

Ho-Chunk suit claims Kalshi does sports betting

Online platform faces accusations over site that allows people to place money on game outcomes

By SARAH LEHR
Wisconsin Public Radio

The Ho-Chunk Nation filed a lawsuit in U.S. District Court last month, accusing a company called Kalshi of breaking state, federal and tribal laws that regulate gambling.

In Wisconsin, sports betting is mostly illegal, except at tribal casinos. Those tribes operate under agreements with the state.

Kalshi has an app and website that allows people to put money on the outcome of events, including whether a team will win or lose.

That platform is accessible 24/7 across the country, including on Ho-Chunk tribal lands, the lawsuit notes.

Kalshi has argued that its platform does not amount to sports gambling. Instead, the company says it's regulated as a financial exchange, because it allows people to place trades on the outcome of future events.

Ho-Chunk President Jon Greendeer says that's clearly false.

"It's very profitable for them to make this argument as long as they can, even though any court of competent jurisdiction is going to see right off the bat, as they have in the past, that this is clearly a gambling platform," Greendeer said in an interview with Wisconsin Public Radio. "I don't think there's anyone that is confused about the operation that they're doing."

The suit also accuses Kalshi of false advertising through statements including one that describes Kalshi as the "The First Nationwide Legal Sports Betting Platform" and another that says "Sports Betting Legal in all 50 States."

Additionally, the complaint describes a listing for Kalshi in the app store that read "You can bet on that." The lawsuit also references statements that the company's CEO made on TikTok in October 2024.

"Now, Americans can actually bet on whose going to win, Trump versus Kamala," Kalshi's CEO and cofounder Tarek Mansour said in a video posted to the company's TikTok account. "You can bet on the weather tomorrow. You can bet on inflation. You can bet on whether (New



Roberta Bushmaker, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources wildlife technician, talks with a group of seniors about the DNR's duck banding program Sept. 4 at Navarino Nature Center.

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DNR duck banding efforts recently completed

Banding helps to track migration, determine local population

By LEE PULASKI
City Editor

Folks looking to the sky when ducks fly by might see some that have been tagged by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

DNR wildlife technicians like Roberta Bushmaker put bands on birds all over the state. Bushmaker recently completed another round this summer helping to tag mallard and wood ducks to keep track of populations in places like the Navarino Wildlife Area.

Bushmaker's work keeps her in the Lower Wolf Work Unit, which includes Shawano and Outagamie counties, as well as portions of Winnebago and Waupaca

counties.

"We band waterfowl, doves and all sorts of birds for population estimates," Bushmaker said Sept. 4 at a gathering of seniors at the Navarino Nature Center. "For ducks and geese in particular, we set season lengths, bag limits. We work our regulations around them."

To band the ducks, the DNR must first trap them. Bushmaker said there are several ways to trap them, but the Navarino Wildlife Area utilizes walk-in traps. The ducks pass through a door to eat some bait, but then they can't get out the way they came in.

Bushmaker noted the DNR in the Navarino area once tried night lighting around Shawano Lake, where spotlights

were used to surprise the ducks into nets. Then they were taken to DNR officials and volunteers who put plastic bands on the ducks' legs. However, that method was not very effective, and it was decided to stick with the walk-in traps.

"We have a bunch of flowages with narrow dikes," Bushmaker said. "We've got three different variations."

Navarino had previously only used Y-traps, with three entryways for the ducks, according to Bushmaker. The Y-traps were switched out in 2021 for V-traps, with two entryways, because the ducks are usually coming from one side due to cattails and grass prevailing in the pond

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York City Mayor) Eric Adams is gonna get fired, or when he's gonna get fired."

In July, three tribes in California filed a similar lawsuit against Kalshi, using the law firm Rapport and Marston. Rapport and Marston is also representing the Ho-Chunk Nation alongside the firm Quarles and Brady.

The Ho-Chunk lawsuit asks a judge to issue an injunction, ordering Kalshi to stop operating on or near Ho-Chunk lands.

It also asks for monetary damages, noting that Kalshi's "illegal, unregulated wagers" are drawing business away from the tribe's casinos.

"Loss of revenue has a direct impact on tribal governmental functions and has a tangible effect on the services and programs the tribal governments provide to their members and all persons who live, work and visit the nation's Indian lands," the lawsuit says.

The Ho-Chunk Nation's lawsuit also names Robinhood Markets Inc., an investment platform that's partnering with Kalshi, as a defendant.

Robinhood has argued that the Kalshi doesn't offer gambling. Rather, the company says the platform allows people to buy and sell futures contracts, which are overseen by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

The company's "event contacts" "(allow) retail customers to access prediction markets in a safe, compliant and regulated manner," a Robinhood spokesperson said in a statement. "We intend to defend ourselves against these claims."

Kalshi representatives did not respond to a request for comment.

Kalshi launched in 2021, allowing users to trade on the outcomes of real-world events, including weather and political races. In early 2025, the company filed a self-certification to trade sports events contracts. Those allow buyers to put money on a yes-or-no question, including whether a team will win or lose.

In January, Donald Trump Jr., the son of President Donald Trump, joined Kalshi as a strategic adviser.

Committee OKs 2026 budget

Borrowing, general fund reserves to be used to meet expenses

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

Shawano County is expected to borrow \$3 million and use another \$2.9 million from its general fund reserves to balance the 2026 budget, as approved by the executive committee Sept. 3.

The county's mill rate will decline from \$3.98 per \$1,000 of assessed value to \$3.72.

"Maintaining a consistent mill rate provides stability for taxpayers and positions the county more favorably if we pursue bonding for new buildings in the future," said Nichole Zuehl, finance director. "A steady rate demonstrates fiscal discipline and helps strengthen our borrowing capacity."

The budget calls for \$1.2 million in capital projects and another \$929,000 for proposed raises for county employees. The raise equates to a 2% raise in the fourth quarter of 2025 and

another 3% in 2026.

Supervisor Tom Kautza was the only vote against the proposed budget, due to the suggested pay raises.

"I think we're asking too much from the John Q. Public," he said. "Explain why we're giving out another raise. I'm not going to vote for it with the 2% in there."

"Because we didn't do it before," said Supervisor Tess Serrano. "These people deserve it. Do you want to make this county the employer of choice?"

She said Calumet County pays correctional officers \$4 an hour more than Shawano County, and potential employees will make that drive for that amount of pay.

Supervisor Kathy Luebke pointed out the lower mill rate even with the pay raises included. Kautza said because property assess-

ments increased, the public will pay more in taxes even with a lower mill rate.

Serrano noted that the county has paid thousands of dollars for studies that show Shawano County employees are underpaid compared to surrounding counties.

"It's never been done (correcting the wages)," she said. "Why wouldn't you want to do what's right? We're so far behind it's not even funny. Get these people where they need to be, so we have people pounding down our doors trying to get into this community as an employee."

Supervisor Randy Mallmann agreed with Serrano.

"I hate throwing money at people. It doesn't necessarily mean we're going to get more productivity out of people," he said. "But our problem right now is

we have a lack of people, and that's never going to get any better unless we're willing to step up and pay them what we feel they're worth."

The county needs \$21.2 million in tax levy dollars, and its allowable amount, in addition to bridge aid and chargebacks, is about \$18.2 million. That leaves the county \$4.4 million short, before adding in amounts for capital projects and proposed raises, and deducting amounts for a highway grant and using highway reserve funds.

Borrowing \$3 million through a short-term loan will cost the county about \$14,000 at 5.5% interest.

To balance the 2025 budget, the county borrowed \$2 million.

The proposed budget will go before the full county board in the fall.

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area. Bushmaker pointed out the ducks prefer open spaces versus areas where other animals can hide.

Z-traps are also set up in Navarino, according to Bushmaker. She said the Z-traps and V-traps tend to catch the most birds.

The DNR usually sets a goal of banding 300 each of mallard and wood ducks. Bushmaker said the Navarino count was only 36 in 2024 and 50 this year.

"I don't know what happened to the mallards the last couple of years, but it's got to get better again," she said.

Although the banding process begins in July and early August, the planning for what to do starts one month earlier, according to Bushmaker. This includes shucking and bagging corn for storage and then even-

tual placement in the traps. She noted that ducks don't like husks, so the shucking is necessary in order to trap them.

Prep work also includes mowing by waterways where there is tall grass, usually in June in preparation for setting the traps in July, according to Bushmaker. The timing of setting the traps is critical.

"We found that if we scare the birds prior to 9 o'clock-ish in the morning, those ducks typically don't come back for quite a while. They're too skittish then," Bushmaker said. "For some reason, after 9 o'clock, like midday, they're fine with whatever's going on. Then we know we can go out; we can mow. We can just be in the area. They don't care."

Officials make sure the

traps are filled with corn, as checking the traps happens more on Mondays and Thursdays.

"We want it to look like the yellow brick road," Bushmaker said. "It's super inviting for the ducks."

The downside to using corn is that the traps will usually be attractive to raccoons, as well. Bushmaker said 36 raccoons were trapped in Navarino last year, the most ever. However, the raccoon count was only 11 this year.

Bushmaker said that the bands also help to track where birds migrate. She noted that one duck banded in 2005 was found 10 years later in Georgia. A lot of the birds migrate north to Canada or south to Texas, she said.

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Empty bowls produce giving hearts



ABOVE: Soup was on Sept. 6 as visitors to Shawano Community High School enjoyed soup and chili cooked up for the fundraiser for Shawano Area Matthew 25. Besides raising money, the event served as a reminder about people going hungry and not having a roof over their heads.

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LEFT: More than 200 colorful bowls sit on tables for people to peruse Sept. 6 at Shawano Community High School. Volunteers painted the bowls to be sold for the Empty Bowls, Caring Hearts fundraiser to benefit Shawano Area Matthew 25.

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BELOW: The silent auction and raffle items seemed to garner more attention than the soup meal by visitors Sept. 6 during the Empty Bowls, Caring Hearts fundraiser held at Shawano Community High School.

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Aurora offers virtual appointments for kids

For families juggling busy schedules, finding time for medical appointments can be a challenge, but with the latest virtual care advancements from Aurora Health Care, parents can now consult with dedicated pediatricians for more than just sick visits.

The launch of Aurora Health Care Pediatrics Virtual gives families the ability to receive well-child care and follow-up care from the comfort of their own home. Offering extended hours from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. seven days a week, Aurora's new pediatric virtual primary care practice provides the flexibility to receive the same high-quality, comprehensive care provided at a traditional in-person primary care office, just in a place that is most convenient and comfortable for families.

"We are thrilled to introduce pediatric virtual primary care to leverage technology in a way that makes primary care more accessible for families while still providing the same trusted support they need to keep their children healthy and happy," said Dr. Kevin Dahlman, medical director of Aurora Children's Health. "The virtual well-child care

option is a game-changer for delivering preventive care in a more flexible, but thorough manner."

Aurora Health Care Pediatrics Virtual provides a range of offerings addressing preventive care, including well-child visits; common health concerns, such as respiratory infections and skin conditions; chronic condition management, like asthma; behavioral health conditions, such as anxiety; and medication management. "Our goal with pediatric virtual primary care was to create a solution that was easier and less stressful for time-crunched families," said virtual provider Dr. Jasmine Weiss. "Virtual primary care is an excellent option for families who prefer reduced in-office time, need more flexible scheduling and want distraction-free time with their provider."

During virtual well-child visits, the pediatrician reviews the child's medical history and gives a quick assessment of the child through the video platform by asking the child to move around, speak or perform simple tasks to observe their development. After this part of the visit, the child may leave the call while the caregiver has dedicated time to ask questions

and discuss the child's development, behavior, nutrition, sleep, mental health and more.

At the end of the discussion, an Aurora Health Care teammate schedules a brief in-person follow-up visit at a nearby in-person pediatric practice for another provider to conduct a brief physical exam and provide vaccinations or order lab work as needed.

"We've thoughtfully designed our virtual practice model to include strong partnerships with in-person practices and locations so that we can provide comprehensive well-child care and manage conditions that require hands-on evaluation," Dahlman said. "The model also works in reverse where an in-person pediatrician can refer a child for follow-up treatment with a virtual provider who can spend more time explaining a condition, medications and daily management, all at the convenience of the family's schedule."

Virtual visits are user-friendly and compatible with desktop computers, laptops, smartphones or tablets so that families can participate in a setting that is most comfortable for them.

Animal rescue service, mini warehouse OK'd

By KEVIN PASSON
Editor-in-Chief

Members of the Shawano County Planning, Development and Zoning Committee approved conditional use permits for an animal rescue operation and a mini warehouse project when they gathered Sept. 3.

Following public hearings on the issues, county supervisors approved the requests with minimal discussion.

Steven Shur requested a conditional use permit for the nonprofit animal rescue business at N6561 Cheese Factory Road in the Town of Washington.

According to his application, Shur expects to care for up to 50 cats and 10 dogs at a time. Five to 10 customers are expected daily, as the operation will be open

from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. every day.

Animals would be housed in two buildings, and there is an enclosed animal exercise area.

Cole Yach's request was for a conditional use permit to build a personal storage facility and a mini warehouse building at N11016 U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Aniwa.

According to his application, Yach, of Ringle, will personally use the heated storage building while renting out the mini warehouse storage units.

The only signage will be on the sides of the buildings, and the buildings will also have lighting on the exterior.

About two or three customers are expected daily.

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Gibson Island trail dedication announced

Nature lovers, volunteers and area residents will celebrate Sept. 13 with the grand reopening of Gibson Island at the Cloverleaf Lakes, marking the dedication of a new Americans with Disabilities Act-approved trail exploring the island's scenic shoreline, wetlands and wooded upland.

The environmental nonprofit Waterways Association of Menominee and Shawano Counties is hosting the event at the Gibson Island parking lot (adjacent to W8407 Cloverleaf Lake Road). The event will begin at 10 a.m. with speakers from WAMSCO and other contributors followed by a dedication, a ribbon cutting with the Shawano County Chamber of Commerce and tours of the new, accessible trail.

During the recent closure of the area, WAMSCO, which works to improve and protect waterways in the Shawano area, led efforts to improve public access and environmental benefits on the island.

More than 1,000 feet of ADA pathways, 6,000

native plants and 475 feet of shoreline stabilization have been installed with the help of hundreds of hours of volunteer work.

Funding for this project was provided by the Town of Belle Plaine (owner of the island, which is connected to the mainland by a short narrow isthmus), grants received from the Shawano Area Community Foundation and Wisconsin DNR, and donations from local residents.

The brief dedication ceremony will include a tribute to Peter J. Jensema, a longtime Cloverleaf Lakes resident who was instrumental in pushing for the installation of an ADA crushed limestone path onto the island.

Jensema lost the use of his legs and used a wheelchair his entire adult life yet became a familiar figure on the lakes as an avid fisherman, boater and winter-sports enthusiast. He died unexpectedly in July at the age of 56. Memorial gifts from family and friends were directed to the Gibson Island improvements.



Waterways Association of Menominee and Shawano Counties staff and volunteers work to rehabilitate the Gibson Island area near Belle Plaine. A rededication ceremony will be held Sept. 13.

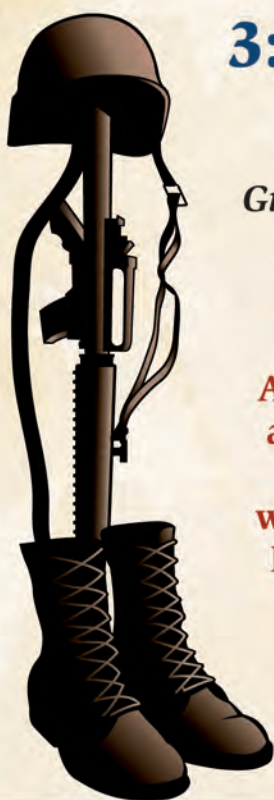
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Scammers targeting elderly for money

The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection is issuing a warning that the elderly community is being targeted by scammers claiming to be their grandchildren.

Older consumers may be more likely to lose large amounts of money to scams because they often have lifelong savings, they may be unfamiliar with the advanced technologies used by scammers and they could face social isolation or ailments that make them vulnerable to an experienced scammer. One scam that is frequently used to steal the hard-earned money of older consumers is commonly called the “grandparents scam.”

This scam begins with someone calling claiming to be a grandchild or loved one. The caller claims they are in trouble and need money quickly for tuition or textbooks, to fix a car, to get out of jail, for hospital bills, to settle legal troubles or to return home from a foreign country. They beg you to wire money or send cryptocurrency and to keep the request a secret. Typically, once the grandparent realizes the caller was not their grandchild, the money they sent is long gone and irretrievable.

In recent years, AI powered technology like voice cloning has made the grandparents scam even more convincing and dangerous. Cyber criminals can use short clips of a loved one speaking from content posted online, recreate their voice using AI and manipulate the voice to say anything over the phone. This technology makes grandparents scams more likely to be successful, as it can be difficult to detect whether the caller is a scammer based off voice alone.

To help grandparents, parents and older family members avoid the grandparents scam, they should:

- Discuss grandparent scams and the common signs of one. Signs include urgency and intimidation, as well as demands for secrecy; they may include an unfamiliar phone number.
- Resist the urge to act right away. Hang up and contact the person the caller claims to be directly. If that person can't be reached, contact another relative or friend of the family member.
- Create a family passcode, so that if a caller ever asks for money to be sent over the phone, family members will know to ask for the family passcode first. This allows loved ones to take control of the conversation and determine whether the call is genuine.

Consumers who believe they have been scammed should inform their financial institutions and local law enforcement authorities right away. For information and consumer protection resources or to file a complaint, visit consumerprotection.wi.gov or contact the Consumer Protection Hotline at 800-422-7128 or datcph hotline@wisconsin.gov.

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NWTC joins Aspen Institute College Excellence Program

Northeast Wisconsin Technical College (NWTC) has joined the Aspen Institute College Excellence Program's expanded Unlocking Opportunity network — an initiative designed to help community colleges reform programs in ways that improve student outcomes — ensuring students earn degrees that lead to good-paying jobs.

NWTC, alongside 54 other colleges, will join 10 pilot institutions in a growing national effort to align their programs and student advising with the two most important goals of community college students: leaving college with a credential and a good job or transferring and completing a bachelor's degree. Through three years of focused reforms, these colleges will work with Aspen to assess current programs, set goals and implement research-based reforms to increase student success.

"Joining the Unlocking Opportunity network places NWTC at the table with leading institutions across the nation that are shaping the future of higher education. This initiative is about more than reforming our own programs — it's about

sharing what works, driving innovation, and learning alongside others to create the strongest possible pathways for students," said Kristen Raney, NWTC president.

"At the heart of this effort is a simple truth: Students don't enroll just to take classes. They come to complete, to earn credentials that lead to family-sustaining wages, and to walk away with something that transforms their life, their family and their community. Our partnership with Aspen keeps that front and center."

The multi-year initiative will engage college leaders and teams through a series of virtual and in-person sessions focused on scaling reforms that align their community college programs with available good jobs and bachelor's degree pathways in their regions. Guided by lessons from successful reforms implemented by the 10 Unlocking Opportunity pilot institutions, the new 55 colleges will set goals to increase student enrollment in and completion of high-value workforce and transfer programs, while reducing lower-opportunity pathways.

"Every year, millions of

students rely on community colleges for a low-cost pathway to what they assume will be a high-value credential," said Josh Wyner, executive director of the Aspen Institute College Excellence Program. "They rightly assume that the degree and certificate programs their colleges offer will deliver a good job and fulfilling career, either directly after community college or after transferring and earning a bachelor's degree."

The 10 Unlocking Opportunity pilot institutions are on track to collectively move over 20,000 students into high-value programs of study that lead to good jobs. With this expansion, Aspen will (for at least the next three years) track and support progress for 65 participating colleges, including those 55 just selected. Aspen will use insights from this work to inform the broader field through fellowship programs, publications and state partnerships to provide professional development to college leaders and teams.

To learn about the network, visit <https://higher.ed.aspeninstitute.org/programs/unlocking-opportunity>.

Critical blood shortage faced in Wisconsin

The Community Blood Center has urged all eligible donors to schedule a donation as soon as possible after nearly a month of critical need for multiple blood types.

Type O negative and positive blood remain critically low as many trauma patients continue to rely on the blood type, including a new mother experiencing childbirth complications and a patient hurt in an ATV crash.

In addition, Type A negative has been critically low for more than a week after multiple emergencies at local hospitals in Appleton, Green Bay and Iron Mountain. Now, Type

A positive is also in critical need following a massive transfusion protocol during an emergency recently.

While the need for blood is constant, the current situation is unique in its duration and number of blood types affected at the same time.

"Even every day accidents can lead to an unexpected blood transfusion. Recently, a serious fall led to internal injuries and an emergency trip to the hospital that required nearly 90 units of blood," said John Hagins, president and CEO, The Community Blood Center. "Schedule a donation as soon as possible to ensure local hospitals have

all blood types available for everyday treatments and unexpected emergencies. Whether you're a regular donor or considering starting your lifesaving journey, now is the time to make an impact."

While Type A and Type O blood are in critical need, all blood types are essential. Every donation strengthens the supply, ensuring patients have the blood they need for routine surgeries, cancer treatments, childbirth complications and life-threatening emergencies. Appointments can be booked by visiting www.communityblood.org, using the CBC donor app or calling 800-280-4102.

NWTC, MSOE partner to expand transfer pathways

Northeast Wisconsin Technical College and Milwaukee School of Engineering have expanded their longstanding transfer partnership, opening new pathways for NWTCs students into fast-growing, high-wage careers.

The two institutions have finalized three articulation

agreements that expand access for graduates of NWTC's engineering and design associate degree programs to pursue bachelor of science programs at MSOE in computer science, electrical engineering and software engineering.

"This partnership reflects the critical role two-year colleges play in the broader STEM talent pipeline," said Kathryn Rogalski, NWTC vice president of academic affairs and workforce development. "By aligning our associate degree programs with MSOE's specialized engineering pathways, we're giving students the opportunity to advance into high-impact fields — without starting over. It's a model that saves students time, money and momentum, while connecting technical foundations to advanced, in-demand degrees."

This agreement creates a unique opportunity for NWTC students to transition into a specialized four-year institution in Milwaukee — building a new

academic bridge between northeast and southeast Wisconsin.

"MSOE is thrilled to partner with NWTC to offer students from northeastern Wisconsin the opportunity to continue their education in Milwaukee. NWTC students will have the opportunity to flourish in MSOE's growing STEM fields including those that are being transformed by AI," said Eric Baumgartner, MSOE executive vice president of academics. "At MSOE, these students will continue to harness their technical skills and apply their knowledge to solve the diverse technical challenges of the 21st century."

The new agreements align with NWTC's recent launch of its College of STEM, which provides focused academic pathways in science, technology, engineering and math.

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Aspen Brunner, 18, displays two of the sourdough loaves she made in the kitchen of The Gourmet Cafe at Thornberry Cottage in Shawano. Brunner started a home-based micro bakery when she was just 16 and still in high school. The business has steadily grown, with her focaccia being used at The Gourmet Cafe and being sold at Finally Fresh. She partnered with The Stock Market on Main Street in Shawano to sell her artisan breads and to use them for customers sampling their oils and balsamic vinegars.

LYNN ZAFFRANN

Entrepreneur, 18, rolling in dough with baked goods

Rustic Oven creating breads, more for area businesses

By **LYNN ZAFFRANN**
Correspondent

Aspen Brunner was just 16 years old when she started a sourdough baking business.

When you're 16 and home-schooled, some of your time is flexible, Brunner said. She used that flexibility to start her home-based micro bakery, The Rustic Oven. She started baking sourdough bread in her mother's kitchen in Cecil, using her great-grandmother's Hoosier cabinet.

Brunner sold her breads at a vegetable stand on the family property and through her Facebook page.

"I was able to do that, until I needed to make more than 20 loaves to sell," she said.

Brunner noted that at the Shawano Farmer's Market in July last year, she sold out her sourdough breads within the first two hours, because she didn't have the capacity to make the number of loaves needed.

"Then I invested in a countertop oven and an actual baking set-up," she said.

Hard work, dedication and the new oven increased what Brunner could offer for sale.

"I don't think my customers know that it actually takes 48 hours, start to finish, to bake one loaf," Brunner said.

She went on to explain how hard it was to start her micro-bakery, and that there is a lot of work behind the scenes.

After her 18th birthday on March 31, she moved out of her mother's home to a place



Aspen Brunner talks to a customer at her booth at the Shawano Farmers Market on Aug. 9. It was her last day participating at the market, but online ordering is still available.

LYNN ZAFFRANN

near Seymour with her boyfriend, Tommy Diemel. Then she graduated from high school.

The Rustic Oven is now a thriving business in the Shawano area, and Brunner is baking sourdough loaves and other products in day-long baking sessions every Monday in the Gourmet Café at Thornberry Cottage's kitchen, 130 S. Main St., Shawano.

"Our customers asked for a softer bread than the ciabatta we used from Fannita's (in downtown Shawano)," said Suzette Hackl-

Kroll, Thornberry Cottage owner. Then Brunner "brought over her focaccia, and it was wonderful." This allows the Gourmet Café to offer two bread options on its menu, as requested by customers, she said.

Hackl-Kroll worked out the opportunity for Brunner to bake in the Gourmet Café's kitchen.

"We knew it would be awesome for her and great for us," Hackl-Kroll said.

"This commercial kitchen fits me wonderfully," Brunner said. "It has my 6-foot workbench, my three-compartment sink, and all the little tools that I need."

Brunner said that her rent of the workspace includes the commercial oven and basement storage.

"I really like to bake. A storefront wasn't what I was looking for. I love to be right in my kitchen," she said.

Brunner has almost 900 followers on Facebook and 80 followers on Instagram, fueled by her love of baking.

Brunner has offered specialty flavors of sourdough breads in the recent past, such as cilantro and roasted onion, sun-dried tomato pesto, garlic parmesan and spinach and artichoke. Flavors change weekly, with traditional sourdough a standard offering.

In the past years, she's partnered with local companies to sell her sourdough products during Shawano events, such as with Berkshire Hathaway in Shawano for Downtown Ladies Day and for Small Business Saturday. She was a vendor at the March 22 Shawano Flavorfest and has done pop-ups at the Stock Market in Shawano.

Brunner's Facebook page has an online

Wisco Meats opens retail store in Stiles

A store specializing in hand-crafted beef jerky, homemade sausage and hand-cut steaks has opened in the Town of Stiles.

Wisco Meats opened a retail store in the plaza next to the A&W restaurant in Stiles, 5068 U.S. Highway 141, offering a wide selection of premium meats, homemade sausage and beef jerky. The store is an offshoot of the Wisco Meats' jerky-making shop and wild game processing facility in Coleman.

Owner Justin Wisnefske began his career in 2003 as a butcher and meat processor, opening Wisco Meats in 2022 in Coleman. Wisco Meats expanded to Stiles in May with a retail store stocked with high-quality meat, available at discounted prices.

"We are off to a great start, and we are so grateful to everyone who stopped in. It's the perfect time to pick up some meat for grilling or some jerky or snack sticks for school lunches or hunting trips," Wisnefske said. "We have such a large selection of fresh meat and seafood, and customers love all of the options."

The Stiles store carries a variety of beef, pork and chicken processed at Wisco Meats in Coleman, plus a full line of cheese from Springside Cheese and a limited selection of seafood.

Wisco Meats also offers small-batch beef jerky in a variety of flavors, plus many varieties of snack sticks, marinated chicken breasts, pork and chicken brats, summer sausage, breakfast links and burger patties.

Wisco Meats is open from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday; 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday; and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. The store is closed Monday and Tuesday. Follow Wisco Meats on Facebook for weekly specials.

In addition to its retail store and meat processing facility, Wisco Meats also offers mobile slaughtering and custom cutting of beef and hogs. Prices for slaughtering start at \$85 for beef and \$60 for hogs, with a two-hog minimum, or \$85 for a single hog. Double wrapping and vacuum sealing are available for additional fees. For an appointment, call 920-585-3789.



The meat case is full of plenty of options at Wisco Meats' newest location in the Town of Stiles.

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GARDENING WITH MELINDA MYERS

Beautify and expand your indoor garden

Keep your houseplants looking their best with a bit of pinching, trimming and cleanup. A few well-placed snips can improve a plant's appearance and create cuttings to start new plants.

Start by removing any dead stems and leaves. Improve the overall beauty of spider plants, dracaenas and palms by trimming away the brown leaf tips caused by fluoride from tap water accumulating in the leaves. Avoid the problem by using rainwater, well water or water treated by reverse osmosis.

Trimming to improve the plant's growth habit and size can provide immediate and long-term benefits. Removing a small or large portion of the stem tip encourages the plant to form more branches and compact growth. When you remove the stem tip, you reduce the amount of the growth hormone auxin that promotes upward growth and discourages branching.

Encourage more branching without greatly



reducing the plant's size with a soft pinch. Remove just the uppermost portion of the stem where new leaves are developing. Use a hard pinch to remove the tip and several inches of the leafy stem when you want to reduce the overall size and promote fuller growth on leggy plants.

Make a clean cut using sharp micro snips or pruners like Corona's houseplant pruners (www.coronatools.com). The rust-proof, stainless steel blades can cut up to 1/4 inch in diameter and are shaped to make it easier to cut the intended leaves and stems. Your plant will look better, and the wound will close more quickly.

Avoid leaving stubs and keep the plant looking its best by making cuts above a set of healthy leaves or a node, the place where



Trimming with sharp houseplant pruners or micro snips will improve a houseplant's growth habit and size. CORONA TOOLS

leaves once grew. Pruning elsewhere distracts from the plant's appearance, and the stubs create entryways

for insects and disease.

When you finish pinching and pruning, do a bit of cleanup. Use a dry or damp soft cloth to wipe away any dust that accumulates on the leaves. Use a cosmetic brush to clean fuzzy leaved plants like African violets. Give your plants a gentle warm shower in the sink or tub. Wrap the pot in a plastic bag if needed to keep soil out of the drain and plumbing. Removing the dust allows more light to reach the leaves for photosynthesis, which is essential for plant growth.

Use the trimmings from heirloom and non-patented plants to expand your houseplant collection. It's easy to start new plants from leaf stem cuttings of various houseplants like inch plants, philodendron, pothos, dieffenbachias, dracaenas and many more. Use a sharp knife, snips or bypass pruners to cut 3- to 6-inch-long pieces from firm, mature non-woody stems.

Remove the lowest leaf or two from the stem

where roots will form. Stick the cutting in a small container filled with vermiculate, perlite or a well-drained potting mix. Loosely cover the potted cutting with a plastic bag left open at the top to increase the humidity around the cutting while it forms roots. Set the container in a bright location out of direct sun for several weeks as the roots develop. Once rooted, pot it up and place it in a space that receives the sunlight it prefers.

You'll be amazed at how a bit of grooming and propagating can perk up a tired indoor garden. Share or trade extra rooted cuttings with family and friends so each of you can grow your indoor garden and memories.

Melinda Myers has written over 20 gardening books, including "Midwest Gardener's Handbook," "Revised Edition" and "Small Space Gardening." She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" instant video and DVD series and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds and Blooms magazine. Myers' website is www.melindamyers.com.

Bright side of going solar quite economical

At Lakes Country Public Library Building Expansion Committee's first meeting in 2020, Tom Thielke, Linda McKenna, Linda Denz, Ted Bartels and I created a vision of what we wanted the new library to be. Ambiance? Classy and comfortable. Function? Meet the needs of our patrons, a diverse population representing a wide variety of ethnic, economic, educational and social backgrounds. Best bang for the buck? Use every square foot, be under budget and on time.

If you read Lee Pulaski's Aug. 15 story about the little library in Lakewood we love, you can see why we stand convinced that we succeeded.

Oh, another important goal: The library would serve as a role model for energy efficiency. We chose Jeff Musson from Rhinelander as our architect, because he promised to



take our vision into consideration with every facet of the project. Thanks to a U.S. Department of Agriculture grant sponsored by Sen. Tammy Baldwin, we were able to install solar panels in July to provide free clean energy that will save taxpayers money while helping to save the planet.

As my dearly departed friend Norb Langer, who got me involved with saving the Holt and Balcom Logging Camp in Lakewood, always said, "Celebrate the good stuff."

On Sept. 17 at 3 p.m., LCPL is doing just that with a special ribbon-cutting ceremony. On hand will be Jordan Kaiser, Northwind

Solar, Amherst, who has accepted our invitation to be the third presenter in our speakers series.

This event, which includes self-guided tours, will begin with a brief ceremony to celebrate the library going green. Jordan will then give a formal presentation that summarizes the details of the project. Come see for yourself, as this is a perfect opportunity to ask questions you may have about going solar.

Incidentally, as we were working with Jordan last spring, I was so impressed that I decided to check into residential solar power systems. Jordan's sidekick, Kyle Galloway, takes care of that part of the business, and Kyle came over to see if our home at Otter Run was a good candidate.

At the time, I was leaning toward a ground mount system like the one Northwind installed at the Town of

Riverview. Kyle didn't recommend going that route. The "sight lines to the sun" were not favorable unless we cut down a lot of healthy trees. If you are a regular reader of my column, you know doing that was absolutely out of the question.

As he checked out the suitability of roof-mounted panels, a huge smile came on Kyle's face. The pitch and angle to the sun of our steel roof were ideal for solar panels.

Of course, some people told us we were crazy to install solar at our age; we would never live to recoup our investment. Probably, but the system has a 20-year warranty so what we essentially did was pre-pay our power bill for the next two decades — at today's prices. Now I must ask; have energy rates ever gone down? Not in my lifetime.

One huge plus is solar panels demand no main-

tenance except annual cleaning. Lumber Jake's Window Cleaning will happily provide that service for less than what we pay for yearly maintenance on our LP furnace.

We did not purchase a storage battery, but that's next on the list. Battery technology is evolving quickly as businesses and homeowners worldwide are going green. Experts predict storage batteries of the future will be smaller, hold more energy, and be less expensive. Thus we chose to wait for this add-on.

True, our system has only been in operation for a month, but so far we are generating more power than we are using. How do I know that? I have an app on my phone that tells me how much electricity our 20 panels are producing, keeps a history of their generation, and estimates their positive impact on the planet by

showing how many pounds of carbon we are not spewing out by burning fossil fuel and how many trees it would take to clean that polluted air.

As of the end of August, we have "planted" 33 trees and kept 500 kilograms of carbon from being added to the atmosphere. Oh, in case you were wondering, despite wildfire smoke and several cloudy days, our power bill was \$19.76, our customer service charge. We also have a \$4 credit on our account for extra KWH returned to WPS. The grin on my face when I saw that bill was even bigger than Kyle's when he saw our roof, but the biggest smile of all was surely on the face of Mother Nature.

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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link for customers to order sourdough products and merchandise. Online orders must be placed by Wednesday for pickup on the following Tuesday. The pickup location is the Gourmet Café at Thornberry Cottage in downtown Shawano.

There is also a spot in the Gourmet Café to place orders in person for pickup there, with the same deadline.

Ending her summer-time appearance at the Shawano Farmers Market

gives Brunner the chance to increase her weekly production numbers and make her loaves more readily available.

She recently partnered with Finally Fresh, a new produce stand at 1500 E. Green Bay St. in Shawano, and drops off bread for sale there weekly. "After my first delivery there, they practically sold out the same day," Brunner said.

She's pursuing other restaurants and shops to sell or use her products.

Her breads are also for sale at The Stock Market, 103 S. Main St., Shawano.

"She (Brunner) has been a good customer of ours, coming in to buy tea, balsamics and oils," said Chelsea Gilling, owner of the Stock Market. "She started using the balsamics and oils in her breads.

"During the winter months, when the Shawano Farmers Market was over, she asked if she could set up a little pop-up shop here a couple times a month. Her

delicious bread partners perfectly with our balsamics and oils. It was a win-win."

Brunner's loaves will be sold at the Stock Market starting after Labor Day.

"She will continue to use our products, and we'll continue to partner that way," said Abby Wallrich, another Stock Market owner. "We'll use her bread to dip in the oils and balsamics for customers to sample."

Brunner will drop off loaves for retail sale every Thursday at The Stock

Market.

"I feel that sourdough is here to stay," Brunner said. "Pre-packaged food is really not what sustains our bodies."

She plans to dedicate more time to learning more about the sourdough process and commercial baking.

To do so, Brunner will be working with Voyageurs Bakehouse in Green Bay to hone her craft.

"They offered me the opportunity to go into their

10,000-square-foot production kitchen," she said.

Brunner will learn their processes and models and the business end of the operation, spending two days a week there.

"Going forward, our sourdough will be more available around town in Shawano. I will be pursuing my expertise in sourdough and just gaining more experience in a wholesale and large-scale kitchen," Brunner wrote on her Facebook page.

Files from the past teaching future leaders

Dr. George E. Fay was an academic with a passion for anthropology. By the time of his passing at the age of 87 in 2015, he had amassed a collection of papers and artifacts that his descendants are still sorting through.

According to his son, Dave, “George was devoted to his career and passion for archaeology and anthropology, particularly in the study of Native cultures. He wrote many publications and books and traveled to many places for his research. He often would recall his stories and travels.”

Dave’s daughter, Andi, added, “I was born in Thailand, and he visited me as a young child. Later, I moved to the USA when I was 16 to continue high school, and lived with my grandparents until I went to Colorado State University in Fort Collins. He was an eclectic grandfather with many stories and experiences to relate.”

Last spring, Dave and Andi donated Fay’s files on the Menominee people to CMN. Comprised mostly of the papers from a non-Native Phebe Jewell Nichols, the files came to CMN for use as course materials.

Fay knew Nichols by the name she used in her private life to honor her Menominee husband — Mrs. Angus F. Lookaround.



A collection of these files is now held in the George E. Fay Special Collection at the College of Menominee Nation's S. Verna Fowler Academic Library.



Fay had developed multiple friendships with members of the Menominee community, and Nichols’ files went to him after her passing in 1964.

Nichols was an avid chronicler of Menominee life. She famously lived in a museum showcasing Menominee artifacts and

was a prolific newspaper columnist who chronicled tribal lifeways. It’s no wonder she attracted Fay’s academic curiosity.

Dave shared about his father, “During his time at UW-Oshkosh, he became interested in Indian affairs and created an Indian issues newsletter. He became close with several Menominee people, including Chief Roy Oshkosh and Mrs. Phebe Lookaround.”

In addition to teaching at UW-Oshkosh, Fay taught at Southern State College in Arkansas and

the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley. He also conducted numerous archaeological field excavations in the United States and northern Mexico.

Dave said, “My father told many stories of his experiences. He had a vast accumulation of papers and materials covering his life and activities from the 1940s up through the present. Once, when sorting old papers, I came across a few of these, which led him to tell me about Mrs. Lookaround.

“Something stuck in my memory from that early story, and I kept all the papers relating to Mrs. Lookaround in a separate file, including those on which I could recognize her distinctive handwriting. When I realized that many of them were from a manuscript, I thought that they should be saved, but I wasn’t sure what to do with them.”

Speaking for both of them, Dave shared, “We felt that Mrs. Lookaround’s unpublished manuscript should be published — not lost. However, we didn’t know how to find the right people who would be the best for this. We searched for Menominee organizations but found nothing suitable. But eventually we found CMN. This seemed to be an excellent opportunity.”

The onset of COVID-19 offered the duo a chance to organize what they found.

“We had time to go through many of the remaining papers,” Dave said. “We saved any other related documents together. Then we approached CMN to see if they were interested in taking the project further.”

Accepting the donation for the betterment of CMN students, the college is appreciative of adding the author’s personal copies of some of her books,

manuscripts and correspondence to its S. Verna Fowler Academic Library’s Special Collections. This is especially true of Nichols’ unpublished manuscript for “Drums in the Night” and her book that Fay published privately, titled “Straight as an Arrow.”

Fay’s descendants shared, “We hope that you can complete the publishing of ‘Drums in the Night.’ We think it is a great chance to study this work, and it’s an exciting project to realize the unpublished manuscript. Maybe it’s also possible to republish ‘Straight as an Arrow’ and get it back into circulation.”

They added, “We hope that the other materials are also helpful, including some historical materials and others that can be used in your classes for the students.”

Having already taught from some of Fay’s files during the spring 2025 semester, I can attest to their value in helping students understand community thinking during the mid-20th century.

The Fays’ donation is a testament to how files from the past can influence leaders of tomorrow.

Ryan Winn, Ph.D., teaches communications, English, history and theater at the College of Menominee Nation. Visit www.menominee.edu for information about the school.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

FRIDAY, SEPT. 12

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

SHAWANO: RioBash, 1-6 p.m., USAir Motorsports Raceway, W5901 County Road BE. Admission \$20. Three-day drift event.

SURING: Car Cruze, 6 p.m., Krueger Kustoms, 718 E. Main St. Opening event of Suring Car Show.

SURING: Recovery Talking Circle, 6-8 p.m. South Branch Community Center, W1281 County Road M.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 13

TOWNSEND: 28th annual Ray Anderson Memorial Team Bass Tournament on Reservoir Pond, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sunset Bar and Grill, 17189 Bowman Ave. 50/50 raffle held at weigh-in.

SHAWANO: FRESH Project Farmers Market, 8 a.m. to noon, Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St.

SURING: Second annual Suring Car Show, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Main Street, 3-10 p.m. Veterans Memorial Park. Meat raffle at noon, trophies awarded 2 p.m., kids’ activities, raffles, local DJ and live bands. Proceeds benefit American Legion Post 283 and Suring School auto and small engine class.

SHAWANO: RioBash, 9 a.m. to 11 p.m., USAir Motorsports Raceway, W5901 County Road BE. Admission \$20. Three-day drift event.

BONDUEL: Celebrate Bonduel

Patriot Day, 9:45 a.m. Remembrance Walk from fire department, 201 S. First St., to Village Park, about 1 mile. Luncheon 11 a.m. followed by a short honorary ceremony.

LAKEWOOD: Festi-Fall, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., downtown. Outdoor celebration of fall with vendors and musicians throughout town.

BELLE PLAINE: Gibson Island Grand Reopening, 10-11 a.m., Gibson Island parking lot, adjacent to W8407 Cloverleaf Lake Road. The island will be reopening after improvements including installation of an ADA-approved path, native planting and shoreline stabilization led by WAMSCO. Event features a mobile cafe, speeches from contributing organizations and ribbon cutting, then the island will be open for tours.

WITTENBERG: Cruise-In Car Show and Shine, noon to 4 p.m., Wittenberg Lanes, 407 S. Howard St. Rain date Sept. 14.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 14

SHAWANO: Zurko’s Midwest Promotions Flea Market, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Shawano County Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St. \$2 admission, 12 and under free with adult.

SHAWANO: RioBash, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., USAir Motorsports Raceway, W5901 County Road BE. Admission \$20. Three-day drift event.

CHASE: Craft Show, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Chase Stone Barn, 8246 County Road S. Unique handmade items from local artisans and crafters, food, drinks, music.

ABRAMS: Farmers Market, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Town Square, 5877 Main St.

MONDAY, SEPT. 15

OCONTO FALLS: Food trucks, 4-7:30 p.m., St. Anthony School, 253 N. Franklin St. Up to six food trucks, art vendors, live music.

SHAWANO: Recovery talking circle, 6-8 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, Room 4, 100 W. Presbyterian St. Information: Dallas Gast, 715-701-5388 or dallasgast8@gmail.com.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 16

KESHENA: Recovery talking circle, 6-8 p.m. Omaeqnomenewak Wetohkatikamek Center, 2700 Mianaceqtawak Road. Information: Mindy Thunder at 715-799-3835 or mthunder@mitw.org.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 17

SHAWANO: Walk Wednesdays, 7-8 a.m., USAir Motorsports Raceway, W5901 County Road BE. Track is open for walkers. Free admission.

NAVARINO: Storytime, 10-11:30 a.m., Navarino Nature Center, W4656 Lindsten Road. Story topic: Sunflowers. Admission \$3.

LAKEWOOD: Solar panels ribbon-cutting, 3 p.m., Lakes Country Public Library, 15235 State Highway 32. Presentation by Jordan Kaiser from Northwind Solar, Amherst, on final stage of library’s three-year expansion project.

WITTENBERG: Artificial Intelligence Unlocked, 4-7 p.m.,

Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg, N7198 U.S. Highway 45. A panel of speakers will present on artificial intelligence for small businesses, manufacturers and schools. Event is a collaboration among several local business and educational groups.

BONDUEL: Farmers Market, 4-7 p.m., corner of Cecil and Green Bay streets.

KESHENA: Recovery talking circle, 6-8 p.m. Omaeqnomenewak Wetohkatikamek Center, 2700 Mianaceqtawak Road. Information: Mindy Thunder at 715-799-3835 or mthunder@mitw.org.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 18

OCONTO: Faithful Readers community Bible study, 2:30 p.m., Farnsworth Public library conference room, 715 Main St.

BOWLER: Leadership Shawano County 25th Anniversary Event, 5-8 p.m., North Star Casino Resort, W12180 County Road A. Tickets \$30 for LSC alumnus, \$40 for guest. Questions email Nancy.leadership-sc@outlook.com.

GILLET: Community Market, 5-7 p.m., Ebenreiter Square, 200 E. Main St.

SHAWANO: Park After Dark, 6:30-9 p.m., Arlington Park, 300 N. Humphrey Circle. Free outdoor movie, lighted games and campfires.

BOWLER: Native American Talking Circle, 7-9 p.m., Mohican Family Center, N8605 Oak St. Information: Yvonne Burr, 715-326-0891.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 19

SHAWANO: American Red

Cross blood drive, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., City Hall, 127 S. Sawyer St. Appointments at RedCrossBlood.org or 800-733-2767.

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

NAVARINO: Farmtoberfest, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Porter’s Patch, W4314 State Highway 156. Variety of family activities, 60 varieties of pumpkin for sale, food, live music. Details at porterspach.com. Weekends through Oct. 26. Admission \$12.32 plus tax per person; ages 3 and under free.

SHAWANO: Power Play For the Future Fundraising Gala, doors open 5:30 p.m., dinner 7 p.m., Crescent Ballroom at Stubborn Brothers Brewery, 220 S. Main St. Formal/semi-formal fundraiser for Shawano Hockey. Ticket information at president@shawanohockey.org or 715-526-5336.

SURING: Recovery Talking Circle, 6-8 p.m. South Branch Community Center, W1281 County Road M.

WITTENBERG: Walls of Wittenberg Show, 6:30-9 p.m., Art Park, 114 Vinal St. Cloud Nine Fire Show.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 20

SHAWANO: FRESH Project Farmers Market, 8 a.m. to noon, Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St.

BONDUEL: Founders Day, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., downtown on Green Bay, South First, North Second and Mill streets. Annual

event with over 160 craft vendors, Amish buggy rides, baked goods, live music, handmade crafts and items, food trucks/food court, petting zoo, free parking.

OCONTO: Elks Fly-In, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. 2983 Airport Road. Veterans ceremony 10 a.m., Aircraft on display, over 350 show cars, trucks and tractors (car show entry fee \$10), remote control air show, food court with nine vendors, craft vendors, bounce houses, bungee jumpers, rock climbing wall, and monster truck rides and helicopter rides for a fee. Admission \$7 per person, 12 and younger free.

SHAWANO: Street Lust Presents Drift Tetsusaiga Vol. 2, 9 a.m. to 11 p.m., USAir Motorsports Raceway, W5901 County Road BE. Admission \$20.

BIRNAMWOOD: Schairer’s Autumn Acres, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., 154 U.S. Highway 45. Corn maze, pumpkin patch, wagon rides, petting zoo and other family activities. Live music by the Burdocks noon to 3 p.m.

NAVARINO: Farmtoberfest, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Porter’s Patch, W4314 State Highway 156. Variety of family activities, 60 varieties of pumpkin for sale, food, live music. Details at porterspach.com. Weekends through Oct. 26. Admission \$12.32 plus tax per person; ages 3 and under free.

WITTENBERG: Walls of Wittenberg Fall Art Show, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., WOWSPACE, 114 Vinal St. Theme “Art Through Fire.” Photography, glasswork, metalwork and pottery.



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September Sky



Cooler temperatures have arrived, but blue skies and sun highlighted a bike ride on Town Line Road in Bonduel on Sept. 6.

Car Show on the Lake



Classic cars filled Shawano County Park on Sept. 7 for the annual Car Show on the Lake. Organized by Shawano Customs and Classics Car Club, the event had 266 registered vehicles. In addition, the group raised \$4,000 in raffles and will donate that to local charities. It's the clubs largest show of the summer season. In addition to cars, trucks and custom vehicles, attendees could purchase food and refreshments while enjoying the sites and company of car enthusiasts.



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Henry Lear, 10, of Hobart, warms up for the annual Punt Pass and Kick competition held Sept. 6 in Pulaski. Sponsored by the Pulaski Knights of Columbus, this was the first of three rounds.

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Red Raiders run over Redbirds in 28-10 win

Running backs combine to score 4 touchdowns

By GREG SEUBERT
Correspondent

The passing game wasn't exactly clicking for the Pulaski football team in its Fox Valley Classic Conference-North opener with De Pere.

The rushing game was a different story, however, as three different running backs combined for all but six of the Red Raiders' 308 yards on the ground Sept. 5 in a 28-10 win over the Redbirds at Saputo Stadium.

Bohdan Schmidt, Brock Weideman and Anthony

Ficarri ran for 127, 100 and 75 yards, respectively, and accounted for all four of Pulaski's touchdowns.

Weideman's first of three scoring runs, a 3-yarder with 3:15 to go in the first quarter, broke a scoreless tie.

De Pere answered on its next possession, as Caden Schampers capped a 75-yard drive with a 9-yard run in the opening minute of the second quarter.

The Redbirds took their only lead of the game on their next drive on Mason Bratonia's 40-yard field goal with 4:17 remaining in the opening half.

Pulaski's next drive ended with a punt, but the Red Raiders soon had the ball again after Sam Robb bobbled a punt return, fumbled the ball and Gavin Sikorski recovered the loose ball at the De Pere 31-yard line.

Schmidt's 30-yard run on the first play of the drive gave the Red Raiders a first-and-goal at the 1-yard line and Weideman scored on the next play to give Pulaski a 14-10 with 1:40 remaining in the half.

Pulaski added to its lead with two touchdowns in a six-minute span in the fourth quarter.

Weideman's 7-yard run gave the Red Raiders a 21-10 lead with 7:14 to go in the game and Ficarri capped the scoring with a 1-yard run with 1:16 left on the clock.

Pulaski only threw the ball four times during the game, with Schmidt completing one pass for 14 yards.

The Red Raiders improved to 1-0 in conference play and 2-1 overall and will host Green Bay Southwest at 7 p.m. Sept. 11.



Anthony Ficarri returns a kickoff for Pulaski in its FRCC-North opener with De Pere. Ficarri ran for 75 yards and a touchdown in the Red Raiders' 28-10 win over the Redbirds.

GREG SEUBERT



De Pere's Noah Vanderheyden knocks Pulaski's Bohdan Schmidt out of bounds.

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Izaah Oldenburg lines up on defense for Pulaski.

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Oconto Falls edges Crivitz in Northwoods opener

Lena/STAA Titans shut out third straight opponent

By GREG SEUBERT
Correspondent

Oconto Falls' football team opened Northwoods Conference play Sept. 5 with a 20-16 home win over Crivitz.

Meanwhile, Bonduel and Lena/STAA also picked up wins over Southern Door and Green Bay NEW Lutheran, respectively.

Oconto Falls 20, Crivitz 16

The Panthers led 14-0 at halftime after finding the end zone in the first two

quarters.

Isaiah Radart opened the scoring with a 4-yard run in the first quarter, and Nathaniel White connected with Alec Krejcarek for a 67-yard pass in the second quarter.

The Wolverines cut the lead in half in the third quarter on Brody MacNeil's 4-yard run, but the Panthers responded with a 4-yard run of their own in the fourth quarter to go up 20-7.

Crivitz cut into the Panthers' lead later in the quarter on Colten

Tarmann's 16-yard pass to MacNeil. Crivitz also added a late safety after sacking White in the end zone.

White completed 10 of 15 passes for 200 yards, while Ethan Hill led the Panthers with 33 rushing yards.

Bonduel 19, Southern Door 0

The Bears opened Pack-erland Conference play by shutting out the Eagles in Bonduel.

Bonduel opened the scoring late in the first half on Quinn Weyenberg's touchdown pass to Beckett Hartlaben.

Southern Door had an opportunity to tie the game or take the lead on

its first possession of the second half but turned the ball over on downs at Bonduel's 10-yard line.

Carter Moesch found the end zone with a rushing touchdown on back-to-back drives for Bonduel to complete the scoring.

Lena/STAA 47, Green Bay NEW Lutheran 0

Shutouts are starting to add up for Lena/STAA, as the Titans held their third opponent scoreless and improved to 3-0 on the season.

Lena/STAA headed to Green Bay NEW Lutheran and returned home with a win over the Blazers.

The Titans have now outscored their opponents 124-0.

Sevastopol 50, Suring 22

Three Sevastopol players ran for more than 100 yards each as the Eagles handed the Titans their first loss in a matchup of Across the Bay Conference 8-player teams in Suring.

Bo Tanck, Logan Schuh and Ray Johnson ran for 145, 132 and 120 yards, respectively. Schuh finished with three rushing touchdowns and also had a scoring pass.

Sevastopol will now head to Lena to face Lena/STAA at 7 p.m. Sept. 12. Both teams are 3-0 and are tied for first place in the conference standings.

Other scores

Sept. 6: Rosholt 58, Gillett 0.

Sept. 5: Wittenberg-Birnamwood 34, Weyauwega-Fremont 7; Seymour 33, Shawano 13; Tri-County 94, Menominee Nation 0.

Sept. 4: Marion/Tigerton 26, Three Lakes/Phelps 0.

Upcoming games

Sept. 11: Green Bay Southwest at Pulaski, 7 p.m.

Sept. 12 (all games 7 p.m.): Stratford at Wittenberg-Birnamwood; Shawano at New London; Oconto Falls at Crandon; Bonduel at Kewaunee; Sevastopol at Lena/STAA; Gillett at Suring; Menominee Nation vs. Marion/Tigerton at Tigerton.

Tigerton tops White Lake in CWC volleyball action

Saturday, Sept. 6
Brillion 2, Bonduel 0
Bonduel 2, Ozaukee 0
Gresham 2, Bowler 0
Shawano 2, Antigo 1
Marshfield 2, Shawano 0
Shawano 2, Mondovi, 1
Thursday, Sept. 4
Suring 3, Oneida Na-
tion 0

The host Eagles defeated the visiting Thunderhawks 3-0 by scores of 25-11, 25-10 and 25-9.

Tigerton 3, White Lake 0
Tigerton hosted CWC North foe White Lake and defeated them 3-0. Set scores were 25-29, 25-14 and 25-13.

"We started out slowly with poor serve receive but then came back strong and played great defense and offense for the rest of the night," said coach

Holly Meverden. "The girls are communicating better on the court and show improvement in their individual skills. The team benefits from the individual improvement and dedication to their teammates."

For the match, Aaliyah Lederhaus led with 19 digs, followed by Jaelyn Brady with 18, Renata Nordwig 15, Lillian Welch 11, Danika Tiller and Presley Stewart-Rolfs with 10 each, and Myah Dent with five.

Stewart-Rolfs led the Tigers with eight kills, followed by Lederhaus and Welch with six each, and Tiller and Nordwig with four each.

Tiller had 13 assists, and Lederhaus tallied seven.

Stewart-Rolfs and Mya Smith each had a block kill.

As for service points and aces, Lederhaus had 14 with five aces, Nordwig had 13 with four aces, Stewart-Rolfs had with one ace, Tiller had seven with one ace, Brady had seven with with ace, and Dent had five with one ace.

Tigerton is 1-1 in the CWC North and 4-3 overall.

Gresham 3, Bowler 0
Marathon 3, Wittenberg-Birnamwood 2

Tuesday, Sept. 2
Gresham 3, Northland Lutheran 2

Marion 3, Tigerton 0
Pulaski 2, Little Chute 0
Seymour 2, Pulaski 1
Pulaski 2, Sturgeon Bay 0

Wittenberg-Birnamwood 2, Assumption 0
Wittenberg-Birnamwood 2, Pacelli 1



Going up for a block against Oneida Nation are Suring senior Chloe Schroeder (2) and sophomore Gracie Christensen (5).
BUNNY CRAMER



Suring junior Lexi Remic (9) jumps up for an attempted spike against Oneida Nation on Sept. 4. The Eagles shut out the Thunderhawks 3-0.
BUNNY CRAMER

Pulaski tennis defeats Sheboygan North

Pulaski's girls tennis team pulled out two singles victories and two doubles wins to defeat Sheboygan North 4-3 on Sept. 2.

Ruth Krause, at No. 1 singles, defeated Julie English 6-3, 6-3, and No. 4 Elizabeth Dornfeld beat

Sophie Alfonsi 6-3, 6-0.

In doubles, the No. 2 team of Ayla Groteluschen and Gretchen Rottier defeated Aoife Meyer and Lauren van Deventer 6-0, 6-4.

The he No. 3 duo of Aubrey Coel and Riley Hartman beat Ava

Brashaw and Elise Johnson 6-3, 6-3.

Emory Groteluschen lost at No. 3 singles 6-4, 7-6 (4), and Anna Krause lost 6-1, 6-0 at No. 2 singles. At No. 1 doubles, Linde Lemerond and Aubrie Schuessler were defeated 6-2, 6-2.

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Gillett cross country runners Hope Soper (232) and Amanda Pate (231) embark on the course at UW-Green Bay. Soper finished in 76th place, and Pate was 79th.

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Pulaski runners pace area competitors at UWGB

Pulaski's Maggie Gerth placed sixth and teammate Emerson Fabry was seventh among female cross country runners at the De Pere Invitational at UW-Green Bay on Sept. 4.

Emma Meissner, of Oconto Falls, placed 17th, while Shawano's Bailey Hendricks was 26th.

Addie Bruckert, of Pulaski, ran to a 32nd place finish, and teammate Cameran Reiss was 44th.

Lily Meissner, of Oconto Falls,
was 50th.

Also in the top 100 were Maci Beyer, Shawano, 61st; Hope Soper, Gillett, 76th; Amanda Pate, Gillett, 79th; Aspyynn Anderson, Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy, 90th; and Alisa Finger, Lena/STAA, 99th.

Leading are boys was Parker Marshall, of Pulaski, who placed eighth. Teammates Arden Gillen was 17th, Mitchell Pilon was 28th and Dayne Groth was 36th.

Shawano's Josiah Kuehl placed 40th, and teammate Aloysius Frechette was 63rd.

Pulaski's Ben Augustine was 80th, followed by Oconto Falls' Isaiah Holtz in 81st.

Marathon Invitational

Wittenberg-Birnamwood's girls placed third and the boys eighth.

Rory Salvesson led the girls with a 10th place finish in 21:08. She was followed by Nora Bushman in 12th, Harper Krull in 16th, Gabrielle Timm in 30th and Lilyana Groh in 42nd.

Leading the boys was Jonas

Bushman in 63rd in 20:17. He was followed by Marty Nowinsky in 66th, Dalton Fletcher in 79th, Milo Salveson in 89th and Teagon Stewart in 130th.

Tuesday, Sept. 2

T-Bird Invitational

Bonduel's Mariah Wondra had the fastest time among 123 runners at Iola-Scandinavia. Her time of 18.44.1 was also a personal record.

Three Wittenberg-Birnamwood runners placed in the top 10.

Rory Salvesen finished third in 21.04.3, Nora Bushman was fourth in 21.07.1, and Harper Krull was ninth in 21.57.3.

Next up for the Bears was Lillian Burrack in 15th with a PR of 22.27.0. Also running were Cierra Schnell, Kemper Frome, Payton Bierhals (26.47.8 PR) and Katie O'Brien (30.07.3 PR).

For the Chargers, Gabrielle time was 17th in 22.58.4, and Harper Rogowski had a PR of 23.13.0 for 18th place. Also competing for Wittenberg-Birnamwood was Lilyana Groh (24.10.3 PR), Delilah Schairer (24.33.4 PR), and Sydney Schairer (27.47.4 PR).

Wolf River Lutheran of Shawano was led by Violet Buchholz in 39th place.

Urijah Reeves, of Menominee Nation, placed 46th. She was joined by Olivia Olson (27.53.1 PR), Kaylee Nacotee (28.27.1 PR), and Keira Nacotee.

Brooklyn Ahlers, of Marion/Tigerton, had a PR of 28.05.1 and finished 70th. Also running was

Kennedy Zuniga (28.23.7 PR).

Menominee Nation's Bryant Waupoose III placed fourth and led all local male runners with a time of 18:04.6.

Also placing in the top 10 were Bonduel's Griffin Uelmen in eighth with a time of 18:44.5 and Gage Anderson in 10th with a time of 18:57.3.

Joining Waupoose on the course were Ryan Corn in 11th, Michael Peters III, Cashius Reeves and Chase Waupoose (25.45.8 PR).

Also running for Bonduel were Oliver Chitwood in 12th, Joah Dworniczak, Garrett Anderson, Carter Johnson (21:04.4 PR), Dylan Keller, Jack Weier (21:19.5 PR), Griffin Richter (22:52.0 PR), Kaiden Thornborrow (23:18.9 PR), Garrett Klosterman, Sawyer Rank (24:41.4 PR) AND Kadyn Goldsberry (29:14.9 PR).

Jonas Bushman led Wittenberg-Birnbaum with a 26th-place finish. He was joined by Marty Nowinsky, Milo Salvesen, Dalton Fletcher, Teagon Stewart and Monty Salvesen.

Payton Prickette led Marion/Tigertown with a personal record of 21.43.7 for 46th place. Also competing were Tristan Herro, and Brayden Zietlow (26.07.0 PR).

Gresham/Bowler was led by Breckin Gleason, who placed 85th with a time of 24.45.4. Blaze Ejnik set a PR of 27.31.4, and Adam Liethen had a PR of 31.14.6.

Mark Buchholz of Wolf River Lutheran placed 113th with a PR of 36.02.8.

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Chargers take first place



In the 100 breaststroke, Wittenberg-Birnhamwood swimmers Brooklyn Beran (top) and Rylee Crick finished first and second, respectively, at Marinette on Sept. 4. The Chargers won all 11 events.

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Pulaski, North Fondy Co-op battle to scoreless tie on soccer field

Pulaski and North Fond du Lac battled to a scoreless draw Sept. 4 at the Oriole Athletic Complex in Fond du Lac.

The Red Raiders outshot the United North Fondy Co-op 9-1 but could not find the net to break the deadlock.

Matt Lechner had 11 saves in the goal to earn the shutout for North Fond

du Lac (1-0-1). Jonah Drevs made one save in goal for the Pulaski (2-1-2) shutout.

Tuesday, Sept. 2 Pulaski 7, Green Bay East 2

The Red Raiders cruised to a 7-2 win over the Red Devils.

The teams traded penalty kick goals early in the first half before Pulaski put together three goals in a

five-minute stretch to build a comfortable 4-1 halftime lead.

In the second half, the Red Raiders conceded another penalty kick, and East grabbed a goal back to make it 4-2. Pulaski pulled away again, tacking on three more unanswered goals to finish out the game.

Cole Mathey led the

way with two goals for the Red Raiders, and AJ Schenk had a goal and an assist.

Corian Longley scored both penalty kicks for Green Bay East.

Jonah Drevs made one save for Pulaski (2-1-1). Marcos Limon Luna had 17 saves for Green Bay East (0-3).

Pulaski, Oconto Falls golfers finish at bottom

Thursday, Sept. 4 FRCC Mini-Meet #2

Pulaski and Manitowoc Lincoln tied at the bottom on a nine-team mini-meet at Royal Scot Golf Course in New Franken.

Bay Port won with a 164, while Pulaski and Manitowoc Lincoln each had a 205.

Scoring for the Red Raiders were Taylor Murphy with 47, Ellie

More with 50, Grace Melzer with 53 and Charlie Lasecki with 55.

Paige Krahn and Morgan Schuh each carded a 60.

Marinette Quadrangular

Oconto Falls tied for third among four teams at Little River Country Club in Marinette.

Marinette won with a 198, followed by Little

Chute with 206, and Denmark and Oconto Falls with 209 each.

Kylie Thompson led the Panthers with a 48. She was joined by Addy Kluth with 52, Anna Burd at 54 and Chloe Anastopoulos at 55.

Katelyn Kurek carded a 57.

Tuesday, Sept. 2 Blackwolf Run Invitational

Pulaski golfers notched a 454 and placed 15th among 17 teams at Kohler. Hartford Union won the meet with a 356.

Leading the Red Raiders was Grace Melzer with a 105.

She was joined by Charlie Lasecki with 112, Taylor Murphy with 113 and Morgan Schuh with 124.

Ellie Mork carded a 128.

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COURT NEWS

James D. Soun, 42, Green Bay, had his probation revoked July 7 on a 2022 conviction for possession of narcotic drugs, possession of methamphetamine, and misdemeanor counts of possession of drug paraphernalia and resisting or obstructing an officer. Judge Katherine Sloma sentenced him Sept. 2 to one year in prison, followed by one year of extended supervision with conditions.

Joseph L. Soulier, 21, Neopit, has his probation revoked July 24 on a 2024 conviction for driving or operating a vehicle without consent. Sloma sentenced him Sept. 2 to nine months in county jail with Huber work-release and good time privileges.

In a Sept. 3 jury trial, Kevin E. Lyons, 46, Gresham, was found not guilty of second-degree recklessly endangering safety and misdemeanor charges of carrying a concealed knife and disorderly conduct.

Edward P. Lantz, 74, Shawano, pleaded no contest Sept. 2 to two counts of possession of THC (second or subsequent offense), Judge William Kussel Jr. withheld sentencing and placed him on two years of probation with conditions.

Justin J. Miller, 32, Shawano was charged Sept. 2 with felony bail jumping and misdemeanor counts of knowingly violating a domestic abuse order and bail jumping. Kussel set a \$3,000 signature bond and scheduled a status conference for Sept. 30.

Ryan M. Hill, 31, Shawano was charged Sept. 2 with threatening to cause bodily harm to individuals in the court or legal system, two counts of felony bail jumping and one count of misdemeanor bail jumping. Kussel set a \$2,500 cash bond and scheduled arraignment for Sept. 16.

Lee A. Holton, 62, Milwaukee, was charged Sept. 2 with possession of an illegal article, six counts of felony bail jumping, and a misdemeanor count of possession of THC. Kussel set a \$1,000 cash bond and scheduled arraignment for Oct. 14.

OBITUARIES

Linda M. Hayes

Linda M. Hayes, 76, of Manawa, passed away Sept. 1, 2025.

Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory, Clintonville.

Kelly M. Hernandez

Kelly M. Hernandez, 53, of Stevens Point, passed away Sept. 1, 2025.

Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home and Crematory, Clintonville.

Monday through Friday.

Verify office hours for each department prior to arrival. Contact information for each department can be found under “Departments” at the top of the county website, <https://www.co.shawano.wi.us>.

Lucas Luzzani, 35, Antigo, was charged Sept. 2 with strangulation and suffocation and misdemeanor counts of battery and disorderly conduct. Kussel set a \$600 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for Oct. 14.

Leland J. Okimosh, 37, Shawano, was charged Sept. 2 with felony bail jumping, possession of methamphetamine, three counts of misdemeanor bail jumping, and misdemeanor counts of possession of THC and possession of drug paraphernalia. Kussel set a \$1,000 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Sept. 8.

Latasha J. Linders, 44, Shawano, was charged Sept. 2 with felony bail jumping and a misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia. Kussel set a \$250 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for Nov. 4.

Bernard G. Doud, 33, Neopit, was charged Sept. 2 with two counts of felony bail jumping and three counts of misdemeanor bail jumping. Kussel set a \$2,500 cash bond and scheduled a preliminary hearing for Sept. 8.

Nicole M. Murphy, 29, Shawano, was charged Sept. 3 with possession of methamphetamine, felony bail jumping and a misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia. Kussel set a \$500 cash bond. In a second file, Murphy was charged with felony bail jumping and a misdemeanor count of credit fraud. Kussel set a \$1,000 signature bond and scheduled a status conference in both cases for Oct. 8.

Daniel D. Rockman, 30, Green Bay, was charged Sept. 3 with 12 counts of felony bail jumping and misdemeanor counts of possession of an illegally obtained prescription, resisting or obstructing an officer, and disorderly conduct. Kussel set a \$750 cash bond and scheduled a status conference for Oct. 6.

09/12/2025, 09/19/2025, 09/25/2025
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT, SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
REX ROGER CARLSON
DOD: 07/23/2023
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 2025PR65
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 03/12/1961 and date of death 07/23/2023, was domiciled in Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N5615 Oriole Road, Wittenberg, WI 54499.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is December 17, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N Main St., Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate office.
BY THE COURT:
DATE SIGNED: SEPTEMBER 3, 2025
Electronically signed by Gwen Hoffman, Probate Registrar.
FORM COMPLETED BY:
Joy N Sisler
PO Box 5
New London, WI 54961
(920)779-4140
Bar Number
1086541
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08/29/25, 09/05/25, 09/12/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT, MENOMINEE COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LARENA MARIE WHITE
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 25 PR 03
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth January 22, 1934 and date of death June 26, 2023, was domiciled in Menominee County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N2534 State Hwy 47, Neopit, WI 54150.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is [Date] November 28, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate office Attorney Michael A. Maas Heritage Law Firm, LLC 2050 Riverside Drive Green Bay, WI 54301 920-785-8570 1061377
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09/05/25, 09/12/25, 09/19/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COOUNTY
IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF
Petitioner
Tracie Sue (Delzer) Vigue
544 Berry Lake Road
Gillett, WI 54124
715 853 6415
-vs-
Respondent
Peter George Vigue
1017 S. Lutz ST
Shawano, WI 54166
715 853 4793
ORDER TO SHOW
CAUSE FOR FINDING OF CONTEMPT
CASE NO. 16FA50
The State of Wisconsin
(Child Support Agency)
is a party to this action,
Affidavit was filed on 07/29/2025
IT IS ORDERED THAT
Peter George Vigue appear in person
William Kussel
Branch 2
311 N. Main ST
Shawano, WI 54166
September 23, 2025 3:30 p.m.
or as soon as the matter may be heard.
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09/05/25, 09/12/25, 09/19/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF
Alyssa Amanda Steffel
By Alyssa Amanda Steffel
Notice of Name Chance Hearing
Case No.25cv174
NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Alyssa Amanda Steffel
To: Alyssa Amanda Koski
Birth Certificate: Alyssa Amanda Koski
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County State of Wisconsin William F. Kussel Jr. Shawano Court House Branch 2 311 N Main St Shawano WI October 01, 2025 8:15 a.m.
If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-526- 9347 prior to the scheduled court date.
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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF
Greyson Wyatt Escalante
By Nicole Antoinette Escalante
By Dana Louis Madosh JR
Notice of Name Chance Hearing
Case No.25cv171 D
NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Greyson Wyatt Escalante
To: Greyson Wyatt Waupochick
Birth Certificate: Greyson Wyatt Escalante
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County State of Wisconsin Shawano Court House 311 N Main St Shawano WI Judge Sloma BR 1 10/24/2025 8:30 am
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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF
Roger Thomas Escalante
By Nicole Antoinette Escalante
By Dana Louis Madosh JR
Notice of Name Chance Hearing
Case No.25cv171 A
NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Roger Thomas Escalante
To: Roger Thomas Waupochick
Birth Certificate: Roger Thomas Escalante
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County State of Wisconsin Shawano Court House 311 N Main St Shawano WI Judge Sloma BR 1 10/24/2025 8:30 am
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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY
COVANTAGE CREDIT UNION
PO BOX 107
ANTIGO, WI 54409
vs.
SHAELYN M. FISH, AWAHTOKMAWAEW HAWPETOSS, AND COVANTAGE CREDIT UNION, Defendants.
Amended
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
Plaintiff, Case No. 25-CV-37
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure entered on July 31, 2025 in the amount of \$43,625.42 the Sheriff will sell the described premises at public auction as follows:
TIME: October 8, 2025 at 9:00 am
TERMS: Pursuant to said judgment, 10% of the successful bid must be paid to the sheriff at the sale in cash, cashier's check or certified funds, payable to the Shawano County Clerk of Courts. (Personal checks cannot and will not be accepted). The balance of the successful bid must be paid to the clerk of courts in cash, cashier's check or certified funds no later than ten days after the court's confirmation for the sale or else the 10% down payment is forfeited to the plaintiff. The property is sold 'as is' and subject to all liens and encumbrances.
PLACE: Shawano County Courthouse, main lobby 311 N. Main Street in Shawano, WI 54166 in Shawano County
DESCRIPTION: Unit No. 9 and an undivided 7.5% interest in the common elements, along with the exclusive user and right of easement of and in the limited common elements appurtenant to said unit, all in Wolf River Terrace Condominium, a condominium declared and existing under and by virtue of the Condominium Ownership Act of the State of Wisconsin and recorded by a Declaration as such condominium in the office of the Register of Deeds for Shawano County, Wisconsin, in Volume 558 of Records, Pages 671-681, as Document No. 372086, said condominium being located in the Town of Westcott, Shawano County, Wisconsin, on the real estate described in said Declaration and Incorporated herein by this reference thereto. ~This is a purchase money mortgage. ~This is the homestead of the mortgagor.
PROPERTY ADDRESS: N5625 Riverside Drive, 9 Shawano, WI 54166-10812
Galanis, Pollack, Jacobs & Johnson, S.C.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
413 N. 2 nd Street, Suite 150
Milwaukee, WI 53203
414-271-5400
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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF
Riley Evan Escalante
By Nicole Antoinette Escalante
By Adam Joseph White SR
Notice of Name Chance Hearing
Case No.25cv171 B
NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Riley Evan Escalante
To: Riley Evan Waupochick
Birth Certificate: Riley Evan Escalante
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County State of Wisconsin Shawano Court House 311 N Main St Shawano WI Judge Sloma BR 1 10/24/2025 8:30 am
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08/29/25, 09/05/25, 09/12/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF
Taylor Anthony Escalante
By Nicole Antoinette Escalante
By Antone K. Tucker
Notice of Name Chance Hearing
Case No.25cv171 C
NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Taylor Anthony Escalante
To: Taylor Anthony Waupochick
Birth Certificate: Taylor Anthony Escalante
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County State of Wisconsin Shawano Court House 311 N Main St Shawano WI Judge Sloma BR 1 10/24/2025 8:30 am
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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF NAME CHANGE
Sophia Marie Hartmann
Name
By Sophia Marie Hartmann
Notice of Name Chance Hearing
Case No.25cv166
NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Sophia Marie Hartmann
To: Sophia Marie Linea
Birth Certificate: Sophia Marie Hartmann
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Shawano County State of Wisconsin Judge Sloma. Shawano Court House Branch 2 311 N Main St Shawano WI October 06, 2025 8:15 a.m. If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-526- 9347 prior to the scheduled court date.
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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY
STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, BROWN
25SC3474
Plaintiff(s):
Creative Finance, Inc.
815 Business Park Road
PO Box 454
Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965
-VS-
Defendant(s):
Brandy Sherrie Eugenia Maddox.
119 East Richmond Street Apt A
Shawano, WI 54166 City
Publication Summons
and Notice (Small Claims)
Case No. 25SC3474
If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 920-448-4155 at least 10 working days prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.
Publication Summons and Notice of Filing TO THE PERSON(S) NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S):
You are being sued by the person(s) named above as Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. The lawsuit will be heard in the following small claims court: BROWN
Courthouse Telephone Number of clerk of court: 920-448-4155 Courtroom/Room Number: Courtroom B - 1st Floor Rm 130
Address: 100 South Jefferson Street
City: Green Bay
State WI
Zip 54301
on the following date and time:
Date: October 1, 2025
Time: 2:45 p.m.
If you do not attend the hearing, the court may enter a judgment against you in favor of the person(s) suing you. A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate (property) you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property. You may have the option to Answer without appearing in court on the court date by filing a written Answer with the clerk of court before the court date. You must send a copy of your Answer to the Plaintiff(s) named above at their address. You may contact the clerk of court at the telephone number above to determine if there are other methods to answer a Small Claims complaint in that county.
Plaintiff/Attorney
Electronically signed by: Christopher M Kern
Plaintiffs/Attorney's Telephone Number (608) 254-6855
Date: 09-04-2025
Attorney's State Bar Number 1093883
Law Firm and Address
Creative Finance, Inc.
815 Business Park Road, PO Box 454
Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965
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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF
Nicole Antoinette Escalante
By Nicole Antoinette Escalante
Notice of Name Chance Hearing
Case No.25cv171
NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Nicole Antoinette Escalante
To: Nicole Antoinette Waupochick
Birth Certificate: Nicole Antoinette Escalante
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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, SHAWANO COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Elaine Marie Knope
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 25 PR 62
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 06/24/1941 and date of death 08/10/2025, was domiciled in Shawano County State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 1157 Birch Hill LN, WI 54166.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is December 08, 2025. 5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Office.
Kelly S Karcz
W5355 North Shore DR
Shawano, WI 54166 USA
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09/05/25, 09/12/25
STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, SHAWANO COUNT Y
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Loretta Soderstorm
DOD 08/08/2025
Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No. 25 PR 64
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 03/17/1935 and date of death 08/08/2025, was domiciled in Shawano County State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 136 S. Franklin ST, Shawano, WI 54166.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is November 28, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin 5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County Courthouse, 311 N. Main Street, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room 202, Probate Office .
James E. Aschenbrenner
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Shawano, WI 54166 USA
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September 12, 19, 2025

Notice of Public Hearing
Planning, Development and Zoning Committee Meeting
Wednesday, October 1, 2025 @ 9:00 AM
Shawano County Courthouse, Rooms A & B
Members: Ken Capelle, Jeremy Gretzinger, Lowell Hammett, Kathy Luebke, Theresa Serrano
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Shawano County Planning, Development and Zoning Committee under the Shawano County Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 40, in Rooms A/B on October 1, 2025 at 9AM, to consider the following applications:
CU-10-25: Nick Feira, Agent for Krakow Development Group LLC, and Ray and Kim Warden, owners, request a conditional use permit for the purpose of constructing a pond in the (H), Hamlet Zoning District on approximately 1.37 total acres. Property is located and described as part of the THE SOUTH (S ½) OF LOT ELEVEN (11), BLOCK THREE (3), ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT OF THE VILLAGE OF KRAKOW, and PRT Vacated Center St described in Resolution 6-10-13 DOC# 692560, and PRT Vacated State Highway 32 described in Quit Claim Deed-State Grantor DOC # 716532, Section 1, T26N R18E located in the Town of Angelica. Tax Parcel #004-60250-0160. Property Address: W128 Center Street, Krakow, WI 54137.
Z-10-25: Ronald E Kersten and Leanne M Kersten request zone change from (FP), Farmland and Forest Preservation Zoning District to (OAR), Open Lands, Agriculture and Residential Zoning District for the purpose of constructing a single-family dwelling on approximately 15.4980 total acres. Property is located and described as part of the SW ¼ NW ¼ EX V11 Certified Survey Map P110 & V11 Certified Survey Map P167 & Excerpt part described in Document #s 638249, 666849 & 726574, Section 23, T26N, R12E, located in the Town of Fairbanks. Tax Parcel #014-23230-0020. Currently vacant land.
Any interested person may address the Planning, Development and Zoning Committee by letter or appear in person, or by agent, and be heard at the public hearing. Written correspondence must bear a legible signature of the author as well as the primary address of the signer. The Committee will accept and review all previously received pertinent information relative to the above listed item(s) during the open session of the public hearing on October 1, 2025. Notice is further given that printed copies of these proposals are available for public inspection in the Planning and Development office during regular business hours.
Please note that upon reasonable notice, effort will be made to accommodate the needs of any person wishing to attend who, because of disability, requires special accommodation through appropriate aids and services. Call 715-526-6766 to leave a message for arrangements.
Dated this 3rd day of September, 2025. For: The Shawano County Planning, Development & Zoning Committee
By: Kyle Waelchli, Zoning Administrator
NOTE: Any person may appear at the public hearing and be heard and/or submit comments to be read into the record for Committee consideration. Correspondence must bear a legible signature of the author as well as the primary address of the signer.
Accommodations due to disability can be made by calling: 715-526-6766
Meeting notice emailed/posted:
Shawano County Courthouse, Department of Human Services, Shawano County Library, Shawano Leader, WTCH Radio, Shawano County Civic website @ coshawanowl.civicweb.net
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No one-size-fits-all when it comes to weight loss

ThedaCare experts say the most effective weight-loss solution is often one that's been tailor-made for an individual.

That approach may make the journey to a weight-loss solution more fruitful, said Dr. Benjamin Duffy, a board-certified obesity medicine specialist with ThedaCare. That's especially important as the rise in popularity and selections of GLP-1s becomes more difficult to ignore.

A 2024 Kaiser Family Foundation poll found that one in eight American adults had tried a GLP-1 agonist, a type of medication used to treat obesity. Common GLP-1 brand names include Ozempic, Wegovy and Mounjaro.

"The attraction to this medication is easy to

understand," Duffy said. "GLP-1s typically are considered safe and can offer an effective solution for reaching individual weight-loss goals. They also provide additional benefits that can reduce the risk of other conditions including diabetes, heart disease and sleep apnea."

There's no denying the appeal and efficacy of GLP-1s, but they're not the only solution. Obesity is a chronic disease that requires a lifelong, multi-pronged approach, Duffy said.

The ThedaCare Weight Wellness program offers treatments that range from lifestyle modifications and lifestyle intervention programs to obesity medicine and bariatric surgery.

"Healthy eating habits and an active lifestyle are

fundamental to any sustainable weight loss," said Dr. Ray Georgen, a general surgeon and co-medical director of ThedaCare Bariatrics. "However, those alone often are not enough. Our multidisciplinary team can help people determine the best solutions for their individual circumstances."

People with severe obesity may wonder whether a GLP-1 alone can help them reach their weight management goals or if they should consider surgery. The answer? It depends. Several factors may come into play in people's decision-making. Cost, side effects, invasiveness and permanence of the treatment option are just a few.

Instead of thinking in terms of either medica-

tion or surgery, the answer may be a combination of both, Georgen said. People may arrive at a decision through different pathways.

GLP-1s and other anti-obesity medications can be a great place to start. Some people may find they work to reset habits in a way that leads to sustainable long-term weight loss. Others may struggle with some aspect of the medication, such as affordability, side effects or weight regain after stopping the drug.

"If anti-obesity medications no longer work for someone, we want them to know that bariatric surgery may be an option," Georgen said. "We've also seen that a GLP-1 combined with surgery can work effectively for people."

Anti-obesity medications can be used in combination with surgery in a few ways. This type of drug can assist with weight loss prior to surgery. This can enhance the safety of the procedure. Individuals also may use an anti-obesity medication if they experience weight regain following their surgery.

"Regardless of what weight loss treatment option you choose, it's important select a reputable program," Duffy said. "Working with a multidisciplinary team leads to better long-term results."

The ThedaCare Weight Wellness program offers a full slate of services and care. Depending on people's needs, these include nutrition and dietitian support, exercise guidance, health coaching, intensive

lifestyle coaching, obesity medicine care and bariatric surgery.

Once an individual joins the program, the care team will work alongside them to guide them through their options, Duffy said. For some people, a combination of treatments or strategies may work best.

"We treat obesity using an individualized approach," he said. "Every person has a unique story, biology and set of goals. Our job is to find the right combination of tools — including lifestyle change, coaching, mental health support, medication and surgery — that work together in the long run."

Duffy encouraged people needing help with their weight loss journey to start with their primary care physician.

PUBLIC RECORD

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Sept. 7
Deputies responded to 29 incidents, including disorderly conduct near state Highway 22 and Ash Circle in the Town of Wescott; harassment on Main Street in Gresham; harassment on Second Street in Mattoon; a disturbance on Blueberry Road in the Town of Herman; an animal bite on

Logging Road in Cecil; two 911 calls; one reckless driving incidents; three crashes, one involving an animal.

Sept. 6
Deputies responded to 24 incidents, including a disturbance on Main Street in Gresham; a disturbance near state Highway 22 and Eagle Nest Lane in the Town of Belle Plaine; a scam on County Road M in the Town of Fairbanks; a noise disturbance on Quad Park Lane in Tigerton; four 911

calls; one reckless driving incident; one traffic hazard; two crashes, one involving deer.

Sept. 5
Deputies responded to 39 incidents, including property theft on Warrington Avenue in Cecil; assault on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott; four 911 calls; four reckless driving incidents; two traffic hazards; one welfare check; one crash, involving deer.

Sept. 4
Deputies responded to 32

incidents, including identity theft on North Main Street in Shawano; trespassing on U.S. Highway 45 in the Town of Fairbanks; criminal damage on Belle Plaine Avenue in the Town of Belle Plaine; suspicious activity on Knoke Street in Gresham; suspicious activity on Poplar Road in the Town of Richmond; one reckless driving incident; three traffic hazards; two welfare checks; two crashes, one involving deer.

Sept. 3
Deputies responded to 38 incidents, including suspicious activity on Oak Road in the Town of Wittenberg; harassment on North Genesee Street in Wittenberg; trespassing on Blueberry Road in the Town of Almon; trespassing on Broadway Road in the Town of Richmond; property theft near Carroll and Busch roads in the Town of Green Valley; assisting at a fire on North Genesee Street in Wittenberg; assault on Shady Lane in the Town of Washington; vehicle theft on state Highway 32 in Krakow; harassment on South Sawyer Street in Shawano; suspicious activity on Birch Lane in the Town of Richmond; three 911 calls; one reckless driving incident; one traffic hazard; six crashes, one involving deer.

Sept. 2
Deputies responded to 33

incidents, including assisting at a fire along County Road A in the Town of Richmond; harassment on Willow Road in the Town of Angelica; suspicious activity on Belle Plaine Avenue in the Town of Belle Plaine; a scam on state Highway 156 in the Town of Lessor; property theft on Bluebird Road in the Town of Wittenberg; harassment on West Express Way in Bonduel; two 911 calls; two reckless driving incidents; one welfare check; one crash.

Sept. 1
Deputies responded to 35 incidents, including harassment on Capitol Drive in the Town of Belle Plaine; a disturbance on Riverside Road in the Town of Pella; three 911 calls; two reckless driving incidents; one traffic hazard; two welfare checks; one crash.

Sept. 3
Officers responded to 19 incidents, including operating after revocation near County Road B and South Main Street; a death investigation at an undisclosed location; suspicious activity at Skateboard Park, 137 E. Elizabeth St.; a drug offense at Olga Brenner Elementary School, 1300 S. Union St.; disorderly conduct at ThedaCare Medical Center, 100 County Road B; a drug offense on South Main Street; fraud on Oak Court; two 911 calls; one traffic hazard; two welfare checks; three crashes.

Sept. 2
Officers responded to 20 incidents, including drug offenses on South Sawyer Street; internet sex crime at an undisclosed location; threatening on East Green Bay Street; UTV theft at American Marine and Motorsports, 830 E. Green Bay St.; a disturbance at Rainbow Car Wash, 222 Waukechon St.; one 911 call; two welfare checks; one crash.

Sept. 1
Officers responded to 16 incidents, including suspicious activity near South Sawyer and East Center streets; a noise disturbance on South Water Street; a disturbance on South Washington Street; one reckless driving incident; two welfare checks.

on East Lieg Avenue; property theft on South Lincoln Street; a noise disturbance on South Water Street; two 911 calls; six welfare checks; one crash.

Sept. 4
Officers responded to 20 incidents, including criminal damage on East Lieg Avenue; harassment on South Main Street; an intoxicated person at Sharona's Bar, 111 S. Washington St.; bail jumping on South Sawyer Street; harassment on South Main Street; sexual assault at an undisclosed location; an animal bite on South Park Street; suspicious activity on South Union Street; a noise disturbance on South Water Street; one reckless driving incident; two welfare checks; one crash.

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Obeying state hunting laws can save you big bucks

Baiting, hunting with wrong permits head violations

By **ROSS BIELEMA**
Correspondent

There are two kinds of game-law violators, according to a Shawano game warden: Those who mess up through ignorance and those who do it because they don't care.

There's still a chance of avoiding a fine or even civil penalties and equipment forfeitures if Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources game warden Clark Delzer stops you: Simply be honest and fess up, he advises.

Delzer has been a Shawano County game warden for 10 years, splitting duties in the county with warden Mark Schraufnagel. He's seen plenty of game violations and poaching cases in that decade, but he sees a few things time and again.

"You name it, we've seen it," he said.

Wisconsin is a premier state for deer hunting. About 600,000 people gun hunt for deer each year, while 112,000 use vertical bows and 127,000 use crossbows to chase deer before and after gun season (it is also legal to use bows and crossbows during the gun season).

Wisconsin continues to hold the lead as having the most Pope and Young Club (archery) and Boone and Crockett Club (archery and firearms) trophy deer of any state.

With all those hunters afield, it's the pursuit of deer that also can bring out the worst in hunter behavior.

Some hunters will go to almost any extreme to take a bragging buck or fill the freezer with venison, and that's where Delzer and his fellow wardens come in to keep most of us honest – and a few paying the

price for violations. Delzer shared his experiences that are common throughout the state, but seem persistent in Shawano County and the Central Farmland Zone (including Waupaca and Oconto counties).

"You know when someone is cheating," he said.

Voluntary compliance is the goal, because wardens are stretched pretty thin and can't be everywhere.

Those blatant violators are most likely to get the law book thrown at them, but those who make an honest mistake and admit it might catch a break, Delzer said.

"I very much so respect that," he said.

As expected, hunting deer over bait is a frequent violation. Baiting has been illegal in Shawano County for years, and currently is banned in 62 counties, including most counties surrounding Shawano County (the only exception is Brown County). It's pretty hard to accidentally hunt over bait.

For complete baiting information, go to <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/hunt/bait>.

The purpose of the baiting ban is to slow the spread of CWD, the always-fatal deer disease spread when deer congregate and come in contact with a contaminated deer, Delzer noted. Even if bait is removed from a hunting area, that site is considered baited up to 10 days later (this is similar to federal baiting bans for waterfowl).

Group hunting, a long-standing tradition in Wisconsin, recalls happy memories of Northwoods hunting camps and deer drives. Delzer himself enjoys hunting with family



Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources game warden Clark Delzer shows off his new 2025 Ford F-150 with twin-turbo motor outside his Shawano office. Delzer, who shares warden duties in Shawano County with Mark Schraufnagel, explained the common hunting violations he's seen during his decade of experience covering the deer hunting seasons.

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and friends on the family's farm in the Oconto Falls area, and also is an avid bowhunter.

He and other wardens see many violations related to group hunting, including improperly using someone else's deer permit or "tag" (now officially known as a harvest authorization, since it is no longer required to tag a deer).

Although group hunting (also known as party hunting) is associated with deer drives, it is legal for one hunter on stand to fill a permit for another hunter on stand, as long as they are within sight or voice contact (cell phones and two-way radios are not considered legal voice contact), Delzer said.

Both hunters must have firearms or airguns (party

or group hunting is illegal for bow and crossbow hunters) and be licensed. Hunters generally agree ahead of time whether they will accept and register a deer shot by another person in their party.

Those only driving deer are not required to possess firearms or licenses.

Blaze orange clothing has been mandated for all gun deer hunters since 1980 and is credited with a dramatic reduction in hunting accidents. Blaze pink was legalized as another color option a few years ago. Wisconsin allows camo-blaze orange and camo-blaze pink if at least 50% of the material is blaze orange or fluorescent pink. Anyone hunting any game during a firearm deer season (except waterfowl hunters) must wear at

BY THE NUMBERS

These are the most common hunting-related violations statewide in 2024 (number in parentheses occurred during the nine-day gun-deer season):

- Illegal baiting: 451 (222)
- Hunting with an improper license: 161 (39)
- Placing or possessing a loaded long gun inside a vehicle: 113 (88)
- Failure to register a harvested animal within required time frame: 106
- Hunting from a highway or within 50 feet of a roadway center: (42)
- Hunting without the required color clothing during the gun-deer season: (21)
- Take or attempt to take game without proper valid harvest authorization tag: (8)

Source: Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources



Mandated hunter education classes like this one Aug. 2 at Poygan Conservation Club are credited with a dramatic decrease in hunting accidents, along with the use of blaze orange. The 2024 gun deer season was the safest one ever, with only one non-fatal mishap, according to Joanne Haas, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources public information officer. Six of the last 10 gun deer seasons have had no fatalities, according to Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources records.

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least 50% of a blaze color above the waist.

Although this law is well-known, many gun and bowhunters hunters don't realize they must also wear these visible colors during the two-day youth deer season, Oct. 11-12. This also applies to the statewide antlerless deer season Dec. 11-14.

It would not apply to the disabled deer hunting season prior to the youth hunt (Oct. 4-12), because the disabled hunt is on specific sites and not statewide, Delzer said.

Other firearms seasons include the gun deer hunt Nov. 22-30 and the antlerless-only Holiday Hunt on Dec. 24 through Jan. 1 in counties that approved a Holiday Hunt (Shawano, Portage, Outagamie and Oconto counties have a Holiday Hunt and extended bow season this year, while Waupaca, Langlade, Marathon and Calumet counties do not).

Other common violations Delzer sees include hunting or discharging a firearm within 50 feet of

the center of a roadway, having a loaded long gun inside a vehicle, hunting without the proper license or a tag, and failing to register a deer by 5 p.m. the day after the deer was shot.

A deer harvested without a license or proper harvest authorization is normally confiscated and given to a food pantry or someone on a list who is willing to process and eat the deer, he noted.

Scofflaws who violate game laws not only face fines and potential civil penalties (the value of the game animal taken), but also potential forfeiture of their weapons, boats and other gear.

The price of a deer license or tag seems small when weighed against this financial loss.

For a copy of the 2025-26 hunting regulations, see <https://widnr.widen.net/s/xl2s58fsbf/2025-wisconsin-hunting-regulations>.

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The statewide early goose season opened Sept. 1 in Wisconsin.
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Get ready for hunting seasons in September

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources reminds hunters to prepare for the opening of several hunting seasons in September.

There are several dates throughout September when seasons open.

Hunters are encouraged to double-check season dates and that they have acquired all necessary licenses and stamps before going out for a hunt.

Sept. 13: cottontail rabbit (Northern Zone), deer (archery and crossbow), ruffed grouse (Zone A), squirrels (gray and fox), turkey.

Sept. 16: regular goose (Northern, Southern and Mississippi River zones).

Sept. 20: youth waterfowl, woodcock.

Sept. 27: duck (Northern Zone).

The DNR also has mobile-friendly online resources, including hunting regulations, season dates, hunting hours and more, available at <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/Hunt>.

Hunters can find information on species population levels and hunting opportunities on the DNR's fall hunting forecasts.

A list of public lands open to hunting is available using the Public Access Lands webpage.

The Fields and Forest Lands Interactive Game Bird Hunting Tool provides hunters information on managed dove fields, as well as habitat for hunting ruffed grouse and woodcock.



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The Wisconsin black bear hunting season opened Sept. 3. CONTRIBUTED

2025 bear hunting season underway

The 2025 bear hunting season opened Sept. 3. With diligent scouting and preparation efforts, bear hunters should expect another year of quality bear hunting this fall.

This year, more than 32,000 people applied for one of the 13,110 bear licenses available. Nearly 114,000 more people opted to purchase a preference point to improve their chances of drawing a license in a future lottery. With more than 146,000 people applying for a license or purchasing a preference point, this year represents a new record high for bear hunting applications.

The 2025 bear season is open through Oct. 7, with specific regulations based on a hunter's bear management zone. Hunters must know the management zone in which they are

licensed to hunt and the specific bear hunting regulations within that zone.

Zones A, B and D – Where dogs are permitted:

- Sept. 3-9 – with the aid of dogs only.
- Sept. 10-30 – with the aid of dogs, with the aid of bait, with all other legal methods.
- Oct. 7 – with the aid of bait, with all other legal methods not using dogs.

Zones C, E and F – Where dogs are not permitted:

- Sept. 3 to Oct. 7 – with the aid of bait, with all other legal methods not using dogs.

Wisconsin has a thriving and expanding bear population estimated at around 24,000 animals.

The resident bear population covers more than half the state, primarily in the forested regions of northern and central Wisconsin,

with a continued trend of slow southward expansion.

Careful and regulated public harvest of bears is the primary tool used to help keep bear numbers in balance with available habitat across the state. Hunting also plays a critical role in black bear research, the science behind bear management.

The DNR reminds hunters that all bears must be registered by 5 p.m. the day after recovery, and they must submit two upper premolar teeth to the department. These samples provide data used to monitor and ensure the health of Wisconsin's bear population into the future.

The DNR's Bear Hunting webpage (<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/hunt/bear>) provides general information about hunting bears, regulations and hunting hours.

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Hunting high and low

Tree stands pose special safety risks for hunters

By ROSS BIELEMA
Correspondent

In the mid-1990s, I was hunting from a portable tree stand on private land in northern Illinois near Coal Valley. At quitting time, I climbed down my screw-in tree steps after lowering my bow and arrows with a haul line, as we still teach in hunter safety class.

When a boot found the next-to-last step closest to the ground, I shifted my weight and snap.

The metal step snapped where it met the tree. On my short fall, perhaps 5-6 feet, I missed the bottom step with my body and made the perfect two-point, Olympic-style gymnastics landing.

It was one of several wake-up calls on my journey to exclusively hunt from the ground.

Tree stands offer many advantages for deer hunters. They give a high vantage point, enabling hunters to see over thick foliage and spotting distant deer approaching. They sometimes allow human scent to waft up and over the deer below. Although

deer rarely looked up for danger decades ago (deer have only one tree-level predator, the human hunter), the popularity of tree stands has certainly educated some deer to look up.

Without proper safety equipment, tree stand falls can result in severe injuries or death. In fact, falls from elevated stands kill or injure far more hunters than firearms or other weapons.

Surprisingly, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources does not keep records of tree stand falls. Fortunately, the Tree Stand Safety Awareness Foundation, an organization of hunting and tree stand products manufacturers, does keep track and offers plenty of tips on staying safe in elevated stands.

Only 14 states mandate the reporting of tree stand accidents, explained Michael Wydner, sales director with Hunter Safety Systems, one of the nation's top makers of harnesses, lifelines and other tree stand safety gear. Hunter Safety Systems is represented on the TSSA

board of directors.

Wydner said two pieces of equipment are crucial for every tree stand hunter: a full-body harness that fits your body, and a lifeline that is used from the time you first leave the ground until the time you reach your platform.

"If you do those two things, you are going to head home at the end of the hunt," Wydner said.

Of those hurt in tree stand falls, 86% fall either setting up their stands, climbing into them or climbing out of them, not actually hunting. Wisconsin state law requires that tree stands must be removed daily from state-owned public lands and reinstalled the next day when hunting. This law changed in 2017 north of state Highway 64 to allow tree stands to remain seven days prior to through seven days after any fall hunting season. The old law requiring daily removal still applies to the area south of Highway 64 (most of the state).

The free safety strap that comes with all tree stands sold in the United States meets the minimum Treestand Manufacturers Association standard, but is cheap and often confusing to use, Wydner noted. The TMA uses an outside agency for testing



Hunters are reminded to avoid placing deer stands in or near ash trees, as trees infested with emerald ash borer may unexpectedly snap or drop large branches.

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products.

The Wisconsin DNR hunter safety class I help with in Waupaca always starts off tree stand safety by asking an inexperienced hunter to put on the tangle of straps that comes free with a stand.

Most stare in confusion or unsuccessfully try to

put it on. The harness slips on like a jacket.

"Does price ever concern you when you're buying a parachute?" Wydner asked, noting a top-quality full-body harness may cost a bit more (\$75 to \$200, depending on pockets and features) but could save your life. His company has

more than 600 handwritten letters collected over 25 years that testify to the lives saved or protected by HSS harnesses.

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The harness must fit your weight and size, so HSS makes them from youth through 4X-5X and 50-400 pound weight limits. They are adjustable for comfort and function. Breakaway stitching slows the fall of a person to cushion the impact, but in most cases if properly set up in the tree, no stitches need to break to stop someone, he noted. Once a harness is used,

and it does break stitches, it should be replaced. There's also a lifespan for harnesses, typically five years, Wydner noted. This is especially true if they are exposed to the elements for long periods of time, as they typically are. Frequently inspect your stands for loose or missing parts, damaged straps and other wear. The lifeline, which connects to the harness via an

included metal carabiner, ensures that the hunter is protected from a fall the second he starts to climb. A Prussic knot, also included, allows the hunter to move the top of the harness strap up the lifeline, but it doesn't slide down if the person falls. The 50-foot nylon lifeline normally has a 5,000-pound weight limit and sells for about \$40. The harness-lifeline combo can be used with ladder, climbing and

other tree stands, including the newer saddles. The TSSA website, www.treestandssafety.org, is a wealth of information for tree stand hunters, including a number of videos demonstrating how to properly use harnesses, lifelines, tree saddles and more.

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Use of crossbows gaining in popularity

New users need to know special safety concerns

By ROSS BIELEMA
Correspondent

Crossbows have surpassed vertical bows in popularity for hunting deer in Wisconsin and other states. Crossbows are easier to shoot accurately, offer a bit more range (up to 100 yards, vs. a maximum of about 50 yards with a vertical bow) and are ideal for young and older hunters who may not have the strength to pull a vertical bowstring (the minimum draw weight for deer hunting in Wisconsin is 30

pounds). In addition, a crossbow has virtually no recoil, unlike a centerfire rifle. Crossbows have special safety concerns that new users may not realize. While the string from a compound or recurve bow can leave a nasty strawberry mark on your arm, a crossbow string can slice off your finger. Wings, typically plastic barriers below the rail of the crossbow (where the bolt slides) keep the shooter's fingers safely below the string's path. The tremendous stored

energy of a crossbow (which may shoot faster than 500 feet per second, compared to a compound bow's 340 fps) means that the manual safety must stay on until you are ready to shoot, just as on a rifle or shotgun. Most crossbows now use a crank or other mechanical device to cock the crossbow, which may have a draw weight of 150-200 pounds. Follow the instructions in your owner's manual on how to cock and uncock your crossbow (newer models have an uncocking feature). It is best to buy from a dealer who can explain the safe way to use your crossbow in person. The National Bow-

hunter Education Foundation in Rapid City, South Dakota, offers a comprehensive online crossbow safety course. Go to www.crossbow-ed.com/national/studyGuide/Crossbow-Safety-Rules/901099_15178 for details. Hunters should also remember TAB-K: • Treat every firearm as if it were loaded. • Always point your muzzle in a safe direction. • Be sure of your target and what's in front of and beyond it. • Keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot. Ross Bielema is a freelance writer from New London and owner of Wolf River Concealed Carry LLC. Contact him at Ross@wolfriverccw.com.



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Green Bay great in dominant win over Lions

Parsons records first sack with Packers

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Micah Parsons picked up his first sack in the green and gold, as the Green Bay Packers laid a beat down on the Detroit Lions, by a tune of 27-13 on Sept. 7 in Green Bay.

While the game was filled with a lot of positive notes for the Packers, none may have been as encouraging as Parsons' fourth-quarter sack on Lions quarterback Jared Goff. As Goff was rolling out to his right after a broken play, Parsons chased him down, reminiscent of a tiger taking down its prey.

"It looked like the speed of light, or a shooting star coming out of the sky and closing ground fast," said Packers head coach Matt LaFleur. "I mean, that's why he is here. I mean, that was really exciting to see. I know our crowd reacted the right way as well."

It was no secret that Parsons was the main attraction in this game, as the crowd cheered as loud as ever when he was announced during the defensive introductions. In total, Parsons finished the game playing 29 snaps and recording one sack on three pressures.

"I couldn't be more happy to get my first win in Lambeau," said Parsons, on his first game with Green Bay. "Having amazing fans – just everything overall, it was a one-of-one experience for me and I told (Jordan Love) that is our

first win, and we are going to keep staking them."

Parsons was just one cog in the system for a Packers defense that stifled the Lions all afternoon. Green Bay held Detroit's dynamic rushing duo of Jahmyr Gibbs and David Montgomery to just 44 yards, as the team totaled nine tackles for losses.

With Detroit struggling to run the ball, it was also unable to find success in the pass game. Goff finished the game completing 31-of-39 passes for just 225 yards and one touchdown, adding an interception. Packers safety Evan Williams was on the receiving end of Goff's interception.

On the offensive side of the ball, the Packers started out hot and never looked back. Green Bay went into halftime with a 17-3 lead, as Love threw two first-half touchdowns to Tucker Kraft and Jayden Reed. In total, Love finished the game completing 16-of-22 passes for 188 yards and two touchdowns. While the strong passing attack tapered off in the second half, Josh Jacobs and the running game picked up in the second half.

After finishing the first half of the game with just eight yards on the ground, Jacobs and the run game picked up late, as he finished the game with 66 rushing yards on 19 carries. Jacobs also added a touchdown late in the fourth quarter for his first

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On Micah Parsons' first snap, the 6-foot-3, 250-pound pass rusher bullied his way through Detroit's line to pressure Lions quarterback Jared Goff on a short third-down throw to running back Jahmyr Gibbs that lost two yards. It was the first of three pressures Parsons had in the game.

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The Lions were the NFL's top scoring offense a year ago, but the combination of pressure on quarterback Jared Goff and coverage on the back end relegated him to taking short, checkdown throws all game. Meanwhile, the Lions' two-headed rushing attack of David Montgomery and Jahmyr Gibbs was bottled up. On 20 carries, they combined for just 44 of Detroit's 46 total rushing yards. They combined for 14 receptions but gained just 49 yards on those.

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Defense front seven key to Green Bay's success this season

Parsons, Gary, Van Ness among most important Packers

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In the team's first game of the season, it was no secret that Green Bay's driving force to a victory was the stellar play from its defensive line and linebackers. Last season, the Detroit Lions led the NFL in scoring and were sixth in the NFL in total rushing yards. On Sunday against Green Bay, the Lions were only able to muster six points, before a garbage time touchdown (to make it 13 points) and were only able to rush for

46 yards. With struggles in both rushing and scoring, seeing what the Packers were able to do on its front seven shows that this team is going to go as far as that unit takes it.

During the game, Green Bay totaled nine tackles for losses, nine quarterback hits and four sacks. Out of those nine tackles for losses, seven players recorded them, including Quay Walker and Colby Wooden recording two each.

Micah Parsons is going to be a big key to that front seven for the Packers, but

as it showed in this game against Detroit, just his presence alone is enough to free up other players to succeed in their roles. As he looks to come back from a back injury, as well as get back into football shape, Parsons played just 29 snaps. During those 29 snaps, Parsons was double-teamed on 23% of them, giving players like Lukas Van Ness, who recorded a half of a sack, and Rashan Gary, who recorded 1.5 sacks, the opportunity to get after the quarterback.

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Jordan Love finished that first drive with a 15-yard touchdown pass to tight end Tucker Kraft on third-and-nine, fitting a pass over the middle into a tight window. It was the third of four straight third-down conversions on the first two drives, completing four passes to four targets for 68 yards as Love was on his way to a 128.6 passer rating (16-of-22, 188 yards, two touchdowns, zero interceptions).

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Love's QB rating against Lions third best in career

Green bay defeated Detroit 27-13 in the home opener at Lambeau Field on Sept. 7.

Following are several postgame notes.

- The game against the Lions at Lambeau Field was the first Week 1 home game since 2018 and the first for Matt LaFleur.
- The Packers have won their first home game of the season in 13 consecutive seasons (2013-25), which ties the Miami Dolphins (1976-88) for the longest winning streak in home openers in NFL history.
- Green Bay limited the Lions to their lowest point total since Dec. 10, 2023, at Chicago (28-13 loss). Detroit had scored 16-plus points in 21 consecutive regular-season games, averaging 32.6 points per game in those 21 contests.
- The Packers allowed only 46 rushing yards on 22 attempts (2.1 avg.), the fewest rushing yards posted by Detroit since Oct. 15, 2023, at Tampa Bay (40 yards).
- Green Bay had 10 players record at least one reception Sept. 7, its first time doing so since Nov. 19, 2023, vs. the Los Angeles Chargers (10 players).
- The Packers did not allow a sack. Dating back to last season, Green Bay has not allowed a sack in four of its last seven contests.
- The Week 2 home game against the Washington Commanders marks



Green Bay Packers alumni John Kuhn, top, and LeRoy Butler and coach Mike McCarthy, bottom, were among the past greats attending the home opener against the Lions, bringing with them memories of Super Bowl victories. At right, Josh Jacobs found more success as the game wore on, rushing for 58 yards on 13 attempts in the second half, including a mid-fourth-quarter touchdown that gave the Packers a three-score lead for the first time at 24-6.

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the first time since 2012 that Green Bay has opened the season with two home games over a five-day span.

- Quarterback Jordan Love brought his streak of consecutive passing attempts without an interception to 195, the longest streak of his career.
- The contest was Love's eighth straight game without an interception (minimum 10 attempts), the longest streak by a Packer since Aaron Rodgers' eight-game streak in 2019 (Oct. 20-Dec. 15).

- Love's 128.6 passer rating (16 of 22, 188 yards, two touchdowns, no interceptions) was the third-best mark of his career (minimum 15 attempts).
- Running back Josh Jacobs posted a rushing TD in the fourth quarter, extending his franchise-record streak of games with a rushing TD to nine. Jacobs set a team record with nine straight games with a TD, besting the mark of wide receiver Davante Adams (eight straight in 2024). Jacobs

has posted 13 rushing TDs over his last nine contests.

- Wide receiver Romeo Doubs' 48-yard reception in the second quarter was the longest catch of his career.
- Defensive lineman Micah Parsons posted his first sack in a Green Bay uniform on Sept. 7, giving him 12 sacks over his last 10 games.
- Defensive lineman Rashan Gary registered 1.5 sacks, bringing his career total to 40.5 sacks as he became just the eighth

player in team history to post 40-plus sacks.

- Defensive lineman Colby Wooden made the second start of his career and registered a career-high two tackles for a loss.
- Linebacker Quay Walker matched his career high with two tackles for a loss.
- Safety Evan Williams posted an interception in the second quarter, the second straight season he has recorded an interception in Green Bay's home opener.

- Kicker Brandon McManus connected on both of his field goal attempts (34, 38 yards), bringing his streak of consecutive field goals made to 17. That tie Chris Jacke (1993) for the fourth-longest streak in franchise annals behind only Mason Crosby's streaks of 27, 23 and 19.
- Punter Daniel Whelan posted two punts of 60-plus yards (65, 61), tying his single-game career high (vs. Minnesota on Sept. 29, 2024; vs. Houston on Oct. 20, 2024).

Parsons' presence pleases Packers

Pass rusher plays in first game with Green Bay, and it looks like he'll fit in just fine

The Green Bay Packers acquired Dallas Cowboys defensive lineman Micah Parsons in exchange for defensive lineman Kenny Clark and first-round draft selections in 2026 and 2027, Packers general manager Brian Gutekunst announced Aug. 28.

Parsons (6-3, 250), a fifth-year player out of Penn State University, was originally selected by the Cowboys in the first round of the 2021 NFL Draft. He has registered 12-plus sacks in each of his first four NFL seasons, joining defensive end Reggie White (1985-88) as the only players in league history (since 1982) to accomplish that feat.

"Reggie is like one of the GOATs. I'm just looking at his stats and the fact he had like 70 sacks in like five years is just outrageous to me. I just learned more history about him today, just about how he's the first free agent and how he came here and won championships," Parsons said during this Aug. 29 press conference in Green Bay. "People make the comparisons, but I just looked at him like somebody who won. He came here and did that. I think I can do that, too. I think I can do anything I put my mind to. I looked on that wall and I saw Brett Favre, I saw Reggie, I saw all those legends, and I was like 'I've got to be there.' You go in the draft room and they're all having their hands up. They're all having that moment. I'm looking for that moment. I'm going to take advantage of this moment and maximize it to reach that moment."

In Parsons' first game with Green Bay, a Week 1 win over the Detroit Lions, head coach Matt LaFleur said the newest Packer had a huge impact on the

score of the season. Jacobs' late-game touchdown also gives him the franchise record for most consecutive games with a rushing touchdown with nine.

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Micah Parsons (1) battles Penei Sewell (58) while Edgerrin Cooper (56) tackles Jahmyr Gibbs (0). Even when Parsons wasn't directly in on a tackle, his presence allowed other players to shine and make big plays.

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defense overall.

"I thought it was very impactful," LaFleur said. "I think you look at that interception Evan Williams had, it looked like he (Parsons) beat Penei (Sewell) pretty quickly. It looked like he got a pressure. There was another sack where he got pressure on the quarterback, I'm not quite sure who got the sack, but I thought he was pretty impactful in the limited snaps he got."

Parsons definitely opened up some opportunities for other members of the defense.

"I thought all those guys collectively as a unit, I can't remember too many games that I've been a part of where there's nine TFLs and four sacks," LaFleur said. "So that's a credit to the defensive line. Quay Walker had two TFLs; he had a great game. Nine-tackles. Although I did get on him, he had an oppor-

tunity at a pick. We've got to make that play."

The coach said the excitement of adding Parsons matched the excitement of watching him play.

"I think he just, he definitely has an aura about him, and just his style of play fits with our other guys, and I think all those guys are excited to play with him. And they all benefit from that."

Parsons' 52.5 sacks since entering the NFL

in 2021 are the fifth-most sacks by a player in his first four seasons in league history (since 1982). He also has 18 career multi-sack games, tied for the second most in an NFL player's first four seasons (White, 23).

Parsons became the first NFL defensive player since Aaron Donald to be named to the Pro Bowl in each of his first four seasons and the fourth Cowboy in team history to

accomplish that feat (Zack Martin, Emmitt Smith, Mel Renfro).

Parsons has earned All-Pro honors from The Associated Press three times, garnering first-team honors in 2021 and 2022 and second-team recognition in 2023. He was the first Cowboy to win AP defensive rookie of the year and the first defensive rookie in franchise history to be named to the AP All-Pro team.

Packers quarterback Jordan Love said Parsons made a definite impact in his first game, and a good defense helps the offense.

"I think he was limited in some of the opportunities, and he was definitely out there on third downs, and obviously the offense is going to have a plan to try and put as many hands on him as possible, but I think he was definitely making an impact and his presence was felt out there on the field," Love said. "I think our whole defense was doing a great job. The D-line was getting pressure and making (Jared) Goff get the ball out, some checkdowns (and) things like that. They were rallying and making plays, so I think they did a good job of taking away those big, explosive plays."

Clark, who was selected by the Packers in the first round of the 2016 NFL Draft, ranks No. 10 in franchise history in sacks with 35 and No. 4 in games played among Green Bay defensive linemen with 140, trailing only Robert Brown (164), Dave Hanner (160) and Ezra Johnson (148).

Clark earned three trips to the Pro Bowl (2019, 2021, 2023), joining Henry Jordan (1960-61, 1963, 1966) as the only Packers defensive tackles to make three-plus Pro Bowls.

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"I think we had a great plan coming in for our third downs, and obviously third downs come down to executing and going out and making plays," said Love. "I think early on they were playing a lot of man and guys were going out

and winning their one-on-one matchups. You know, I think the O-Line did a great job. They gave me a lot of time back there and kept me clean. I think it all starts up front."

Green Bay converted five third-down plays.

With it seemingly like both Green Bay and Detroit are going to be in contention for the NFC North title, starting off with a win over the Lions is obviously a great start to the season for the Packers, as it already gives the team

an early tiebreaker when it comes to playoff seeding.

"It all starts with the NFC North," said Love. "So to have a North team come in here Week 1, be able to get the job done and go 1-0 in the North is the start we wanted."

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"How many times did they rush? And we held them to 50 yards rushing, so we got some real dogs up front," said Parsons. "That allows me to take my time to get all the way back."

Parsons is alluding to a back injury that has limited him throughout the summer, as well as in the first game of the season. The Packers signed Parsons to a four-year contract, meaning that he is going to

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PACKERS BEAT LIONS 27-13 IN SEASON OPENER



Green Bay Packers cornerback Evan Williams (33) eyes up Jahmyr Gibbs as the Detroit running back tries to make his way downfield. Williams also had the game's only interception, jumping in front of Lions quarterback Jared Goff's pass for wide receiver Amon-Ra St. Brown for a pick in the red zone, his second career interception.

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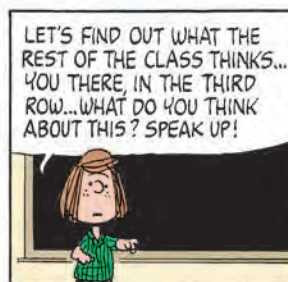
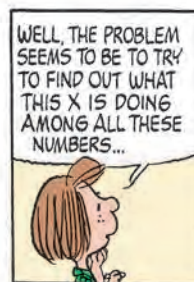
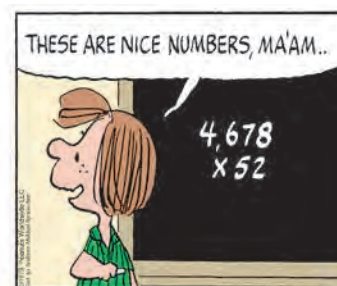
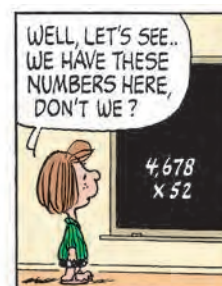
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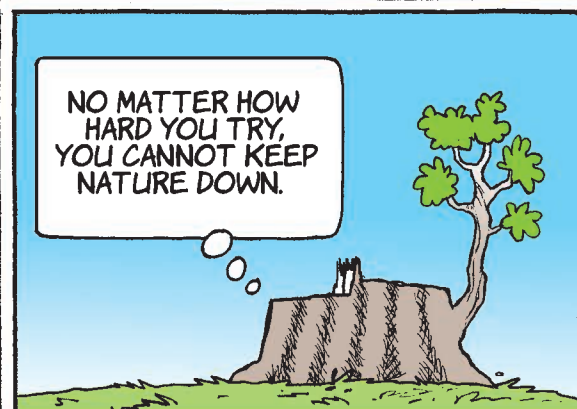
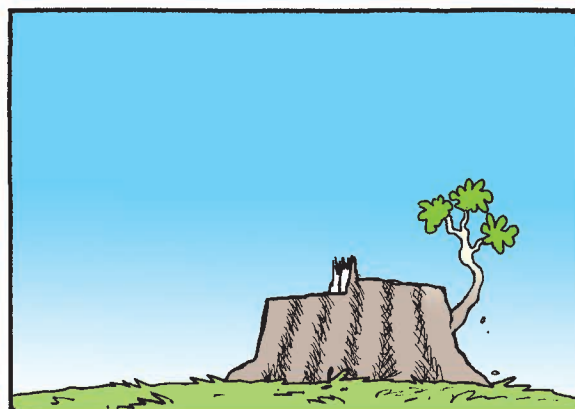
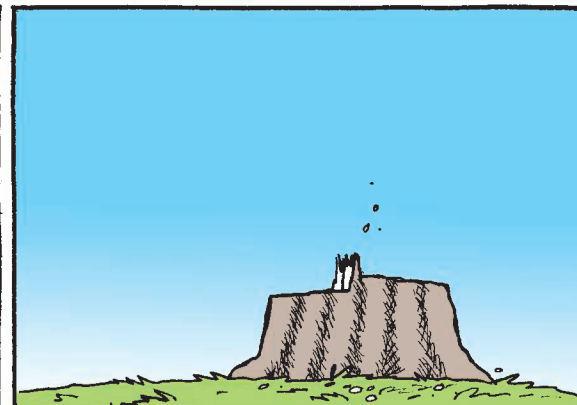
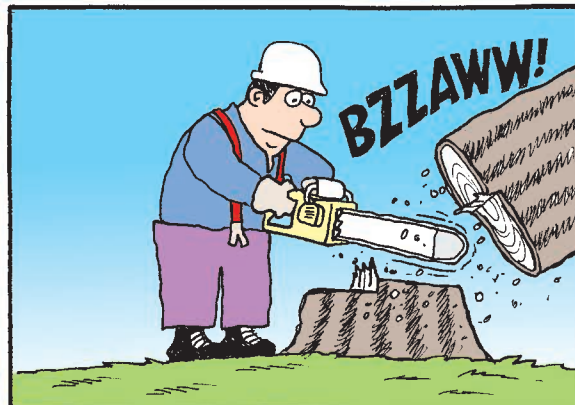
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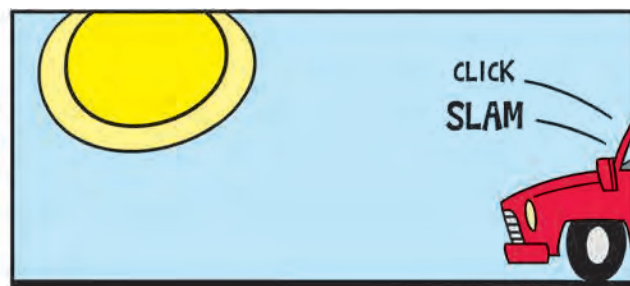
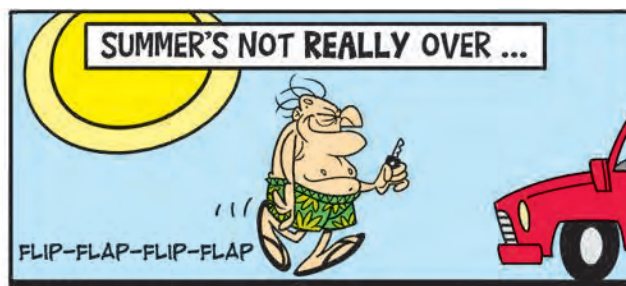
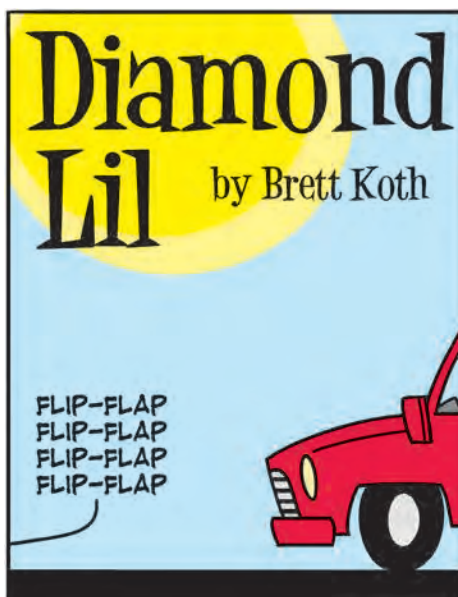
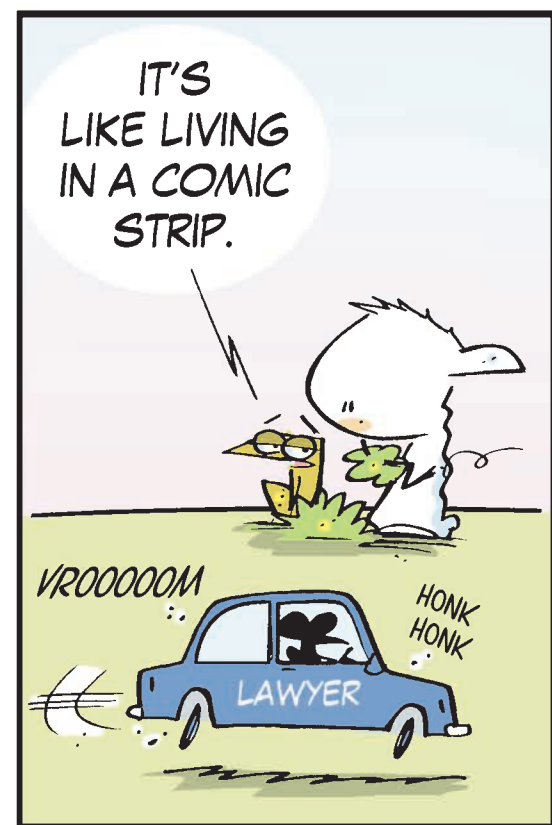
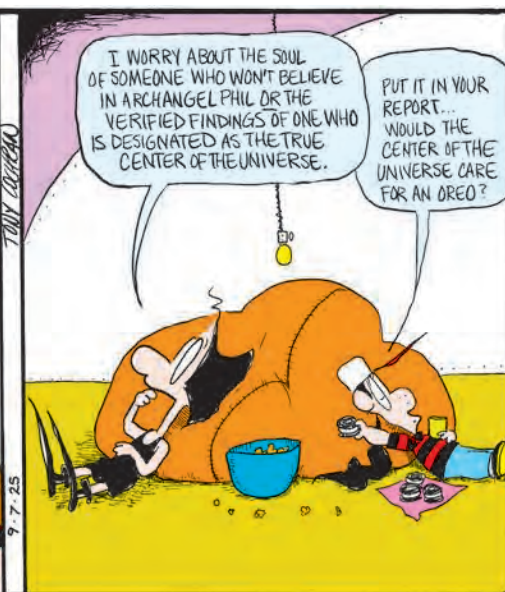
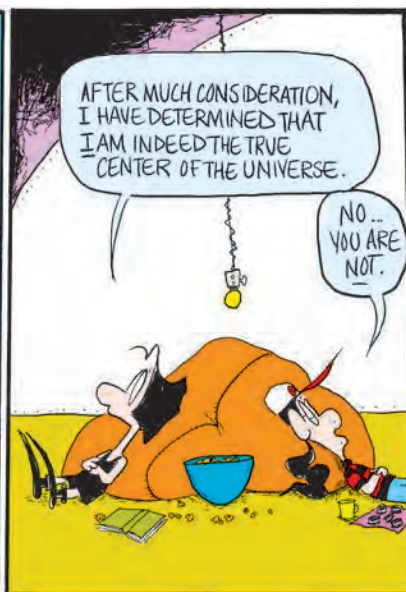
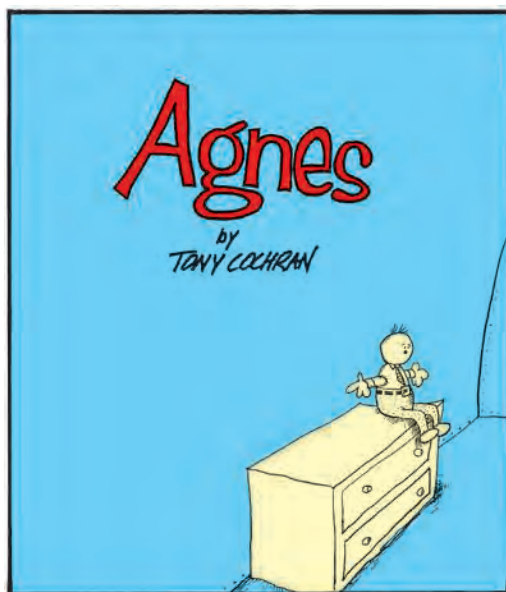
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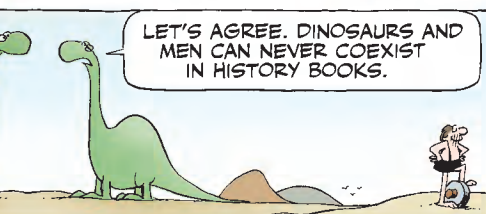
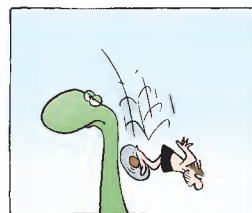
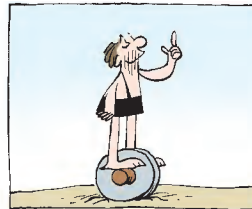
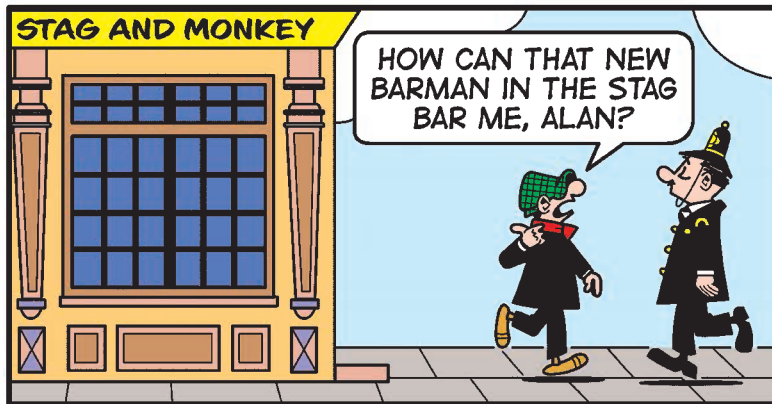
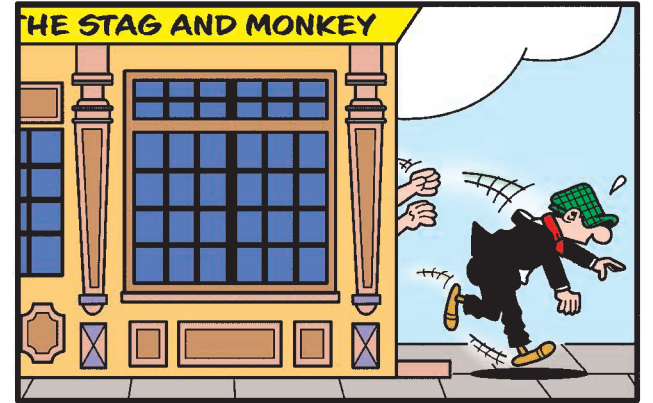
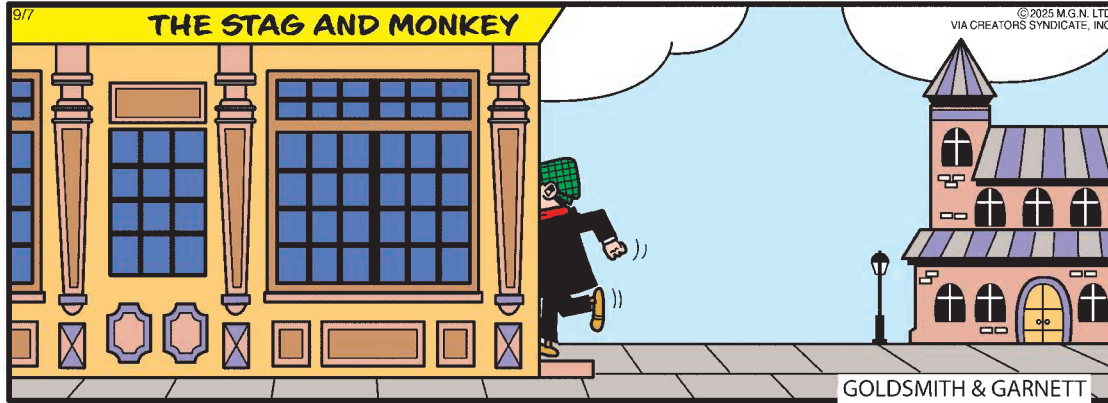
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