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Tyler Reynolds has finished the spruced-up highway sign outside the Aniwa restaurant.

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County deputies have outdated body cameras

Sheriff Adam Bieber is seeking to replace body cams and dashboard cameras with Watchguard equipment to the tune of \$400,000.

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Birnamwood approves new insurance proposal

Premium will cost 20% less than previous insurer

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

The Birnamwood Village Board has a new insurance provider.

The board voted to change their insurance provider during their Oct. 11 meeting.

Board member Jody Dombrowski walked the rest of the board through the proposal from the League of Wisconsin Municipalities Mutual Insurance, including what is insured and what is provided.

"They have a lot of services that they offer," Dombrowski said. "They have employee safety, risk management, human resource assistance and a league insurance university, if you want to read a lot more about insurance. They also have law enforcement policies and procedure assistance and other services to deal with workers' compensation."

Dombrowski said that the total premium on the proposal is \$16,271.

"This includes worker's comp," said Dombrowski.

She added that a variety of grants are available through LWMMI.

"One of the grants that they do is an up to \$500 grant annually for

safety equipment," said Dombrowski. "So, if Chris Jensen (director of public works) needs cones to put around his truck when he parks in the street, or if he needs gloves, a safety vest or goggles — that grant would be kind of nice."

Board president Mike Sprague said he thinks having grants available for safety, as well as training information, is a positive for the village.

He said that LWMMI insures many municipalities around Birnamwood, including Amherst, Bonduel, Eland and Shawano, among others.

Village clerk Lauri Klumppan said that Birnamwood used to go with LWMMI, before Resch Insurance gave a better quote.

Dombrowski also said that LWM-MI sends someone in once a year to appraise the buildings in the village.

"This is to make sure that we are insured for the right amount of money, at no cost to us," said Dombrowski.

She said that there is also police professional liability included.

"Although, we do not have a police force — if something happens, we call the sheriff," said Dombrowski. "If the sheriff comes and does

something crazy that a citizen might sue them for, they could possibly sue us, too. We would be covered for that too. It is only \$250, but we are covered if an officer does something silly."

Sprague brought up one issue with going with LWMMI, which is based in Wausau.

"If we have a problem, we can't walk across the street to the office and talk to them," said Sprague.

Sprague said that the coverage that the village would receive would be the same as Resch's, but with a 20% drop in the cost of the premium with LWMMI.

"If it was a 5% drop or \$1,000 or something like that, we would consider staying with Resch. But I think it is too much," said Sprague. "With the best interest of the village, I think we should go with LWMMI."

The board unanimously voted to approve the policy proposal from the League of Wisconsin Municipalities Mutual Insurance. This will go into effect Nov. 1.

Enrollment drop costs Shawano schools \$1.8 million

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

The Shawano School District has been seeing its enrollment drop, which is not uncommon in public schools across Wisconsin. However, every time a student leaves the district, he or she takes about \$10,000 in state aid in the process.

District finance director Josh Swanson told the Shawano School Board during a recent work session that enrollment has dropped from 2,454 students to 2,274 in the last 10 years, resulting in a loss of 180 students.

That equates to \$1.8 million in

state equalization funds the district could be getting if those students were still attending one of the Shawano public schools.

The enrollment numbers drive what the revenue limit is for the district, according to Swanson, so having fewer students means the budget each year has to be capped at a lower level.

"I don't want to paint a picture of doom and gloom, but this is a harsh reality for our district," Swanson said. "We haven't made cuts in previous years to programs or to services, but we have to look at that."

The Wisconsin Legislature did not increase funding for schools in the

biennial budget, Swanson noted, so school districts can not expect more dollars from the state. That means funding to improve the schools and maintain education will have to come from elsewhere.

"We just approved a \$15 million tax levy," Swanson said. "That accounts for about 37% of our expenditures, so it's quite a significant portion of our budget."

Superintendent Randi Anderson pointed out that enrollment declines are common across the state. Exiting high school students each year average between 160 and 180, she said, while incoming pre-kindergarten numbers fluctuate between 90 and 115.

CORRECTIONS

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Reynolds finishes Melody Mill sign

Seven months later, spruced-up sign is restored and refreshed

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

There is a new bright spot in Aniwa.

Aniwa resident Tyler Reynolds finished his project of redesigning and repainting the old Melody Mill sign on state Highway 52.

"I haven't really done anything like this in my life before," said Reynolds.

The process — which involved using two coats of primer and one coat of bright white epoxy paint, as well as printed vinyl from Southside Graphics in Antigo — took Reynolds seven months. It lasted that long due to a couple hiccups on the way, including weather and not being able to use a lift.

"I wanted to take a crack at the sign," said Reynolds. "The owners of Melody Mill told me to do whatever I wanted to do with it."

He said that he wanted to help out a small business that plays a part in the Aniwa community.

"I was compelled to do it," said Reynolds. "I wanted to do God's honest work."

Reynolds said that he has experience working with small businesses, including designing and painting at Emma Kait's Coffeehaus in Birnamwood. So when the opportunity came up to work with Melody Mill, he wanted to share his talent for commercial art.

"I have been doing art my whole life," said Reynolds. "With my experience in Birnamwood, I wanted to bring this commercial art to Aniwa."

Reynolds grew up in Aniwa, often visiting Melody Mill for fish fries.

"It was super nostalgic," he said. "It is great coming back home. With the history around Melody Mill, it is great to a part of history in Aniwa."

Reynolds said being able to work on a historic building in Aniwa was a great experience.

He added that as he worked on the sign, he kept recalling memories of attending fish fries with grandparents when he was a child, as well as family gatherings for music and sports.

The new sign depicts the logo of the restaurant, which it has had for



LEFT: Now that Aniwa resident Tyler Reynolds has finished repainting the Melody Mill sign in Aniwa, it sits as a restored sign displaying food, beer and the restaurant's logo. **RIGHT:** What the sign looked like before Reynolds got started.



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50 years. Reynolds went through a tough process in order to feature the logo.

"I brought back their old logo," said Reynolds. "The only place that I could find the logo was on an old business card. It was sort of faded, so I blew it up on my computer and tried to make adjustments to copy it."

The sign also features a portrait of a cheeseburger, a mug of beer and an order of french fries.

When Reynolds finished the sign, he posted it on Facebook and was surprised to see 100 likes on his post

overnight.

"I have had people who used to work there reach out and give me a compliment on the sign," said Reynolds.

Reynolds also said that the owners of the restaurant were very happy in seeing the finished product.

The redesigning and repainting of the sign is just one area in which Reynolds has helped the restaurant. He also redesigned their menu, which now features a musical design that pays homage to musical history in the area.

"This means a lot to both Melody Mill and me," said Reynolds.

He added that with the upgraded sign and the upgraded menus, Reynolds hopes to drive more business into the restaurant and bring more visitors to Aniwa.

He also noted that LED lights were installed to light up the sign at night.

"It looks fantastic when you drive by at night," said Reynolds.

Reynolds said he plans to continue to make art in Antigo.

COURT NEWS

• John J. Greer, 42, Cecil, was charged Oct. 4 with one count of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of bail jumping. Judge William F. Kussel Jr. set a cash bond of \$1,000 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Oct. 11.

• Gwendolyn L. Christjohn, 65, Oneida, was charged Oct. 4 with one count of operating while intoxicated (fourth offense). Kussel set a cash bond of \$500 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Jan 4, 2022.

• Laci J. Walkush, 31, Rhinelander, was charged Oct. 4 with one count of driving or operating a vehicle without consent and one count of bail jumping. Kussel set a cash bond of \$500 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Oct. 19. In another case, Walkush was charged Oct. 4 with one count of bail jumping and one misdemeanor count of retail theft (less than or equal to \$500). Kussel set a cash bond of \$350 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Oct. 19. In another case, Walkush was charged Oct. 4 with one count of driving or operating a vehicle without consent, one count of possession of methamphetamine, four counts of bail jumping, one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia and one misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer. Kussel set a cash bond of \$1,000 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Oct. 12.

• Chaise D. Cook, 23, Keshena, was charged Oct. 4 with one count of possession of methamphetamine and

one misdemeanor count of operating while revoked. Kussel set a signature bond of \$1,500 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Oct. 7

• Teresa M. Hammes, 40, Fond du Lac, pleaded no contest Oct. 5 to one count of bail jumping. She also pleaded guilty to one count of possession of narcotic drugs. One count of possession of THC (second or subsequent offense), one count of possession of cocaine (second or subsequent offense) and two misdemeanor counts of possession of drug paraphernalia were dismissed but read into the record. Kussel sentenced Hammes to two years in prison and two years of extended supervision.

• Crystal M. Denny, 38, Gresham, pleaded no contest Oct. 5 to one count of possession of narcotic drugs, one count of misappropriating identification information and one count of bail jumping. Kussel sentenced Denny to three years in prison, two years of extended supervision and four years of probation.

• William G. Smith, 38, Weston, pleaded no contest Oct. 5 to one count of theft of a business setting, greater than \$10,000-\$100,000, two counts of bail jumping, one misdemeanor count of theft of movable property (less than or equal to \$2,500) and three misdemeanor counts of bail jumping. Seven misdemeanor counts of bail jumping were dismissed but read into the record. Kussel sentenced Smith to 10 months in jail and five years of probation.

• Charges against Haskell R. Pamanet, 31, Keshena, were dismissed Oct. 5 on prosecutor's motion. Those charges included one count of burglary, eight counts of bail jumping, two misdemeanor counts of theft of movable property, less than or equal to \$2,500 and one count of possession/illegally obtaining a prescription.

• Justin R. Krysheski, 38, Shawano, was charged Oct. 6 with two counts of threats to injure, two misdemeanor counts of bail jumping, one misdemeanor count of resisting or obstructing an officer and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia. Kussel set a cash bond of \$5,000 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Oct. 13.

• Alan J. Manislovich, 41, Brillion, was charged Oct. 6 with two counts of threat to injure. Kussel set a cash bond of \$5,000 and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Oct. 11.

• Melinda L. Meshigaud, 36, Green Bay, was charged Oct. 6 with one count of possession of methamphetamine, three counts of bail jumping, one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia and two misdemeanor counts of bail jumping. Kussel set a cash bond of \$2,500 and scheduled a resumed initial appearance for Nov. 2.

• Charges against Stuart L. Long, 35, Cecil, were dismissed Oct. 8 on prosecutor's motion. The charges included one count of possession of firearm by a convicted felon, one

misdemeanor count of endangering safety and two misdemeanor counts of disorderly conduct.

• Salvador Oviedo, 47, Shawano pleaded no contest Oct. 8 to one count of operating with prohibited alcohol content (fourth offense). One count of operating while intoxicated was dismissed on prosecutor's motion. Kussel sentenced Oviedo to 280 days in jail and revoked his license for 36 months.

• Devon L. Church, 27, Shawano, pleaded no contest Oct. 8 to one count of possession of methamphetamine, one count of maintaining a drug trafficking place and two counts of harboring/aiding a felon. One misdemeanor count of possession of THC, one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia and one misdemeanor count of bail jumping were dismissed but read into the record. Kussel sentenced Church to 16 months in prison and three years of extended supervision.

• Andrew E. Meyer, 21, Shawano, pleaded no contest Oct. 8 to one misdemeanor count of battery. One count of strangulation and suffocation was dismissed on prosecutor's motion. The court will consider expungement upon petition of defendant and successful completion of timely payment of fines in total and no further crimes.

• Charles A. Lawrence, 73, Birnamwood, pleaded no contest to one count of hit-and-run. Kussel sentenced Lawrence to 90 days in jail and two years of probation.

PUBLIC RECORD

SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Oct. 11

Officers responded to 28 calls, including property theft on South Lutz Street; property theft on Richmond Court; a threat on South Main Street; a disturbance on West Pine Street.

Oct. 10

Officers responded to 38 calls, including a disturbance on Mills Street; property theft on Mills Street; a disturbance on East Maurer Street; reckless driving on North Main Street; a domestic disturbance on East Richmond Street; a disturbance on East Green Bay Street; a threat at ThedaCare Medical Center, 100 County Road B; a theft attempt on South Park Street; disorderly conduct on South Lutz Street.

Oct. 9

Officers responded to 25 calls, an assault on County Road MMM; property theft on West Pine Street; reckless driving on Waukechon Street; a disturbance on Lakeland Road; disorderly conduct at VFW Clubhouse, 202 W. Lieg Ave.; a disturbance on South Lutz Street; trespassing at Charlie's County Market, 521 S. Main St.; two incidents of harassment at Walmart; a disturbance on

East Maurer Street.

Oct. 8

Officers responded to 21 calls, including an assault at Memorial Park, 901 S. Lincoln St.; a disturbance on East Richmond Street; car property damage at Charlie's County Market, 521 S. Main St.; a burglary attempt on East Division Street; a burglary on Waukechon Street; car property damage at Prevea, 1300 E. Green Bay St.; disorderly conduct on South Washington Street.

Oct. 7

Officers responded to 17 calls, including a disturbance on Acorn Street; a disturbance on South Andrews Street; property theft on South Hamlin Street; a controlled substance problem at Goodwill Industries, 300 Lakeland Road; harassment on East Center Street; a domestic disturbance on Mountain Bay Trail Drive; an assault at Four Seasons, 201 N. Airport Drive.

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Oct. 11

Deputies responded to 37 calls, including a domestic disturbance on East Green Bay Street in Bonduel; a threat on Park Avenue in Wescott; criminal damage on South Prouty Street in Wittenberg;

trespassing on Pulcifer Road the Town of Green Valley; harassment on Old Lake Road in the Town of Wescott; disorderly conduct on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; one crash.

Oct. 10

A report was not available by press time.

Oct. 9

Deputies responded to 44 calls, including a disturbance on Koo Yi Kun Lane in the Town of Bartelme; an assault on County Road MMM in the Town of Richmond; a burglary on County Road D in the Town of Almon; a disturbance on County Road F in the Town of Angelica; a disturbance on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; reckless driving on state Highway 117 in Bonduel; a disturbance on South Lutz Street in Shawano; reckless driving on state Highway 156 in the Town of Lessor; a weapons offense on Regina Road in the Town of Almon; reckless driving on County Road A in the Town of Bartelme; operating while intoxicated on state Highway 47-55 in the Town of Wescott; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in Bonduel.

Oct. 8

Deputies responded to 57 calls, including criminal damage on Ebert Street in Gresham; reckless driving on U.S.

Highway 45 in the Town of Birnamwood; a drug problem on U.S. Highway 45 in Tigerton; reckless driving on state Highway 47 in the Town of Hartland; bail jumping on Main Street in Shawano; bail jumping on South Almon Street in Bowler; harassment on South Mission Street in Wittenberg; harassment on East Wall Street in Bowler; a threat on North Adams Street in Bonduel; an assault on North Main Street in Shawano; five crashes, one involving deer.

Oct. 7

Deputies responded to 40 calls, including criminal damage on Ebert Street in Gresham; a disturbance on state Highway 55 in the Town of Maple Grove; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Waukechon; criminal damage on Curt Black Road in the Town of Wescott; a threat on Sunset Drive in the Town of Herman; reckless driving on state Highway 117 in the Town of Washington; identity theft on Hofa Park Road in the Town of Lessor; a domestic disturbance on Elm Grove Road in the Town of Pella; disorderly conduct on Hofa Park Road in the Town of Maple Grove; a disturbance on Main Street in Shawano; reckless driving on state Highway 29 in the Town of Angelica; two crashes, one involving deer.

OBITUARIES

Artist, trail wanderer and avid storyteller Ronald Martin Murray, 76, passed away on Sunday, Oct. 3, 2021, after a very strenuous and most courageous battle with cancer. He had five children, all of whom were with him at his bedside when he departed for his last great adventure.

Ron was born March 10, 1945, in Detroit, Michigan, to Virgil and Charlotte Murray. His parents then settled in Crandon, where he graduated from Crandon High School with the Class of 1963. Ron went on to receive his Bachelor of Science at UW-Stevens Point, after which he became an incredibly inspiring art teacher for many years to come. Ron eventually moved to De Pere and later settled in Oconto Falls, where he remained into his retired years.

Harriet "Punky" A. McCauley, 83, of Clintonville, passed away Monday morning, Oct. 4, 2021 at Aster Assisted Living in Clintonville.

Harriet was born on Sept. 6, 1938, in New London as the daughter of the late George and Margaret (Quall) McCauley. She graduated from Clintonville High School in 1956. Harriet quickly became active in her community as an officer in Jobs Daughters and spent her summers as a lifeguard and swimming instructor at the Cloverleaf Lakes. She attended UW-Stevens Point and entered training for the first class of cytotechnology in Madison.

Harriet then worked for Bellin Hospital as a cytotechnologist from 1959 to 1967 prior to her return home

Donald R. "Don" Brunner, 83, of Shawano, passed away on Saturday morning, Oct. 9, 2021, at The Cottages in Shawano following a battle with kidney disease.

Don was born Aug. 22, 1938, in Leopolis to the late Ivan and Kate (Schoenburger) Brunner. He attended school in Marion, graduating with the Class of 1956. On Feb. 22, 1957, Don was united in marriage to Carole Ann Hylander. Together they made their home in Leopolis. Carole preceded him in death in 2010. Don began his sales career working for Cher-Make Sausage, and he worked for many years at International Multifoods. He ended his sales career with Grolier,

Joseph M. Nompleggi

Joseph Mark Nompleggi, 58, of Victor, Montana, passed away on Friday, Oct. 1, 2021, in Stevensville, Montana.



He was a life-long learner, and his passion for art and storytelling became something he was most commonly known for. Ron participated in various art programs throughout the local area, including an art class hosted by NWTC and was part of an art group in Oconto Falls that he was extremely fond of.

Ron also loved the outdoors; when he wasn't taking pictures or painting scenery, he could be found fishing and enjoying walking trails. His favorite place to be was at Dave's Falls. He also thoroughly enjoyed beating everyone at cribbage — especially his daughter-

Ronald M. Murray

in-law Amy. But when the student became the master, it was a different experience with his daughter, Ali, who beat him almost every time. His sense of humor, laughter and jokes were unmatched and will resonate for decades to come.

Ron is survived by his five children, Jason (Ginger) Murray, Sean (Amy) Murray, Erica (Chad) Howard, Alison Murray and Christy (Jesse Rush) Murray. Ron is further survived by his brother, Gary (Fanny) Murray; sister, Kay (David) Samz; and several nieces and nephews he loved as deeply as his own children. His pride and joy were his 11 grandkids, Paige, Sadie, Genna, Jaeli, Lyla, Teagan, Kelby, Jaxon, Adie, Olivia and Emmerly.

Ron was preceded in death by his parents, Virgil Murray and Charlotte

(Harlan) Murray; and brothers Gordon Murray and Jim Murray.

Friends and family may gather at Cotter Funeral and Cremation Care, 860 N. Webster Ave., De Pere, Saturday, Oct. 16, from 1-3 p.m. with sharing of memories to follow. The sharing of memories will also be livestreamed on Cotter Funeral and Cremation Care's Facebook page. Thoughts and memories of Ron may be shared on his tribute wall at www.cotterfuneral-home.com

While living plant arrangements are welcome, the family would appreciate assistance with funeral costs in lieu of flowers. Any excess contributions will be donated in Ron's name to a charity centered around arts for disabled children. <https://everloved.com/life-of/ronald-murray/donate>.



formed. Harriet retired from her position in 2001. She was also active as a past president of the Clintonville Rotary Club, served on the Clintonville School Board as clerk for years, was a state officer in the Order of the Eastern Star, and was elected clerk for the Town of Belle Plaine as she lived most of her life on Pine Lake.

to become the head librarian at Clintonville's Finney Public Library. During her tenure, a new library was built and the Friends of the Library group was

She continued her involvement as a member of the Cloverleaf Lakes Association, Clintonville Community Foundation, Goodfellows, Graceland Cemetery Board, and was a charter member of the Clintonville Historical Society. Harriet was an animal lover as was evident in the love she had for her many dogs and even a horse at one time. She was a lifetime member of Christ Congregational United Church of Christ in Clintonville and will be missed by many throughout the community.

Survivors include nieces and nephews, Mike (Amy) Mayek, Tim (Deb) Mayek, Christine (Brian) Gorelick, Jenny (Mike) Stemple, Joe (Bridget) Mayek, and John Mayek; numerous great-nieces and great-

nephews and friends.

Harriet was preceded in death by her parents; siblings, Mary Mayek and Wesley (Maxine) McCauley; and a nephew, Jesse McCauley.

A gathering of family and friends was held Thursday, Oct. 14, 2021, at 11 a.m. at the Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory in Clintonville with a short message from the Rev. Jill Meyer. Inurnment followed at the Graceland Cemetery in Clintonville.

In lieu of flowers a memorial fund will be established by her family.

The Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory in Clintonville is assisting her family. www.eberhardtstevenson.com



in Leopolis where, in his younger years, he sang in the church choir and also directed the choir. Don and Carole retired to their home on Kenuck Lake in Eagle River, where Don enjoyed hunting and fishing. He also enjoyed playing cribbage, watching the Brewers and telling a good story.

retiring in 2000.

Don was the consummate salesman. His wife always said he could sell ice cubes to Eskimos. Don was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church

Donald R. Brunner

Survivors include his children, Lori (Tim) Brandenburg, of Appleton, Scott (Mary) Brunner, of Shawano, and Andy Brunner, of Rhinelander; his grandchildren, Erin (Randy) Leitermann, of Kenosha, Ryan Brandenburg, of Suring, Britany (Tyler) Pensis, of Shawano, and Nick (Lila) Brunner, of Hillsboro, Oregon; and his sister, Kathy Beyer of Green Bay. Don was blessed with six great-grandchildren, with another baby on the way.

He was preceded in death by his brother, John; his sister, Joan; brothers-in-law, Mike Brunner,

Duane Hohn and John Beyer; and his sister-in-law, Judy Hohn.

A funeral Mass for Donald was celebrated on Thursday, Oct. 14, 2021, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Leopolis. Burial followed the service in the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers and plants, a memorial fund has been established in Don's name to benefit St. Mary's Parish in Leopolis.

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

William G. Handrich Jr.

William G. Handrich Jr., 94, of Clintonville, passed away on Monday, Oct. 4, 2021 at Greentree Health and Rehabilitation Center in

Clintonville.

The Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory in Clintonville is assisting the family.



OBITUARIES

Ruth E. Hartleben, 90, of Shawano, passed away peacefully on Thursday, Oct. 7, 2021, at her home. Ruth was born Aug. 18, 1931, in Bonduel to the late Emil and Dora (Wolf) Hartwig. She graduated from Bonduel High School. Ruth was united in marriage to Orville Hartleben, her sweetheart since 1948, on Oct. 21, 1950, at St. Paul Lutheran Church in the Town of Washington. She owned and operated Ruthie's Shawano News for 35 years in Shawano. She also



Ruth was kind, caring, generous to everyone and always thankful. She was a wonderful wife and mother and loved spending time with her

worked at Numbismatic News and was a secretary for Engel Moving.

Ruth enjoyed dancing with Orville and loved her home "next to God."

family and having fun with her children, grandchildren and many friends.

Ruth is survived by her children, Donna Pollack and Steven (Sue) Hartleben; seven grandchildren, Michelle, William, Elizabeth, Christopher, Stacy, Joseph and Vinnie; nine great-grandchildren, Oliver, Gabby, Quinton, Angel, Lirah, Emily, Serina, Leia and Jacob, great-great-grandson, Ryker, and two brothers. She is further survived by other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Orville Hartleben; parents, Emil and Dora Hartwig; daughter, Diane Buchert; two sisters; and one brother.

Visitation will be held Saturday, Oct. 16, 2021, at Swedberg Funeral Home in Shawano from 10-11 a.m., followed by graveside services at St. Paul's Lutheran Cemetery in the Town of Washington with the Rev. Steve Conradt officiating.

www.swedbergfuneralhome.com

Kenneth L. Askenette Sr.

Kenneth L. Askenette Sr., 57, of Neopit, passed away on Monday, Oct. 4, 2021. Kenneth was born on July 6, 1964, to the late Marvin "Steve" and Joyce (Wayka) Askenette Sr. in Shawano. He attended St. Anthony's grade school and graduated from Menominee Indian High School in 1981. During high school, Kenneth played basketball and baseball.

Growing up in Neopit, Kenneth was one of the Dog Town Soldiers. They all had a special handshake when meeting each other. Kenneth



attended community college in Minnesota. He volunteered with Guardian Angels Neighborhood Watch when he lived in Minneapolis. Kenneth worked at Little Earth Housing as a security officer in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He also worked at the Mystic Lake Casino in Shakopee, Minnesota.

On June 13, 2015, he was united in

marriage to Nanine Waupoose. After moving back to the area, he was employed at Menominee Casino Resort and the Menominee Mill. Lastly, he worked at the Menominee Tribal Clinic as a facility maintenance worker. In his free time, he enjoyed fishing for trout and bass on the Wolf River, playing euchre with his buddies, watching UFC on television and custom car shows.

Kenneth is survived by his wife, Nanine "Nanie" Askenette; children, Kenneth (SO Joana Galindo) Askenette Jr. and Peter Askenette; stepson,

Brennan Waupoose; grandson, Kalib Askenette; siblings, Gerald "Joe Swede" (Arlene) Wayka Sr., Barbara (Brian) Tepiew, Marvin (Elsie) Askenette, Jean Pierre (Deb) Askenette and Cheyenne Askenette.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Steve and Joyce Askenette; three sisters, Brenda, Glenda and Karen Askenette; and brother, Jamie Askenette.

A funeral service for Kenneth was held on Friday, Oct. 8, 2021, at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Neopit. www.swedbergfuneralhome.com

James R. Zeman

James R. "Big Z" Zeman, 84, of Shawano, passed away peacefully early Friday morning, Oct. 8, 2021, at Shawano Health Services.

James was born Sept. 10, 1937, in Bonduel, a son of the late Alois and Beatrice (Schultz) Zeman. He attended school in Bonduel and worked on the family farm. On Dec. 21, 1957, he was united in marriage to Alice Gipp in Shawano.

James worked at Packerland Packing as a meat processor, Werbelow Soda as a bottler, and he drove truck for Wright Broiler in Shawano. Being a social butterfly, he could be found tending bar at Pleshek's



Pavilion or delivering flowers for Village Garden. James was known as the "roaster of pigs," as he enjoyed doing pig roasts for birthdays, weddings and parties.

James spent time in the fall skinning deer and, when he was younger, James liked ice fishing.

Survivors include his daughters, Denise (Steven) Mariano, of Leavenworth, Kansas, and Stephanie (Charles) Welter, of Shawano; his

partner of 40 years, Sally Peterson, of Shawano, and her daughters, Patti (Tom Hawley) Peterson, of Shawano, and Tami (Tom) Brass, of Stillwater, Minnesota; his grandchildren, Stephanie, Elizabeth, Michael, Sarah, Stacie, Ellie and Hannah; his great-grandchildren, Austin, Emma, Mason, Alexis and Avery; his sisters, Sally (Dennis) Rank, of Shawano, and Doris (Don) Bruun, of Washington; and several other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his son, Todd Zeman; his sister, Anna

Mae Hintz; his brothers, Dennis and Al Zeman; and his granddaughter, Susan Lynn Mariano.

A memorial service for James will be held on Saturday, Oct. 16, 2021, at 11 a.m. at Mickelson Funeral Service in Shawano. Pastor Scott Ludford will officiate. Visitation will begin at the funeral home at 9 a.m. and continue until the time of service.

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



Charles E. Hull

Charles E. "Charlie" Hull, 83, of Shawano, passed away peacefully on Tuesday evening, Oct. 5, 2021, at Oak Haven Assisted Living in Shawano, where he had resided for the past nine days.

Charlie was born June 21, 1938, in Shawano, a son of the late Lloyd and Agnes (Zueske) Hull. He attended Shawano schools before entering the U.S. Army. Charlie faithfully served his country from 1955 until 1958, spending two of those years in Germany. When he



returned from service, he went to work at Gehrke and Montour Heating and Roofing.

On Jan. 22, 1966, Charlie was united in marriage to the former Judy Salzman at St. James Lutheran Church in Shawano. He then worked at Badger Sheet Metal in Green Bay. In 1992, he went to

work at Tweet Garot Mechanical in Green Bay until retiring in 1999. Charlie is a lifelong member of St. James Lutheran Church. He enjoyed golfing and caring for his dogs.

Survivors include his loving wife of 55 years, Judy, of Shawano; his daughter, Lynn Hull, of Shawano; and his devoted dog, Max.

He was preceded in death by his son, Steven Hull, and his sister, Penny Nett.

Service arrangements are pending and will be announced at a later date.

Mickelson Funeral and Cremation Service of Shawano is assisting the family with arrangements. Please share online condolences at www.mickelsonfs.com. The family would like to thank the staff at The Pines, Oak Haven, and ThedaCare at Home Hospice for the wonderful care Charlie received.



Nalonnie A. Von Gunten

Nalonnie A. Von Gunten, 65, of Waupaca, passed away on Saturday, Oct. 2, 2021, at ThedaCare Regional Medical Center in Appleton. She was born Jan. 29, 1956 in Keshena, daughter of Andrew Jr. and Ida (Shawanomitta) Boyles.

Out of all things in life, Nalonnie loved being a mother the most. Her love for her children and grandchildren was infinite. Every child that walked through her door, she made sure felt loved and her favorite way to show it was by providing home-cooked meals big enough to feed an army. Her Sundays were always spent at church with her beloved boyfriend, Roger. She treasured her



time in the outdoors and with all animals, especially her own. Nalonnie will be dearly missed by all of her loving family and many friends.

Nalonnie is survived by her seven children, Adam Kenowski, of Bend, Oregon, Joseph (Ashleigh) Von Gunten, of Fond du Lac, Rayleen Von Gunten, of Waupaca, Andre Von Gunten, of Rib Lake, Joshua (Patience Turner) Von Gunten, of Stevens Point, Scott Von Gunten, of Iola, and Ryasa

"Rainy" Von Gunten, of Milwaukee; former husbands, John Kenowski, of Waupaca, and Jeff Von Gunten, of Waupaca; 11 grandchildren Sophea, Chole, Brogen, Paitynn, Elden, Claire, Haddie, Emma, Reuben, Quinn and Nora; dear friend, Roger Ventrice, of Montello; three brothers, George (Lucila) Boyles, of Temecula, California, Pete Shawanomitta, of Shawano, and Francis Shawanomitta Jr., of Green Bay; three sisters, Marilyn Wilson, Liz (Byron) Shawanomitta, of Baraboo, and Catherine Shawanomitta, of Green Bay; numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Andrew Jr. and Ida Boyles; three brothers, Lee Boyles, Andrew Boyles and Stewart Boyles; and a sister, Marilyn Shawanomitta.

A celebration of Nalonnie's life will be on Saturday, Oct. 16, 2021 at noon at the First Baptist Church in Waupaca. Pastor Larry Gross will officiate. A visitation will be held on Saturday from 11 a.m. to noon at the church.

The Holly Funeral Home of Waupaca is assisting the family with arrangements.

Holly Funeral Home, 526 S. Main St., Waupaca, WI 54981. www.hollyfuneralhome.com

Fred N. Bowersock

Fred Norris Bowersock, 83, of Gresham, passed away on Thursday, Oct. 7, 2021, at ThedaCare Medical Center. Fred was born May 25, 1938, in the town of Lima, Ohio, to Eva Bowersock, who preceded him in death. On Nov. 28, 1958, Fred was united in marriage to Lucy (Hass) Bowersock.

Those who knew Fred knew he had a huge heart and stuck to his convictions. He was always happy to give advice to anyone who need-



ed it. Fred was a very generous man who didn't think twice about giving you the coat off his back. He dedicated his life to mentoring, helping his community and

trying to make the world a better place. Fred will be sorely missed by his community, friends and family.

Fred is survived by his children, Christy (Randy) Kulas, Timothy (M.J.) Bowersock and Susan (Joseph) Savetwith; 12 grandchildren, Melissa Baron, Sarah (Brian) Figueroa, Taylor (Ryan) Koenig, Aaron (Jess) Bowersock, Brian (Dawa) Savetwith, Shawn (Alyssa) Bowersock, Marco (Angel) Figueroa, Emily (Graham) Huck, Melena (Brendan) Price, Josh Kwapick, Casidy (John) Doepker and Nicholas Bowersock; 24

great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter; and his sister, Christina (Don) Bowser. He is further survived by many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lucy Bowersock, and his daughter, Mary Figueroa.

A burial and remembrance for Fred will be held at Red Springs Cemetery, W10234 Town Hall Road, Gresham, at 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, 2021. No reception will be held.



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PARCEL 4 Almost the same as parcel 3. Parcel 3 & 4 connect to parcel 2 in the southwest corner. Access would be off Hwy 32, east down Hanson Road to the property. Parcel 3 & 4 have easements across it. 24 acres are listed as undeveloped and 16 acres are listed as forest land. Again, this is Big Buck country!

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Sacred Heart holds community prayer

Shawano one of many communities across United States to hold event

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

Members of the Shawano community came together in prayer at Franklin Park on Oct. 10.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church hosted a community prayer in an effort to promote togetherness and pray for those who are struggling in the country.

“Through Sacred Heart church, we decided to join in on the U.S. Grace Force coast to coast rosary rally,” said Gail Bartz, a member of Sacred Heart who aided in organizing the event.

The event saw Bartz and Deacon James Lonick leading prayers in front of a statue of Mary. The same event occurred in different communities around the country at the same time.

“Father (Richard) Heilman in Madison went with a group out to Washington D.C.,” said Bartz. “They went to the capital and prayed at 4 p.m. eastern time. We prayed at three and across the country it goes down, so we were all praying at the exact same time.”

Heilman is involved with U.S. Grace Force, which helps to inform people about what is happening in the country and the catholic church.

Bartz believes that holding this event is very important in the Shawano community.

“This is the power of praying,” said Bartz. “I don’t know how many thousands of people at one time. That is how something is going to happen.”

She was excited to see that 38 people came together for the event.

“This brings the community a little closer together,” said Bartz. “Some of these people that came — I looked out and thought that I never expected them to come. It is awesome to see.”

According to Bartz, U.S. Grace



An audience of 38 people kneel, stand and sit as they pray together at Franklin Park on Oct. 10.

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Force informs members about community prayer in early October.

“They do it every October,” said Bartz. “Oct. 7 is the feast of the lady of our rosary. This is also for the Battle of Lepanto.”

Sacred Heart tried to organize this event last year, but ran into a problem with the COVID-19 pandemic.

“This year is really the first time that we held this,” said Bartz.

She said that it was exciting to see more people coming outside and joining in community events.

Bartz added that people within Shawano and surrounding communities can learn something from this event.

“People can learn about being together and what the power of prayer can do,” said Bartz.

She said that while there aren’t many other events or gatherings scheduled, there is a woman’s retreat on Oct. 15.

“The retreat is not specifically for our country, rather to get together and get closer to God,” said Bartz.

Bartz said that with how many people joined in this gathering across the country, that others may see it and get more information. She added that others may not have attended the event but still prayed.

“I suspect that there is people at

home, who are praying at the same time,” said Bartz. “If they can’t get out and come to one, or there is not one near them — I think that there is a lot who are participating at home.”

With U.S. Grace Force having about 76,000 followers, Bartz believes there are some strategies to keep that number growing.

“People keep talking and spreading word,” said Bartz. “I actually heard about it from someone else and listened to what U.S. Grace Force had to say. You sign up, contribute if you want and they send you information.”

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Tauchen hospitalized with heart, ankle injuries

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

Wisconsin Rep. Gary Tauchen, R-Bonduel, was recently hospitalized in intensive care.

Tauchen said he was walking down the street in Madison on Oct. 5 when he felt a shock from his defi-

brillator, making him fall.

“I had heart surgery last year,” said Tauchen. “The electrical connection went wacky.”

He said that when the incident happened and arterial fibrillation occurred, he could feel a second shock.

When Tauchen fell, he also suffered a broken ankle.

“I have two problems right now,” said Tauchen.

Tauchen was able to call 911, and he said that the ambulance got to him within five minutes to bring him to the hospital. Tauchen anticipates to be out of the hospital by the end of the week, when he hopes to start rehab for his broken ankle.

“The problem is that most of the rehab centers are full,” said Tauchen.

He does not anticipate his injuries to affect his work, as he said when he had heart surgery last year, he was able to participate in Zoom calls and meetings.

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Haunted house finds new home at Mielke

New venue allows for more room, visitors

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

The annual haunted house in Shawano has found a new location at the Mielke Arts Center.

"This is the first year that we have held the event at the Mielke center," said Maddie Stuewer, who helps to organize the haunted house.

The event was normally held at the Sugar Bowl, but due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the event has found a new home with the Mielke.

"We have more room here," said Stuewer. "Visitors take a self-guided tour, where they walk through 25 rooms. We have 20 actors who take part in scaring the visitors."

Stuewer said that organizers with the haunted house have connections with the Mielke, which allowed them to relocate.

"The board is very excited to bring the haunted house to the Mielke center," said Stuewer.

Stuewer said she is excited to keep the haunted house going this year.

"I think that this is something that Shawano is lacking," said Stuewer. "There are things like this in Green Bay and Appleton, but there is nothing like this in Shawano."

She was especially excited about the haunted house this year, as last year was subdued due to the pandemic.

"Last year, we toned it down, and we abided by COVID-19 mitigation strategies, like wearing masks, sanitizing hands and making sure people were socially distanced," said Stuewer. "This year — with people continuing to get vaccinated and hosting the event at the Mielke Center — we have the room for everyone to spread out, as well as include

AT A GLANCE

WHAT: Stage Fright Haunted House

WHEN: 7-10 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays in October, noon to 3 p.m. on Sundays.

WHERE: Mielke Arts Center, N5649 Airport Road, Shawano

INFO: Maddie Stuewer, 715-584-1813

ADMISSION: \$13 adults, \$8 children. \$15 per family on Sundays.

new sets and invite more people."

The haunted house is open every Friday and Saturday from 7-10 p.m. and every Sunday from noon to 3 p.m. until Halloween.

"The haunted house is toned down on Sundays to provided a fun family experience," said Stuewer.

Through the first weekend, Stuewer said they have welcomed all ages of scare-seekers, old and young alike.

"People are very excited to come," said Stuewer. "We have seen people of all different ages. Adults, teenagers and children are all getting scared."

She added that most of the people who visit the haunted house are from the Shawano community; some, she said, made the trip from Green Bay.

"Our goal is to get more people coming," said Stuewer. "We want people to visit the haunted house from all over the state."

Stuewer said that she was excited to get see more people coming to the haunted house in relation to last year. She said that the haunted house acts as an area where people can come and spend some time together.

"This is a social hangout," said Stuewer. "Families come and just have fun together. There is a sense of togetherness in the community."

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Bohemian Fest welcomes community



Members of the American Legion lead the parade down County Road T in Lunds during Bohemian Fest at Lunds Corner Bar on Oct. 9.

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Vintage cars travel down County Road T while passengers throw candy to spectators at Bohemian Fest during the Oct. 9 parade.

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A blue tractor decorated with balloons rolls down County Road T in Lunds, part of the Bohemian Fest parade Oct. 9.

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Judy Goodchild, left, stands with the newly installed officers for Shawano Optimists, from left, Troy Edwards, Robyn Shingler, Lorine Raddant, Jeanne Cronce, Dawn Knope, Axel Rehder, Gail Moesch, Dan Mauel, Jim Liesner, Brian Morstad and Greg Parker.

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Optimists install officers, give out awards

The Shawano Optimist Club recently held its 45th annual installation and awards ceremony, during which officers and directors for the coming year were installed and special awards presented.

Judy Goodchild, chairman of leadership development for the Wisconsin-Upper Michigan region of Optimist International, installed the new officers and directors for the 2021-2022 Optimist year. In addition to Troy Edwards becoming president, others installed were Axel Rehder, vice president for fundraising; Robyn Shingler, vice president for youth activities; Gail Moesch, secretary; Dawn Knope, treasurer; and directors, Brian Morstad, Lorine Raddant, Jeanne Cronce, Dan Mauel, Greg Parker and Jim Liesner.

The Shawano Optimists annually name an Optimist of the Year, and Gail Moesch is the 2021 recipient.

"Gail has always been dedicated to keeping accurate records and this year, presented two new activities that turned out to be very successful," said Greg Parker, who presented the award. "One was a three-on-three



Receiving the Shawano Optimist Club's top awards were Gail Moesch, left, who was named Optimist of the Year, and Jen Schroeder, who received a life membership in Optimist International.

JIM LEUENBERGER

soccer tournament and the other was a fundraiser in which people could purchase game cards that gave them a chance to win cash depending on the

scores of each week's NFL games."

The club also presented Jen Schroeder with a life membership in Optimist International. In presenting the

award, Dan Mauel said that Schroeder "exudes optimism and our mission of serving our community's youth."

Honored for perfect attendance at club meetings and events during the 2020-2021 Optimist year were Jim Leuenberger, 44 years; Jim Black, 23 years; Gail Moesch, 22 years; Michael Sleeper, 21 years; Ron Schmalz and Steve Peterson, 17 years; Ryan Alexander, 14 years; Troy Edwards, 13 years; Greg Parker and Dawn Knope, eight years; Dan Mauel, five years; Jim Liesner and Bob Hannes, four years; Robyn Shingler and Brian Morstad, three years; Jeanne Cronce, two years; and Axel Rehder, one year.

The Optimists have been serving the Shawano area since 1976. Annual youth projects include a bike rodeo, Christmas movies for kids, Respect for Law activities, boys and girls basketball tournaments, a Rose Day fundraiser, a Scholastic Awards Banquet, as well as basketball and football skills competitions. The funds raised each year are all returned to the Shawano community to support youth activities and more than 30 different organizations.

Shawano chamber looking for new tourism manager

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce Tourism Manager Patti Peterson has accepted a new job.

She will begin her new job Nov. 8 but did not specify what the job would be. Chamber director Nancy

Smith was out of the office and could not be reached for comment, and others whom NEW Media attempted to reach for information referred the newspaper to Smith for comment.

Peterson accepting a new job leaves a vacant position in the chamber. The job offers an opportunity

for an energetic, highly motivated employee to use what they know with marketing and communication to promote Shawano County, according to the chamber's website.

The position comes as a full-time job with paid vacations, holidays and a retirement program.

The chamber of commerce is looking for people with an educational degree in marketing, tourism or a related field. They are also looking for someone with three years of progressive marketing or tourism experience.

For information visit, <https://www.shawanocountry.com>.

Doctor advocates vaccine for pregnant women

Divjak claims COVID-19 vaccines won't impact women's menstrual cycle, cause erectile dysfunction in men

The vaccines for COVID-19 will not impact a woman's ability to get pregnant or cause men to suffer erectile dysfunction, according to a family medicine physician in Shawano.

"The Delta variant, which also is proving to be more severe than earlier COVID-19 variants, creates even more urgency around getting vaccinated," said Dr. Angela Divjak, with ThedaCare Physicians-Shawano. "It's vital for patients to protect themselves and the community, because we're not through the pandemic by any means."

If you are currently trying to become pregnant or would like to get pregnant in the future, you may get a COVID-19 vaccine, according to Divjak. There is no evidence that COVID-19 vaccines cause any fertility problems for either women or men, she said.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announced that pregnant women should get the COVID-19 vaccine, strengthening past language that stated it was safe for them to get the vaccine.

There is no evidence that the



ANGELA DIVJAK

vaccine causes any problems with pregnancy, including with development of the placenta, according to Divjak, but as with all vaccines, the vaccine is being monitored carefully for side

effects.

"Research shows pregnant women who contract the COVID-19 virus are at greater risk for certain complications, including a greater likelihood of miscarriage, premature birth or cesarean delivery," Divjak said. "Additionally, pregnant women who have diabetes or other underlying conditions may be at greater risk of serious illness due to COVID-19."

Along with similar conversations, vaccinated mothers may safely breastfeed their infants.

"In fact, breast milk is the best way to help your infant both get the nutrition she needs as well as to protect the infant against many kinds of illnesses,"

Divjak said. "It will help your baby to build stronger defenses overall."

Early research indicates infants may receive some antibodies from breast milk that can help protect them from COVID-19, said Divjak.

Mothers who are not vaccinated should take extra precautions around their infants if they suspect they've been exposed to the COVID-19 virus, Divjak said. That should include mask-wearing and careful hand-washing and sanitizing any time the mother plans to touch the infant or express breast milk.

Another myth currently circulating is that a woman's menstrual cycle can be impacted by being near someone who received a COVID-19 vaccine.

"Your menstrual cycle can be impacted by a number of factors, including stress, infections, changes to your schedule or changes in diet and exercise or sleep problems," Divjak said. "Your cycle cannot be affected by being in close proximity to someone who is vaccinated."

Men can safely get the COVID-19 vaccine without concern about erectile dysfunction. Divjak said that getting

vaccinated may help protect men from problems with erectile dysfunction that have been observed after testing positive for the virus.

While the link between COVID-19 and erectile dysfunction hasn't been proven, the virus can cause blood vessel inflammation, lung damage that reduces oxygen in the blood, changes in sense of smell and infection of testosterone-producing cells — all of which can lead to erectile dysfunction, she said.

"Stress-related mental health effects of the pandemic also can impact erectile function," said Divjak. "The vaccine itself cannot cause erectile dysfunction."

Additionally, erectile dysfunction after the COVID-19 virus can be an indicator of greater vascular damage that has been noted as a long-term impact in some people who have had the virus, according to Divjak.

For information about COVID-19, to schedule a vaccine, find a testing location and view online care options and community resources, visit thedacarecovid19.org.



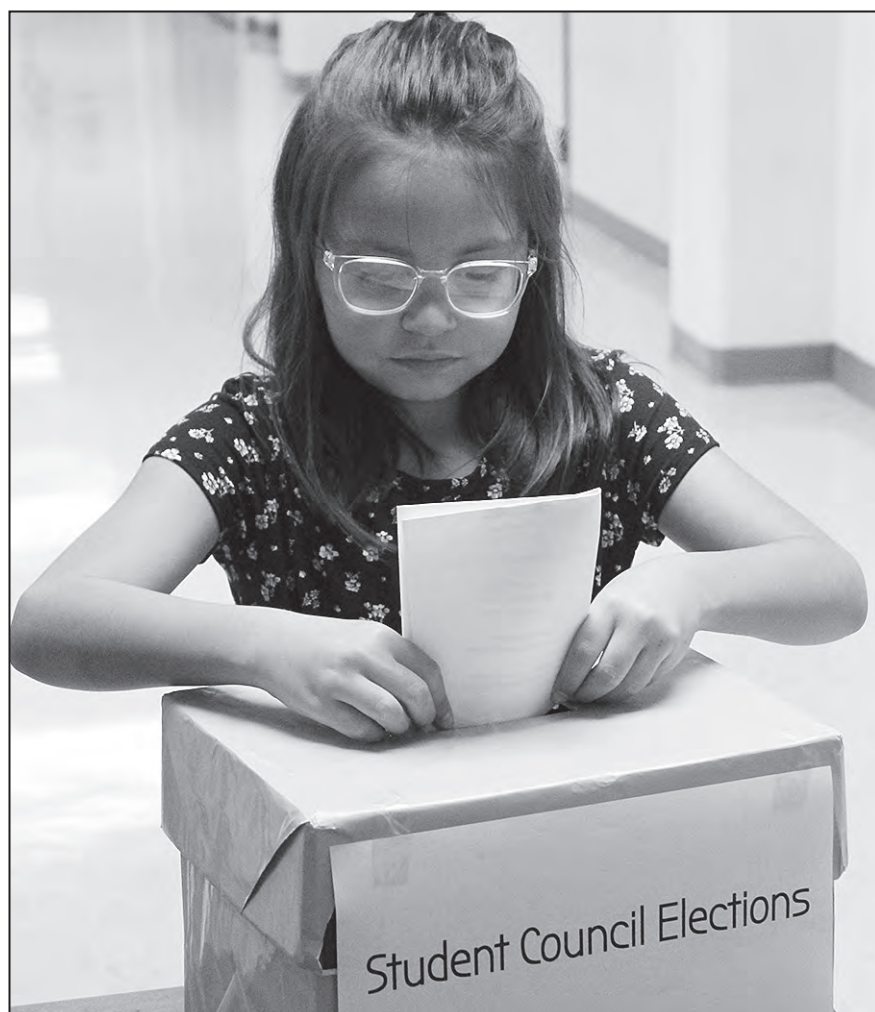
Sacred Heart elects new student council

ABOVE: Sacred Heart Catholic School in Shawano rebooted its student council after a two-year hiatus, and on Oct. 4 students in grades 3-8 participated in elections. The executive board includes, from left, front row, Robin Walby and Cora Pieper; back row, Isabelle Brown, Izzy Martens, Sydney Mitchell, Davis Lyons and Bryton Van Gheem. The council is advised by Sacred Heart staff members Michelle Powers and Kate Ruth. The hope is to have the council assist with school spirit days, service projects, school-wide dances, Catholic Schools Week activities, fundraising, policy recommendations and more.

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RIGHT: Mila Cook, a third-grade student at Sacred Heart Catholic School, submits her ballot Oct. 4 as the school elected its new student council. This was an opportunity for students to cast their votes, share their opinions, and see how a real election works. Students learned valuable lessons like majority rules during voting, fairness counts, and displaying good sportsmanship.

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New North survey seeks info on broadband access

New North Inc. has contracted with the broadband consulting team of Design Nine, MSA and GEO Partners to provide a broadband study for each of the region's 18 counties. A key part of the process is a public survey of households and businesses about current broadband service conditions.

The household survey was mailed to all Northeast Wisconsin residences in early October. It also is available for completion online at <https://projects.designnine.com/survey/newnorth-residential>.

The business survey is available at <https://projects.designnine.com/survey/newnorth-business>.

"We urge participation in the public survey on current broadband service conditions," said Barb LaMue, president and CEO of New North. "Through robust feedback from households and businesses in the region, we can develop meaningful strategies to address deficiencies in high-speed internet access."

Both surveys will be available until Oct. 29, allowing for the broadband study to be completed in December.

It will guide investment and implementation of a modern broadband network. Each county within the New North region will receive a set of strategies to address high-speed internet deficiencies.

With funding assistance in part from the U.S. Economic Development Administration, the team of Design Nine, MSA and GEO Partners is analyzing existing broadband assets in Northeast Wisconsin counties, including those offered by telecom service providers, cable companies and government organizations that provide communications services through schools and first responders. The analysis will encompass the types of broadband services available, along with broadband-use patterns and gaps in coverage, and make recommendations to the counties on how to best improve coverage.



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Staff of Life in Shawano under new ownership

Mother-daughter team providing community with Christian gifts, health food items

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

The Staff of Life store, a place for people to find health food and Christian gifts, is continuing to flourish under new ownership, even as one of the owners is facing an additional challenge.

Holly Montoure and her daughter, Miranda Hoyer, took ownership of Staff of Life on July 1. For Montoure, it was an opportunity to continue to serve her faith after being a Catholic school teacher for a number of years.

"I liked the Christian part of it," Montoure said. "The health food was just a bonus."

Montoure learned in April that she has cancer, and having the health food available would be a help to her as she's going through treatment. She said it was a way to immerse herself in becoming healthier.

"I realized when I was diagnosed that life is too short to stick to one thing," Montoure said. "I was teaching at the time, and I thought it was a good investment in my retirement and my daughter's future. She's only 24 and owns a business that she can keep going in this community, a community that needs it."

She noted that there's no other place in Shawano to buy baptism cards. The same goes for crucifixes.

"I just felt it was very important to supply the churches," Montoure said. "It's important to keep our faith alive, especially in these times."

The need has been evident in the last three months as the two women and other members of the family have been busy running the store.

"It started out kind of slow, and we weren't sure what we doing," Montoure said. "As we're learning more about what to do and what to order and what customers want and what the community needs, it's crazy. We're selling as fast as we're ordering."

Not only are they selling out, but they're growing, too. There has been some rearranging as the new owners determine what to do to expand.

"We moved it all around and gave it a fresh face," Hoyer said. "There's only one thing that's in the exact same space since we've been here, and that's the cooler. Everything else has been moved, cleaned, dusted and shifted around."

As Christmas draws closer, Mon-



A customer brings her purchase to Miranda Hoyer, who is wearing a witch's costume Oct. 8 to celebrate the Witches Night Out event sponsored by the Shawano Business Improvement District. Hoyer and her mother are the new owners for Staff of Life, a shop that provides health food supplements and Christian gifts.

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Miranda Hoyer, second from left, and her mother, Holly Montoure, center, join Jeanne Cronce, left, an ambassador from the Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce, and assorted family members in cutting the ribbon for the grand opening of Staff of Life under their new ownership.

Montoure and Hoyer are already breaking out decorations and preparing to have plenty of gift items available. Of course, there are plenty of other things people are looking for prior to the holiday rush.

"We have a lot of people coming in looking for different things," Hoyer said. "It's not just supplements. We had a load of baptismal gifts on a Friday, and by the end of the day Saturday, they were all gone."

There are a number of customer who call about healthy items like gluten-free flour, and they tend to be surprised when Hoyer or Montoure let them know that they have it. Some of the items can't even be bought online, according to Hoyer.

"If we know Aldi's carries it or Walmart carries it, we can't compete," Hoyer said. "Let them carry it, and we'll get things in that people are looking for."

Hoyer and Montoure are planning to incorporate other things into the store, like an expanded pet items section and a children's section so Sunday school and parochial school teachers can get their needed items without having to travel to Green Bay or another city.

"The goal is to grow so big that we eventually grow out of this space," Montoure said. "It already looks like we're getting kind of tight. Maybe in future years, we'll expand to other towns — Clintonville, Bonduel."

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SPORTS

HIGH SCHOOL SWIM

Witt-Birn girls continue success in duals despite limited roster depth

Chargers topple Shawano behind 8 1st-place finishes

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School girls swim team has enjoyed plenty of success over the years.

That success has come on the strength of talented individual swimmers, as the Chargers typically lack the depth of their opponents.

“So the disadvantage in having a small team means that you don’t have much depth,” said Witt-Birn coach John Rudeen. “But it also means you get to spend more time with the kids that you have. So I think it’s easier to make gains with a smaller team, even though it’s a disadvantage to have a small team. I get to work with these girls one-on-one.”

Rudeen expected another tight finish in the team’s Bay Conference dual against Shawano on Oct. 5 in Shawano, but again the team had several individuals rise to the challenge to help the team to a 90-77 victory.

Witt-Birn won eight of the 11 events on the night, starting with the opening 200-yard medley relay, which was formed by Olyvia Stark, Isabella Hegewald, Annika Resch and Jessica Storlie. The quartet posted a time of 2 minutes, 9.59 seconds to grab first.

After a quick rest, Stark and Storlie dove into the pool again for the 200 freestyle. Stark claimed first in 2:21.7, while Storlie was second in 2:32.55.

“I would say hard work and commitment,” said Stark on how the team rises to the challenge against bigger teams to come out on top in duals. “We all love this sport so we want to do our best to make every-



Wittenberg-Birnamwood’s Jalynn Horacek competes in the 100-yard breaststroke during the team’s Bay Conference dual win over Shawano on Oct. 5 in Shawano.

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body on our team proud. So just not doing our best and letting down our team would affect each and every one of us.”

Hegewald said coach Rudeen does a nice job of getting the team prepared for each meet and added that, “I think we just kind of focus on the light at the end of the tunnel and know what our potential is.”

Stark later helped the 200 freestyle relay team to a first-place finish in 1:56.79. Resch, Hegewald and Kaylee Schram filled out the rest of the team.

Stark also was the top finisher in the 100 backstroke with a time of 1:12.8.

After Stark had won the 200 freestyle, Hegewald made it three-straight top finishes for Witt-Birn by taking first in the 200 IM with a time of 2:43.1. Resch won the next event, the 50 freestyle, with a time

of 28.02.

Resch would later claim the top spot in the 100 freestyle with a mark of 1:01.88. Hegewald had the last first-place finish for the Chargers, winning the 100 breaststroke in 1:19.75.

Jalynn Horacek posted a second-place finish for the Chargers in the 100 butterfly (1:22.99). Storlie was also second in the 500 freestyle (6:37.86).

Storlie, Schram, Horacek and Andrea Powell swam to a second-place finish in the final event of the night, the 400 freestyle. The team posted a time of 4:58.52.

The dual win took the Chargers another step closer to the postseason, which opens on Nov. 6.

Like all swim teams, Witt-Birn is hoping to be earning its best times of the year when the post-season rolls around, and the team’s

captains are planning to help the team achieve that by a few different ways.

Hegewald noted that many of the team members competed in club swim together, so the team didn’t have to focus a lot of attention on creating bonds this fall.

“Well personally, and I think most of the team, we’re focusing on showing off what we’ve worked for this season, the work we’ve already put in,” said Hegewald.

“My No. 1 thing is positive reinforcement, so I will hype up my team as much as possible and just make sure that they are loved,” said Stark. “Mental health is also very important to me. If they are not mentally healthy, then they’re not going to do as well as they possibly can so mental health is a big thing.”

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

VOLLEYBALL

Bowler goes 2-0 at triangular

Bowler topped Mellen (21-25, 26-24, 20-18) and Phelps (25-19, 25-7) during a triangular on Oct. 9 in Phelps.

Against Mellen, Morgan Paiser led Bowler with seven attack kills and 11 digs, while Bertina Dodge had eight digs, six attack kills and three aces. Ava Paiser tallied nine digs and eight assists, with Brandi Spencer chipping in 16 assists.

In the win over Phelps, Morgan Paiser posted four attack kills and five digs. Tia Kroening was credited with five digs and four aces.

Witt-Birn posts 2-2 mark at invitational

Wittenberg-Birnamwood earned wins over Owen-Withee (25-22, 25-18) and Flambeau (25-12, 25-19) and lost to Phillips (25-13, 25-8) and Gilman (25-22, 25-22) during an invitational on Oct. 9 in Gilman.

In the win over Owen-Withee, London Metropulos recorded 15 digs, six attack kills and five aces for Witt-Birn. Kaydence Burclaw added five attack kills, while Emily Niles tallied four. Jadalynn Davids finished with 12 digs, Payton Foster contributed 11 assists and Lilly Betry had 10 assists.

Against Flambeau, Betry led the Chargers with five attack kills. Kiara Deruchowski served five aces, Davids totaled five digs and Foster had nine assists. In the loss to Phillips, Metropulos had four attack

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kills. Davids recorded nine digs and Foster added six assists.

In the setback to Gilman, Metropulos finished with seven attack kills, while Layla Huffman posted seven total kills. Foster and Betry each were credited with eight assists, while Davids tallied 12 digs.

Auburndale 3

Tigerton 0

Tigerton dropped a CWC cross-over match to Auburndale on Oct. 7 in Tigerton, losing by scores of 25-18, 25-6, 25-10.

Skyler Hauser finished the match with 10 total kills and six digs for Tigerton, while Abby Swartz added four total kills.

Jaycee Hoppe-Schmidt tallied 12 digs and three service points for the Tigers. Elizabeth Robbins posted a team-leading 11 assists, while Bethany Jobe had five service points.

Northland Lutheran 3

Bowler 0

Bowler dropped a CWC-North match to Northland Lutheran by scores of 25-15, 25-21, 25-22 on Oct. 5 in Kronenwetter.

Tia Kroening recorded six attack kills, three aces and 12 digs to lead Bowler. Morgan Paiser added five attack kills and nine digs, while Brandi Spencer finished with 13 assists and seven digs.

Shianne Pike served four aces and had six digs for the Panthers.

Ava Paiser was credited with eight assists, while Bertina Dodge chipped in seven digs.

Tomahawk 3

Witt-Birn 1

Wittenberg-Birnamwood dropped a nonconference match to Tomahawk on Oct. 7 in Tomahawk, losing by scores of 25-14, 24-26, 25-11, 25-19.

Reese Rogowski led Witt-Birn with 17 attack kills and 17 digs, while London Metropulos posted 17 total kills. Jadalynn Davids contributed 19 digs and four block kills.

Kiara Deruchowski served 20 times for the Chargers while also tallying six aces. Lilly Betry totaled 16 assists, while Payton Foster had 15 assists.

WVL 3

Tigerton 0

Tigerton was swept by scores of 25-16, 25-21, 25-20 in a CWC-North match against Wisconsin Valley Lutheran on Oct. 5 in Mosinee.

Elizabeth Robbins tallied 12 assists and 11 digs for Tigerton, while Jaycee Hoppe-Schmidt had 22 digs. Skyler Hauser recorded 12 digs, seven attack kills and four block kills.

Bethany Jobe contributed eight service points and four attack kills for Tigerton. Abby Swartz posted 10 digs and Samantha Suehring had seven service points.

Witt-Birn 3

Amherst 1

Wittenberg-Birnamwood moved

to within a win of the CWC-East title after taking down Amherst on Oct. 5 in Amherst. Witt-Birn won by scores of 25-23, 20-25, 25-19, 25-15.

Reese Rogowski finished the match with 23 digs, 13 attack kills and five aces for Witt-Birn. London Metropulos added 19 attack kills and six block kills. Jadalynn Davids also tallied 23 digs on the night.

Lilly Betry led the Chargers with 21 assists, while Payton Foster had 19 assists. Kiara Deruchowski posted 18 digs and Layla Huffman had four block kills.

Bowler 3

White Lake 0

Bowler earned a Central Wisconsin Conference-North Division win over White Lake on Oct. 4 in Bowler, winning by scores of 25-15, 25-13, 25-16.

Tia Kroening and Bertina Dodge had four attack kills each for Bowler. Dodge also served five aces and tallied five digs, with Kroening adding four aces and four digs.

Ava Paiser totaled seven assists and five aces for the Panthers. Brandi Spencer led the team with 10 assists and eight aces.

Bowler had 26 aces as a team.

BOYS SOCCER

Columbus Catholic 8

Gresham/Bowler 0

Gresham/Bowler was blanked by Columbus Catholic in a CWC match on Oct. 4 in Marshfield.

James Davids Jr. made 15 saves for the co-op.

WIAA board approves spring sport rule changes

The Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association Board of Control approved two baseball recommendations and one track and field coaches' request as well as created a competitive balance subcommittee at its October meeting on Oct. 7.

The board approved a baseball coaches' recommendation to adopt language requiring seed meetings to be conducted in-person or via real-time electronic means. Seed meetings conducted by email and fax were eliminated. The second recommendation supported was seeding the divisions 2, 3 and 4 brackets in half sectionals (including two regionals) beginning in 2023.

The one track and field recommendation advanced and approved

by the board extends the sunset clause, originally approved by the board in 2017, for determining divisional placements. This will provide one more year of data collection, which lost a year of compiling data in 2020 with the cancellation of the season and the perceived unique participation numbers in 2021.

A competitive balance subcommittee was created to determine the formation and composition of the committee to include a percentage that reflects the demographics of the membership and committee structure with gender and ethnic representation.

With guidance of the WIAA Sports Medical Advisory Committee, the board voted to reimplement

the requirement for member schools to complete the COVID-19 System Checklist form for all regular season and tournament series contests beginning Oct. 11. The form re-emphasizes the importance of identifying student-athletes that may have COVID-19 symptoms prior to competing.

In other action items, the board approved the football-only conference realignment fast track proposal that moves St. Francis from the Metro Classic Conference to the Midwest Classic Conference, and moves Watertown Luther Prep from the Midwest Classic Conference to the Metro Classic Conference for fall 2022.

Also approved was the reformation

of the \$8.4 million 2021-22 operational budget that recognizes the addition of the state girls wrestling tournament as well as revenue and expenses of a new process for state tournament facility contracts and tournament series apparel sales.

Other discussions included a review of the 2021 area meetings, a membership survey to gauge the interest in adding lacrosse as a WIAA-sponsored sport, ongoing information on the recruitment and retention of licensed sport officials, and a potential amendment for the 2022 annual meeting that would reduce the penalty for voluntarily withdrawing from a conference in football to be consistent with all other sports.

ATHLETE PROFILE: TIA KROENING

Bowler senior does a bit of everything

Bowler High School senior Tia Kroening does a little bit of everything for the volleyball team.

During the team's 2-0 mark at a triangular on Oct. 9 in Phelps, Kroening posted five digs and four aces in the team's win over Phelps.

Kroening totaled 12 digs, six attack kills and three aces in the team's Central Wisconsin Conference-North Division match on Oct. 5 against Northland Lutheran. She posted four attack kills, four aces and four digs in a conference win over White Lake on Oct. 4.

Kroening recorded 12 digs and five aces in a loss to Gresham back on Oct. 1. The senior totaled seven attack kills, five digs and four aces in a victory over Tigerton on Sept. 14.

The Bowler senior tallied six digs, four kills and three aces back on Sept. 7 in a clash against Marion.

Q: When did your interest in volleyball begin?

A: My interest in volleyball began in sixth grade. When the season came around, I decided to play and I loved the sport ever since.

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

A: My favorite part about this season is playing time. I love that I'm playing with my friends one last year.

Q: What has volleyball taught you over the years?

A: Volleyball has definitely taught me how to be a team leader. It really taught me how to be a good teammate, especially to the younger ones who start high school volleyball.

Q: Being a senior, how have you tried to help lead the team this fall?

A: I've helped try to lead the team by getting them hyped even when we're losing so we don't play worse. We all just have to pick each other up even when we're in the worst moods.



Bowler's Tia Kroening leaps up to hit the ball during the team's match against Gresham on Aug. 28 in Gresham.

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Q: Do you have any individual goals you hope to accomplish by the end of the season?

A: I don't have hops, so my goal is to at least get one block this season. And another goal I have is to jump serve by the end of the season. I've

come close to getting a block but it hasn't happened yet.

Q: In order for the team to have success down the stretch of the season, what needs to happen?

A: The team really needs to communicate more and need to have

AT A GLANCE

ATHLETE: Tia Kroening

SPORT: Volleyball

POSITIONS: Several

SCHOOL: Bowler High School

YEAR: Senior

more confidence in themselves in order to have more wins.

Q: Do you have any rituals you go through before a volleyball match starts?

A: I have to get myself hyped before the game because otherwise I won't have a good game. And by getting hyped, Bertina (Dodge) and I jam to City Girls. I also have to mentally prepare myself before the game.

Q: What's your favorite memory of competing on the Bowler volleyball team?

A: My favorite memory was when I was at practice and I had my first pancake because I never could pancake a ball before.

Q: Favorite movie, TV show and music artist?

A: TV show — "Reservation Dogs," "All American" and "On My Block." Movie — "Friday." Music artist — J. Cole and Polo G.

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

A: I feel like everyone knows everything about me because I'm an open book.

Q: What's the greatest piece of advice you have ever been told?

A: The best piece of advice that I heard was "chase your dreams even if they're faster than you."

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

A: I hope to accomplish graduating college and being very successful in life.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Wisconsin uses running game to roll over Illinois

Mellusi, Allen over 100 rush yards each

By TERRY TOWERY
The Associated Press

Chez Mellusi ran for 145 yards and a touchdown and Wisconsin beat Illinois 24-0 on Oct. 9.

Braelon Allen rushed for 131 yards and a touchdown on 18 carries and John Chenal carried nine times for 38 yards and a touchdown for the Badgers.

Wisconsin quarterback Graham Mertz was 10-of-19 passing for 100 yards with an interception. The Badgers (2-3, 1-2 Big Ten Conference) outgained Illinois 491-93 yards in total offense.

Coming into the game, Wisconsin ranked third in the nation and led the Big Ten in total defense, allowing just 249 yards per game and allowing just 4.3 yards per play. Illinois (2-5, 1-3) had been showing progress in its running game.

Something had to give. On Saturday, it was the Illinois running game.

“Our defensive coaches put

together a good plan to counter the running game,” Wisconsin coach Paul Chryst said. “But the kids bring it to life.”

Chase Brown led all Illinois rushers with 35 yards on eight carries. Brown rushed for 257 yards against Charlotte last week and tied his career high with two rushing touchdowns.

Illinois starting quarterback Brandon Peters was 3-of-7 passing for 30 yards before sustaining an unknown injury while being sacked in the second quarter. Artur Sitkowski replaced him and went 8 of 27 for 55 yards.

After the game, Illinois coach Bret Bielema said he had no update on Peters or star linebacker Jake Hansen, who also left the game in the first half due to an unknown injury.

Born to run

The Badgers established the run early, scoring on a 17-yard Collin Larsh field goal late in the first quarter to cap an 18-play, 67-yard drive that featured just three passes.

Wisconsin boasts one of the

toughest run defenses in the country, and Illinois has one of the best run offenses.

But the Illini didn’t run the ball until the first series of the second quarter when Josh McCray rushed for no gain near the Illinois goal line following a Kerby Joseph interception that prevented a Wisconsin touchdown.

“They’re a good defensive team, I get that,” Bielema said. “We have some work to do. This was another step in the process. It’s not pleasant, but we have to own it.”

Wisconsin outgained Illinois 206-33 in the first half despite Mertz going 3-of-9 passing for 15 yards. Illinois rushed for 21 yards and passed for just 12 before intermission.

Wisconsin led 10-0 at the break.

School record

Wisconsin tight end Jake Ferguson caught a pass in his 39th straight game, breaking the school record for consecutive games with a reception previously held by wide receiver Lee Evans, who played for the Badgers from 2000-03.

The big picture

The Badgers won the game on the scoreboard, but it’s clear this is a team struggling to find itself offensively. Chryst and his staff will have to rectify that if Wisconsin wants to compete in the Big Ten West.

“It’s obvious we have some things to clean up,” Chryst said. “We’ll be working on that this week.”

Illinois coach Bielema was facing his old team and trying for his 100th career coaching win, but his team was listless and ineffective from the opening kickoff.

Since the Illini offense didn’t show up, it was up to the defense to try to entertain a large homecoming crowd. The crowd cheered derisively when Illinois got its fifth first down of the game – early in the fourth quarter.

“Gotta give credit to Wisconsin,” Bielema said. “They executed their game plan very well. We have some things to work on.”

Up next

Wisconsin will host Army on Saturday.

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BOWLING		
Resch Lanes — Thursday Men's League		
Team	W	L
Melody Mill	24	11
Legacy Seed Pro	22	13
Golden Eagle Res.	21	14
RJ Auto Repair	20	15
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Resch Lanes	13	22
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Chet & Emil's Tuesday Commercial		
Team	W	L
Kautza Excavating	8	4
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Clark Construction	7	5
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Chet & Emil's	4	8
High team scratch games: Kautza Excavating 1,029, Clark Construction 1,000, Chet & Emil's 906.		
High individual scratch games: Eric Schultz 253, Jared Szews 240, Jeremy Praslowicz 234, Brian Rew 234.		
High team scratch series: Clark Construction 2,804, Kautza Excavating 2,741, Chet & Emil's 2,633.		
High individual scratch series: Eric Schultz 679, Doug Kunst 601, Bob Ecker 590.		
Resch Lanes — Monday Ladies Handicap		
Team	W	L
Fandrey Construction	10	2
Lisa's Lakeside	6	6
Resch Lanes	5 1/2	6 1/2
Tavern Front	5	7
Strike-a-pose	5	7
Fantastic Sams	4 1/2	7 1/2
High team handicap games: Fantastic Sams 2,427, Strike-a-pose 2,355.		
High individual handicap games (top 7): Jordyn Krueger 268, Heather Giddings 267, Cheyanne Korbish 223, Cassandra Kreitzer 215, Brenda Rondeau 205, Cassandra Eckes 204, Cassie Wierzba 193.		
High team handicap series: Fandrey Construction 888, Resch Lanes 786.		
High individual handicap series (top 7): Jordyn		

Krueger 636, Heather Giddings 623, Cassandra Eckes 545, Brenda Rondeau 532, Cheyanne Korbish 514, Cassie Wierzba 502, Cassandra Kreitzer 501.		
Chet & Emil's Wednesday Business		
Team	W	L
CWAA	10	2
Kessen Auto Body	9	3
S&M Tool	7	5
TLC Auto Body	6	6
Melody Mill	5	7
Rew Motors Inc.	4	8
Chet & Emil's	4	8
Kropf's Meat Pro	3	9
High team scratch games: S&M Tool 1,055, CWAA 986, Melody Mill 929.		
High individual scratch games: Tim Lemke 279, Jeremy Praslowicz 238, Lane King 229.		
High team scratch series: S&M Tool 3,009, CWAA 2,731, Melody Mill 2,656.		
High individual scratch series: Steve Preuss 733, Doug Kunst 639, Tyler Krull 609.		
Resch Lanes — Wednesday Night Handicap		
Team	W	L
Resch Lanes	29	6
Mama's Place	22	13
Slammers	21	14
Liberty Potatoes	19	16
Rachel's Roadside	15	20
Hanke's Sentry Foods	13	22

Kemmer Electronics	11	24
Tavern Front	10	25
High team handicap games (top 3): Tavern Front 1,258, Kemmer Electronics 1,202, Hanke's Sentry Foods 1,185.		
High individual handicap games (top 7): Derrick Jehn 333, Jim Borchardt 295, Adrian Czerwonka 291, Steve Burkhart 283, Jason Resch 278, Will Kubeny 278, Kris Poehnelt 276.		
High team handicap series (top 3): Tavern Front 3,672, Kemmer Electronics 3,477, Rachel's Roadside 3,429.		
High individual handicap series (top 7): Derrick Jehn 857, Adrian Czerwonka 791, Steve Burkhart 790, Will Kubeny 752, Kris Poehnelt 749, Kurt Zeinert 741, Jim Borchardt 734.		
Chet & Emil's Monday Women's League		
Team	W	L
Cady Home	10	2
Banner Banks	7	5
Chet & Emil's	4	8
Star Campsite	3	9
High team handicap games: Cady Home 731, Banner Banks 712, Chet & Emil's 691.		
High individual handicap games: Kim Zeller 200, Tanya Rekow 198, Tracy Anderson 192.		
High team handicap series: Banner Banks 2,102, Cady Home 2,066, Chet & Emil's 2,018.		
High individual handicap series: Tanya Rekow 580, Karla Kunst 563, Kim Zeller 552.		

HIGH SCHOOL GOLF

No area golfers qualify for state tournament

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

No area girls golfers or teams were able to qualify for state despite some strong round at sectionals.

Shawano and Pulaski each competed at the Division 1 Wausau East/West Sectional on Oct. 4 at Greenwood Hills Country Club in Wausau.

Bonduel and Oconto Falls individual golfers took part in the Division 2 Wrightstown Sectional on Oct. 5 at Hilly Haven Golf Course in De Pere.

Teghan Kristof and Sophia Eggert represented Shawano at sectionals.

Kristof just missed an individual state spot after firing a round of 89. That score was good enough for a tie for 10th place and was just five shots back of the final individual state qualifier.

"The front nine went well. I figured out the greens and my short game was on. On the back nine I got in my own head and could not hit my driver,

which made things a little harder for me," said Kristof, a junior. "Qualifying for sectionals meant a lot to me. I worked hard all season to get to that point."

Eggert tied for 17th with a round of 94.

"Sectionals was fun and tough. What went well for me was my tee to green. I struggled around the greens and they were tough," said Eggert, a freshman.

"Qualifying for sectionals meant a lot to me and it was a great experience. This motivates me to get farther next year."

Pulaski competed as a team, finishing eighth with a score of 400.

Sophomore Vivien Ninham led the Red Raiders with a round of 97. Senior Olivia Follese (99) and sophomore Ella Ficarri (100) also had strong days on the course.

Junior Summer Jaeger (104) and sophomore Danika Holewinski (113) rounded out the Pulaski five-golfer

team.

Ava Pleshek and Sarah Garside represented Bonduel, while Kate Pytleski golfed for Oconto Falls at sectionals.

Pleshek, a senior, turned in a round of 95 in her final high school event. She tied for 14th and was six shots back of the last state qualifier.

"Qualifying for sectionals my senior year was always one of my biggest goals ever since I was a freshman," said Pleshek. "After golfing regionals I was a little disappointed because I did not think I golfed well enough to move on. It was a really emotional round of golf but in the end I was super excited to have qualified for sectionals."

"I am thankful for the sport of golf and everything it has taught me over the years. I couldn't have asked for a better way to end the season."

Garside, a junior, posted a round of 103 to tie for 29th on the day.

"My round of golf today was decent. My drives improved quite a bit from the beginning of the season

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Full results from sectionals can be found at <https://www.wiaawi.org/sports/fall/girls-golf/tournament>.

and it really helped today. I definitely could've done better with my putting, but it's still OK," said Garside, who added sectionals showed her what she needs to improve on for next season.

Pytleski ended her junior season with a round of 101, good enough for a 26th-place finish.

"I hit the ball really well today, however the fast greens really messed up my putting, which did totally damaged my score card," said Pytleski.

"Qualifying for sectionals was a great feeling and I loved representing my school! However, I do wish that we could have qualified as a team. This experience will prepare me for next season because I now know to learn to adapt to faster greens at different courses."

HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS

Pulaski No. 1 doubles team advances to sectionals

By **NEW MEDIA STAFF**

The Pulaski High School No. 1 doubles team of Paige Vanderveren and Madeline Diefenthaler earned one win at the Division 1 Notre Dame Subsectional on Oct. 4 in Green Bay to advance to sectionals.

The duo then lost their lone match at the Division 1 Manitowoc Lincoln Sectional on Oct. 7 in Manitowoc. Vanderveren and Diefenthaler were defeated 6-2, 6-1 by Appleton North's Anna Vechart and Caroline Thaxton.

Shawano earned four wins at the subsectional, but the team didn't advance any players to sectionals.

Jenna Ainsworth (No. 2), Adison Moesch (No. 3) and Elise Pyatskowit (No. 4) won in singles action for the Hawks, while the No. 2 doubles team of Sarah Carroll and Anna Etten also picked up a win.

Singles: No. 1: Siera Bellue GREEN BAY SOUTHWEST def. Rylie Anderson SHAWANO, 6-0, 6-2; Lucy Lawton NOTRE DAME def. Kelsey Waggoner PULASKI, 6-4, 6-1; **No. 2:** Jenna Ainsworth SHAWANO def. Kylie

Coel PULASKI, 6-4, 6-0; Allie Brosteau BAY PORT def. Ainsworth, 6-3, 6-1; **No. 3:** Adison Moesch SHAWANO def. Rylee Miller PULASKI, 6-1, 6-2; Aneasha Prathigudupu ASHWAUBENON def. Moesch, 6-0, 6-1; **No. 4:** Elise Pyatskowit SHAWANO def. Isabella Skalecki PULASKI, 4-6, 6-3, 7-5; Jordan Domnick ASHWAUBENON def. Pyatskowit, 6-0, 6-0.

Doubles: No. 1: Paige Vanderveren-Madeline Diefenthaler PULASKI def. Rae Wied-Lucia Bosco NOTRE DAME, 6-3, 7-5; Haley Toole-Gabi Hodgson BAY PORT def. Kate Williams-Nicole Piantek SHAWANO, 6-4, 6-3; Anna Vechart-Caroline Thaxton APPLETON NORTH def. Vanderveren-Diefenthaler, 6-2, 6-1; **No. 2:** Sarah Carroll-Anna Etten SHAWANO def.

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Full subsectional results can be found at <https://www.wiaawi.org/Sports/Fall/Girls-Tennis/Tournament>.

Katie Greene-Sophia Richards NOTRE DAME, 6-2, 6-1; Mayghan Bongle-Karleigh Conradt ASHWAUBENON def. Carroll-Etten, 6-0, 6-1; Olivia Nygaard-Ellie Faldetta BAY PORT def. Olivia Shelly-Mikalah Due PULASKI, 6-0, 6-1; **No. 3:** Adeline Curran-Rachel Klarkowski GREEN BAY SOUTHWEST def. Kloie Boyles-Kylie Teetzen SHAWANO, 6-1, 6-3; Ellie Flanigan-Katelyn Pawlak BAY PORT def. Lucy Piczkowski-Cianna Czarnecki PULASKI, 7-5, 6-1.



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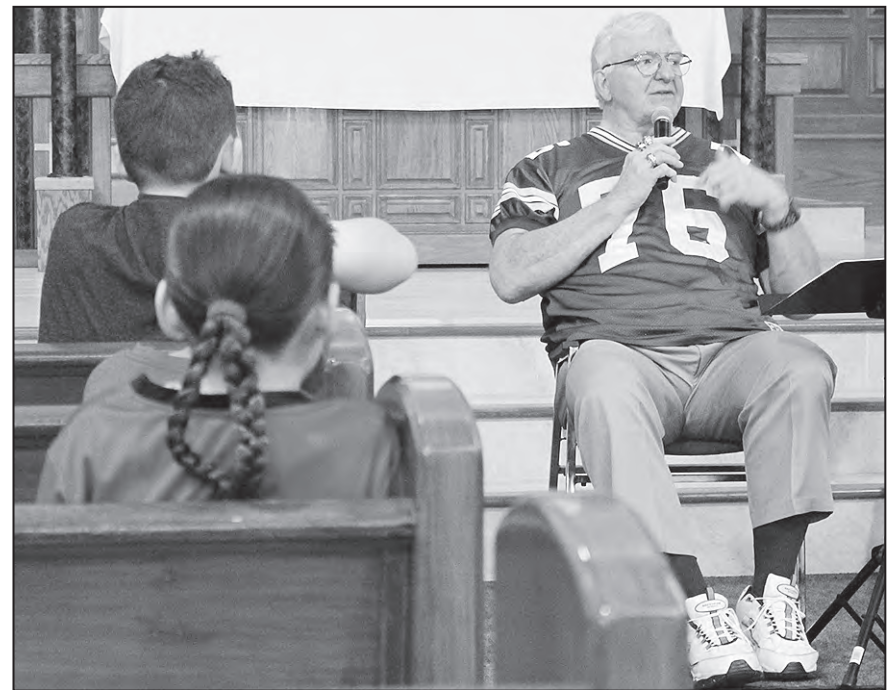
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Former Packer visits Sacred Heart



Mike McCoy, former NFL and Green Bay Packers player, came to Sacred Heart Catholic School in Shawano on Oct. 5, to speak to students in grades 3-8. Students were asked to reflect on their own friendship and how they treat those around them. McCoy played defensive tackle in the 1970s for the Packers, Oakland Raiders and New York Giants. He is now at Notre Dame University where he runs a ministry program speaking to students across the country.

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Food center gets big bucks



Shawano Area Food Center recently received a \$15,000 grant from the COVID-19 Community Response Fund, established by the Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region and United Way Fox Cities, with additional generous donations from the community. Accepting the grant are Merrie Crawford, left, and Marsha Hoefts with the food center. This grant will assist with increased cooler and freezer needs at the food distribution warehouse, which assists area food pantries in accepting and storing delivered food orders from Feeding America, Hunger Relief, TEFAP and local food retailer/distributor donations.

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OPINION

Majority of America wants social media cover-up

We realized all too well recently how much we depend on social media in our lives when we tried getting into Facebook and were told that no connection could be made for a six-hour period. Those who tried getting into Instagram were also out of luck. WhatsApp? Denied.

There were a couple of moments when I wondered if our push to be technologically advanced had come back and knocked us on our keisters, if maybe it had been decided that the digital ties we've all made to other people around the country and around the world needed to be cut. How easy would it be to flip the switch and shut off those social media sites, especially in light of the recent "60 Minutes" piece on the Facebook whistleblower?

Of course, it appears there are plenty of people who wouldn't be that upset. I received an email the other day that a company called Redact conducted a survey of 3,360 social media users, and among Wisconsin residents, 60% of them want all of their social media posts erased once they die, citing concerns that existing social media content posted in the past might now be controversial or contentious.

The Redact survey found majorities of people in every state, save



LEE PULASKI

for Wyoming, would prefer that their social media accounts be deleted for this. Additionally, there are other states with higher percentages of people who would just as soon not let future generations see what they said, thought or looked like in a string bikini once they kicked the bucket. In neighboring Minnesota, 81% of respondents said yes, while in Iowa, the response was 85% in favor. In my home state of Arizona, 69% said kill the social media accounts.

The survey also revealed that almost half of respondents admit old social media posts differ from their current opinions, and two-fifths say they avoid posting about politics on Facebook and other sites for fear of being ostracized. Also, 27% said they make their social media profiles private when they're job hunting.

It's rather interesting that, in this era of cancel culture, so many people want to cover their heads when it comes to being hesitant about putting their name to the opinions

they post. Sadly, many people go ahead and post the strangest and most outrageous viewpoints on a whim, as anger or arrogance give them the confidence to stick it to whomever they don't like.

I'm a little baffled as to why only 27% of respondents in Wyoming confirmed they wanted their social media accounts erased. Are people really confident in that state of their convictions? Do they look back at the wacky fashions they modeled five or 10 years ago and just think, good times?

It's an interesting commentary on people in general. By extension, the folks who want their social media obliterated are wanting to hide from their pasts. Sure, we all say and do things that are stupid and that we regret, but it's usually better to admit that we're flawed than to perpetuate the lie that we're amazing and can do no wrong. Besides, if we're dead, why should we care what people think of us at that point?

The Redact survey also indicated that social media users are already trying to rewrite their history. While being locked down during the pandemic, about 38% of respondents said they used their spare time to 86 any embarrassing posts

from the past.

It's kind of a shame that people don't want to leave such mementos of their life untouched to be part of a historical record. There has never been an easier way to chronicle people's lives and show what society was like at this point in time. Instead of searching for human remains or tattered papers, historians in the 22nd century and beyond can look at the internet as a data gold mine.

Instead, people are letting their vanity win out. Folks are too worried about the public's perception of them, long after they're dead and turned to dust. It's absurd not to be an individual and instead join the rest of the flock as being sheep. America claims to be a melting pot with different cultures and abilities, but at the end of the day, a majority of folks would rather blend in than stand out.

As for me, I want my social media accounts to stay how they are. Maybe there are a few things that make me look idiotic, but that's OK. Let history deem me either a genius or a moron. I'll be dead anyway, so why should I care?

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Election review in state flawed, unnecessary

To the editor:

I am frustrated with the review of the 2020 election in Wisconsin. The excuse is to regain public trust in our elections. The county and municipal clerks I know take their responsibility for conducting fair and transparent elections by the rules seriously. Except for hardcore partisans I don't

believe there is concern for the conduct of the election. Accusations have already been investigated and debunked through legitimate election audits and court decisions.

Why are taxpayers funding this duplicative, biased, politically motivated, and incompetent review? Speaker Robin Vos and legislative leadership chose to spend \$676,000 of taxpayer money on this gambit. At least the recently concluded "audit" in Arizona was paid for by those who

wanted it — not by taxpayers.

Michael Gableman, who Vos chose to lead this investigation, has demonstrated he does not approach the review with an open mind, but in word and deed has demonstrated he is extremely partisan and given to acceptance of baseless conspiracy theories. This leads me to conclude this review is less a legitimate quest for knowledge than a political stunt.

The only reasons I see for this charade are to feed false narratives

of election irregularities which further threaten our democracy and to attempt to gain political advantage on the part of the majority party leadership, on the public's dime.

I urge all rank-and-file members of the legislature to work on the leadership to cancel Gableman's contract and end this travesty. I further call on all citizens to contact their legislators to demand an immediate end to this flawed, unnecessary review.

Ken Harter, Oconto Falls

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BOOKS AND STUFF

'The Man by the Sea' tells haunting tale

I managed to get quite a bit done outside, thanks to the unusually nice fall weather. So by evening, I was more than ready to sit in my recliner and read. This week it was Jack Benton's "The Man by the Sea."



JAN JONES

Slim Hardy is a mess. He had a severe drinking problem long before his wife left him and he was tossed out of the Army. Even the untrained eye would catch that Slim suffers from post-traumatic stress disorder after his failure to notice a small detail caused his commanding officer to be blown to bits.

At this point, Slim is trying to reinvent himself as a private detective in a small English town. Emma Douglas hires Slim to find out if her husband, Ted, is having an affair. Slim considers it to be a basic surveillance job. He has no idea that he has stepped into a tangled tale of death.

Each Friday afternoon, Ted Douglas leaves his job and drives to Cramer Cove where he walks on the beach, opens a book and appears to read aloud. Within a month Slim is certain that there

is no affair, but he is intrigued by Ted's odd behavior. Slim manages to get a small bug attached to Ted's jacket. Tapping the knowledge of an old friend, Slim learns that Ted is reading archaic Latin from an extremely old book of incantations. He is either begging the deceased to return to him or return to the place of the dead.

A search of town records reveals that over the years, several deaths have occurred at Cramer Cove. The first was Joanna Bramwell, who died the night before her wedding. Later, an 8-year-old girl died there. Then a middle-aged woman. Locals say that Joanna's ghost killed them, but Slim knows something worse was at play.

The townspeople won't talk about any of the deaths, so Slim must depend on his own drunken abilities. Going far back into Ted and Joanna's history, Slim finds that they were both in a Shakespearean play. According to the director, Ted was deeply in love with Joanna, but she was engaged to someone else.

Things get ugly when Ted's car is burned. Then his rental car crashes, leaving Ted in a coma. To learn more about Ted and Emma, Slim becomes Emma's lover. Soon his apartment is torched, and the flash drive of the investigation taken. Others claim to have seen Joanna's ghost, and Slim has seen

AT A GLANCE

BOOK: "The Man by the Sea" (Slim Hardy Mystery, Book 1)

AUTHOR: Jack Benton

PUBLISHER: AMMFA Publishing

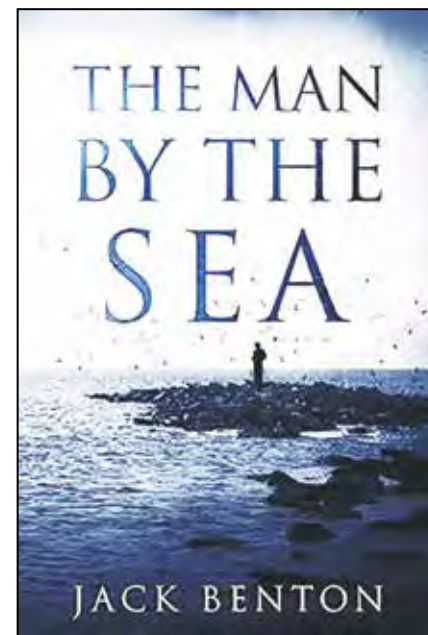
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someone at the cove. Is Joanna alive and seeking revenge, or is that what a killer wants Ted to believe?

When it all comes together, Slim knows that Ted's mother was a veterinarian, where he learned about the earliest version of the powerful drug, ketamine. He gave it to Joanna hoping she would sleep on the beach and miss her wedding. Before Ted could get there, dog walkers found her and assumed she was dead. Joanna woke up at the morgue and went wild. The ketamine had damaged her brain.

After the attendants and a police officer knocked her out, they took her to the cove and threw her off the cliff. The body of an unknown prostitute was buried in her place. Amazingly, Joanna survived the fall, but her brain damage made her fearful and violent, so she took shelter in an old pirate cave. However, it was Emma who killed Joanna and the others. She had been in the same acting company as Ted and Joanna, but he hadn't noticed her, so it was easy to use a different



name and marry him years later, but she couldn't shake his obsession with Joanna.

That jealousy and anger turned Emma into a heartless killer. The story takes an unexpected turn when Slim wakes up on the verge of Cramer Cove's cliffs. Emma has drugged him and tied him up, so he expects to fall to his death at any minute. To his amazement, Emma walks to the cliff and jumps.

Benton hints that Slim may be getting control of his drinking. I'll have to read the next book and see.

Website keeps parents in the know on school events

Oftentimes I get asked, "How do I find out what is going on in the



GARRETT ROGOWSKI

Wittenberg-Birnamwood School district this week?" With many activities again taking place throughout the district, parents and community members are looking to fill their time with the opportunities and entertainment our youth teams, clubs and many organizations provide.

For a district our size, we have great participation at all levels. It makes our schools a very busy place,

from often times as early as 6:30 a.m. until after 9 p.m. at night. That's what we want. We want our schools to be open to the public, the hub of local activity and a true representation of opportunity that our students of all ages can learn, grow and thrive from. So if you're looking for something to do in and around our great school district, but just not sure how to navigate the website to find it, here is a quick and easy method of finding what you're looking for:

- Go to the Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District website at www.wittbirn.k12.wi.us.
- Hover over the "district" tab at the top of the page and click on "Calendar." Here's where you have some options.
- The easiest option is to scroll

all the way down until you see the monthly calendar on which many different activities are listed. If you hover over the activity of your choice and click your mouse, a new smaller window will pop up that will list the event you chose, the date, time and location.

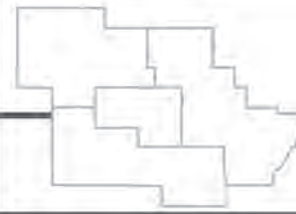
- Another option to get a more specific search for maybe a team or activity that you want to see the schedule for the entire length of the season would be to scroll about one-third of the way down the page and click on "rSchool Calendar of Sporting Events."

- Here, go to the right hand side of the page where you see a physical calendar for the month. Click on "View Schedules" below the calendar. Choose a sport or activity by

clicking on the box to the left of the sport/activity. Click "View" below that. It will take just a second or two to load, and then the schedule for that specific sport/activity for the entire season will appear in a new window. There, it can be emailed to others or printed off.

Hopefully, this helps in learning how to better navigate our Wittenberg-Birnamwood School district website for those that are a little more unfamiliar with using it. We hope to see you at the many activities we have going on throughout the year.

Garrett Rogowski is the superintendent for the Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District.



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New body cameras on sheriff's wish list

Bieber seeks same cams as Shawano police, which come with \$400K price tag

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

The current body cameras worn by Shawano County deputies have become obsolete, and Sheriff Adam Bieber is hoping to get them replaced, along with the cameras installed in the squad cars.

The measure would still have to get through the Shawano County Board of Supervisors, and the price tag of \$400,000 might cause some debate and disagreement. However, Bieber wants to be sure that the cameras are in place to protect law enforcement and the general public. He noted that having the body cameras has helped to save time in the investigation of an officer-involved shooting involving a county deputy, even though the case is not resolved.

"All that was captured on body camera, and it really cleared up what really happened," Bieber said. "It answered a lot of questions as soon as we were able to watch that body camera."



The current Vie Vu cameras used by Shawano County deputies are obsolete, said Sheriff Adam Bieber. He is seeking to spend \$400,000 for new Watchguard cameras to serve as body cams and squad car dashboard cams.

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The county is looking at purchasing Watchguard body cameras, the same brand that the Shawano Police Department uses. The current county cameras, purchased through Vie Vu in 2016, are no longer fixable due to the company being bought out and main-

tenance being terminated, according to Bieber. He said it has become necessary to find another company, and it makes sense to go with Watchguard.

"Technology evolves, and it doesn't take that long for it to rotate out," Bieber said. "This company has shut

down Vie Vu and is making their own cameras now."

With the potential for including cameras for the squad vehicles, the offer is a good one, in Bieber's view. Holding off on the deal will just raise the price tag down the line, he said.

"Nothing in that realm is cheap, but we believe it's crucial," Bieber said. "It's a crucial tool to our police officers, and it's crucial to the citizens of Shawano County that we serve. That camera serves a purpose. Everything's recorded."

The new cameras would also allow for cloud-based video storage, instead of requiring space from the county's servers. The video footage would automatically be uploaded so deputies would not have to do that manually anymore, according to Bieber.

"We want to take that out because it's a chain of custody issue," he said. "You're relying on your deputy to download the evidence, which at times could incriminate that deputy."

Bieber noted that many of his deputies would be unwilling to work

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without the body cameras, noting that it would put them in the position where it would be their word against a suspect's word. Having the video gives law enforcement an advantage, he said.

"Over 90% of the complaints that come about our deputies — our deputies did this, said this — and we tell the complainant that we'll review the camera, and when they realize we have body cameras, they don't want to pursue any complaints," Bieber said. "It helps clear our officers much more in the end."

When the county purchased the Vie Vu cameras in 2016, it did so in concert with the Stockbridge-Munsee Police Department. The tribe purchased the cameras, Bieber said, while the county paid for the storage.

This time around, Bieber is looking at using some of the American Rescue Plan Act funds the county has received to pay for the cameras, as the ARPA money is intended for one-time purchases. He said that the county's general fund is also a potential source to pay for the cameras.

As far as any naysayers who might say the price tag is too high, Bieber pointed out that putting money into an outdated system of cameras would be a bigger waste of taxpayer funds.

Besides serving as protection — or proof of wrongdoing — for an officer, the body camera footage is often demanded by the court system, Bieber said. He noted that it often takes more than an officer's testimony to put a criminal away in prison.

"It helps with the judicial process and really keeps everything on an even keel," Bieber said.

The sheriff is concerned that there could be more officer-involved shootings locally. He noted that neighboring Oconto County has already had two this year.

"It's not slowing down," he said.

Bieber noted the sheriff's department is fortunate to be a little ahead of the curve in having the technology needed to fight crime. He noted that the Green Bay Police Department only last year decided to get body cameras for its officers, and that was because the Green Bay Packers ponied up the money so they could be available.

"There are pockets of law enforcement who don't have them," Bieber said, noting his department came on board five years ago, and the city police first purchased cameras back in 2013. "We don't want to lose them; we want to keep them."

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Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District Official Minutes of the Board of Education August 23, 2021

Meeting called to order by President Chuck Wendler, Pursuant to WI.STATS.1984 (1). Superintendent Rogowski verified that this meeting was posted and published as required by law.

Roll Call of the Board: All nine Board members present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approve the Minutes: (Olson - Schmidt) moved to approve the minutes of the July 26, 2021 regular meeting as circulated. Motion carried.

Delegations & Communications: In attendance along with Board members were: Garrett Rogowski, Joy Hartleben, Randy Berndt, Megan Marcks, Vicky Haas, Bill Hass, John Rudeen, Jeff Miller, Becky Wendel, Matt McGregor, Luke Reimer, Shannon Seegmiller, Jennifer Groshek, Ben Rasmussen, Jamie Rasmussen, Larry Krueger, Carrie Nueske, Tanya Bagley, Jackie Berndt, Joann Kekula and others not sign in.

Public Comments: Joann Kekula updated the Board on the Florida band trip.

Board Concerns & Reports: A thank you from the Dave Ward family was received for the memorial gift.

The Buildings and Grounds Tour - it was very nice to see all the updates and additions to the District - everything looks great.

Financial Report: (Magee - Schmidt) Moved to pay the following as of August 23, 2021: Budgetary checks numbering 104602-104693 in the amount of \$227,822.64, payroll checks numbering 142198-142220 in the amount of \$195,309.25, direct deposit advices in the amount of \$343,147.30, ACH payments in the amount of \$249,258.81 and credit card payments in the amount of \$17,654.93. I make a motion to approve all journal entries made for the month of July. Roll call vote: 9 yes Motion carried.

Superintendent Rogowski reported a cash on deposit as of July 31, 2021, of \$3,283,169.99 and LGIP

Account balance as of July 31, 2021 of \$895.72.

Approve Agenda: (Stewart - Pietz) moved to approve the agenda with one closed session item concerning a parent request Motion carried.

Administrative Reports: Matt McGregor went over the building projects that are still in the works. Many items will be shored up before the start of school, however the concession stand will not be completed until the end of September although the space can be occupied. B'wood sinks will not be in until the second week of Sept. Bus garage plans are being sorted through.

Randy Berndt, Birnamwood Elem/Ms Principal, shared some important dates. The Charger Way Committee planned theme for 2021-2022 is Be the "I" in Kind, and organized opening week activities. Custodians continue to make final preparations for the return of staff and students.

Vicky Haas, Wittenberg Elem/MS Principal, also shared some important dates and welcomed new staff. The revised PBIS framework is now called SPARK (Showing Positive Attitude, Respect and Kindness). Everything is ready for students' arrival.

Bill Hass, High School Principal, stated that the building is ready to go. He received a call from the Technical College with information on WB students completing Tech courses. We have some really good numbers.

Megan Marcks, Pupil Services Director, stated that 3 year old screening will take place August 25th and 26th. All Special Education positions are filled. Summer institute session went well during July, there are a few additional training being held in August as well.

Jeff Miller, Maintenance Supervisor, updated the Board on the school buildings and stated that they had found a 2nd shift custodian.

Garrett Rogowski, Superintendent, thanked the custodial team and tech team for getting classrooms up and running.

Paul Yaeger, Transportation Director, wanted to inform the Board that we have 11 routes and we lost two full time drivers with a possibility of another. We may need to hire drivers. Right now just trying to be creative with routes.

Garrett went over the WB Proposed Illness Guidelines for the 21-22 school year and it was open for discussion. Several guests had questions and Nurse Wendel along with Garrett answered these questions.

(Schmidt- Stewart) moved to accept the proposed guidelines as presented.. Motion carried.

(Stewart - Magee) moved to approve the resignation of Kerry Kefir as Special Education Para. Motion carried. Kerry has been with the District for the past year.

(Schmidt - Olson) moved to approve the hire of Charity Hess as Special Education Para, compensation being \$12.64/hr. Motion carried.

(Magee - Schmidt) moved to approve the hire of Hunter Williams as 2nd Shift Custodian at Wittenberg Elem/MS, compensation being \$14.20/hr. Motion carried.

(Stewart - Hanson) moved to approve the hire of Katie Stegeman as JV2 Volleyball Coach. Motion carried.

(Schmidt - Olson) moved to approve the hire of Lynne Seljan as Grade 4 and 5 Interventionist, compensation being \$22/hr., 20 hours per week. Motion carried.

(Stewart - Schmidt) moved to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Joy Hartleben
School Board Secretary

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RED ZONE WOES

Packers look to fare better
inside 20-yard line

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Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers, left, yells out instructions to teammates during the team's game against the Pittsburgh Steelers on Oct. 3 at Lambeau Field in Green Bay. GREG MELLIS | NEW MEDIA

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Pack's offense, defense struggling in red zone

Defense has yet to stop opposing offense inside 20

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Green Bay Packers are riding a four-game winning streak, sit atop the NFC North standings and appear to be in the hunt for one of the top seeds in the conference again. But there's a common theme through the first five games that's cause for concern — red zone efficiency on both sides of the ball.

Through five games, the Packers' offense has made it to the red zone 20 times, a top-five mark in the NFL. Once Green Bay has reached the opponent's 20-yard line, things have slowed down, only scoring touchdown on 11 of those possessions.

The 55% touchdown rate is one of the worst in the league.

Like he does for most problems or issues on the team or inside the organization, coach Matt LaFleur took responsibility.

"Speaking from an offensive standpoint, I've got to do a much better job of putting our guys in a better position," said LaFleur. "I didn't like a couple of the sequences, just some of the play calls for the situations (against the Bengals)."

The 55% mark is a drastic dropoff from last year's league-leading mark of 80%, when the team scored touchdowns on 48 of its 60 red zone trips. That mark helped the Packers score the most points in the league.

The team's inability to finish off drives have kept the Packers from putting opponents away, and it has forced the defense to make some timely stops.

"It starts with me and then, you know, when the plays are there, then we have to execute a little bit better," said LaFleur.

What makes the offenses' red zone inefficiency a bit more puzzling is that many of the players who were part of last year's offense are still on the roster this year. The only noticeable changes are on the offensive line, and the makeshift line hasn't had any troubles moving the ball into the red zone.

LaFleur did note that when you are one of the best units in the league, that other teams study their tendencies and figure out what made them so successful. He added his next task is to have



Green Bay Packers defenders Adrian Amos, bottom, and Henry Black, left, try and take down Pittsburgh Steelers running back Najee Harris during the team's Oct. 3 game at Lambeau Field in Green Bay. The Packers' defense has yet to keep an opposing offense out of the end zone after it reached the red zone this season.

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counters to what's slowed the team down so far. He also believes the team had plays that would have gotten the job done but just didn't "dial them up."

The Packers' offense will look to improve in the red zone against one of the NFL's best red zone defense so far this season in the Chicago Bears. Sixteen times opposing offenses have reached the red zone against Chicago, and the Bears have only allowed six touchdowns.

For as strong as the Packers' defense has looked since week one, its red zone defense has been the farthest thing from strong. In fact, Green Bay's defense hasn't stopped an opponent once after they've reached the red zone, with scores on all 13 attempts.

"Defensively, it really comes down

to making sure that everybody is doing their job," said LaFleur. "I've got no issue with what we called down there, but we didn't execute."

"You can't have nine guys doing their job — if two guys aren't doing their job then it's going to be tough to stop anybody. So we need all 11 on the same page and make sure that communication is on point, and then we got to go out there and execute."

A year ago, it was a bend but don't break approach most weeks for the Packers' defense. Opponents made it to the red zone 52 times, but only scored touchdowns on 30 of those trips.

The 57.7% mark was a top-10 mark in the league.

The Packers' defense has made up

for some red zone troubles by forcing eight turnovers already, a top-10 ranking so far.

The defenses' red zone woes are a bit more understandable given all the injuries and new faces on that side of the ball. Without the likes of cornerback Jaire Alexander and pass-rushing linebacker Za'Darius Smith, it might take that side of the ball a bit longer to turn in results like the defense had a year ago.

The defense will next take on a Bears' offense that has been decent in the red zone so far this season. Chicago has scored touchdowns on eight of its 13 trips inside the 20.

Crosby caps bad day with game-winner

Green Bay now 4-1 on the season

By **JEFF WALLNER**

The Associated Press

Talk about difficult decisions. Packers head coach Matt LaFleur had a huge one to make late in overtime of Sunday's game against the Bengals. He could have gone on fourth-and-inches to extend the drive, or allow Mason Crosby — who had missed three straight field goal attempts and an extra point in the game — to attempt a 49-yard field goal with 1:55 left in OT.

"It was just fourth-and-inches. I went over to Mason and I said, 'Hey, what do you think?' I saw the look in his eyes. There was zero flinch from him," LaFleur said. "If I felt anything different, we were going for it."

Not often have the Packers lacked confidence in their veteran kicker, but this was no ordinary day.

A total of five field goals were missed in the Packers' 25-22 win, three by Crosby and two by the Bengals' Evan McPherson. According to Elias, it was the first time three potential winning field goals were missed in the fourth quarter or overtime.

Crosby came in hot. He'd made 24 straight field goal attempts and 20 consecutive extra points dating to last season. He was 11 for 11 on PATs and 6 for 6 on field goals to start this season.

Crosby's last miss before Sunday came in the 2019 season finale against Detroit. But on a breezy Sunday at Paul Brown Stadium, those streaks came to an abrupt end.

"I have every confidence I'm going to make every kick," Crosby said. "I had a couple go bad there. I was really happy to hit that last one. There was a little bit of relief."

It was Crosby's worst game since a 2018 loss to Detroit when he missed four field goals and an extra point. The Packers were doing everything to change the karma prior to Crosby's last kick.

Receiver Davante Adams said he didn't watch. Aaron Rodgers said he stood at the end of the sideline rather than in the middle like he had for Crosby's misses.

"I was just trying to not be too superstitious," said LaFleur. "I just was holding my breath."

It also was a rough day for the rookie McPherson. He has two winning

field goals already this seasons, but missed both of his attempts Sunday.

"People think that when you're a kicker, you just make kicks. It's not an easy task doing that," Adams said.

McPherson believed so strongly in his 49-yard attempt to win the game in OT that he celebrated by leaping into holder Kevin Huber's arms, before realizing the kick sailed wide left.

"I mean, I honestly was celebrating before the ball, I guess, curved to the

left," McPherson said. "Maybe a gust of wind caught it at the last second. I struck it well. You know I'm upset about it but there's nothing I can do about it now, just kind of move on to Detroit and the next kick."

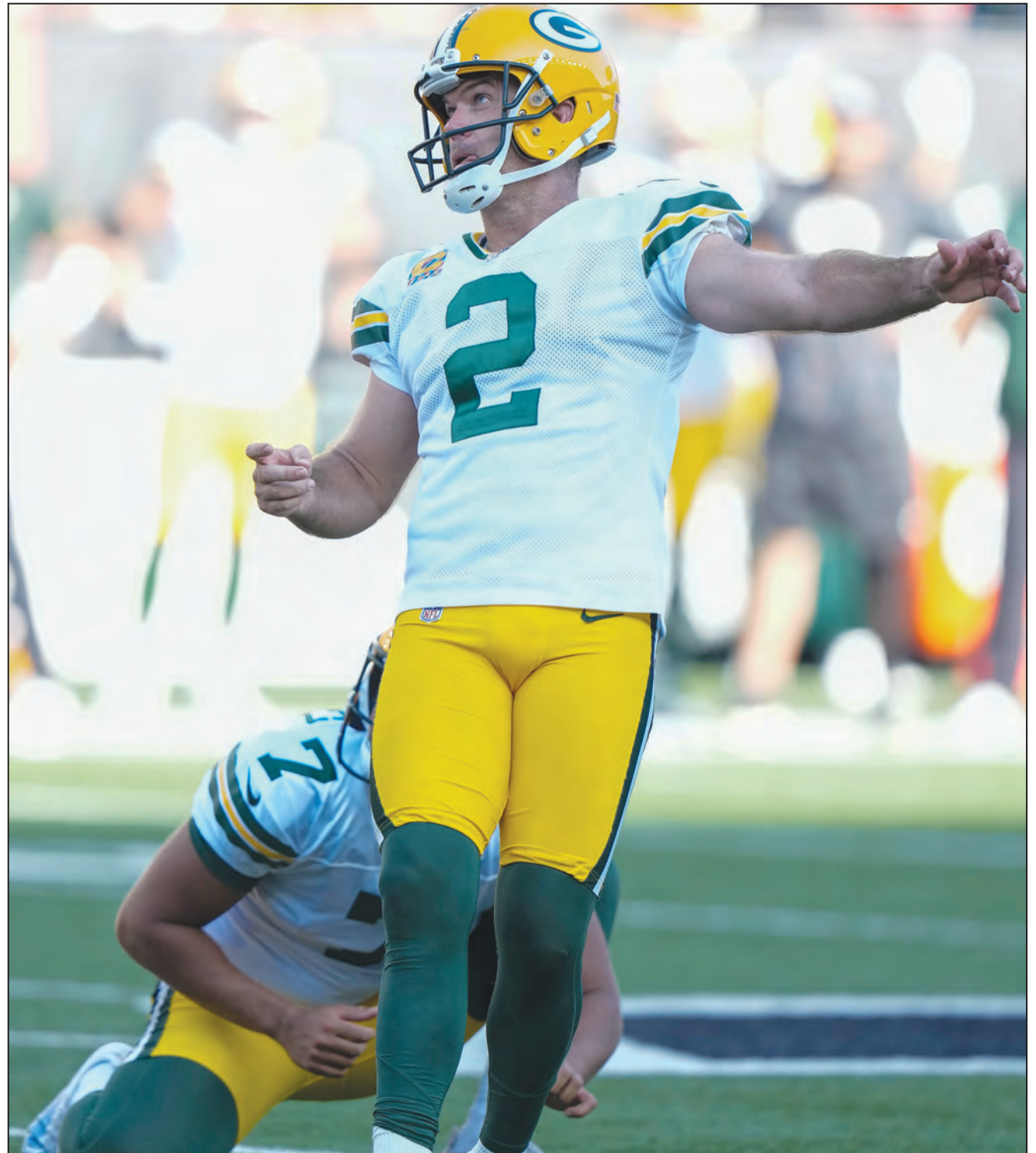
McPherson could have won the game in regulation, but his 57-yard attempt caromed off the right upright with 26 seconds left.

"We have a lot of faith in Evan," said Bengals head coach Zac Taylor.

"He's going to hit a lot of those."

Crosby and McPherson went a combined 4 for 9 on field goals Sunday. Crosby, who missed the PAT following the Packers' first touchdown, said he and McPherson met after the game to discuss their strange afternoon.

"You live, you learn," Crosby said. "We're going to look at the film like we do every time, make or miss. I need to find a line on those and knock them through."



Green Bay Packers kicker Mason Crosby (2) kicks a winning field goal from the hold of Corey Bojorquez during overtime in a game against the Cincinnati Bengals on Oct. 10 in Cincinnati.

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#	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	AGE	EXP.	COLLEGE
2	Mason Crosby	K	6-1	207	37	15	Colorado
7	Corey Bojorquez	P	6-0	217	25	4	New Mexico
8	Amari Rodgers	WR	5-9	212	22	R	Clemson
9	Jaylon Smith	LB	6-2	235	26	5	Notre Dame
10	Jordan Love	QB	6-4	219	22	2	Utah State
12	Aaron Rodgers	QB	6-2	225	37	17	California
13	Allen Lazard	WR	6-5	227	25	3	Iowa State
17	Davante Adams	WR	6-1	215	28	8	Fresno State
18	Randall Cobb	WR	5-10	195	31	11	Kentucky
20	Kevin King	CB	6-3	200	26	5	Washington
21	Eric Stokes	CB	6-0	194	22	R	Georgia
22	Shemar Jean-Charles	CB	5-10	184	23	R	Appalachian State
24	Isaac Yiadom	CB	6-1	190	25	4	Boston College
26	Darnell Savage	S	5-11	198	24	3	Maryland
28	AJ Dillon	RB	6-0	247	23	2	Boston College
29	Rasul Douglas	CB	6-2	209	26	5	West Virginia
31	Adrian Amos	S	6-0	214	28	7	Penn State
32	Kylin Hill	RB	5-10	214	23	R	Mississippi State
33	Aaron Jones	RB	5-9	208	26	5	Texas-El Paso
36	Vernon Scott	S	6-2	202	24	2	TCU
39	Chandon Sullivan	CB	5-11	189	25	4	Georgia State
41	Henry Black	S	6-0	204	24	2	Baylor
42	Oren Burks	LB	6-3	233	26	4	Vanderbilt
43	Hunter Bradley	LS	6-3	241	27	4	Mississippi State
44	Ty Summers	LB	6-1	241	25	3	TCU
51	Krys Barnes	LB	6-2	229	23	2	UCLA
52	Rashan Gary	LB	6-5	277	23	3	Michigan
53	Jonathan Garvin	LB	6-4	257	22	2	Miami
54	La'Darius Hamilton	LB	6-2	261	23	1	North Texas
58	Isaiah McDuffie	LB	6-1	227	22	R	Boston College
59	De'Vondre Campbell	LB	6-3	232	28	6	Minnesota
62	Lucas Patrick	G	6-3	313	28	5	Duke
67	Jake Hanson	C	6-4	296	24	1	Oregon
70	Royce Newman	T/G	6-5	310	24	R	Mississippi
71	Josh Myers	C/G	6-5	310	23	R	Ohio State
73	Yosh Nijman	T	6-7	314	25	2	Virginia Tech
74	Elgton Jenkins	G	6-5	311	25	3	Mississippi State
76	Jon Runyan	G	6-4	307	24	2	Michigan
77	Billy Turner	G/T	6-5	310	29	8	North Dakota State

79	Dennis Kelly	T	6-8	321	31	10	Purdue
81	Josiah Deguara	TE	6-2	238	24	2	Cincinnati
84	Tyler Davis	TE	6-4	252	24	2	Georgia Tech
85	Robert Tonyan	TE	6-5	237	27	4	Indiana State
86	Malik Taylor	WR	6-1	220	25	2	Ferris State
89	Marcedes Lewis	TE	6-6	267	37	16	UCLA
90	Jack Heflin	DL	6-3	304	23	R	Iowa
91	Preston Smith	LB	6-5	265	28	7	Mississippi State
93	T.J. Slaton	DL	6-4	330	24	R	Florida
94	Dean Lowry	DL	6-6	296	27	6	Northwestern
95	Tyler Lancaster	DL	6-3	313	26	4	Northwestern
96	Kingsley Keke	DL	6-3	288	25	3	Texas A&M
97	Kenny Clark	DL	6-3	314	26	6	UCLA
Reserve/Injured							
23	Jaire Alexander	CB	5-10	196	24	4	Louisville
25	Will Redmond	S	5-11	186	27	6	Mississippi State
47	Chauncey Rivers	LB	6-2	259	24	1	Mississippi State
49	Dominique Dafney	TE	6-2	243	24	1	Indiana State
55	Za'Darius Smith	LB	6-4	272	29	7	Kentucky
56	Randy Ramsey	LB	6-3	238	26	2	Arkansas
83	Marquez Valdes-Scantling	WR	6-4	206	27	4	South Florida
Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform							
69	David Bakhtiari	T	6-4	310	30	9	Colorado
Practice Squad							
6	Kurt Benkert	QB	6-3	218	26	2	Virginia
11	J.J. Molson	K	5-11	180	24	1	UCLA
16	Chris Blair	WR	6-2	198	24	R	Alcorn State
19	Equanimeous St. Brown	WR	6-5	214	25	4	Notre Dame
27	Patrick Taylor	RB	6-2	217	23	1	Memphis
30	Shawn Davis	S	5-11	202	23	R	Florida
38	Innis Gaines	S	6-1	202	23	R	TCU
45	Bronson Kaufusi	TE	6-6	270	30	3	Brigham Young
46	Steven Wirtel	LS	6-4	228	24	1	Iowa State
48	Kabion Ento	CB	6-1	187	25	2	Colorado
50	Tipa Galeai	LB	6-5	229	24	1	Utah State
57	Ray Wilborn	LB	6-3	230	24	1	Ball State
64	Ben Braden	G	6-6	329	27	2	Michigan
78	Cole Van Lanen	T/G	6-4	305	23	R	Wisconsin
88	Juwann Winfree	WR	6-1	210	25	2	Colorado
99	R.J. McIntosh	DL	6-5	286	25	4	Miami



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6	Danny Trevathan	LB	6-0	234	31	10	Kentucky
8	Damien Williams	RB	5-11	225	29	7	Oklahoma
9	Nick Foles	QB	6-6	262	32	10	Arizona
10	Damiere Byrd	WR	5-9	175	28	6	South Carolina
11	Darnell Mooney	WR	5-11	173	23	2	Tulane
12	Allen Robinson II	WR	6-2	220	28	8	Penn State
14	Andy Dalton	QB	6-2	219	33	11	TCU
16	Pat O'Donnell	P	6-4	223	30	8	Miami (Fla.)
17	Jakeem Grant Sr.	WR	5-7	172	28	6	Texas Tech
18	Jesse James	TE	6-7	251	27	7	Penn State
19	Breshad Perriman	WR	6-1	210	28	7	UCF
20	Duke Shelley	DB	5-9	176	25	3	Kansas State
21	Xavier Crawford	DB	5-11	185	25	3	Central Michigan
22	Kindle Vildor	DB	5-11	189	23	2	Georgia Southern
23	Marqui Christian	DB	5-11	195	26	5	Midwestern State
24	Khalil Herbert	RB	5-9	212	23	R	Virginia Tech
25	Artie Burns	DB	6-0	187	26	4	Miami (Fla.)
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38	Tashaun Gipson Sr.	DB	6-1	207	31	8	Wyoming
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48	Patrick Scales	LS	6-3	226	33	6	Utah State
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57	Christian Jones	LB	6-3	245	30	8	Florida State
58	Roquan Smith	LB	6-1	232	24	4	Georgia
64	Alex Bars	OL	6-5	334	26	3	Notre Dame
65	Cody Whitehair	OL	6-3	316	29	6	Kansas State
67	Sam Mustipher	OL	6-2	332	25	2	Notre Dame
68	James Daniels	OL	6-4	327	24	4	Iowa
70	Elijah Wilkinson	OL	6-6	322	26	5	Massachusetts
71	Jason Peters	OL	6-4	328	39	18	Arkansas
73	Lachavious Simmons	OL	6-5	319	25	2	Tennessee State

74	Germain Ifedi	OL	6-5	344	27	6	Texas A&M
80	Jimmy Graham	TE	6-7	259	34	12	Miami (Fla.)
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87	Jesper Horsted	TE	6-4	241	24	2	Princeton
90	Angelo Blackson	DL	6-4	315	28	7	Auburn
91	Eddie Goldman	DL	6-3	325	27	6	Florida State
92	Caleb Johnson	LB	6-2	227	23	R	Houston Baptist University
94	Robert Quinn	LB	6-4	245	31	11	North Carolina
95	Khyiris Tonga	DL	6-4	338	25	R	BYU
96	Akiem Hicks	DL	6-4	335	31	10	Regina (Canada)
97	Mario Edwards Jr.	DL	6-3	277	27	7	Florida State
98	Bilal Nichols	DL	6-4	302	25	4	Delaware
99	Trevis Gipson	LB	6-4	263	24	2	Tulsa

Active/Physically Unable to Perform

29	Tarik Cohen	RB	5-6	196	26	5	North Carolina A&T
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Reserve/Injured

32	David Montgomery	RB	5-11	224	24	3	Iowa State
75	Larry Borom	OL	6-5	333	22	R	Missouri
76	Teven Jenkins	OL	6-6	321	23	R	Oklahoma State

Practice Squad

13	Rodney Adams	WR	6-1	188	27	2	South Florida
15	Nsimba Webster	WR	5-10	180	25	3	Eastern Washington
17	Brian Johnson	K	6-1	182	23	R	Virginia Tech
27	Thomas Graham Jr.	DB	5-11	197	22	R	Oregon
31	Artavis Pierce	RB	5-11	208	25	2	Oregon State
35	Ryan Nall	RB	6-2	240	25	3	Oregon State
37	Teez Tabor	DB	6-0	193	25	3	Florida
49	Charles Snowden	LB	6-7	245	23	R	Virginia
53	Arlington Hambricht	OL	6-5	309	25	2	Colorado
60	Dieter Eiselen	OL	6-4	320	25	1	Yale
72	Tyrone Wheatley Jr.	OL	6-6	326	24	R	Stony Brook
78	Sam Kamara	LB	6-2	288	23	R	Stony Brook
82	Isaiah Coulter	WR	6-2	198	23	2	Rhode Island
83	Dazz Newsome	WR	5-10	184	22	R	North Carolina
86	Jon'Vea Johnson	WR	6-0	191	25	2	Toledo
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GREEN BAY PACKERS (4-1)
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THE SERIES

Packers vs. Bears
All-time, regular season: 100-94-6
All-time, postseason: 1-1
All-time, at Bears: 51-53-2
Streaks: The Green Bay Packers have dominated the Chicago Bears since 2009, winning 21 of the 25 matchups. Green Bay's last loss against Chicago came in 2018. In the team's 202 total matchups, the Packers have outscored the Bears 3,541-3,465. Chicago has outscored Green Bay 1,883-1,805 in the 106 matchups in Chicago.

Last meeting, regular season: Jan. 3, 2021, Packers won 35-16 in Chicago. Aaron Rodgers threw four touchdowns in the win as Green Bay rallied from an early deficit.

SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time	TV
Sept. 12	at New Orleans	Loss 38-3	
Sept. 20	vs. Detroit	Win 35-17	
Sept. 26	at San Francisco	Win 30-28	
Oct. 3	vs. Pittsburgh	Win 27-17	
Oct. 10	at Cincinnati	Win 25-22	
Oct. 17	at Chicago	noon	FOX
Oct. 24	vs. Washington	noon	FOX
Oct. 28	at Arizona	7:20	FOX
Nov. 7	at Kansas City	3:25 p.m.	FOX
Nov. 14	vs. Seattle	3:25 p.m.	CBS
Nov. 21	at Minnesota	noon	FOX
Nov. 28	vs. L.A. Rams	3:25 p.m.	FOX
BYE WEEK			
Dec. 12	vs. Chicago	7:20 p.m.	NBC
Dec. 19	at Baltimore	noon	FOX
Dec. 25	vs. Cleveland	3:30 p.m.	FOX
Jan. 2	vs. Minnesota	7:20 p.m.	NBC
Jan. 9	at Detroit	noon	FOX

OFFENSE

RB
Aaron Jones
A.J. Dillon



QB
Aaron Rodgers
Jordan Love



WR
Davante Adams
Malik Taylor



TE
Robert Tonyan
Tyler Davis



RT
Billy Turner
Dennis Kelly



RG
Royce Newman
Lucas Patrick



C
Josh Myers
Jake Hanson



LG
Jon Runyan
Lucas Patrick



LT
Elgton Jenkins
Yosh Nijman



TE
Marcedes Lewis
Josiah Deguara



WR
Allen Lazard
Randall Cobb



DEFENSE

CB
Kevin King
Shemar Jean-Charles



DE
Dean Lowry
Jack Heflin



NT
Kenny Clark
T.J. Slaton



DE
Kingsley Keke
Jack Heflin



CB
Eric Stokes
Chandon Sullivan



OLB
Preston Smith



ILB
Krys Barnes
Oren Burks



ILB
De'Vondre Campbell
Ty Summers



OLB
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WR

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RT

Germain Ifedi
Elijah Wilkinson

RG

James Daniels
Alex Bars

C

Sam Mustipher
Cody Whitehair

LG

Cody Whitehair
Alex Bars

LT

Jason Peters
Elijah Wilkinson

TE

Cole Kmet
Jimmy Graham

WR

Darnell Mooney
Damire Byrd

RB

Damien Williams
Khalil Herbert

QB

Justin Fields
Andy Dalton

DEFENSE

CB

Jaylon Johnson
Artie Burns

DT

Akiem Hicks
Angelo Blackson

NT

Eddie Goldman
Khyiris Tonga

DE

Bilal Nichols
Mario Edwards Jr.

CB

Kindle Vildor
Duke Shelley

OLB

Khalil Mack
Trevis Gipson

ILB

Alec Ogletree
Christian Jones

ILB

Roquan Smith
Joel Iyegbuniwe

OLB

Robert Quinn
Jeremiah Attaochu

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Tashaun Gipson Sr.
DeAndre Houston-Carson

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Eddie Jackson
Deon Bush

SCHEDULE

Sunday's Games
Miami at Jacksonville (in London), 8:30 a.m.
Kansas City at Washington, noon
L.A. Rams at N.Y. Giants, noon
Houston at Indianapolis, noon
Cincinnati at Detroit, noon
Green Bay at Chicago, noon
L.A. Chargers at Baltimore, noon
Minnesota at Carolina, noon
Arizona at Cleveland, 3:05 p.m.
Las Vegas at Denver, 3:25 p.m.
Dallas at New England, 3:25 p.m.
Seattle at Pittsburgh, 7:20 p.m.

Monday's Game
Buffalo at Tennessee, 7:15 p.m.

Teams on bye: Atlanta, New Orleans, N.Y. Jets, San Francisco

Thursday's Game
Denver at Cleveland, 7:20 p.m.

STANDINGS

NFC East					AFC East				
Team	W	L	T		Team	W	L	T	
Dallas	4	1	0		Buffalo	4	1	0	
Washington	2	3	0		New England	2	3	0	
Philadelphia	2	3	0		Miami	1	4	0	
N.Y. Giants	1	4	0		N.Y. Jets	1	4	0	
North					North				
Team	W	L	T		Team	W	L	T	
Green Bay	4	1	0		Baltimore	4	1	0	
Chicago	3	2	0		Cincinnati	3	2	0	
Minnesota	2	3	0		Cleveland	3	2	0	
Detroit	0	5	0		Pittsburgh	2	3	0	
South					South				
Team	W	L	T		Team	W	L	T	
Tampa Bay	4	1	0		Tennessee	3	2	0	
Carolina	3	2	0		Houston	1	4	0	
New Orleans	3	2	0		Indianapolis	1	4	0	
Atlanta	2	3	0		Jacksonville	0	5	0	
West					West				
Team	W	L	T		Team	W	L	T	
Arizona	5	0	0		L.A. Chargers	4	1	0	
L.A. Rams	4	1	0		Las Vegas	3	2	0	
Seattle	2	3	0		Denver	3	2	0	
San Francisco	2	3	0		Kansas City	2	3	0	

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KEYS TO THE GAME

By **BILL HUBER**
Correspondent

The Green Bay Packers (4-1) travel to take on the Chicago Bears (3-2) at noon Oct. 17 at Soldier Field. FOX will televise the game.

History

Green Bay leads the series 100-94-6. The Packers are 4-0 under coach Matt LaFleur and have won nine of the last 10 and 13 of the last 15 overall. For his career, Aaron Rodgers has a 20-5 record against the Bears.

Coaches

Green Bay – Matt LaFleur, 30-7, third season. Chicago — Matt Nagy, 31-22, fifth season.

When the Packers have the ball

Green Bay had its best game of the season by posting 466 yards last week against Cincinnati but saw its point total decline for the third consecutive week. For the brilliance of Aaron Rodgers, Davante Adams and Aaron Jones, Green Bay's attack has been mediocre. It enters this week ranked 12th with 24 points per game. That's down almost eight points per game from last year's league-leading total.

Incredibly, Green Bay isn't in the top 10 in any of the major statistical categories, including total offense (21st), third down (11th) and the red zone (27th). The red-zone issues are confounding. The NFL has been tracking that stat since 1999. Last season, the Packers' 80% touchdown rate was No. 1 during that period.

The matchup against Chicago will mark the third time that Green Bay has faced a top-10 scoring defense. New Orleans is fourth, and Cincinnati and Chicago are tied for eighth. Unlike the Bengals, the Bears have a few elite players. That's why they're ninth in total defense (332.4 yards per game), eighth in yards allowed per carry (3.93) and third in the red zone (37.5% touchdowns). That unit crushed the high-flying Raiders offense in Chicago's 20-9 win Sunday.

First-year coordinator Sean Desai operates out of a 3-4 alignment. Many of the names are familiar.

The big names on the defensive line are Akiem Hicks and Eddie Goldman, but the stalwart is underrated Bilal Nichols. The 31-year-old Hicks isn't quite the game-wrecker of yesteryear. He had 22½ sacks



Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers runs with the ball during the team's win over the Pittsburgh Steelers on Oct. 3 at Lambeau Field in Green Bay. Rodgers and the Packers' offense will look to keep producing and utilizing all available weapons this weekend against the Chicago Bears.

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and 38 tackles for losses from 2016 through 2018 but only five sacks and nine tackles for losses the past two-plus seasons.

Khalil Mack and Robert Quinn are the quarterback-sacking outside linebackers. Mack has five sacks and Quinn has four-and-a-half as the Bears are No. 1 in the NFL in sack percentage. It's a blast-from-the-past season for the 30-year-old Mack, who had 12½ sacks and six forced fumbles in his first season with Chicago in 2018 but "only" nine sacks in 2020 to earn Pro Bowl honors for the sixth consecutive year.

Mack, who has at least one sack in four consecutive games, has rushed mostly from the defense's left side this season, meaning a steady diet of right tackle Billy Turner. Quinn had only two sacks last year, his first season with Chicago. He'll be a big test for whomever lines up at left tackle, Yosh Nijman or Elgton Jenkins. Trevis Gipson has two sacks off the bench.

Roquan Smith and Alec Ogletree have been the inside linebackers. Smith leads the team with 50 tackles. He is coming off a magnificent season of 139 tackles, four sacks, 18 tackles for losses, two interceptions

and seven passes defended. He is an all-around menace.

Ogletree, who is on his fourth team in five years, has 30 tackles. Smith's usual sidekick, Danny Trevathan, opened the season on injured reserve but returned last week. After playing 10 snaps, he figures to get more playing time this week.

Against Las Vegas, Jaylon Johnson and Kindle Vildor started at corner, Duke Shelley manned the slot, and Eddie Jackson and Tashaun Gipson were the safeties. A second-round pick last year, Johnson has one interception and a team-high six pass breakups. He is really good. According to Pro Football Focus, he's allowed just 9-of-23 passing. That 39.1% is fourth-best among corners.

If the Packers can protect Rodgers, there's plays to be made against the rest of this group.

There might not be a more dangerous defensive back in the NFL than Jackson because he's lethal if he gets the ball in his hands with 10 interceptions and six defensive touchdowns in his four-plus seasons.

When the Bears have the ball

Joe Barry's defense is coming off its best performance of the season in holding an impressive Cincinnati offense to just two touchdowns and 22 points. It coaxed second-year quarterback Joe Burrow into two interceptions. This week, it will face rookie first-round pick Justin Fields.

Of 32 qualifying quarterbacks, Fields is 31st in passer rating (64.5), 31st in yards per attempt (6.36) and 32nd in completion percentage (51.4). It's not that Fields is bad. The bottom four in passer rating are all rookies. He's got a rifle arm and excellent mobility.

Allen Robinson and Darnell Mooney are the primary receivers. Robinson is the big name. He had 98 receptions in 2019, when he topped 100 yards in both games against Green Bay, and 102 catches in 2020.

Mooney, though, is the budding standout. A fifth-round pick last year, Mooney leads the way with 20 receptions for 261 yards. Their 37 combined receptions represent half the team's total.

With standout running back David Montgomery on injured reserve and scatback Tarik Cohen on the physically unable to perform list, the Bears went with Damien

Williams and rookie sixth-round pick Khalil Herbert as the one-two punch against the Raiders. They combined for 139 yards on 34 carries. In his eighth season, Williams never has had to carry the load. In fact, he's got only 1,368 rushing yards in his career. He's got 10 catches.

At tight end, Cole Kmet has 10 catches for 81 yards. Former Packers tight end Jimmy Graham has just one catch for 11 yards.

The offensive line consists of left tackle Jason Peters, left guard Cody Whitehair, center Sam Mustipher, right guard James Daniels and right tackle Germain Ifedi.

At age 39, Peters is one of the oldest starters in the NFL and one of a league-high 14 players who are 30 or older. He is starting for injured first-round pick Teven Jenkins and might be the best player on the unit. It's been a jail break behind that wall. The Bears have the league's worst sack percentage by a wide margin.

With a rag-tag line and a rookie quarterback, Chicago is 30th in the NFL in scoring with 16.8 points per game. It's last in yards per game (240), yards per play (4.15), passing per game (113.2) and passing per play (4.64). It's 28th on third down

but 17th in the red zone. Green Bay is the only team to allow a touchdown on every red-zone possession.

Special teams

After a woeful performance at Cincinnati in which Mason Crosby missed four kicks, Corey Bojorquez shanked a punt and the kickoff coverage unit allowed a 44-yard return, the Packers will face a major challenge against Chicago.

The Bears recently acquired Jakeem Grant from Miami. The 5-foot-7, 171-pound speedster has career averages of 24.7 yards per kickoff return and 9.9 yards per punt return. In his Chicago debut last week, he had punt returns of 21 and 17 yards and a kickoff return of 32 yards. For perspective, the Packers haven't had a 20-yard punt return since 2018.

Cairo Santos has solved the Bears' long-standing issues at kicker. He is 7-of-7 on field goals after making 30-of-32 last year.

Veteran Pat O'Donnell ranks fourth with a lofty 49.8-yard average on punts.

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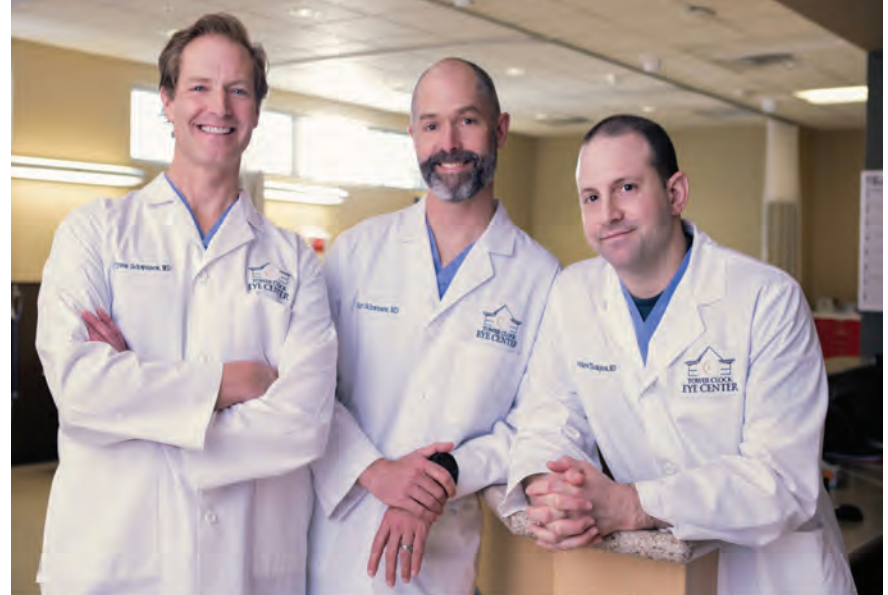
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Week 6 Games: Sunday, Oct. 17

Teams on bye:
Atlanta, New Orleans, NY Jets & San Francisco

Tampa Bay @ Philadelphia Thurs., Oct. 14
Miami @ Jacksonville (London)
LA Chargers @ Baltimore
Minnesota @ Carolina
Cincinnati @ Detroit
Houston @ Indianapolis
LA Rams @ NY Giants
Kansas City @ Washington
Arizona @ Cleveland
Las Vegas @ Denver
Dallas @ New England
Seattle @ Pittsburgh
Buffalo @ Tennessee Mon., Oct. 18

Tie Breaker Game: Green Bay @ Chicago

Weekly Standings

	Weekly Record	Overall Record
God's Purpose Apparel	11-5.....	56-24
Buss Automotive.....	12-4.....	53-27
Morgan Rode	12-4.....	52-28
Shawano Seasons Restaurant.....	12-4.....	52-28
Tim Murphy	13-3.....	52-28
Tower Clock Eye Center.....	11-5.....	52-28
22 Shell.....	10-6.....	51-29
Dennis Brei.....	10-6.....	51-29
Shawano Place Assisted Living.....	10-6.....	51-29

Weekly Standings

	Weekly Record	Overall Record
B & C Auto Recycling.....	12-4.....	50-30
Hawkeye Hearty & Home	11-5.....	50-30
Idell Johnston State Farm Ins Agent.....	11-5.....	49-31
P & D Sales & Service	9-7	48-32
Smokey Joe's	12-4.....	47-33
Iverson's Piggly Wiggly.....	7-9.....	45-35
Gehm's Club 117	10-6.....	44-36
Cirrinity/Wittenberg Telephone	10-6.....	43-37
Senn Insurance.....	11-5.....	43-37



This Week's Winner: Tim Murphy



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This Week's Picks:

Tampa Bay
Jacksonville
LA Chargers
Minnesota
Cincinnati
Indianapolis

LA Rams
Kansas City
Cleveland
Las Vegas
New England
Seattle

Buffalo

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score : Green Bay 27 @ Chicago 24



Tim Murphy
Shawano
Leader

This Week's Picks:

Tampa Bay
Miami
LA Chargers
Carolina
Cincinnati
Indianapolis

LA Rams
Kansas City
Arizona
Las Vegas
Dallas
Pittsburgh

Buffalo

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 30 @ Chicago 20



Dennis Brei
Oconto County
Times Herald

This Week's Picks:

Tampa Bay
Miami
Baltimore
Carolina
Cincinnati
Indianapolis

LA Rams
Kansas City
Arizona
Las Vegas
Dallas
Pittsburgh

Buffalo

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 34 @ Chicago 17

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This Week's Picks:

Tampa Bay	LA Rams	Buffalo
Miami	Kansas City	
Baltimore	Cleveland	
Carolina	Denver	
Cincinnati	Dallas	
Indianapolis	Pittsburgh	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 27 @ Chicago 17



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This Week's Picks:

Tampa Bay	NY Giants	Tennessee
Miami	Washington	
LA Chargers	Arizona	
Minnesota	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	New England	
Houston	Pittsburgh	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 35 @ Chicago 21



Amber
Smokey Joe's
& JDoggs

This Week's Picks:

Tampa Bay	LA Rams	Buffalo
Miami	Kansas City	
Baltimore	Arizona	
Minnesota	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	New England	
Indianapolis	Pittsburgh	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 27 @ Chicago 17



Robert Buss
Buss
Automotive

This Week's Picks:

Tampa Bay	LA Rams	Buffalo
Miami	Kansas City	
Baltimore	Cleveland	
Minnesota	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	Dallas	
Indianapolis	Pittsburgh	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 28 @ Chicago 17



Dena
P&D Sales
& Service

This Week's Picks:

Tampa Bay	LA Rams	Buffalo
Miami	Kansas City	
LA Chargers	Arizona	
Carolina	Denver	
Cincinnati	Dallas	
Indianapolis	Pittsburgh	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 20 @ Chicago 13



Caroline
Idell Johnston
State Farm Agent

This Week's Picks:

Tampa Bay	LA Rams	Buffalo
Miami	Kansas City	
Baltimore	Cleveland	
Carolina	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	Dallas	
Indianapolis	Seattle	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 24 @ Chicago 7



Scott Nyman
Cirinity

This Week's Picks:

Tampa Bay	LA Rams	Buffalo
Jacksonville	Kansas City	
Baltimore	Cleveland	
Carolina	Denver	
Cincinnati	Dallas	
Indianapolis	Seattle	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 31 @ Chicago 17



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This Week's Picks:

Tampa Bay	LA Rams	Buffalo
Jacksonville	Kansas City	
Baltimore	Cleveland	
Carolina	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	Dallas	
Indianapolis	Seattle	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 42 @ Chicago 17



Jim Wiegand
Tower Clock
Eye Center

This Week's Picks:

Tampa Bay	LA Rams	Buffalo
Miami	Kansas City	
Baltimore	Arizona	
Minnesota	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	Dallas	
Indianapolis	Pittsburgh	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 24 @ Chicago 17



Russ
Gehm's
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This Week's Picks:

Tampa Bay	LA Rams	Tennessee
Miami	Kansas City	
LA Chargers	Cleveland	
Minnesota	Denver	
Cincinnati	Dallas	
Houston	Seattle	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 33 @ Chicago 18



Shane Senn
Senn
Insurance

This Week's Picks:

Tampa Bay	LA Rams	Buffalo
Miami	Kansas City	
Baltimore	Cleveland	
Carolina	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	New England	
Indianapolis	Seattle	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 27 @ Chicago 13



Brenda
22 Shell

This Week's Picks:

Tampa Bay	LA Rams	Buffalo
Jacksonville	Kansas City	
LA Chargers	Arizona	
Carolina	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	Dallas	
Indianapolis	Seattle	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 28 @ Chicago 17



Chris
God's Purpose
Apparel

This Week's Picks:

Tampa Bay	LA Rams	Buffalo
Jacksonville	Kansas City	
LA Chargers	Cleveland	
Carolina	Denver	
Cincinnati	Dallas	
Indianapolis	Pittsburgh	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 28 @ Chicago 17



Aaron
Shawano
Place

This Week's Picks:

Tampa Bay	LA Rams	Tennessee
Jacksonville	Kansas City	
Baltimore	Cleveland	
Minnesota	Las Vegas	
Detroit	Dallas	
Indianapolis	Seattle	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 33 @ Chicago 17



Dale
Hawkeye
Hearth & Home

This Week's Picks:

Tampa Bay	LA Rams	Buffalo
Jacksonville	Kansas City	
Baltimore	Arizona	
Minnesota	Las Vegas	
Cincinnati	Dallas	
Indianapolis	Seattle	

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 30 @ Chicago 14

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Green Bay Football 2021 Season			
SEPTEMBER - REGULAR SEASON			
Sunday, September 12	3:25 pm	@ New Orleans Saints	FOX
Monday, September 20	7:15 pm	DETROIT LIONS	ESPN
Sunday, September 26	12:20 pm	@ San Francisco 49ers	NBC
OCTOBER			
Sunday, October 03	3:25 pm	Pittsburgh Steelers (GOLD)	CBS
Sunday, October 10	NOON*	@ Cincinnati Bengals	FOX
Sunday, October 17	NOON*	@ Chicago Bears	FOX
Sunday, October 24	NOON*	WASHINGTON FOOTBALL TEAM	FOX
Thursday, October 28	7:30 pm	@ Arizona Cardinals	FOX
NOVEMBER			
Sunday, November 07	3:25 pm*	@ Kansas City Chiefs	FOX
Sunday, November 14	3:25 pm*	SEATTLE SEAHAWKS	CBS
Sunday, November 21	NOON*	@ Minnesota Vikings	FOX
Sunday, November 28	3:25 pm*	LOS ANGELES DOLPHINS (GOLD)	FOX
DECEMBER			
BYE WEEK			
Sunday, December 12	7:20 pm*	CHICAGO BEARS	NBC
Sunday, December 19	NOON*	@ Baltimore Ravens	FOX
Saturday, December 25	3:30 pm	CLEVELAND BROWNS	FOX
JANUARY			
Sunday, January 02	7:20 pm*	MINNESOTA VIKINGS	NBC
Sunday, January 09	NOON*	@ Detroit Lions	FOX

NOTEBOOK

By **BILL HUBER**
Correspondent

Thin secondary

That sound you hear might be an air raid siren.

With starting cornerbacks Jaire Alexander and Kevin King out with shoulder injuries, opposing offenses are sure to test the Green Bay Packers' defense through the air.

Already without Alexander, the cornerback corps suffered another blow on Sunday when King went down. His final play came during a fourth-quarter collision with Bengals receiver Tyler Boyd, who tried to hurdle King, but King initially was injured when he was bowled over by left tackle Jonah Williams on Adrian Amos' third-quarter interception.

"That was just the final straw," coach Matt LaFleur said of the play involving Boyd at the sideline.

Combined with All-Pro Alexander's injury, which has him on injured reserve with the potential of ending his season, Green Bay's cornerback corps is incredibly thin. It finished the game with Eric Stokes and Isaac Yiadom at corner and Chandon Sullivan in the slot. In reserve are fifth-round rookie Shemar Jean-Charles, who was embarrassed on Joe Mixon's fourth-quarter touchdown run, Rasul Douglas, who was plucked off Arizona's practice squad last week, and Kabion Ento, an undrafted free agent in 2019 who is on the practice squad.

"Anytime you're losing starters, that's never fun," LaFleur said.

The injuries could accelerate Douglas' push into the lineup. A third-round pick by Philadelphia in 2017, Douglas played in 46 games with 18 starts during three seasons with the Eagles. He failed to stick for a fourth season, though. Released at the end of training

camp, he was claimed off waivers by Carolina, for which he started a career-high 11 games last season.

A free agent this past offseason, Douglas signed with the Raiders but was released toward the end of training camp. He spent a few days with the Texans as nothing more than a camp body to get through the preseason finale. A few days later, he signed to the Cardinals' practice squad.

That makes Green Bay his fourth stop in less than two months.

"I think it's a great chance," Douglas said last week. "Just got to learn the defense and what my job is and all the plays. But I definitely think this is a great opportunity for me."

On Sunday, Stokes spent most of the game matched against young Bengals star Ja'Marr Chase. It's not ideal to have a rookie asked to be the stopper in the secondary, but such are the circumstances without Alexander.

Stokes battled Chase to a draw. Chase made three superb plays — a catch for 14 yards off Stokes' deflection in the third quarter, a 19-yard back-shoulder catch on the game-tying touchdown drive in the fourth quarter and a ballerina-style toe-tap for 21 yards in overtime. Stokes missed a tackle, which turned a short pass into a gain of 28, and had a potential interception slip through his hands.

"I thought Stokes competed at the highest level," LaFleur said. "I loved how he challenged Chase, and he was in great position really on every throw that he had on him. You've got to give Ja'Marr a lot of credit. That catch he made in overtime on the sidelines, there's very few guys that are going to make that play. I also think (Joe) Burrow did a nice job on one of the third downs where he threw a back-shoulder.

"I've always told our guys there's



Green Bay Packers wide receiver Davante Adams, left, makes a move with the football in the game against the Pittsburgh Steelers on Oct. 3 at Lambeau Field in Green Bay. Adams will look to follow up his 200-plus yard performance against the Bengals with another big game against the Bears' stout defense.

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no defense for the perfect ball, and that was a perfect ball and the guy adjusted on the fly. Stokes, he just brings it every time he comes out on the field, every play. He's got a short memory, whether it's good or bad, and I just love how he's challenging these receivers. He's making the offense earn everything they get."

The pressure will be on Stokes and the last men standing, especially if Alexander's injury doesn't respond to rest and will require surgery. Starting in week eight, the Packers face a five-game stretch against Cardinals quarterback Kyler Murray, Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes, Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson (if healthy), Vikings quarterback Kirk Cousins and Rams quarterback Matthew Stafford. Murray, Stafford and Tom Brady are among the quarterbacks that would loom in the playoffs.

"It is the next man up," LaFleur said, "and we're fortunate we've got other guys here we feel very, very confident in, and they're going to have to prove us right."

Dominating De'Vondre

There are three certainties in life: death, taxes and the Packers shopping for a veteran linebacker.

In 2018, it was Antonio Morrison. In 2019, it was B.J. Goodson. In 2020, it was Christian Kirksey. None of those three were asked back for a second season. This time, with the June addition of De'Vondre Campbell, general manager Brian Gutekunst landed a game-changing performer.

"I was talking on the sidelines today and said, 'How in the hell was this guy on the street?'" quarterback Aaron Rodgers said after the Cincinnati game. "It's a great pickup by our personnel folks. He can run; he's a great tackler. He's around the ball all the time; he's a great locker room guy. I mean, it's baffling to me. We're just so thankful to have him because I think as he continues to make plays, his leadership opportunities will continue to

grow. Guys listen to him, he's leading the defense as much as he feels comfortable and that's a guy we're really lucky to have."

A fourth-round pick by Atlanta in 2016, Campbell arrived in Green Bay having started 69 of a possible 80 games in his first five seasons. He started all 16 games for Arizona last season, recording 99 tackles with seven for losses, but there were no takers in free agency. Finally, he landed in Green Bay during the June minicamp.

Green Bay's every-down inside linebacker and defensive quarterback, Campbell has 47 tackles, two interceptions and three passes defended in the first five games. He is eighth in the NFL in tackles. Of the 25 players with at least 37 tackles, Campbell is one of only two with at least two interceptions. One of those came in overtime against the Bengals.

"Dre has been outstanding," LaFleur said. "He's been so consistent, making plays, being physical. He's going out there and he's playing at a really high level, and he's bringing a lot of energy and confidence to our defense. As good of a player he is, he's even a better person. We were talking about it as a staff earlier today, just how much fun he is to be around. We're lucky we have a guy like that."

Dominating Davante

Rodgers threw for 344 yards in the victory at Cincinnati. Adams accounted for 206 of those on 11 receptions. It was the first 200-yard day of Adams' career and the first 200-yard performance in the NFL this season.

Adams' dominating performance matched James Lofton for fourth on the team's all-time list. Had Rodgers and Adams connected for what might have been the winning touchdown late in regulation, Adams would have finished with 224 yards. That would have trailed only Billy Howton's 257 yards against the Rams in 1956.

Adams said he saw it coming.

"I told at least three people outside

the building, talking to family, one of my cousins, talking to my wife, I told her, 'I feel like this could be my career high this game,'" he said. "So, either I'm clairvoyant or I know what I'm talking about."

Adams is so good that even when everyone in the building knows where the ball is going, Adams delivers. Early in the fourth quarter, he split a double team by the Bengals' best defensive backs, cornerback Chidobe Awuzie and safety Jessie Bates, for a gain of 59. With Green Bay trying to attempt a last-second field goal at the end of regulation, he somehow got open over the middle for a gain of 20.

"He's just so talented," Rodgers said. "Even when you know that I'm probably going to him, he still finds a way to get open and makes a big catch and breaks a tackle. The guy is a special player."

Since the start of the 2020 season, Adams has seven games of 10-plus receptions for 100-plus yards. That's as many as the next two players, Kansas City's Tyreek Hill (four) and Las Vegas' Darren Waller (three), combined. Green Bay is 7-0 in those games.

Through five games, he leads the NFL with 42 receptions and 579 yards.

"I could feel him early and I could tell," LaFleur said. "He's a guy who's hungry for the football, and he shows

good reason why. He's got people draped all over him, and it doesn't matter. He finds a way to do it every time. There's a reason he's got that '99' rating in Madden. He is a baller. I don't think there's anybody better than him."

Unlikely targets

At running back, Aaron Jones is considered the do-it-all lightning to AJ Dillon's thunder. At tight end, Robert Tonyan is considered the playmaker and Mercedes Lewis the blocker.

Against the Bengals, Jones caught four passes for 6 yards while Dillon caught four balls for 49 yards and a touchdown; Tonyan caught one pass for 8 yards while Lewis had two receptions for 30 yards, including a 20-yarder to help set up the winning field goal.

"I think you can see how excited the guys get when he touches the football," LaFleur said of Lewis, the NFL's oldest tight end. "Every time we go to 'Cedes in the pass game, even though we don't do it a ton, he seems to deliver. That was a pretty big moment in the game, taking that screen pass 20 yards and his ability to be elusive. I always call him 'Sweet Feet' when he gets going like that. He made a guy miss and then broke two tackles and was physical. You could feel it, and it definitely brings a lot of juice to our sideline and to our team."



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Packers keep finding solutions as injuries pile up

O-line missing several starters

By **STEVE MEGARGEE**
The Associated Press

They're missing their 2020 All-Pro left tackle, their best pass rusher and their top cornerback. They're not scoring as frequently or winning as decisively as they did last season.

Yet somehow and some way, the Green Bay Packers have made it through the first five games of the season with the same 4-1 record they owned a year ago.

They're just making their victories a little more suspenseful this year. Consider the Packers' 25-22 overtime victory at Cincinnati on Sunday a prime example.

"That just goes to show the type of men we have in our locker room," Packers linebacker De'Vondre Campbell said after the game. "Nobody flinched. Nobody complained. Nobody did anything but their job, and we were able to handle business and get the victory. That's what good football teams do. They find a way to get it done."

Twice in the last three weeks, the

Packers have nearly lost a game they controlled most of the way, only to find a way to win at the end. Mason Crosby has played a major role both times, for very different reasons.

Crosby kicked a 51-yarder as time expired to give the Packers a 30-28 victory at San Francisco after the 49ers scored a go-ahead touchdown with 37 seconds left. In the Bengals game, Crosby ended a franchise-record string of 27 consecutive successful field-goal attempts by missing three straight to keep the Packers from wrapping up the victory before he finally made a 49-yarder in overtime.

"We stuck together, and that's all that mattered at the end," running back Aaron Jones said. "We didn't blink or flinch. That's the testament of a good team."

So is the Packers' ability to withstand injuries.

David Bakhtiari, the 2020 All-Pro left tackle, hasn't played all season. Outside linebacker Za'Darius Smith and cornerback Zaire Alexander – both Pro Bowl picks last year – are on injured reserve and won't return anytime soon.

The Packers also played Sunday's game without 2020 Pro Bowl selec-

tion Elgton Jenkins and starting center Josh Myers on the offensive line. Wide receiver Marquez Valdes-Scantling missed a second straight game.

"There are some guys in that locker room and guys that played, they weren't with this football team in August and weren't with this football team in June," quarterback Aaron Rodgers said. "A lot of big plays and high-volume play counts for guys who we didn't count on being important."

Those types of contributions have helped the Packers continue figuring out ways to win when they're not at full strength.

What's working

The top playmakers on offense – Rodgers, Jones and 2020 All-Pro receiver Davante Adams – are making plays.

This marked the first time in franchise history that the Packers had a 300-yard passer, 100-yard rusher and 200-yard receiver in the same game.

Stock up

Adams had 11 catches for a career-high 206 yards and one touchdown. He has 42 receptions for 579 yards this season to lead the NFL in both

categories.

Campbell continued his fast start to the season by intercepting a pass in overtime.

Stock down

Crosby had his worst day as a pro since Oct. 4, 2018, when he missed four field goals and an extra point in a 31-23 loss to the Detroit Lions. This time, Crosby missed three field goals and an extra point before making the winner in overtime.

Tight end Robert Tonyan, who had 11 touchdown catches last season, was held below 10 yards receiving for the fourth time in five games.

Injured

Cornerback Kevin King joined the long list of injured Packers when he hurt a shoulder Sunday.

"He was playing a lot of that game, or part of that game, with basically one arm," Packers coach Matt LaFleur said Monday. "So I thought he competed well and was playing really, really well."

Number

2 – number of field-goal attempts Crosby had missed since the start of the 2019 season heading into Sunday.



The Green Bay Packers offense huddles before a play against the Pittsburgh Steelers on Oct. 3 at Lambeau Field in Green Bay. The Packers have overcome a slew of injuries, including several to offensive starters, during a 4-1 start to the season.

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WORKER SHORTAGE IMPACTS SHAWANO COUNTY LIBRARIES

Kristie Hauer, left, director for the Shawano County Library system, helps train new library assistant Claire O'Brien on Oct. 8 at the main library in Shawano. The county libraries have had a number of retirements and resignations in the last year, and few people have been applying, so they've had to close for at least one day a week in recent months to keep services running smooth. **FOR THE FULL STORY, SEE PAGE 4.**

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Worker shortage impacts public libraries

Branches cut back the days they are open to consolidate remaining library crew

By **LEE PULASKI**

City Editor

The coronavirus pandemic forced the six libraries of the Shawano County Library system to close their doors to the public, although they kept their services alive through phone calls, online help and curbside service.

Eventually, the libraries returned to their regular schedules, providing in-person service and activities like guest authors and children's programs. However, the libraries are having to close their doors again, not because of COVID-19, but because there are not enough employees to keep things running smoothly.

While the phenomenon is showing up in a number of different industries, for libraries to be limited in services means that people have to adjust their schedules when they're using books for research, using the computers for job searches, and many fun programs that community members enjoy have to be scaled back or cancelled.

Kristie Hauer, county library director, said that the library system has had three employees retire in the last year, whereas in the previous decade, there had only been two retirements in that time.

"The good thing about these retirements were that they were higher level, full-time positions, so we were able to do some internal movement, moving some part-time people into full-time jobs," Hauer said. "We've moved some library assistants into librarians. There's been a domino effect."

What really impacted the library system was when some resignations coincided with the retirements, leaving some areas short-staffed, according to Hauer. She noted that when that happened, it was decided to close each of the six libraries for an additional day per week, as they could not afford to be spread so thin.

The phenomenon isn't unique to Shawano County's libraries, according to Hauer.

"We're seeing this at libraries across northeast Wisconsin," she said. "Almost all of the libraries in northeast Wisconsin are running on a more limited operation schedule than they usually have."

To compound the issue, there are also very few people applying to fill the vacant positions available, which means a quick hiring turn-



Paige Crawford with the Shawano Public Library catalogs several stacks books Oct. 8. Employees like Crawford also spend time helping patrons with various technological devices, so besides book knowledge, they also need to have vital IT skills to assist patrons.

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around is not happening.

"Our applicant pool is quite small," Hauer said. "As we're working through the hiring process, library work tends to be more fast-paced and detailed than folks who have had less exposure to libraries might think. Sometimes the tasks get to be more difficult than what people think it might be."

For one thing, library workers are dealing with more technology than their predecessors. Gone are the card catalogs, with computer systems handling the checking out and in of books and other materials the library lends to community members.

"All of our library assistants work with a lot of technology," Hauer said. "It is not just learning the technology that our staff uses to check out materials and inventory of those materials, but we're helping patrons navigate their technological devices, as well."

Helping patrons with their devices also involves a lot of IT work, helping them to print from their mobile devices, going through program and processes and more, Hauer said.

"We are helping people set up an email, at a very basic level, teaching a

person how to use a mouse to navigate through a basic online job application," she said. "We deal with a lot of technology, and I think that surprises people sometimes."

Even when technology isn't a factor, library employees are dealing with multiple patrons at a given time. Hauer said there could be one person at the desk they're dealing with at the same time that the phone is ringing and other folks are emailing inquires for help.

"Also, our back-of-house operations is pretty detailed, as well, processing them and preparing them to get ready," Hauer said. "We're using volunteers to help get that stuff ready."

Although the library has a number of volunteers to assist, Hauer noted that, since they are not employees, they are not allowed to have access to patron information, so library assistants are still needed for those tasks. She said, to ensure that operations flow smoothly without long lines, it was necessary to limit the hours of operation to consolidate staff and prevent burnout.

"That patron data is a huge chunk

of what we do," Hauer said.

Now, the branch libraries in Bondel, Tigerton, Wittenberg, Birnamwood and Mattoon are fully staffed and have returned to full staffing levels and are able to resume their normal schedules, according to Hauer. However, a few more vacancies prompted the main library in Shawano to close shop an additional day, so the library is closed Wednesdays and Thursdays in October.

Hauer is hoping to have the Shawano library back to normal operations by November, noting that four people were recently hired, and there were one or two positions left to fill. Once the new employees are trained, things should be back to normal, she said.

"We have fewer staff to handle training at this time to handle training with so many new people, so that's a little bit of a challenge," Hauer said. "We'll get there."

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Where your work matters.
Marshfield Clinic - Wittenberg Center

Medical Assistant (R-0015326)

Part-time, 32 hrs/wk. May be eligible for a sign-on bonus.

Maint. Senior - Electrical (R-0014384)

Full-time. Journeyman License & 4 yrs of exp. required.

Maintenance II (R-0013444)

Full-time. High school diploma & 4 yrs of exp. required.

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Full-time, Benefitted, Remote, temporary (two-year temp period)

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Full-time, Monday - Friday, Days

Apply through:

www.marshfieldclinic.org/careers
Reference Job Title or R#

Marshfield Clinic Wittenberg Center, 201 Liberty Dr, Wittenberg, WI 54499
Marshfield Clinic Health System is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer.
All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to sex,
gender identity, sexual orientation, race, color, religion, national origin, disability,
protected veteran status, age, or any other characteristic protected by law.



**Marshfield Clinic
Health System**

HELP WANTED



North Wood Flooring

North Wood Flooring, a growing hardwood flooring manufacturer located in Suring, Wisconsin is seeking individuals for all positions. Wood working experience is a plus and a good work history is a must. Join a goal oriented workforce with a pleasant work environment.

Apply in person at
214 Nu-Line Street, Suring, WI 54174.

8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Equal Opportunity Employer

CHURCHES ARE BACK... So is the Worship Directory!

When the coronavirus pandemic hit, churches and other places of worship had to close, which meant NEW Media's worship directory had to go away. Now that the faithful are returning to their houses of worship, we're in the process of rebuilding our worship directory on our website

WWW.NEWMEDIA-WI.COM

Houses of worship can send their vital information, including physical addresses, days and times of services, names of leaders and contact information, to
EDITOR@NEWMEDIA-WI.COM. Be sure to have "**WORSHIP DIRECTORY**" in the subject line.



NEW MEDIA INC.



WANTED: Correspondents

Are you interested in the issues and people in the community? Do you have a talent for writing and photography that you want to utilize in your spare time? Be a correspondent for a newspaper dedicated to providing local news first.

NEW Media seeks freelance correspondents to prepare feature stories, cover community and high school sports, cover meetings and cover events of local interest in Shawano, Oconto and Menominee counties for our online and print products. Self-starting correspondents have the opportunity to meet new people, learn about their communities and tell interesting stories to a broad audience. Correspondents must be able to take photos to accompany stories.

Send a cover letter detailing your writing experience and your fees, along with any clips you might have, to editor@newmedia-wi.com. Put "Correspondent" in the header.





Entry Level Manufacturing Positions

Northport Marine, LLC manufactures Mirrocraft Boats and Montego Bay Pontoons. We are currently seeking motivated, hardworking individuals to join our team. Monday-Friday/6:00 am – 2:30 pm

Candidates should possess a high school diploma or equivalent, strong attention to detail, an ability to learn quickly, motivation to contribute in a team-like atmosphere, and sufficient physical mobility to accommodate bending, reaching, lifting and gripping up to 50 lbs.

If you are interested in learning more about this employment opportunity, please feel welcome to visit our careers page at www.mirrocraft.com/careers

Applications can be picked up at 39 N. Harding Ave, Gillett, or on the website at www.mirrocraft.com

Northport Marine, LLC is an Equal Opportunity Employer
~All qualified individuals are encouraged to apply~



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FULL TIME POSITIONS

Processing and Packaging Team Member
Sanitation Manager
Sanitation Team Member
Maintenance Team Member
Maintenance Supervisor

FULL TIME BENEFIT PACKAGE

Eligibility on the first of the month following date of hire for health, dental, vision coverage, short and long-term disability, Profit Sharing and 401(k) plans, all subject to plan terms; Eligibility for company-paid life insurance Six company paid holidays per year; Vacation accrual

Hourly position wages range from \$11.50 - \$17.00

Salaried positions based on experience and qualifications.

PART TIME POSITIONS

Company Store

SEASONAL POSITIONS

Call Center and
Fulfillment Team Member

DON'T DELAY CALL TODAY!

**WALK-IN WEDNESDAYS
OPEN INTERVIEWS!**

8:30AM-4:30PM

AUGUST 25TH - NOVEMBER

1790 APPLEWOOD LN • WITTENBERG, WI 54499

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TO APPLY AND VIEW JOB DETAILS

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