (N) (Live)		CBS Weekend News				Paid News-Chan			
5	WZAW	Paid Prog. News	Mountain Faith	FOX News Sunday (N)	Sharyl Attkisson	Inspired Fox News	John McGovern's	Paid Program Main Streets	Paid Program	USFL Football Michigan Panthers vs Philadelphia Stars. Protective Stadium. (N) (Live)						Mad Do Paid Prg.	Paid	Raw Travel	U.S. National	Soccer International Friendly: Uruguay at United States. Children's Mercy Park. (N) (Live)			
26	WGBA	Sunday Today With Willie Geist (N)		2022 Roland-Garros Tennis Men's Final. (N) (Live)						Becoming ANNIKA (N)						2022 U.S. Women's Open Golf Championship Final Round. (N) (Live)							
28	WHRM	Hero Elementary (EI) (DVS)	Alma's Way (DVS)	Curious George "Camp George; Hoop Dupe" (DVS)	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood (DVS)	Washington Week	Firing Line With Margaret Hoover	Here and Now	Market to Market	Mid-somer Murders (Part 1 of 2)	(:43) Midsomer Murders "Drawing Dead: Part 2" Barnaby and Winter investigate a murder.	(:31) Rick Steves' Europe	Father Brown "The Red Death" A VIP is murdered at a New Year ball.		Death in Paradise A chess match ends in murder.		American Masters "Joe Papp in Five Acts" Joe Papp establishes The Public Theater.		Beyond the CANVAS	Legacy List With Matt Paxton "Moving Mom" A family needs a home for their mom.			
32	WACY	Pets.TV	Wonder	Paid	Jeffress	Rock-	Rock-	Inven	Ocean	Grill'n	The List	Minute	Minute	Kickin It: Byron		Wipeout		Wipeout		Mod	Mod	Fam	Fam
46	WTPX	NCIS: N.O.		NCIS		NCIS		NCIS "Alleged"		NCIS "Shooter"		NCIS		NCIS		NCIS		NCIS		NCIS		NCIS	
14	WCWF	Worship Tomorrow	Daily In Touch	Catholic Mass	Paid Program Key of David	Out-door Mass	Skin Secrets Perry Stone	Paid Prog. Movie	Paid Program	Polka Polka Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program MyPillow	Paid Program		Minor League Baseball Peoria Chiefs at Wisconsin Timber Rattlers. Fox Cities Stadium. Dreamer: Inspired by a True Story		American Ninja Warrior New obstacles include Bouncing Spider.		Blast Grime Away: Patio, Deck & More Highway		Shel-don Burgers	Sheldon Fam. Guy	

SUNDAY		EVENING										JUNE 5
		6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
9	WAOW	Jimmy Kimmel Live! (N) 66	(31) NBA Countdown (N) 66	2022 NBA Finals Game 2: Teams TBA. (N) 66 (Live) 66				NBA Post-game Studio (N) 66		9 News 9 WAOW 9 Action 2 News	(35) Entertainment Tonight (N) 66	(45) Opry (N)
8	WBAY	60 Minutes (N) 66		The Equalizer "Pulse" McCall receives a plea for help. 66		NCIS: Los Angeles An ambassador's daughter goes missing. 66 (DVS)		S.W.A.T. "Safe House" An undocumented woman is abducted. 66		9 News 9 NewsChannel 7	9 Sports Xtra 9 Inspired	9 Osteen 9 Game Time
53	WZAW	MasterChef "Back to Win -- Audition Battles" Chefs compete in audition battles. 66	The Simpsons 66 (DVS)	Bob's Burgers 66 (DVS)	Duncanville "Annie v. Fun" (N) 66 (DVS)	Duncanville (N) 66 (DVS)	53 Seinfeld 66 Fox 11 News at 9	53 Seinfeld 66 "The Cartoon" 66	53 Last- Standing 66 Fox 11 News	53 Last- Standing 66 Sharyl Attkisson	53 Mom 66 Small Town Big Deal	
23	WGBA	Dancing With Myself "Open Those Pods" Contestants compete in dance challenges.	America's Got Talent "Auditions 1" Variety acts audition. 66		Jurassic Greatest Moments: From Jurassic Park to Jurassic World (N) 66		23 News 23 Newswatch 12 at 10pm	23 The Race doorsman	23 The Race doorsman	23 Bensing- 12 Prostate		
23	WJFW		How the Victorians Built Britain "The Making of the Modern Home" House-building; gas power for the home. 66		Mrs. Wilson on Masterpiece Alison finds out more about Alec. 66		Mrs. Wilson on Masterpiece Alison demands to know who Dorothy is. 66 (Part 2 of 3) 66		Press on Masterpiece "Resonance" Ed is made to examine his own journalistic ethics. 66		(01) Austin City Limits 66	
23	WHRM		FamFeud 66 Two Men		The Hit List (2011) Cuba Gooding Jr.		Mom 66	Mom 66	Simpsons 66	Burgers 66	Burgers 66	
33	WLEF		NCIS 66 (DVS)		NCIS 66 (DVS)		NCIS 66 (DVS)		NCIS "Grounded" 66		NCIS 66	
33	WPNE		23 Big Bang 66 The Big Bang Theory 66		2022 MTV Movie & TV Awards From Santa Monica's Baker Hanger. (N) 66 (Live) 66		23 Ninja Warrior 66	23 ** Prayers for Bobby (2009)	23 Truth of God		23 Extra (N) 66	
33	WYOW											



The Golden State Warriors host the Boston Celtics June 5 at Chase Center in San Francisco, for Game 2 of the NBA Finals on ABC.

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WEEKDAYS					MORNING / AFTERNOON																		JUNE 6			
		7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30			
9 2	WAOW WBAY	Good Morning America					9 Live 2 News	2 25 Words or Less	The View		9 News 9 Inside	9 Paid Pro- gram 9 Pawn Stars	9 GMA3: What 2 News	2 Paid Program	General Hospital		9 Drew Barrymore 2 GMA3-Need to Know		9 Tamron Hall 2 Dr. Phil		9 Dr Phil 2 Action 2 News	2 Action 2 News at 4:30	9 News 2 News	9 News ABC World News		
	6 7	WFRV WSAW	CBS Mornings					6 Local 5 7 25 Words	7 Paid Program	The Price Is Right		The Young and the Restless		8 News 8 NewsChan- nel 7	Bold and the Beauti- ful	The Talk		Let's Make a Deal		9 Friends 7 Clark- son	6 Friends	9 Local 5 News 7 Jdg Judy	7 Judge Judy	9 News 8 NewsChan- nel 7	CBS Evening News	
55 61	WZAW WLUK	55 Busi- ness First 61 News	55 Ag- Day	55 Dateline		55 Rachael Ray 61 Live with Kelly and Ryan	55 The Good Dish 61 Fox 11 Living With Amy		55 Rela- tive 61 Rachael	55 Relative Justice	55 Blast 61 Varied	55 Daily Blast 61 Jdg Judy	55 Judge Mathis 61 The Good Dish	55 Hot Bench 61 Barrymore	55 Hot Bench	55 Judge 61 Ellen Show	55 Judge Judy	55 News 61 Jdg Judy	55 Last Man 61 Judge	55 Shel- don 61 News	55 Shel- don 61 News	55 Young Sheldon				
23 12	WGBA WJFW	Today					Today 3rd Hour		Today With Hoda & Jenna		23 ThisMinute 2 Paid Pro- gram	23 List 12 Funny You Ask	Days of our Lives		23 Dateline 12 Jeop- ardy	12 You Bet Your Life	23 Tamron Hall 12 The People's Court		23 FamFeud 12 Ellen Show	23 Fam- ily Feud	23 12	12 Jeop- ardy!	23 News 12 News	NBC Nightly News		
20 38 39	WHRM WLEF WPNE	Hero Elemen- tary	Alma's Way	Curious George	Daniel Tiger's Neigh- borhood	Donkey Hodie	Elinor Wonders Why	Sesame Street	Pinkali- cious & Peterrific	Dinosaur Train	Clifford the Big Red Dog	Sesame Street	Donkey Hodie	Ask This Old House	Ameri- ca's Test Kitchen From Cook	Call the Midwife		Roadkill on Mas- terpiece		Odd Squad	Molly of Denali	Nature Cat	BBC World News America			
62 45	WACY WTPX	Judge	Divorce	Relative	Minute	Wom	Grill'n	The First 48		Dateline		Chicago Fire		Wendy Williams		Nick Cannon		TMZ Live		Mod	Mod	Mike	Mike			
Varied Programs																										
14 24	WCWF WYOW	14 Na- tional 24 Divor.	24 Judge Jerry	14 Paid Program 24 Maury	14 Amer- ica's Court	14 Court 24 S. Wilkos	14 Couples Court	14 Hot Bench 24 Maury	14 Hot Bench	14 Paternity 24 N. Can- non	14 Pat- ternity Court	14 Law & Order 24 Paid Prog.	24 Paid Program	14 Jerry 24 Paid Program	14 Judge Jerry 24 Mom	14 Mathis 24 Jerry	24 Judge Jerry	14 People Court 24 Divor.	24 Divorce Court	14 Jeopardy 24 Steve Wilkos	14 Funny You Ask	14 You Bet 24 N. Can- non	14 Young Sheldon			

MONDAY		EVENING										JUNE 6
		6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
9	WAOW	9 News 9 WAOW	Entertain- ment Tonight (N) 66	*** Brave (2012, Children's) Voices of Kelly Macdonald, Billy Connolly, Emma Thompson. Animated. A Scottish princess must undo a beastly curse.				The Chase Chaser Brandon Blackwell. 66 (DVS)		9 News 9 WAOW 9 Action 2 News	(35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! 66	
8	WBAY	9 News 9 NewsChannel 7	9 Local 5 News 9 Inside Ed.	The Neigh- borhood 66	Bob Hearts Abishola 66	NCIS "Fight or Flight" The body of a lieutenant is discovered. 66 (DVS)		NCIS: Hawai'i "The Tour- ists" A social media star is kidnapped. 66 (DVS)		9 News 9 NewsChannel 7	(35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert 66	
53	WZAW	53 Big Bang 66 Jeopardy	53 Big Bang 66 Wheel Fortune	Don't Forget the Lyrics! "Little Miss Sunshine" A thrill-seeker risks \$1 million. (N)		Beat Shazam "Episode 503" Teams battle to take home the prize. (N) 66		53 News 66 News	53 Seinfeld 66 "The Strong Box" 66	53 Seinfeld 66 Fox 11 News	53 Last- Standing 66 Seinfeld	53 Mod Fam 66 DailyMail
23	WGBA	23 News 66 News- watch 12/6	23 FamFeud 66 Wheel Fortune	American Ninja Warrior "Qualifiers 1" (Season Premiere) Qualifying rounds begin in San Antonio. (N) 66 (DVS)		Weakest Link Contes- tants play trivia for \$1 million. (N) 66 (DVS)		23 News 66 News- watch 12	23 Tonight Show-J. Fallon	23 Tonight Show-J. Fallon		
23	WHRM	PBS NewsHour (N) 66		Antiques Roadshow "Green Bay Hour 1" A 1967 Green Bay Pack- ers Ice Bowl sign. 66 (Part 1 of 3) 66		Antiques Roadshow "Green Bay Hour 2" A Renaissance-revival poison ring. 66 (Part 2 of 3) 66		Antiques Roadshow "Green Bay Hour 3" Belle Epoque diamond necklace. 66 (Part 3 of 3) 66		Behind the Scenes at Antiques Roadshow	Independent Lens "Cured" Activists fight psych establishment. 66	
32	WACY	FamFeud 66	Two Men	Dateline 66		Monk 66		My News	Tonight	Two Men	Mom 66	Mom 66
43	WTPX	MacGyver 66		MacGyver 66		MacGyver 66		MacGyver 66		MacGyver 66	MacGyver 66	MacGyver
14	WCWF	14 Big Bang 66 Fam Guy	14 Big Bang 66 Fam Guy	Roswell, New Mexico A sudden storm leaves everyone on edge. 66		In the Dark "Bail's in Your Court" Murphy struggles to adjust to prison. 66		14 Last- Standing 66 Goldbergs	14 Seinfeld 66 Gold- bergs	14 National 66 Burgers	14 National 66 Burgers	14 King of Queens 66 black-ish



On June 6 Wisconsin Public Television is running all three hours of the "Antiques Roadshow" visit to Green Bay in 2018, including Leila Dunbar's appraisal of a 1967 Green Bay Packers "Ice Bowl" sign.

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Ellen ends daytime show

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Ellen DeGeneres brought her nearly two-decade daytime talk show to an end Thursday with a celebrity lovefest and a forceful assertion of her achievement as a gay woman daring to be herself.

DeGeneres and guests Jennifer Aniston, Billie Eilish and Pink shared memories and affection as “The Ellen DeGeneres Show” concluded its Emmy-winning, 3,200-plus episode run that began in September 2003.

“Twenty years ago, when we were trying to sell the show, no one thought that this would work. Not because it was a different kind of show, but because I was different,” DeGeneres said of the pushback from TV stations.

When the syndicated show went on the air, she was prevented from saying the word “gay” or even the pronoun “we,” DeGeneres said, since the latter would imply she had a partner. She didn’t specify who imposed the ban.

“Sure couldn’t say wife, and that’s because it wasn’t legal for gay people to get married — and now I say ‘wife’ all the time,” DeGeneres added, with a touch of defiance, as actor Portia de Rossi watched from the studio audience. They wed in 2008.

The host, who became known for encouraging her audience to join her in impromptu dances, shared some last moves with her sidekick and DJ, Stephen “tWitch” Boss, to the tune “Best of My Love.”

The dancer-choreographer saluted DeGeneres as someone who inspires others because she has “the courage to step out and be your authentic self.”

Aniston, who as the first guest on the show’s first episode gave DeGeneres a “Welcome” doormat, arrived with another that read, “Thanks for the memories.” DeGeneres noted the “Friends” star has been on the show a total of 20 times.

“You’re welcome,” Aniston said, teasingly, then turned serious. “I love you, and I so appreciate you and what you have given to the world over the last 19 years. The contribution is endless.”

“I love you,” a beaming Eilish told DeGeneres during their chat. “I love you so much, it’s dumb,” said Pink, who performed “What About Us.”

DeGeneres’ daytime reign hit a serious bump in 2020, when the show was alleged to be a toxic workplace and three producers exited amid the claims. On the air that fall, DeGeneres apologized for “things that shouldn’t have happened,” but defended herself as being the same genuine person — if an imperfect one — on- and off-camera.

In 1997, she made an indelible mark when she came out as lesbian and brought her character on the ABC sitcom “Ellen” with her. The series was axed the next year.

“Twenty-five years ago, they canceled my sitcom because they didn’t want a lesbian to be in prime-time once a week. And I said, ‘OK, then I’ll be on daytime every day,’” DeGeneres said Thursday.

The comedian, actor and producer has said she’ll take time to consider her next career move, but first she and de Rossi are making a trip to Rwanda. DeGeneres wrapped her daytime show with a plea to her audience, one she said was worth repeating.

“If I’ve done anything in the past 19 years, I hope I’ve inspired you to be yourself, your true authentic self. And if someone is brave enough to tell you who they are, be brave enough to support them, even if you don’t understand,” DeGeneres said. “By opening your heart and your mind you’re going to be that much more compassionate, and compassion is what makes the world a better place.”

TUESDAY				EVENING				JUNE 7			
	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
1 WAOW 2 WBAY	9 News 9 WAOV 9 Action 2 News	Entertain- ment Tonight (N) 1 2	Holey Moley “Is That Iron Man?” (N) 1 2 (DVS)	The Chase Victoria Groce acts as the chaser. (N) 1 2 (DVS)	Who Do You Believe? “Slayed While Sleeping” (N) 1 2 (DVS)	9 News 9 WAOV 9 Action 2 News	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! 1 2				
3 WFRV 4 WSAW	9 News 9 NewsChannel 7	9 Local 5 News 9 Inside Ed.	FBI “All That Glitters” A young woman is killed. 1 (Part 1 of 3) 2	FBI: Most Wanted “Exposed” A search for a criminal mastermind. 2	FBI: International “Pilot” A fugitive escapes to Zagreb. 1 (Part 3 of 3) 2	9 News 9 NewsChannel 7	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert 1 2				
5 WZAW 6 WLWK	5 Big Bang 11 Jeopardy	5 Big Bang 11 Wheel Fortune	Crime Scene Kitchen “Meet the Competition” Bakers scour the kitchen for clues.	(:01) I Can See Your Voice Robin Thicke; Raven Symone. 1 2 (DVS)	5 News 11 News 5 Seinfeld “The Opposite” 1 2	5 Seinfeld 11 Fox 11 News	5 Last- Standing 11 Seinfeld	5 Mod Fam 11 DailyMail			
7 WGBA 12 WJFW	7 News 12 News- watch 12/6	7 FamFeud 12 Wheel Fortune	America’s Got Talent auditions. (N) 1 2	Auditions 2” Variety acts	(:01) Dancing With Myself Contestants compete in dance challenges. (N) 2	7 News 12 News- watch 12	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon 1 2				
20 WHRM 26 WLEF 38 WPNE	PBS NewsHour (N) 1 2	Earth’s Sacred Wonders “House of the Divine” Paramedic helps fasting worshippers. 1 2	Earth’s Sacred Wonders “Closer to the Divine” Renovating Djenné’s Great Mosque. 1 2	Earth’s Sacred Wonders “Visions of the Divine” Delivery of a holy flame. 1 2	How the Victorians Built Britain “The Making of the Modern Home” House-building; gas power for the home. 2	NOVA OSIRIS-REx attempts to grab an asteroid.					
32 WACY 43 WTPX	FamFeud Chicago Fire 2	Two Men Chicago Fire 2	Dateline “Suspicion” Chicago Fire 2	Monk 2	My News Tonight Chicago Fire 2	Two Men Mom 1	Mom 1	Chi. Fire			
14 WCWF 24 WYOW	14 Big Bang 24 Fam Guy	14 Big Bang 24 Fam Guy	Superman & Lois “All Is Lost” John Henry makes a surprising discovery. (N) 1 2	Tom Swift “...And the 4b Curl” Tom is forced to make a tough choice. (N) 1 2	14 Last- Standing 24 Goldbergs	14 National 24 Burgers	14 National 24 Burgers	14 King of Queens 24 black-ish			

WEDNESDAY				EVENING				JUNE 8				
		6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
8 2	WAOW WBAY	9 News 9 WAOV 9 Action 2 News	Entertainment Tonight (N) 1 2	Jimmy Kimmel Live! (N) 1 2	(:31) NBA Countdown (N) 2	2022 NBA Finals Game 3: Teams TBA. (N) 1 (Live) 2				9 News 9 WAOV 9 Action 2 News	(:05) Jimmy Kimmel Live! 1 2	
	3 7	WFRV WSAW	9 News 9 NewsChannel 7 9 Local 5 News 9 Inside Ed.	Let's Make a Deal Prime-time Contestants compete for amazing prizes. (N)	The Price Is Right at Night The Talk hosts play for charity. 1 2	S.W.A.T. "Survive" Deacon and Chris are attacked. 1 2			9 News 9 NewsChannel 7	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert 1 2		
55 11	WZAW WLUK	55 Big Bang 11 Jeopardy	55 Big Bang 11 Wheel Fortune	MasterChef The final white aprons are given out. (N) 1 2	(:01) So You Think You Can Dance The fourth week of auditions continues. (N)	55 News 11 News	55 Seinfeld "The Burning" 1 2	55 Seinfeld 11 Fox 11 News	55 Last-Standing 11 Seinfeld	55 Mod Fam 11 DailyMail		
26 12	WGBA WJFW	26 News 12 News-watch 12/6	26 FamFeud 12 Wheel Fortune	Chicago Med Marcel and Blake clash with Shentu. 1 2 (DVS)	Chicago Fire "Back With a Bang" Stella Kidd returns to Firehouse 51. 1	Chicago P.D. "Home Safe" The team searches for a missing child. 1		26 News 12 News-watch 12	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon 1 2			
20 36 38	WHRM WLEF WPNE	PBS NewsHour (N) 1 2		Rivers of Life "The Mississippi" The Mississippi River. 1 2	NOVA "Dead Sea Scroll Detectives" Scientists study the Dead Sea Scrolls. 1 2	Queer Silicon Valley LGBTQ& community in Silicon Valley. 1 2			Hawking Stephen Hawking's rise to fame. 1 2	Frontline Vladimir Putin's war on Ukraine. 1 2		
32 46	WACY WTPX	FamFeud Blue Bloods 1	Two Men Blue Bloods 1	Dateline 1 Blue Bloods 1	Monk 2 Blue Bloods 1	My News Tonight Blue Bloods 1		Two Men Mom 1	Mom 1			
14 34	WCWF WYOW	14 Big Bang 34 Fam Guy	14 Big Bang 34 Fam Guy	The Flash "Keep It Dark" The Flash investigates a new Meta. (N) 1 2	Kung Fu "Alliance" Nicky races to stop Russell Tan. (N) 1 2	14 Last-Standing 34 Goldbergs	14 Seinfeld 34 Goldbergs	14 National 34 Burgers	14 National 34 Burgers	14 King of Queens 34 black-ish		

THURSDAY				EVENING				JUNE 9			
	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
1 WAOW 2 WBAY	9 News 9 WAOV 9 Action 2 News	Entertain- ment Tonight (N) 1 2	Station 19 1 2 (DVS)	Grey’s Anatomy 1 2 (DVS)	(:01) Big Sky 1 2 (DVS)	9 News 9 WAOV 9 Action 2 News	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! 1 2				
3 WFRV 4 WSAW	9 News 9 NewsChannel 7	9 Local 5 News 9 Inside Ed.	Young Sheldon 1 2 (DVS)	(:31) United States of AI 1 2	(:01) Ghosts “Trevor’s Pants” 1 2	B Positive Bull “Confidence Man” Bull’s legal troubles worsen. 1 2	9 News 9 NewsChannel 7	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert 1 2			
5 WZAW 6 WLWK	5 Big Bang 11 Jeopardy	5 Big Bang 11 Wheel Fortune	MasterChef The three semifinalists go head-to-head. (N) 1 2	(:01) Don’t Forget the Lyrics! Contestant from Las Vegas competes. 2 (DVS)	5 News 11 News 5 Seinfeld “The Clip Show” 1 2	5 Seinfeld 11 Fox 11 News	5 Last- Standing 11 Seinfeld	5 Mod Fam 11 DailyMail			
7 WGBA 12 WJFW	7 News 12 News- watch 12/6	7 FamFeud 12 Wheel Fortune	Law & Order 1 2 (DVS)	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit 1 2 (DVS)	Law & Order: Organized Crime 1 2 (DVS)	7 News 12 News- watch 12	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon 1 2				
20 WHRM 26 WLEF 38 WPNE	PBS NewsHour (N) 1 2	Wisconsin Home Town Stories “Oshkosh” 1 2	Midsomer Murders “The Lions of Causton: Part 1” “The Lions of Causton: Part 2” 1 2	(:45) Midsomer Murders “The Lions of Causton: Part 2” A death at Stubbington Hall Sports Club. 1 (Part 2 of 2) 2	(:31) Rick Steves’ Europe “Central Turkey” 1 2	American Masters “Ballerina Boys” Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo. 1 2 (DVS)	Rivers of Life The Mississippi River. 1 2				
32 WACY 43 WTPX	FamFeud Chicago P.D. 1	Two Men Chicago P.D. 1	Dateline 1 Chicago P.D. 1	Monk 2 Chicago P.D. 1	My News Tonight Chicago P.D. 1	Two Men Mom 1	Mom 1	Chi. Fire			
14 WCWF 24 WYOW	14 Big Bang 24 Fam Guy	14 Big Bang 24 Fam Guy	Walker “Search and Rescue” Cordell and James make a discovery. (N) 1 2	Legacies “This Can Only End In Blood” Hope presents a challenge to Ken. (N) 1 2	14 Last- Standing 24 Goldbergs	14 National 24 Burgers	14 National 24 Burgers	14 King of Queens 24 black-ish			

FRIDAY				EVENING					JUNE 10			
		6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
9 2	WAOW WBAY	9 News 9 WAO 9 Action 2 News	Entertain- ment Tonight (N) 9 9	Jimmy Kim- mel Live! (N) 9 9	(:31) NBA Countdown (N) 9	2022 NBA Finals Game 4: Teams TBA. (N) 9 (Live) 9			9 News 9 WAO 9 Action 2 News	(:05) Jim- my Kimmel Live! 9		
9 7	WFRV WSAW	9 News 9 NewsChan- nel 7	9 Local 5 News 7 Inside Ed.	Come Dance With Me "Heroes Night" (N) 9 9	Magnum P.I. "Devil on the Doorstep" Rick's old friend comes to the island.	Blue Bloods "Where We Stand" Frank contends with public outcry. 9			9 News 9 NewsChan- nel 7	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert 9 9		
55 11	WZAW WLUK	55 Big Bang 11 Jeopardy	55 Big Bang 11 Wheel Fortune	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (N) 9 (Live)			55 News 11 News	55 Seinf- feld "The Clip Show"	55 Seinfeld 11 Fox 11 News	55 Last- Standing 11 Seinfeld	55 Mod Fam 11 DailyMail	
26 12	WGBA WJFW	26 News 12 News- watch 12/6	26 FamFeud 12 Wheel Fortune	American Ninja Warrior "Qualifiers 1" Qualifying rounds begin in San Antonio. 9 9 (DVS)			Dateline NBC (N) 9 9		26 News 12 News- watch 12	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon 9 9		
20 36 38	WHRM WLEF WPNE	PBS NewsHour (N) 9 9		Washing- ton Week (N) 9 9	Here and Now (N) 9 9	Inside the Mind of Ag- atha Christie A profile of Agatha Christie. 9 9			Unforgotten on Mas- terpiece Cassie and Sunny realize the men lied. 9 9 (DVS)		POV "The Gospel of Eureka" Negoti- ating differences in Arkansas. 9 9	
52 46	WACY WTPX	FamFeud Hawaii Five-0 9	Two Men Hawaii Five-0 9	Dateline 9		Monk 9	My News Tonight		Two Men	Mom 9	Mom 9	
14 34	WCWF WYOW	14 Big Bang 34 Fam Guy	14 Big Bang 30 Fam Guy	Charmed "The End Is Never the End" A dark force tests a new sisterhood. 9		World's Fun- niest Ani- mals 9 9	World's Fun- niest Ani- mals 9 9	14 Last- Standing 30 Goldbergs	14 Seinfeld 31 Gold- bergs	14 National 31 Burgers	14 National 31 Burgers	14 King of Queens 31 black-ish

WHAT'S HAPPENING

FRIDAY, JUNE 3

SHAWANO: Sun Drop Dayz, 4:30-10 p.m., East Elizabeth Street. Free admission, kids inflatables, music. For details including band information, visit www.sundropdayz.com.

LENA: Music on the Patio featuring Brittany and Justin, 6-10 p.m., Wooden Shoe Bar & Grill, 100 W. Main St.

TIGERTON: Pink Flamingo Dream Big Rally and Ride, 6 p.m., Tigerton OHV Park and Campground, 1100 Quad Park Lane. Cornhole tournament, raffles, vendors, live music.

SATURDAY, JUNE 4

GILLET: 10th annual Paulie and Perry's Patriots Ride, Sandy Corners, 5494 State Highway 32. Ride an all-terrain or off-highway vehicle to honor and support veterans past and present. Money raised goes toward Old Glory Honor Flight.

SHAWANO: Sun Drop Dayz, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m., East Elizabeth Street. Free admission, flea market and antiques; 5K run/walk; Menominee Indian Tribe traditional singing and dancing, craft fair, inflatables, lumberjack competition, strongman competition, music. For details including band information, visit www.sundropdayz.com.

TIGERTON: Pink Flamingo Dream Big Rally and Ride, Tigerton OHV Park and Campground, 1100 Quad Park Lane. Raffles, vendors, live music.

WITTENBERG: Emerging Talent VII, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., WOWSPACE, 114 Vinal St. Showcase of Wittenberg-Birnamwood student art.

OCONTO: Abigail Nygren concert, 6-8 p.m., Park Avenue Playhouse, 408

Park Ave. Free admission; presented by Machickanee Players.

SUNDAY, JUNE 5

SHAWANO: Zurko Promotions flea market, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Shawano County Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St.

WITTENBERG: Emerging Talent VII, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., WOWSPACE, 114 Vinal St. Showcase of Wittenberg-Birnamwood student art.

SHAWANO: Music in the Park featuring Lonesome Road Band, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Memorial Park, 909 S. Lincoln St.

MONDAY, JUNE 6

SHAWANO: Library Annual Book Sale, 4-8 p.m., 128 S. Sawyer St.

TUESDAY, JUNE 7

SHAWANO: Library Annual Book Sale, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., 128 S. Sawyer St.

OCONTO FALLS: Oconto County Farmers Market, Highland Square, 323 E. Highland Drive. Produce vendors, food trucks, kids activities, music.

SHAWANO: Friends of the Mountain Bay Trail Bike Ride, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Mielke Arts Center lot, N5649 N. Airport Road. Ride to encourage use of the state trail.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8

SHAWANO: Library Annual Book Sale, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., 128 S. Sawyer St.

SHAWANO: Shawano Ski Sharks, 6 p.m., Smalley Park, 211 Riverside Drive, Pre-show 5:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 9

SHAWANO: Thursdayz at Franklin featuring Shotgun Jane, 6-8:30 p.m.,

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FRIDAY, JUNE 10

SHAWANO: Annual Wolf River High School Rummage Sale, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., W7467 River Bend Road. Hamburgers, brats, hot dogs, bake sale.

WITTENBERG: Emerging Talent VII, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., WOWSPACE, 114 Vinal St. Showcase of Wittenberg-Birnamwood student art.

OCONTO: Copperfest, 5-11 p.m., Copperfest/American Legion Post 74 Park, 709 Madison St. Music, family entertainment, food and refreshments.

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OCONTO: W.U.M.P.A. Truck Pullers, 6 p.m., Park Lane. Registration 3-5 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 11

WITTENBERG: Wittenberg Community Days, 9 a.m.-11 p.m., Washington Park, Webb Street. Farmers market 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Concessions open noon, WOW Mural tours 2-6 p.m., family friendly activities begin 3 p.m., Whiskey & Lace band 7-11 p.m., fireworks at dusk.

OCONTO: Copperfest, 10 a.m.-11:30 p.m., Copperfest/American Legion Post



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74 Park, 709 Madison St. Music, family entertainment, food and refreshments. Car show 9 a.m.-3 p.m., 10 a.m. parade, **WITTENBERG:** Emerging Talent VII, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., WOWSPACE, 114 Vinal St. Showcase of Wittenberg-Birnamwood student art.

SUNDAY, JUNE 12

SHAWANO: Zurko Promotions flea market, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Shawano County Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St.

GILLET: Oconto County Breakfast on the Farm, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Blaser Farm, 9267 State Highway 22 East. Breakfast, music, antique demonstrations, kids activities. \$10 all ages.

WITTENBERG: Wittenberg Community Days, 9 a.m.-11 p.m., Washington Park, Webb Street. Concessions open 10 a.m., parade at noon, followed by family friendly activities, WOW Mural tours and money dig for kids 2 p.m.

CHASE: Chase Stone Barn Craft Sale, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Chase Stone Barn, 8246 County Road S. Vendors, music, food and refreshments.

OCONTO: Copperfest, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Copperfest/American Legion Post 74 Park, 709 Madison St. Music, family entertainment, food and refreshments. Fox Valley Fire Art LED and Fire Show at 9 a.m.

WITTENBERG: Emerging Talent VII, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., WOWSPACE, 114 Vinal St. Showcase of Wittenberg-Birnamwood student art. Reception following Community Days.

SHAWANO: Music in the Park featuring Bernie Kroll Polka Band, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Memorial Park, 909 S. Lincoln St.

Bonduel grads succeed in spite of pandemic

46 collect diplomas,
15 of them maintaining
4.0 grade-point average

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Bonduel High School said farewell to one of its smaller graduating classes May 27, sending off 46 of its own into the world, but that didn't stop the community from making the gymnasium resonate with echoes of supportive cheers.

"Our class is very small compared to most, so seeing all of these people here really means a lot," said Ava Pleshek, senior class president as she kicked off the 83rd commencement for Bonduel. "It has truly been a wild four years for this class, and I will never forget the memories that we have shared together."

Pleshek acknowledged the COVID-19 pandemic derailed a portion of the Class of 2022's sophomore year, but her classmates found a way to make the following two years meaningful and special.

"Many of us can't wait for summer to begin, while others are sad that this will be the last time we are all together in the same room," Pleshek said. "No more meetings about what to wear to Success Day or what time we're supposed to be at graduation. This is it."

While most of the speeches encouraged graduates to be successful in life, Bonduel School Board member Dave Bohm had a different message when suggesting what path to take.

"My advice is, I want you to fail," Bohm said. "Dust yourself off, and try again. I want you to dream so big, it scares you. Take actions to achieve those dreams along the way, and if and when you fail, you will achieve more than if you had never dreamt at all."

Most of the problems can be dwindled down to two actions, according to Bohm. Acting without thinking is one, while thinking without action is the other.

"Be patient," Bohm said. "Sometimes you have to get past the worst to get to the best."

Superintendent Joe Dawidziak noted in his speech that there's something special about graduating in a small town.

"Spirit, enthusiasm and pride in



Valedictorian Meghan Wondra talks about the successes and challenges faced by the Class of 2022 as her fellow graduates listen during the Bonduel High School graduation commencement May 27.

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where you come from — This school has been like a second home to many, if not all, of you, and I hope that you understand going forward, whether you're near or far, this is always home for you," Dawidziak said.

Kylie Quandt, the class salutatorian, noted that the past 13 years have been a series of adjustments, and the Class of 2022 has traversed them all with confidence.

"Every day we get together, it is a day full of laughs and memories," Quandt said.

Quandt noted that academic excellence runs in the family, and while her goal in being one of the highest achievers in her class should have

been for better chances at scholarships and higher-ranked colleges, she admitted it was to outrank her older sister, Hailey, who was third in her class in 2020.

"I wanted to beat that," Quandt said. "Now I can officially say, Hailey, I'm smarter than you."

There was only one person who could claim to be smarter than Quandt, and that was valedictorian Meghan Wondra. However, her address was paused momentarily while she searched the podium for her speech.

Wondra recounted how her high school experience, along with the others sitting on the stage in cap



Graduates Aaliyah Jensen, left, and Anika Schneider march into the Bonduel High School gymnasium to the song "Pomp and Circumstance" at the beginning of the graduation commencement May 27.

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and gown, began four years ago as "young, naive, clueless freshmen." There have been struggles, she said, but there have also been great moments.

"I do not think many other schools would bring cows into this gym and have a schoolwide milking contest," Wondra said. "Moments like these are what make Bonduel High School special, and I hope you all remember the memories and friends that you made throughout these years."

Wondra went on to say that the Class of 2022 should not be underestimated, noting how students adapted and rose above virtual schooling and other issues stemming from the COVID-19 pandemic, yet 15 of the graduates on stage maintained 4.0 grade-point averages.

"Yes, we may be a very small class, but you should never count us out," Wondra said. "Just in our four years of high school, we've been through a lot."

BHS math teacher John Seroogy, chosen as the graduate's official speaker from the staff, noted he didn't want to do it initially, saying no at first, and then saying he'd think about it.

"This went on for a good four, maybe five, weeks until they finally broke me down, and I said, 'Yes, I will speak at your graduation.'"

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At MIHS, grads take principal with them

86 students get diplomas as Raasch goes into retirement

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Menominee Indian High School ushered 86 graduates out into the real world May 25 during its first in-person commencement in three years, but it also said farewell to its principal, who will be heading into retirement once school ends in June.

Chuck Raasch is exiting from active education after 32 years of service. During the graduation ceremony at Menominee Casino Resort — moved from the Woodland Bowl due to the rain — Raasch noted that most of the young men and women seated to his right in caps and gowns were in his classroom in sixth grade.

“This class has gone through a lot, as the rest of the world has,” Raasch said as he reminded the packed Five Clans Ballroom about the COVID-19 pandemic that resulted in two years of mostly virtual education for students on the reservation.

Raasch was honored in the traditional Menominee style, being wrapped in a Pendleton blanket by members of the Menominee Indian School Board. He said it was an honor and a privilege to have served on the reservation, which was where he has been for his entire career.

“He didn’t want it mentioned. He wanted it low-key,” said Wendell Waukau, superintendent for Menominee Indian School District, noting that Raasch was often the brunt of district staff’s Native humor. “We ignored him.”

Dennis Kenote with the Veterans of the Menominee Nation, who performed a prayer in the traditional Menominee language at the ceremony, said he enlisted in the military while he was in high school, but could not be deployed until he got his diploma.

“Some of you are going to college or university. Some of you are going out into the workforce. Some of you might go into the military,” Kenote said. “Whatever it is, it is essential that you have a high school diploma. You accomplished that in this pandemic era that we live in, which made it even harder, but you did it.”

David Miller, school board president, noted that education is an important tenet of the Menominee culture.



Valedictorian Kylie Waupoose speaks about change during the Menominee Indian High School graduation commencement May 25 at Menominee Casino Resort, comparing it to a cliffhanger and noting no one knows when it will happen or where it will take someone.

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James Munson turns his tassel to the left side after walking the stage to get his diploma during the Menominee Indian High School graduation commencement May 25 at Menominee Casino Resort.

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He noted that the graduates would not be where they were without the support of their family and friends.

“There is so much in having these handsome young men and beautiful young ladies graduating,” Miller said. “So we’re going to ask them to do the best that they can to honor our people.”

Waukau echoed Miller’s belief about the importance of education. He noted that, of all the graduates that MIHS has had in 46 years, six have earned their doctorates, 56 have earned master’s degrees, 167 have earned bachelor’s degrees and 280 have earned associate’s degrees.

“Those numbers that we just read,

it sounds to me like it shows how much Menominees value education,” Waukau said, noting that this year’s graduation percentage was 93%.

Class salutatorian Melodie Weso acknowledged she couldn’t have made it to the podium without the help of teachers, staff and friends. She singled out her grandfather, who has passed, as someone who motivated her the most to succeed.

“I know he’s looking down on me with a smile on his face,” Weso said.

Valedictorian Kylie Waupoose announced to the audience that she is planning to become a nurse and will attend the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay. She said she has finished her education in the school district on a high note in spite of some rough beginnings, including being bullied in school.

The top student in the Class of 2022 also expressed hope for her classmates.

“I see them succeeding, and it gives me hope that we will be the generation that changes the world and makes it better, because no matter what we do, change will happen,” Waupoose said. “Change is like a cliffhanger — we will never when it will happen, and where it will take us.”

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OPINION

GUEST COLUMN

You can't teach future if future is dead

As a teacher, my most important job was to keep my students safe.

Safety is, after all, a basic need, and students cannot learn if their basic needs are not met first. Safety is why we practiced active shooter drills in my middle school multiple times a year. We practiced because those drills were designed to prepare us and protect us; those drills were also traumatizing in and of themselves for my students, and for me. Because we knew those drills weren't enough to save us.

Let me explain what an active shooter drill looks like, sounds like, and feels like.

An active shooter drill looks dark. The lights are off. The windows are closed and the shades, if we have them, are pulled down. The door is locked, and the door's window is covered with a large piece of craft paper. Students huddle in a corner, whichever corner is furthest from and out of sight of the door, kneeling or sitting on the floor, many of them underneath tables or behind chairs.

An active shooter drill sounds silent, at first. There is the soft scuffle of shifting bodies on the floor. Then the classroom phone starts ringing over and over. It is a test; we are not supposed to answer the phone. It could be the shooter trying to locate us. Then there are knocks on the door, and the door slams a little against the door jamb; support staff call through the locked door, "It's Ms. A, please let me in." It is another test; we aren't allowed to open the door. The shooter could have taken Ms. A hostage.

An active shooter drill feels terrifying. Because terror is the appropriate reaction to a terrorist attack, and that is what school shootings are. My heart is racing as I write this, because

needs are not met first. Safety is why we practiced active shooter drills in my middle school multiple times a year. We practiced because those drills were designed to prepare us and protect us; those drills were also traumatizing in and of themselves for my students, and for me. Because we knew those drills weren't enough to save us.



ABIGAIL SWETZ



the reality is I knew that we did active shooter drills because an active shooter at my school was possible.

I knew that, in that possibility, I would do everything in my power to keep my students safe. I knew that could mean getting shot. If a shooter was at my classroom door, I knew my blood would fall first. I knew my students would see that. I knew my body couldn't save them. I knew I would try to save them anyway. I knew it was possible that I would watch them die.

A student once told me, "I know where the exits are in every classroom. I never sit with my back to the door. I don't think of a school shooting here as an if. I think of it as a when." To be clear, they did not say this because we had just finished a drill, or because

there had recently been a school shooting in the news. It was just an ordinary Wednesday in an American eighth grade classroom. Their hyper-vigilance was a trauma response.

This is how we are raising generations of children. We are raising them in trauma. Not because we are training them through active shooter drills, although they are traumatizing; we are raising them in trauma because we are raising them in a country where elected officials in charge of reforming laws see a classroom of dead children and teachers and then do nothing to protect the next classroom of students.

A classroom is not safe in a country that is not safe, and a country with such easy access to guns is not safe. Maybe this time will be different. May-

be this time leaders will listen to the voices of the dead, but they shouldn't have to die for their leaders to listen.

As an educator, a public policy advocate, and someone who has spent my career listening to students and trying to keep them safe, I call on every elected official, from every party and at all levels of government, to protect our children. I call on them to enact strong gun law reform. Robust reform is how we keep our children safe.

Our children are our future. Our educators prepare them for that future every day. They can't teach the future if the future is dead.

Abigail Swetz is the communications director for the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction and a former middle school teacher.

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GUEST COLUMN

Prescription drug prices hurting seniors

Would you tailgate at a Milwaukee Brewers game if a 6-pack of beer cost \$28.86, brats cost \$11.83 per 6-pack, and cheese cost \$17.15 per pound?

Outrageous, right? Well, that would be the cost of those products if consumer prices had risen as fast as drug prices over the past 15 years. In addition to those tailgating staples, gas would cost \$12.20 a gallon and milk would be \$13 a gallon.

We are paying more for nearly everything today — from groceries to gas to housing. As inflation reaches its highest in 40 years, Wisconsinites and all Americans are asking what Congress can do to help them pay for the essentials they need.

For seniors, inflation is only made worse by the ever-increasing price of prescription drugs. For years, prescription price increases have dwarfed even the highest rates of inflation. Just recently, Big Pharma raised prices on 800 medicines — and they have levied similar increases for



MARTHA CRANLEY

decades. Every day we hear from older Wisconsinites who are forced to choose between paying for the medicines they need and paying for other essentials like food and heat.

Congress has promised for years to bring down the price of drugs. For any senator concerned about inflation, lowering drug prices should be at the top of their to-do list. With inflation at record levels, we need them to make good on that promise now.

Unlike just about every other country in the developed world, in the United States, pharmaceutical companies can bypass negotiations on brand name drugs and sell their products at inflated prices — a cost paid by seniors and the federal government.

It's outrageous that Americans are forced to pay three times more than people in other countries pay for the same drugs. Especially because there is long-standing, bipartisan support for allowing Medicare to negotiate with drug companies for lower prices.

Every year, Medicare spends more than \$135 billion on prescription drugs. Yet it's prohibited by law from using its buying power to negotiate with drug companies to get lower prices. Giving Medicare the power to negotiate will save seniors and taxpayers hundreds of billions of dollars. That's right, billions.

The U.S. Senate has a historic opportunity to finally lower prescription prices and bring relief to Wisconsin seniors. There will never be a better time to deliver on their promises or fair drug prices.

Lowering prescription prices will also save the government hundreds of billions of dollars. The nonpar-

tisan Congressional Budget Office estimates that the latest drug pricing provisions passed by the House would save \$297 billion over 10 years — including \$84 billion from rebates paid for excessive price hikes and \$79 billion from allowing Medicare to negotiate drug prices.

American families cannot afford to leave that kind of money on the table. Big Pharma has been price gouging seniors for too long. This is the Senate's opportunity to fix the unfair system that's rigged against Americans.

We will let our nearly 38 million members nationwide, including 807,000 here in Wisconsin, know whether the Senate does what's right and finally votes to lower prescription prices or allows Big Pharma to win yet again. It's time to get this done.

Martha Cranley is the state director for AARP Wisconsin in Madison.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Restaurants nickel and dime their guests

To the editor:

As a consumer, I feel like I am getting nicked and dined to death.

When I was young, we paid our bills in either cash or with a check. Credit cards came into use in the 1980s, I guess. I did not trust them, and I stuck with checks or cash for a long time. Eventually, I gave in and went almost exclusively to the use of credit cards. Credit cards have worked well for me.

When I buy gasoline, groceries, or items using Amazon, I expect to pay nothing extra for the "convenience" of using my credit card. In fact, all industries have pretty much required the use of our credit cards. Recently, I have noticed that certain restaurants are now "charging us" to use a credit card. They are very, very sneaky about the way they do this. If I look at a restaurant website, they tend not to mention their "convenience fee."

The other thing that bothers me about this "extra fee" is that I pay extra, not just for the food and drink, but I am also paying this extra fee on the tip, and on any taxes. I am getting taxed to pay tax.

Because of this, I did a survey of Shawano area eateries this spring. I did not go to all restaurants, but I hit a lot of them. The information I gathered was from staff members, not necessarily from the owners of the eatery. If any area restaurants notice an error in my data, please let me know, and I will do a correction.

Please consider the message you are sending to the restaurants that charge you for using your credit! (The message is, "Do what you want to me. I am powerless.")

Worst fees include Kassie's Studio Lounge, 3.99%; Luigi's, 3.75%; Docker's on the Corner, 3.5%; Brother's Pub, 3.5%; Doc's Timeline Saloon, Amy's Roadhouse, Lighthouse and Torchlight, 3%.

Big City Gyros only \$1.25 for phone orders. Farm Inn, Longhorn Saloon, Perkins, Hunan Restaurant, Seasons Restaurant, Shawano Café, El Tequila, Stubborn Brothers Brewery and Launching Pad do not charge.

In summary, I would say that I like the food at all of these area restaurants. The quality of the food is not an issue. Being sneaky about payment is the issue. I would prefer that a restaurant be up front, charge more for the food and take away the sneaky "convenience fee." Please consider talking to the owners of

restaurants you like to go to, and let them know how you feel about this extra "fee."

Richard Sarnwick, Shawano

Teachers need respect, deserve to be kept

To the editor:

Teacher turnover through resignation or retirement is at an all-time high in most Wisconsin school districts. Traditionally, about one-half of new teachers seek another career in the first five years in the profession. Many find teaching more difficult than anticipated, and with society's harsh criticism and lack of public support, other professions become more attractive.

The proclamation that teacher turnover is good because new, inexperienced teachers bring energy and enthusiasm to the profession and that the district can save money by paying entry-level salaries is without merit. Energy and enthusiasm are only a small part of being a good teacher. A good teacher is a professional who has mastered the subject matter to be taught, but equally important, the art of teaching. The exit of senior professional teachers denies new teachers the opportunity to grow by sharing in their cumulative knowledge of

educational best practices.

Classroom management, individualized instruction, discipline, motivational techniques, teaching at a level that reaches all children, effective parent contact, grading, dealing with administrative expectations, good peer relationships are skills largely learned from senior teachers. That exchange is critical to new teachers' success.

The question needs to be asked — Would you engage the services of a law firm or medical institution where most of the employees are recent graduates from a training institution and there is little senior staff to share judgment and experience?

With the demise of the American family and the coarsening of our culture, children present themselves to the school with a host of needs that must be addressed. Sometimes the children must be cleaned and soiled clothes replaced. Nutrition and medical attention are critical. Counseling to handle the issues of abuse, parent abandonment and neighborhood conflict must be dealt with before instruction can take place.

The dedicated Wisconsin teachers, who daily face the abandonment and neglect of our children, deserve our admiration and respect.

Herbert J. Grover, Gresham

Shawano man arrested in April 1 crash

Jones charged with recklessly endangering safety, other charges related to OWI

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

An 18-year-old Shawano man faces a number of felony charges in relation to an April 1 vehicle crash on County Road BE in the Town of Wescott.

Noah Jones has been charged with two counts of injury by intoxicated use of a vehicle, and four counts of first-degree recklessly endangering safety. He also has been charged with operating while intoxicated causing injury and operating with a prohibited alcohol concentration, both misdemeanors.

He faces up to 12½ years in prison along with \$25,000 fines on each of the felony counts if convicted. Conviction on the misdemeanor offenses could result in up to a year of incarceration and up to \$2,000 in fines.

The criminal complaint states that, based on witness reports, a 17-year-old

girl suffered injuries after the vehicle Jones was driving narrowly missed another vehicle after it veered across the center line, went off the roadway, struck a fence and went airborne for 100 feet before landing in the parking lot of USA Raceway. The vehicle then struck a concrete barrier, continued across the parking lot and hit two concrete bollards, according to the complaint.

The victim told a sheriff's detective that she had spoken with Jones the night before the crash and that he was allegedly distraught about his girlfriend and claimed he would kill himself once he was sober. The criminal complaint states the victim was allegedly picked up by Jones at about 11 a.m. on April 1 because he wanted to hang out, but he was already intoxicated at the time. Jones and the victim allegedly traveled along back roads

through Navarino and Bonduel before winding up on County BE.

The victim claimed Jones continued to drink and threw multiple beer cans out the window as he allegedly drove between 80 and 110 miles per hour at times. She said she repeatedly asked Jones if she could drive instead, but he refused.

Just prior to the accident, Jones was driving at a high rate of speed in excess of 100 mph and came up behind another vehicle traveling westbound, according to the complaint. He allegedly swerved to avoid that vehicle and narrowly missed a vehicle going eastbound before leaving the road.

According to the complaint, the victim was wearing a seat belt at the time of the crash and was extracted by a good samaritan. She had a broken nose, bleeding from her throat and a suspected spleen injury, and she had

to have abdominal surgery to repair a perforated small bowel and remove her appendix, which has left her a surgical scar about 6 inches long.

A Wisconsin State Patrol trooper reported in the complaint that there were no defects on the Dodge Challenger that Jones was driving that would have contributed to the crash.

Blood samples from Jones taken at the time he was at the hospital showed he had a blood-alcohol concentration of 0.183.

Jones was arrested May 13 and appeared in court May 16, where Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court Judge William Kussel Jr. ordered Jones be held on a \$50,000 cash bond. The bond was amended May 26 to a \$2,000 cash bond and a \$25,000 signature bond, which was posted May 27.

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Strokes can happen, regardless of age

Chaylen Kuklinski woke up one morning and couldn't walk or stand.

She managed to get out of bed, crawl outside and lay on the ground with her dog. Her mother eventually found her, and Kuklinski was taken to the hospital.

At the age of 36, having a stroke wasn't at the top of life concerns for Kuklinski. She was a young working professional who spent the previous nine years as an emergency medical technician at Aspirus Wausau Hospital (AWH).

Despite that, she found herself at AWH being told she was having a stroke.

"I didn't believe it until I heard the medical team call for a code stroke," said Kuklinski.

She didn't notice any stroke warning signs. She only knew that she couldn't walk.

"Patients don't often realize they're the ones having a stroke. Even people in the medical profession such as Chaylen," said Lisa Ebert, Aspirus stroke network coordinator.

She was eventually flown to University of Wisconsin-Madison for a neuroendovascular procedure. This is common for many patients suffering from an ischemic or hem-



Chaylen Kuklinski is doing well today, but she was surprised to suffer a stroke at the age of 36.

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orrhagic stroke.

Recognizing and treating a stroke in a timely manner is critical. Outcomes

are much better when treatment is quickly administered. For every minute the brain is deprived of necessary blood flow, 1.9 million brain cells die.

"Fortunately, members of her family knew the signs and symptoms of a stroke and got her medical attention," said Ebert. "Time is critical when one is having a stroke."

Kuklinski was eventually transferred back to Wausau where she started her recovery at the AWH Inpatient Rehab Unit.

Today, Kuklinski continues her path back to her past life. Her stroke affected the left side of her body and she's left-handed. She's also a self-proclaimed talkative person and the stroke has affected her speech as well.

"I was a hockey player and an EMT. I worked my way up to a paramedic position with Aspirus MedEvac," said Chaylen. "I want to get back to doing those things."

The signs of a stroke often appear suddenly. By knowing the warning signs, people can help get the treatment they or their loved ones need as quickly as possible.

Approximately 10-15% of all strokes occur in adults aged 18 to 50 years. May is National Stroke Awareness Month and aims to raise aware-

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KNOW THE SIGNS OF A STROKE THROUGH THE BE FAST ACRONYM:

BALANCE: Sudden loss of coordination or balance

EYES: Sudden change in vision

FACE: Sudden weakness on one side of the face or facial droop

ARM: Sudden arm or leg numbness or weakness

SPEECH: Sudden slurred speech, trouble speaking, trouble understanding speech

TERRIBLE HEADACHE: Sudden onset of a terrible headache

ness about the prevention and treatment of a stroke. Understanding the many risk factors for a stroke could save your life.

"Educate everyone around you," said Ebert. "Sixty percent of the time it's not the stroke patient that notices they are having a stroke. It's children, grandchildren, friends."

Kuklinski continues to work on her rehab. She's working her way back a little bit each day.

"Every day I feel like I'm getting back on track," said Kuklinski. "I just want to get back to work and continue to live my life."

More information on local stroke care as well as related links can be found on the Aspirus website at www.aspirus.org/stroke-care.

Birnamwood woman held on \$10K cash bond

Gunderson charged with recklessly endangering safety, other crimes relating to incident

By LUKE REIMER
Reporter

A 42-year-old Birnamwood woman is facing multiple felony charges in relation to a May 25 police chase outside of Aniwa.

Theresa Gunderson has been charged with one count of attempting to flee or elude an officer, one count of first-degree recklessly endangering safety, one count of resisting an officer — causing a soft tissue injury to an officer, one count of possession of an electric weapon, nine counts of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer.

She faces up to 12½ years in prison along with \$10,000 in fines for first degree recklessly endangering safety, six years in prison along with a \$10,000 fine for resisting an officer — causing a soft tissue injury to the officer and six years in prison and a \$10,000 fine for each bail jumping count if convicted.

The criminal complaint states that a Shawano County deputy was in an unmarked patrol vehicle when they responded to a domestic incident at N11531 Summer Street in Aniwa. The complaint goes on to say that Gunderson left the residence and passed another deputy at 113 miles per hour in a 55 mph zone. According to the complaint, the deputy saw Gunderson put on her brake lights, which was followed by another deputy, who was following the suspect.

The complaint goes on to say that both Gunderson and the other deputy pulled to the side of the road on U.S. Highway 45. Gunderson then allegedly backed up into the deputy's vehicle and started driving west on Marsh Road, just south of Aniwa. The vehicle allegedly started to fishtail, left the roadway and went into the ditch. From there, it was stated that Gunderson was not able to get out of the driver's side door and instead used the passen-

ger front door to exit the vehicle. The deputy said that they got out of their vehicle and started chasing Gunderson on foot.

After failing to stop running for the deputy, the criminal complaint states that the deputy deployed their electronic control device. One probe allegedly struck Gunderson in the back and the other missed. After switching cartridges, the deputy deployed again, this time striking Gunderson in the back of the leg and the back.

In a struggle to get control, the deputy's left middle finger was injured. After dropping the electronic control device, Gunderson allegedly picked it up. The complaint states that the deputy was able to get the device away from Gunderson and the other deputy showed up to the scene.

According to the complaint, Gunderson smelled like alcohol and told the deputies that her boyfriend had beaten her up. Gunderson alleg-

edly stated that she backed into the squad car and ran because she did not want to go to jail. Gunderson allegedly requested an ambulance, where she said that she did not have insurance for the vehicle and that she was not wearing a seat belt.

The deputy said that they issued citations for speeding, operating while intoxicated, reckless endangerment, fleeing/eluding and non-registration. The complaint also stated that a makeup bag was located in the vehicle and contained potential drug paraphernalia. The bag was transported to the evidence technician to be tested. There was no report on the test.

Gunderson was charged May 26, where Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court Judge Katherine Sloma ordered her to be held on a \$10,000 cash bond. A preliminary hearing is scheduled for Gunderson on June 10.

BOOKS AND STUFF

Cozy mystery is populated with monsters, pastries

I know that most cozy mysteries follow the same general plot, but whenever I need to read something super-light, I grab one.

This week it was “Murder by the Cup” by Abigail Lynn Thornton.

As the first in her Le Doux Mysteries series, it



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introduces us to Wynona Le Doux and the unique inhabitants of Hex Haven.

The powerful Le Doux family of witches hold the presidency of Hex Haven. They are both feared and

revered. All but Wynona. No one knows who, how or why, but her witchy powers were bound at birth.

Without powers she became a family outcast and lived the life of a prisoner. Only Granny Saffron saw value in the girl and nurtured her interest in herbs and tea making.

Wynona may not have had magic power, but she was particularly good at matching the exact herbs to the person. It was Granny's death that provided Wynona with the opportunity to escape Le Doux castle and her financial gift that gave Wynona the means to buy a small house and create a special tea shop.

Wynona is only days away from opening but needs to finalize the contract with famous pastry maker Chef Droxon. When an arrogant gnome arrives to give Wynona sample pastries, someone tries to steal his precious recipe binder. The thief is thwarted but gets away.

Early the next morning, Wynona discovers the ashes of his body on the floor in her office. Suddenly her hope for success and happiness are in danger. The police chief (a weary vampire) is convinced that Wynona is the killer and won't believe that she doesn't have the magical powers required to turn anything to ash.

His very handsome chief deputy, Rascal, (a shape-shifting werewolf) flirts with her while assuring her that he knows she's innocent. They are joined by Wynona's landlord Rodrick (a warlock) and her best

AT A GLANCE

BOOK: Murder by the Cup (Le Doux Mysteries, Book 1)

AUTHOR AND PUBLISHER: Abigail Lynn Thornton

YEAR PUBLISHED: 2021

NUMBER OF PAGES: 268

friend Primrose (a flower fairy). All attest to her innocence and vow to help her find the real killer.

Wynona isn't used to any form of attention and doesn't know how to deal with Rascal and Rodrick's overt flirting. She is shocked but pleased to be befriended by a lovely purple mouse living under her bookcase. She names her Violet.

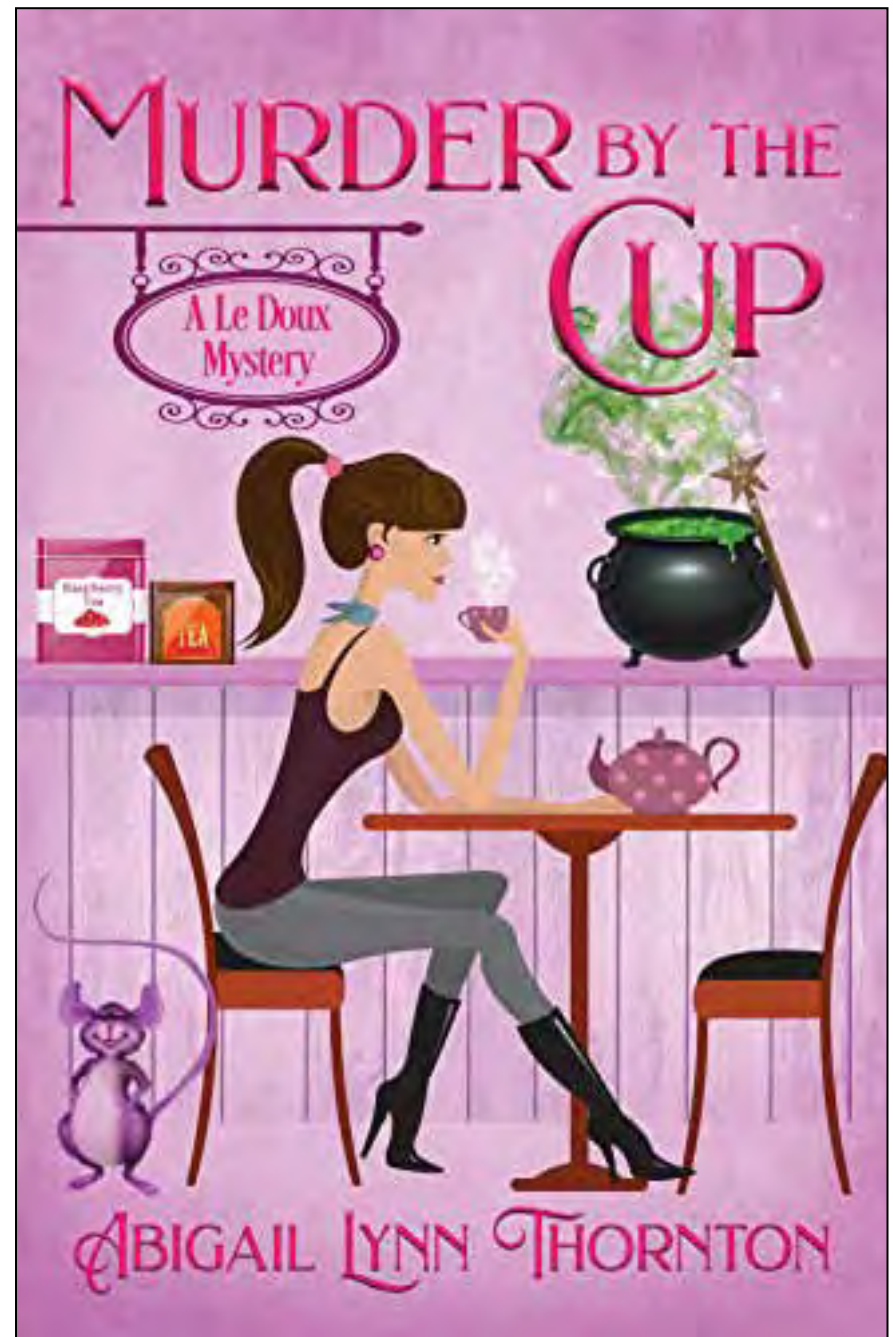
Determined to open her shop as planned, Wynona does her best to interview everyone who might be involved in the case and discovers some disturbing information. Sadly, nothing points to the killer's identity. The biggest question is why was the man killed in her office? The police don't seem to be doing much on the case, so she breaks a few laws to get information. Against all rules, Rascal looks the other way and even risks his job when he helps her out.

Just as she thinks she's making progress, Chef Droxon is killed and his recipes stolen. Now she must rethink all the facts. An obscure comment and words that appear in the bottom of a teacup send her on a dangerous mission.

Angry and disappointed, she searches Rodrick's office and finds the recipes. Now she knows his friendship was nothing more than a way to distract from what he was doing. When Rodrick arrives and tries to kill her Violet manages to save her. Then Rascal arrives in wolf form.

After a fierce battle Rodrick is arrested, leaving Wynona to wonder how Rascal knew where she was, but that question will have to wait as she has a tea shop to open. To her amazement the opening is an enormous success.

As the book ends, we find Wynona savoring her friendships, her independence and all the wonderful possibilities the future holds.



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OBITUARIES

Donna Jean Wagner

Donna Jean Wagner, 88, passed away peacefully on Saturday, May 21, 2022, at her home in Shawano. Donna was born in Racine on Aug. 2, 1933, to the late Edward and Florence (LaLonde) Henry. Donna initially worked for St. Mary's Hospital and worked for many years at the Sturtevant Farm and Fleet before retiring and moving to Shawano.

In her younger years while working at Kilbourn Gardens Supper Club, she met Gladys Knight and the Pips. They loved their time with her and always requested her as their server when they passed through town.

To keep herself busy during retirement, Donna went back to work at Ace Hardware in Shawano, continuing to share her knowledge and experience, in plumbing and electrical, with others. She also volunteered at the local election polls for many years. She was a former president of ThedaCare Auxiliary also serving in numerous other roles over the years.

Donna was always a people person with the ability to really connect with others and make lifelong friends. She was an ambitious, tenacious woman with a can do attitude. She enjoyed gardening and kept her yard and home looking great well into her eighties.

She is survived by her children, John Jensen, Craig (Kim) Jensen, Scott (Georgia) Jensen, Jill (Mark) Holding, William (Jodi) Jaklich and Jeffrey Jaklich; 11 grandchildren,



Christopher (Holly) Jensen, Matthew Jensen, Kevin (fiancé Fawn) Holding, Chad (Amie) Holding, Melinda (Jon) Shaurette, Jean Jensen, Amanda Jaklich,

Joseph (Emily) Jaklich, Meagan (Andrew) Baugher, John (Athalia) Lee, and Amy (Rich) Meyer; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Donna is further survived by numerous friends and wonderful neighbors, Marve and Sue Cribb who watched over her and were always willing to lend a helping hand.

Donna was preceded in death by her husband, Terry, her parents, and lifelong childhood friend for over 70 years, Fran Nielson.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 25, 2022, at Swedberg Funeral Home in Shawano. Visitation will be held at the funeral home from 10 a.m. until the time of the service. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Donna's family would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to ThedaCare at Home Hospice, especially Jolene, Krista, Katie S., Katie K., Audra, Heather, Pastor Stuart, Pete from Meals on Wheels, and Debbie, her housekeeper. Without them, Donna would never have been able to pass so peacefully in her own home.

www.swedbergfuneralhome.com

VILLAGE OF WITTENBERG 2022 ELECTRONICS RECYCLING EVENT

The Village of Wittenberg will be holding an electronics recycling event at Harter's Fox Valley Disposal, W17620 County Road Q on Saturday, June 18th from 9-11:30 am.

This event will be for Village residents only, please no business recyclables. You may bring any of the items listed below.

No furniture, appliances or other household items will be accepted at this event. We will be holding a Fall clean-up day, in September, for these items.

Items to be recycled:

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TV's - 35" or greater	\$25.00/each
Flat Screen TV - 34" or less	\$10.00/each
Flat Screen TV - 35" or more	\$15.00/each
(Flat Screen TVs have a depth of 4" or less)	
Microwave	\$15.00/each
Miscellaneous:	\$5.00/each
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To Apply:

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Area track and field teams well-represented at state meet

Individuals, relays from 7 teams
will compete at state June 3-4

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Gillett's Ben Matczak completes his leg of the 4x800 relay during the Division 3 Suring Regional on May 23 in Suring. The relay team is seeded second going into state.

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HIGH SCHOOL TRACK

11 individuals, 2 relay teams ready for state meet

Witt-Birn's Rogowski in 4 individual events

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Eleven area individual athletes and two relay teams qualified for the 2022 Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association Track and Field Championships, which will run June 3-4 in La Crosse.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood will send the most individual athletes to state of any area team. Reese Rogowski, Simon Schairer and Jalynn Horacek will represent the Chargers in an eye-popping eight events.

Rogowski will take part in three sprints and the long jump.

"It means a lot because it's been very tiring competing in four events most of the time, so just knowing that I was able to qualify in all four was a relief," said Rogowski.

She will run in a loaded 100-meter dash field of 18 competitors. Her seed time of 12.63 seconds ranks 12th.

Rogowski enters state with the third-best time (25.27) in the 200. She also ranks third in the 400 (58.25). The Witt-Birn junior has the sixth-best mark in the long jump of 17 feet, 3 inches.

Last year at state, Rogowski placed sixth with the 100, fifth in the 200, third in the 400 and 10th in the long jump.

"It helps because now I am more comfortable with the craziness of the state meet environment," said Rogowski on how her past state experience can help her this time around. "I'm hoping to make it to finals on Saturday for as many that I can."

After making it to state in the triple jump as a junior, Schairer will compete in the 400, long jump and triple jump this time around.

"Qualifying in three events my senior year is special to me because it was my goal all season to make it to state again and to be able to qualify in three events makes it even better," said Schairer.

His triple jump mark of 44-2¾ ranks

fifth in the Division 2 field going into state. He placed 11th at state in the event last year.

Schairer ranks ninth in the 400 (51.35) and 11th in the long jump (21-2¾).

"My experience from last year will help me because this year I will know how I have to prepare myself better and I know what I have to do to do good at state," said Schairer. "My goal for each event is just to place as best I can and PR (personal record) in all my events."

Horacek will compete in the triple jump at state.

"I'm happy that I get to go to state again and have a satisfying end to years of track," said Horacek, a senior.

Her leap of 33-10¾ ranks 14th heading into state.

Horacek also reached state in the triple jump as a junior, but wasn't able to post a mark.

"Last year's experience will help me this time because now I know to take a few extra steps back before jumping, so I don't scratch all of my jumps again," she said. "At state I just want to get a good jump in and perform my best."

Shawano is sending two individuals and one relay team into the Division 1 competition.

Senior Elliott Lowney will run in the 100 and 200 dashes.

"It means so much to me that I made it in both the 100 and 200. With moving up to Division 1 this year, I didn't know what to expect, I just had to go out there and run my races," said Lowney.

A year ago in Division 2, Lowney placed second at state in the 200 and seventh in the 400.

Lowney heads into the state meet with the fourth-best 200 time in Division 1 of 22.06. He ranks 11th in the 100 (11.01).

"This year I'm hoping to do better than I did last year which was second so there's only one place better than



Lena's Natalie McNurlen competes in the triple jump during the Division 3 Suring Regional on May 23 in Suring. McNurlen made it to state in the event.

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that so I'll be shooting for that in both events," said Lowney.

Isabel Roloff will run in the 100 on the girls side.

"It is extremely special for me to qualify for state in my last year of high school track," said Roloff. "Moving to Division 1 has also made this accomplishment more of a feat because of the stiff competition I had to face at the regional and sectional meets."

She also has state experience after placing second in the pole vault and fourth in the 100 at last year's D2 meet.

Roloff comes into state ranked fifth in the 100 with a time of 12.24.

"I am hoping to get back on the podium at state like last year and place in the top eight in my events. I'm also hoping to end my season with some PRs and run my best next weekend."

Roloff is also part of the girls 4x200 relay team that qualified for state.

Makenna Bubolz, Adalyn Barkley, Piper Novitski and Onna Hermann also are part of the relay team, which is ranked 22nd coming into state with a time of 1:47.87.

Bonduel will send a pair of individuals to state, with Brenna Hertzfeldt competing in the girls discus and Karter Schroeder taking part in the boys high jump.

"Qualifying for state is really special this year because I came up a little short last year and to get another chance at it my senior year means a lot," said Hertzfeldt.

"It feels great to make it to state," said Schroeder. "It's a dream I've had this whole season and to finally see it come true is wonderful."



Bonduel's Karter Schroeder competes in the high jump during the Division 3 Suring Regional on May 23 in Suring. Schroeder qualified for state in the event.

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Hertzfeldt ranks 14th in the Division 3 field with a throw of 109-4. Schroeder is 15th with a mark of 5-11.

Hertzfeldt admitted that shot put is her stronger event, but wasn't able to make it to state in that event. "That being said, my biggest goal at state would be to get a PR or even break the school record," she said. "It's not going to be easy, but I also want to just enjoy the experience as well."

Schroeder said he'd rely on his coaches for guidance at state and his family for support. "My goal this year at state is just to enjoy the experience and return to state next year and make my mark then," said Schroeder.

Gresham/Bowler's Emmitt Kietlinski will be one of Schroeder's competitors in the high jump, and will also compete in the triple jump at state.

"Bowler has a long history of excellence in the jumping events. I am proud to validate my place amongst those that went before me by qualifying in two jumping events again this year," said Kietlinski.

A year ago, the Bowler athlete took fourth in the triple jump and 14th in the high jump. Kietlinski was happy just to get to state last year, but this year, he's hoping to turn in top finishes.

Kietlinski enters state just an inch off the top mark (6-5) in the high jump. He's fifth in the triple jump with a mark of 43-1¼.

"In the triple jump, I'd like to set a personal best and hope that's good enough to land me on the podium," said Kietlinski. "In the high jump there



Suring's Christine Sleeter competes in the high jump during the Division 3 Suring Regional on May 23 in Suring. Sleeter will compete in the high jump and pole vault at state.

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are at least five jumpers capable of winning the event. My goal is to be in that mix of top jumpers with a chance for an incredible end to the season."

Christine Sleeter will represent Suring in two D3 events at state.

"Making it to state is so incredible, especially in two events," said Sleeter. "It is definitely something I will remember for a long time."

Sleeter will take part in the high jump, an event she ranks fifth in with a mark of 5-2. She's ranked 16th in the pole vault (8-9).

The Suring junior said she'd continue relying on the advice of coach Heidi Gerndt.

"She has pushed me and set me to such high expectations. I definitely would not have made it this far if it wasn't for her," said Sleeter, who hopes to enjoy the state experience, place as high as possible, PR in both events and break the school's record of

5-5 in the high jump.

Gillett has one individual and relay team headed to La Crosse. Alex Peterson is the individual that qualified, and is also on the relay team.

"Qualifying in two different events was the goal going into the (sectional) meet," said Peterson. "I knew the 4x800 was going to be stacked like it normally is, and I had huge goals in mind for the 3,200. These performances will give us more confidence and more focus going into the state meet."

The 4x800 relay is seeded second with a time of 8:24.97. Evan Peterson, Connor Hanson and Ben Matczak fill out the four-runner team. Jesse DeBauch and Scott Herroux are the alternates.

The boys 4x800 relay team that included the Peterson boys, Connor Hanson and Derek Hanson last year at state placed second.

Alex Peterson is also running the

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3,200 at state for a second straight year. He placed sixth last spring and is ranked fourth with a time of 9:41.7 this year.

"In my 3,200, I was racing for time," said Peterson of his sectional race. "I was only 2-ish seconds off of our school record at the time, so I knew if I ran my best I could beat it. Even though I didn't win, I ended up beating our school record by 7-ish seconds. Next weekend will be another photo finish race I'm sure, so my goals are to run another PR and finish in the top three."

Natalie McNurlen will represent the Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy co-op in the girls triple jump.

"It is extremely special to me to be able to accomplish goals I have set for myself since the very beginning of high school," said McNurlen.

The Lena junior ranks fifth with a mark of 34-11¾ heading into state.

She said she'd rely on her dad for advice when she heads to state.

"My goal next weekend is to break my own personal best of 34-11," said McNurlen. "Hoping that everything goes right and it will translate into a podium place."

HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL

Bonduel cruises to regional title win

Pulaski ousted in regional title game

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Regional softball playoff action continued this past week across the state, with two area teams making it to the regional finals.

Bonduel picked up a win to advance to sectionals, while Pulaski was eliminated.

Bonduel

After blanking eighth-seeded Crivitz 3-0 in a regional semifinal contest on May 24, Bonduel continued its magical season with a convincing 7-0 win over Crandon in a Division 4 regional title game on May 27 in Bonduel.

The top-seeded Bears jumped out to a 4-0 lead after an inning and starting pitcher Claire Gehm kept the fifth-seeded Cardinals in check from there.

"It's quite the day. A lot of accomplishments happening today," said Gehm, who graduated along with her senior classmates later in the day. "It feels really great just to know that everyone's out here watching — we had a good crowd. Just a lot of good things happening today and it feels amazing."

After Gehm put up a zero in the top of the first inning, Bonduel got to work with the bats.

Tatum Sporisky drew a four-pitch walk before stealing second and moving to third on a sacrifice bunt from Lila Pleshek. Hailee Thompson then walked and ended up at second after not stopping at first.

Hailey Zernicke then came through with a two-run single to plate Sporisky and Thompson and get the Bonduel crowd buzzing.

"It was big, considering in previous games it's taken us awhile to get going with the hits," said Zernicke of the strong first inning. "At practice we've been working on hits a lot, working on line drives instead of popping up every time."

Nakiyah Henning turned the buzzing into a frenzy after crushing a ball over the center fielder's head. Hustling right from the moment the ball left her bat, Henning was able to score right behind Zernicke on an inside-the-park home run.

"Our coach always preaches visualizing, and I haven't been hitting



Bonduel's Macy Niles makes a throw to first during the team's regional title win over Crandon on May 27 in Bonduel.

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Bonduel's Ella Hischke watches a run-scoring hit of hers during the team's regional title win over Crandon on May 27 in Bonduel.

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the best lately, so last night before I went to bed, I just visualized myself hitting the ball and that's actually so impactful, it's unreal," said Henning. "When I got up there, I was just cool and collected.

"I just took a few pitches, and then when I hit it, it was obviously an awesome feeling. It just darted off the bat like nothing, it felt awesome. I honestly didn't think it was going to be a home run, I thought maybe a triple, and then

my coach was waving me around and I was running fast. It worked out good and it was a great feeling. Lot of great feelings here today."

After Gehm put up a couple more scoreless frames, Bonduel added to its lead with a two-run third.

Thompson ripped a one-out double off the left-center fence and later scored on a wild pitch. Henning was hit by a pitch with two outs, stole second, moved to third on a wild pitch and then scored on a single by Ella Hischke.

Crandon's best chance to score came in the sixth as a liner to right appeared like it would plate a runner from second, but Sporisky made a diving catch to preserve the shutout.

"My biggest thing is just my defense," said Gehm. "I know that when I have the full count and I pitch it right down the middle, I know that my defense will back me up, and if they don't, we can get them the next play. We just have to hold them, and that's what we've done all season."

Bonduel tallied its seventh and final run in the bottom of the sixth. Macy Niles doubled and later scored when Abby Stoltenow put the ball in play and reached on an error.

Pulaski

Pulaski was eliminated after an 11-1 loss to third-seeded Green Bay Preble

on May 26 in Green Bay.

Before that, Pulaski kept its season alive with a 5-1 win over Green Bay Southwest in a Division 1 regional semifinal playoff game on May 24 in Pulaski.

The sixth-seeded Red Raiders got a strong start out of Morgan Vertz in the circle and some timely hitting to earn the victory over the 11th-seeded Fighting Trojans.

After Vertz struck out two batters in the first, Gabrielle DeCleene clobbered a home run over the left-center fence to give Pulaski a quick 1-0 lead.

"Every game, I'm just looking to get my teammates ready to hit. I was kind of going up there ready to... I had a feeling," said DeCleene. "When I hit it, I was like, 'OK, this is the start of a good game.'"

Cassie Benberg and Vertz followed DeCleene's homer with singles before Meghan Molthen ripped a double to plate Benberg.

Just when it looked like Pulaski might run away with the game, two popups and a lineout ended the threat without another run scoring.

Pulaski put together another rally in the second, with Benberg driving in Hailey Wiedeman with a sacrifice fly to make it 3-0.

The lead allowed Vertz to attack



Pulaski players celebrate a home run by Gabrielle DeCleene, center, during the team's playoff win over Green Bay Southwest on May 24 in Pulaski.

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the Southwest lineup the rest of the way. She finished the game with 12 strikeouts.

Despite the big strikeout numbers, Vertz wasn't satisfied with her performance.

"So today I didn't have my best game, that is for sure. I just tried to hit my spots and relied on my team because I knew they had my back throughout the game today," said Vertz.

After being told she struck out 12 batters, she laughed while saying, "I didn't know I had that many" and then added, "I just didn't have my control I normally have throughout the game."

After tallying two more strikeouts in the second inning, Vertz struck out the side in order in the third. She had three more strikeouts in the fifth.

There was only one inning she didn't record a strikeout, and that's when Southwest scored in the sixth.

After its offense had gone silent for a few frames, Pulaski added two key insurance runs in the bottom of the sixth to help seal the victory. Vertz plated Maddie Christenson on a fly to right before Molthen singled in Benberg.

With two runners on in the top of the seventh, Vertz got a popup to finish off the contest.

Other regional action

The other six area softball teams that were still alive to start the week were eliminated in regional semifinal play May 24.

Sixth-seeded Oconto Falls fell short in a 7-5 Division 2 playoff loss to

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third-seeded Denmark.

Seventh-seeded Wittenberg-Birnamwood's upset bid came up just a couple runs short in a 4-3 Division 3 playoff setback to second-seeded Oconto.

Sixth-seeded Tigerton came up short in a 4-0 loss in a Division 5 playoff clash against No. 3 Three Lakes/Phelps. Tigerton didn't record a hit in the contest, but Abby Swartz and Skyler Hauser both drew walks. Hauser pitched the entire game, with only two of the runs she allowed being earned.

The seventh-seeded St. Thomas Aquinas Academy/Lena co-op couldn't get its offense going in a 10-0 Division 5 playoff loss to No. 2 Laona/Wabeno.

Fifth-seeded Marion couldn't slow fourth-seeded Newman Catholic in a 16-1 loss in five innings in a Division 5 matchup.

Seventh-seeded Bowler/Gresham had its season come to a close after a 18-0 loss in three innings during a Division 5 contest against No. 2 Edgar.

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HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS

Pulaski's Heezen, Sperduto make state as special qualifiers

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

The Pulaski and Shawano boys tennis teams each had a No. 1 doubles team qualify for sectionals, with Pulaski's Connor Heezen and Eric Sperduto making it to state as special qualifiers.

A maximum of 16 additional doubles teams that were eliminated earlier in the tournament series could have been added to the field of competitors by the state seeding committee. Heezen and Sperduto were one of the duos chosen, and earned a No. 53 seed.

"It's been crazy for both of us. We were planning on it being our last tennis match together after losing to Notre Dame (at sectionals)," said Heezen. "And I being senior was facing the reality that this was my last high school match. Speaking for me

though, I had this weird feeling that it wasn't over and then it happened, so it was great."

The Pulaski pair is scheduled to play their first match at 3 p.m. on May 2.

"At state we are going to go in with a positive attitude and take it one point at a time. It's truly an honor just to get to this point," said Heezen.

Shawano and Pulaski each competed in the Division 1 Rhinelander Subsectional on May 23. Heezen and Sperduto and Shawano's George Buerman and Tristan Sheldon each won a match to be among the four doubles teams to advance to sectionals.

Heezen and Sperduto won 6-3, 6-1 over Green Bay West's Jonathan Allen and Carter Bankes to move on.

Buerman and Sheldon earned a 6-4,

6-2 win over Wausau West's Nathan Hartman and Andrew Lipowski.

At the Division 1 Wausau West Sectional on May 26, Heezen and Sperduto lost their lone match 6-2, 6-2 to Notre Dame's Aidan Burich and Mason Olson.

Buerman and Sheldon dropped a 6-0, 6-1 match to De Pere's Jackson Harpt and Owen McDonough.

Back at the subsectional, Shawano's No. 2 doubles team of Tristan Tetting and Isaac Welander had the team's other win on the day, knocking off Green Bay West's Tommy Erler and Aiden Riesterer by a score of 6-3, 6-2. The Hawk duo was denied a spot at sectionals after falling 6-0, 6-1 in their second match.

Pulaski's No. 3 duo of Jacob Ebent and Alex Kouzov also earned a win

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at subsectionals, taking down D.C. Everest's Andru Dettman and Cooper Engen 6-1, 6-3. The Red Raiders pair then fell 6-0, 6-0 in their next matchup.

Pulaski's Bryce Rolhoff won a 6-4, 6-4 match over Bay Port's Rodney Ehrhardt at No. 2 singles play before falling 6-1, 6-2 in his next and final subsectional match.

Justin Freadrich, Pulaski's No. 4 singles player, won a tight 6-4, 7-6 (7) match over Wausau West's Eli Hackett in his subsectional first match of the day. Freadrich was then topped 6-4, 7-5 in his final match.

BABA HIGHLIGHTS

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

East-West Division

Caroline 13

Gresham 12 (12 inn.)

Caroline knocked off Gresham in a 12-inning slugfest on May 29 in Gresham.

Tyler Marquardt and Eric Kroening each posted three hits for Caroline. Simon Welch and Austin Hoffman added two hits each, with Hoffman also homering.

Justin Reminger earned the win on the hill for Caroline, while Gresham's Paul Murphy took the loss.

Brett Nelson tallied five hits for Gresham, while Joe Ejnik, Tom Nietzer, T.J. Arrowood, Chase Quinney and Mike James providing three hits each. Arrowood, Murphy and Quinney also homered.

Tigerton 11

Neopit 6

Tigerton topped Neopit on May 29 in Tigerton.

Conner Harris hit two home runs, one of which was a grand slam, to lead Tigerton at the plate. Pat Provoast also homered among his two hits. Patrick Bailey chipped in three hits, while Austin Hoffman and Justin Sivertson had two each.

Paul Sellner picked up the win for Tigerton. Mequan Corn Jr. was dealt the loss.

Raymond White homered among his three hits to lead Neopit offensively. Mequan Frechette also had

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three hits, while Mike Pecore and Sam Tourtillott had two hits each.

Little Falls 11

Leopolis 5

Little Falls eased past Leopolis on May 29 in Leopolis.

Kal Fischer led Little Falls at the plate with three hits. Cam Gruenwald and Sawyer Strebe had two hits each.

Chris Dunn earned the win on the mound after working four innings. Andrew Kristof was tagged with the loss.

Trae Moede led Leopolis with three hits, while Thomas Kazik belted a homer.

Tilleda 9

Shawano 1

Tilleda rolled to a win over Shawano on May 29 in Tilleda.

Zach Fehrman struck out 10 batters and allowed just three hits across nine innings to earn the win for Tilleda.

Stephen Reinke posted two hits for Tilleda, with Lane Schultz and Teagan Lehman adding in doubles.

Waylon Penass had two hits for Shawano. Josh Springborn was the losing pitcher.

Northern Division

Aniwa 9

Elderon 8

Aniwa edged Elderon on May 29 in Aniwa.

Ryan Govek tallied two hits for

Aniwa. Nolan Hoppe was the winning pitcher.

Bryce Zorowski and Trevor Groshek each homered for Elderon. Zorowski had two hits, while Groshek and Austin Worzalla had two each. Worzalla was dealt the loss on the hill.

Antigo/Polar 18

Birnamwood 6

Antigo/Polar tripled up Birnamwood in a matchup May 29 in Antigo.

Jed Weix tallied four of Antigo/Polar's 15 hits, with Will Kubeny adding three hits. Cole Kuenzli got the win on the hill.

Brad Knoblock and Corey Krull

each posted three hits and homered for Birnamwood. Logan Thiex suffered the loss.

Eland 18

Wittenberg 2

Eland dominated Wittenberg in a May 29 matchup in Wittenberg.

Jeremy Jensen recorded five hits, including two doubles, for Eland. Blade Niewandowski chipped in three hits, while Ryan Richter homered among his two hits.

Niewandowski earned the win, while Noah Cole took the loss.

Seth Steliga led Wittenberg with a pair of hits.

PRO FOOTBALL

Green Bay claims defensive lineman Chris Slayton off waivers from San Fran

The Green Bay Packers have claimed defensive lineman Chris Slayton off waivers from the San Francisco 49ers.

General Manager Brian Gutekunst announced the transaction May 25.

Slayton (6-foot-4, 307 pounds) was originally drafted by New York Giants in the seventh round (No. 245 overall) of the 2019 NFL Draft. He spent almost all of his rookie season on the Giants' practice squad before being elevated to the active roster for the final game of the season, but did not play.

After being released by the Giants following the 2020 training camp,

Slayton spent time that season on the practice squads of the Buffalo Bills and Atlanta Falcons.

In 2021, he was with the Falcons for the offseason and training camp and spent the first part of the season on the practice squad before being released. Slayton had a brief stint on the Pittsburgh Steelers' practice squad before joining the San Francisco 49ers' practice squad in mid-November, where he would be for the rest of the season.

In college, Slayton appeared in 49 games with 42 starts, starting every game in his final three seasons at Syracuse. He will wear No. 60.

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Oconto Falls' Caden Leonhardt follows through on a shot during the Division 2 Clintonville Regional on May 24 at Riverside Golf Course in Clintonville. Oconto Falls advanced to sectionals as a team.

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HIGH SCHOOL GOLF

5 teams, 1 individual qualify for sectionals

Bonduel wins regional title behind medalist Uelmen

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

Five area boys golf teams and one individual golfer qualified for sectionals after strong outings at regionals on May 24.

Shawano and Pulaski took part in the Division 1 Notre Dame Regional at Thornberry Creek at Oneida. Menominee Indian/Gresham, Oconto Falls and Wittenberg-Birnamwood participated at the Division 2 Clintonville Regional at Riverside Golf Course in Clintonville, while Bonduel, Lena and Marion golfed at the Division 3 Iola-Scandinavia Regional at Glacier Wood Golf Course in Iola.

To qualify for sectionals, a team had to place in the top four, or individuals had to be among the top four scores out of golfers not on a sectional-qualifying team.

Division 2

Oconto Falls advanced to sectionals after placing fourth at the Clintonville Regional with a team score of 354. Witt-Birn just missed out on qualifying for sectionals as a team after placing fifth with a score of 361, but had Calvin Scheurer advance as an individual.

Menominee Indian/Gresham placed 10th with a mark of 495 and didn't have any individual golfers advance.

Oconto Falls' five-golfer team all finished within 12 shots of each other. Kady Riel led the team with an 18-hole round of 85. He had the team's top mark (41) on the front nine.

Rease Hodkiewicz fired a round of 87 for the Panthers, while Trevor Metzler carded a 90. Caden Leonhardt posted a mark of 42 on the back nine to finish with a round of 92. Thomas Carmody tallied a 97 to

round out the team.

"Qualifying for sectionals is a huge accomplishment. To do it another year straight with pretty much the same team is awesome," said Metzler. "Senior Rease is a great leader, who we all built a friendship around, is the reason we had our heads high today. We did this today for him and we all wanted it bad from start to finish."

Scheurer fired a round of 82 to advance. That mark was good enough for the sixth-best individual score out of all golfers on the day.

Scheurer shot a 44 on the front nine before a 38 on the back nine.

"Qualifying for sectionals means a lot to me, because even though I struggled on the front, I was able to rally and come back to post a qualifying score to keep my season alive," said Scheurer, who added that his short game is what will determine if he can qualify for state.

Witt-Birn's Nolan Fraaza fired a round of 86 at regionals. That tied him for the fourth-best individual score of golfers not on a sectional-qualifying team, but he was defeated in a playoff hole.

Dylan Resch (90), Owen Schultz (103) and Joey Seegmiller (113) were Witt-Birn's other three golfers.

Menominee Indian/Gresham had four golfers in action.

Saswaen Shawanokasic led the team with a round of 95. Dugan Webster (119), Jack Haffner (135) and Trentyn Harrison (146) filled out the team.

Division 1

Shawano and Pulaski each qualified for sectionals after placing third and fourth, respectively, at the Notre Dame Regional. Shawano had a team score of 345, and Pulaski was at a 347.

Kaden Marcell fired a round of 76 to place second as an individual and lead Shawano on the course.

"I think qualifying for sectionals as a team means a lot to us," said Marcell. "I think as a team we've come a long from the start of the year, consistently showing improvement."

Shawano's other four golfers finished within 10 shots of each other. Owen Moesch fired an 88, while Ayden Hale shot a 90. Gage Gorman tallied a 91 and Akrin Verhein a 98.

Pulaski was led by Dylan Carley's round of 81. He shot a team-best 39 on the back nine.

Connor Burant wasn't far behind with an 85, while Colin Schultz tallied an 89. Dixon Holewinski's 92 and Zachary Valeria's 95 rounded out the team.

Division 3

Bonduel and Lena both qualified for sectionals after placing first and third, respectively, at the Iola-Scandinavia Regional.

Bonduel had a team score of 367, comfortably ahead of second-place finishing Oconto's 384. Lena tallied a 404. Marion failed to advance after placing sixth with a mark of 443 and didn't have any individuals advance either.

Bonduel was led by Cooper Uelmen's round of 77. That mark was the best at the regional. Uelmen fired a 37 on the front nine.

"As a team, it just shows how much time and effort we put in, and that it's finally paying off," said Uelmen. "It's nice to put a couple trophies in the case for the school to remember us. It also means a lot to me as an individual because it shows what I'm capable of. I hope to continue this momentum into sectionals."

Colin Margelofsky was second on Bonduel with a round of 90, while Charlie Tauchen fired a 99. Reece



Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Calvin Scheurer takes a shot during the Division 2 Clintonville Regional on May 24 at Riverside Golf Course in Clintonville. Scheurer qualified for sectionals as an individual.

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Stoltenow's 101 and Jake Dreyer's 107 rounded out the team.

Lena was guided by Braden McVane's 95 and Drake Dionne's 96.

Mason Simonson carded a 100 for the Wildcats. Evan VanderZanden tallied a round of 113, while K.C. Miller was at a 117.

"Qualifying as a team made the team and I feel a sigh of relief," said McVane. "This course that we played was playing very tough but the team and I pushed through it and we came out moving to sectionals which was

the whole goal. We are definitely ready for sectionals and we will be playing our best."

Marion's Isaiah Gueths and Sam Gueths led the team with rounds of 103. Quinn Tolan (113), Kasey Roethle (124) and Owen Spiegel (146) filled out the team.

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DAIRYLAND LEAGUE HIGHLIGHTS

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Hortonville 5

Pulaski 2

Hortonville defeated Pulaski on May 27 in Hortonville.

Hortonville scored three runs in the sixth and two in the seventh to rally for the win.

Jason Infusio homered to give Pulaski the lead before Hunter Larson drove in Mac Cisar in the sixth.

Navarino Hardball Challenge

Hofa Park 7

Navarino 6 (9 inn.)

Hofa Park edged Navarino in extra innings in a Navarino Hardball Challenge opening day game on May 26.

Rob Schuettpelz was the hero for Hofa Park, driving in the game-winning run. He hit a two-run homer and RBI double earlier in the contest. Brinton Anderson also homered for Hofa Park.

Hofa Park led 5-0 before Navarino

scored six unanswered runs.

Manitowoc 9

Appleton 8

Manitowoc edged Appleton in the other opening day game on May 26.

Manitowoc built a 9-2 lead before hanging on late.

Bonduel 8

Appleton 2

A five-run third inning helped Bonduel down Appleton on May 27.

Adam Frost drove in two runs on two hits and scored twice for Bonduel. Chase Reinke had three hits, while Eric Gruenwald had two. Reinke worked all seven innings to earn the win on the mound.

Waupaca 12

Shawano 1

Waupaca cruised past Shawano on May 27. The Lakeman scored seven runs in the fifth inning to break a tie game.

Walker Smith and Jake Pankratz

FYI

Statistics for several games were not available by press time. Visit teams' Facebook pages for more details on this past week's games.

each drove in two runs for Waupaca. Luke Behm and Devin Geary had two hits each. Pankratz got the win after striking out eight batters over five innings before Brady Johnson worked two innings.

Bonduel 7

Manitowoc 2

Bonduel eased past Manitowoc on May 28 to win its pool.

Chase Reinke led Bonduel with three hits, while Adam Frost and J.C. Reinke had two hits each. Jack Reinke got the win on the mound after pitching all seven innings.

Viroqua wins pool,

Kewaskum, Waupaca advance

Viroqua lost 2-1 to Navarino but bounced back with a 3-2 win over Hofa

Park to win its pool and advance to the semifinals.

Kewaskum and Waupaca joined Bonduel and Viroqua in the semifinals.

Waupaca, Kewaskum advance to final

Waupaca topped Bonduel and Kewaskum took down Viroqua in semifinal action May 29.

Waupaca won 7-3, with Luke Behm's three-RBI, three-hit game leading the team. Jason Ellie got the win on the hill.

Waupaca 2

Kewaskum 0

Waupaca blanked Kewaskum in the championship game on May 29. Luke Behm was named the tournament's MVP after tallying 10 hits in total.

Behm had three hits against Kewaskum, while Ryan Makuski also had three hits.

Makuski got the win on the mound after working two innings in relief of Adam Kennedy. Jim Nighbor got the save after getting the last six outs.

AUTO RACING

5 drivers win caution-free features

Stedjee, Rhoades, Bennett, Hedrick, Stueck earn wins

By **DAVE BUSS**

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On a night where the Shawano Speedway paid respect to those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our country, Vern Stedjee, Travis Rhoades, Joel Bennett, Jeremie Hedrick and Calvin Stueck earned respect with wins. In a rare occurrence, every feature went caution free.

There are wins that you back into and there are wins that are yours to lose. In the IMCA Stock Car division, Stedjee didn't do either; he simply earned his win. He earned his win off the track after rolling his car a few weeks back and returning.

But maybe even more impressive was how he earned his win on the track. While the scoresheets will show he led every lap, he had to earn the win.

With Jordan Barkholtz, Dan Michonski, Trent Nolan and even his son Dylan trying to force a mistake, Vern would not be denied. He simply ran a near-perfect race and fended off all challenges.

Nolan would win the battle for second, with Barkholtz grabbing the third spot ahead of Michonski.

Forrest Kernan would look to make a snoozer out of the IMCA Sport Mod feature, pulling away from the field from his front row starting spot.

Once again, bad luck cost Kernan



Jeremie Hedrick won the IMCA Modified feature race on May 28 at Shawano Speedway.

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the lead, as mechanical issues caused him to be black flagged.

Rhoades inherited the top spot when Kernan hit the pits. Rhoades eventually saw Teagan Wudstrack move into the runner-up spot.

Wudstrack needed a caution flag to shrink the gap and get an opportunity to go for the win. Bad news for Wudstrack would be good news for Rhoades as the race went caution free.

Rhoades grabbed the win with Wudstrack, JJ Vanderloop and Jeffery Teske rounding out the top four.

In the Late Model Division, Bennett was simply unstoppable. Bennett led another caution-free feature from green to the checkered flag for a dominating win.

Kyle Raddant worked hard to try and keep touch with Bennett to no avail. Meanwhile, Nick Anvekink was doing his best to catch Raddant. Anvekink grabbed the runner-up spot with five laps remaining but have nothing for Bennett. Raddant finished third with Todd Frank grabbing fourth.

After over a decade since his last trip to victory lane, Hedrick dominated yet another caution-free feature in the IMCA Modifieds.

Hedrick avoided the temptation of hammer down racing and brilliantly worked the corners to build up a lead of over one full straightaway.

Nick Holtger battled Jerry Wilinski for the second-best car in the feature, with Holtger grabbing the runner-up

spot. Wilinski grabbed third with Jordan Bartz wheeling it to fourth.

The Mighty 4s were looking to complete a night where every division went caution free when they took the track. Technically, they completed the task.

Caution flew before the field took the green flag, but once the race restarted the yellow flag was never seen again.

Stueck piloted the winning car after grabbing the top spot on lap two. Tanner Westphal provided a challenge as the two went side by side for a couple laps with Stueck eventually fending off the challenge.

Brad Wedde would grab the third spot with Carl King fourth.

COLLEGE HIGHLIGHTS

By **NEW MEDIA STAFF**

UW-Stout

Pulaski High School graduate Kevin Ruechel placed second in the shot put and third in the discus while representing the UW-Stout men's track and field team during the NCAA Division III Men's Outdoor Track and Field Championships, which ran May 26-28.

Ruechel's top throw in the shot put was 17.58 meters, while his mark in the discus was 53.96 meters.

The Pulaski grad finishes his

career with six All-America awards, including two national shot put titles — the outdoor championship in 2021 and the indoor championship in 2022. Ruechel was sixth in the shot put at the 2019 indoor meet and was named an All-American for the 2020 season when the meet was canceled at the last minute due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

UW-Whitewater

Bondel graduate Jessie LaBerge and Oconto's Hannah Wusterbarth were two of six UW-Whitewater athletes to be named All-Americans

by the National Strength and Conditioning Association for their commitment to strength and conditioning and athletic accomplishments during the 2021-22 academic year.

LaBerge played in 13 rounds for the women's golf team during the 2021-22 season, averaging a score of 96.7 per 18-hole round. She recorded her best score of the season (91) in two rounds at the WIAC Championship. LaBerge helped the Warhawks claim their fifth straight conference team title and reach the NCAA Championship.

Wusterbarth appeared in 10

games for the softball team primarily as a pinch hitter. She helped the Warhawks post the program's 16th consecutive 20-win season and reach the WIAC Tournament.

Winona State

Wittenberg-Birnamwood graduate Maddy Pietz and the Winona State women's 4x400-meter relay team placed 12th at the NCAA Division II Outdoor Track & Field Championships, which ran May 26-28.

The relay team posted a time of 3 minutes, 47.99 seconds.



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HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

5 area teams win regional quarterfinals



Gresham takes down Tigerton behind Pecore

By **LUKE REIMER AND MORGAN RODE**
NEW Media

Five area high school baseball teams earned regional quarterfinal playoff wins last week to extend their seasons.

Gresham, Wittenberg-Birnamwood, Bowler, Marion and Lena will continue regional play this week, while Shawano and Pulaski join the mix as well.

Gresham tops Tigerton

Gresham kept its season alive with a 12-2 win in six innings over Tigerton in a Division 4 regional quarterfinal playoff game on May 26 in Gresham.

The fourth-seeded Wildcats got out to a hot start hitting and saw a fantastic game on the mound from Lukas Pecore to earn the victory over the fifth-seeded Tigers.

After Pecore went one-two-three in the first inning, the Wildcats jumped out to a 5-0 lead. Pecore got the scoring started with an RBI single. Corbin Welch and Blade Hoffman added two more RBIs with back-to-back singles. Kale James cashed in the last two runs of the inning with a two-RBI double.

"We were more talkative early and put in good at-bats to open the game," said Hoffman. "You could tell right away that everyone was putting in a lot of effort."

In the top of the second inning, Pecore really found his groove. The senior struck out the first two batters and then gave up a hit. After the hit, Pecore went back to using his fastball to strike out the next batter.

"They couldn't really touch my fastball today," said Pecore. "I stayed on that fastball and mixed in a curveball every now and then to keep them off of the rhythm. There are not many teams in this league that have shown that they can hit my fastball yet, so coming with the curve really helps."

In the bottom of the second inning, Wildcats' Bryson Nelson got in on the action, hitting an RBI single to extend Gresham's lead to six.

When Tigerton entered the top

Gresham's Jack Haffner swings at a ball up in the zone against Tigerton on May 26.

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of the third, it was able to neutralize that run and put the ball in play against Pecore. Tigerton's Loghan Wanta drove in a run on a single. After Wanta's single, Pecore struck out the the next three batters.

The bottom of the third inning began with Hoffman recording a single and then following it up with two stolen bases. Two batters later, Wesley Theix hit a sacrifice fly to center field to score Hoffman.

The top of the fourth inning saw Tigerton score after a throwing error to make the lead 7-2 Gresham. Pecore then struck out two batters to get out of the inning and did not allow another run.

Scoring periodically continued throughout the game for Gresham, as Austin Sperberg and Belasaire Vele recorded two RBI singles. Hoffman and James added two more and Gresham finished the game winning 12-2. Pecore picked up two more strikeouts to give Gresham the victory in six innings.

"We had a talk before the game, where we talked about playing as a team and having fun," said Pecore, on why they were able to win by a large margin. "We just went out there and had fun playing baseball."

Other regional action

Second-seeded Wittenberg-Birnamwood doubled up seventh-seeded Tomahawk 10-5 in a Division 3 playoff game on May 26 in Wittenberg.

Third-seeded Bowler took down sixth-seeded White Lake 9-4 in a Division 4 contest on May 26 in Bowler.

Second-seeded Marion edged seventh-seeded Port Edwards 4-3 in a Division 4 postseason clash on May 26 in Marion.

Marion's Jaden Stuhr earned the win on the mound after striking out 10 batters over 5 1/3 innings. Ryan Malueg earned the save after getting the final five outs. Ethan Scheef



Tigerton's Loghan Wanta follows through and gets in position to field after throwing a pitch against Gresham on May 26.

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doubled for one of Marion's six hits at the plate.

Fourth-seeded Lena took down fifth-seeded Niagara 6-2 in another Division 4 regional game May 26 in Lena.

Lane Whiting drove in two runs on two hits and scored twice to lead Lena at the plate. Josh Kristof added two hits for the Wildcats.

Lena's Logan Shallow earned the

win after striking out six batters over three innings. Both of the runs he allowed were unearned. Whiting struck out five batters while earning a four-inning save.

Fourth-seeded Bonduel came up on the wrong end of a 1-0 pitcher's duel against fifth-seeded Peshtigo in a Division 3 regional game May 26 in Bonduel.

Peshtigo scored its one run in the fourth inning. Peshtigo outhit Bonduel 3-2 in the contest.

Cade Johnson took the tough loss on the mound, striking out seven

batters over 6 2/3 innings. Reece Stoltenow and Noah Weier had Bonduel's two hits.

Sixth-seeded Gillett/Suring couldn't slow third-seeded Crivitz in a 15-1 loss in five innings in a Division 3 matchup on May 26 in Crivitz.

Seventh-seeded Menominee Indian was blanked 15-0 by second-seeded Oconto in a Division 3 game on May 26 in Oconto.

Sixth-seeded Oconto Falls was blanked 7-0 by third-seeded New London in a Division 2 playoff game on May 27 in New London.



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HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

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GIRLS SOCCER

Pulaski 1

Green Bay Preble 0

Pulaski toppled Green Bay Preble in a Fox River Classic Conference match on May 26 in Pulaski.

Brianna Kapla netted the lone goal in the 61st minute off an assist from Julie Truckenbrod.

Pulaski goalie Ella Sasse was credited with three saves in the shutout win.

Shawano 6

Hortonville 4

Shawano rallied to a nonconference win over Hortonville on May 26 in Shawano.

Kaylee Rindt scored Shawano's first goal off an assist from Adison Moesch. Adrienne Rekow then scored off an assist from Trinity Popelka.

Shawano's Evony Perez tied the match at three with a goal 19 seconds into the second half. After the Hawks went down again, Abigail Rabideau scored off a Perez assist to tie things again. Caitlyn Moede scored about 50 seconds later to give the Hawks the lead, and Rindt then scored off a Rabideau assist for the final goal.

Shawano goalie Brynlie Boyles made four saves in the win.

Shawano 8

Berlin 1

Shawano rolled past Berlin in a nonconference match on May 24 in Shawano.

Adison Moesch and Abigail Rabideau each recorded a hat trick to lead Shawano. Kaylee Rindt assisted on one Moesch goal, while Adrienne Rekow assisted on the other two. Rabideau scored unassisted three times.

Rindt scored off a Rekow assist and Caitlyn Moede scored on a penalty kick for the other two goals.

Pulaski 3

Xavier 0

Pulaski topped Xavier in a nonconference match on May 23 in Appleton.

Ellie Mangold and Brianna Kapla scored first-half goals for Pulaski, with assists going to Lauren Binkowski and Payton Heise.

Kapla scored again in the second half off a Gianna Logue assist.

BASEBALL

Shawano 8

New London 3

Shawano knocked off New London on May 24 in New London.



Pulaski's Brianna Kapla, right, scores the game-winning goal against Green Bay Preble in a Fox River Classic Conference match on May 26 in Pulaski.

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The win helped Shawano earn a share of the Bay Conference title.

Bonduel 7

Rosholt 4

Bonduel defeated Rosholt in a Central Wisconsin Conference crossover matchup on May 24 in Rosholt.

Bonduel's Easton Reinke drove in three runs on two hits, including a two-run home run. Mason Bohm added two hits.

Brodie Hartmann earned the win on the mound after striking out five batters. Charlie Tauchen picked up the save after finishing out the contest.

Pulaski 8

Green Bay Southwest 7

Pulaski rallied past Green Bay Southwest in a FRCC game on May 24 in Green Bay.

Max Burdette drove in three runs for Pulaski, while Jonah Klingeisen and Mason Petzel drove in two each. Caden Rybicki, Michael Molthen and Logan Hochevar tallied two hits each.

Kyle Olson pitched the entire game for the Red Raiders, striking out six

along the way.

Witt-Birn 12

Loyal 1 (5 inn.)

Witt-Birn scored 11 runs in the first two innings and cruised to a nonconference win over Loyal on May 24 in Loyal.

Chase Krull homered and drove in three runs for Witt-Birn. Brennen Boda drove in three runs and scored twice, while Pierson Potrykus, Mason Meverden and Max Kersten tallied two hits each.

Ian Salvesen struck out four batters over two scoreless innings to pick up the win. Kaden Schmidt had three strikeouts over two innings, while Evan Meverden struck out three batters in one inning.

Shawano 3

Bonduel 0

Shawano blanked Bonduel in a nonconference clash on May 23 in Shawano.

Andrew Popp, Jacob Landon and Jacob Polzin all had two hits and a RBI for Shawano, while Zac Jurmu also had two hits.

Andrew Popp earned the win on the mound after allowing two hits over five innings. Joey Sperberg got the final six outs.

Mason Bohm took the loss for Bonduel after pitching four innings. Cade Johnson and Noah Weier also pitched in the contest. Weier and Brodie Hartmann had Bonduel's two hits.

Marion 11

White Lake 0 (5 inn.)

Marion cruised past White Lake in a CWC-North contest on May 23 in Marion. The Mustangs capped the regular season with a 15-1 overall record and 12-0 mark in the CWC-North.

Jaden Stuhr, Ryan Malueg and Jay Brei all pitched for Marion. Stuhr struck out five batters across two innings, while Malueg had three punchouts in two frames. Brei had a strikeout in the final inning.

Andy Faehling drove in four runs on two hits to power Marion at the plate. Brei had three hits and two RBIs, while Ethan Scheef chipped in two hits.

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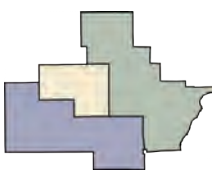


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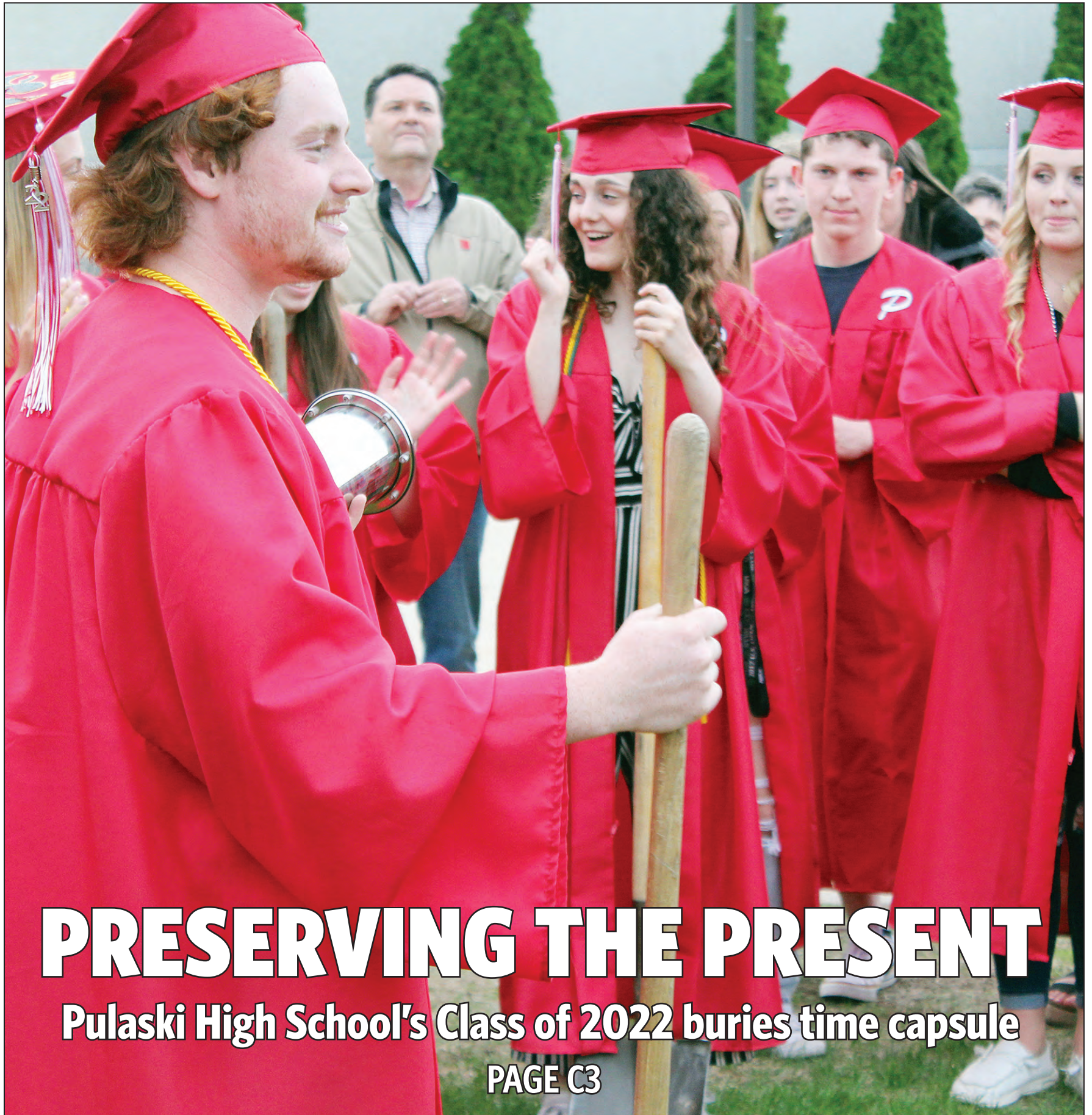
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Pulaski High School's Class of 2022 buries time capsule

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Pulaski High School senior class president Connor Heezen holds up the metal time capsule that would shortly be buried next to the school on May 24.

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The senior officers for the Pulaski High School Class of 2022 scoop up dirt to bury the time capsule that students spent much of the year preparing with mementos of what this year was like. The capsule is expected to be dug up in 2072 and show future descendants what the high school was like.

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Preserving history for future generations

Pulaski's Class of 2022 buries time capsule, celebrates being 100th graduating class

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Many of those who graduate from high school like to give back to their alma mater and put something out publicly for future generations to be inspired by.

Not Pulaski High School's Class of 2022, however. Their gift to future generations was buried.

This graduating class is the 100th to be ushered into adulthood by the Pulaski Community School District, and the seniors wanted to put together something that would inspire students in the year 2072 and let them know what school was like in what will likely be considered at that time to be the good old days.

The senior class marched through the village of Pulaski on May 24, cheered on by community members as they journeyed from Glenbrook Elementary School, which was the location of the district's first high

school in the 1920s, to PHS to bury a time capsule that the students have spent the whole school year filling.

"This is a historic moment," said Connor Heezen, senior class president as he held the metal cylinder in his hands before it was buried by him and his classmates. "Pulaski has celebrated 100 years of excellence and pride here at the high school, so we might as well bury this thing and make a movement out of it."

Heezen said the capsule contains a class photo, messages from students and the community, a school T-shirt, and an external hard drive of all the Red Raider reports and the Pulaski News stories that made headlines in one of the oldest student publications in the country.

"This will be dug up in 50 years," Heezen said before acknowledging his fellow class officers for their hard work. "Let's bury this thing."

Students and class members yelled out "Bury it!" as the students

covered up the capsule, which was buried near the back entrance to the school, where people go for sporting and theatrical events. Following the ceremony, everyone celebrated with ice cream.

"Pulaski has always been known for its traditions here (at the high school), so we really wanted to do something special," Heezen said. "We asked the class if they wanted to do a time capsule, and they decided what they wanted to put in it."

Heezen noted that the students wanted to go beyond just having the capsule, which is why they decided to do a parade preceding the burial to further bolster community spirit.

"We've had 100 years of Pulaski High School here, so it's amazing stuff," Heezen said.

The soon-to-be-graduate didn't know for sure what his alma mater would be in 50 years, when the capsule is expected to be unearthed, but he seemed certain that it would still

be known as a place for well above average education.

"I think Pulaski High School will continue a tradition of excellence, especially in academics and athletics and music," Heezen said. "I think we're going to become a school where it's worth it to bury this time capsule. We're a school that makes an impact, and I think that's where Pulaski will be in 50 years."

Heezen expressed pride in the Class of 2022 and said it just made sense that he and his classmates would want to leave something behind that would be remembered long after they had gone.

"This class is just part of a nice environment," Heezen said. "Everybody here is pretty much accepting. We worked really hard as a class both academically and athletically, so I think it's a big deal for our class to be the one burying (the time capsule). We definitely made an impact on this school."



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Teen librarian develops dynamite plans

Pescinski tells state library convention how to turn everyday items into fun programs

By LYNN ZAFFRANN
Correspondent

Cathy Pescinski, Shawano Public Library's teen librarian, completed a special presentation about Teen Programming at the annual convention of the Wisconsin Association of Public Libraries on May 11-13 in Pewaukee.

This was Pescinski's first presentation at the conference.

"We've had staff go to conferences and we've presented at some," said Kristie Hauer, library director. "It's a way for us to collect ideas from other libraries to use here and also to share the things that we're doing. Cathy and I started talking about this last fall, because programming and collections specific to teens is a little bit newer."

Pescinski's presentation was on the Dynamite Dozen, an idea where, by having 12 basic, inexpensive items on hand, librarians can create more than 50 different programs easily out of those items.

"The most versatile things in the Dynamite Dozen are Solo cups and pingpong balls," Pescinski said. "There are any number of ways you can combine these for different fun games."

She told the attendees that sometimes teens need to burn off energy, and giving them something active to do, without interfering with other library patrons, is definitely possible.

"We do things like stack Solo cups in various ways, or bounce pingpong balls into them," Pescinski said. "I did warn attendees that it may look a little bit like beer pong, so they need to determine if that's appropriate in their own communities."

She showed the audience how to arrange things from the Dynamite Dozen into specific games, to have immediately on hand.

"If it's a snow day and everyone shows up in the afternoon, because it's Wisconsin and the streets will be plowed by then, you can literally go to your shelf and pull down a program and put it right down in front of the teens and they can have at it," Pescinski said.

Hauer supported the value of attending the conference.

"One of the really cool things for librarians is that we are all so on board with sharing information. We are huge believers in not reinventing the wheel," she said. "If someone's done something before, to share those ideas



Cathy Pescinski, teen librarian at the Shawano Public Library, shows off some of her special Dynamite Dozen items that create fun games for teens at the library.

LYNN ZAFFRANN

and to share as much of the resources, so that people can just grab stuff and be ready to go is valuable. Because we are all short on time and budget, this can help each other out."

Pulling teens into the library is a million-dollar challenge, according to Pescinski.

"They are probably the most challenging demographic to get in to the library," she said. "A lot of the younger teens come in for our programming. Even older teens do use the library a lot. They are very stealthy on the way they do it. They'll go onto InfoSoup on their phones, put things on hold, come in to the hold shelf, use self-check, then go out the door. You see these little teen blurs going back and forth."

"One of the nice adaptations that Cathy has done in recent years is to implement things that are available when the library is open," Hauer noted. "Teens can come in at times that work for them and still participate in the programs. She also has kits that she's put together that teens

can take home to do."

"I want people to know how many things we have here that are specifically for teens. There is a space, just for teens. And there will always be something here for them to just sit and play with, and they don't have to come only to get books," Pescinski shared. "I think that this is something that is unique in this town. There aren't necessarily a lot of spaces and a lot of organizations that are just for teens."

The teen area will be a focus, according to Hauer, in future planning for library renovation, or building a new facility.

"Having a teen area that's more suitable to today's teens, with built-in technology," she said. "We are not a very strict 'Shh!' library here. Providing space where we know that they won't be whispering all the time is kind of our goal overall."

Expenditures not included in the approved county annual operating budget, such as the special teen programming designed by Pescinski, are

funded by the Friends of the Shawano County Libraries, Inc.

"Cathy recently submitted a proposal to give her presentation at the annual national conference of the Association of Rural and Small Libraries," Hauer said.

News about her proposal is pending, but she also plans to do a presentation for the other libraries in the Shawano County system.

"I think that maybe the library isn't what people have a stoic notion of, that it is just a silent building with a bunch of books," Pescinski said. "It's lively, it's active, it's a community-grounding space where you can come in and not be expected to spend any money. You can come to us and you can get resources, you can ask questions, you can participate in programs. We have all of these things available for you, it's such a great resource where you aren't expected to spend any money and we're not just this old notion of what a library used to be, it's a very active and lively space."

FARM LIFE FROM A FARM WIFE

Cows and pigs help to bring farm to life

Farm animals bring life to the place.

"Good morning, R&B. Want some breakfast?" I cheerfully sing-song to our two white-faced Herefords called Rona and Buttercup, watching as they literally run to me.

They so enjoy their morning pail of grain, divided out squarely between the two of them. They also munch on a big round bale of dry hay, harvested last season. When they get low, my husband hauls another one out of our barn with the skid steer.



KAY REMINGER

In May 2016, we sold our herd of dairy cows. Before that, our breeder guy artificially inseminated all our cows with a Black Angus bull and then, after giving birth, re-bred them with a Holstein bull so we were able to get the best possible price for our herd of girls. This was a two-year process.

Raising Black Angus cattle, we discovered, was just not in our DNA. They got feisty and ornery when time came to corner and then trailer them out. Once one 400-pounder sent me to the ER returning with seven staples and six stitches in my skull. Not a fond memory. So when my brother and his two sons approached us with the proposition of raising their bred cows and heifers, we jumped at the chance, selling our herd of Black Angus.

Looking out my office window, I see our transient herd of black and white Holsteins milling around their feed bunk. I've found I'd missed Holsteins. Not the milking part, but I just love watching them on the farm. Walking up, they stretch their necks to sniff at me, friendly and approachable. Not like our Black Angus herd.

After the Angus left, we realized there went our own beef supply. So we purchased a white-faced Hereford from a friend and stuck her all by herself in our heifer barn. She looked too lonely, so we ended up buying another. This one was dubbed Rona, for she was born with a white marking around her snout, looking for all the world like a mask. Short for Corona, she was named Rona. They get along like two peas in a pod, extremely compliant and even-



Raising Hereford cows was preferable to raising Black Angus, due to a more moderate temperament.

KAY REMINGER

keeled. A relief from the temper tantrums of our Black Angus.

To their defense, our herd of Black Angus had been basically left to their own devices. My husband ran a load of feed out to them daily, and they had an automatic water refill tank. We bought a jumper bull, and they calved on their own with the mothers taking over as nature intended. So human interaction was at a minimum. They were in their own pasture next to our woods, far from any activity on the farm, with no traffic. Due to all of this independence, human interaction was limited. So when it was time for moving, it caused much anxiety. Anxious, strong, large animals can be challenging.

The other day, on a chilly, rainy spring day, we brought yet more

animals to the farm, purchasing four piglets to raise in the pen adjacent to Rona and Buttercup. We've raised pigs before, and using the first one of three pens in our heifer barn works out extremely well. In the back, there's a good area of dirt to rut and dig in with a front platform of cement, making cleaning easy. We feed and water them right past the headlocks on top of this cement base.

Before the pigs came, we got their area ready. Hauling a load of clean, dry sawdust, my husband stuck a calf hutch over that, with room enough inside for four 50-pound piglets to snuggle. Sticking it under the lean-to part of the barn, it is sheltered from the rain and wind. We caulked a large water bucket, fixing a leak from last year, and stuck a pail of grain on the side. Later, my husband built a



Four 50-pound piglets were recently purchased and now call the Reminger farm in Leopold home.

KAY REMINGER

feed trough so they'd all have room to eat.

We buy a mix of shelled corn, soybean meal and swine mineral from MaGee Feeds in Embarrass. Calling in the order, they have 500 pounds ready for my husband in feed bags of 50 pounds each, tied at the top. As the pigs progress, the feed mill changes the mix to accommodate their growth.

Rona and Buttercup get a different sort of feed mix. Theirs is shelled corn, soybean meal, beef mineral and liquid molasses. When I scoop that mix into a pail and inhale the scent, it smells good enough to eat. We order 500 pounds of that mix, in feed bags of 50 pounds each, just like the pigs. It's easy to distinguish the difference in feed, as the pigs have more of a ground feed, where the Herefords' feed is a cracked corn consistency.

R&B came right over to sniff and explore these mini beings with their stocky little bodies who live on the other side of their fence. And the pigs sniffed right back.

Holsteins, Herefords and swine, all bring life to the farm!

("For every beast of the forest is Mine, the cattle on a thousand hills." Psalms 50:10)

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



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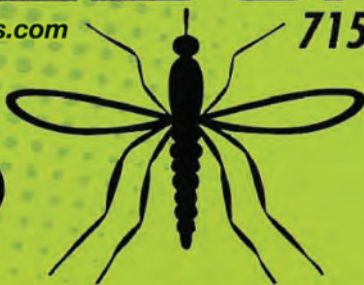
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Trees and shrubs showing their blooms

The beautiful flowering shrubs of mid- to late spring are beginning to showcase their spectacular display. This is the time of year to enjoy their beauty, as blossoming trees and shrubs fill the yards and gardens with colorful blooms and, in many cases, a rich, sweet fragrance.

There are many varieties of flowering trees and shrubs for May and June. From flowering crabapple to elderberry and hawthorne, there are many great spring blossoming woody plants to choose from.



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One of my favorites, for many reasons, are the many varieties of flowering crabapple. Not only do they provide an explosive bloom of color in mid-May to early June, but the fruits that they provide are an incredible source of food for migrating and overwintering birds in fall, winter — even in early spring.

Each year, more and more varieties of flowering crabapples are introduced. There are those that are in tree form. There are also shrub form and dwarf flowering crabapples. Flowering crabapples come in many shades of pink, as well as in pure white, cream and lavender colors.

This time of year, flowering crabapples put on a spectacular show, with trees producing masses of gorgeous pale blossoms that are a rich source of nectar and pollen for bees, butterflies, hummingbirds, as well as songbirds that eat the petals, not to mention the insects that are attracted to the showy blooms.

While hybrid fruit trees such as cherries, plums, apples and pears are also in full bloom right now, even our native cherries, plums and others put on a spectacular display in our woodlands. Native black cherry, as well as chokecherry, serviceberry, pin cherry and others are all excellent landscape plants, as well as native shrubs that provide a wide range of benefits for wildlife.

Black cherry is known to be a host plant for a wide number of our favorite forest butterflies such as tiger swallowtail, viceroy, cecropia moth, white admiral, red spotted purple and more.

Hawthorne and hackberry are two other amazing native trees that are filled with blossoms from May into June. Both of these are excellent spe-



It is spring flowering tree and shrub season, and the old-fashioned apples and other fruits are classics.

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The gorgeous spring blossoms, as well as important fall fruits for birds, make flowering crabapples a favorite flowering tree.

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cies for attracting birds and butterflies to the garden.

Many of our viburnums, both native species and garden hybrids, are beginning to bloom. The popular “snowball” viburnum, resembling a hydrangea, is one of the finest. Highbush cranberry, technically a viburnum, is another excellent choice.

It wouldn't be spring without the spectacular show of the classic lilacs. There are lilacs available in many colors, such as white, yellow, lavender, near blue and deep wine. Many of these are what are known as French lilacs — the old-fashioned, large-flowered variety that produce massive spires of blooms.

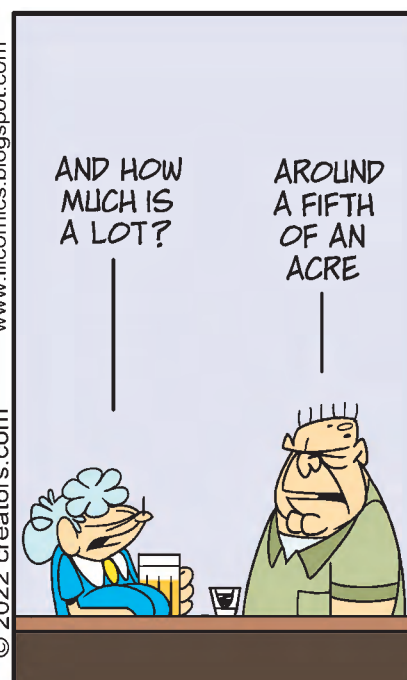
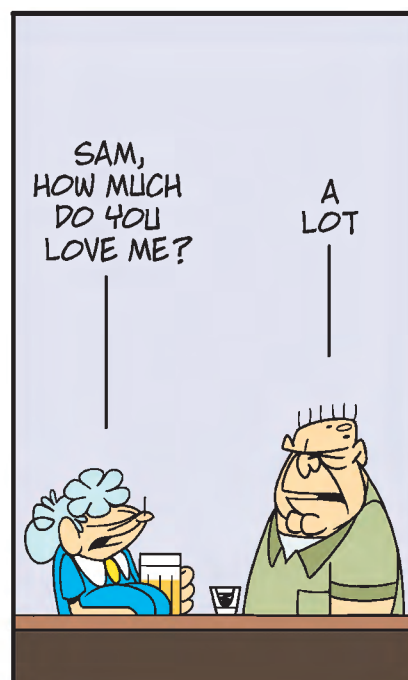
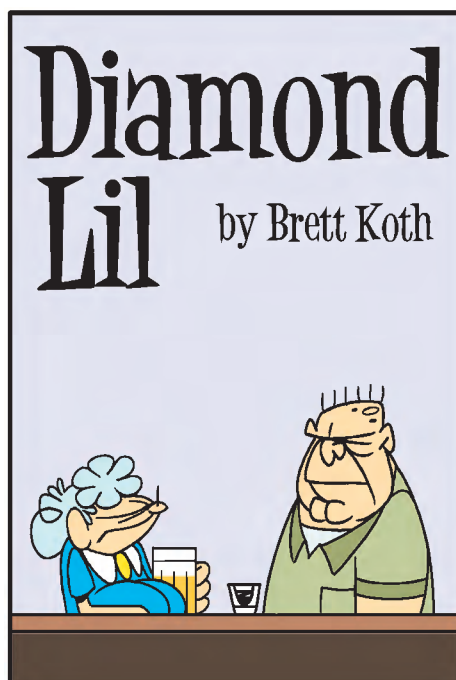
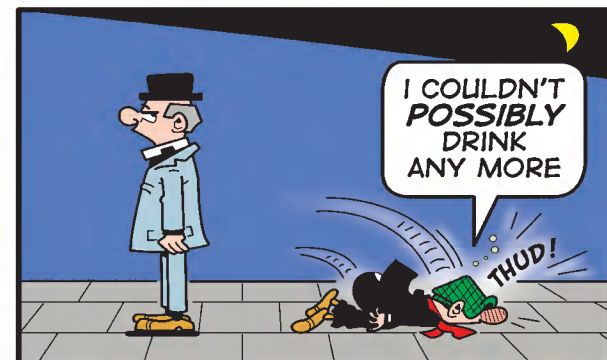
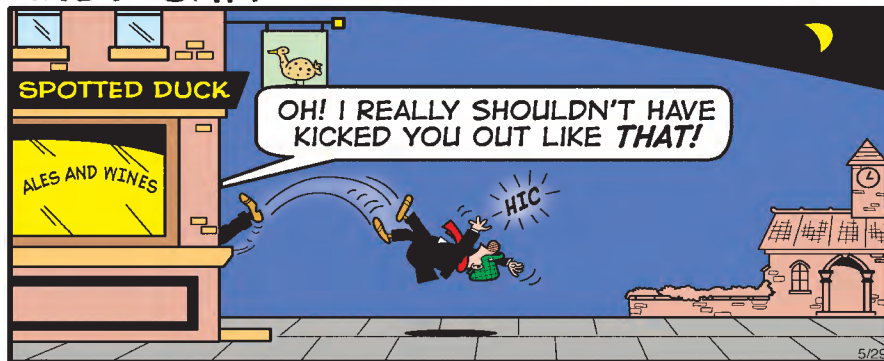
Many gardeners are becoming familiar with the smaller, re-blooming, dwarf lilacs that bloom later, longer and often re-bloom in September or October. Miss Kim is one of the most common dwarf varieties, but many more have been introduced, including the whole Bloomerang series. Check them out if you're looking for a shorter lilac that may only reach 3 to 4 feet in height.

Decorative and native elderberries are also beginning to bloom now in late May and June. Elderberries produce large clusters of blooms, lace-like in appearance. There are many varieties of elderberries specifically bred for gardens. Ornamental elderberries are available with black foliage and pink flowers, lime green with white flowers, as well as variegated foliage with white flowers. There are elderberries that are bred to be narrow and columnar in shape, such as Black Tower and Golden Tower.

Take a trip to your local nursery or garden center, enjoy browsing the selection of spring flowering trees and consider adding a few to your yard and garden.

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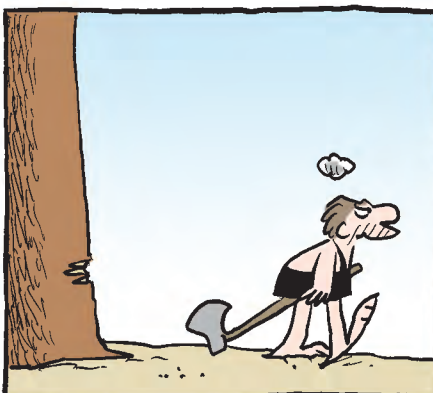
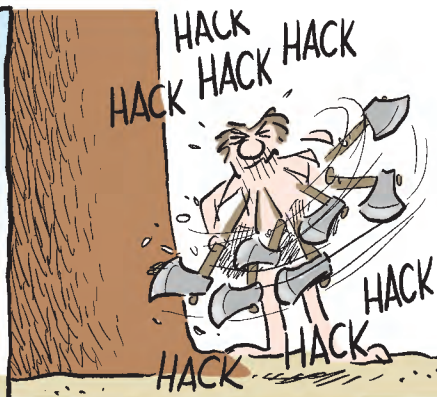
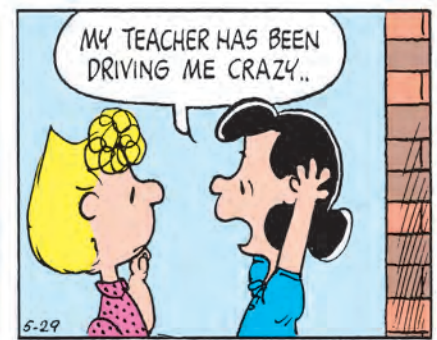
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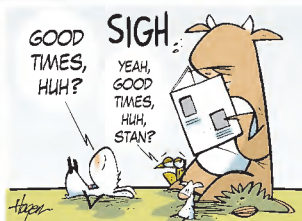
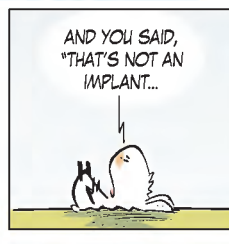
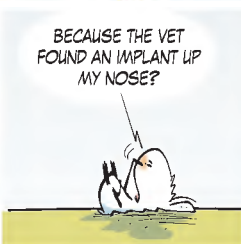
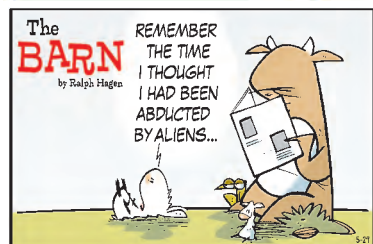
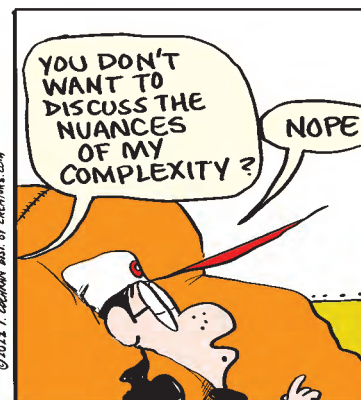
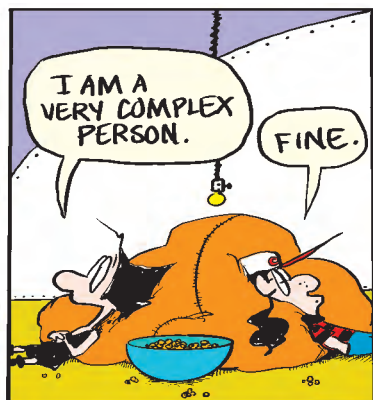
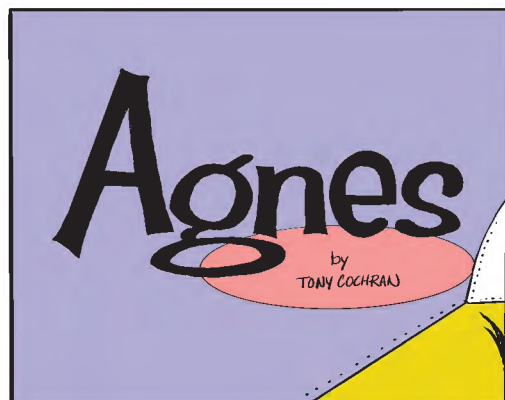
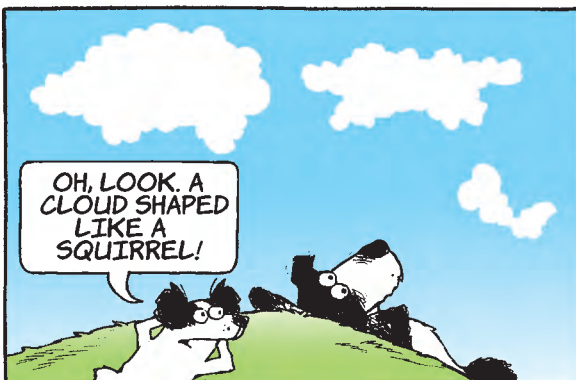
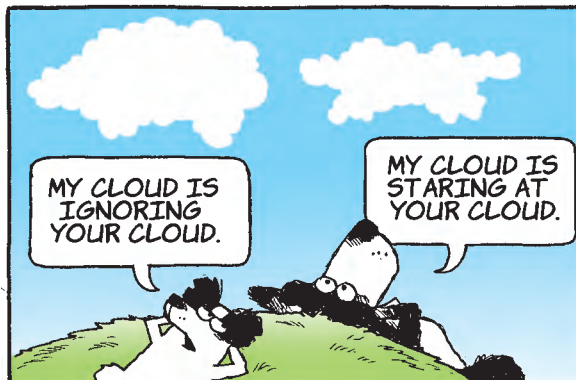
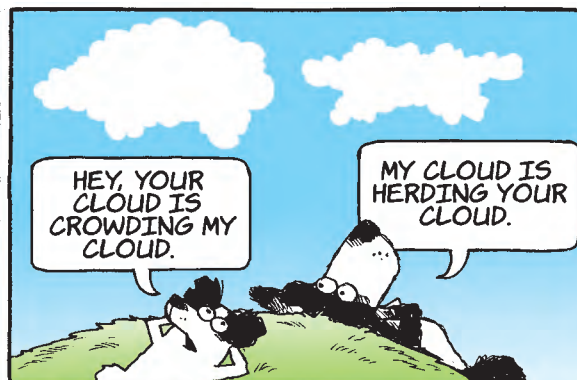
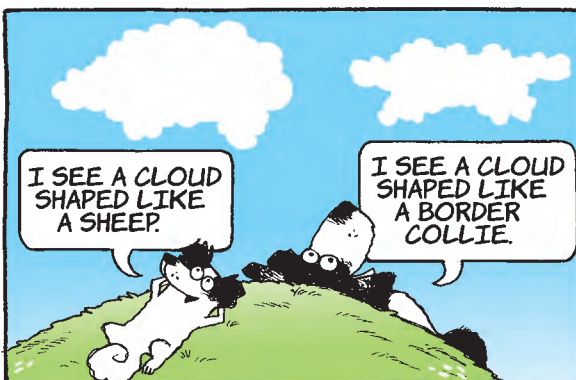


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Lioness Club awards scholarship

The Oconto Falls Lioness Club recently awarded its annual \$1,000 scholarship to Allison Grzelak, right. Lioness secretary Tracy Merges presented the award to her.

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COLLEGE NOTES

St. Norbert College

St. Norbert College held its commencement ceremony on May 15 on the college's De Pere campus. There were 508 students in the 2022 graduating class, including 490 candidates for baccalaureate degrees and 18 candidates for master's degrees.

Among the local graduates are:

Lena: Sarah Sprout, Bachelor of Arts, cum laude

Little Suamico: Brynna Gray, Bachelor of Arts, magna cum laude

Oconto: Joseph Earley, Bachelor of Business Administration; Alex Maynard, Bachelor of Arts, summa cum laude and honors program; Lucas Ruechel, Bachelor of Arts, magna cum laude

Oconto Falls: Aaron Gonnering, Bachelor of Business Administration, cum laude

Sobieski: Julia Johnson, Bachelor of Arts, summa cum laude and honors program; Alex Kroeber, Bachelor of Business Administration

Bonduel: Breena Hansen, Bachelor of Business Administration, summa cum laude and honors program; Lucas Nolan, Bachelor of Science

Shawano: Jeffrey Green, Bachelor of Science, cum laude; Daniel Hanauer, Bachelor of Science, magna cum laude; Logan Steff, Bachelor of Arts; Marsha Uutela, Master of Business Administration

Tigerton: Leah Jobe, Bachelor of Arts

Western Technical College

Chase Reinke, from Pulaski, and Elizabeth Ausloos, from Oconto Falls, was named to Western Technical College's President's List of High Distinction for the spring 2022 term.

To be included on the president's list, students must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or higher and carry six or more credits in an associate's degree or technical diploma program.

Southern New Hampshire University

Ceejay Parmentier, of Oconto, has been named to Southern New Hampshire University's Winter 2022 President's List.

Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.7 and above are named to the president's list. Full-time status is achieved by earning 12 credits; undergraduate day students must earn 12 credits in the fall or spring semester, and online students must earn 12 credits over two consecutive terms.

Northcentral Technical College

Northcentral Technical College (NTC) is has announced the graduates of the Nonprofit Management



The gentle touch

McKenna Grunwald, from Sacred Heart, wears gloves to pet a hedgehog during a petting zoo held May 11 at Shawano Community High School, as other students observe. The petting zoo was conducted by the Shawano FFA for the area elementary schools.

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Institute.

Graduates are Alissandra Aderholdt, Janelle Braatz, Jessica Bretl, James Campbell, Gregory Cemke, Stephanie Daniels, Theresa Drietz, Anne Drow, Angie Fanning, Lydia Fernandez-Wagner, Elizabeth Friedenfels, Maggie Gordon, Sara Guild, Madison Hager, Lauren Henkelman, Jackie Kellner, Karla Lodholz, Stephanie Martell, Timberly Martin, Tim Parker, Kelly Price, Amanda Sahr, Heather Sann, Kimberly Shibilski, Samantha Wederath and DeeAnn Westerhaus.

This 12-week program provided learners with the foundational knowledge, tools and resources needed to successfully lead and operate a nonprofit organization through the expert knowledge of instructors Tim McKeough, Ann Lucas, Todd Kuckkahn and Amy Nelson. Approximately 25 area professionals, representing over 20 local nonprofit organizations, completed the institute.

UW-Milwaukee

The following individuals received a degree and attended the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee commencement exercises May 22 in Milwaukee.

• Bonduel: Sydney Steinbach, College of Letters and Science, Bachelor of Arts

• Shawano: Megan Beaulieu, Sheldon B. Lubar School of Business, Bachelor of Business Administration; Kayla Diamond, School of Education, Master of Science; Alexandra English, College of Nursing, Bachelor of Science; Nicole Hoefs, College of Nursing, Bachelor of Science; Jenifer Peralta Martinez, School of Information Studies, Bachelor of Science

Northcentral Technical College

Northcentral Technical College (NTC) recognizes students who recently competed at the National Professional Agricultural Student (PAS) Organization Convention. Students competed in several categories against colleges from across the nation at the convention, which was held in Minneapolis.

- Agriculture Sales and Demonstration, Alex Brzezinski, first place
- Agriculture Business/Farm Management, Alex Brzezinski, Lily Trzebiatowski, Chloe Ertl, third place
- Dairy Specialist, Sara Snorheim, third place
- Employment Interview, Agriculture Business Administration, Chloe Ertl, third place
- Animal Health/Vet Tech Specialist, Alison Cobian, third place
- Employment Interview, Feeds and Animal Health, Olivia Baumann, fourth place

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

WOWSPACE showcases student artwork

The Walls of Wittenberg is hosting the “Emerging Talent VIII” exhibit through June 12, sponsoring it with Cirrinity.

The exhibit features artwork from Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District students from kindergarten through 12th grade. The show is an opportunity to highlight the artistic talents of aspiring artists who present projects in a variety of mediums — including watercolor, sculpture and mixed medium.

Art teachers Naomi Engleke, Diana Wendler and Keven Brunett set aside student art projects throughout the year, carefully selecting exhibit pieces. Over 110 pieces of art will be on display in the WOWSPACE, 204 W. Vinal St., Wittenberg.

“This is one of our favorite shows,” said Elaine Knab, WOW president. “It is wonderful to experience the creativity of our up-and-coming artists.”

The exhibit will run weekends from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The exhibit concludes following the Wittenberg Community Days Parade with a reception at the WOWSPACE.

Dinner raises \$6,000 for library expansion

A dinner held May 14 at McCauslin Country Club officially began a drive for funds to renovate and expand Lakes Country Public Library in Lakewood.

Almost \$6,000 was raised at the dinner, but the building committee



Third grade student Kayleigh Fleischman's “Happy Moon and Sun” is one of more than 110 pieces of art that will be on display through June 12 at the WOWSPACE in Wittenberg as part of the “Emerging Talent VIII” exhibit.

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realizes it has a long way to go.

“As we have repeatedly said, the lack of any kind of school in our area makes us the only community learning and information center available,” said Tom Thielke, building expansion committee co-chairman. “Expansion has been on the table for over 15 years, but now we are at a tipping point. Our library is severely cramped for space and unable to meet the rising demand for 21st century services our patrons need and deserve.”

Fundraising co-chairwoman Kathleen Marsh agreed, noting that com-

munity members cherish the library. That’s what prompted the fundraising motto of “The little library we love,” she said.

“Lakes Country Library does offer the usual fare; books, newspapers, periodicals, DVDs, manipulatives, etc. But it must do so much more,” Marsh said. “It is the only public place in northern Oconto County for free, fast and reliable broadband, getting copies made, tutoring from experienced staff, help with employment issues, accessing telemedicine, special children’s

programs and so much more.”

Donations of any size are being accepted. Checks payable to “LCPL Building Fund” may be dropped off or sent to Lakes Country Public Library, 15235 State Highway 32, Lakewood, WI 54138.

Students learn about downtown, government

Third grade students from Olga Brenner Intermediate School spent May 23 visiting downtown Shawano businesses and city facilities, 11 stops in all.

To prepare for their adventure, students each received a visitor’s guide from the Shawano County Chamber of Commerce and learned about the importance of shopping local from Lindsay Johnson, Shawano Downtown Business Improvement District coordinator.

Students met with Matt Hendricks from the Shawano Park and Recreation Department at the splash pad, where he told students about his job and how the parks are maintained in Shawano.

Students learned about how city and county governments work when they visited both Shawano City Hall and the Shawano County Courthouse. City Clerk Lesley Nemetz showed students how to cast a ballot in elections.

Main Street included stops at Stubborn Brothers, The Stock Market, Full House Realty and Shawano Barbers. Student lunches were delivered to Franklin Park by school personnel, and then students visited Associated Bank and the Shawano County Library.



Paying for the zoo admission

Craig Carlson, left, from the Bullpen Tavern in Pulcifer, and Everett Carlson, right, present Gillett Elementary School second grade teachers Shannon Slatky, second from left, and Nicole Soper with a \$1,622.25 check to pay for a trip to take their students to the Milwaukee Zoo on May 20. Each year, the Bullpen sponsors a golf outing at Golden Sands Golf Course in Cecil in memory of Joan Carlson, who was a longtime second grade teacher at Gillett. Carlson much appreciated being able to take her second grade class to the zoo and see the smiles on the children’s faces.

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Legion gives to first responders

Ron Boeldt and Al Heisler, past commanders of American Legion Sylvan Post 44, present a \$1,000 check to Steve Harkema, of the Nicolet Fire District. Additional \$1,000 checks were awarded to the Wabeno and Laona Ambulance Service, Mountain Ambulance Service and Lakewood and Townsend Ambulance Service.

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