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Reese Dickman swims her leg of the 200-yard medley relay at the sectional meet in Merrill on Nov. 4. The quartet placed second and advanced to the state meet. The 54th annual WIAA girls swimming and diving championship will be held Nov. 10-11 at the Waukesha South High School Natatorium.

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Wittenberg boy, 13, hurt in ATV crash

A 13-year-old boy was injured following an ATV crash in the Town of Wittenberg.

In the late afternoon of Nov. 7, the Shawano County Sheriff's Department responded to a report of an ATV crash on Nightingale Road near Oak Road. The caller indicated an ATV had rolled over onto the driver who was unconscious and non-responsive.

Sheriff's office deputies responded

along with multiple EMS departments. The driver of the ATV was the lone occupant and was identified as a 13-year-old boy from the Wittenberg area. The boy sustained life-threatening injuries and was transported to Aspirus Wausau Hospital. From there, he was then transferred to a hospital in Marshfield. His current medical condition is unknown.

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) was called

to assist with this investigation. The initial findings of this crash showed the driver was traveling in a field area when the ATV rolled and left the driver pinned under the ATV, according to Lt. Chris Madle. The crash was not witnessed, and it was unclear how long he had been there prior to 911 being called.

Madle said the sheriff's department has been in contact with the Wittenberg-Birnamwood School

District, which was made aware of this incident and will have resources available to their staff and students.

Madle said no further information is being released regarding this incident for now. The crash remains under investigation by the DNR.

The sheriff's department was assisted at the scene by Wittenberg Ambulance, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, and SAFER EMS (Marathon County).

Aspirus provides breast health nurse navigators

As breast health remains in the spotlight, Aspirus Health reminds women aged 40 and older to have an annual mammogram.

Aspirus provides nurse navigation services to support anyone called back for additional imaging.

A team of three nurse navigators, Carla Bahr, Stephanie Ostrowski and Amy Price, will provide education and support while answering questions and concerns. They:

- Provide educational information, resources and support to all those concerned about their breast health.
- Facilitate appointments for diagnostic imaging and breast biopsy.
- Provide information to patients with benign breast diseases.
- Support patients with breast cancer and their families by navigating and ensuring proper access to needed services.
- Help coordinate social and emotional needs for both patient and family.

"We love supporting our patients, helping to alleviate stress and fear," Bahr said. This support might be needed if, after additional imaging, a breast biopsy is indicated. "Thankfully about 80% of breast biopsies are negative for a malignancy. For about the other 20% of patients, a nurse navigator becomes especially important as they navigate a cancer diagnosis and the many options and decisions that accompany this reality."

The good news is, with continual advancements in mammography technology, "we're catching very tiny cancers now," said Ostrowski, increasing a patient's chance for early detection and better outcomes.

Not only is the nurse navigator an expert when it comes to testing, pathology and understanding



The team of three Aspirus Health breast health nurse navigators — Amy Price, left, Carla Bahr, center, and Stephanie Ostrowski — provides education and support while answering questions and addressing concerns.

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the steps involved with a cancer diagnosis, but they also feel it's a calling. They say the importance of the emotional support they provide cannot be overstated.

"One patient at a time, I get to make a difference," Price said.

The ability to connect with their patients in a meaningful way at an important crossroads in their life is not taken lightly. Bahr leads the team that is centrally located at Aspirus Wausau Hospital and provides support as far north as the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

Because one in eight women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in her lifetime, the need for nurse navigators is greater than ever.

Breast health nurse navigators are available to consult with, free of charge, at 715-847-0066.

Aspirus believes no woman should miss a mammogram based on financial worries; they offer free mammograms and breast-related diagnostic services for those with cost concerns throughout the state of Wisconsin. For information on how to qualify, call 800-847-4707 or visit aspirus.org/free-mammograms.

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Broadband expansion grant sought by Cirrinity

More than 300 homes, businesses could get fiber optic connection

By **KEVIN PASSON**
Editor-in-chief

Cirrinity will team up with Shawano County and a few other municipalities in seeking a grant to bring broadband to another 300-plus homes from Bowler to Marion.

This project would build a section of fiber optic from Cirrinity's existing fiber routes in the Stockbridge-Munsee Community in the north and connect with a fiber route in the south of the county near Marion, Matt Hietpas, Shawano County technology services director told supervisors last month.

The fiber path would make home broadband available to 327 homes and businesses in Leopolis and the towns of Pella and Herman. The broadband

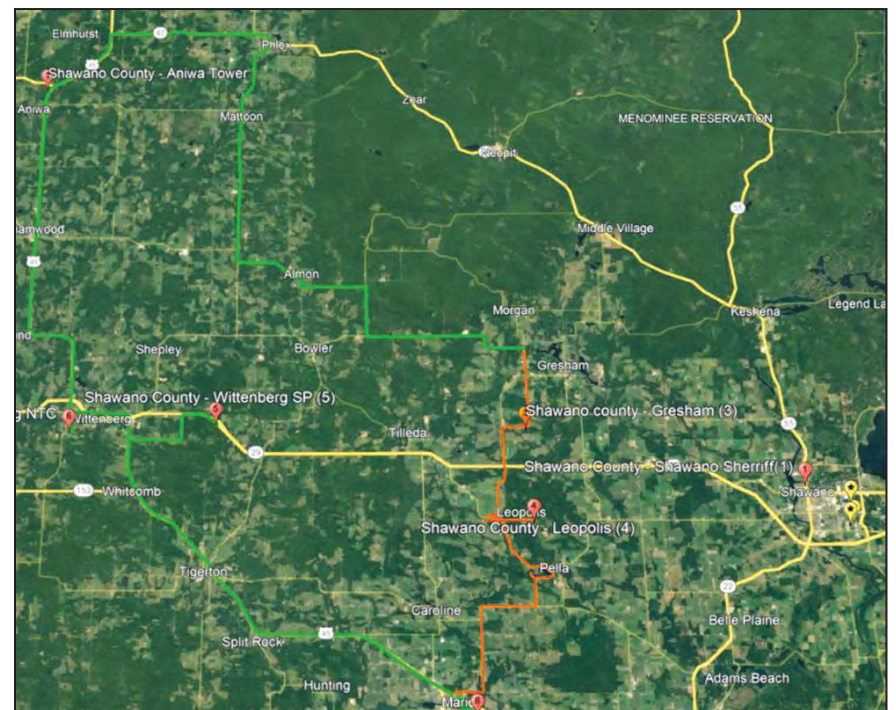
path would cover 22.5 miles.

"It will impact six of our eight 911 communication towers," Hietpas said. "Our towers are currently connected via point-to-point wireless. If we are awarded this grant, Cirrinity would provide us 12 fiber strings for us to use. This could eliminate the point-to-point wireless that we use now, and we would no longer need to replace them. It would also increase the speed or reliability, and add redundancy across our tower structure."

The connections with the six towers would also lay the groundwork for future connections with the other two towers on the county's east side as well as other wanted locations in Shawano.

Hietpas said officials hope to hear back in January or February about whether the application is approved. Work would begin as soon as spring or summer of next year.

The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin has \$42 million available



In the map above, the green path shows the existing fiber routes available today. Orange is the proposed project path.

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for this round of broadband expansion grants. Applications were due Nov. 7.

The total project is estimated to cost \$1.6 million, with \$960,000 in grant funds from the PSC. Matching

funds of \$640,000 include \$190 from Shawano County, \$5,000 each from the towns of Pella and Herman, and \$440,000 from Cirrinity.

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Guard against the winter slump

Recognize and combat Seasonal Affective Disorder

As the seasons shift and the days grow shorter, many individuals find themselves grappling with more than just a change in weather. Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD), often referred to as the "winter blues," can cast a cloud over their well-being.

Understanding how to identify and effectively handle the condition is crucial, particularly for people living in the upper Midwest this time of year.

SAD is a form of depression that follows a seasonal pattern, most commonly emerging during fall and winter.

"SAD is a depressive disorder that tends to only recur with certain seasons, and it tends to happen in the fall and winter when sunlight hours tend to shorten," said Dr. Volodymyr Manko, Aspirus hospitalist. "Demographically, we see it more often in our younger patients as well as our female patients. Women are actually four times as likely to develop this as compared to men, though it really can affect anyone."

The science behind SAD is rooted in the interplay between light expo-

sure and the body's internal clock. According to the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH), reduced exposure to natural sunlight can disrupt our circadian rhythms and impact the production of serotonin and melatonin – neurotransmitters that regulate mood and sleep.

Manko notes that the symptoms of SAD often mirror those of major depressive disorder:

- Low mood: Prolonged feelings of sadness, hopelessness and irritability.

- Fatigue: Increased tiredness and a struggle to maintain energy levels.

- Appetite changes: Cravings for carbohydrates, weight gain or increased appetite.

- Social withdrawal: A tendency to isolate oneself and avoid social interactions.

- Concentration difficulties: Trouble with focus, memory and decision-making.

Diagnosing SAD involves a thorough evaluation of symptoms, medical history and ruling out other conditions.

"Early diagnosis is crucial,"



AspirusHealth hospitalist Dr. Volodymyr Manko talks about how to identify and handle Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD).

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Manko said. "So if you or somebody you know experiences recurrent symptoms of sadness that appear to be seasonal, you should reach out to your primary care provider immediately."

A variety of treatment recommendations may be made, depending on severity. Treatment options encompass a range of approaches from light therapy, psychotherapy (or talk

therapy), medication and vitamin D. Additionally, Manko recommends a well-balanced lifestyle, including time outdoors when the weather is mild, regular physical activity, a healthy diet and social engagement.

With the right strategies, SAD can be managed effectively, enabling individuals to reclaim their joy and resilience even in the face of seasonal challenges.

County to seek bids for Crawford Center roof

Condensation issues also causing problems inside building

By **KEVIN PASSON**
Editor-in-chief

The squeaky wheel gets the grease. It took some loud complaining from area residents, but county officials are apparently responding to the noise about the mold at the county library and needed roof repairs at the Crawford Center.

The Shawano County Public Property Committee agreed Nov. 2 to seek bids for a new roof for the Crawford Center, formerly the Shawano County Expo Center, at the Shawano County Fairgrounds.

“Regarding fiduciary law, anytime somebody gives you their money and their gift, you have a legal responsibility to take care of that gift,” said Adam Gafner, the Shawano Community High School hockey coach, who also has a background in fiduciary law. “Your opinion doesn’t matter anymore — of the hockey league, of the benefits to the county. The county accepted this gift, and the legal responsibility is you need to take care of said gift, and I would argue legally, from a county standpoint, you have failed the Crawford family (and other donors) year after year after year.”

Wendy Crawford, daughter-in-law of Pat and Ruth Crawford, who donated \$750,000 to help construct the building, urged the committee to view the Crawford Center as an opportunity. Today, there are 99 children in the youth league (33 from Shawano, 49 from the rest of the county and 17 from Oconto, Waupaca and Outagamie counties). The high school team has 19 players (eight from Bonduel and the rest from the Shawano area).

“We all know what happens when kids have no place to channel their energy,” she said. “It’s important for youth to have safe places to go, to build character, to have adult mentors, learn life skills and grow up to be productive citizens.”

Cecil resident and hockey mom Ann Walenski said her son started playing hockey at the center when he was 3.

“Over the years, the Crawford Center became a second home, nurturing his passion for the sport and guiding him through various stages of his hockey career,” she said. “His dedica-



London Anker, a member of the youth hockey league, addressed the Shawano County Public Property Committee on Nov. 2. She said she spends more time at the Crawford Center than at home during the winter months, as committee members were urged to help solve issues brought on by a leaky roof.

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tion and hard work, and the invaluable experiences that he gained at the Crawford Center, helped him to (get) a scholarship to college.

“The Crawford Center has not only been a place of learning and growth for our children, but a place where we as parents invested our time, resources and unwavering dedication.”

Walenski said her family, and countless others, invested hundreds of hours at the Crawford Center to benefit their children, the hockey program and larger community.

“This commitment is built on understanding that both the hockey families and Shawano County would contribute financially in the ongoing functions of the Crawford Center,” she said. “It is a shame to see such a valuable asset fall into disrepair given the countless lives it has positively influenced and the investments made by families like ours.

“This facility is more than a building. It’s a symbol of our community, teamwork and dedication.”

Even youth hockey league member London Anker chimed in at the board meeting.

“I am at the rink more than I am at my house,” she said. “I also like my coaches, because they always tell you to push to 100%, because they care. I feel safe with my coaches there and with all the parents there.”

Supervisor Steve Natzke said the county is supportive of the hockey league — and taxpayers are, too.

“The majority of the problem was self-inflicted,” he said, noting the many years hockey and other events were held in the building without issues.

“We have repeatedly gone in and turned on the dehumidifier that was purchased by the county at the request of the hockey league,” he said. “This was brought on by the improper use of the equipment.”

He said someone keeps turning off the dehumidifier; therefore, it’s not being used properly. The roof was patched this past summer, but he acknowledged it is time for a new one.

“Yes, the roof does need to be replaced,” he said.

Supervisor Jerry Erdman said the condensation is causing the building to sweat. He said the problems with the Crawford Center are due to more than just a leaky roof.

Natzke said an estimate in the spring put the cost of a new roof, with a 20-year warranty, at \$229,900. It was initially part of the capital improvement plan for 2024 but was removed due to its cost and the limited budget available for capital projects.

Gafner questioned whether part of the federal American Rescue Plan Act funds could be used, as the county still has access to a couple million dollars.

Natzke pointed out that the county financially supports the hockey league when it does not do the same for other sports.

While the Shawano Hockey League paid \$48,000 a year to lease the Crawford Center in the winter months, the cost to operate the facility during that time was significantly more, the supervisor said.

Costs in 2018 were \$79,383, and in 2019, the costs were \$76,357. Costs were \$70,362 in 2020 and \$79,506 in 2021.

“In that span of four years, the county taxpayers countywide have subsidized the hockey league to the amount of \$113,000 and change,” he said.

The lease this year will cost the hockey league \$80,000-\$85,000.

“What we’re asking for is the hockey league pay for its actual expenses while it’s in the building,” Natzke said.

Tanya Anker, Shawano Hockey League secretary, reminded the committee that the hockey league is an all-volunteer group, and to jump from \$48,000 to \$80,000 is going to be harsh when it comes to raising funds to pay that cost.

Gafner offered to help the county market the facility so it is used more effectively in the summer months and raise funds to help the building become self-sustaining.

Menominee break ground on language center

Interest explodes in learning Omaeqnomeneweqnaesen, which was close to extinction

By **LEE PULASKI**
City Editor

Breaking ground on a new facility is always a dream long in the making, but for Menominee tribal members seeking to make their language the native tongue of their kin, a new center has been a vision of about 20 years.

Menomini yoU, a nonprofit corporation dedicated to the reclamation of Menominee language and culture, started the process to build a 10,000-square-foot building that will provide classroom and meeting space, as well as a commons area for tribal members working to learn their language and an outdoor space for cultural events. The building is expected to be open next summer.

Ron Corn Jr., one of Menomini yoU's founders, said that he and Menominee Tribal Legislator Joey Awonohopay have long sought for their friends and loved ones to be able to once again speak Omaeqnomeneweqnaesen, the tribe's language that shares the tongue of the Algonquin, freely without retribution.

"We've been through a lot of things over these past 20 years with the language situation here on the reservation," Corn said, noting that the language immersion program started in earnest in 2015. "We started out in the year 2000 or 2001 with a grant that was received by the historic preservation office to bring on language trainees. Ever since, we've developed a brotherhood and been through a lot of stuff."

Corn noted that his interest in learning the language started when he was young, and he noted that elders took a lot of time to sit with him in their homes to teach him the words. One in particular, Lillian "Waqsecewan" Nelson, was particularly influential, and the language center is being named after Nelson's Menominee name.

"What I'm hoping is that we teach the language right out of needing to be taught," Corn said. "This becomes something that goes on its own and comes back to the home."

In the meantime, there has been a lot of interest in learning the traditional language, but not much space to house people interested, which is why the idea for a building



A black cloth is draped over the top of concept art for the new Menominee language center. It was later revealed that the center is being named for Lillian "Waqsecewan" Nelson, a tribal elder who helped founder Ron Corn Jr. to learn a language that was almost driven to extinction. LEE PULASKI | NEW MEDIA

came about. Awonohopay pointed out that a thought and countless conversations led to the groundbreaking event.

"Here we are today, each and every one of us, for this groundbreaking — all the conversations that took place, all the laughs, all the tears and the many years it took for us to get to this point," Awonohopay said.

Omaeqnomeneweqnaesen was on the verge of extinction because, historically, outside cultures threatened Native Americans and their ways. Awonohopay pointed out that tribal language was seen as an affront to a Christian upbringing only a few decades ago.

"When the Catholic church came in and Catholicism came in, we saw the erosion and destruction of our tribal language, our life, our tradition, our ceremonies, our spirituality," Awonohopay said. "It's taken a long time to get our people to understand that our language is who we are. It's a breathing, living piece of who we are as ... Menominee people. Our language deserves to

live openly and freely."

Awonohopay, who also serves as the tribe's language and culture director, noted that the younger generation speaking fluent English doesn't grasp the struggle that has taken place to keep the Menominee language, and its people, alive.

"Some of our children that are here, our teenagers, they don't quite realize sometimes the importance of our history, our language, and how we almost lost it, our culture and our traditions," he said. "Now, we're close to reclaiming that and having it in the open air, where it should be."

The project has support from U.S. Sen. Tammy Baldwin and U.S. Rep. Mike Gallagher, according to Regina Washinawatok, who sits on the boards for both Menomini yoU and the Menominee Indian School District. Washinawatok noted that Menomini yoU formed in 2020 as the pandemic raged and helped to accelerate efforts to get quarantined residents to learn how to speak Omaeqnomeneweqnaesen.

"Our language has a spirit. I've

probably heard that before, but it hit me in my heart," Washinawatok said. "There is no doubt in my mind that the spirit of our Menominee language spoke and moved."

Burton Warrington, Menomini yoU executive director, noted that people's efforts to promote the Menominee language is "moving the boulder a little further up the hill," but it's producing results. During the pandemic, volunteers put out feelers to see how many people were interested in learning Omaeqnomeneweqnaesen online. About 25 people were expected to sign up, but Menomini yoU wound up getting 245 people wanting to learn. For the next class, 250 people signed up. The total 2020 U.S. Census count for people who identify as Menominee was 3,293.

"We decided, 'All right, we have to keep doing this, because there's a real demand for it,'" Warrington said. "We realized we needed space because we didn't have the space to grow as an organization."

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OBITUARIES

It is with much sadness that we announce the passing of Gerald Nelson, 84, Mound, Minnesota, on Oct. 29, 2023.

Jerry was born May 27, 1939, in Albert Lea, Minnesota, to Helen (Hanson) and LeRoy Nelson. At 14 months, he lost his father in a car accident. Jerry grew up and attended school near Hayward, Minnesota, and in Albert Lea. He graduated from Albert Lea High School in 1957.

A 1962 graduate of Luther College, Jerry began his teaching/coaching career in Decorah, Iowa. He continued his career in Waseca and Albert Lea, Minnesota, and earned a master's and specialists degree in secondary school administration from Mankato State University. He became principal in Albert Lea in 1977.

Doris Schultz, 95, devoted Christian, loving wife and caring mother, was born to eternal life on Friday, Nov. 3, 2023.

Doris was preceded in death by her parents, Holger and Mabel Gustafson; husband, Reuben; brother-



Gerald Eugene Nelson

Jerry left the field of education to buy his father-in-law's insurance agency in Wittenberg in 1981 but eventually returned to his first loves of teaching/coaching in Antigo and

later at Wittenberg-Birnamwood where in 1997 the football team won the state championship. In his last two years before retirement, he served as principal. For 20 years, he spearheaded the Wittenberg Lions Club cheese curd sales operation at the Iola Old Car Show.

After retirement, he and his loving wife of 61 years moved to Mound, Minnesota, and enjoyed the

community and attending many Gopher sporting events. In addition to English and football, Jerry was a romantic, a foodie, an intellectual and a genealogist who traced his Scandinavian heritage back to the 1200s. It seemed he knew or had an association with someone from every town in Minnesota, Iowa and Wisconsin. He loved great conversation, literature, 1970s sitcoms, anything Scandinavian, mystery books and TV.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Helen; father, LeRoy; and stepfather, Elmer Christiansen.

He is survived by his wife, Andrea (Cowles) Nelson; daughter, Wendy (Jon) Mead and children Kristina (Matt) Britz, Adam (Whitney) Mead, Dylan Mead and Jenna Mead (Danny Sachi); son, Richard (Leanne) Nelson and children Hannah, Erik and

Mitchell Nelson; son, Nils (Anneke) Nelson and children Aubrey, Magnus and Cammack "Mack" Nelson; great-grandchildren, Ellis and Lennox Mead and Mara Jo Sachi.

Funeral service will be Friday, Nov. 10, at 11 a.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church in Mound, Minnesota. Memorials preferred to the following: Redeemer Lutheran Church, Wittenberg; Walls of Wittenberg; Albert Lea Education Foundation; St. John's Lutheran Church Mound, Minnesota; Minnesota Habitat for Humanity.

Jerry requested that his funeral be a celebration of joy and thankfulness for a life well lived and the blessings to come.

Huber Funeral and Cremation Services, Mound, Minnesota. 952-472-1716. www.huberfunerals.com.

Doris Schultz

in-law, Marvin Schultz, and Marvin's wife, Cora.

Survivors include three children, Ricky (Jennifer Eggers) Schultz, Cleveland, Joanne (Mark) Nordstrum, Richfield, and Kevin (Carine) Schultz, Mukwonago; four grandchildren, Erik

Nordstrum, Michael Nordstrum, David Schultz and Matthew Schultz; one step-granddaughter, Caleigh Wilson, one step-great-granddaughter, Emma Bee Wilson; and two brothers-in-law, Clarence (Lois) Schultz, Mattoon, and Walter (Bernette) Schultz, Bowler.

Doris was born on Feb. 2, 1928, in Shawano, and was raised in Bowler. On Oct. 23, 1948, Doris was united in marriage to Reuben. Doris and Reuben moved to Milwaukee where Doris cared for their children and home until Reuben's retirement in 1987.

Doris and Reuben returned to their hometown, Bowler, where Doris perfected her lifelong passion for gardening, cooking and baking, while Reuben enjoyed his hunting and fishing. Being in Bowler also afforded them the opportunity to socialize with family and friends, and eventually care for Doris' parents.

A few years after Reuben's passing, Doris moved to Brookfield to be closer to her children and grandchildren. While living in Brookfield, Doris became good friends with so many fellow residents of the Brookfield Highlands apartment complex and

thoroughly cherished her independent lifestyle that included church, Bible studies, quilting, reading, exercise classes, social events and family gatherings.

The funeral service will be at 11 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 10, 2023, at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, 1205 S. East Ave., Waukesha, WI 53186. Visitation will begin at 10 a.m.

The gravesite service will be at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 11, 2023, at Evergreen Cemetery, the corner of Blueberry Road and Kolpack Road in Almon, just north of Bowler.

All are welcome to attend either service; however, there will not be a post-service gathering. In lieu of flowers, memorials appreciated to Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church at the above address.

For where two or more come together in my name, I am there with them. Matthew 18:20 (Doris' confirmation verse)

Church and Chapel Funeral Service serving the family. Milwaukee 262-827-0659. Waukesha 262-549-0659. Online obit, condolences, directions at www.churchandchapel.com

Evelyn F. Fink

Evelyn F. Fink, 84, of the Town of Larrabee, passed away Saturday, Nov. 4, 2023, in Clintonville.

Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory, Clintonville.

Stanley J. Westfahl

Stanley J. Westfahl, 74, of the Town of Pella, passed away Nov. 5, 2023. Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory, Clintonville.

Michael Kohn

Michael L. Kohn, 56, of Green Bay, passed away Monday, Oct. 30, 2023. Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home, Tigerton.

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Barnyard Estates cost estimated at \$8M

Project expected to bring Pulaski-area communities together in same vein as family farms

By **LEE PULASKI**

City Editor

Plans to build Barnyard Estates, a community and business hub, in the village of Pulaski have entered the next phase, where volunteers are hoping to find corporate and municipal donors to provide the estimated \$8 million it will cost to build.

The concept was formally unveiled, with drawings and floor plans aplenty, by Promote Pulaski at the Kaukauna headquarters of Keller Inc., who is designing the project for the community. Expected to be located on Glenbrook Road between Pulaski's village hall and fire station, the goal of the building is to promote togetherness in the same vein as the family farms by which Pulaski is surrounded.

"We want to build some awareness and get some bigger support from businesses," said Tammy Brzezczkowski, who is seeing a longtime dream that started with a sketch over 17 years ago come true. "We need that help, but we're also looking into grants, because Promote Pulaski is a 501(c)(3), and that's what we need to look like. The steering committee is also looking at fundraising events and developing naming rights (for larger donors)."

When visitors come through the front door, Brzezczkowski said they will be greeted by a commons area where there could be farmers markets, public eating areas, musical events and shows, pop-up businesses, community presentations and a gathering place for friends and small groups.

Brzezczkowski noted that Prince of Pierogi, a business based in Ephraim, has already committed to the project with the owner hoping to double his space, but she noted that she also got interest from a winery during the presentation in Kaukauna that looks promising.

"We've also been reaching out to other businesses who couldn't make it and doing little presentations at those businesses," Brzezczkowski said.

There will also be a heritage center on the main floor of Barnyard Estates with historical and interactive displays featuring local cheese factories and century farms, among



The design of Barnyard Estates, expected to be a community and business hub in Pulaski, in this rendering by Keller Inc., is based on traditional farms and is expected to move forward in earnest as Promote Pulaski seeks to raise \$8 million to construct the building in 2025.

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other things. Brzezczkowski noted the center would be focused on the Pulaski area's agriculture heritage.

"I'm on the historical society and (learned) we had a lot of tiny cheese factories, almost on every street corner," Brzezczkowski said. "They were at Hofa Park, Sobieski, and I'm doing a bunch of research now on some of these cheese factories that we used to have. Farmers, they took their milk there and had it done."

There will also be event rooms on the first and second floors, along with work spaces that can be leased out by small business owners who might not have office space for meetings with clients and customers, with equipment that will help them to thrive.

Barnyard Estates will have a recreational center on the basement level with miniature bowling, skeeball, billiards tables and more.

Brzezczkowski emphasized how

much the community aspect of the building is vital to making this more than just some business plaza. She noted that the gathering area on the main floor can house up to 100 people. Currently, the village doesn't have a public area, aside from the American Legion, where folks can hold indoor baby showers, birthday parties and other small events.

"We have put infrastructure into the plans like TVs, fob access and security and all of that good stuff," Brzezczkowski said. "Most of the time, the building will be open for a set time, but the professionals will be able to access the building when they want."

The outside area will be utilized, as well. Brzezczkowski envisioned having food trucks plug in outside and provide additional dining options, and there will be a kitchen area that helps those food trucks, as well as other food-based programs.

"Food trucks have to have a

base, and they could have a base in the shared kitchen," Brzezczkowski said. "That's what we thought about when we started this."

Currently, Promote Pulaski has a goal of raising at least \$4 million, about half of the money needed, by October 2024, and plans to break ground in March 2025.

Besides raising the money to build the project, the steering committee for Barnyard Estates will also look at how businesses and the community can cooperate to sustain the facility once it's built.

"So much of the space is going to be public access. We have to determine how much we have to lease out to break even," Brzezczkowski said. "We know, just like in the barn, we need to and have utilized every square inch and make sure we fill all of these stalls. That's what's going to make or break this."



Giving to those who need it

In late October, the Waukechon Wildcats 4-H Club went shopping and made boxes to ship for Box of Joy. The boxes have things such as candies, toys, T-shirts and personal hygiene items like toothbrushes in them. The boxes are distributed to children in underdeveloped countries worldwide.

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Participating in the ceremonial groundbreaking are, from left, Nathan Derks, Bray Architects; Michelle Loewenhagen, associate principal; Marc Klawiter, principal; Allison Space, superintendent; Lily Kaminski, fifth grade; Reed Murphy, fourth grade; Trey Balistreri, kindergarten; Stella Tomcheck, second grade; Brynn Rhode, third grade; Ella Harvey, first grade; and Marc McGuire, CD Smith. CONTRIBUTED

Ground breaks on Sunnyside school expansion

More classrooms, facilities to be added to keep up with growing student population

The Sunnyside Elementary School building project construction has officially started following a groundbreaking ceremony Nov. 2.

While the Pulaski High School drumline provided music, Sunnyside students — adorned in winter coats and yellow plastic construction hats — streamed onto the playground to help kick off what will be a major project. The expansion will give the original 1981 school building additional space for an expected increased student population as well as modernize the current facility and to provide more access to natural light to the school at 720 County Road C, Sobieski.

Traffic flow for school buses and parents dropping off or picking up students will also be improved as part of the process.

A group of parents, school board members, district officials and representatives from the architectural firm Bray Architects and construction manager CD Smith were also on hand.

Pulaski Community School District Superintendent Allison Space welcomed those in attendance.

"I would like to start by thanking our families and citizens of Pulaski Community School District, who from the start, have listened, given feedback, supported and then voted for this building expansion. Thank you for continuing to be advocates for education and our children," she said.

She noted close teamwork and partnership mark the preparations that have led to the new addition.



Sunnyside Elementary School students file outside Nov. 2 for the groundbreaking ceremony. CONTRIBUTED

Board members, staff members, architects and managers have been engaged in a multi-year planning process to "envision and shape the Sunnyside Elementary of the future."

"Together, we traveled to other sites and met with colleagues and consultants to learn from their experience. Many times in this process, there was debate and always a deliberate process to consider our options. Together, we chose a design that will achieve the greatest functionality for many years to come," Space said.

Project manager Marc McGuire

from CD Smith and architect Clinton Selle of Bray Architects both expressed appreciation to the school board and district staff for allowing them to be a part of the project.

Maguire told the students to enjoy the two-year process, noting that "it's going to fly by."

Selle told students the district worked hard on their behalf.

"You're going to get to see a lot of fun things," he said.

The Sunnyside project is part of the \$69.8 million referendum approved by voters in November 2022.

This is part of the project's second phase, which also includes additions to Hillcrest Elementary School and the technology education wing at Pulaski High School.

The first phase occurred this past summer with site work at Lannoye and Fairview elementary schools; site work, bathroom renovations and office air conditioning at Glenbrook Elementary School; and fire alarm replacement and bathroom renovations at the high school.

Work on the second phase of projects is expected to wrap up in 2025.

House concert reunites four musicians

The final show of the 2023 Cotter Creek Concert Series on Nov. 11 will reunite four musicians who have used their talents to benefit those less fortunate.

Yata Peinovich is a singer/songwriter, has a passion for performance and connects with audiences from concert stages, outdoor festivals and intimate venues. He organizes community music events and mentors emerging artists. Joy is often what listeners experience when Peinovich performs the songs he has written, and he's written quite a few, many of which are included in his 12 original CD recordings.

Dalyce Elliott Young is a classically-trained violinist and composer, and has performed regularly with Minnesota jazz, folk and gospel musicians. For many years, she has played with Spirit House Quartet and various kirtan and Indian fusion groups.

Timothy Young is a poet and teacher who began performing poetry with musicians in 1982. He has



Musicians, from left, Yata Peinovich, Timothy Young, Dalyce Elliott Young and Joel Kroenke will be performing together again Nov. 11 in Kroenke's home.

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recorded four CDs of poetry with musical accompaniment. In 2006, Dan Cavanagh's jazz composition, "Joy Soup," based on Young's like-titled poem, premiered at Jazz

at Lincoln Center. He and Dalyce Young regularly perform together. Their CD, "Perfect Harmony," explores Sufi and 1,000-year-old Andalusian love poetry through

violin music, words and voice.

Joel Kroenke organizes the Cotter Creek Concert Series. He is an accomplished harmonicaist and regularly joins other musicians to add dynamic and colorful accompaniment to recordings and live performances.

Peinovich, the Youngs and Kroenke first worked together during their "On the Streets" project, composing relatable and relevant stories, poems, and music to raise awareness and funds for the homeless. They toured Wisconsin and Minnesota between 2016-2019, raising over \$35,000.

The concert begins at 7 p.m. at Kroenke's home, W9050 Broadway Road, Shawano. A potluck meal takes place at 5:30 p.m. Admission for the concert is \$15-\$20. Space is limited, so reservations must be made at 715-853-6879 or jkroenke@frontiernet.net.

Additional information about the musicians can be found at yatayata.com and [youtube.com/timtwoboots](https://www.youtube.com/timtwoboots).

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Spooky parade in downtown Shawano



Chelsea Gilling, left, hands out candy to a masked Sacred Heart Catholic School student during the school's Halloween parade Oct. 30 in downtown Shawano.

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Employees with Staff of Life hand out candy to a line of students from Sacred Heart Catholic School on Oct. 30.

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Look for new faces on Shawano County Board

At least six districts will have new supervisors

By **KEVIN PASSON**
Editor-in-chief

Sandy Steinke's resignation from the Shawano County Board last month brings to six the number of districts that will have a new supervisor in 2024.

While board Chairman Tom Kautza could still appoint someone to fill the unexpired term in the 5th District, the position will still be on the April ballot with all of the other 26 districts.

Shawano County Clerk Kara Skarlupka said District 15 Supervisor

Grant Staszak has already announced he won't seek reelection in the spring. District 15 currently includes Wards 1 and 2 in Bonduel.

Based on the 2020 Census, boundary lines for the districts were redrawn and will begin to be used in the 2024 election. Each district is supposed to have a similar number of residents, so boundaries had to be adjusted to accommodate the population shifts.

This has resulted in four districts in which no current supervisor lives. It has also created four districts in which two supervisors live, meaning there would be a contested race if both seek another term.

The four districts without an

incumbent in 2024 are the 8th District (Town of Wescott, Ward 4), 14th District (Bonduel, Ward 2, and Town of Hartland, Ward 1), 17th District (Town of Richmond, Wards 1 and 2, and Town of Belle Plain, Ward 1) and 22nd District (Town of Morris, Ward 2; Town of Seneca, Ward 1; Town of Grant, Ward 1; and city of Marion, Ward 4).

New districts with two incumbents now living in them are the 7th District (Jeremy Gretzinger and Michael Stupecky), 18th District (Devin Krizan and Steve Gueths), 19th District (Arlyn Tober and Dick Olson) and 23rd District (Jerry Erdmann and Steven Natzke).

Skarlupka said a quirk in state law can make the next election

announcement confusing. By law, when the clerk publishes information about the election, districts and incumbents, she must use the existing boundary lines and incumbent supervisors, not the ones that will be in effect for the April election.

Residents interested in running for a spot on the board can begin to circulate nomination papers, available from the county clerk's office, Dec. 1. All completed papers are due back in the clerk's office by 5 p.m. Jan. 2, 2024.

The spring election, which will also be the presidential primary, will be held April 2.

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SCMS gets \$1,000 green grant from Cellcom

Members of the Shawano Community Middle School were presented with a Cellcom Green Gift in the amount of \$1,000 on Nov. 1.

The grant, which was made possible through a cell phone recycling program, was presented to seventh grade class officers and student council members. The grant, written by SCMS staff member Connie Rauterkus, will be used toward the seventh-grade class trip to Trees for Tomorrow in May 2024.

"This grant will have a profound impact on the students at our school," said Will Traber, middle school principal. "Receiving grants and donations like these helps to offset the cost of busing and fees and allows students to immerse themselves in programming beyond the walls of our building. This grant will help us make a significant difference in the lives of the students we serve, and we are so grateful to Cellcom for their generosity."

Cellcom encourages customers to bring in old or unwanted cell phones to be reused or recycled. Cellcom then sends the phones to recyclers who, in return, send money to Cellcom for the materials that were saved from the phones. The recycling program has generated more than \$603,000 for local charities during the past 20 years. This year, Cellcom will distribute \$23,000 to 26 green initiatives in its service area.



Posing with a facsimile check for \$1,000 from Cellcom in front of Shawano Community Middle School are, from left, front row, Gabe Tonn, Ainsley Schmidt, Isabella Race, Nina Tucker, Nora Weiland and Kinlie Byersdorf; back row, Vaughn Bohm, Connie Rauterkus, Kurt Krizan, Will Traber, Kayla Brendemuehl, Sawyer Keuschel and Laura Hoppe.

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'Service' applies to more than just military

Though I never served in the military, I've tried to live a life of service. Retirement has given me the time to do more, thanks to folks who make my life worth living. With Thanksgiving coming soon, it's the perfect time to express appreciation.

Let's start with health care. After decades of seeing a doctor once a year for a check-up, I've found I need a lot more maintenance these days. Fortunately, Peggy Christianson and the staff at Lakewood Bellin Clinic are patient, kind and caring, not to mention excellent at listening, diagnosing and treating my various ailments. If I were to have a health care "event," I'm confident Lakewood-Townsend Ambulance Crew or Townsend Fire Department will be there to do their best to keep me in circulation.

Besides staying healthy, keeping a clean, comfortable home is important to me. I shudder to think of what I would do without Jasper from Chimney Mechanix who cleans our fireplace; Tony from Northwoods LP who delivers the fuel that keeps me warm; Vic from Blount Heating who keeps the furnace and air conditioner humming; our indispensable handyman Bruce who does those odd jobs way above my pay grade; and heroic Wisconsin Public Service linemen like Nick who keep me empowered.

I also must applaud Christy and Michelle, amazing Townsend U.S. Postal Service ladies, who process and deliver my mail, and Steve from UPS who delivers my packages.

I am fond of saying that fall is the four letter F-word for old people. Getting up on a high ladder is



Kathleen Marsh
Columnist

no longer a safe option for me, but thanks to LumberJake, I don't need to climb even a step stool to make my windows sparkle. When I mentioned that to a friend, she asked why on earth I would pay someone to wash windows. I said it's a lot less expensive than an ambulance ride or meeting the deductible on my Medicare Advantage.

In tune with my goal of moving right along, I must mention I always get the royal treatment from Barb at Little Maven's Hair Salon, and from Steve, Shelly, Jake and Rosemary at Mike's Supermarket. When I'm not in a cooking mood, the Hillcrest staff (Shelly, Elise, Brittany, Autumn, Katie) serve delicious meals prepared by owner Becky. I can count on them and Lee and Bev at Olive Pit and Cassie and Josh at the Old Town Hall to fill in when it's Jon's turn to cook. Truth be told, we are both much happier when Jon offers to buy rather than make dinner.

Yes, it takes quite a crew to keep me safe, healthy and happy. I often say that if you have the right to complain, you have the duty to compliment. It doesn't cost a penny to tell people when they do a good job, but it's even better to show appreciation by leaving a nice tip or adding a few bucks when paying a bill.

Carrying over this philosophy into less frequent interactions can make for some interesting experiences. For instance, dealing with customer care representatives. I absolutely detest making these phone calls. Almost always, they require navigating a maze of phone tree menu choices only to be put on hold forever until finally being connected to someone halfway around the world who speaks limited English. Consequently, I try to keep things "in house" whenever possible. That's why we have Network Health, headquartered in Menasha, and Cellcom in DePere.

Unfortunately, that's not an option when it comes to satellite service. Last week our Dish feed went all kerflooey. My call was so important it took 12 minutes for someone to answer. Certainly not his real name, "Chris" said he is employed by a call center in the Philippines. In and of itself, that's pretty amazing, as was his command of English and his skill in reprogramming our Joey with downloads and uploads

and boatloads of data over the course of the next hour.

We used the dead time to bond during what turned out to be an enjoyable experience. I taught Chris how to find Wisconsin on a map, what a snowmobile is (he nailed it: a jet ski on snow); and why people choose to live in a freezer. His bucket list now includes a Wisconsin visit to play in the snow. I also explained how to make a perfect Manhattan (he thought you had to go to New York) and how to get his children to eat green vegetables. OK, I did wing it on this one.

Our call was supposedly being recorded, so I said he deserved a raise. He happily replied that customers like me make his job meaningful. My comment cost nothing, but it bought something priceless — goodwill. I know it won't bring world peace, but it's a start.

Kathleen Marsh is a lifelong educator, writer and community advocate. She has published eight books, four on the history of Townsend, where she and husband Jon are happily retired on the beautiful Townsend Flowage.

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NWTC competing for \$1M Aspen Prize

The Aspen Institute has named Northeast Wisconsin Technical College one of the 150 institutions eligible to compete for the \$1 million Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence, the nation's signature recognition of high achievement and performance among two-year colleges.

NWTC was selected for this honor from more than 1,000 community colleges nationwide for improving student success as well as equitable outcomes for underrepresented students and those from low-income backgrounds.

"We are immensely proud and honored to be named among the 150 institutions eligible to compete for the prestigious Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence," said NWTC President Kristin Raney. "This recognition highlights the

unwavering commitment of our staff, faculty, and community in supporting student success and making college accessible to Northeast Wisconsin. We are committed to continuing this important work, which creates a pipeline to fulfilling careers for everyone in our community."

Colleges must show strong, improving, and equitable student outcomes in first- and second-year retention, credits awarded, and completion and transfer rates to be nominated for the Aspen Prize. NWTC's institutional data demonstrates strong and improving student outcomes across the board:

- 3,336 graduates completed 3,940 credits in 2022.
- 85.5% course success rate for students in 8-week courses.
- 61.4% first-year retention rate for students continuing from fall of 2022

to 2023 (an increase of over 5% from 2020-2021).

The Aspen Prize spotlights exemplary community colleges in order to drive attention to colleges achieving post-graduate success. The 150 eligible colleges have been invited to submit student success data and narratives about strategies to achieve better and more equitable student outcomes as the next step in an intensive review process that culminates in the naming of the Aspen Prize winner in spring 2025. The eligible colleges represent the diversity and depth of the community college sector across the U.S.

"The Aspen Prize is rooted first and foremost in an assessment of whether colleges are walking the walk," said Josh Wyner, executive director of the Aspen Institute College Excellence Program. "The best

community colleges are continuing to focus on advancing the core mission: making sure as many students as possible graduate with credentials that lead to fulfilling careers and reflect the development of diverse talent that communities, states, and our nation need."

In April 2024, there will be an announcement of 25 semifinalists based on the assessments of the prize selection panel, a group of 16 experts in community colleges, higher education and workforce training. An announcement of 10 finalists, selected by the prize selection panel, will be made in June 2024. Site visits by the Aspen Institute to each of the finalists that fall.

For a full list of the top 150 eligible institutions and to read more on the selection process, visit <https://highered.aspeninstitute.org/aspen-prize>.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

FRIDAY, NOV. 10

SHAWANO: Fallen Angel Memorial Truck, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Qualheim's True Value, 1345 E. Green Bay St. One-of-a-kind memorial pays homage to the fallen Wisconsin men and women of the Persian Gulf wars: Desert Storm, Iraq and Afghanistan.

SURING: Vets 4 Vets Spaghetti Dinner, 3-6 p.m., Red Maple Country Club, 501 Golf Course Road. Spaghetti dinner, silent Auctions, bingo, 50/50 and meat raffles, DJ music. \$7 per person; veterans eat free.

BOWLER: First Responders Ball of the Badges, 5-10 p.m., North Star Mohican Casino Resort, W12180 County Road A. Black-tie dinner 6:30 p.m., program and awards 7 p.m., dancing with MC Whitehorse to follow. Ticket information Rachel Bleser 715-526-3421 or communityengagement@shawanoshelter.org. Proceeds benefit Safe Haven Domestic Abuse and Sexual Assault Support Center.

GILLETT: "Anastasia: The Musical," 7 p.m., Gillett Secondary School, 108 W. Main St. Adult \$12, students \$8.

OCONTO FALLS: "Andromeda's Galaxy," 7 p.m., Oconto Falls High School, 210 N. Farm Road. Drama Team one-act play headed for state competition. \$6

SATURDAY, NOV. 11

NAVARINO: Art Fest, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Navarino Nature Center, W5646 Lindsten Road. Food, crafters, bake sale, Nature center items for purchase. Admission \$1.

SHAWANO: Merry Mielke Christmas Art and Craft Fair, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Mielke Arts Center, N5649 Airport Road. Sponsored by Shawano Arts Council. Original art or crafts will be available for purchase.

SHAWANO: "Surviving the Holidays" seminar for grieving people, 10 a.m. to noon, Covenant Life Presbyterian Church, 1415 E. Green Bay St. RSVP by Nov. 3. For information, call 715-853-1214.

WITTENBERG: Veterans Day ceremony, 10:55 a.m., Ho-Chunk Gaming, N7198 U.S. Highway 45. Keynote speaker Dr. Jeremy Rockman, USMC, Vietnam War combat veteran.

SHAWANO: Allied Vets Council Veteran Day Program, 11 a.m., Courthouse, 311 N. Main St.

SHAWANO: Book signing event, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Twig's Museum and Gift Shop, 920 S. Franklin St. Featuring "Secret Wisconsin: A guide to the weird, wonderful, and obscure" by Tom and Kristi Manus.

OCONTO: Annual Chicken Booyah Luncheon and Bake Sale, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Zion Lutheran Church, 1700 Superior Ave. All-you-can-eat booyah, roll, crackers, dessert and beverage, carryouts available. \$9, ages 6-12 \$4, 5 and under free.

MOUNTAIN: Post 44 Gunless Poultry Shoot, 1 p.m., School House Bar, 14007 State Highway 32. Raffle packages of meat, poultry, sausages, bacon, beverages and items donated by local businesses. 50/50 raffles also.

SHAWANO: Cotter Creek House

Concert, W9050 Broadway Road, Shawano. 7 p.m., 5:30 p.m. potluck. Featuring Yata Peinovich, Timothy Young, Dallyce Elliot Young, and Joel Kroenke. Admission \$15-\$20. 715-853-6879.

GILLETT: "Anastasia: The Musical," 7 p.m., Gillett Secondary School, 108 W. Main St. Adult \$12, students \$8.

SUNDAY, NOV. 12

KRAKOW: Soup and Sandwich Luncheon, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., St. Casimir Parish, W146 Park St. Follows 9 a.m. Mass. Czarina, turkey chili and other soups, sandwich bar. \$12, age 6-15 \$6. Raffle drawing at noon. 920-899-3621

OCONTO FALLS: Disabled American Veterans Meat Raffle, 11 a.m., Antique Bar and Grill, 126 N. Main St. Tickets \$2 each or three for \$5.

GILLETT: "Anastasia: The Musical," 2 p.m., Gillett Secondary School, 108 W. Main St. Adult \$12, students \$8.

TUESDAY, NOV. 14

SHAWANO: Shawano Pathways Annual Social and Report to the Community, 5-9 p.m., Legion Hall, 850 S. Lincoln St. 5 p.m. social hour; 6 p.m. announcements, pizza and salad bar; 7:30 p.m. guest speakers Matt Hendricks and Steve Grover; 8 p.m. raffle winners announced. Door County cheese tasting, silent auction, 50/50 raffle.

FRIDAY, NOV. 17

BOWLER: Bob and Tom Show Live, 5-9 a.m., North Star Mohican Casino Resort, W12180 County Road A. Free

show to first 200 guests.

KESHENA: Native Artist Arts and Crafts Sale, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Menominee Cultural Museum, W3426 County Road VV. Beadwork, paintings, earrings, woodcarvings, baskets, beaded dream catchers, moccasins and mittens, doll clothes, scarves, regalia, quilts and more. Prize drawings 3 p.m.

SHAWANO: Shawano Recovery Center presents "Under the Sea Not Under the Influence," 7-10:30 p.m., Shawano County Park Pavilion, W5791 Lake Drive. Sober prom fundraising event, \$20 per person, \$30 per couple. 715-201-0367 or shawanorecoverycenter.com.

BOWLER: Bob and Tom Live Comedy Show, 10:30 p.m., North Star Mohican Casino Resort, W12180 County Road A. Tickets \$20 at etix.com.

SATURDAY, NOV. 18

KESHENA: Holiday Bazaar and Craft Show, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., St. Michael's Parish, N816 State Highway 47-55. Craft show, Christmas shop, cookies by the pound, basket raffle, food and more.

WITTENBERG: Babysitting Certification, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Northcentral Technical College, 402 N. Genesee St. Class includes basic care for infants and children, basic first aid, child behavior and appropriate activities, emergency protocols, and more. \$69.

SUNDAY, NOV. 19

GRESHAM: Fall Craft Fair, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Jingles On Main, 1215 Main St. \$20 a table. Call for a table 715-787-6026.

Deer hunting, gun laws and exploding Glocks

Neil Sedaka said that breaking up is hard to do, but so is catching up.

I started writing a weekly column for the Shawano Leader around September 2007, and other than a short pause called the pandemic, I've been cranking out regular outdoors and adventure musings ever since.

With the revised Living columns, I went to a twice-a-month rotation that my non-analytic mind still has trouble keeping track of (basically the second and fourth Fridays of the month). I'm continually impressed with the amount of great and useful copy cranked out by the other Living columnists and of course the hard-working staff that create both digital and print content at an impressive rate.

There's so much going on right now in the outdoor world, with the archery deer season, fall turkey, waterfowl and upland game seasons all going strong. Blaze orange will blanket the woods Nov. 18 when the gun deer season opens for nine days, followed by the muzzleloader deer season Nov. 27 through Dec. 6, then the Dec. 7-10 antlerless-only hunt. Our ever-expanding deer herd offers plenty of opportunities, whether you hunt with a modern rifle, slug shotgun, muzzleloader, bow or crossbow.

You can always hunt with a bow or crossbow during any gun or muzzleloader deer season. The archery season continues immediately after the gun seasons and ends Jan. 7 in some counties, Jan. 31 in others (county Deer Advisory Councils decide this each year).

I'm still chasing deer with a recurve bow, trying to fulfill a dream that started with my first bowhunting in 1974 back in Illinois. Although I've shot many deer with compound bow, crossbow, handgun, muzzle-loading rifle, slug shotgun and modern rifle, I still haven't dropped one with the simple stick and string. Fingers crossed. My freezer's still full of venison from last fall's big doe shot during the muzzleloader season, so I'm not going hungry. If I had to depend on my recurve for food, I'd have starved long ago.

I hate not keeping readers up-to-date on previous columns, the same as journalists who pack hunt some emotional or sensational story only to vanish in the mist with no follow-up.

One of the most dramatic moments of my life occurred in April

Ross Bielema
Columnist



during one of my Wolf River Concealed Carry classes. I normally don't get time to shoot at these classes, because I'm teaching my students, but one student had fired an exceptionally good group with my Glock 43 single-stack 9mm. I decided to see if I could match it, and on the fifth shot at 7 yards, the gun exploded in my hands. My right index finger and thumb stung for more than 30 minutes, and I had powder burns and a little swelling but didn't lose any digits.

In the aftermath, I sent the Winchester factory ammo back to the company for testing and the cracked-frame Glock went back to them. A Glock rep told me it had to be the ammo's fault, because claims about Glocks blowing up from firing out of battery or having unsupported chambers were all BS. (Search online for "Glock kaboom," a term created by lawyers who dealt with hundreds of similar explosions over the years.)

I learned that the same weekend, a Glock 43 had exploded in the hands of a Scheels worker I personally know on the same weekend mine did. I also learned that Glocks have a one-year warranty: one of the worst of any firearms maker. Yikes. Needless to say, my faith in this brand carried by law enforcement and military worldwide was shattered. (Polymer is still plastic.)

Winchester's testing was officially inconclusive, but the company agreed to fix my damaged Glock. Glock was going to replace the frame for \$100 but later found damage to the slide, so Winchester then picked up the full cost of the replacement gun, plus shipping, and sent me a box of 200 rounds of ammo to boot. I was thoroughly impressed with Winchester and not at all happy with Glock.

Overloaded ammo (typically from reloads) is the normal cause of most exploding guns, but that was not the case here. At least one writer for the NRA did a story on his own personal Glock that would fire out



Columnist Ross Bielema is in his happy spot when he's sitting in a ground blind with a traditional recurve bow and arrow, waiting for a deer to come by (or even a fall turkey). On this warm October afternoon, a flock of turkeys came within bow range, but there were too many eyes watching to make a shot. The Wisconsin gun deer season opens Nov. 18.

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of battery (slide not fully forward) and articles have been written about Glock modifications that did correct some issues with unsupported chambers in early generations of their guns.

As we move forward toward some major elections, we are reminded almost daily about the relentless anti-gun folks who would rather disarm honest folks than send criminals to prison.

One mantra I hear a lot from the antis is, "Nobody's going to take your guns." We only have to look south to our neighbor, Illinois, to see that yes, politicians will take your guns. They already have.

Illinois last year banned about 150 models of firearms, including many versions of AR-15 rifles. Did you know this?

So far, the state has prevailed on legal challenges and residents who own any of these guns have two options: turn them in (there's no compensation, which essentially

violates the Constitution) or register them with the state police by Jan. 1. They are not allowed to sell them in or outside of the state (huh?) and if they don't register them, they can be considered felons. Apparently the peasants are not cooperating, because so far, only a few thousand have been registered.

We often laugh at our neighbors to the south (they are Bears fans, after all) but we all really should be watching their situation in terror. I for one — who grew up in Illinois and saw the first Firearms Owners Identification Cards come into use there (papers, please) — am sad that those who see citizens as only sources of revenue and votes have made this much ground while many others slept.

Thanks for reading, and good luck this deer season.

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Restoration told by those who lived through it

Last week, a friend from graduate school pinged my phone with a simple question: “Any books I should read for Indigenous Heritage Month?”

Since next month marks the 50th anniversary of the Menominee people winning the restoration of their federal trust status, my mind immediately went to the stories of this resilient nation. Although there are wonderful collections of Menominee stories written since the time of first contact with Europeans, the writings of people who lived through the tribe’s termination period makes for especially timely reading. Perhaps even more so now that some of those gifted storytellers left for the spirit world this year.

The Menominee Nation succumbed to the disastrous federal policy in 1954, with termination going into effect in 1961. This ongoing attack on their sovereignty was ultimately overturned on Dec. 22, 1973. To add insult to injury, the story of the Menominee people told during this era didn’t come from the nation itself.

Nearly a century ago, the book “Exploring Wisconsin” was required reading for the school children educated in the Badger State. Unlike many nations in Wisconsin, the text does mention Menominee people by name, albeit problematically. The 1958 printing of the book offers readers a chance to learn about “Wisconsin’s Early People,” as told through the story of “Little Hawk ... an Indian about your age.”

Little Hawk’s narrative is intended to inspire a sense of connection to “the tribe of Woodland Indians called the Menominees,” and he does so by sharing food stories. Readers are treated to stories about ricing in the waters and “sugar making” from maple trees, but the tragedy is that these stories are all written in the past tense. The authors claim that the Menominee people “did” these things as thought they had case to be, rather than sharing that they still do. Fortunately, modern readers have much richer and more accurate stories to consume.

S. Verna Fowler, who passed in August, was not only the founding



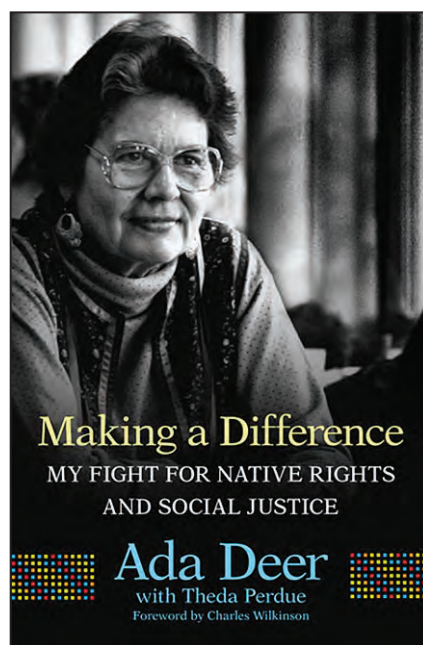
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president of College of Menominee Nation, she was the author of the young readers’ text “The Menominee.” Fowler’s text is the antithesis of the aforementioned problematic book, “Exploring Wisconsin,” as it shows how the ways of the Menominee people endure through their rich culture and tenacious diplomacy.

Historians interested in learning recent Menominee history will do well to read Ada Deer’s “Making a Difference: My Fight For Native Rights and Social Justice.” Deer also left us in August, but she is survived by the narrative of her tenacious ascent from being a gifted student raised in the community to a tribal leader who orchestrated change in Washington, D.C. With Deer as the face of the nation, Menominee people went from being the first tribe terminated to the first one restored.

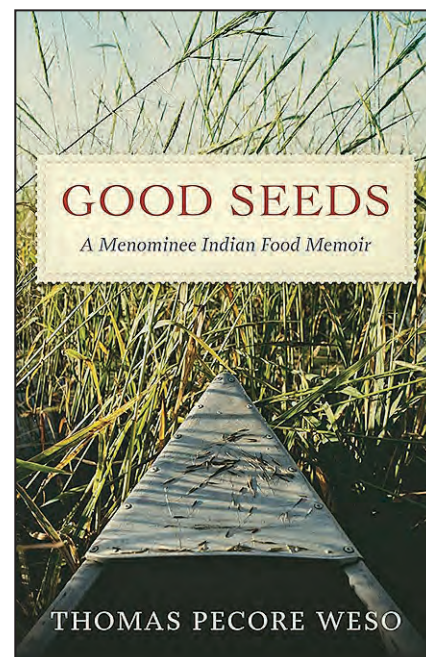
Yet, perhaps the most talented writer of the bunch is Thomas Pecore Weso. Weso journeyed to the spirit world this past summer, but his 2016 book “Good Seeds: A Menominee Indian Food Memoir” has become a canonical work for Native foodies since its publication. A mixture of research, family stories and recipes, the text reflects upon his youth growing up on and around the land of the Menominee reservation.

This month witnessed the publication of Weso’s follow-up text, “Survival Food: North Woods Stories by a Menominee Cook.” Billed by the author as “a personal food map of the Menominee Reservation and neighboring towns, with guest appearances by significant relatives and friends,” the book takes place during what Weso called “the more complicated time period of my tween and teen



years.” Of course, the time Weso is referring to is the era of Menominee termination. Still, readers will again find Weso to be an engaging narrator, treating them to a feast of words and remembrances.

November is a month for intentional gratitude, and one of the many things we all can be grateful for is the wealth of storytellers who have freely shared their stories. Whether or not you pinged my phone asking for recommendations, I hope you spend part of Indigenous Heritage Month between the covers of one of the books



I recommended. The books in this column help to capture the reliance, brilliance and tenacity of the Menominee Nation, offering all readers a look into the lives and experiences as only the Menominee people themselves can convey them.

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Menominee tribe’s salmon project awarded \$177K federal grant

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is awarding \$177,190 to the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin for a study of salmon as a food source.

The funds will support the Menominee Tribal Wildlife Kokanee Salmon Project in Upper Bass Lake. More

than \$6.4 million is being awarded to federally recognized tribes to benefit fish and wildlife resources and their habitats. This year’s funding will support 36 tribes for conservation projects across 17 states including Michigan and Wisconsin, benefiting a wide range of

wildlife and habitat, including species of cultural or traditional importance to Indigenous communities.

The Tribal Wildlife Grants Program helps fulfill federal trust responsibilities and achieve tribal sovereignty by expanding tribes’ natural resource

capacity. Since its inception in 2003, including this year’s grants, the competitive Tribal Wildlife Grants Program has awarded more than \$118 million to Native American and Alaska Native Tribes, providing support for 662 conservation projects.

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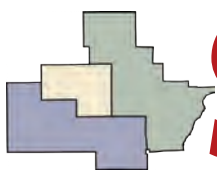


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Tigers rush past Chargers in Level 3

Witt-Birn's football season comes to end

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When a team reaches Level 3 of the high school football playoffs, there are no more easy games.

This is the point when the eight best teams in their respective divisions get together to compete for their spot in the state semifinal games. Wittenberg-Birnamwood has not only been one of the best teams in the state all season, they have continued to do it in a variety of ways that helped them race out to a 10-1 record through 11 games.

Looking to extend their season at least one more week, the Chargers were in for a tough task as the No. 3-seeded Wrightstown Tigers came to town after pulling off an upset against Southern Door in Week 2. Posting a 9-2 record of their own, Wrightstown is no ordinary No. 3 seed, and they can beat anyone on any given day.

This was one of those days for the Tigers. Their rushing attack set the tone on offense while their defense forced three Wittenberg-Birnamwood turnovers to lead them to a 41-17 victory, ending the Chargers' season.

"It just wasn't our night tonight," coach Jason Rieck said. "We made far too many mistakes in this game, and that is something we haven't done much this season. You can't do that this late in the season, especially against a team like Wrightstown and expect to come out on top."

The lopsided final score was not indicated early in the game. Rather, it was the Chargers with momentum who got on the scoreboard first and looked as though they might bust things open.

Jett Rogowski started the game with an end around carry for a first down, while Marshall Fraaza, Nathan Waupekenay and Bryson Schmid each picked up first-down carries to keep the drive moving. Eventually, the Tigers defense started to toughen up and forced a



After taking a 2-0 lead on a safety, Owen Dickman fielded the free kick and got to the outside as he returned the kick 60 yards to the house and put the Chargers up 9-0.

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fourth and long at the 17. Waupekenay went for the end zone, only to come up short.

That was the theme of the game for Wittenberg-Birnamwood all

game long as they had opportunities to pick up points only to be turned away by the Tigers' defense. Immediately following their turnover on downs, the Chargers'

defense got into the backfield to make plays and force a quick three and out. Things went from bad to worse for the Tigers as the ball was snapped over the head of the

punter and resulted in a safety for Braeden Groshek to put the Chargers in front 2-0.

It was the second safety in two weeks for Wittenberg-Birnamwood as their defense turned it up once the playoffs started. On the ensuing kick, Owen Dickman not only fielded the free kick, but he got to the outside and took it to the house. Dickman returned the kick 60 yards to put the Chargers up 9-0.

What looked to be a potential blowout suddenly changed on the next possession. The Tigers not only started to control the tempo, but they didn't allow another point until the fourth quarter and used 34 unanswered points to seize control.

"Overall, I thought we played well as a team but made too many early mistakes," said Waupekenay, the senior quarterback. "We moved the ball fairly well throughout the game, but our mistakes proved costly, especially the ones that came from me. There were some plays where I misread the routes, and I felt that I could've done better."

The big reason for that was a rushing attack that gashed the Chargers' defense for 321 yards as Wittenberg-Birnamwood had no answers for them.

Aiden Humphries had a big game, touching the ball 14 times for 143 yards and two scores, but he wasn't the only one picking up yards on the ground. Payton Vande Hey added 94 yards on eight carries with two more scores, including the first score of the night for the



The Wittenberg-Birnamwood defense swarms around a Wrightstown player in Level 3 playoff football Nov. 3. The Chargers saw their season come to an end with a 41-17 loss to the Tigers, who now advance to the state semifinals round.

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Tigers to pull within 9-7.

Looking to keep their offensive momentum going following that TD, Rogowski picked up another first-down run to open the next drive, only to have Waupekenay get picked off for one of his two interceptions in the game.

One play later it was Payton Vande Hey going to work again as he found an opening and raced 78 yards for the go-ahead TD; the

Tigers never looked back, leading 14-9. The Tigers' defense continued to limit the Chargers' offense late in the first half, which helped lead to another second-half TD with Humphries plowing in from three yards out to push the lead to 20-9 at the half.

"We knew coming into this game that it was going to be a challenge slowing down that rushing attack," Rieck said. "You can only see so much on film, and they are a very fast and physical team on offense. Not only that, but they do a great job mixing and matching their personnel to keep you honest, and that makes it tough for a defense to adjust to during the game."

In desperate need of points, the Chargers didn't do themselves any favors to begin the second half as the opening kickoff went out of bounds to give the Tigers great field position. Fortunately, the Chargers' defense held, but that momentum was quickly taken away as Waupekenay was intercepted for the second time on the next possession giving the Tigers great field position yet again.

It is hard to believe a team can win a game by throwing just one pass, but that is what the Tigers did as their rushing attack continued to give the Chargers fits with Trevor Vande Hey picking up the 39-yard TD on a QB draw and extending the lead to 27-9. Trevor Vande Hey also added more than 60 yards on the

ground as the Tigers had three rushers with at least 60 yards in the game.

Things only got worse for Wittenberg-Birnamwood from there as another Tigers interception on the next possession led to a 49-yard TD run from Humphries.

The Chargers were not going to go down without a fight and put together their best offensive drive in the fourth quarter. Despite facing a fourth and long early in the drive, it was Fraaza keeping things alive with a first down that set things up for the 19-yard scramble for Waupekenay to move the chains once more. One play later, Waupekenay found Rogowski for the completion and moved the ball inside the two-yard line before Coye Brillowski picked up the lone offensive score of the night for the Chargers to make things 34-17.

That was as close as the Chargers would get, as Wrightstown added another rushing touchdown later in the fourth to close out the scoring.

"I knew this season was going to be special since our first practice," Waupekenay said. "After playing together for a year last season, we found out pretty quickly that we could be a powerhouse type of team this season. Beating Amherst twice in the same season has never been in the history of our program until this season. This was a great team to be a part of, and this is a season all of us are going to remember."



Wittenberg-Birnamwood quarterback Nathan Waupekenay runs outside in the Chargers' 41-17 loss to Wrightstown in Level 3 playoff action. A solid game by the Tigers coupled with mistakes by the Chargers proved to be too much for Wittenberg-Birnamwood to overcome as their 2023 campaign came to an end.

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Witt-Birn swimmers to compete at state meet

Chargers to race in 8 team, individual events

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood girls swim team stepped up big time at their sectional championship meet in Merrill on Nov. 4.

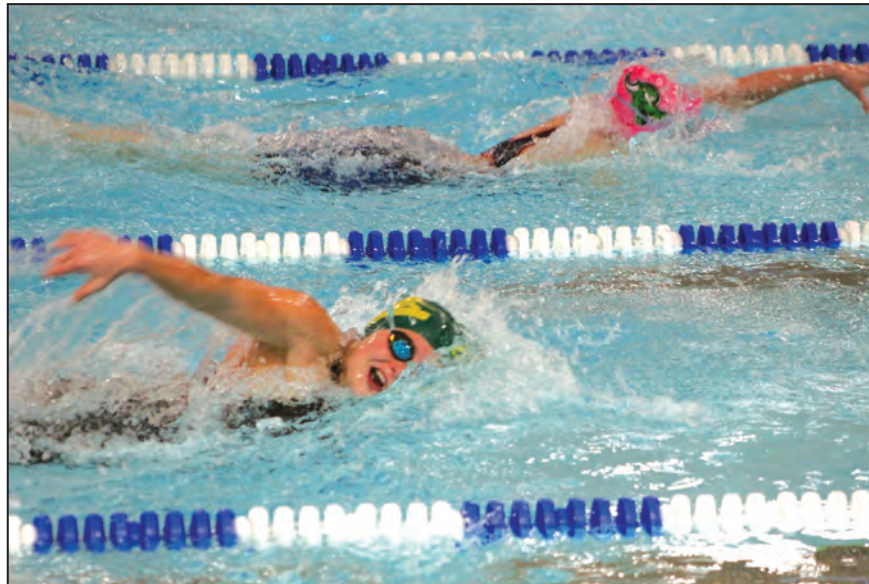
Of the 14 events in the Division 2 meet, the Chargers qualified in eight events to compete in the state championship.

The highest seed of those events is the 200-yard freestyle relay team of Faith Resch, Kelsie Davis, Ava Hegewald and Reese Dickman that is seeded sixth. The group placed second at sectionals.

Davis, Dickman, Resch and Hegewald also advanced to the state meet in the 200-yard medley relay after finishing second at Merrill.

The 54th annual WIAA girls swimming and diving championship will be held Nov. 10-11 at the Waukesha South High School Natatorium.

Davis placed sixth in the 200-yard individual medley and earned a state berth. At state, she will also



Faith Resch swims her leg in the 200-yard free relay at Merrill. The Wittenberg-Birnamwood team placed second at sectionals and is the No. 6 seed at the Nov. 10-11 state meet.

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compete in the 100-yard backstroke after placing fourth at sectionals.

In the 50-yard freestyle, Resch placed third and Dickman was fourth at sectionals; both advance to the state meet in this event.

In the 100-yard breaststroke,

Dickman advanced to the state meet after a third-place finish in Merrill. Hegewald placed 15th.

Resch will also compete at state in the 100-yard freestyle after finishing in fourth at sectionals. Claire Timm placed 26th the event.

Andrea Powell was 16th and Timm was 20th in the 200-yard freestyle. Powell placed 14th in the 500-yard freestyle.

As a team, the Chargers earned 148 points and placed seventh.

Shawano/Bonduel

The Shawano/Bonduel swim team earned 12 points and finished in 14th place at the Division 1 sectional meet at Wisconsin Rapids.

A pair of relay teams each finished in 14th, the best showings for the team.

In the 200-yard medley relay, it was Brynn Hannes, Jai Bisterfeldt, Tela Hopfensperger and Lila Melchior placing 14th. Also in that

place was the team of Hopfensperger, Breanna Anderson, Hannes and Bisterfeldt in the 200-yard freestyle relay.

Melchior placed 21st in the 100-yard breaststroke. Hopfensperger was 22nd in the 500-yard freestyle and 23rd in the 50-yard freestyle.

Hannes was 28th in the 100-yard backstroke. Bisterfeldt was 31st and Anderson was 35th in the 50-yard freestyle.

Pulaski

With a handful of top 10 finishes, Pulaski scored 102 points and finished in ninth place in the Division 1 sectional at Neenah.

Mary Duffrin placed fifth in the 200-yard individual medley and seventh in the 100-yard butterfly.

Eva Sauer, Jillian Wentland, Duffrin and Brynn Rybicki placed eighth in the 200-yard medley relay. Sauer, Wentland, Rybicki and Duffrin were also eighth in the 200-yard freestyle relay.

Sauer was ninth in the 100-yard backstroke. She was also 11th in the 200-yard freestyle and was joined by Rybicki in 21st, Elizabeth Ryan in 22nd and Georgia Giannunzio in 23rd.

Olivia Krueger finished in 16th place in the 200-yard individual medley. Brynn Kapla was 29th and Lacey Clauss was 36th in the 50-yard freestyle.

In the 100-yard freestyle, it was Ryan in 20th, Kapla in 23rd and Clauss in 27th. Rybicki placed 18th and Giannunzio was 19th in the 500-yard freestyle.

Coming in 11th in the 100-yard breaststroke was Wentland, with teammate Krueger finishing in 19th.

The 400-yard freestyle relay team of Kapla, Giannunzio, Ryan and Krueger placed 12th.

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Tackling lawyer shortage in rural Wisconsin

Several Midwestern states have the same conundrum – how to encourage lawyers to practice law in rural and small-town communities. Wisconsin is no different than any other state. The challenge of finding enough lawyers to meet the civil legal needs of individuals is the same challenge experienced by rural counties that are struggling to find lawyers to work in the criminal justice system.

According to data from the United States Census Bureau in 2022, Wisconsin is home to approximately 5.8 million residents. However, a 2021 report by the State Bar of Wisconsin's "President's Task Force on Greater Wisconsin Initiative" revealed that nearly half of the state's lawyers live in just seven of the most populous counties: Milwaukee, Dane, Waukesha, Brown, Racine, Outagamie and Ozaukee. A mere 17% consider themselves "rural" lawyers, with fewer than 40%



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of active lawyers in Wisconsin practicing outside urban areas, according to Wisconsin Public Radio.

Twenty-four counties in greater Wisconsin have two dozen or fewer practicing attorneys, and some northern Wisconsin counties have an average practicing attorney age exceeding 60. This stark shortage of lawyers in rural areas is undeniably an access-to-justice issue, endangering the well-being of vulnerable citizens — including veterans, fixed-income seniors, individuals living with mental

illness and others. The scarcity of local attorneys translates into unmet legal needs.

The lack of lawyers in rural and small communities negatively affects the economies of these communities and the well-being of their residents. The impact can be felt in areas where lawyers are needed, including real estate transactions, new business start-ups, farming, property disputes and estate planning, to name a few. Rural residents may pay more for legal services located in larger urban centers.

This is a complex problem with no quick fixes. It will require collaborative efforts from lawyers, local government leaders, chamber of commerce leaders, local bar associations, the Wisconsin Legislature and the governor.

The State Bar of Wisconsin is working on this pressing issue and will be presenting strategies that can unlock opportunities for lawyers in rural

and small-town communities. The emphasis is on lawyers of all experience levels and practice areas, as more lawyers are learning that they do not need to be in an office in a tall downtown building to enjoy a successful law practice.

The allure of rural practice includes a lower cost of living, opportunities for community involvement and outdoor recreational opportunities. With the help of lawyers and law schools, the State Bar is committed to showing these and other positives of a small-town practice and the opportunities that exist throughout Wisconsin. Small-town lawyers can play a pivotal role in this effort with stories and insights about the benefits of small-town practice and living in rural communities around the state.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR
Limiting opportunity also inhibits growth

To the editor:

I'm requesting that the grandfather clause recommended by Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association for Trent Van Den Elzen be installed at Suring Public School. If they are unwilling to install, I'm asking them to sign a commitment that dual sports will never be an option to any athletes ever in Suring School District. Limiting opportunity never builds up a school but only stops growth.

How does stopping a dedicated athlete help build up a non-dedicated athlete? One of the justifications for stripping my son of the opportunity to continue dual sports at Suring is it isn't fair. If an athlete that is committed and is at every possible game they can play in, how does that allow for an athlete that may not possess the skill set or desire to play in any more games?

With a dual sport athlete not being at every game, it allows the athlete of lesser ability or desire the opportunity to play in more games. The complete opposite of what Superintendent Paul Orlich said was a negative. The absence of a dual sport athlete allows for a backup player to step up. How long have parents been complaining about fairness and equality in high school sports? I can give you a long list of athletes that went to every practice and were never given the opportunity to play.

Being at practice is never guaranteed playing time. Especially when a coach's kid is involved. Another reason that was given to end dual sports was the fact that athletes can get hurt playing dual sports. I had one of Trent's coaches actually say that he felt Trent broke his wrist wrestling because he was playing basketball. How do single-sport athletes break their bones just playing one sport? I know of no other department but the athletic and coaching staff to put forth a self-limiting ban.

Orlich said other schools that have dual sports because of individual sports like golf. Many feel wrestling is an individual sport. They are all team sports. It is clear why open enrollment is so popular and why we have such a drain of quality athletes to other districts. Tell me again how you are doing for the children.

Mike Van Den Elzen, Suring

Cross country all-conference honors listed

Several area athletes have been named to the Marinette & Oconto Conference cross country all-conference teams.

Gillett Secondary School had one girl on the first team and three on the second team.

Hope Soper was named to the first team. She was also named most outstanding runner. Second-team honors went to Sophie Limberg, Lily Hansen and Maggie Kaczmarek.

Suring's Georgia Gerndt was named to the first team, as was Lena/

St. Thomas Aquinas Academy's Aspynn Anderson.

Lena/STAA's Adrena Rabas was named to the second team.

For the boys, Gillett's Bradyn Wendorff and Scott Herroux were named to the first team. Wendorff was also

honored as most outstanding runner.

Gillett's Ben Peterson and Nash Stage were named to the second team, as were Lena/STAA's Mason Belongia and Erik Kosch.

Gillett was the 2023 conference champion.

Graef named Peninsula Conference's top defensive player

Logan Graef, a senior linebacker from Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy, is the 2023 defensive player of the year for the Peninsula Conference all-conference football team.

Named to the first team defense were Graef along with teammate Colt

Miller, a sophomore playing defensive lineman.

Second-team defensive honors were earned by: Lena/STAA junior Ty Shallow, defensive back; Gillett junior LaVonnzell Smith, linebacker; Suring senior Trent Van Den Elzen,

linebacker; Lena/STAA sophomore Lucas Heimke, defensive lineman; and Suring junior Michael Bailey, punter.

Earning honorable mention awards were: Lena/STAA sophomore Max Peterson, linebacker; and Suring junior Blake Laluzerne, defensive lineman.

Named to the first team on offense were Gillett senior Brandon DeBauch, offensive end, and Lena/STAA Anthony Seefeldt, offensive lineman.

Second-team offensive honors were awarded to: Gillett junior Jesse DeBauch, quarterback; Lena/STAA

juniors Calvin Peters and Shallow, running backs; Gillett senior Ben Matczak, offensive end; Gillett senior Tyler Slatky, offensive lineman; and Lena/STAA senior Colton Skrobel, offensive lineman.

Earning honorable mention status were: Gillett senior Jackson Pecha, running back; Graef, running back; Suring senior Trent Thomson, running back; Suring sophomore Jake Cornell, offensive end; Van Den Elzen, offensive end; Smith, offensive lineman; Lena/STAA junior Tug Paidl, offensive lineman; and Suring senior Carter Whisman, offensive lineman.

M&O volleyball all-conference honors posted

Named to the Marinette & Oconto all-conference volleyball first team were Eva Brooks of Lena, Hailey Elsner of Gillett and Bailey Stuart of Suring.

Second-team honors were awarded

to Peyton Dorow and Alabama Lambert, both of Lena.

Honorable mention status was awarded to Gillett's Reece Franti, as well as Suring's Emma Kristof and MaShya Seefeldt.

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Helping young athletes with knee pain

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Knee pain is a common concern among teen athletes. Adolescent anterior knee pain, often referred to as runner's knee, is prevalent among students in running sports.

"Adolescents are in a stage of rapid growth and development, which can result in muscle imbalances and biomechanical changes," said Dr. David Hirschi, sports medicine physician with ThedaCare Orthopedic Care. "These changes, combined with the repetitive stress of activities like running as well as jumping and sudden changes in direction, can lead to increased pressure on the knee joint, resulting in pain and discomfort."

The discomfort can be debilitating and affect the athlete's performance and overall well-being.

With proper awareness and preventive measures, teens can minimize their risk.

Hirschi detailed why teens are more susceptible to adolescent anterior knee pain, including:

- Overuse and poor training habits:



DAVID HIRSCHI

Teens often push themselves too hard to reach their athletic goals. Overtraining and inadequate rest can lead to excessive strain on the knee joint, contributing to runner's knee.

- Muscle

imbalances: Growing at different rates, the muscles in a teenager's body may develop unevenly. This can lead to imbalances around the knee joint, causing improper tracking of the patella (kneecap) and subsequent pain.

- Biomechanical factors: Natural variations in a teenager's biomechanics, such as foot pronation (inward rolling) or poor alignment of the lower limbs, can increase the risk of developing runner's knee.

- Inadequate footwear: Wearing improper or worn-out footwear while participating in sports can exacerbate

knee pain by failing to provide the necessary support and cushioning.

To prevent and manage runner's knee, Hirschi emphasized the importance of a comprehensive approach that combines proper training, rest, and self-care.

Here are seven steps he suggests.

- Gradual progression: Teens should follow a gradual training progression to avoid overuse injuries. Increase the intensity, duration, and frequency of workouts gradually. This allows the body to adapt to the demands of the sport.

- Cross-training: Encourage teens to diversify their training routines by incorporating activities like swimming, cycling, or strength training. This helps prevent overuse of specific muscle groups.

- Flexibility and strengthening: Proper flexibility and strength training are crucial. Focus on exercises that target the quadriceps, hamstrings and hip muscles to improve the stability of the knee joint.

- Warm-up and cool-down: Before and after workouts, teenagers should perform proper warm-up and cool-down routines. Dynamic stretching and foam rolling can help prepare the muscles for activity and reduce post-exercise soreness.

- Rest and recovery: Rest days are just as important as training days. Adequate rest allows your body to repair and adapt. Prioritize rest and recovery in their training schedule.

- Footwear matters: Ensure the athlete has appropriate footwear for their sport. Consult with a sports specialist or physical therapist to determine the right type of shoe and any necessary support.

- Listen to the body: Teens should pay attention to any early signs of knee pain. Ignoring discomfort can lead to more serious injuries. If knee pain persists, consult a sports medicine specialist for evaluation and guidance.

Preventing knee pain in teens requires a holistic approach, Hirschi said.



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Results of statewide PFAS sampling in private wells now available

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) announced the results of a study conducted to understand the extent of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) contamination in shallow groundwater throughout Wisconsin.

PFAS are a group of human-made chemicals used for decades in numerous products — including non-stick cookware, fast food wrappers, stain-resistant sprays and certain types of firefighting foam. These contaminants have made their way into the environment in a variety of ways, including spills of PFAS-containing materials, discharges of wastewater that contain PFAS from treatment plants and use of certain types of firefighting foams.

During the summer and fall of 2022, the DNR used funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to collect water samples from across the state and analyze

them for PFAS.

In total, 450 samples were collected voluntarily from private wells distributed throughout Wisconsin. Most private wells that were sampled had PFAS concentrations below current Wisconsin Department of Health Services' (DHS) health recommendations; overall, the number of areas in Wisconsin with significant PFAS contamination were limited.

The DNR's groundwater study shows roughly seven in 10 private wells contain one or more PFAS, but only one in 100 contain PFAS above DHS' current health guidelines.

The results of the DNR's groundwater study were released in the "Journal of Environmental Science & Technology."

"The information gained through this groundwater study, combined with compliance sampling in public

water systems and surface water monitoring efforts, will help us in developing an understanding of where PFAS are found in Wisconsin's water," said Steve Elmore, DNR Bureau of Drinking Water and Groundwater director. "This knowledge will allow us to use our limited resources to address PFAS most efficiently."

New drinking water regulations that went into effect in Wisconsin in 2022 require ongoing sampling of public drinking water systems. By the end of 2023, Wisconsin will have PFAS data for nearly all public water systems in the state due to these regulations.

Private well owners who find their well is impacted by PFAS at levels above DHS' health recommendations may be eligible for grants through the Well Compensation Grant Program to install a new well or water treatment system.

Funding from the federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law is available to both municipal water systems and wastewater systems that have been impacted by PFAS.

The DNR is currently working to enact standards for four PFAS compounds (i.e., PFOA, PFOS, PFBS and HFPO-DA (GenX)) in groundwater. If enacted, standards would help to limit the amount of these compounds that could reach groundwater. This would protect private well owners from PFAS exposure and reduce treatment needs for impacted public water systems that source water from groundwater.

The public is encouraged to participate in the groundwater standards rulemaking process. Information about this proposed rule and opportunities to participate are available on the DNR's website and by subscribing to receive email updates.

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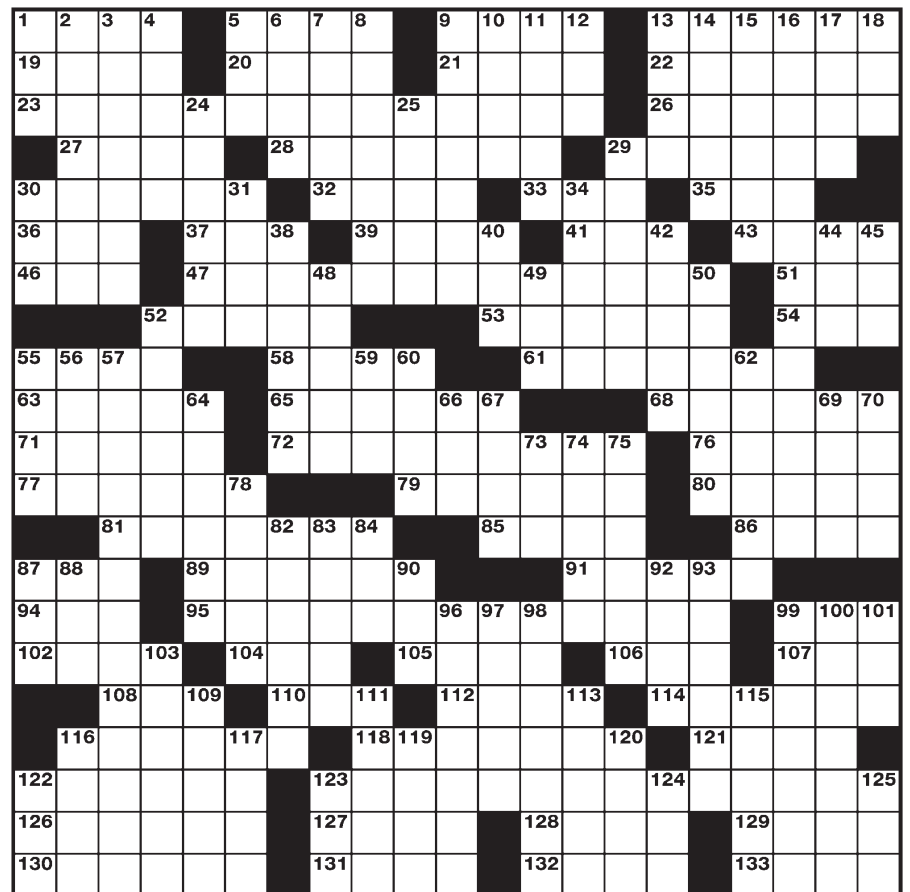
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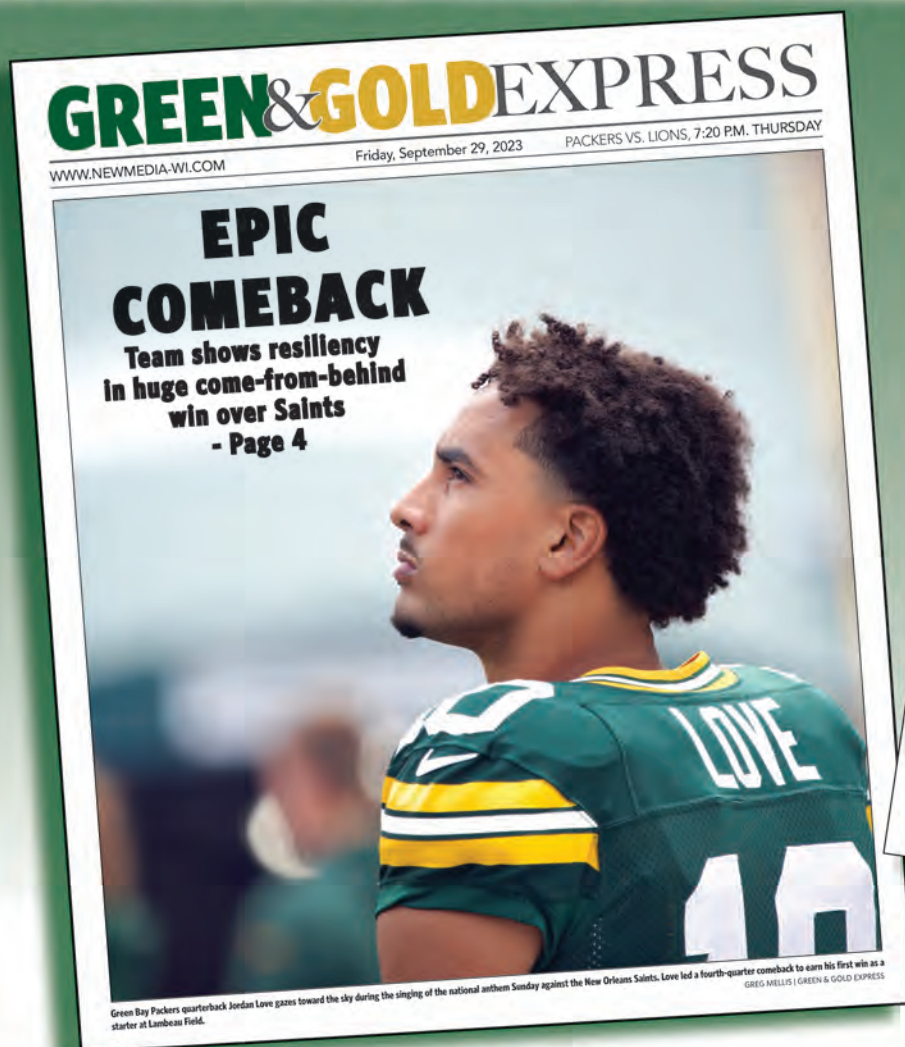
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WEEK	DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	TV
1	Sunday, September 10	at Chicago Bears	3:25 p.m.	FOX
2	Sunday, September 17	at Atlanta Falcons	12 p.m.	FOX
3	Sunday, September 24	NEW ORLEANS SAINTS	12 p.m.	FOX
4	Thursday, September 28	DETROIT LIONS	7:15 p.m.	prime video
5	Monday, October 9	at Las Vegas Raiders	7:15 p.m.	ESPN
6	Sunday, October 22	BYE WEEK		
7	Sunday, October 29	at Denver Broncos	3:25 p.m.	CBS
8	Sunday, November 5	MINNESOTA VIKINGS	*12 p.m.	FOX
9	Sunday, November 12	LOS ANGELES RAMS	*12 p.m.	FOX
10	Sunday, November 19	at Pittsburgh Steelers	*12 p.m.	CBS
11	Thursday, November 23	LOS ANGELES CHARGERS	*12 p.m.	FOX
12	Sunday, December 3	at Detroit Lions (Thanksgiving)	11:30 a.m.	FOX
13	Monday, December 11	KANSAS CITY CHIEFS	*7:20 p.m.	NBC
14	Sunday, December 17	at New York Giants	*7:15 p.m.	FOX
15	Sunday, December 24	TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS	*12 p.m.	FOX
16	Sunday, December 31	at Carolina Panthers	*12 p.m.	FOX
17	Sunday, December 31	at Minnesota Vikings	*7:20 p.m.	NBC
18	TBD	CHICAGO BEARS	TBD	TBD

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SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Nov. 6

Deputies responded to 40 incidents, including a vehicle fire on state Highway 29 in the Town of Seneca; harassment at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main St.; threatening on Hillview Road in the Town of Hutchins; attempted theft on Oriole Road in the Town of Birnamwood; illegal burning on Loon Lake Circle in the Town of Wescott; trespassing on state Highway 156 in the Town of Navarino; property theft on Main Street in the Town of Angelica; two 911 calls; two reckless driving incidents; four traffic hazards; three crashes, one involving deer.

Nov. 5

Deputies responded to 33 incidents, including an animal bite on River Bend Road in the Town of Belle Plaine; found property at Kwik Trip, 102 W. Express Way, Bonduel; found property on Lindsten Road in the Town of Navarino; one 911 call; four reckless driving incidents; one traffic hazard; three crashes, one involving deer.

Nov. 4

Deputies responded to 19 incidents, including illegal burning on Loon Lake Circle in the Town of Wescott; trespassing on Lakeview Road in the Town of Washington; three 911 calls; six crashes, three involving deer.

Nov. 3

Deputies responded to 40 incidents, including noise on South Cecil Street in Bonduel; vehicle theft on Moh He Con Nuck Road in the Town of Bartelme; vehicle fire on Fourth Street in Mattoon;

animal bite on Norrie Road in the Town of Birnamwood; threatening on Derby Lane in the Town of Washington; assisting with a fire on Maple Road in the Town of Hutchins; property damage on East Express Way; warrant on Northwood Drive in the Town of Wescott; three 911 calls; three reckless driving incidents; two traffic hazards; three crashes, two involving deer.

Nov. 2

Deputies responded to 33 incidents, including operating while intoxicated on state Highway 29 in the Town of Seneca; burglary on Rosenow Lane in the Town of Morris; fraud on Shady Road in the Town of Lessor; one 911 call; three reckless driving incidents; two traffic hazards; seven crashes, four involving deer.

Nov. 1

Deputies responded to 37 incidents, including a vehicle fire on U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Wittenberg; recovering stolen property on Mill Creek Road in the Town of Pella; trespassing on Hill Road in the Town of Aniwa; harassment on State Street in the Town of Herman; lost property on Willow Road in the Town of Hutchins; assisting with a fire on state Highway 55 in the Town of Maple Grove; operating without a license on Korth Road in Cecil; animal bite on Regina Road in the Town of Almon; property theft on Howard Street in Wittenberg; five 911 calls; one reckless driving incident; two traffic hazards; four crashes, three involving deer.

Oct. 31

Deputies responded to 43 incidents, including two warrants at Shawano

County Courthouse, 311 N. Main St.; four 911 calls; one traffic hazard; 12 crashes, two involving deer and all happening before noon.

SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Nov. 6

Officers responded to 29 incidents, including operating while intoxicated on East Maurer Street; reckless driving on East Green Bay Street; juvenile returned home on Military Road; three truancy calls at undisclosed location; juvenile problem at undisclosed location; warrant arrest on South Bartlett Street; noise at Sturgeon Park, 801 S. Water St.

Nov. 5

Officers responded to 14 incidents, including noise at Co-Op Park, 1001 E. Richmond St.

Nov. 4

Officers responded to 13 incidents, including reckless driving on East Randall Street; found property on South Hamlin Street; noise at Sturgeon Park, 811 S. Water St.

Nov. 3

Officers responded to 33 incidents, including reckless driving on South Lincoln Street; traffic hazard on East Division Street; threatening on Engel Drive.

Nov. 2

Officers responded to 17 incidents, including noise on South Water Street; a death investigation at an undisclosed

location; property theft on East Richmond Street; lost property at Walmart; reckless driving on state Highway 47-55 in the Town of Wescott; shoplifting at Charlie's County Market, 521 S. Main St.; vehicle crash at Charlie's County Market, 521 S. Main St.

Nov. 1

Officers responded to 34 incidents, including assisting a transient at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; assisting with a fire on West Fifth Street; vehicle crash on East Green Bay Street; two truancy reports at undisclosed locations; vehicle crash on South Airport Drive; found property on South Lafayette Street; trespassing at an undisclosed location; bail jumping on East Green Bay Street; property damage at Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St.; operating without a license on South Andrews Street.

Oct. 31

Officers responded to 27 incidents, including attempted theft on South Bartlett Street; two juvenile problems at undisclosed locations; property theft on South Bartlett Street; fraud at Premier Community Bank, 1273 S. Main St.; truancy at an undisclosed location; juvenile runaway at an undisclosed location; found property on South Weed Street; reckless driving on Old Lake Road in the Town of Wescott; operating without a license on East Green Bay Street.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL
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PUBLIC NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A NUTRIENT
MANAGEMENT PLAN AND INTENT
TO REISSUE A WISCONSIN POLLUTANT DISCHARGE
ELIMINATION SYSTEM (WPDES)
PERMIT No.WI-0063967-04-0
NOV. 10, 2023

Permittee: Strassburg Creek Dairy, N7339 Regina Road,
Wittenberg, WI, 54499

Facility Where Discharge Occurs: Strassburg Creek Dairy,
N7339 Regina Rd Shawano

Receiving Water And Location: Surface water and
groundwater within the North Branch Embarras River
Watershed

Brief Facility Description : Strassburg Creek Dairy is an
existing Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation (CAFO)
that is owned & operated by Jeff Strassburg & family.
Strassburg Creek Dairy consists of 1 site located at N7339
Regina Road, Wittenberg, WI. Strassburg Creek Dairy
currently consists of 2,530 animal units (1,400 milking & dry
cows, 600 heifers, 300 calves) and is proposing to expand to
2,810 animal units (1,600 milking & dry cows, 600 heifers,
300 calves) during the upcoming permit term. Strassburg
Creek Dairy has total of 3,911 acres available for land
application of manure and process wastewater of which
3,868 are spreadable. Of this acreage, 636 acres are owned,
and 3,275 acres are controlled through contracts, rental
agreements, or manure agreements.

The Department has tentatively decided that the above
specified WPDES permit should be reissued.

Permit Drafter's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Brian
Hanson, DNR, 647 Lakeland Rd., Shawano, WI, 54166-
3843, (920) 366-3302, Brian.Hanson@wisconsin.gov

Persons wishing to comment on or object to the proposed
permit action, the terms of the nutrient management plan, or
the application, or to request a public informational hearing
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information on file in making a final decision regarding the
permit. Anyone providing comments in response to this

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public notice will receive a notification of the Department's
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permit determination. If no comments are received on the
proposed permit from anyone, including U.S. EPA, the permit
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hearing; the reasons for the request; and the issues
proposed to be considered at the hearing.

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BOOKS AND STUFF

Druid Academy debut makes fun fantasy

This week I decided to have some fun with the fantastical so I selected "Druid Magic" by C.S. Churton. It is the first in Churton's Druid Mystery series.

Lyssa Eldridge is utterly bummed. She has just received her final college rejection letter. She hates to disappoint parents again and can't help feeling that she's a failure who will never "fit in." While her younger sister, Holly, looks like their parents, is a good student and has many friends, Lyssa is darker, struggled in school and is pretty much a loner.

Later, Lyssa notices an official-looking envelope on her dresser. It informs her that she has been accepted as a student at Dragondale Academy of Druidic Magic. Lyssa assumes it is one of Holly's pranks and ignores it.

As summer ends, Lyssa is sitting in her favorite grove when a stranger suddenly appears. He's dressed in a colorful cloak over black robes and says he has come to take Lyssa to Dragondale Academy. Stunned, she



Jan Jones
Columnist

reluctantly follows him through a "portal" into Dragondale.

Students are grouped by elements, Earth, Wind, Water and Fire. Poor Lyssa has no idea who she is or what she is. After a visit to the headmaster, she learns that she is a Fire who was born into a druid family but adopted by "mundanes" (people with no magic capabilities) That explains why she hasn't been prepared for the academy in any way.

Her lack of druidic knowledge makes Lyssa the target of the mean girl Felicity and her clique. They do their best to get Lyssa expelled. To her great relief, Lyssa quickly makes friends with Kelsey and Sam, and the

AT A GLANCE

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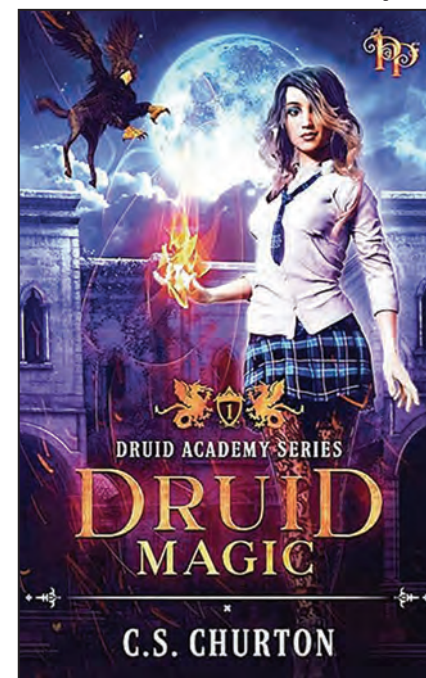
Sadly, the academy doesn't change Lyssa's dismal learning ability. It seems the only place she excels is with the dangerous gryphon-like creature called a hippogriff. With a raptor-like head, wings and claws combined with a horse-like body, they are ridden in a challenging game known as Itealta.

One of the most difficult creatures, Stormclaw, takes a liking to Lyssa. That friendship proves to be a lifesaver when Kelsey disappears into a forbidden grove. Fearing for her friend's safety Lyssa fears follows her on foot. Stormclaw appears and to her surprise, lets her ride as he flies to the grove.

There she confronts a massive wolf that magically transforms into Kelsey. She is a cross breed druid and werewolf. The headmaster explains that they have been trying to help Kelsey control her transformations but it is a slow process.

Within days two students are attacked by "something that gives off a terrible stench." The victims cling to life as the botanist tries to get healing seeds from a special plant. Lyssa is guarding the plant when the creature appears. She manages to use her unfamiliar magic to fend it off but before it leaves it hints that it allowed Lyssa to survive this time.

Lyssa also learns that a stray cat



is actually a malicious shapeshifter who slips through the portals unnoticed when in cat form. All that drama is set aside as Lyssa is thrust into preparing to ride in the fast-approaching Itealta game. She and Stormclaw surprise everyone by flying well and scoring the winning goal.

The elation is short-lived as everyone takes their final exams. To their great relief, Lyssa and her friends all pass all classes. Now Lyssa is confronted with the fact that the school will be closed for the summer. Maybe this will be the right time to ask her parents about her biological father so she can learn about her unique heritage and return to Dragondale more settled and confident in who she is and her place in the world.

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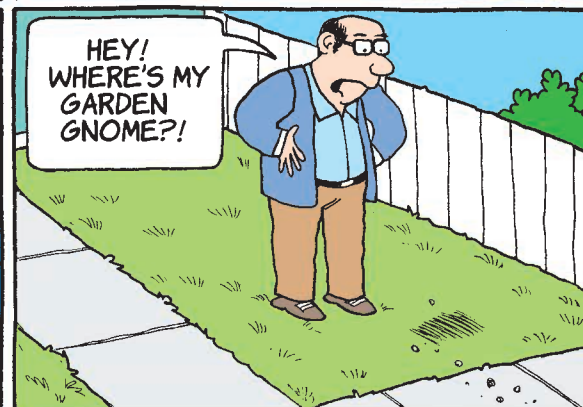
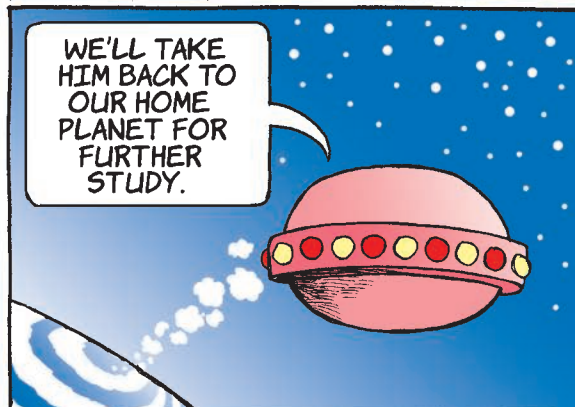
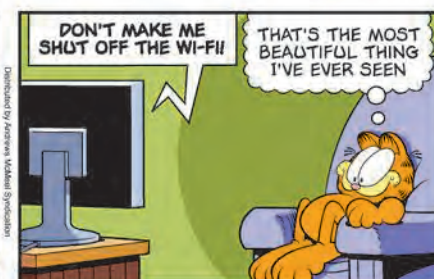
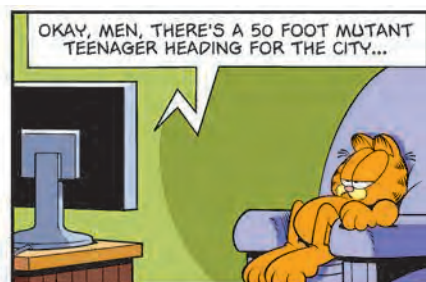
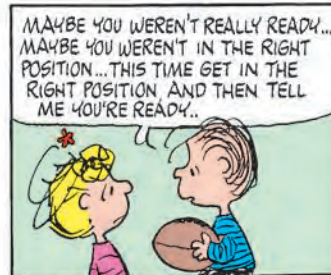


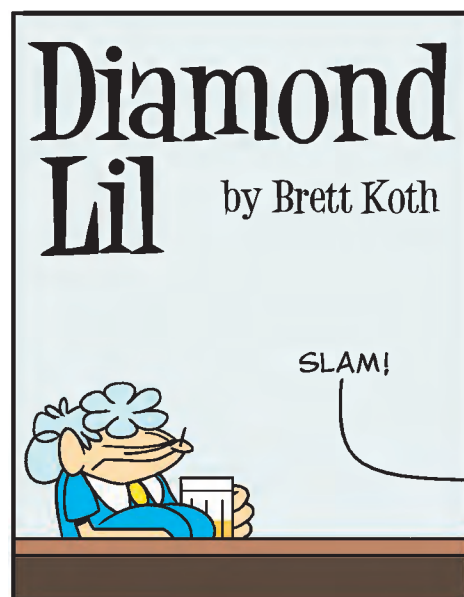
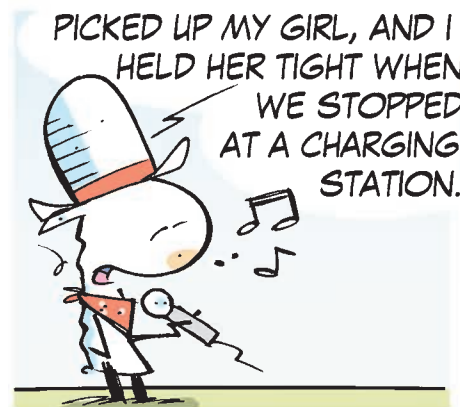
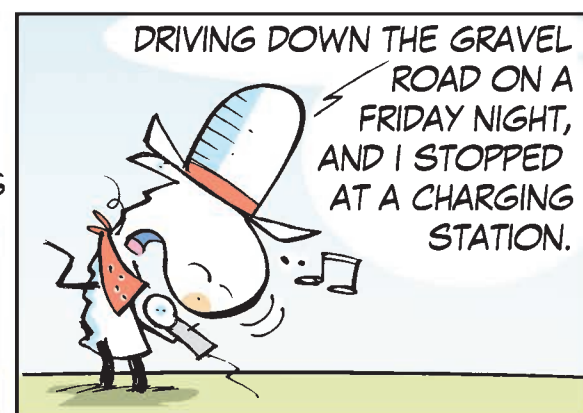
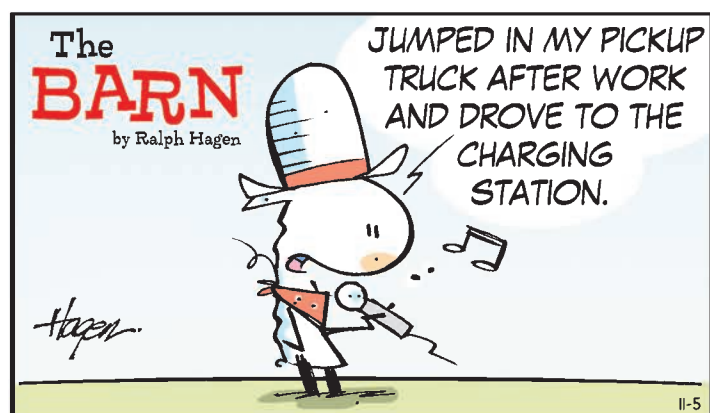
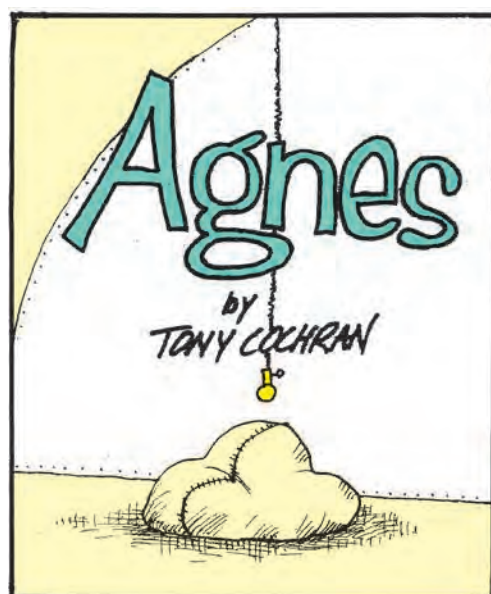
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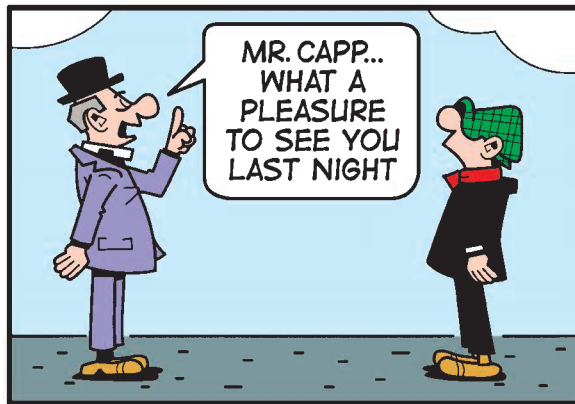
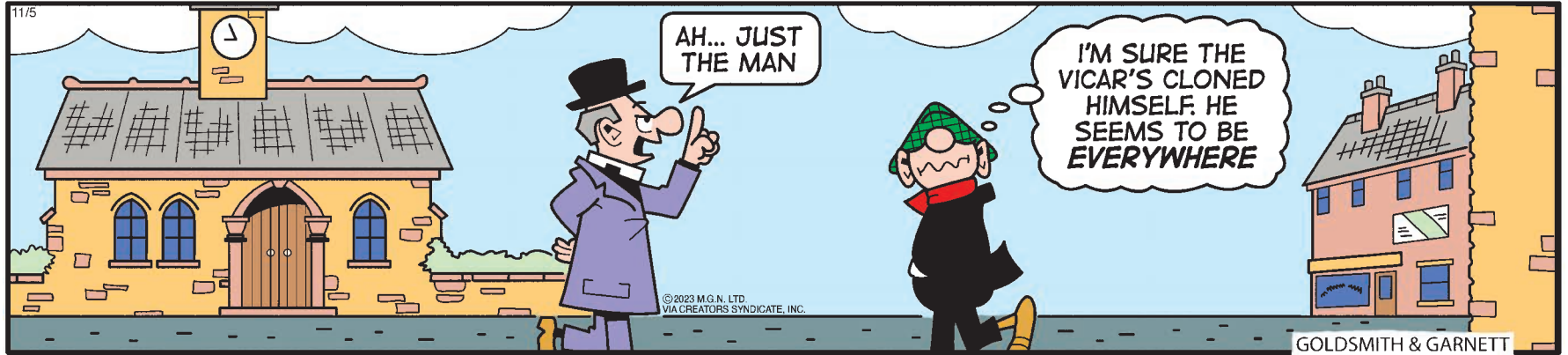
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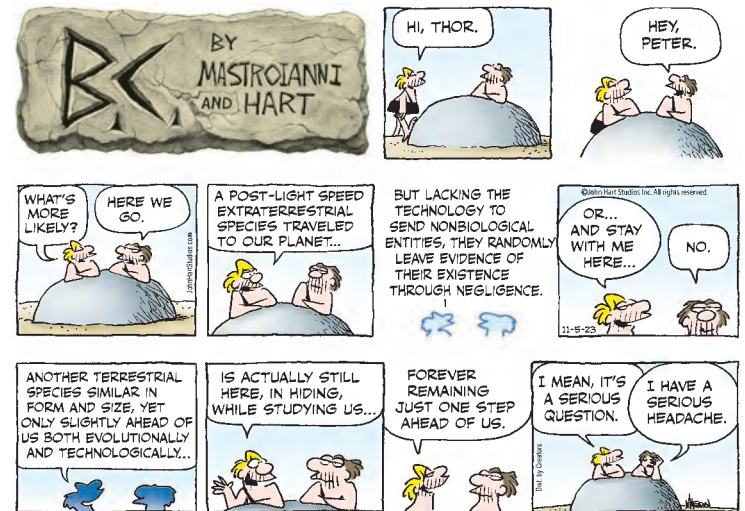
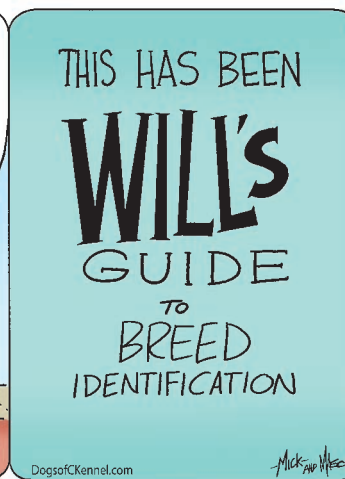
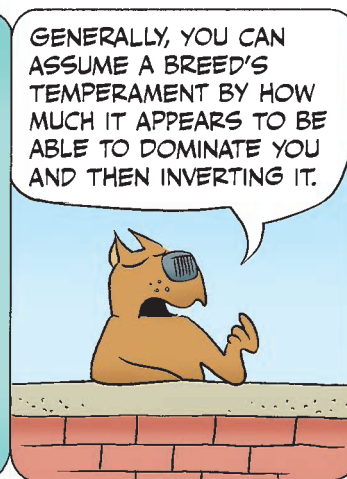
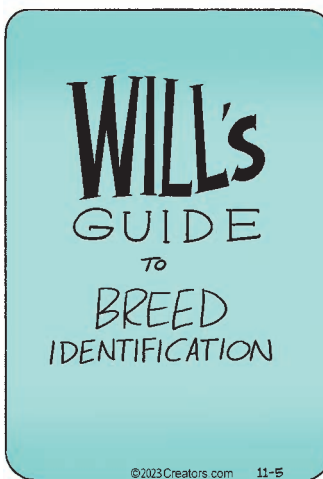
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ABC 8 WAOW 2 WBAY	Good Morning America (N)		3 Good Morning America (N) 2 Action 2 News: This Morning (N)		3 Wildlife 2 Good Morn. 3 oh baby! (N)		3 Hearts of 2 Wildlife 3 oh baby! (N)		College Football Teams TBA All the action from NCAA college football. (N) (Live)						College Football Studio (N) (Live)		College Football Teams TBA All the action from NCAA college football. (N) (Live)						College Football Studio (N) (Live)																			
CBS 5 WFRV 7 WSAW	6 Mission 7 (6:00) CBS Sat		6 Hope-Wild "Muskrat Love" (N)		6 CBS Sat (N) 7 Lucky Dog (N)		7 Innovation (N)		7 Mission Unstoppable (N)		7 Hope-Wild "Muskrat Love" (N)		Tails of Valor		Recipe Rehab "Vikki's Q & A"		6 Outdoors 1 Paid		6 Wisconsin 7 Paid		6 TBA 7 Paid Prog.		7 America Honors Our (N)		One Shot Away (N)		The Drive to Atlanta (N) (Live)		College Football Today (N) (Live)		College Football Teams TBA All the action from NCAA college football. (N) (Live)											
FOX 65 WZAW 11 WLUK	65 Planet 11 (6:00) News (N)		65 Xploration Outer Space		65 Super Animals		65 Nature Knows Best		Big Noon Kickoff (N) (Live)						College Football Michigan at Penn State From Beaver Stadium in University Park, Pa. (N) (Live)						College Football Teams TBA All the action from NCAA college football. (N) (Live)																					
NBC 26 WGBA 12 WJFW	26 Today 12 (6:00) Today		12 906 Outdoors		12 Magellan Financial		26 Inogen! 12 Earth Ody.		Wild Kingdom "Puffin Island"		Earth Odyssey (N)		Harlem Globetrotters (N)		One Team "Don't Wait" (N)		26 Walk-Fit! 12 Wild Child		Premier League Soccer AFC Bournemouth vs. Newcastle United (N) (Live)						Prem Goal Zone (N) (Live)		College Football Pregame (N) (Live)		College Football Teams TBA All the action from NCAA college football. (N) (Live)													
PBS 20 WHRM 38 WLEF 38 WPNE	Wild Kratts "Osprey"		Curious George		Work It Out Wombats!		Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood		Best of Sewing With Nancy		Love of Quilting "Lakeside Lanterns"		Garden Smart "Farm to Table"		Woodshop "Custom Kitchen Tools"		Jacques Pépin "Toast to Julia"		Dooky Chase "Culinary School"		Taste-MAKERS		Cook's Country		Test Kitchen "Beef Wellington"		Milk Street		Sara's Weeknight Meals		Pati's Mexican Table "Maya Today"		This Old House		Ask This Old House		Rick Steves' Europe		Welcome to My Farm "Blueberries"		The Lawrence Welk Show "Time Was (JoAnn Castle)"	
32 WACY 46 WTPX CW 44 WCWF 64 WYOW	Hearts of Bones		oh baby!		Paid		Makeov..		Paid		Outdoo..		MidWest		Bensin..		World's		Pets.TV		SOS		Fisher..		Walleye		Outdoo..		Wingsh..		Heartland "Vigil"		ModFam		ModFam		Goldbe..		Goldbe..			
	44 Outdoor		44 Vac & Mop		44 Into Wild		44 Into Wild		44 Into Wild		44 Pet Vet		44 Pet Vet		44 Open Rd		44 Science		44 New Shark		44 Walk-Fit!		44 Cook-Like		College Football ACC Teams TBA All the action from NCAA college football. (N)						44 Walk-Fit!		44 Last Man		44 Last Man							
	44 Into Wild		44 Into Wild		44 Into Wild		44 Into Wild		44 Pet Vet		44 Open Rd		44 Res-cue		44 Paid Prog.		44 Move-lfo..		44 True Crime		44 Paid Program		44 Holl..								44 Mov-lfo..		44 Burg-ers		44 Burg-ers							

SATURDAY				EVENING				NOVEMBER 11					
		6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
ABC 9 WAOW 2 WBAY		College Football Studio (N) (Live)	College Football Teams TBA All the action from NCAA college football. (N) (Live)							9 News 9 (N) 2 Action 2 News at 10 (N)	9 (:35) Weird Earth 2 (:35) InvestigateTV	2 (:05) The Song "Ne-Yo" Guests Ne-Yo	9 (:35) Storm of 2 (:35) Opry (N)
CBS 5 WFRV 7 WSAW		College Football Postgame (N) (Live)	NWSL Pregame (N) (Live)	NWSL Soccer Championship: Teams TBA From Snapdragon Stadium in San Diego. (N) (Live)					Bob Hearts Abishola "Kicked Outta the Dele Club"	6 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) 2 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)	6 (:35) HS Sports Xtra 2 (:35) Beat the Odds	5 (:05) Salute to Veterans 2 (:05) The Song "Ne-Yo" Ne-Yo	7 (:35) Opry "Oak Ridge Boys, Tigririly and Wendy Moten" (N)
FOX 55 WZAW 11 WLUK		College Football Teams TBA All the action from NCAA college football. (N) (Live)							College Football Teams TBA All the action from NCAA college football. (N) (Live)				
NBC 26 WGFA 12 WJFW		26 Big Ten Countdown (N) (Live) 12 Wheel "Veter.."	College Football Michigan State at Ohio State From Ohio Stadium in Columbus, Ohio. (N) (Live)							26 NBC26 News at 10pm (N) 12 Newswatch 12 (N)	Saturday Night Live "Timothée Chalamet; Boygenius" Host Timothée Chalamet; Boygenius performs. (N) (Live)		
PBS 20 WHRM 36 WLEF 38 WPNE		Celebrity Antiques Road Trip "Sian Williams and Carol Kirkwood" Sian Williams and Carol Kirkwood travel through Essex and head for an auction in the Cotswolds.	Father Brown "The Royal Visit" Princess Margaret's visit to Kempleford is jeopardized when a school janitor is found murdered.	Death in Paradise The team joins Naomi in Saint Barnabas when her best friend's father is murdered.		Murder, They Hope "Evil Under The Bun" A turf war between two bakers leads to food poisoning at an amateur dramatic society.		Doc Martin Penhale organizes a police open house but the turnout is not what he expected.		Agatha Christie's Poirot "The Chocolate Box" Poirot faces an unsolved murder case while visiting his former colleagues in Belgium.			
62 WACY 46 WTPX		Family Feud	Two Half Men	Someone They Knew		S.W.A.T. "3 Seventeen Year Olds"		S.W.A.T. "Stakeout"		The Simpsons	Housewife	Housewife	Mom
		Law-SVU "Fashionable Crimes"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law-SVU "Assaulting Reality"	
CW 14 WCWF 34 WYOW		14 Big Bang 34 Good Dr	14 The Big Bang Theory "The Lunar Excitation"	Masters of Illusion (N)	Masters of Illusion (N)	World's Funniest Animals (N)	World's Funniest Animals (N)	14 The Rookie "Lockdown" 34 Liquidator "Bucked Off"	34 *** Only the Brave "17 Miles Teller, Josh Brodin.	14 The National Desk (N) (Live)		14 AWLO Tonite	14 TMZ (N)

SUNDAY				MORNING / AFTERNOON																NOVEMBER 12			
	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30	
ABC 9 WAOV 2 WBAY	Good Morning America (N)		1 This Week (N) 2 Action 2 News: This Morning (N)		3 Capitol 2 This Week	4 Up-Front	5 Financial 2 Up-Front	6 Packers 2 Hearts of	7 Coldwell 2 Vets-Pets	SportCtr Veterans Day Special	Women's College Basketball Maryland at South Carolina From Colonial Life Arena in Columbia, S.C. (N) (Live)				Women's College Basketball Connecticut at NC State From the Reynolds Coliseum in Raleigh, N.C. (N) (Live)				8 Sports 2 Whacke..	9 Boon-dock 2 Dr. S..	ABC World News (N)	4 News 9 (N) 2 News (N)	
CBS 5 WFRV 7 WSAW	6 News-maker 7 Sunr..	6 Sunday Mass	CBS News Sunday Morning News, features, weather and commentary. (N)			Face the Nation (N)		6 Green-Gold 7 Retir..	The NFL Today (N) (Live)		NFL Football Green Bay Packers at Pittsburgh Steelers The Steelers complete a string of three straight home games as they play the Packers. (N) (Live)				Postgame (N) (Live)	Postgame (N) (Live)	6 Special 7 Courage	6 Green & Gold Tailgate Show (N)	CBS Weekend News (N)	5 Wisconsin 7 New..			
FOX 55 WZAW 11 WLUK	65 Paid 11 (6:00) News (N)	65 Mountain Faith Living	65 FOX News Sunday (N)	11 Sharyl Attkisson	65 Invest. 11 Fox News (N)	65 Home Remodeler	FOX NFL Sunday (N) (Live)				NFL Football San Francisco 49ers at Jacksonville Jaguars Contenders clash from EverBank Stadium in Florida when the 49ers size up the Jaguars. (N) (Live)				(25) NFL Football New York Giants at Dallas Cowboys The Cowboys try to follow up on their lopsided win over the Giants in this Week 10 outing. (N) (Live)								
NBC 26 WGBA 12 WJFW	Sunday Today With Willie Geist (N)		29 Meet the Press (N) 12 Fast: Home Rescue		29 The Race 12 Meet Press	29 Mid-West Outdoors	Paid Programming	29 Walk-Fit! 12 The Huddle	Paid Programming	29 TBA 12 Paid Prog.	42 Paid Programming	MotoGP Racing Malaysia Grand Prix From Sepang International Circuit in Selangor, Malaysia. (N)				Figure Skating ISU Grand Prix: Cup of China From Chongqing, China. (N)				29 News (N) 12 Magellan	NBC Nightly News (N)		
PBS 20 WHRM 35 WLEF 38 WPNE	Wild Kratts "Adapto the Coyote"	Curious George	Work It Out Wombats!	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood	Washington Week With The Atlantic	Firing Line With Margaret Hoover	Here and Now	Market to Market	Doc Martin Penhale organizes a police open house but the turnout is not what he expected.	Agatha Christie's Poirot "The Chocolate Box"		Father Brown "The Royal Visit"		Death in Paradise		Salute to Service: A Veterans Day Celebration		Bob Dole, Italy and World War II		Wisconsin Life	John McGivie "Amana Colonies, Iowa"		
WACY 45 WTPX	Paid	Paid	Paid	Jeffress	Vets-Pe..	Ready..	Outback	Ocean..	Broadw..	Know	Hollywood (N)		Top 10		Good Dr "Fault"		Good Dr "Lim"		ModFam	ModFam	Mom	FamFe..	
CW 14 WCVF 34 WYOW	14 Worship 34 Tomorrow..	14 Daily 34 In Touch (N)	14 Catholic Mass	14 Shalom 34 Key of David	14 Outdoor 34 Cath. Mass	14 Mt. Faith 34 Perry Stone	14 Walk-Fit! 34 Mad Dog & M	14 Humana 34 Paid Prog.	14 Polka 34 Paid Prog.	34 Paid Programming	14 Paid Program 34 TMZ (N)	14 Paid Programming	14 Paid 34 Chicago P.D.	14 Paid Programming	14 Back to Christmas 34 Bloodline (N)		34 Highway Thru Hell		14 Shark! 34 WOW	14 Humana Plans!	14 Sheldon 34 Family ..	14 Sheldon 34 Family ..	

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		6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30								
ABC		America's Funniest Home Videos Baseball mishaps; delightful feline antics. (N)		**** Star Wars: The Empire Strikes Back (Episode V) ('80) Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher, Mark Hamill. Luke Skywalker (Mark Hamill), Han Solo (Harrison Ford) and Princess Leia face Darth Vader's wrath.						Funniest Home Videos 'AFV: So Many Laughs, So Little Time' (N)		1 News 9 (N) 2 Action 2 News at 10 (N)		3 (:35) Ent. Tonight (N) 2 (:35) Cover 2 (N)		4 (:05) Entertainment Tonight (N)		5 (:35) Kickin' It: With Byron Allen			
CBS				60 Minutes (N)		Yellowstone "Only Devils Left" (N)		Yellowstone												Yellowstone	
6 WFRV 7 WSAW																					
FOX		(3:25) Football New York Giants at Dallas Cowboys (N) (Live)	The OT (N) (Live)	Krapopolis "Big Man on Hippocampus" (N)	The Simpsons "Iron Marge" (N)	Bob's Burgers "Escape From Which Island?" (N)	Family Guy "Baby, It's Cold Inside" (N)	65 Seinfeld "The Wig Master" 11 Fox 11 News at Nine (N)	65 Seinfeld "The Calzone"	65 Goldbergs "Daddy Daughter Day" 11 11 News (N)	65 Goldbergs "Mini Murray" 11 (:35) Sharyl Attkisson	65 Housewife "The Playdate" 11 (:05) National (N) (Live)	65 American Housewife "The Snowstorm"								
NBC		Football Night in America (N) (Live)		(:15) NFL Football New York Jets at Las Vegas Raiders The Jets and Raiders renew acquaintances in the 55th anniversary season of the Heidi game. (N)										26 NBC26 News at 10pm (N) 12 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)		26 (:05) Graham Bensinger Roy Williams Guests Roy Williams..		26 (:35) Outdoorsman "Iceland-Greenland Safari..			
PBS		Miriam and Alan: Lost in Scotland and Beyond A visit to Ullapool and Glencoe; Alan fulfills his dream of writing and performing a song in Gaelic.		Hotel Portofino "Subterfuges" Bella devises a plan to thwart Cecil's intentions to take control of the hotel. (N)		World on Fire on Masterpiece Tragedy strikes at the heart of Harry's unit as the siege drags on in Tobruk. (N)		Annika on Masterpiece Annika's family vacation is interrupted when a body is found in a stream close to her resort. (N)		Antiques Roadshow "Vintage Chattanooga Hour 2" A New York Celtics Barnstorming poster circa 1935; a 1940 Disney Fantasia animation cell.		Austin City Limits "Jason Isbell and the 400 Unit" This long-running concert series features artists from every musical genre in a live-music setting.									
32 WACY 45 WTPX		Family Feud	Two Half Men	Movie				Forensic Files		Forensic Files		The Simpsons		Forensic Files		Crimes "Conspiracy Theory: Part 4"					
14 WCWF 34 WYOW		Sullivan's Crossing "Boiling Point" Sully tries to hold things together at Sullivan's Crossing.		The Chosen "Two by Two" The apostles are called by Jesus to begin their missions. (N)			Whose Line Is It Anyway? "Rachel Bloom 2"		14 WOW Night of Handcuffs! (N) 20 Liquidator		34 The Good Doctor "Lim"		14 Truth of God		34 WOW - Women Of Wrestling		14 Extra (N) 34 Moviefone TV				

WEEKDAY					MORNING / AFTERNOON										NOVEMBER 13 TO NOVEMBER 17									
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ABC	9 WAOW	Good Morning America				Live with Kelly and Mark		The View		News 9	Barry-more	GMA3: What You Need to Know		General Hospital		Tamron Hall		Judge Eboni	Judge Eboni	News 9 WAOW at 4PM		News 9	World News	
	2 WBAY	Good Morning America				Action 2 News	25 Words	The View		Storage Wars	Pawn Stars	Action 2 News	Paid Program	General Hospital		GMA3: What You Need to Know		25 Words	Invest-igateTV+	Action 2 News	Action 2 News	Action 2 News	World News	
CBS	5 WFRV	CBS Mornings				Local 5 Live		The Price Is Right		The Young and the Restless		News	Bold/Beautiful	The Talk		Let's Make a Deal		Friends/F Retire	Friends	News	News	News	CBS News	
	7 WSAW	CBS Mornings				25 Words	Paid/F Elite	The Price Is Right		The Young and the Restless		News-Channel 7	Bold/Beautiful	The Talk		Let's Make a Deal		The Kelly Clarkson Show		News	Invest-igateTV+	News	CBS News	
FOX	59 WZAW	Business	AgDay	Dateline		Sherri		The Jennifer Hudson Show		Family Feud	Family Feud	Judge Judy	Judge Judy	Mathis Court	Mathis Court	Hot Bench	Hot Bench	Judge Judy	Judge Judy	Family Feud	Family Feud	Young Sheldon	Young Sheldon	
	11 WLUK	(4:30) Good Day Wisconsin				Live with Kelly and Mark		Fox 11 Living With Amy		Dr. Phil		Various	Various	The Jennifer Hudson Show		Barry-more	Barry-more	The People's Court		Judge Judy	Judge Judy	News	Tu Inside	
NBC	26 WGBA	Today				Today 3rd Hour		Today With Hoda & Jenna		People Puzzler	Scripps	NBC News Daily		Dateline		Tamron Hall		The Kelly Clarkson Show		Family Feud	Family Feud	News	NBC News	
	12 WJFW	Today				Today 3rd Hour		Today With Hoda & Jenna		Neighbor	Neighbor	NBC News Daily		Person, Place	Pictionary	Pictionary	Funny You	Funny You	Jeopardy	Up North at 4	Jeopardy!	News	NBC News	
PBS	20 WHRM	Wild Kratts	Curious/ Curious	Daniel Tiger	Rosie/ Rosie	Sesame Street	Work It	Donkey Hodie	Pinkalicious	Elinor	Nature Cat	Elementary	Xavier Riddle	Old House	Test Kitchen	Life at the Waterhole		Various		Odd Squad	Arthur	Nature Cat	America	
	36 WLEF	Wild Kratts	Curious/ Curious	Daniel Tiger	Rosie/ Rosie	Sesame Street	Work It	Donkey Hodie	Pinkalicious	Elinor	Nature Cat	Elementary	Xavier Riddle	Old House	Test Kitchen	Life at the Waterhole		Various		Odd Squad	Arthur	Nature Cat	America	
	39 WPNE	Wild Kratts	Curious/ Curious	Daniel Tiger	Rosie/ Rosie	Sesame Street	Work It	Donkey Hodie	Pinkalicious	Elinor	Nature Cat	Elementary	Xavier Riddle	Old House	Test Kitchen	Life at the Waterhole		Various		Odd Squad	Arthur	Nature Cat	America	
CW	32 WACY	Morning Rush				A.Wom..	Midwes..	Sherri		iCRIME	iCRIME	Dateline		The First 48		Chicago Fire		TMZ Live		ModFam	ModFam	Goldbe..	Goldbe..	
	45 WTPX	Various	Xplorati..	Various	F Planet	Various		Various		Various		Various		Various		Various		Various		Various		Various		
	14 WCWF	The National Desk		National Weat	Paid Program	Judge Eboni	Supreme Justice	Hot Bench	Hot Bench	Paternity Court	Court Cam	Law & Order: SVU		48 Hours		Judge Mathis		Pictionary	Person, Place	Jeopardy	Funny You	Young Sheldon	Young Sheldon	
	34 WYOW	Divorce Court	Divorce Court	The Steve Wilkos Show		Karamo		Maury		Extra	Holly-wood	Blast	Blast	Jerry Springer		Maury		Karamo		The Steve Wilkos Show		TMZ Live		

MONDAY				EVENING								NOVEMBER 13			
		6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30		
ABC		9 News 9 (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N)	NFL Football Denver Broncos at Buffalo Bills Von Miller and the Bills host the Broncos. Miller played his first nine-plus seasons with Denver. (N) (Live)				9 (:15) News 9 (N)		(:50) Jimmy Kimmel Live! (N)	(:50) Nightline (N)				
9 WAOW 2 WBAY		2 Action 2 News at Six (N)						2 (:15) Action 2 News at 10 (N)							
CBS		5 Local 5 News at 6:00 (N)	5 Local 5 News at 6:30 (N)	NCIS "Fight or Flight" The body of a Navy lieutenant is discovered missing an eye.		NCIS		NCIS "First Steps" Vance's daughter helps with a highly dangerous mission.		6 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N)	(:35) Comics Un-leashed With Byron Allen			
6 WFRV 7 WSAW		7 NewsChannel 7 at 6 (N)	7 Inside Edition (N)							7 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)					
FOX		55 Big Bang 11 Jeopardy! (N)	55 Big Bang 11 Wheel (N)	Kitchen Nightmares (N)		Special Forces: World's Toughest Test (N)		55 NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N)	55 Seinfeld "The Wait Out"	55 Seinfeld "The Scofflaw"	55 Last Man Stand-ing "Tasers"	55 Last Man "Stud Muffin"	55 The Goldbergs		
55 WZAW 11 WLUK								11 Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)		11 Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (Live)	11 (:35) Seinfeld "The Wait Out"	11 (:05) Inside Edi-tion (N)	55 The Goldbergs "Moms Need Other Moms" ..		
NBC		26 NBC26 News at 6pm (N)	26 FamFeud 12 Wheel "Home for the Holidays" (N)	The Voice "The Knockouts Part 3" Wynonna Judd serves as mega mentor as the knock-outs continue; each coach has one save and one steal. (N)				The Irrational "Scorched Earth" (N)		26 NBC26 News at 10pm (N)	26 (:35) The Tonight Show Starring Jim-my Fallon (N)	(:35) Late Night With Seth Meyers			
26 WGBA 12 WJFW		12 Newswatch 12 at 6 (N)								12 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)	12 (:35) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon				
PBS		PBS NewsHour Amna Nawaz and Geoff Bennett offer in-depth analysis of current events. (N)		Antiques Roadshow "Vintage Dallas Hour 1" A Beggs steam train set circa 1885; a Tiffany cypriote glass vase circa 1926. (N)		A Town Called Victoria "The Fire" The South Texas town of Victoria faces difficult ques-tions after a mosque is burned to the ground. (N) (P)				Hotel Portofino "Subterfuges" Bella devises a plan to thwart Cecil's intentions to take control of the hotel.		Santa School			
20 WHRM 33 WLEF 33 WPNE															
62 WACY		Family Feud (N)	Two Half Men	Dateline		Chicago P.D. "Fighting Ghosts"		My News at 9 (N)	Tonight (N)	Two Half Men	Housewife	Housewife	Mom		
46 WTPX		FBI "Ghost From the Past"		FBI "Flopped Cop"		FBI "Double Bind"		FBI "Ready or Not"		FBI "Into the Fire"		FBI "Kayla"			
CW		14 Big Bang "The Gorilla Experiment"	14 The Big Bang Theory "The Veracity Elasticity"	Penn & Teller: Fool Us "Magic Is Sexy" Cash; Aleš Hrdlicka; Henry and Klaus; Jonah Babins.		Masters of Illu-sion (N)	World's Funniest Animals (N)	14 Last Man Stand-ing "Tasers"	14 Seinfeld "The Scofflaw"	14 The National Desk (N) (Live)	14 National (N)	14 Last Man	14 Extra (N)		
14 WCWF 34 WYOW		34 Dish Nat. (N)	34 TMZ (N)					34 Dish Nation (N)	34 TMZ (N)	34 Family Guy "Back to the Pilot"	34 Family Guy "Liv-in' on a Prayer"	34 Burgers	34 Bob's Burgers "Stand by Gene"		

TUESDAY				EVENING						NOVEMBER 14					
	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30			
ABC 9 WAOW 2 WBAY	9 News 9 (N) 2 Action 2 News at Six (N)	9 News 9 Pack Attack 2 Entertainment Tonight (N)	Dancing With the Stars "Whitney Houston Night" The seven remaining couples dance to hit songs from Whitney Houston; guest judge Billy Porter. (N) (Live)			Press Your Luck "Vroom! Vroom!" Contestants vie for the cash prize. (N)		9 News 9 (N) 2 Action 2 News at 10 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! (N)	(N)	(:35) Nightline (N)				
CBS 5 WFRV 7 WSAW	5 Local 5 News at 6:00 (N) 7 NewsChannel 7 at 6 (N)	5 Locker Room 7 Locker Room	NCIS: Sydney "Gone Fission" The death of an American seaman is investigated. (N) (P)		NCIS "Thick as Thieves" NCIS investigates the death of a Navy petty officer.		FBI True "Ruby Ridge: The Real Story" A gruesome discovery puts the entire mission on hold. (N)		5 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) 7 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N)	(:35) Comics Unleashed With Byron Allen				
FOX 55 WZAW 11 WLUK	55 Big Bang 11 Jeopardy! (N)	55 Big Bang 11 Wheel (N)	Name That Tune (N)		9-1-1: Lone Star		55 NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N) 11 Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)	55 Seinfeld "The Invitations"	55 Seinfeld "The Kiss Hello" 11 Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (Live)	55 Last Man "Project Mandy" 11 (:35) Seinfeld "The Invitations"	55 Last Man "Eve's Boyfriend" 11 (:05) Inside Edition (N)	55 Goldbergs 11 (:35) King			
NBC 26 WGBA 12 WJFW	26 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) 12 Newswatch 12 at 6 (N)	26 Packers 12 Wheel "Home for the Holidays" (N)	The Voice "Recap: The Knockouts, Part 3" (N)		The Voice "The Knockouts Part 4" Wynonna Judd serves as mega mentor for the knockouts. (N)		Found "Missing While Indigenous" A pregnant Native American teacher goes missing. (N)		26 NBC26 News at 10pm (N) 12 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)	(:35) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon	(:35) Late Night With Seth Meyers				
PBS 20 WHRM 35 WLEF 33 WPNE	PBS NewsHour Amna Nawaz and Geoff Bennett offer in-depth analysis of current events. (N)		Finding Your Roots "Mexican Roots" Mario Lopez and Melissa Villaseñor look at the Mexican American experience. Guests Mario Lopez, Melissa Villaseñor		Native America "Language Is Life" The power of Native languages and the inspirational people who save them. (N) (SF)		A Town Called Victoria "The Trial" Following the burning down of a mosque, a community in Texas reckons with what drove a man to hate. (N) (F)		Miriam and Alan: Lost in Scotland and Beyond A visit to Ullapool and Glencoe; Alan fulfills his dream of writing and performing a song in Gaelic.		NOVA "Inside China's Tech Boom" High-profile tech companies and labs that drive China's rise to the forefront of global innovation.				
32 WACY	Family Feud (N)		Two Half Men		Dateline		Chicago P.D. "White Knuckle"		My News at 9 (N)	Tonight (N)		Two Half Men	Housewife	Housewife	Mom
43 WTPX	Chicago Fire "A Little Taste"		Chicago Fire "Haunted House"		Chicago Fire "All-Out Mystery"		Chicago Fire "Angry Is Easier"		Chicago Fire "A Beautiful Life"		Chicago Fire "Keep You Safe"				
CW 14 WCWF 34 WYOW	14 Big Bang "The Psychic Vortex" 34 Dish Nat. (N)	14 The Big Bang Theory "The Brain Bowl Incubation" 34 TMZ (N)	Inside the NFL Week 10 Recapping the greatest moments from week 10. (N)		Whose Line Is It Anyway? "Tiffany Haddish" (N) (SP)	Whose Line Is It Anyway? "Tiffany Coyne" (N)	14 Last Man "Project Mandy" 34 Dish Nation (N)	14 Seinfeld "The Kiss Hello" 34 TMZ (N)	14 National (N) 34 Family Guy	14 National (N) 34 Family Guy "Be Careful What You Fish For"	14 Last Man 34 Burgers	14 Extra (N) 34 Bob's Burgers "Sacred Couch"			

WEDNESDAY				EVENING				NOVEMBER 15								
		6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30			
ABC 9 2	9 News 9 (N)		9 Packers Live	Celebrity Jeopardy! "Quarterfinal #7: Macaulay Culkin, Rachel Dratch and Becky Lynch" Macaulay Culkin, Rachel Dratch (N)		Celebrity Wheel "Natasha Leggero, Roy Wood Jr. and Kyle Brandt" Natasha Leggero; Roy Wood Jr.; Kyle Brandt. Guests Natasha Leggero (N)		The \$100,000 Pyramid "Jason Alexander vs. Pete Holmes and Ali Larter vs. Michael Urie" Jason Alexander, Pete Holmes (N)		9 News 9 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! (N)		(:35) Nightline (N)			
	2 Action 2 News at Six (N)		2 Entertainment Tonight (N)							2 Action 2 News at 10 (N)						
CBS 5 7 1	5 Local 5 News at 6:00 (N)		5 Green Bay Nation	Survivor "Following a Dead Horse to Water" outwit, outlast and outplay each other for a prize of \$1 million. (N)		Castaways attempt to outwit, outlast and outplay each other for a prize of \$1 million. (N)		The Amazing Race "Planes, Trains and Automobiles Day" Teams of two travel the globe to try to win \$1 million. (N)		5 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N)		(:35) Comics Unleashed With Byron Allen			
	7 NewsChannel 7 at 6 (N)		7 Inside Edition (N)							7 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)						
FOX 55 11	55 Big Bang		55 Big Bang	The Masked Singer "Trolls Night" The stars of "Trolls Band Together" take the stage. (N)		Snake Oil "Return of Bethenny and Jay" Bethenny Frankel and Jay Pharoah act as guest advisers. Bethenny Frankel, Jay Pharoah (N)		55 NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N)		55 Seinfeld "The Note"	55 Seinfeld "The Beard"	55 Last Man	55 Last Man "Parenting Bud"	55 Goldbergs		
	11 Jeopardy! (N)		11 Wheel (N)					11 Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)			11 (:35) Seinfeld	11 (:35) Seinfeld	11 (:05) Inside Edition (N)	11 (:35) King		
NBC 26 12	26 NBC26 News at 6pm (N)		26 Packers	Quantum Leap "Secret History" In 1955, Ben must find a formula hidden by Albert Einstein. (N)		Magnum P.I. "Run With the Devil" Magnum and Higgins help an Amish teen search for his sister. (N)		Chicago P.D. "Deadlocked" Voight takes the stand in a high-stakes murder trial.		26 NBC26 News at 10pm (N)	(:35) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon		(:35) Late Night With Seth Meyers			
	12 Newswatch 12 at 6 (N)		12 Wheel "Home for the Holidays" (N)							12 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)						
PBS 20 38 38	PBS NewsHour Anna Nawaz and Geoff Bennett offer in-depth analysis of current events. (N)		Spy in the Ocean, A Nature Miniseries "Deep Trouble" How animals survive when faced with challenges of the ocean, from baby whales to marine iguanas. (N) (F)		NOVA "The Battle to Beat Malaria" Scientists and researchers race to complete a vaccine that could eradicate malaria. (N)		Secrets of the Dead "Hidden in the Amazon" New discoveries and technological advances shed new light on early human habitation in the Amazon.		Finding Your Roots "Mexican Roots" Mario Lopez and Melissa Villaseñor look at the Mexican American experience. Guests Mario Lopez, Melissa Villaseñor		POV "Manzanar, Diverted: When Water Becomes Dust" Native American, Japanese American and rancher communities defend their land and water.					
32 45	WACY		Family Feud (N)	Two Half Men	Dateline		Chicago P.D. "Tender Age"		My News at 9 (N)		Tonight (N)		Two Half Men	Housewife	Housewife	Mom
	WTPX		Blue Bloods "Where We Stand"		Blue Bloods "Guilt"	Blue Bloods "Hidden Motive"		Blue Bloods "Long Lost"		Blue Bloods "Tangled Up in Blue"		Blue Bloods "Silver Linings"				
CW 14 34	14 Big Bang "The Bozeman Reaction"		14 Big Bang "The Geology Elevation"	Sullivan's Crossing "Second Chances" Maggie returns to Sullivan's Crossing with Andrew. (N)		The Spencer Sisters "The Lawyer's Lament" Darby's ex hires the Spencer sisters to look into threats. (N)		14 Last Man "Hard-Ass Teacher"		14 Seinfeld "The Beard"	14 The National Desk (N) (Live)	14 National (N)	14 Last Man "Parenting Bud"	14 Extra (N)		
	34 Dish Nat. (N)		34 TMZ (N)					34 Dish Nat. (N)		34 TMZ (N)	34 Family Guy "Killer Queen"	34 Family Guy "Burning Down the Bayit"	34 Burgers "Lice Things Are Lice"	34 Bob's Burgers "House of 1000 Bounces"		

THURSDAY				EVENING						NOVEMBER 16			
		6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
ABC	ⓑ News 9 (N)		Entertainment Tonight (N)	The Golden Bachelor (N)		(05) Bachelor in Paradise Stars and villains from "The Bachelor" and "The Bachelorette" get another chance to find love. (N)		ⓑ News 9 (N)		(35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! (N)		(35) Nightline (N)	
ⓑ WAOW	Ⓒ Action 2 News at Six (N)												
Ⓒ WBAY													
CBS	ⓖ Local 5 News at 6:00 (N)		ⓖ Local 5 News at 6:30 (N)	Young Sheldon	Ghosts "The Perfect Assistant"	Ghosts UK "Who Do You Think You Are?" (N) (P)	Ghosts UK "Gorilla War" (N)	SEAL Team "Nine Ten" Members of Bravo team reflect as they travel to New York.		ⓖ Local 5 News at 10:00 (N)	(35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N)		(35) Comics Unleashed With Byron Allen
ⓖ WFRV	Ⓓ NewsChannel 7 at 6 (N)		Ⓓ Inside Edition (N)							Ⓓ NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N)			
Ⓓ WSAW													
FOX	ⓖⓗ Big Bang		ⓖⓗ Big Bang	Hell's Kitchen (N)		LEGO Masters (N)		ⓖⓗ NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N)		ⓖⓗ Seinfeld "The Doorman"	ⓖⓗ Last Man	ⓖⓗ Last Man "Mutton Busting"	ⓖⓗ Goldbergs "The Better Annie"
ⓖⓗ WZAW	ⓙⓚ Jeopardy! (N)		ⓙⓚ Wheel (N)					ⓙⓚ Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)	ⓖⓗ Seinfeld "The Truth"	ⓙⓚ Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (Live)	(35) Seinfeld	(05) Inside Edition (N)	(35) King "Inner Tube"
ⓙⓚ WLUK													
NBC	Ⓔⓐ NBC26 News at 6pm (N)		Ⓔⓐ FamFeud	Law & Order		Transplant "Audition" Bash and Amira have an argument over her future. (N)		Dateline NBC		Ⓔⓐ NBC26 News at 10pm (N)	(35) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon		(35) Late Night With Seth Meyers
Ⓔⓐ WGBA	Ⓕⓔ Newswatch 12 at 6 (N)		Ⓕⓔ Wheel "Home for the Holidays" (N)							Ⓕⓔ Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)			
Ⓕⓔ WJFW													
PBS	PBS NewsHour Anna Nawaz and Geoff Bennett offer in-depth analysis of current events. (N)			Wisconsin Life "Holi Festival of Colors In Wausau"	John McGivern's Main Streets "Chicago's Lincoln Square, Illinois"	Doc Martin "Blade on the Feather" It is the annual Portwenn versus Port Carran race and Morwenna needs to find a replacement rower.		Agatha Christie's Poirot "The Dead Man's Mirror" Poirot investigates an art dealer's architect for fraud; the dealer's wife fears death.		Native America "New Worlds" Native innovators lead a revolution in music, building and space exploration.		Native America "Warrior Spirit" Warrior traditions support athletes and connect people to combat, games and glory.	
Ⓔⓐ WHRM													
ⓖⓗ WLEF													
ⓙⓚ WPNE													
Ⓕⓔ WACY	Family Feud (N)	Two Half Men		Dateline		Chicago P.D. "Unforgiven"		My News at 9 (N)	Tonight (N)	Two Half Men	Housewife	Housewife	Mom
ⓙⓚ WTPX	Chicago P.D. "I Was Here"			Chicago P.D. "Pink Cloud"		Chicago P.D. "Sympathetic Reflex"		Chicago P.D. "Into the Deep"		Chicago P.D. "Under the Skin"		Chicago P.D. "New Guard"	
CW	ⒿⓁ Big Bang "The Einstein Approximation"		ⒿⓁ Big Bang "The Property Division Collision"	Son of a Critch "Beer Necessities" (N)	Run the Burbs "Phriends and Enemies" (N)	Children Ruin Everything "Teamwork" (N)	Everyone Else Burns "Episode 4" (N)	ⒿⓁ Last Man "April, Come She Will"	ⒿⓁ Seinfeld "The Doorman"	ⒿⓁ The National Desk (N) (Live)	ⒿⓁ National (N)	ⒿⓁ Last Man	ⒿⓁ Extra (N)
ⒿⓁ WCWF								ⓈⓇ Dish Nat. (N)	ⓈⓇ TMZ (N)	ⓈⓇ Family Guy "Forget-Me-Not"	ⓈⓇ Family Guy	ⓈⓇ Burgers	ⓈⓇ Bob's Burgers "Wag the Hog"
ⓈⓇ WYOW	ⓈⓇ Dish Nat. (N)		ⓈⓇ TMZ (N)										

FRIDAY			EVENING								NOVEMBER 17					
6 PM			6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30			
ABC 9 WAOW 2 WBAY			9 News 9 (N) 2 Action 2 News at Six (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N)		Shark Tank An educational game for kids; high-tech ski goggles. (N)		20/20 (N)		9 News 9 (N) 2 Action 2 News at 10 (N)		(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! (N) (:35) Nightline (N)				
CBS 5 WFRV 7 WSAW			5 Local 5 News at 6:00 (N) 7 NewsChannel 7 at 6 (N)	5 Wisconsin Huddle 7 Inside Edition (N)		Let's Make a Deal Primetime (N)		Raid the Cage "Seeing Double" Two teams of identical twins compete. (N)		Blue Bloods "Something Blue" Jamie and Eddie's wedding day approaches.		5 Local 5 News at 10:00 (N) 7 NewsChannel 7 at 10 (N) (:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N) (:35) Comics Unleashed With Byron Allen				
FOX 55 WZAW 11 WLUK			55 Big Bang 11 Jeopardy! (N)	55 Wisconsin Wheel "Home for the Holidays" (N)		WWE Friday Night SmackDown The Superstars of World Wrestling Entertainment do battle in elaborate, long-running rivalries. (N) (Live)			55 NewsChannel 7 at 9pm (N) 11 Fox 11 News at Nine (N) (Live)	55 Seinfeld "The Dog"	55 Seinfeld "The Jimmy" 11 Fox 11 News at 10 (N) (Live)	55 Last Man "Here's the Kicker" 11 (:35) Seinfeld "The Dog"	55 Last Man "War Games" 11 (:05) Inside Edition (N) 55 Goldbergs 11 (:35) King			
NBC 26 WGBA 12 WJFW			26 NBC26 News at 6pm (N) 12 Newswatch 12 at 6 (N)	26 FamFeud 12 Wheel "Home for the Holidays" (N)		The Wall "Melissa and Liz" Sisters Melissa and Liz join forces to take on the wall. (N)		Dateline NBC (N)			26 NBC26 News at 10pm (N) 12 Newswatch 12 at 10pm (N)	(:35) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon (:35) Late Night With Seth Meyers				
PBS 20 WHRM 35 WLEF 38 WPNE			PBS NewsHour Anna Nawaz and Geoff Bennett offer in-depth analysis of current events. (N)		Washington Week With The Atlantic (N)	Here and Now (N)		Van der Valk on Masterpiece "Payback In Amsterdam" Van der Valk delves into the city's vibrant classical music scene in search of a killer.		(:35) Mr. Bean "Tee Off, Mr. Bean"		American Masters "Buffy Sainte-Marie: Carry It On" Buffy Sainte-Marie rises to prominence in New York's Greenwich Village folk music scene.				
62 WACY 45 WTPX			Family Feud (N)	Two Half Men		Dateline		Chicago P.D. "Army of One"		My News at 9 (N)	Tonight (N)		Two Half Men	Housewife	Housewife	Mom
			Hawaii Five-0 "Ki'ila"		Hawaii Five-0 "Pahele"		Hawaii Five-0 "Alaheo Pau'ole"		Hawaii Five-0 "Ka Ho'oponopono"		Hawaii Five-0 "Pu'olo"		Hawaii Five-0 "Mai Ka Wa Kahiko"			
CW 14 WCWF 34 WYOW			14 Big Bang "The Large Hadron Collision" 34 Dish Nat. (N)	14 Big Bang "The Birthday Synchronicity" 34 TMZ (N)		Penn & Teller: Fool Us "We've Got a Raccoon Problem" Solange Kardinaly; Christian Engblom; Antonio Martinez. (N)		FBoy Island "You're Joking, Right?" The oven gets set to broil as cupcakes go missing. (N)		14 Last Man "Here's the Kicker" 34 Dish Nation (N)	14 Seinfeld "The Jimmy" 34 TMZ (N)	14 National (N) 34 Family Guy "Leggo My Meg-O"	14 National (N) 34 Family Guy "Mr. & Mrs. Stewie"	14 Last Man 34 Burgers	14 Extra (N) 34 Bob's Burgers "The Horse Rider-er"	



BACK IN THE GROOVE?

**JONES LEADS RUNNING
GAME AS PACKERS
DEFEAT RAMS 20-3**

Following Aaron Jones' lead, Green Bay rushed for a season-high 184 yards during a 20-3 victory over the Los Angeles Rams at Lambeau Field. With Jones feeling the healthiest he's been since Week 1, the Packers found solid footing behind their backfield combination of Jones (24 touches for 99 yards and a touchdown) and fourth-year veteran AJ Dillon (nine rushes for 40 yards).

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Packers snap four-game losing streak with win over Rams

Defense holds Los Angeles to three points

By **LUKE REIMER**
Green & Gold Express

Aaron Jones and Luke Musgrave found the end zone, as the Green Bay Packers defeated the Los Angeles Rams at Lambeau Field on Nov. 5, to snap a four-game losing streak, as well as to improve to 3-5 on the season.

While the offense seemed to click much smoother in this game, compared to the previous four weeks, it was Green Bay's staunch defense that controlled the show. With Rams starting quarterback Matthew Stafford out for the game, backup Brett Rypien was thrust into the spotlight. The Boise State alum was held to just 130 yards passing. This marks the fifth game this season the Packers' defense has held its opponent to 20 or fewer points.

With shutting down Rypien, the Packers defense also held All-Pro wide receiver Cooper Kupp to just 48 yards on two catches and dynamic rookie Puka Nacua to 32 yards on three catches.

After Rasul Douglas was traded earlier in the week and Eric Stokes was put on IR, Green Bay saw its young defensive backs step up to make plays and slow the Rams' strong passing attack. Seventh-round rookie Carrington Valentine recorded three pass break-ups, while fellow seventh-round rookie Anthony Johnson Jr. recorded one interception.

After his four year, \$107 million extension, linebacker Rashan Gary also found success pressuring Rypien, recording three tackles and two quarterback hits.

On offense, Jones was the one to break the Packers' first-half touchdown dry spell, as the seven-year veteran powered in a three-yard touchdown in the middle of the second quarter. For quarterback Jordan



Packers rookie tight end Luke Musgrave caught scored the first touchdown of his career against the Rams. In total, he caught three passes for 51 yards, a 17-yard-per-catch average. So far this year, he's caught 27 balls for 259 yards, a 9.2-yard average.

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Aaron Jones carried the ball 20 times for 73 yards against the Rams. He also caught four balls for 26 yards.

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Love, he was more than efficient, throwing for 228 yards on 20-of-26 passing. His lone touchdown came in the fourth quarter, as he set up a fake wide receiver screen and hit Musgrave who leaked out over the middle of the field for a 20-yard

touchdown. This was Musgrave's first career touchdown.

"That is something that we have seen around the league; that is not the first time that that play has been run," said Packers coach Matt LaFleur on the play design of Musgrave's touchdown. "The guys just went out there and executed it. It was definitely a fun moment for sure."

In total, Green Bay outgained Los Angeles 391 yards to 187 yards, picking up 11 more first downs. Jones finished with 73 yards on the ground, but as a whole, the Packers' rush offense accounted for 184 yards on 38 carries. A.J. Dillon added another 40 yards on nine carries, and Emanuel Wilson recorded 43 yards on the ground on four carries late in the game.

"It definitely opens things up," said LaFleur, on how getting the run game going helps him as a play caller and Love as the quarterback. "It felt

like in the first half when we were calling passes, some bad things were happening. I think we finished with 38 for 184, and I think anytime you are able to do that, that means you are moving the sticks as well. You are doing a good job on third down - you are able to just get into a much better rhythm. I felt that today. That helps everybody - it helps (Love), it helps me as a play caller and it usually leads to a winning performance."

The win for the Packers vaults the team to a 3-5 record, which is good for third in the NFC North, and according to the New York Times NFL Playoff Simulator, the team holds a 22% chance to make the playoffs, up from 12% last week.

Green Bay will now face a small gauntlet of a schedule, as it faces the Pittsburgh Steelers, the Los Angeles Chargers, the Detroit Lions and the Kansas City Chiefs in its next four games.

BEAT The Expert

Week 10 Games: Sunday, Nov. 12



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New Media

Carolina @ Chicago... Thurs., Nov. 9

Detroit @ LA Chargers

New Orleans @ Minnesota

New York Jets @ Las Vegas

Tie Breaker Game:

Green Bay @ Pittsburgh

Week 9 Winner :

**Robert Buss
Buss
Automotive**

Weekly Standings

	Weekly Record	Overall Record
Jim Wiegand, Tower Clock Eye Center	3-2	31-14
Tim Murphy, New Media.....	3-2	31-14
Jacob Westendorf, New Media.....	3-2	31-14
Robert Buss, Buss Automotive.....	5-0	28-17
Luke Reimer, New Media	2-3	27-18
Shane Senn, Senn Insurance.....	2-3	26-19
Staff, Shawano Health.....	3-2	26-19
Kevin Passon, New Media.....	3-2	26-19
Staff, Iverson's Piggly Wiggly	2-3	25-20
Staff, Walsh Dental Group.....	2-3	22-23
Sue Moede, Moede & Sons Plumbing.....	3-2	22-23



Jim Wiegand
Tower Clock
Eye Center

This Week's Picks:

Chicago
Detroit
Minnesota
New York Jets

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 17 @ Pittsburgh 20



Robert Buss
Buss
Automotive

This Week's Picks:

Chicago
Detroit
New Orleans
New York Jets

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 24 @ Pittsburgh 17



Shane Senn
Senn
Insurance

This Week's Picks:

Chicago
Detroit
Minnesota
New York Jets

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 16 @ Pittsburgh 24



Staff
Walsh Dental Group
Shawano

This Week's Picks:

Chicago
Detroit
New Orleans
New York Jets

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 17 @ Pittsburgh 23



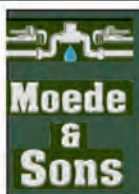
Staff
Shawano
Health Services

This Week's Picks:

Carolina
LA Chargers
Minnesota
New York Jets

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 24 @ Pittsburgh 21



Moede & Sons
Plumbing
Shawano

This Week's Picks:

Carolina
Detroit
New Orleans
Las Vegas

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 28 @ Pittsburgh 17



Staff
Iverson's
Piggly Wiggly

This Week's Picks:

Chicago
Detroit
New Orleans
New York Jets

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 24 @ Pittsburgh 21



Jacob Westendorf
New
Media

This Week's Picks:

Chicago
Detroit
New Orleans
New York Jets

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 13 @ Pittsburgh 21



Luke Reimer
New
Media

This Week's Picks:

Carolina
Detroit
New Orleans
New York Jets

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score : Green Bay 14 @ Pittsburgh 20



Tim Murphy
New
Media

This Week's Picks:

Chicago
Detroit
Minnesota
Las Vegas

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 10 @ Pittsburgh 20



Kevin Passon
New
Media

This Week's Picks:

Chicago
LA Chargers
New Orleans
New York Jets

Tie Breaker Game:

Final Score: Green Bay 17 @ Pittsburgh 24

NOTEBOOK

Steelers' defense will be a challenge for young Packers

By JACOB WESTENDORF
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Packers' offense vs. Steelers' defense

The losing streak is over. The Green Bay Packers found their way out of misery on Sunday, beating the Los Angeles Rams 20-3.

Matt LaFleur called last week's matchup against the Rams mirror week. His point was that the two teams were very similar due to their overlap.

This week is true in a similar sense. The Packers and Steelers as franchises have a lot of similarities. They're rooted in tradition. They're typically patient and like to do things the old-fashioned way.

That could shine through with both teams decision making at quarterback this offseason.

For one week at least, Jordan Love and the offense have to be feeling good about their most recent performance. They ran the ball 38 times for 184 yards in Sunday's win. Love did not turn the ball over for the first time since Week 2.

Dontayvion Wicks found his way into the offense and was the team's leading receiver with four catches for 48 yards.

Jayden Reed, Romeo Doubs and Christian Watson all made contested catches. Luke Musgrave scored the first touchdown of his career.

Brian Gutekunst would likely never admit it, but that was probably the formula he and LaFleur envisioned when they traded Aaron Rodgers and decided to make Love the starting quarterback.

Yes, the Rams were playing without their quarterback Sunday, but the offense still made enough plays to feel like there was some semblance of progress made.

This week could be a different story. While the Rams are Aaron Donald and a bunch of no-names at this point on defense, the Steelers are loaded with talent.

TJ Watt is one of the first names mentioned when discussing best defensive players in football and for good reason. He has 9.5 sacks in eight games. He is a game wrecker



Green Bay Packers safety Anthony Johnson Jr. (36) celebrates his first NFL interception against the Rams on Nov. 5. He is surrounded by third-year linebacker Isaiah McDuffie (58) and cornerback Carrington Valentine (37).
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in the same way that Donald was for the Rams.

The difference is that Watt has another dynamic player across from him.

Alex Highsmith was once best known for his charitable contributions, including sponsoring an event at Ashley High School in honor of his former high school classmate Carly Baron.

That is no longer all Highsmith is known for. He had a breakout season last year, with 12.5 sacks.

He is able to wreck a game if the opposing team is focused primarily on Watt.

The Steelers' defense is the same as it ever was. It's ninth in Defensive DVOA through eight games and the strength of their team.

The Packers made progress against the Rams but will need to be better against a group that will be looking to destroy any progress they think they've made.

Packers' defense vs. Steelers' offense

The Packers' defense is coming off its best game of the season. Yes, they were facing a backup quarterback, but that hasn't kept the Packers' defense from struggling before.

Instead, they held Brett Rypien and the Rams to 130 yards passing and gave up fewer than three yards per carry on the ground.

Anthony Johnson Jr. and Carrington Valentine, pressed into duty, each were stars of Sunday's win with five pass break-ups and one interception between the two of them.

Valentine is a starter now with Rasul Douglas being traded to Buffalo. Johnson Jr started due to a calf injury sustained in practice by Rudy Ford.

After strong performances by both, they could be in line for more snaps.

Jaire Alexander is coming off one of his strongest performances of the season, and he'll be tested with

Diontae Johnson and George Pickens, both set to square off against him on Sunday.

"I think he looked like the player we all expect him to be," Matt LaFleur said after the game.

They'll be facing a Steelers offense that resembles Green Bay's in a lot of ways. They're unsure about their young quarterback, Kenny Pickett. They make a lot of mistakes around him. They have talented playmakers, but that does not always translate to the field for one reason or another.

Pickett is looking to earn the trust of the team looking for a long-term solution at quarterback in the wake of Ben Roethlisberger's retirement following the 2021 season.

Overall, he's struggled so far. Pittsburgh is 23rd in Offensive DVOA.

If the Packers can build on their strong performance from Sunday's win over the Rams, the Steelers offense could struggle again.

Special teams

The Packers don't have a lot of strengths at this point, but the kicking game might be one. Anders Carlson and Daniel Whelan have both inspired confidence that the Packers have found long-term answers at those positions.

The return game, which was such a bright spot for the Packers in 2022, has been a struggle this year.

Kickoffs have continued to boom out of the back of the end zone, and the team has rotated Jayden Reed and Keisean Nixon as a punt returner.

The results have varied there.

With a struggling offense, the Packers could use a spark from their return game. Perhaps this is the week they can see the flashes that got Nixon First Team All-Pro honors a year ago.

The Steelers' special teams is ranked 30th in DVOA through their first eight games of the season. The Packers are ranked 28th coming into this game as well.

Perhaps a battle of two disappointing units could be what swings the game in one team's favor versus the other's.



Chasing down Rams quarterback Brett Rypien are Packers safety Jonathan Owens (34), defensive lineman Kenny Clark (97) and linebacker De'Vondre Campbell (59). Starting for the injured Matthew Stafford, quarterback Rypien fumbled a snap, picked it up and tried to throw it away. But then Rypien fumbled again as he was sacked by Owens. Campbell picked it up to give Green Bay an extra possession starting in L.A. territory. The Packers would go on to score a touchdown.

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2023 RECORDS: Packers, 3-5. Steelers 5-3

HISTORY: The two teams most famously met Feb. 6, 2011, in Dallas for Super Bowl XLV.

The Packers won that day, 31-25, with Aaron Rodgers earning MVP honors while securing the franchise's 13th championship.

Aside from the Super Bowl, the two teams have met 35 other times, with the Packers leading the all-time series 19-16.

The two teams met most recently in 2021, with the Packers winning 27-17 at Lambeau Field.

The Packers haven't played in Pittsburgh since 2017, when they lost a heartbreaker on Sunday Night Football.

They haven't won in Pittsburgh since 1970.

COACHES: Packers, Matt LaFleur (fifth season, 49-24). Steelers, Mike Tomlin (17th season 176-105-2)

PACKERS SCHEDULE

Sept. 10 at Chicago W 38-20

Sept. 17 at Atlanta L 25-24

Sept. 24 vs. New Orleans Noon W 18-17

Sept. 28 vs. Detroit 7:15 p.m. L 34-20

Oct. 9 at Las Vegas 7:15 p.m. L 17-13

Oct. 15 BYE

Oct. 22 at Denver 3:25 p.m. L 19-17

Oct. 29 vs. Minnesota Noon L 24-10

Nov. 5 vs. LA Rams W 20-3

Nov. 12 at Pittsburgh Noon CBS

Nov. 19 vs. LA Chargers Noon FOX

Nov. 23 at Detroit 11:30 a.m. FOX

Dec. 3 vs. Kansas City 7:20 p.m. NBC

Dec. 11 at NY Giants 7:15 p.m. ABC

Dec. 17 vs. Tampa Bay Noon FOX

Dec. 24 at Carolina Noon FOX

Dec. 31 at Minnesota 7:20 p.m. NBC

Jan. 7 vs. Chicago, TBD

NFL SCHEDULE

Thursday, Nov. 9

Panthers at Bears, 7:15 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 12

Colts at Patriots, 8:30 a.m.

Browns at Ravens, Noon

Packers at Steelers, Noon

49ers at Jaguars, Noon

Saints at Vikings, Noon

Texans at Bengals, Noon

Titans at Buccaneers, Noon

Lions at Chargers, 3:05 p.m.

Falcons at Cardinals, 3:05 p.m.

Giants at Cowboys, 3:25 p.m.

Commanders at Seahawks, 3:25 p.m.

Jets at Raiders, 7:20 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 13

Broncos at Bills, 7:15 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 16

Bengals at Ravens, 7:15 p.m.

KEYS TO THE GAME

Do Packers, Steelers have their QBs of the future?

By JACOB WESTENDORF
Green & Gold Express

Sunday's game is a rematch of Super Bowl XLV – where the Green Bay Packers won their 13th NFL championship.

The Packers and Pittsburgh Steelers both have yet to return to the biggest game of the year since Feb. 6, 2011.

Both teams are in a bit of a transition. Ben Roethlisberger retired after the 2021 regular season. The Packers traded Aaron Rodgers after the 2022 season.

Kenny Pickett and Jordan Love are both having an up-and-down year and have yet to establish themselves as the quarterback of the future for their respective franchise.

Both teams are rooted in tradition and have typically exhibited patience. Whether that will apply to these quarterbacks remains to be seen.

The Steelers are 5-3 after a 20-16 win on Thursday Night Football over the Tennessee Titans. They'll be at home and have the rest advantage since the Packers played the Rams on Sunday.

Offensive tackles vs. TJ Watt

Stop me if you've heard this before – the Packers had an opportunity to draft TJ Watt in the first round of the 2017 NFL Draft.

Coming off a year where LaDarius Gunter finished the season covering the likes of Dez Bryant and Julio Jones, the Packers opted to trade out of the pick and selected cornerback Kevin King out of Washington.

That decision was a pivot point in the franchise. It was the last draft that general manager Ted Thompson ever conducted.

King struggled with injuries an ineffective play through his career. He is currently out of football.

Watt? He's one of the best defensive players in football.

Watt won the NFL's Defensive Player of the Year award in 2021 and has gotten off to a strong start in the 2023 season as well. He is a certified



In playing perhaps the best stretch of football of his career, Love completed 12-of-13 passes for 160 yards against the Rams. With one touchdown and zero interceptions, his rating was 143.6. Added together, Love finished the day 20-of-26 for 228 yards, good for a passer rating of 115.5. His 8.8 yard average was his best since Week 1 against the Bears.

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game wrecker and seems to make one game-changing play per game.

He has 9.5 sacks through eight games and could smell blood going against a Packers offensive line that has struggled to keep Jordan Love upright this season.

Whether Yosh Nijman or Rasheed Walker starts Sunday, both have had tough moments in 2023.

Zach Tom has been one of the stars of the Packers on this young season, but he has yet to face a challenge like Watt this season.

Before Sunday's game against the Rams, Matt LaFleur said the team had to block better to give Love a fighting chance.

They'll need to do that Sunday, or Watt could take over the game by himself and further twist the knife in

the backs of Packer fans who were hoping the team would take the former Wisconsin product six years ago.

Packers secondary vs. Steelers receivers

Speaking of former draft crushes among Packer fans, George Pickens will play against the Packers on Sunday. Pickens was selected in the second round of the 2022 NFL Draft. The Packers had their choice of any receiver who was still on the board in the second round of that draft, and instead of Pickens chose North Dakota State's Christian Watson.

It's too early to say how that has worked out, but Pickens is off to a much better start in his second season than Watson is.

They'll be facing a re-worked Packers' secondary that just lost their emotional leader, Rasul Douglas, when he was traded to the Buffalo Bills last week.

Jaire Alexander is still in the secondary, and he's as good as it gets despite some struggles that he's had this year.

Carrington Valentine and Keisean Nixon make up the rest of the starting group. Behind those guys are players that have spent the majority of their year on the practice squad.

To sum it up, the Packers' secondary is incredibly inexperienced.

They'll be facing off against a Steelers receiving corps that includes Pickens and Diontae Johnson.

Both players have more than 20 catches on the season. Both would be the Packers' leading receiver in terms of yardage.

Pickett hasn't established himself as the quarterback of the future, but his supporting cast is better than what Love has had to work with thus far.

If the Packers leave Pickett's receivers with room to roam, he'll likely find them.

Jordan Love vs. Steelers defense

Say what you will, but it's make or break time for Love. Before the



Kingsley Osagie "JJ" Enagbare celebrates after a play against the Los Angeles Rams on Nov. 5. The outside linebacker played college football at South Carolina.

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season started, Mark Murphy told Peter King that the Packers would need about a half of a season to know what they have in Love.

That halfway point is here. The results aren't very encouraging.

The Packers are tied for last place in the division. They were mostly

non-competitive on offense for the month of October.

They've scored one first quarter touchdown all season.

The quarterback often gets too much credit and too much blame. That part is true. The reality is that Love was put into a situation that was unfair to him. That is the hand that has been dealt to him.

That being said, Love owns the share of plenty of blame for the Packers' offensive struggles. His ball placement has been spotty, and he's struggled with turnovers as well.

Love said himself he hasn't been consistent enough, and he even admitted to being indecisive after the team's 24-10 loss to the Vikings two weeks ago.

The Steelers' defense has a big time reputation and has lived up to those expectations in 2023.

Yes, Watt is incredible. Yes, Alex Highsmith is a really good running mate for him. That makes things difficult for the offense to maneuver.

Those are the challenges presented to someone trying to establish himself as a franchise quarterback.

The hallway point is here, and the clock is ticking on Love. If he doesn't show improvement, the team could decide to move on from him after just one season as the team's starter.

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Green Bay needs to ride momentum of Rams win to succeed in future

By **LUKE REIMER**
Green & Gold Express

The win over the Los Angeles Rams was much needed for a Packers team that looked like it was going to lose the season quickly.

After four straight losses, Green Bay bounced back in a big way Nov. 5 with a dominant win over the Los Angeles Rams to not only snap their losing streak but also help restore momentum on a growing team. It certainly was not a perfect win over the Rams, but the old adage is that winning solves everything; for a team that desperately needed a win, now was as good a time as any to start to turn the tides of the season.

"It feels great to get a win, you know. Obviously it has been a tough stretch of games," said Packers quarterback Jordan Love. "Just to be able to bounce back and get a win, it always feels good."

The win came at the right time, as

Green Bay is now looking down the barrel of four weeks in a row with some of the toughest competition in the league. The team plays at Pittsburgh, home against the Los Angeles Chargers, at Detroit and then home against the Kansas City Chiefs.

With Green Bay trading away Rasul Douglas, putting Eric Stokes on IR and receiving a lot of criticism from national media, the idea of a loss to the Rams could have sunk the season. Nevertheless, Green Bay was able to silence the noise and take care of business.

Should the Packers have beaten the Rams? Yes, but with a team as young and as injured as this team is, any time it can win a game, it will only garner positive momentum. The win over the Rams also gives Green Bay something to build from. During the four-game losing streak, instead of improving, it looked like the team was regressing each week.

While he has had a quiet year

thus far, Christian Watson made an impact late in the game against the Rams, as Love hit the North Dakota State alum deep down the right sideline for a 37-yard gain. Watson's speed and athleticism has been severely under-utilized this season, due in part to inconsistent throws and injuries. To see Love take that shot shows that Green Bay is improving and growing in certain aspects on offense over the course of practice and in meetings.

"I just think for everybody — for him, for myself — it is a confidence booster," said Love, on what it meant to finally connect with Watson on a deep pass. "To be able to go out there and make that play, it is huge. It is a big catch for him; it is exactly what we needed in that situation."

Plays like those are going to be what Green Bay needs to win games against its upcoming opponents. It is not likely that the Packers are going

to beat the Lions or Chiefs on simple plays, just from a talent standpoint. So those "risky" plays like a shot deep to Watson or an end-around to Jayden Reed need to be converted for Green Bay to survive these next coming weeks.

Luckily for Green Bay, the team finally has some sort of momentum that it can ride. Taking that shot to Watson when the team is down 21 in the fourth quarter is a lot different than taking that shot when the team is up 17 in the fourth quarter, as at that point, it almost feels like that ball can be completed anytime it is thrown. That is the mindset that the Packers are going to need to bring, especially into Pittsburgh.

While there has been a lot of bad from the Packers this season, the team now enters its toughest part of the schedule in good spirits. It took down the Rams, and it showed a lot of improvement and good feelings in doing so.

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Jaire Alexander	23	CB	5-10	196	26	6	Louisville
Zayne Anderson	39	S	6-2	206	26	1	BYU
Corey Ballentine	35	CB	5-11	196	27	5	Washburn
Karl Brooks	94	DL	6-3	296	23	R	Bowling Green
De'Vondre Campbell	59	LB	6-4	232	30	8	Minnesota
Anders Carlson	17	K	6-5	219	25	R	Auburn
Kenny Clark	97	DL	6-3	314	28	8	UCLA
Sean Clifford	8	QB	6-2	218	25	R	Penn State
Brenton Cox Jr.	57	LB	6-4	250	23	R	Florida
Josiah Deguara	81	TE	6-2	238	26	4	Cincinnati
AJ Dillon	28	RB	6-0	247	25	4	Boston College
Romeo Doubs	87	WR	6-2	204	23	2	Nevada
Kingsley Enagbare	55	LB	6-4	258	23	2	South Carolina
Rudy Ford	20	S	6-0	210	29	7	Auburn
Rashan Gary	52	LB	6-5	277	25	5	Michigan
Malik Heath	18	WR	6-2	213	23	R	Mississippi
Elgton Jenkins	74	G/T	6-5	311	27	5	Mississippi State
Anthony Johnson Jr.	36	S	6-0	205	23	R	Iowa State
Aaron Jones	33	RB	5-9	208	28	7	Texas-El Paso
Caleb Jones	72	T	6-9	370	24	2	Indiana
Tucker Kraft	85	TE	6-5	259	23	R	South Dakota State
Dallin Leavitt	6	S	5-10	195	29	5	Utah State
Jordan Love	10	QB	6-4	219	25	4	Utah State
Isaiah McDuffie	58	LB	6-1	227	24	3	Boston College
Luke Musgrave	88	TE	6-6	253	23	R	Oregon State
Josh Myers	71	C/G	6-5	310	25	3	Ohio State
Royce Newman	70	G/T	6-5	310	26	3	Mississippi
Yosh Nijman	73	T	6-7	314	27	4	Virginia Tech
Keisean Nixon	25	CB	5-10	200	26	5	South Carolina
Matt Orzech	42	LS	6-3	245	28	4	Azusa Pacific
Jonathan Owens	34	S	5-11	210	28	5	Missouri Western
Jayden Reed	11	WR	5-11	187	23	R	Michigan State
Sean Rhyan	75	G	6-5	321	23	2	UCLA
Robert Rochell	22	CB	6-0	193	25	3	Central Arkansas
Jon Runyan	76	G	6-4	307	26	4	Michigan
Ben Sims	89	TE	6-5	250	23	R	Baylor
T.J. Slaton	93	DL	6-4	330	26	3	Florida
Preston Smith	91	LB	6-5	265	30	9	Mississippi State
Zach Tom	50	OL	6-4	304	24	2	Wake Forest
Samori Toure	83	WR	6-1	191	25	2	Nebraska
Carrington Valentine	37	CB	6-0	189	22	R	Kentucky
Lukas Van Ness	90	LB	6-5	272	22	R	Iowa
Quay Walker	7	LB	6-4	241	23	2	Georgia
Rasheed Walker	63	T	6-6	324	23	2	Penn State
Christian Watson	9	WR	6-4	208	24	2	North Dakota State
Kristian Welch	54	LB	6-3	240	25	4	Iowa
Daniel Whelan	19	P	6-5	216	24	1	UC Davis
Dontayvion Wicks	13	WR	6-1	206	22	R	Virginia
Emanuel Wilson	31	RB	5-11	226	24	R	Fort Valley State Univ.
Eric Wilson	45	LB	6-1	230	29	7	Cincinnati
Colby Wooden	96	DL	6-4	273	22	R	Auburn
Devonte Wyatt	95	DL	6-3	304	25	2	Georgia
Reserve/Injured							
David Bakhtiari	69	T	6-4	310	32	11	Colorado
Tyler Davis	84	TE	6-4	252	26	4	Georgia Tech
Darnell Savage	26	S	5-11	198	26	5	Maryland
Eric Stokes	21	CB	6-0	194	24	3	Georgia
Luke Tenuta	78	T	6-8	314	24	2	Virginia Tech

PITTSBURGH STEELERS

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Montravius Adams	57	DT	6-4	304	28	7	Auburn
Kwon Alexander	54	LB	6-1	227	29	9	LSU
Spencer Anderson	74	OL	6-5	305	23	R	Maryland
Calvin Austin III	19	WR	5-9	162	24	2	Memphis
Keeanu Benton	95	DL	6-4	309	22	R	Wisconsin
Chris Boswell	9	K	6-2	185	32	9	Rice
Miles Boykin	13	WR	6-4	220	27	5	Notre Dame
Mason Cole	61	OL	6-5	298	27	6	Michigan
Dylan Cook	60	OT	6-6	305	25	1	Montana
James Daniels	78	OL	6-4	327	26	6	Iowa
Breiden Fehoko	96	NT	6-3	300	27	3	LSU
Minkah Fitzpatrick	39	S	6-1	207	26	6	Alabama
Markus Golden	44	LB	6-2	260	32	9	Missouri
Najee Harris	22	RB	6-1	242	25	3	Alabama
Pressley Harvin III	6	P	6-0	255	25	3	Georgia Tech
Nate Herbig	71	G	6-4	334	25	5	Stanford
Nick Herbig	51	LB	6-2	240	21	R	Wisconsin
Cameron Heyward	97	DT	6-5	295	34	13	Ohio State
Connor Heyward	83	TE/FB	6-0	230	24	2	Michigan State
Alex Highsmith	56	LB	6-4	242	26	4	Charlotte
Godwin Igwebuike	48	RB	6-0	212	29	4	Northwestern
Diontae Johnson	18	WR	5-10	183	27	5	Toledo
Broderick Jones	77	OT	6-5	311	22	R	Georgia
Damontae Kazee	23	S	5-11	174	30	7	San Diego State
Miles Killebrew	28	S	6-2	222	30	8	Southern Utah State
Christian Kuntz	46	LS	6-1	228	29	3	Duquesne
DeMarvin Leal	98	DE	6-4	290	23	2	Texas A&M
Isaiah Loudermilk	92	DT	6-7	293	26	3	Wisconsin
Anthony McFarland Jr.	26	RB	5-8	193	24	3	Maryland
Dan Moore Jr.	65	OT	6-5	315	25	3	Texas A&M
Keanu Neal	31	S	6-0	211	28	8	Florida
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Gary feels blessed after contract extension

By JACOB WESTENDORF
Green & Gold Express

Linebacker Rashan Gary signed a four-year, \$107 million contract extension with the Green Bay Packers at the end of October. The 2019 first-round pick had been playing this season on a \$10.892 million, fifth-year option of his rookie contract.

Q: How long have you been waiting for a day like this one?

A: How long have I been waiting for this day? All I can say is, it's a blessing. I want to thank my higher power; I want to thank all my loved ones. Everybody knows the role they play in my life. I want to thank this organization, everybody that believed in me. I'm just trying to get to work. That's me. I'm just trying to get to work.

Q: What was the moment like to put pen to paper?

A: To be honest, it really hasn't hit me yet. I signed, it was a wonderful moment. It was great for me; I was able to have my mom and sister in town, and we call ourselves The Three Musketeers. For me to sign a contract like that, meaning that

much, with my loved ones, my base, words can't really describe the feeling.

Q: How special was it to sign after proving yourself after an ACL injury?

A: Man, it just makes me hungrier. The organization that believed in me, trusted me and sees my growth from when I came in and see the man that I'm still becoming and the player that I'm working to become and still on the rise to become, for them to see that and bless me, man, I'm in awe, bro. I'm a little tongue-twisted, words not together, but I'm just blessed.

Q: Did you think about the journey back from the ACL and now this?

A: Not yet. I'm not going to lie to you, I'll probably reflect about all this after the season. To be honest with you, we've got a lot of work ahead of us, and that's what I'm focusing on. After the season, I'll be able to reflect on how everything came together, how I came back and what I accomplished and things like that, but we've still got a lot of work to do as an organization.



Linebacker Rashan Gary signed a four-year, \$107 million contract extension with the Green Bay Packers at the end of October. He said he feels blessed to be where he is in his football career.

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Q: Did you think about waiting until free agency?

A: Not at all. I knew from the first time I got a phone call and I picked up and realized I was a Packer, like I said — and I've been saying this from Day 1 — the team that gave me a chance to reach my childhood dreams, provide for my family, things that I've been saying and wanting to accomplish and I've been able to accomplish. A lot of men and people in this world can't speak certain things and have certain things happen, so I'm very thankful and very appreciative of the position I'm in right now.

Q: How long did this take?

A: I have no idea. That's one thing I wanna give props to the organization and my team. One thing I told 'em is throughout this whole thing, 'I just wanna focus on ball,' like I'm doing now. I just signed a piece of sheet. That was it, but that was really it, man. I really don't know when everything happened.

Q: Did you have doubt you'd get back here during knee rehab?

A: Nah, it's not no doubt. I think I told y'all this before. I knew from the time that it happened that I was gonna come back better than what I left, and that's still my mindset. I'm still pushing for that.

Q: What was the reaction from your mom?A: Yeah like I said, it's really hard to kind of be in awe right now, because like I said, we're in season and I'm focused, but having my mom here with me, right on side of me, and my sister right on side of me,

getting that call and knowing that I'm about to sign, it's really no words that could express the feeling, but thank God and I'm very appreciative.

Q: First thing your mom told you?

A: She just gave me a hug and a kiss and started crying. Because you know, as a mother from my whole football journey, from when I started from seventh grade to me being 25, on my fifth year now, I can only see how she envisioned me, just seeing my dreams come true and seeing things in my way and seeing me not worried about things in my way and knocking down walls, just being the guy that I want to become for my family and myself. Her seeing that, that hug and cry said it all.

Q: Any tears for you?

A: Oh yeah, of course. Excitement, be in a position, this is beyond me, this is bigger than me. This is life-changing. That's something I never take for granted.

Q: Do you have more motivation?

A: Yeah, I'm just trying to play my best ball now, to be honest. I'm here for another four years. I'm blessed, and I'm happy and I'm fortunate. I'm trying to ball. That's really it. Get this organization back to winning and putting it at a high level.

Q: What's next for you?

A: Simply, man, just keep on chipping and show everybody I'm the best. Same mindset that I had Day 1. Ain't nothing changed. I'm just on Year 5.



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It all began as Armistice Day

Veterans Day established in 1954 to commemorate all those who served

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

It was called The Great War, the War to End All Wars, and in the aftermath of its conclusion at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918, civilized nations vowed to remember the sacrifices of those who had fought in the world war, especially those who gave the ultimate sacrifice.

Beginning with a solemn ceremony at Buckingham Palace on the morning of Nov. 11, 1919, Armistice Day became an annual time of remembrance.

In the United States, which entered the war a year and a half before the Armistice and lost 116,000 soldiers, President Woodrow Wilson marked that first anniversary by praising the Allied effort to achieve the peace.

“Out of this victory there arose new possibilities of political freedom and economic concert. The war showed us the strength of great



Students at Wittenberg Elementary/Middle School stand for veterans as they leave the gym during the 2021 Veterans Day ceremony at Wittenberg Elementary/Middle School. FILE | NEW MEDIA

nations acting together for high purposes, and the victory of arms foretells the enduring conquests which can be made in peace when nations act justly and in furtherance of the common interests of men,” Wilson said in that first presidential Armistice Day message.

Commemorations of Nov. 11 were initially focused on honoring the military dead of the First World War

and the return to peace. Just prior to or after World War II, many countries changed the name of the holiday, and several changed the focus to include all veterans of their armed services; a few honor their war dead, both uniformed and civilian. The United States in 1954 changed the name to Veterans Day.

In the United States, Veterans Day honors American veterans, both living and deceased. The official day of national remembrance of those killed in action is Memorial Day, which predates World War I.

President Dwight Eisenhower, who as an Army general had led U.S. forces in World War II and was elected in the waning days of the Korean War, issued the first Veterans Day proclamation in 1954 after Congress voted to change the name of the national holiday:

“Whereas it has long been our custom to commemorate Nov. 11, the anniversary of the ending of World War I, by paying tribute to the heroes of that tragic struggle and by rededicating ourselves to the cause

of peace; and

“Whereas in the intervening years the United States has been involved in two other great military conflicts, which have added millions of veterans living and dead to the honor rolls of this Nation; and

“Whereas the Congress passed a concurrent resolution on June 4, 1926 (44 Stat. 1982), calling for the observance of Nov. 11 with appropriate ceremonies, and later provided in an act approved May 13, 1938 (52 Stat. 351), that the 11th of November should be a legal holiday and should be known as Armistice Day; and

“Whereas, in order to expand the significance of that commemoration and in order that a grateful Nation might pay appropriate homage to the veterans of all its wars who have contributed so much to the preservation of this Nation, the Congress, by an act approved June 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 168), changed the name of the holiday to Veterans Day:

“Now, Therefore, I, Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States of America, do hereby call upon all of our citizens to observe Thursday, Nov. 11, 1954, as Veterans Day. On that day let us solemnly remember the sacrifices of all those who fought so valiantly, on the seas, in the air, and on foreign shores, to preserve our heritage of freedom, and let us reconsecrate ourselves to the task of promoting an enduring peace so that their efforts shall not have been in vain. I also direct the appropriate officials of the Government to arrange for the display of the flag of the United States on all public buildings on Veterans Day.”

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Bohm honored as veterans advocate of the year

By **KEVIN PASSON**
Editor-in-chief

Dennis Bohm, of Shawano, is the 2023 Shawano County veteran advocate of the year, Paul Pionke, Shawano County veterans service officer, has announced.

"He promotes the definition of volunteer in his multiple roles within Shawano County," Pionke said.

Among Bohm's many volunteer efforts is his role in serving as a driver for disabled veterans for the Shawano County Veterans Service Office.

"Dennis has been transporting veterans to the area VA clinics (Appleton, Green Bay, Milwaukee) for 19 years," Pionke said. "He has approximately 250,000 miles behind the wheel in all kinds of weather, ensuring veterans get to their VA appointments safely."

Bohm is a lifetime member of the Disabled American Veterans, American Legion and AMVETS, and is associated member of the Vietnam Veterans of America.

He served as AMVETS com-

mander for seven years and is currently the American Legion chaplain. He has performed numerous hours performing honor guard duties to fellow service members' funerals and presenting the flag to local widows.

Bohm was the opening night speaker at the recent Shawano County Fair and honor guard commander, calling the posting of the colors on opening night.

He is also a member of the Soldiers and Sailors Committee, ensuring needed veterans are assisted with information and possible funds to make ends meet during difficult times.

"Dennis never has a mean word to say, has a wealth of local knowledge and is always full of vigor and energy," Pionke said. "Without a doubt, he musters the definition of volunteer, always willing to help with knowledge and information regarding anything to do with all of the several organizations within Shawano and Shawano County. A man definitely worth the award."

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Dennis Bohm, center, was recently honored as the Shawano County veteran advocate of the year by Bruce Wilber, left, president of the County Veterans Service Officers Association of Wisconsin and the Menominee County county and tribal veterans service officer; and Paul Pionke, Shawano County veterans service officer.

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Wilber elected president of state veterans service officer association

Menominee County veterans service officer Bruce A. Wilber Jr. on Oct. 12 became the president of the County Veterans Service Officers Association of Wisconsin, making him the first Native American to serve in that position in the association's 87-year history.

Wilber also serves as the tribal veterans service officer for the Menominee Tribe, so his election is doubly historic since no tribal veterans service officer previously served as president of the association.

"Bruce's election as president of the County Veterans Service Officers Association of Wisconsin is something we can all be very proud

of," said Menominee County Board Chairperson Elizabeth Moses. "It is testament to how credible he is as an advocate for veterans and their families, given that his colleagues have asked him to represent their collective interests statewide. Moreover, Bruce's achievement is proof positive that no matter how small we are as an organization, it is possible to make outsized contributions that have far-reaching effects."

Wilber has served as the county and tribal veterans service officer since August 2016. He is a veteran of the U.S. Army, former tribal judge and has served in numerous other capacities as a public servant.



Veterans from American Legion Post 502 were honored at the Wittenberg Elementary/Middle School during the 2021 Veterans Day ceremony.

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Vets 4 Vets offers free Christmas trees for veterans

Vets 4 Vets of Northeast Wisconsin is again offering free Christmas trees to local veterans. The organization partnered with Uncle Paul's Christmas Trees, and vets and their families are welcome to come out from 1-4 p.m. Nov. 26 to cut down a Christmas tree to take home, free of charge.

Advance reservations are requested to join the seventh annual Trees 4 Vets, held at Uncle Paul's Tree Farm, 11489 State Highway 32 in Breed, north of Suring. This family-friendly event will feature "cut your own" Christmas trees, bonfire, hot chocolate and holiday treats. Assistance with cutting the tree will be available, if needed.

To reserve a spot, contact the organization via Facebook page messenger or comment on the Trees 4 Vets post (search Vets 4 Vets of Northeast Wisconsin); by mail at P.O. Box 135, Suring, WI 54174; or call/text Dan at 414-627-9866.

Vets 4 Vets of Northeast Wisconsin is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, Suring-based organization made up of veterans and non-veterans that raises funds to provide direct support to enrich the lives of veterans in Northeast Wisconsin. The group also contributes to local veterans service and support agencies.



Enjoying a brisk November 2022 day and the Trees 4 Vets event at Uncle Paul's Tree Farm are, from left, Tom Koenig, Vets4Vets of Northeast Wisconsin President Brandy Rybak, Vice President Steve Robillard, and veteran Tina Christensen.

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As Veterans Day approaches, take a moment, if even in your own thoughts, to consider the sacrifice of our military men and women, and their families. If you see a veteran (lots of vets wear their 'Vietnam Veteran' hats proudly, all year round!) stop them and say 'Hey, thanks for your service.' Proudly fly your American flag at home (and take it down at night, unless you've got a light shining on it!). Consider adopting a soldier. No matter what you do, remember that even the smallest of actions have an impact.



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Veterans Day programs in local schools, communities

Area schools are planning special Veterans Day programs for Nov. 10. Here is a sampling of the events, which are open to the community.

- Bonduel High School, 400 W. Green Bay St., Bonduel — Program 8 a.m., senior citizen breakfast 8:30 a.m.
- Bowler High School, 500 S. Almon St., Bowler — Program 10 a.m. in the high school gymnasium.
- Gillett School District, 208 W. Main St., Gillett — Program 9 a.m. at Gillett High School.
- Keshena Primary School, N530 State Highway 47-55, Keshena — Breakfast 8 a.m., program 9 a.m.
- Lena School District, 304 E. Main St., Lena — Program 10 a.m. in the high school gymnasium.
- Menominee Indian Middle School, N3455 State Highway 47, Neopit — Veterans invited to lunch 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- Menominee Indian High School, N500 State Highway 47-55, Keshena — Open Lab, veterans asked to share stories of service with students, 2-3:30 p.m.
- Oconto Elementary School, 810 Scherer Ave., Oconto — Breakfast 8



Signs line North Farm Road on Nov. 5, each with the name of a member of American Legion Post 302, leading to the Oconto Falls Veterans Area Veterans Monument. WARREN BLUHM | NEW MEDIA

a.m.

- Oconto Falls High School, 210 N. Farm Road, Oconto Falls — Program 9 a.m. in the field house.
- Oconto Falls Elementary School, 415 Marie Volk Drive, Oconto Falls — Program 10:30 a.m. in the school gymnasium.
- Suring School District, 411

Algoma St., Suring. — Program 1:30 p.m. in the high school gymnasium.

- Tigerton High School, 213 Spaulding St., Tigerton — Program 10:30 a.m.

• Wittenberg Elementary and Middle School, 300 S. Prouty St., Wittenberg — Program 9:30 a.m.
Other community events:

NOV. 10

SHAWANO: Fallen Angel Memorial Truck, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Qu-alheim's True Value, 1345 E. Green Bay St. One-of-a-kind memorial pays homage to the fallen Wisconsin men and women of the Persian Gulf wars — Desert Storm, Iraq and Afghanistan.

SURING: Vets 4 Vets Spaghetti Dinner, 3-6 p.m., Red Maple Country Club, 501 Golf Course Road. Spaghetti dinner, silent Auctions, bingo, 50/50 and meat raffles, DJ music. \$7 per person, veterans eat free.

NOV. 11

WITTENBERG: Veterans Day Ceremony, 10:55 a.m., Ho-Chunk Gaming, N7198 U.S. Highway 45. Keynote speaker Dr. Jeremy Rockman, USMC, Vietnam War combat veteran.

SHAWANO: Allied Vets Council Veteran Day Program, 11 a.m., Courthouse, 311 N. Main St.

PULASKI: Pulaski High School Jazz Veterans Dinner Dance, 7-9 p.m., Pulaski High School, 1040 St. Augustine St.

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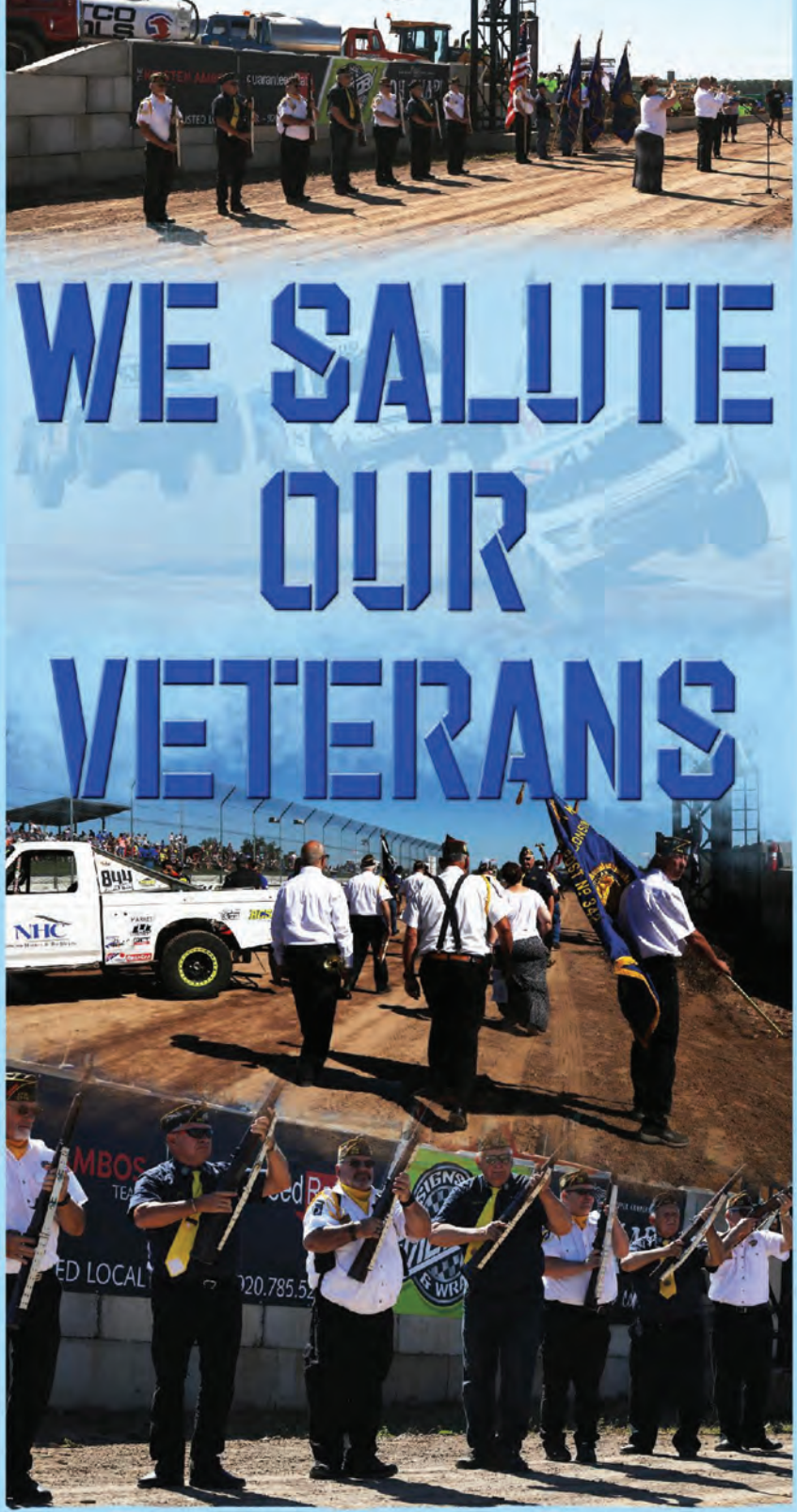
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"By shining a green light, county governments and our residents will let veterans know that they are seen, appreciated and supported," said the NACo announcement.

This is the second year that local counties have participated in the Operation Green Light for Veterans initiative.



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Ryan Kilsdonk of rural New London watches as his father, Dan Kilsdonk of Kimberly sights in a Remington 7400 semi-auto rifle in .270 Winchester in preparation for the coming gun deer season.

ROSS BIELEMA

Sighting in doesn't have to be a chore

By **ROSS BIELEMA**
Correspondent

It all comes down to one shot.

It might be a chance at a fat doe for the freezer or the buck that only lived in your dreams until this morning, but that one shot depends on

your preparations before that day. Sighting in your rifle or slug shotgun is a huge part of that prep.

If you are an iron sights hunter, perhaps favoring Grandpa's old lever-action rifle to a bolt action, more power to you. You don't have many options, other than a Lyman or

Williams receiver sight or a simple tweak of the buckhorn elevation "ladder" of the factory rear sight. Keep your shots under 75 yards, just like Granddad did.

Scopes, and their more modern offspring, red dot sights, are the norm for most hunters. If you want a

more precise way to hit your deer or other game, or if your aging eyesight makes iron sights difficult, you need a scope.

I recently helped Ryan Kilsdonk, 32, of rural New London and his father, Dan Kilsdonk, 62, of Kimberly, to get their deer rifles dialed in one



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late October afternoon at a nearby private gun range.

The duo have hunted on Marinette County forest public land near Crivitz for years, spending time in a nearby trailer and sharing time in the woods chasing deer just as more than 500,000 of us will be doing on opening day.

Although Dan's father, Clarence Kilsdonk, gave up deer hunting with them three years ago (he's 85 now), his favorite Remington 7400 semi-auto .270 Winchester will be Dan's gun this season. And Dan has an identical gun of his own that now sports a new gray laminated stock for his backup weapon. The gunsmith who installed the new stock also put on a new scope.

Ryan was dialing in a Rock River Arms AR-10 in .308, a mild-shooting semi-auto that his wife, Megan Kilsdonk, enjoys hunting deer with.

Regardless of the type of rifle or shotgun you are sighting in, you need some large targets (if you can't see where your shots are hitting, you are wasting ammo), a sturdy bench, some sort of shooting rest (home-made or store-bought) and a place to shoot at least 100 yards. A spotting scope or binoculars is handy if you don't want to walk to the target every few shots (personally, I need the exercise). Magic markers or target pasters are handy to keep track of your shots on paper. A small notebook and pen help you keep track of what you've done to each gun's sights or scope.

You don't need an expensive portable shooting rest to dial in. A bunch of sandbags or bean bags work great. A duffel bag of clothes or some old pillows work, too.

If you have a bolt-action rifle, sighting in can be as simple as firing three shots. First, remove the bolt (normally there's a bolt release somewhere on the rifle). Get your gun locked into the rest or sandbags, look down the bore and then adjust your new scope with windage and elevation clicks until the crosshairs are lined up on the target exactly where the bore is pointed.

Your first shot should be on the target at 25 yards. If not, re-check your base and scope screws. If they are loose, tighten them (a bit of removable Lock-Tite is always a good idea on base and scope screws). Move the target to 100 yards and see where the next shot hits. Once again, with the crosshairs locked on the shot, turn the crosshairs (windage and elevation as needed) so they are now resting on that shot. Your final shot at the bullseye should be on the money. Fine-tune as needed.

This YouTube video explains how to get a bolt-action rifle sighted in with three shots: www.youtube.com/watch?v=mYhu5wSsOIU.

If you have a pump, semi-auto or single-shot rifle, follow the same instructions minus the bore sighting.

You can buy an electronic bore sighter or a cartridge that emits a laser to do rough bore sighting at close range before firing your 100-yard rounds.

Follow the instructions with your scope or red dot for adjustments. Most scopes use arrows on their turret adjustments to show which way to turn them to move the shot right or up, for example. Keeping track of all your changes is crucial. Some scopes can be re-calibrated to zero when done so the markings won't be confusing later and you can quickly see if something has bumped your turrets.

All rifles shoot bullets in a parabola, or arc. This means that common deer calibers like a .30-06, .270 or .30-30 will strike a bit low at about 25 yards, a bit higher on the way to their sight-in distance and finally settle at 100 yards. Depending on the velocity and weight of a bullet, you can look at a chart or ammo box and determine where the round will hit at various distances.

Common practice is sighting in at 100 yards and allowing the round to strike about 4 inches high so that the shot will hit about dead-on at 200 yards for common deer rounds. But if you are hunting in thicker woods where anything beyond 100 yards is rare, then sight in so you are dead-on at 100 yards. In the event that you see a deer at 200 yards in an open field, for example, just hold a bit higher. I prefer the "dead-on at 100 yards" method to guessing about future long shots. Slug shotguns with even higher parabolas can be sighted in to hit dead-on at 75 yards.

Dan Kilsdonk quickly found out his scope bases were loose. After about an hour of effort, both were struggling to dial in. I noticed they were leaning at awkward angles over the bench, so we used a chair to put them in a more natural position. After that, the bullseyes came easy.

Once your firearm is sighted in, protect your scope and gun in a good padded or even hard case to keep it from getting knocked out of alignment. If you drop your gun in the field, be sure you clean the dirt and snow out of the barrel (never try to shoot it out as you will explode the barrel) and check your scope again with a few test shots.

Good hunting to you all.

White-tailed deer hunting facts and stats

Win some bets with your hunting buddies or at least learn something new with these deer facts:

White-tailed deer:

Scientific name: *Odocoileus virginianus*

U.S. population: (Alaska and Hawaii do not have white-tailed deer): 35.2 million

U.S. population (1890): 300,000

Wisconsin population: 1.66 million

Diet and behavior:

Deer can run up to 30 mph and jump up to 25 feet. They have been known to eat up to 600 different plants. Deer eat 8 pounds of vegetation per day per 100 pounds of weight.

A fawn can stand within 20 minutes of birth, walk within 60 minutes and run within 24 hours.

At 5 days old, it can outrun a human.

Sense of smell: Deer have 300 million olfactory sensors, or about 60 times more than a human.

Lifespan: 2-5 years in the wild; up

to 20 years in captivity.

Wisconsin hunting history

First closed deer hunting: 1851

Game laws published in pamphlet form: 1888

First bag limit for deer: 1897 (2 per season). Resident license \$1; 12,000 sold

Hunter safety program begins: 1967

No deer season fatalities: 1973

Blaze orange clothing required: 1980

Largest Wisconsin deer harvest from 1960 to present: 2000: 615,293 deer (including 212,332 bucks)

Most gun-deer licenses sold: 1999 (694,712)

1930 archery season: 22 Wisconsin counties open and 77,284 tags sold

First archer to shoot a deer: Roy Case, Vilas County (spike buck, 112 pounds field dressed). Shot Dec. 6, 1930; ran 50 feet.

Bow used: 61-inch, 54-pound Osage orange longbow, cedar arrow and Case Kiska broadhead.

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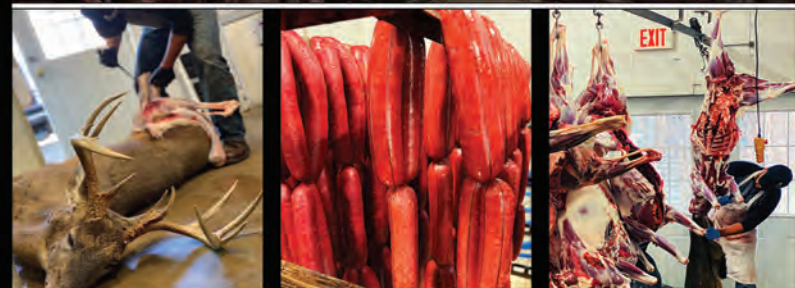
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Optics in the crosshairs

Choosing a quality hunting scope takes a little research

By **ROSS BIELEMA**
Correspondent

A few hunters with keen eyesight or a yearning for the nostalgic will be in the woods this fall with an iron-sighted lever-action rifle or maybe even an old slug shotgun with open sights.

The rest of us will be toting a shooting iron with our favorite scope or red dot sight, because we just don't see that well anymore or we just got tired of missing so much.

A scope won't solve all your deer hunting problems, but it will definitely increase your odds of putting a deer down when compared to a notched rear sight and a steel post up front.

There have never been more optics choices than now. A classic metal fixed-power scope is almost a relic today, although there's nothing wrong with a vintage scope in the 2- to 7-power range. Most hunters now opt for a variable-power scope, giv-

ing a choice of magnifications with the twist of a dial.

The new kid in town is the optical sight, typically a red dot display (not to be confused with a laser sight, which is illegal for deer hunting and not a good choice anyway). These ultra-light sights are usually dependent on a battery but are much faster on target and generally have no magnification.

I'll give you my 2 cents on scope selection, from 50-plus years of scope use, selling scopes five years at a Gander Mountain store and editing a Krause Publications book "Sporting Optics" with Wayne Van Zwooll.

He and I share one thought that can't be overstated: You will almost never need a scope with more than 9 power, but you are more likely to miss with too much magnification, even when hunting out West.

Benchresting prairie dogs aside, you'll find a 2-7 or 3-9 power scope more than adequate for Wisconsin deer as far as you can see one. I

much prefer a 1-4 or 1.5-4.5 scope any day, as you have a brighter and wider field of view at low power.

If you have a scope cranked to say 9 power and a deer shows up at close range, you will waste precious seconds trying to find him in the scope or cranking it lower. Instead, keep it set at the lowest magnification for fast shots. A scope is merely an aiming point and you will not be any more accurate at 9 power than 3 power. Hunters have a hard time understanding this.

Here's Van Zwooll on the topic: <https://gundigest.com/gun-reviews/wayne-van-zwooll-get-the-right-scope-for-the-right-rifle>.

Don't skimp on a scope. The biggest problem with cheap scopes is they look the same on the outside as the good ones, but when it comes to adjustment and holding zero, the \$50 scope usually fails. Leupold, Weaver and Eotech are still made in America, and I also like the higher-end Bushnells. Most Burris scopes

are now made in the Philippines, but they have a high-end model that uses Japanese components that is assembled in the United States. Wisconsin-based Vortex has one high-end model made here, but most of their scopes are made in China or the Philippines.

You will waste time, ammo, effort and much frustration on a cheap scope, so plan on spending \$150 to \$500 on a decent one. More money means better light-gathering ability (if you are on a \$10,000 elk hunt and need to make a shot on a trophy bull in fading light, you'll be glad you bought a premium scope).

Why do some scopes cost so much? Most basic scopes are waterproof and nitrogen filled to make them fogproof, but the big money goes into the cost of the glass and coatings. These coatings allow more light transmission, so, in theory, a \$1,000 scope will be brighter and clearer than a \$100 one. There is a point of diminishing returns; how-

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ever, and I've never spent more than \$300 on a scope.

Red dots and other optical sights are the latest sighting tools. Most depend on batteries and in cold Wisconsin weather, you will find they tend to fail when you need them most. Carry spare batteries in a warm pocket. Some red dots combine batteries, fiber optics and tritium crosshairs for a fail-safe combo that won't leave you hunting blind.

Great brands include Trijicon, Aimpoint, EOTech, Bushnell, Leupold and TruGlo.

Handgun shooters are switching over to optical sights in droves, as these red dots are getting smaller and smaller. Brands like Sig Sauer, Holosun, Vortex and Bushnell who make pistol red dots are turning out some featherweight versions for rifles, too. Plan to spend \$100 to \$500 on a high-quality dot sight. Those with "shake on" technology (the sight detects movement and turns itself on) help you extend battery life to years. Some versions are designed to stay on for months or longer on a single set of batteries.

I look for a red dot that allows battery replacement without removing the sight from the gun.

Not all do that.

Adjustments are similar to those of a scope, with both windage and elevation clicks.

The military has been using optical sights for decades now and they are proven in battle as the fastest on-target system out there. You can do almost as well with a low-power scope. Some scopes of course use batteries to make the crosshairs glow, which is perfect during early morning and dusk when the deer are moving. Again, bring extra batteries, although a scope will allow you to see the crosshairs even with dead batteries.

Be sure to do some research to determine if the red dot sight you like will stand up to your rifle's recoil. Contact the manufacturer if you have doubts.

Some hunters love "see through" scope mounts so they can "co-witness" their iron sights with their scope by looking under the scope. Most gunsmiths cringe as they install these beasts. You want to mount your scope or red dot as close to the bore as possible (check bolt clearance with your scope rings before tightening everything down), so see-through mounts are generally a no-no for serious hunters.

You are either going to use a scope or open sights, not both. Some AR-15 rifle sights mount above the scope to co-witness, and that's a different story.

What scope or red dot does your favorite deer rifle carry? Drop me an e-mail and tell me why you love that choice. Better yet, send me a picture of the deer you shot with it.



Choosing a scope or red dot for deer hunting can seem like a daunting task, but spend enough to get a reliable brand that will hold zero after sighting in. Freelance writer Ross Bielema favors low-power scopes that offer a brighter and wider field of view, light weight and speed on target. Red dots generally offer no magnification but are the fastest way to drop a deer.

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