



Nicolet Plastics celebrated its 40th anniversary June 25 with an open house for the public and customers at its headquarters in Mountain. GREG SEUBERT

# Nicolet Plastics marks 40 years in Mountain

85 workers help produce materials that travel to Midwest businesses

By GREG SEUBERT  
Correspondent

Fast, fluid, and flexible. That trademarked saying is a major reason for the success of an Oconto County business that is still going strong after 40 years. Nicolet Plastics marked the occasion June 25 by holding an open house for the public, customers and suppliers at its 41,000-square foot production facility, located at 16685 State Highway 32, Mountain. The business opened its Mountain plant at its current location in 1986 and eventually opened a second facility in Jackson, where an open house was

held June 18. A third facility in Ripon is currently used as warehouse space, but will eventually be converted into a third plant. The Mountain and Jackson plants offered tours during their respective open houses. Nicolet Plastics produces custom-made injection molding parts and products for a variety of industries, according to Bryce Huggins, the company's business development leader. "Nicolet Plastics originated here in 1986," he said. "Bob McIntosh was the owner." Nicolet Plastics began as a mold-making company and

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Stewart Schaal, of Lakewood, explains his job June 25 during a tour at Nicolet Plastics' plant. Schaal has worked for the company for 35 years. GREG SEUBERT

# Applicants sought for Oconto County DA

Former district attorney appointed to fill judicial vacancy

By KEVIN PASSON  
Editor-in-Chief

Finding someone to fill the role of district attorney in Oconto County is proving more difficult than anticipated. When Gov. Tony Evers appointed District Attorney Hannah Schuchart to fill the unexpired term of Judge Michael T. Judge, he originally had an April 10 deadline to apply to fill her unexpired term.



HANNAH SCHUCHART



MICHAEL JUDGE

Now, the governor is accepting applications on a rolling basis until the vacancy is filled. The new district attorney will serve for the remainder of the unexpired term that ends January 2029. To apply, email a completed application form and supporting materials to GovDAapp@wisconsin.gov. The application is available on the "Apply to Serve" page of Evers' website at [www.evers.wi.gov](http://www.evers.wi.gov).

For questions about the appointment process, contact the Governor's Office of Legal Counsel at 608-266-1212.

On March 25, Evers announced the appointment of Schuchart as judge, following the May 1 retirement of Judge, who had more than 20 years of judicial service and a legal career that spanned more than five decades.

"With experience as both a prosecutor and defense attorney, along with well-established relationships in the community and a history of service, Hannah Schuchart will serve the people of Oconto County well," Evers said.

Schuchart has served as the Oconto County district attorney since 2022. Earlier in her career, she was an assistant district attorney in Brown County and an assistant state public defender in Oconto and Marinette counties.

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# Pound man pleads no contest in shooting case

## Race faces up to seven years imprisonment

By **KEVIN PASSON**  
Editor-in-Chief

A Pound man pleaded no contest June 24 to a reduced charge for shooting his friend in the leg one year ago in June 2025.

Cody Race, 37, pleaded no contest to aggravated

battery – intending bodily harm with the use of a dangerous weapon, according to online court records. That charge was reduced from attempted first-degree intentional homicide through a plea agreement, which was accepted by Judge Jay Conley.

A second-degree reckless injury charge and three counts of first-degree



CODY RACE

recklessly endangering safety, all with dangerous weapons modifiers, were dismissed as part of the plea agreement.

According to the criminal complaint, around 12:50 a.m. June 18, 2025, deputies responded to a report of a shooting on Tom Post Road in the Town of Brazeau.

The victim, an adult male, suffered a gunshot

wound to his upper left leg.

According to the complaint, Race armed himself with a semi-automatic assault rifle and confronted two men and a woman outside the residence, demanding information as to the whereabouts of his girlfriend. He reportedly operated controls on the rifle producing audible noise in which it was believed Race was charging a round into the chamber of the rifle. Race pointed the

rifle specifically at the three people, following threats to kill them.

One of the men attempted to persuade Race to stop. He instructed Race to put the rifle down, and he approached Race on foot with his arms up in an effort to deescalate the situation.

As the man walked closer to the porch, Race shot him once with the rifle, striking the man's upper left leg.

The female witness

attempted to render aid to the victim and called 911 to report an accidental shooting. She told deputies later she said the shooting was accidental because Race was close by, and he allegedly threatened to kill her if she told the truth during her emergency call.

Race is scheduled to be sentenced Aug. 11. He faces up to seven years in prison.

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# Wabeno Art and Music Fest returns for 11th year July 18

WAM Fest, the Wabeno Art & Music Fest, returns for its 11th year with a full day of live music, art, shopping, food and family-friendly activities in downtown Wabeno on July 18.

The festival will feature performances by local, area and regional musicians beginning at 11 a.m. and continuing through the evening, with headliner Bogfoot taking the stage at 8 p.m. A student art show will be on display

in Legion Hall, featuring work by middle and high school students from area schools from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Artful Activities for children will run from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the festival grounds. New this year, pickleball lessons will be offered from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wabeno's newly installed courts.

The popular street market will also return, with vendors, crafters and area artists set up from

11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Festival-goers can browse a variety of booths featuring home improvement and décor, jewelry, handcrafted items, antiques, vintage and collectibles, baked items including sourdough bread, jellies, maple syrup and Henna body art supplies.

"This year's festival will feature pickleball lessons, an expanded student art reception and a booth serving pulled pork and

mac and cheese," said Mary Beck, WAM Fest coordinator and president of Friends of Wabeno. "We'll also hold a small raffle with never-opened estate-donated items, including a brand new heavy duty Singer sewing machine. It should be a great festival."

Food options will include Mexican fare from Los Magueyes, hamburgers and brats from a local restaurant, along with easy access to pizza and

other offerings from downtown restaurants and bars. New this year: Kwik Trip pizzas will be available for purchase during the evening Bogfoot performance.

The festival's 50/50 raffle will name three top winners at the conclusion of the event at 10 p.m.

For information about registering for the street market or viewing the performance schedule, visit wabenoartandmusicfest.org.

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formed a plastic molding division before bringing both operations together.

MacIntosh sold the business in 2017 to NorthCliff, a diversified family-owned manufacturing group.

"In 2021, Nicolet Plastics acquired CNR Plastics, which is our Jackson site and that became part of our portfolio," Huggins said. "Nicolet Plastics really focuses on being a partner to our customers. Mountain specializes in lower-volume, higher turnover-type components for our customers, and Jackson heavily focuses on the higher-volume components."

Nicolet Plastics serves a diversified group of customers, according to Huggins.

"There are five overall market segments that we provide: industrial, commercial, medical, transportation/auto and aerospace," he said. "We're supplying components that go to construction and home supply, a lot of different assemblies

for air and water flow."

About 90% of products produced at the Mountain and Jackson plants are shipped to customers throughout the Midwest.

"The majority is in the Midwest, but we have products that are going to the West Coast, East Coast, Mexico, China," Huggins said.

Products produced at both plants change from time to time, Huggins said. "Commercial and industrial has been more of our consistent base for customers," he said. "Medical has grown for us. We do things like foot pedals. We're focusing on being that all-encompassing supplier. We want to solve the customers' needs and really focus on the partnership."

The plastics-making industry is extremely competitive, but Huggins said Nicolet Plastics is holding its own competing against much-larger companies.

"It's a very fragmented

market," he said. "We set ourselves apart from some of the larger competition by being more partnership-focused and focus on the individual needs of that customer."

The Mountain and Jackson facilities have just over 110 employees between the two plants. Most of the Mountain plant's employees live in the area, but some commute from as far away as Green Bay, Crivitz, Antigo and the Fox Valley.

Huggins said there's two good reasons why Nicolet Plastics has been able to thrive in Oconto County for 40 years.

"I think it's a heavy focus on our people," he said. "We are really people-driven and performance-focused. By putting people first and investing in their growth, that has translated to providing for our customers. We're 40 years in business and we have many customers that have been with us since the beginning."

Nicolet Plastics received an award earlier this year from Plastics News, an organization that reports on developments affecting North America's plastics industry. The group ranked the company No. 7 on its list of "Best Places to Work in Plastics."

"It's based on employee engagement," Huggins said. "Individuals have the opportunity to learn how to operate the presses and inventory management, all the different aspects of our business."

Recent improvements at the Mountain plant include a 500-ton press and molding storage.

Huggins said it's important to continue to invest in the plants and employees.

"We've continually been investing into new presses from a customer growth standpoint to remain competitive," he said. "We want to be able to be a one-stop shop for anyone who's looking for a new injection-molded product. In

Jackson, we have two new 360-ton presses, and that has allowed us to grow and capture new programs. We're continually investing in additional automation. Creating self-sustaining programs has been really valuable to our customers."

Lisa Pichotta, Nicolet Plastics' director of human resources, said 40 years in business is a major milestone for the company and the main reason behind the open house.

"The main thing is to celebrate the team members and their contributions and celebrate with the community and family members," she said.

The open house and tours give customers and suppliers an opportunity to go behind the scenes and see how their products are produced, she said.

"We do that throughout the year, but this is another great opportunity to celebrate with them and seeing what we do here every day, because every day is

different," she said.

The Mountain plant employs 85 workers, Pichotta said.

"We have team members here that have come from internships, youth apprenticeships, college, etc., but that's not the path for everyone," she said. "Someone coming in at an entry level can develop into other positions within the companies. The opportunities are certainly here."

Huggins said Nicolet Plastics is committed to stay in the Mountain area.

"With the new 500-ton press in here this year, we're looking to capture new and better opportunities and bring them to Mountain," he said. "We continue to position ourselves for growth. Our longevity really comes from that team approach and investing in our team members. That allows us and wants us to continue to invest in the community."

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"Gov. Evers has made an outstanding appointment of District Attorney Hannah Schuchart to serve as circuit court judge for Oconto County," said Brown County Circuit Court Judge Marc Hammer. "Hannah brings experience, fairness and integrity to the bench. Judge Schuchart will continue to follow the rule of law as she has done throughout her distinguished career."

Schuchart lives in Abrams and is a graduate of Purdue University and the Michigan State University College of Law.

"I am honored to accept this appointment by Gov. Evers," Schuchart said. "In the years that I have served this amazing community, first as an assistant state public defender and later as the district attorney, I have gained an appreciation for the hard work,

sacrifice and selflessness of its members.

"I have worked hard to represent the interests of Oconto County through the prosecution of criminal offenses and am eager to see that the focus remains on the safety and well-being of its citizens when I take the bench. I commit to all members of this community to exercise sound judgment and discharge my duties with integrity, trust and

transparency. My courtroom will be one where all are welcome, and where everyone is given a fair opportunity to be heard."

Judge served as the Branch I circuit court judge in Oconto County and was first elected to the bench in 2005. In a letter submitted to Evers, Judge said he was truly grateful to serve the people of Oconto County.

"It has been an honor and a privilege to serve the

citizens of Oconto County for the past 20 years," Judge wrote. "Serving the residents of Oconto County has been a humbling, fulfilling and memorable experience."

Before joining the bench, he spent 32 years in private law practice prior to his election in 2005. During his judicial career, Judge also served as deputy chief judge in the Eighth Judicial Administrative District.

Judge reflected on the length of his career in his retirement announcement, noting he is stepping down after five decades in the legal profession.

"After 53 years of an extremely satisfying legal career, I have reached a point where it is time for me to step down and evaluate where the next challenge will find me," he wrote.

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ELMER W. RAGEN

Elmer W. Ragen, 97, passed away peacefully at home in the early hours of June 22, 2026.

Elmer was born April 17, 1929, in Oconto to Audrey and Alvina Ragen. He was nicknamed "Red" by his family, and that stayed with him throughout his life. Elmer was raised in Lena and attended Victory Elementary and Lena High, graduating in 1947. Elmer enlisted and served in the United States Navy (1950-54) achieving the rank of petty officer first class and serving in the Korean War, recognized as a combat veteran.

Elmer married Patricia (Pat) Ravey on Oct. 8, 1955, and together they welcomed three children, Jim, Marty and Patty. Pat passed away from cancer Jan. 28, 1982; Elmer remarried Nov. 5, 1983, to Beverly (Bev) Weyenberg, who passed June 11, 2025.

After his military service, Elmer attended NWTI (now NWTC) for automotive mechanic training, later instructing classes for the program. He worked as a mechanic for Karcz Ford and later owned and operated Elmer's Mobil Station in Pulaski for 18 years.

In his spare time, Elmer volunteered for the Pulaski and Little Suamico fire departments, was a member of the Knights of Columbus,



and was a proud member of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW). He had a huge passion for softball, managing North Chase Elmer's Mobil team and Carver Boat team, as well as stock car racing during the 1960s and '70s. Many hours were spent with his buddies Tom and Ray fishing and drinking PBRs.

Elmer was the Oconto County veterans service officer until retiring in 2000.

Elmer's greatest passion was public service. He served on the Chase Town Board, followed by a long tenure on the Little Suamico Town Board. Elmer was also a longtime county board supervisor for Oconto County and served on multiple county board committees.

In September 2023, Elmer received the Congressional Record from the House of Representatives

for his impressive career and service to the United States as a veteran and to the State of Wisconsin as a county supervisor. This was presented by former U.S. Rep. Mike Gallagher. He was also recognized for being the longest serving county supervisor at the time and for his retirement as chairman of the Little Suamico Town Board.

Elmer is survived by his children Jim Ragen, Marty (Deb) Ragen and Patty (Eric) Barber; grandchildren, Justen, Shannon, Gwynn, Rick, Josh and Mike; great-grandchildren, Ally, Carter, Crew, Creedon, Wyatt, Cole, Leah, Seth, Jude, Adah, Sunny and one on the way. He is also survived by his sisters, Gloria Holtiger, Marlene Peetz and Vi (Arliss) Ausloo; sister-in-law, Dorothy Ragen; and many nieces, nephews and friends.

Elmer was preceded in death by his siblings, Robert (Bob) Ragen, Clayton "Duffy" Ragen, Lulaine Beekman, Linda Mehlberg and Norbert "Nubs" Ragen.

We are forever grateful to those who helped Elmer stay in the place that he loved, Big Jim Aerts for his loyalty and friendship and long-standing Wednesday Beer and Burger travels, Marie Coopman for

the countless hours and care you gave, the Virtues family, notably Brian, for always taking Elmer's calls, including him in plans and checking in on him, the Lade Beach Road neighbors for all the favors and time spent checking in, and countless others who we cannot be to name.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Saturday, June 27, 2026 at St. Edward and Isidore Catholic Church in Suamico. Burial was at St. Edward's Cemetery with military rites.

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.gallagherfuneralhome.net](http://www.gallagherfuneralhome.net).

The family would also like to thank Unity Hospice (Josephine, Gail, Hannah, Ashley, Erin, Chaplain Nicole) and Unity Care Companions (Deb, Amber, Amanda) for the compassion and loyalty that was provided; and Cornerstone Caregiving (Lora and Mayra) overnight angels making sure Elmer was safe and comfortable in the last weeks.

Elmer is now at rest with loved ones, but his legacy will live on in the work he did and the people he knew. A very full life.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be given.

CHRISTINE 'CHRIS' SCHENKOSKI

Christine "Chris" Schenkoski, 73, of Abrams, passed away at home June 19, 2026. She was born Sept. 7, 1952, in Oconto Falls to the late Donald and Mary (Machurick) McDermid.

Chris graduated from Oconto Falls High School in 1970. On Sept. 8, 1978, she married Marlin "Pete" Schenkoski at St. Louis Catholic Church in Abrams. She spent 20 years at Bayland Telephone before owning and operating Abrams Food and Variety for more than 10 years until her retirement.

Chris loved her flowers and spent all summer keeping them weeded and looking healthy. She enjoyed riding her golf cart with her "girls," Lillie and Lizzie. She never passed up a great rummage sale and enjoyed collecting antiques, especially pink Depression glass, jewelry and hens on a nest. She especially liked talking on the phone with her friends and spending time with her grandkids.

Chris is survived by her loving husband, Pete; her daughter, Dana (Doug Jr.) Wojcik and their children, Alexis and Brennan; her brothers, Jim (Sue) McDermid and Keith (Lynn) McDermid; brothers-in-law, Allen Schenkoski and



Gary (Laura) Schenkoski. She is further survived by nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Donald and Mary McDermid; infant sister, Linda; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Bennie and Florence Schenkoski; brother-in-law, Gaylord Schenkoski; sister-in-law, Jane Schenkoski.

Chris' family would like to thank Unity Hospice, especially RN Ashley for her kindness and compassion offered to Chris and her family.

Per Chris' wishes, a private celebration of life will be held.

Online condolences may be offered to the Schenkoski family at [www.marnochafuneralhome.com](http://www.marnochafuneralhome.com) or on the Marnocha Funeral Home Facebook page.

County receives award from DNR

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources has announced the winners of the 2026 Invasive Species Action Awards, presented by the Wisconsin Invasive Species Council.

The Oconto County Land and Water Conservation Department received an award in the professional group category. With the full support of their supervisors and board, Ken Dolata and Emily Schwartz have propelled the county's European frog-bit response team, conducting early detection surveys, Clean Boats, Clean Waters inspections, inventories and manual removal of over 15,000 pounds of EFB.

The invasive was first documented in Wisconsin in 2021 in Oconto County. Their efforts have helped to revive the habitat for

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June 28

Deputies responded to 72 incidents, including a wanted person on Section 4 Lane in the Town of Mountain; an animal bite on Pine Road in the Town of How; a disturbance on South White Potato Lake Road in the Town of Brazeau; threatening at Dollar General, 611 E. Main St., Suring; squad damage on County Road I in the Town of Oconto Falls; a disturbance on River Road in the Town of How; suspicious activity at Suring Sportsmen Club, 8699 River Road, Town of How; seven traffic stops, three traffic hazards, three traffic offenses, two miscellaneous traffic incidents, four welfare checks; three 911 hang-ups and three open lines; nine ambulance calls; five crashes, three involving deer.

June 27

Deputies responded to 77 incidents, including a disturbance on Waubee Lake Drive in the Town of Lakewood; a disturbance on Jackson Street in Oconto Falls; a disturbance on Superior Avenue in Oconto; a disturbance

on Sunset Bay Lane in the Town of Townsend; fireworks on Leos Road in the Town of Mountain; a noise disturbance at Chute Pond Campground, 12436 Chute Dam Lane, Mountain; a wrong-way driver on U.S. Highway 141 near Timberline Road in the Town of Abrams; three traffic stops, four traffic hazards, three traffic offenses, five miscellaneous traffic incidents, one welfare check; six open-line 911 calls; eight ambulance calls; two crashes, one involving deer.

June 26

Deputies responded to 81 incidents, including suspicious activity on County Road I in the Town of Stiles; intoxication on Robin Hood Lane in Gillett; fireworks on Ray Lane in the Town of Chase; an internet crimes against children incident at a redacted location; suspicious activity near Allen Road and U.S. Highway 41-141 in the Town of Little Suamico; intoxication on Emma Lea Lane in the Town of Lakewood; theft on Flat Rock Heights Lane in the Town of Gillett; a disturbance on Hogsback Road in the Town of Lena; fireworks on North Kelly Lake Road in the Town of Brazeau; a noise disturbance near County

Road W and Crooked Lake Lane in the Town of River-view; 11 traffic stops, two traffic hazards, 11 traffic offenses, one citizen assist, one miscellaneous traffic incident, two welfare checks; one 911 hang-up and three open lines; 11 ambulance calls; three crashes, one involving deer.

June 25

Deputies responded to 49 incidents, including a fatal crash on U.S. Highway 141 south of Guelig Road in the Town of Stiles; an animal bite on Logtown Road in the Town of Oconto; a wanted person on state Highway 22-32 in the Town of Gillett; an animal bite on Heller Lane in the Town of Doty; suspicious activity on Duame Road in the Town of Stiles; a wrong-way driver on U.S. Highway 141 near County Road A in the Town of Lena; one traffic stop, one citizen assist, three miscellaneous traffic incidents, one welfare check; two 911 hang-ups and four open lines; seven ambulance calls; four crashes, two involving deer.

June 24

Deputies responded to 47 incidents, including suspicious activity on Smith Avenue in Oconto; theft on

Sunset Bay Lane in the Town of Townsend; fraud on CCC Road in the Town of Morgan; disorderly conduct on County Road J in the Town of Little Suamico; a disturbance on Columbia Street in Oconto Falls; fire on East Main Street in Gillett; one traffic stop, two citizen assists, two miscellaneous traffic incidents, three welfare checks; four 911 hang-ups and two open lines; four ambulance calls; three crashes.

June 23

Deputies responded to 96 incidents, including suspicious activity on West Brown Road in the Town of Little Suamico; a fire control burn on County Road C in the Town of Chase; a weapon offense on Tree Farm Road in the Town of Doty; a noise disturbance on County Road S in the Town of Little Suamico; an ATV accident near state Highway 32 and Rugg Road in the Town of Lakewood; trespassing on Logan Road in the Town of Breed; a noise disturbance on Hip Hus Court in the Town of Underhill; a disturbance at Pour Haus, 15297 State Highway 32, Lakewood; an unwanted party on Gallas Road in the Town of Oconto Falls; 11 traffic stops, four traffic hazards, seven traffic offenses, one citizen assist, four miscellaneous traffic incidents, two welfare checks; four open-line 911 calls; 10 ambulance calls.

June 22

Deputies responded to 73 incidents, including a fire control burn on Elm Grove School Road in the Town of Oconto; suspicious activity on River Road in the Town of Breed; a wanted person at the courthouse, 301 Washington St., Oconto; internet fraud on Topper Lane in the Town of Townsend; fireworks on Timber Edge Lane in the Town of Townsend; five traffic stops, four traffic hazards, one traffic offense, three citizen assists, three miscellaneous traffic incidents, two welfare checks; one 911 hang-up and five open lines; five ambulance calls; six crashes, two involving deer.Oconto County Sheriff's Department

June 21

Deputies responded to 74 incidents, including a wrong-way driver on U.S. Highway

141 near County Road M in the Town of Lena; threatening at the Law Enforcement Center, 220 Arbutus Ave., Oconto; criminal damage on Delcore Road in the Town of Oconto; suspicious activity on Maplewood Lane in Sobieski; harassment on County Road C in the Town of Morgan; sexual assault at an undisclosed location; 13 traffic stops, three traffic hazards, three traffic offenses, one citizen assist, four miscellaneous traffic incidents, two welfare checks; three 911 hang-ups and one open line; six ambulance calls; three crashes, all involving deer.

June 20

Deputies responded to 63 incidents, including a wanted person near state Highway 32 and Carter Tower Lane in Townsend; a disturbance on Star Lake Road in the Town of Riverview; attempted fraud on Bialozynski Road in the Town of Chase; burglary on Moody Road in the Town of Pensaukee; suspicious activity near Dollar General, state Highway 32 and Emma Lea Lane, Lakewood; six traffic stops, four traffic offenses, one citizen assist, one miscellaneous traffic incident, two welfare checks; seven open-line 911 calls; nine ambulance calls; three crashes, two involving deer.

June 19

Deputies responded to 74 incidents, including attempted fraud on Camber Lane in the Town of Chase; a disturbance on Goldhorn Road in the Town of Brazeau; drugs in the Town of Townsend; suspicious activity on County Road C in the Town of Chase; an animal bite on Lower Road in the Town of Little Suamico; noise disturbances at Wendt's SandBar, 16688 Nicolet Road, Townsend, and on North Krueger Street in Suring; a disturbance at Zip-pel Park, 150 N. McKenzie St., Gillett; six traffic stops, three traffic hazards, one traffic offense, three citizen assists, three miscellaneous traffic incidents, four welfare checks; three 911 hang-ups and five open lines; four ambulance calls; two crashes, one involving deer.

June 18

Deputies responded to 75 incidents, including suspicious activity at Machickanee

Shooting Range, 3490 Garity Road, Town of Morgan; suspicious activity on West Frontage Road in the Town of Abrams; squad damage near U.S. Highway 41-141 and County Road D in the Town of Abrams; a disturbance on Erie Avenue in Oconto; a disturbance on South Green Bay Avenue in Gillett; a hazmat incident at Kwik Trip, 5908 Duame Road, Town of Stiles; squad damage near state Highway 64 and Pipeline Road in the Town of Bagley; threatening on Lower Road in the Town of Little Suamico; four traffic stops, one traffic hazard, four traffic offenses, five citizen assists, five miscellaneous traffic incidents, four welfare checks; one 911 hang-up and two open lines; six ambulance calls; one deer-related crash.

June 17

Deputies responded to 49 incidents, including a drug investigation at an undisclosed location; theft on County Road BB in the Town of Gillett; a fire control burn at Village Tractor, 1465 E. Frontage Road, Town of Little Suamico; suspicious activity near state Highway 64 and Twin Pine Road in the Town of Mountain; animal neglect on County Road J in the Town of Little Suamico; a disturbance at Smully's On The Bay, 2060 Sand Bar Way, Town of Little Suamico; suspicious activity on County Road C in the Town of Chase; suspicious activity near state Highway 32 and County Road CC in the Town of Gillett; two traffic stops, one traffic hazard, one citizen assist, two miscellaneous traffic incidents, two welfare checks; two open-line 911 calls; eight ambulance calls; one deer-related crash.

June 16

Deputies responded to 50 incidents, including a wanted person at the courthouse, 301 Washington St., Oconto; attempted fraud on North Flat Rock Lane in the Town of Gillett; an animal bite on Beaumier Lane in the Town of Little Suamico; an unwanted party on West Main Street in Lena; fire on Center Street in White Lake; fraud at Brazeau Town Hall, 10892 Parkway Road, Town of Brazeau; two traffic stops, two traffic hazards, two citizen assists, six miscellaneous traffic incidents, two welfare checks; one 911 hang-up and five open lines; six ambulance calls; four crashes, three involving deer.

June 15

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# Ingold bond reduced from \$250K to \$10K

Judge believes some cash warranted due to threats

By LEE PULASKI  
City Editor

Michael Ingold's bond in a case involving the threat to public officials was reduced June 29 from \$250,000 cash to \$10,000. Christopher Restemayer, Ingold's new attorney, argued for a \$250,000 signature bond, noting that at the time the bond was set Ingold was still charged with first-degree homicide in the death of his live-in girlfriend. Ingold was acquitted by a jury at the end of April. Ingold has been in the Shawano County Jail for almost four years, since the homicide charge was made in 2022, and Restemayer noted that Ingold did not have any criminal record prior, with his only encounter with courts being a traffic ticket. Ingold had a case in 2020 where

he was charged with strangulation and suffocation, second-degree recklessly endangering safety, battery and operating a firearm while intoxicated, but those charges were dismissed. Restemayer told Portage County Circuit Court Judge Louis Molepske Jr. that Ingold has never had any issues showing up for court and said that should be a factor in deciding bond. "My client has no interest in seeing any of those people (in the indictment), much less taking them out," Restemayer said. "I think no contact would be sufficient to protecting the victims in those cases. I would ask to reduce bond given the amount time he's been in jail to a signature bond." Ingold, 61, faces five counts of threatening prosecutors, three counts of threats to law enforcement officers and two counts of threatening bodily harm to people involved with the court or legal system. Because of the threats involving people with the Shawano County Sheriff's Department and the Shawano-Menominee County District Attorney's Office,

the case is being managed by special prosecutor Eric Sparr with Winnebago County. Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court Judge William Kussel Jr. recused himself. Each of the charges face maximum prison sentences of six years and maximum fines of \$10,000. Winnebago County District Attorney Eric Sparr admitted the risk is less now that Ingold has been acquitted in a capital crime, but the threats that comprise the current case are still serious and do not warrant a signature bond. He noted that Ingold had been informed that he should not be making threats against public officials but allegedly did it anyway. "The threats were explicit, and they were repeated to multiple individuals," Sparr said. The evidence comes from seven phone calls made at the Shawano County Jail from January 2025 to July 2025, as well as a couple of in-person conversations at the jail in June 2025 and December 2025, according to the criminal complaint.

A detective monitored the recorded jail calls and reported that, in one call made Jan. 28, 2025, Ingold allegedly said he wanted to hang two of the victims. Two calls in March had Ingold alleged saying that, if he got out of jail, he was going to do something terrible to three of the victims and that has has no problem killing someone, according to the complaint. During a call made April 18, 2025, Ingold allegedly told the person he was calling: "I'd kill (the third victim). I'd kill all of them. I'd beat 'em with a baseball bat, and I'd enjoy every (expletive) second of it." According to the complaint, Ingold allegedly went on to say he was having dreams about torturing the victims, going so far as to mention a drone and explosives. When the person on the other end of the line allegedly warned Ingold not to talk like that for fear that it could be taken seriously, Ingold allegedly said "Let 'em take it seriously," according to the complaint, and claimed the victims were "crooked." Following a court

hearing June 20, 2025, Ingold returned to the jail and spoke with the booking officer, and during the course of the conversation, he allegedly said that he'd like to skin one of the prosecutors alive. A jail inmate allegedly told detectives on Dec. 15, 2025, that Ingold had been making threats against the detective, claiming that Ingold said he used to run drugs for the Magnetos biker gang, serving as a truck driver, and that the gang "owed him favors," according to the complaint. Detectives looked at jail videos from three days earlier, where Ingold allegedly said he was going to break one of the detective's bones and "give him a lobotomy," according to the complaint. Ingold allegedly said when all the things were going to happen, he would be in Arizona. Sparr said that the fact that Ingold walked out of the holding area at the jail at his previous hearing without permission from the judge should be a factor when deciding bond. Ingold told Molepske during the hearing that he

sold his home and vehicles to pay for expenses related to the homicide. All he would have as collateral is his property, which is about a half-acre and has a garage on it, but he owes back taxes for the last two years and the Internal Revenue Service has a lien on the property. Molepske said that the allegations are serious enough that having some cash was warranted and ruled \$10,000 for the case, although he may revisit bond after a preliminary hearing. He also dismissed the contempt of court sentence of 10 additional days in jail, expressing dismay that Ingold has already been held in jail for almost four years. "Long and short, he is already in custody so he has served the 10 days, so I'm not going to require an additional 10 days," Molepske said. The preliminary hearing on the current charges will take place at 3 p.m. July 27 at the Shawano County Courthouse, courtroom to be determined. [lpulaski@newmedia-wi.com](mailto:lpulaski@newmedia-wi.com)

# Board adopts moratorium on data center development

By KEVIN PASSON  
Editor-in-Chief

Members of the Shawano County Board on June 24 adopted a 12-month moratorium on the siting, construction, establishment and operation of data centers in the unincorporated towns in Shawano County that have approved the county's zoning authority. It does not affect any cities, villages or the towns of Almon, Bartelme, Belle Plaine, Hartland, Hutchins, Lessor, Pella, Richmond and Wescott, all of which have their own zoning laws. Shawano resident Nancy Cramer expressed concerns about potential environmental problems as well as nationwide societal issues.



The Port Washington data center is a \$15 billion-plus artificial intelligence campus under construction by Vantage Data Centers. Known as the Lighthouse campus, the 672-acre site will host four centers spanning 2.5 million square feet with almost 1 gigawatt of IT capacity, creating up to 4,000 construction jobs and 300-plus permanent positions.

She touched on issues such as water shortages, pollution, heated water discharged back into lakes and rivers, noise pollution affecting people and wildlife, decreases in property values and increases in electric rates. "I do not feel that we can let them come to Shawano County and destroy our water, our hunting and fishing land, our tourism,"

Cramer said. She suggested the proposed one-year moratorium be extended to five years. Board Chairman Tom Kautza told her state law limits the length of a moratorium to one year. Fellow city resident Shirley Hinze said big tech companies are suing communities that adopt moratoriums. "These corporations

like Microsoft have billions of dollars to come back after smaller communities like ours to force their issue," she said. Hinze said Shawano County also needs to be concerned about what could happen in nearby Langlade County. "If you do a data center to the north, it will deplete the water that then comes down through us,"

she said. "As this water is restricted, it heads down to Lake Butte des Morts, where, of course, the sturgeon come out of to head north to Shawano dam to spawn." Hinze said Shawano County may not have the resources for a mega data center, but residents still need to be aware of the issues and be concerned about what others might do.

"I am totally against these data centers, because I do know what the impact will be on the environment," she said. Supervisor Kathy Luebke urged residents in the cities, villages and other towns in Shawano County to push their local officials to adopt a similar moratorium. [kpaddon@newmedia-wi.com](mailto:kpaddon@newmedia-wi.com)

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Children play at Smalley Park in Shawano the evening of June 24 as dark clouds rolled in over the area. Heavy rain and hail was the result throughout much of northeast Wisconsin. GREG MELLIS | NEW MEDIA

Newcap’s assets being sold in online auction

By KEVIN PASSON  
Editor-in-Chief

Assets belonging to Shawano’s Newcap location are now up for sale in accordance with the court-ordered liquidation decision. All of the contents in the Newcap building at 504 Lakeland Road are now available through Titledown Auction Company. The auction began June 24. Bidding is open to the public and takes place exclusively online through Titledown Auction Company’s website. Nearly 600 items are on the auction block. Items include medical clinic equipment and supplies, office furniture, tools, Smart Boards, weatherization tools, HVAC testing equipment, small and large kitchen appliances, bed frames, park benches, a gas grill, computer equipment and more. All items are sold as is and are presumed untested unless otherwise noted. Titledown Auction Company does not test items for genuineness. Every lot opens with a \$2 starting bid and will sell to the highest bidder regardless of price, with no reserve. A 15% buyer’s fee and Wisconsin sales tax of 5.5% will be added to all purchases. All bidding will end July 7, starting at 6 p.m., with one lot closing every 15 seconds thereafter. Successful bidders must pick up their purchases between 11 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. July 8 at the Shawano location. Any items not picked up during that time will be considered abandoned and forfeited without refund. The auction is the latest event in the saga that led to the company closing its doors at the end of March and then filing for bankruptcy. For more than 50 years, Newcap operated in 10 counties, including Shawano,



An online auction is underway for nearly 600 items from the Newcap location in Shawano and runs through July 7. FILE | NEW MEDIA

Delinquent taxpayers face new penalty

By KEVIN PASSON  
Editor-in-Chief

Shawano County delinquent taxpayers will soon be assessed a new penalty on their back taxes. Members of the executive committee gave the green light to Emily Kazik, county treasurer, to help prepare an ordinance that will assess a 0.5% monthly penalty on all back taxes going back the last decade. It is anticipated the penalty will go into effect Jan. 1, 2027. Kazik said 64% of Wisconsin’s counties already assess the penalty, and some have been doing so for a couple decades or more. “Right now, there is only 1% interest,” she said. “The state allows any county to apply the

half percent as a penalty charge. They label it differently people who file for bankruptcy. If you file for bankruptcy, we do not collect for that penalty charge.” Kazik’s report for May showed the county is due more than \$803,000 in delinquent taxes and special charges, not including interest. In 2025, the county assessed interest at about \$200,000 on the delinquent bills. Based on the same amount of taxes due, the county would assess another \$100,000 in penalty charges. “It’s definitely a revenue maker,” Kazik said. “It’s something we can do without having to increase taxes, and only the people who are going to be delinquent are going to

get the extra charge.” The committee briefly wrestled with when the penalty should go into effect. “I would start it as far back as you can,” Supervisor Terry Tipton said. “It costs everybody else money.” Kazik said that at the end of 2026, she would be writing off delinquent taxes that are 10 years old, which prompted the committee to agree to charge the penalty on all taxes going back 10 years, effective Jan. 1. An ordinance will be drafted for the committee to consider at its July meeting; if approved, it will be forwarded to the county board later in the month.

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# Baldwin wants details on Iran War deal

Senator  
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By **LEE PULASKI**  
City Editor

President Donald Trump has declared victory in the Iran War and said the memorandum of understanding between the two country confirms the months-long war is over.

U.S. Sen. Tammy Baldwin said she'll only believe that when she and other members of Congress get to see that deal.

Baldwin held a virtual press conference with Wisconsin media June 17 and said Trump has repeatedly claimed victory in recent months in a war she said has cost taxpayers more than \$30 billion, even as attacks had continued on both sides. Besides the loss of 13 members of the



U.S. Sen. Tammy Baldwin provides opening remarks during a virtual press conference June 17 addressing the recently announced memorandum of understanding to end hostilities between this country and Iran.

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military, she noted that gas prices for both standard and diesel fuel have shot up, making life difficult for farmers and non-farmers alike.

"From his trade wars to his peace negotiations, President Trump often claims victory without any work to show for it, and this

time is no different," Baldwin said. "The truth is that President Trump has not reached a deal with Iran. There's no agreement to end their nuclear program. We have no assurances that war won't continue, no evidence that Americans are any better off today than they were before all this

started."

She added that the only thing she's seen on paper is that Trump plans to keep talking about a final deal.

Some details were revealed by the White House shortly after Baldwin's press conference. The deal calls for opening the Strait of Hormuz to oil tanker traffic and keeping it open, according to The Associated Press. There is also a plan for the U.S. to provide at least \$300 billion for Iran's reconstruction and economic development, and the U.S. will try to terminate all sanctions against Iran, including ones implemented by the United Nations and other countries.

Baldwin said full details are needed, as Trump and Iranian officials cannot even agree publicly on what's in the deal.

"Peace is unequivocally a good thing and something that I have been fighting for since this president launched this unnecessary war. In fact, it's something

I've advocated for my entire career," Baldwin said. "We need to make sure that whatever is in this agreement is real and also good for the American people, because so far this war has just been a disaster for Wisconsinites."

People in Wisconsin have spent \$877 million more on gasoline since the war first began earlier this year, according to Baldwin, equating to an additional \$378 per person. Diesel fuel hit record highs in May, she said, which struck a blow to farmers getting their fields planted for 2026.

"One farmer told me his fuel costs skyrocketed from \$120,000 to \$200,000 over the last year," Baldwin said. "Nearly 70% of farmers reported not being able to afford the fertilizer they needed this year."

Baldwin pointed to polls showing the low popularity of the Iran War and said that citizens need more than just assurances that they can trust Trump when he says the deal is a good

one.

"Donald Trump's wink-and-nod promise is not enough," Baldwin said. "Wisconsin families need details and guarantees that this unnecessary war is over once and for all."

Baldwin noted that there had already been a deal with Iran that limited its nuclear capabilities, but that deal was terminated by Trump during his first term in office. She said she plans to continue to push Congress to vote on war powers acts until the deal is formally presented to Congress.

"Now, the president is seeing that this is not a situation that you can bomb yourself out of," Baldwin said. "Here's what he needs to do. He needs to show the American people what is in this agreement, what we need to do to reach a long-term peace deal and explain how any of us are better off now compared to 3 1/2 months ago."

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## Number of Shawano County housing units on the upswing

SCEPI leader says  
more work needed  
on inventory, costs

By **KEVIN PASSON**  
Editor-in-Chief

Single-family and multifamily housing units have recently been built in Shawano, Bonduel and Wittenberg, but Peter Thillman said more work still needs to be done for supply to meet demand in Shawano County.

Thillman, executive director of Shawano Community Economic Progress Inc., provided an annual update to the Shawano County Board on June 24.

He thanked the board for investing in a 2022 housing study.

"It is now paying dividends," Thillman said. "We are having projects opening in Bonduel, and Wittenberg later this year. We still need to build more multifamily and single-family housing, so we're addressing the housing shortage."

Bonduel and Shawano both completed single-family subdivisions, and both communities are actively working on more.

"Unfortunately, housing prices are not going down," Thillman said. "That's something we would like to address. I am still having a hard time with starter homes at \$450,000."

Shawano has approved a multi-unit

"twindo" (a style of duplex housing where two adjacent units share a single continuous structure, but each is individually owned) project to add more owner-occupied, zero-entry options to the market.

Outreach continues with developers and builders, especially for the single-family builders.

Thillman is working with Marion and Pulaski to develop housing and other commercial activities.

Countywide, supply still lags behind demand by about 2,500 units.

Thillman said a Thrive Rural Wisconsin project closed in Bonduel, after the village established a redevelopment authority and received three grants for \$150,000 total to get that going.

A Thrive Rural Wisconsin project in Wittenberg is now getting underway.

"(The intent is) to establish a redevelopment authority and redevelop their downtown and get things moving in the right direction," he said.

Communities that participate in Thrive Rural Wisconsin receive project management, financial support and technical assistance to advance local and regional initiatives and connect them to the resources they need to be successful.

SCEPI is part of a consortium of regional economic development

organizations New North and Centergy that will have a Hiring Heroes program. It will be based in Shawano County.

"It's a program where they go out and they recruit those leaving military service to ... come to northeast Wisconsin, primarily Shawano County, for open job opportunities," Thillman said.

The program grant was for \$250,000.

Thillman also noted that employment remained relatively flat between 2024 and 2025 with the labor force staying consistently above 20,000. The unemployment rate remained steady at 3.1%, which is considered full employment.

Finally, Shawano County has been experiencing an overall decline in population that accelerated after the 2008 Great Recession. That trend appears to be over as the county's population is now on the upswing.

"For the first time in about 40 years, Shawano County is actually growing in population," Thillman said. "We're making a turnaround, and we're growing the community once again."

Since the COVID era, the county has added nearly 2,000 new residents, and that trend looks to continue going forward.

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## Adkins named Bonduel parade marshal

Dianne Adkins is the parade marshal for the Bonduel Independence Day parade, announced Celebrate Bonduel.

Adkins made her entrance into the world Feb. 1, 1940 — born in a 1936 Chevrolet on the way to Green Bay from her family's farm, 5 miles south of Bonduel near Landstad.

After high school, Adkins attended Outagamie County College for two years to earn her teaching credentials. She began her teaching career at Nichols State Graded School in 1960, then transferred to the Bonduel School District when the Navarino school was built in 1963. All the while, she continued her education in the evenings, on Saturdays and through summer sessions — earning her degree from Oshkosh in the summer of 1965.

Adkins spent three years teaching first grade in Nichols, followed by 31 years teaching first grade in Navarino and then eight years in fifth grade in Bonduel — 42 years in the classroom in all.

On May 26, 1962, she married Mark Adkins. Together they had two daughters, Sally and Penny, both of whom attended Bonduel schools. Mark Adkins worked at the Bonduel Times and later the Shawano Evening Leader, where he put his skills to good use creating the calendar class photos that students gave as Christmas gifts to their parents each year.

Throughout the years, Adkins followed area Little League and Dairyland League teams, and she rarely missed a high school football, basketball,



Dianne Adkins is the parade marshal for the Bonduel Independence Day parade. An area resident all of her life, she is a huge supporter of Bonduel athletics and a lifetime member of St. Paul Lutheran Church. CONTRIBUTED

baseball or softball game. Her daughter, Sally, was part of a Bonduel softball team that reached the state tournament three years running — 1979, 1980 and

1981 — earning second place each time.

In recognition of her lifelong devotion and unwavering commitment to Bonduel athletics, Adkins received a WIAA conference pass granting her admission to all games upon her retirement in 2002.

She is a lifetime member of St. Paul Lutheran Church and served on the building committee when the congregation built its new church. She has been known to describe her role on the committee with characteristic good humor — "token old white woman."

Today, Adkins lives at The Cottages and continues to show up for many of the games — cheering on both her great-grandchildren and the Bonduel High School teams. She drives herself when she can and catches a ride when she needs to. Some things never change.

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A tradition since 1984, Kurowski Dairy hosted this year's Shawano County Brunch on the Farm on June 28. Antique tractors provided wagon rides and farm tours for the expected 4,000 visitors to the family farm and home on Swamp Road in Bonduel. Gloria and Cletus Kurowski hosted the event, welcoming everyone.

# BRUNCH ON THE FARM

## Kurowski Dairy hosts tradition of feeding the masses



Families and 4-H members, all carrying plates with the hearty country breakfast, arrived early in the morning.



Next generation Travis Kurowski and his fiancée, Bella Schroeder, take a break in the early morning hours before the crowds arrive.



A spot for 10 kids, a tour of the modern dairy farm is one of several children's activities.



The hearty country breakfast is good, but the ice cream sundae is the hit of the event.

PHOTOS BY  
GREG MELLIS

## Shawano Community High School athletic facilities taking shape



Crews are busy at it this summer at Shawano Community High School, preparing the school and the athletic facilities for the fall of 2026. The football field is nearly ready, with the track around it, bleachers, storage and press box in place. Construction continues on the concession stand and ticket booth.

GREG MELLIS | NEW MEDIA

## Prey selected to lead Hawks girls basketball team

Mike Prey has been hired as the new girls varsity basketball coach at Shawano Community High School.

Prey brings a combination of coaching experience, basketball knowledge and a passion for developing student-athletes both on and off the court.

Prey has been involved in the Shawano girls basketball program, serving as a volunteer coach for the JV and varsity teams since 2024. In that role, he worked closely with players on skill development and game preparation. He also served as the JV head

coach when needed.

In addition to his work at the high school level, Prey has served as a head coach for Shawano Girls Hoops since 2023. There, he has led practices and team activities, implemented offensive and defensive systems, and helped create a positive environment focused on accountability, teamwork and continuous improvement.

“I am excited for the opportunity to lead a program that means a great deal to me and to continue building on the strong foundation that has already been established,” Prey said. “I have a tremendous



MIKE PREY

this program, its culture and its student-athletes.

“I look forward to building on that foundation while helping our student-athletes grow both on and off the court in an environment built on accountability, teamwork, discipline and continuous improvement.”

Prey is a graduate of

a m o u n t of respect for the c o a c h e s who came before me and the work they put into developing

Shawano Community High School, class of 2001. He continued his basketball career at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, where he was a member of the back-to-back NCAA Division 3 national championship teams in 2004 and 2005.

His experience as both a player and coach has shaped his philosophy of building a disciplined, competitive and team-focused program.

“My focus will be on building relationships with our players, establishing a positive and competitive culture and helping our athletes continue to

grow their skills and basketball IQ,” Prey said. “We will emphasize teamwork, accountability and effort while preparing to compete at a high level.”

Kayla Brendemuehl, activities and athletics director, shared her enthusiasm for the hire.

“Throughout this process, Mike demonstrated a genuine passion for our student-athletes and a clear vision for continuing the growth of our girls basketball program,” she said. “We are excited for the future of Shawano girls basketball under his leadership and look forward to the positive impact he

will have on our student-athletes, program and community.”

“I am grateful for the opportunity to lead this program and appreciate the support from our administration, players, families and community,” Prey said. “Shawano has a strong tradition of pride and commitment, and I look forward to working together to continue building a program that represents our school and community the right way, both on and off the court.”

For more information about Shawano athletics, visit [www.shawanoschools.com](http://www.shawanoschools.com).

## Late runs lift Hofa Park Panthers over Pulaski Reds

By GREG SEUBERT  
Correspondent

Carson Blom’s two-run double in the bottom of the ninth inning erased a 4-3 deficit for the Hofa Park Panthers into a 5-4 Dairyland League win over Pulaski June 28.

### Hofa Park 5, Pulaski 4

The Panthers trailed by a run heading into the bottom of the ninth inning.

Beau Jensen’s RBI single in the fourth inning

gave Hofa Park a 1-0 lead, but Pulaski tied it on Jarrett Olson’s RBI single in the fifth.

Emmit Hunter gave the Panthers a 2-1 lead in the fifth inning by stealing home, but Pulaski’s Zach Carolin tied the game with a solo home run in the seventh.

The Reds broke a 2-2 tie in the top of the ninth inning on sacrifice fly balls from Jackson Meyer and Olson.

Peyton Dorn singled for Hofa Park in the bottom of the ninth inning before Blom ended the game.

Ayden Tomlinson picked up the win on the mound, and Logan Brabant took the loss despite striking out 14 batters.

Dorn and Robbie Schuettpetz led Hofa Park with two hits each.

Carolin had three hits to lead Pulaski.

### Bonduel 5, Marinette

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Marinette opened the scoring with a run in the top of the third inning June 28 before the Broncos answered with two runs in the sixth and three more in the seventh.

A three-run home run in the top of the ninth inning cut Bonduel’s lead to one run.

Riley Susa pitched 8 1/3 innings to get the win on the mound, while Beckett Harlaben picked up the save.

Noah Weier had three of Bonduel’s 10 hits, while Chase Reinke added two.

### Hortonville 12, Cecil 7

Cecil took a 2-0 lead with a pair of runs in the top of the second inning June 28 at Hortonville, but the Stars came up with five runs in the fifth and eight frames and single runs in the third and seventh.

The Mudhens scored at least one run from the fifth to the eighth innings.

Easton Engel, Noah

Beilfuss, Mason Meverden and Logan Thieux each had two of Cecil’s 13 hits.

Dan Wunderlich drove in three of Hortonville’s runs.

### Bonduel 6, Nichols 4

Bonduel stayed undefeated in the league standings June 26 with its eighth win over the Nitros.

Nichols came up with a run in the bottom of the

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# Meverdens help lead Birnamwood over Hatley in BABA game

By GREG SEUBERT  
Correspondent

Mason and Evan Meverden had big games for Birnamwood's BABA team, as the Kings needed only seven innings to pick up a 16-1 North Division win over Hatley June 26.

**Birnamwood 16, Hatley 1 (7 inn.)**

Mason Meverden had five of the Kings' 16 hits, while Evan Meverden added three of his own, including a grand slam.

Owen Dickman and Logan Thiex added two hits each.

Thiex went the distance to get the win on the mound, and Nick Cotter took the loss. He also had the Braves' two hits.

**Eland 3, Antigo/Polar 2**

Eland outhit the Bears

12-6 June 26.

Winning pitcher Tyler Nelson had four hits for the Engineers, while Jeremy Jensen added three hits.

AJ Kirsch took the loss Antigo/Polar and also led the Bears with two hits.

**Elderon 12, Aniwa 8**

Thirteen hits – including two each from Bryce Zoromski, Casey Kerstner, Ian Salvesen and Mike Lehman – helped the WhiskeyJacks defeat the Orioles June 28 in Elderon.

Zoromski, Brandon Groshek, Carson Meronk and Justin Meronk hit home runs for Elderon.

Gavin Steppert hit two home runs for Aniwa, while Chris Wiesman also homered for the Orioles as the team finished with seven hits.

Thomas Lemanczyk

picked up the win on the mound, and Wade Farmer took the loss.

**Gresham 17, Shawano 0 (7 inn.)**

The Gophers shut out the Lakers June 28 in Shawano.

**Caroline 10, Leopoli 0 (8 inn.)**

The Cougars celebrated Fireworks Night on their home field June 26 with an eight-inning win over the Bulldogs.

Klay Barkow struck out 10 batters and gave up three hits in seven innings to get the win, while Jaden Stuhr took the loss despite striking out 15 batters.

Barkow and Jack Yae-ger led Caroline with three hits, while Gavin Christopherson had two, including a home run. Kade Rosenow also had two hits for the Cougars and drove

in three runs.

Brady Hannes, Ryan Malueg and Dane Hodkiewicz had a hit for Leopoli.

**Little Falls 16, Tiger-ton 1 (7 inn.)**

Kyle Finger struck out 11 batters and held the Tiggers to four hits to get the complete-game win June 27.

He also had three hits and drove in a pair of runs.

Parker Gullixon also had three hits for the Loggers, while Kal Fischer, Cam Gruenwald and Jenner Gullixon added two each.

Kody Ludvigson took the loss after giving up 11 hits

**Caroline 8, Witten-berg 7**

Caroline came back to pick up a one-run win over the Pilots in Wittenberg June 28.

**Plover 7, Weymont 6**

Brady Houston had three hits and drove in a pair of runs to help lead the Pterodactyls over the White Bass June 26 in Weyauwega.

Wyatt Blaskowski and Kevin Jastromski added two hits each for Plover.

Tyler Wetzel led the White Bass at the plate with three hits, four RBIs and a run scored, while Carter Birdyshaw and Colin Jorgensen added two hits and scored twice.

Kaden Thauer picked up the win on the mound and Luke Schwenn took the loss.

**Scandinavia 2, New London 0**

The Vikings headed to New London on June 25 and returned home following a 2-0 win over the Irish. Landon Moe, Matt

Gladowski and Braden Hunkins each had a hit for Scandinavia, and Conner Brinkman got the win on the mound.

**July 2 schedule**

West Division: Little Falls at Tigerton, 7:30 p.m.

**July 3 schedule**

West Division: Wittenberg at Tilleda (doubleheader), 5:30 p.m. North Division: Crandon at Eland (doubleheader), 6 p.m.

**July 5 schedule**

East Division: Shawano at Menominee; Gresham at Marion, 1:30 p.m.; Clintonville has bye. West Division: No games scheduled. North Division: Birnamwood at Elderon, noon; Hatley at Antigo/Polar, 1:30 p.m.; Elderon vs. Birnamwood at Aniwa, 3:30 p.m.; Aniwa has bye. South-Central Division: No games scheduled.

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second inning and added two more in the fourth and one in the ninth.

The Broncos cut into the lead with runs in the fifth and sixth innings before adding two more in the seventh and ninth.

Cooper Campshure had two of the Broncos' five hits.

Brooks Hartlaben picked up the win on the mound in relief.

Nichols' Cade Johnson struck out 11 batters, but

still took the loss.

The Nitros had 10 hits, including two each from Collin Leisgang, Justin Krull, Marcus Jens and Ethan Volz.

**Waupaca 2, Hofa Park 1**

The Lakemen scored only two runs, but it was enough to hand the Panthers a loss June 26 in Waupaca.

All three of the game's runs came in the first inning.

Robbie Schuettelpelz and Beau Jensen each had two of Hofa Park's six hits, while Walker Smith led the Lakemen with three and Johnny Popham and Parker Krcmar added two each.

Waupaca improved to 7-1 in league play with the win.

**Cecil 11, Marinette 0 (7 inn.)**

Noah Beilfuss pitched six shutout innings and added a pair of RBIs on June 26 in the Mudhens

win over the Redbirds.

He allowed three hits and struck out eight batters before Miles Friedman worked the seventh inning to pick up the save.

Cecil opened the scoring with a run in the first inning and added eight more in the second frame on hits from Reese Stoltenow, Garrett Engel, Beilfuss, Issac Bolt and Mason Zuleger.

Cecil added single runs in the fourth and fifth

innings.

Braden Uelmen had two hits and three RBIs to lead Cecil at the plate.

**Hortonville 9, Pulaski 2**

The Stars improved to 8-1 in league play June 26 with a road win over the Reds.

Hortonville scored six runs in the top of the first inning before adding single runs in the third, sixth and ninth.

Pulaski scored in the

first and sixth innings.

Reese Berg had three of Pulaski's eight hits.

**Navarino at Waupaca** Results not reported from June 28.

**Shawano at Nichols** Results not reported from June 28.

**Navarino at Shawano** Results not reported from June 28.

**July 2:** Hofa Park at Navarino (makeup game), 7:30 p.m.; Cecil at Bonduel (makeup game), 7:30 p.m.



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Barb and Kevin King, of Shawano, check out the ice cream flavors at Moe's on Main, the new popcorn and ice cream shop at 204 S. Main St. in Shawano. Monica Mueller, left, the mother of owner Dana "Moe" Mueller, offers advice and answers questions. LYNN ZAFFRANN

## For best popcorn around, you can get your fill at Moe's

Ice cream and other goodies also available at Shawano shop

By LYNN ZAFFRANN  
Correspondent

Popcorn, ice cream, and shaved ice, oh my.

Dana "Moe" Mueller, of Shawano, opened Moe's on Main on April 17 and is already tempting the appetites of summer crowds with her gourmet popcorn, Chocolate Shoppe ice cream and Hawaiian shaved ice.

Located on the southeast corner of Main and Division streets, the storefront had been vacant for a few years, prompting Shawano residents to speculate on what would be coming to the prime downtown location.

When her parents, Monica and Gary Mueller, purchased the building in 2022, her father thought that the location would be great for a popcorn store. It's convenient to the Naberhood, Franklin Park events, downtown shopping and has lots of foot traffic.

Mueller said that her parents asked her if she'd like to own a popcorn shop. She said, "Sure, why not?"

"We just didn't know everything that we needed to know before getting into renovating," she said. "That's part of what took so long, plus I had some health issues."

Her brother, Lee Mueller, helped with the demolition and renovation. She noted that two of the pleasant surprises



Dana "Moe" Mueller helps her nephew, Caleb Mueller, stock waffle cones in her new store, Moe's on Main. Caleb spent a few days recently in the store helping to carry supplies, organize items and measure ingredients for popcorn flavors. "It's pretty good to have a place like this in the family," Mueller said. "The other day when he helped me, I paid him in ice cream." LYNN ZAFFRANN

found during renovation were the glass block décor that rims the ceiling and the original hardwood floor.

The family-friendly store is now fully supplied.

"All of the popcorn and whatever is done to it, caramelized or cheesed, is made here on site," Mueller said.

Mueller's mother works alongside her.

"I agreed to come and help her,"

Monica Mueller said. "I tell everyone that I'm the unpaid help. It's been fun. We think very much alike."

The popcorn is kept in warmed display cases, easy to view by customers, with room for six flavors at a time. Some of the flavors sold in the shop are Orange Cheddar, Extra Buttery Caramel, Movie Theater Butter and Kettle Corn.

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## Charter fishing trip adventure for all ages

When it comes to outdoors hunting and fishing adventures, you tend to remember the toughest ones almost as much as the best ones. That was the case on a family fishing charter in the Atlantic Ocean out of North Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, on June 15 as part of an 11-day trip to the Carolinas.

It's hard to find shared activities that allow a 20-year-old active woman, a mostly sedentary 66-year-old marketing man and a columnist, and an 87-year-old

retired phone company gent who walks with a cane, but that's the beauty of a charter trip. It's all aboard, and most kids and adults will be fine.

Unless you are my daughter, Kalispell, and the Bonine doesn't work.

I booked this morning trip with Fish Hook Charters, North Myrtle Beach, because I had such a successful trip with them in June 2023, boating both a huge Spanish mackerel and multiple Atlantic sharpnose sharks (you can only keep one shark, and they are delicious).

I fished alone in 2023, but this time I had my father-in-law, Roger Nitschke, of Oshkosh, and Kali, who was on her first ocean fishing trip. Nitschke was an old salt at this, spending two months a year fishing Gulf of America waters south of Tampa, Florida, out of John's Pass on the Friendly Fisherman.

Those Florida boats are much larger, but with more anglers, you get less personalized attention than in the Carolinas. We only had six anglers on board this trip, plus deck hand Roger Lemke and Capt. Carson.

Lemke was working hard for us from the time we left the dock (7 a.m.) until we arrived back to shore (noon). He baited our hooks with cut squid, untangled snarled reels, pulled fish up the side of the 46-foot Fish Hook II and swabbed the decks and fish cleaning/baiting area with detergent and a brush when we were done so the boat was ready for the 1 p.m. trip.

Carson was a friendly, young fellow, but the trip to our first stop about 5 miles out between North and South Carolina was the roughest I've ever experienced. A front had come through the day before, and

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Roger Nitschke, of Oshkosh, shows his first sea robin caught in the Atlantic Ocean near North Myrtle Beach during a charter fishing trip June 15 with Fish Hook Charters. ROSS BIELEMA

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Both of the Muellers enjoy giving out free samples. A special flavor of the week is offered.

Customer Sheryl O’Malley, Shawano, discovered Moe’s on Main with her daughter and liked it so much that she’s a return customer.

“Cheddar corn is one of my favorites,” O’Malley said. “I like the caramel and cheddar mix.”

An eight-tub case of Chocolate Shoppe ice cream is kept full daily. Chocolate Shoppe is a super-premium ice cream developed in Madison.

Dana Mueller said that two of the eight tubs will always be dedicated to non-dairy options, with Italian Ices and oat-based ice cream.

Ice cream is available in cones, dishes or pints.

“My mom is my chocolatier,” Dana Mueller said.

Their waffle cones are

AT A GLANCE

**WHAT:** Moe’s on Main  
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**FYI:** Moe’s will be closed one week in July. The information will be available on the Facebook page.

dipped by Monica Mueller. One variety is white chocolate, with Nerds on the rim, which she said has been very popular.

Shaved ice, with multiple flavors and many sugar-free organic monk fruit options, is proving to be popular.

Customers can choose their own soda flavors for ice cream sodas from the refrigerator case to be mixed with any of the ice

cream flavors.

Moe’s also offers grab-and-go popcorn bags.

“I usually have caramel popcorn with different chocolate drizzles available,” Dana Mueller said.

There are numerous ice cream and popcorn related items for sale in the store. One interesting item is a Koozie for pints of ice cream.

“I try to bring in things that are something that you’re not finding everywhere,” Dana Mueller said.

She sources candy from Texas, for example.

Dana Mueller learned the popcorn trade from Popcorn Papa in Rockwell, Texas, which has helped many stores across the country to get set up and running.

“So, we went to Texas for four days,” she said, explaining that her

mother joined her. They cooked in Popcorn Papa’s kitchen, learned recipes and how to use the machinery.

Her husband, Alfonso Cuenta, and her brother, Lee Mueller, traveled to New Orleans to pick up popcorn-making equipment from a store going out of business and brought it to Shawano.

To learn the ice cream side of her new venture, Dana Mueller and her mother trained at the Chocolate Shoppe in Madison, which has been very supportive of the venture. Chocolate Shoppe set her up with other ice cream shop owners on Facebook.

“It’s a good resource to reach out to other owners who’ve been doing this longer than I have,” Dana Mueller said.

Just as the store itself is family-oriented, her

own family is a big part of her business. From her husband’s support, to her parents’ purchase of the building, to her siblings who have helped with renovations and worked in the store, she has their support to help grow her business.

The Moe’s on Main logo was designed by her brother, Christian Mueller, a youth pastor in Janesville. He brought his family to Shawano to help work in the store on its first Saturday.

Caitlin Hillis, her younger sister, along with her husband, Christian Hillis, have both worked in the store.

“It’s been great since we’ve opened,” Dana Mueller said. “It’s been really well-received by the community.”

She has a Facebook page and relies on word-of-mouth to advertise the

shop. She said that she enjoys involving the community in Moe’s through her Facebook page.

“I like to ask people what they want,” Dana Mueller said.

She has run polls through Facebook to see what the locals want and she watches how many votes are cast.

“I’m trying to listen to the people coming in,” Dana Mueller said. “If they have a say, maybe they’ll be more likely to patronize the shop.”

She said that almost 50 people interacted with her Facebook page to vote for ice cream flavors she recently posted. She has close to 1,000 followers.

“I want my customers to know that I’m here to support the community and I hope that they’ll support me,” Dana Mueller said.

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- 18. \*Fermented tea
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- 64. One-armed bandit
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- 5. Travesty
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- 7. Samoan money
- 8. \*Caffeinated “shot”
- 9. Bye, in Palermo
- 10. \*Group of bovine milk producers
- 11. Table scrap
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- 14. Presidential promises, e.g.
- 19. Detonation
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# Waiting to be reunited with twin orphans

Anguish flooded my heart as my brain registered what I saw. There, on the road just past our driveway, lay my sweet kitty, Fred. Lifeless.

My husband and I were on our four-wheeler, and immediately I felt the need to get Fred off the road.

“Let’s go back and get a guinea sack,” my husband suggested quietly.

Returning immediately, he gently placed Fred in the sack I had opened and, crying, I crumbled back into the four-wheeler.

Back in the day when I was a small girl on my home farm, we had a bunch of cats. They were there for a purpose – the circle of life – keeping mice at a minimum. One older one was the grandma of every cat on our farm, and she procreated regularly, keeping our mice at bay. Her offspring became our playmates, and we dressed them up in doll clothes when they were old enough.

Later, when I married my husband, we had cats on our farm, too, strictly for mice control.

Our cats were skittish, and I never considered them pets, really. They were just there.

When we sold our cows, the cats we had on the farm disappeared, one by one. We started noticing mice, and that got my husband’s attention.

“We need some cats,” he proclaimed one day.

I heard of a gal named Sarah Magee who rehomed cats. Contacting her through her organization, Joy’s Place Animal Rescue in Gresham, she brought out two spaded cats in a crate complete with food, blankets,

kitty litter and bowls.

“Leave them in the crates for two to three weeks, Kay,” she advised. “You’ll soon gain their trust as they discover you are safe and a good provider for everything they need.”

I was instructed to feed and water them daily, and clean out their litter box with a scoop (provided), talking and moving quietly around them.

The first while they hissed at me, squeezing together in the back of their crate like I was going to kill them as I tended. Soon they started, little by little, not hissing, but not really friendly, either.

Presently came the day they were to be released. I was nervous. I’d put so much effort into this. Leaving their food and water dish close by, I opened the door and left, hoping against hope they’d not just fly the coop.

They stayed.

Now they’re my little lovers, curling themselves around my ankles and many times vocally greeting me good morning at the barn door before I even open it up.

Soon we had a visitor. An old battle-scarred yellow cat would mosey his way up the barn hill and, discovering there was fresh food and water daily, helped himself.

Assuming he was way past procreating, I didn’t bother taking him to Sarah to have him neutered.

Two years passed.

Lo and behold, one day I was astounded to hear mewing, which sounded suspiciously like kittens. Peeking under the blanket in the

## FARM LIFE FROM A FARM WIFE



KAY REMINGER  
COLUMNIST



Orphaned after the death of their mother, these two kittens from the Reminger farm are now under the care of Sarah Magee and her organization, Joy’s Place Animal Rescue in Gresham. They will soon return to the farm.

KAY REMINGER

barn mow, I saw two beautiful yellow puff balls nestled there with eyes as wide as saucers and their mama – Fred. Who quite obviously was not a Fred but a Freda.

This old cat, whom I assumed

was male, turned out to be the very best mama. I’d pick them up, their bellies round as pumpkins and eyes clear as crystal. Fred – that was what we’d named “him” and it stuck – had a patch of fur

on her jawline gone, she was deaf and had barely any peripheral vision.

Her kitties were approximately 6 weeks old when we found their mama on the road that day. My first thought after seeing her there was of her twin orphan babies. How in the world would they survive?

That afternoon, I brought a saucer full of warm milk up to the barn. In tears I tried to show them the bowlful of milk. They would not drink; they were simply too little.

I called Sarah, weepily explaining what had happened.

It wasn’t one half hour later, and she and a helper were standing in the middle of my barn mow tenderly checking them out. Placing those babies in a blanket-lined carrier in the back seat of her car, she assured me in three or four months I’d have them back, fully weaned and neutered.

Confirming my perception of her compassion – and to calm me, I’m sure – later that night she texted: “The babies are fed and are sleeping.”

While I’m sorely missing Fred, I wait with anticipation when her offspring will again be home, thanks to sweet Sarah and her helpers at Joy’s Place Animal Rescue.

“Your righteousness is like the highest mountains, Your justice like the great deep. You, Lord, preserve both people and animals.” Psalm 36:6, New International Version)

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

# Vitamin K shots for newborns vitally important

Vitamin K is an essential vitamin that the body requires for normal bone development, vascular health, and – most pertinent to this topic – a healthy blood clotting system.

Vitamin K is found in abundance in green leafy vegetables, many fruits and berries, chicken and oils such as soybean, olive and canola oil. The body also produces its own vitamin K with the help of normal gut bacteria once babies begin eating a balanced diet beyond breast milk or formula.

Thankfully, vitamin K deficiency is quite rare – except in newborns. Very little vitamin K crosses the placenta during pregnancy, so all infants begin life with very low vitamin K stores.

These stores remain low for several months, especially in exclusively breastfed infants because breast milk naturally contains only small amounts of vitamin K. Infant formula contains more vitamin K than breast milk, but it is still not an adequate amount for several days, which is why supplementation at birth is recommended regardless of feeding method.

Although persistent vitamin K deficiency can contribute to long-term health problems, the most immediate and dangerous consequence is bleeding. Before routine vitamin K prophylaxis, early and classic Vitamin K Deficiency Bleeding occurred in approximately 0.25–1.7% of newborns (roughly 1 in 400 to 1 in 60 births), depending on the population studied.

Intracranial hemorrhage was among the most devastating complications, often occurring without warning and carrying a high risk of death or permanent neurologic injury. Since universal vitamin K administration at birth became standard practice, VKDB has become exceedingly rare in countries with high uptake of the newborn vitamin K injection.

Hemorrhagic disease of the newborn, now known as VKDB) was first recognized in the late 1800s, but the cause was not understood until the 1930s when a Danish biochemist identified vitamin K’s critical role in blood clotting.

Shortly afterward, a Swedish researcher conducted a study

involving more than 13,000 newborns demonstrating that vitamin K supplementation immediately after birth dramatically reduced hemorrhagic disease. That study included both oral and intramuscular administration.

While both reduced early-onset VKDB, oral vitamin K proved less reliable because it requires multiple doses and was significantly less effective at preventing late-onset VKDB.

As a result, in 1961 the American Academy of Pediatrics officially recommended a single intramuscular vitamin K injection for every newborn shortly after birth, and it has remained the standard of care ever since.

Although oral vitamin K protocols exist for parents who decline the injection, they require multiple doses over several weeks, depend on perfect adherence and still do not provide the same protection against late VKDB. We also know that maternal vitamin K supplementation during pregnancy does not prevent VKDB because only minimal amounts cross the placenta.

VKDB is classified into three forms:

- Early onset: within the first 24 hours after birth.
- Classic: from 24 hours through the first week of life.

- Late onset: from 2 weeks to 6 months of age.

This distinction is important because the risk does not end when a newborn leaves the hospital. Babies who do not receive the single IM dose remain vulnerable for months.

Unfortunately, these life-threatening bleeds rarely give warning signs before they occur. Approximately one in five infants with VKDB dies, and about half of late-onset cases involve bleeding into the brain. Among survivors of intracranial hemorrhage, approximately 40% suffer permanent neurologic injury or developmental disabilities.

Another early bleeding complication that is sometimes overlooked is elective newborn circumcision.

Vitamin K deficiency significantly increases the risk of serious bleeding following newborn-circumcision, which is why many hospitals and nurseries will not perform an elective circumcision unless the infant has received the vitamin K injection.

Since this has been the standard of care for more than 60 years and has prevented countless cases of severe bleeding and death, why are we still discussing it today?

Much like vaccines, concerns

about the vitamin K injection increased after a small study published in England in 1990 suggested a possible association with childhood cancer. Numerous larger, better-designed studies conducted since then have found no evidence that the vitamin K injection increases the risk of childhood leukemia or any other childhood cancer.

Unfortunately, the original claim continues to circulate on social media despite being thoroughly disproven.

Thankfully, deaths from VKDB remain rare, because most newborns still receive vitamin K at birth. However, as more parents decline this simple, safe and highly effective intervention, preventable cases continue to occur.

The newborn vitamin K injection is one of the safest and most effective preventive interventions in modern medicine. A single injection provides protection during the months when babies are naturally most vulnerable to vitamin K deficiency bleeding, preventing a rare but potentially devastating condition that can cause lifelong disability or death.

Dr. Mindy Frimodig is a family physician at ThedaCare Medical Center-Shawano and a member of the Shawano Community Health Action Team.



MINDY FRIMODIG  
GUEST COLUMNIST

WHAT’S HAPPENING

FRIDAY, JULY 3

**GILLETT:** Fourth of July Celebration, 4-11 p.m., Zippel Park, McKenzie Street. Lawn Chair Concert 4 p.m., Live music by Petty Cash 7-11 p.m., food and beverage stands.

**OCONTO:** Storytime, 10:30 a.m., Farnsworth Public Library, 715 Main St. Story and crafts for preschool children. A caregiver must stay with the child.

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

**SHAWANO:** Fireworks, dusk, launched from Shawano Airport, 248 Airport Road.

SATURDAY, JULY 4

**SHAWANO:** Zurko’s Flea Market – Special Holiday Market, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Shawano County Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St. Admission \$2.

**SHAWANO:** FRESH Project Shawano Farmers Market, 8 a.m. to noon, Franklin Park, 235 Washington St. Check Facebook page for cancellations and weekly updates.

**LEOPOLIS:** Leopold Triathlon, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Leopold Pond, Fourth and Water streets. Registration 8 a.m., race 10 a.m., parade at noon.

**GILLETT:** Fourth of July

Celebration, 9 a.m. to 11 p.m., Zippel Park, McKenzie Street. Antique/Classic Car, Truck and Motorcycle Show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., horse pull 9 a.m., live music by Country Rewind 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., parade 2 p.m., music by Acoustic Vinyl 3-6 p.m., antique tractor pull 5 p.m., music by Highway 32 Band 7-11 p.m., fireworks at dusk, food and beverage stands.

**TOWNSEND:** Fourth of July Celebration, 9 a.m. to dusk, Fire Department, 17937 Front St.. Craft Fair 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Parade at noon. Fireworks at dusk at Veterans Park. Food, drink , live music.

**CRIVITZ:** Crooked Lake Sportsman’s Club Fourth of July Picnic, 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., 15526 County Road W. Games, raffles, trout pond, live music, parade 10:30 a.m.

**BONDUEL:** Celebrate Bonduel, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., Village Park. Parade 11 a.m., bike raffle, two bands, kids events, baseball game 2 p.m., fireworks at dusk.

**SHAWANO:** Auto racing, 6 p.m., Shawano Speedway, 990 E. Green Bay St. Gates open 4 p.m. Adults \$15, seniors \$12, younger than age 11 free. Check the Shawano

Speedway page on Facebook for updates and weather-related conditions.

**KESHENA:** International Boxing, 7 p.m., Menominee Casino Resort Four Clans Ballroom, N277 State Highway 47-55. Featuring Jason Komaneckin Jr., lightweight state champion. General admission \$45, must be 21 or older.

SUNDAY, JULY 5

**SHAWANO:** Zurko’s Flea Market, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Shawano County Fairgrounds, 990 E. Green Bay St. Admission \$2.

**SHAWANO:** Music in the Park at Arlington, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Arlington Park, 300 N. Humphrey Circle. Music with Burdocks. Bring your lawn chairs.

TUESDAY, JULY 7

**OCONTO FALLS:** Oconto County Farmers Market, 4-8 p.m., Memorial Field. Polka Night. Music by The Zander’s Music Makers.

**SHAWANO:** Cone with a Cop, 4-7 p.m., Dairy Queen Grill and Chill, 1005 E. Green Bay St. A free ice cream treat for all visitors, and join neighbors, local law enforcement officers, firefighters, and EMTs for ice cream and conversation.

**GILLETT:** Playground

Groundbreaking Ceremony, 5 p.m., Zippel Park, North McKenzie Street.

**SHAWANO:** Naberhood Block Party, 6 p.m., The Naberhood, 214 S. Main St. Dino Dimensions.

**OCONTO:** Tunes on Tuesday, 6-8 p.m., Beyer Home, Music with Manson, plus opening act Beachfront Avenue plus Chad Pagel.

**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, JULY 8

**STILES:** St. Patrick’s Rumage Sale, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., 5760 County Road I.

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

**SHAWANO:** Shawano Ski Sharks Waterski Show, 6 p.m., Wolf River Beach at Smalley Park, 211 Riverside Drive. Pre-show 5:30 p.m. Free admission, donations welcome.

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THURSDAY, JULY 9

**OCONTO:** Thursday Play Group, 10:30 a.m. to noon, Farnsworth Public Library, 715 Main St. Meant for children to play and interact with other children at the library. A caregiver must stay with the child.

**SHAWANO:** Thursdayz at Franklin, 6-8:30 p.m., Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St. Fire On High. Bring your own chairs, food and drink available, 50/50 raffles.

**SHAWANO:** “James and the Giant Peach,” 7 p.m., Mielke Arts Center, N5649 Airport Road. Box in the Wood Theater Guild musical presentation. Tickets \$10-\$25 at Shawanoarts.ludus.com or at the door.

**SHAWANO:** The After Party, 8-10 p.m., The Naberhood, 214 S. Main St. Music with Travis John.

FRIDAY, JULY 10

**OCONTO:** Storytime, 10:30 a.m., Farnsworth Public Library, 715 Main St. Story and crafts for preschool children. A caregiver must stay with the child.

**TOWN OF HOW:** Suring Summer Craft and Vendor Show,

noon to 6 p.m., How Community Building, 12896 State Highway 32.

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SATURDAY, JULY 11

**OCONTO:** Escape Reality Walleye Open, all day, Breakwater Park, 1301 Harbor Road. Details at Escape Reality Walleye Open Facebook page.

**SHAWANO:** FRESH Project Shawano Farmers Market, 8 a.m. to noon, Franklin Park, 235 Washington St. Check Facebook page for cancellations and weekly updates.

**OCONTO FALLS:** Oconto Falls Dri-Tri, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., West Side Beach, North Flatley Avenue. Half-mile paddle on Oconto River, bicycle race and 5k run/walk. \$85; register at https://runsignup.com/Race/WI/OcontoFalls/OcontoFallsDriTri. Registration and check-in opens 7:30 a.m.

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the swells were at least 5 feet high, maybe more. We seemed to be going very fast, and the boat bashed and tossed with every wave. I sat up close to the cabin with Nitschke, but some of the swells splashed over the railing, and my right leg was soon drenched.

Kali headed into the cabin, as she was already getting queasy, despite taking two Bonine (I always take one, and they work

great for me). I told her she was better off to stay outside the cabin and look at the horizon, but she hates listening to Dad. I soon saw her holding a wastebasket, and she quickly made three contributions.

About the time we stopped for our first attempt, she was looking pretty chipper and said, “I feel better now.” She grabbed a rod and soon everyone was catching sea bass as fast as we could

reel them in. Unfortunately, the length limit was 13 inches, and the biggest of the 40-plus fish caught was about a half-inch short. Still, we had a ball catching them sometimes two at a time (one on each of our two hooks).

We made a few more sea bass stops before baiting up with cut bait and heading for shark waters, also on rocky structure.

Lemke put out at least four rods, and we waited

for about 20 minutes, then moved to a second spot. One rod finally twitched, and after setting the hook, he handed the saltwater rig to me.

I kept the line tight, reeling as fast as possible. I felt the weight of the shark (Atlantic sharpnoses are smaller than the sharks of movies, and a big one is about 3 feet long), but when the line got close to the boat, it was gone.

Nitschke caught two of

the most unusual saltwater fish I’ve ever seen: a lizard fish (long and narrow as the name implies) and a sea robin, which has wing-like fins and even feet to walk on the bottom, the deck hand explained. Both went back to the ocean.

We tipped our deck hand \$70, because he had worked hard, and we still had an ocean adventure, although we did have to make a stop at Platt’s Seafood to buy some red

snapper and halibut.

If you are looking for a family adventure that won’t break the bank (we paid \$122 each), I highly recommend a fishing charter, whether it’s on an ocean or Lake Michigan. A bouncy trip fishing beats a good day working every time.

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# COURT NEWS

• Chase Aaron Zima, 22, Green Bay, pleaded guilty April 28 to possession of methamphetamine and misdemeanor bail jumping. Judge Jay Conley withheld sentencing June 23 and placed him on two years of probation with conditions.

• Cheyenne R. Hakes, 32, Shawano, pleaded no contest April 28 to felony bail jumping. Conley withheld sentencing and placed him on two years of probation with conditions.

• Marcallen J. Uhl, 39, Marinette, pleaded no contest June 26 to fleeing an officer in his vehicle. Conley sentenced him to four years in prison followed by three years of extended supervision with conditions.

• Zachary R. Clarke, 31, Oconto Falls, was charged June 22 with possession of drug paraphernalia to produce or store methamphetamine. Judge Hannah Schuchart set a \$500 cash bond and adjourned his initial appearance until July 16.

• Eric Francis Thieben, 41, Wausaukee, was charged June 23 with operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (seventh, eighth or ninth offense), two counts of misdemeanor bail jumping and a misdemeanor count of operating while revoked. Schuchart set a \$2,000 cash bond and adjourned his initial appearance until July 16.

• Samantha Nova Wolff, 46, Marinette, was charged June 24 with possession of methamphetamine and a misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia. Schuchart set a \$1,000 cash bond and adjourned her initial appearance until July 16.

• Robert C. Lever, 45, Gillett, appeared in Oconto County Circuit Court on June 26 pending extradition to another jurisdiction. Conley scheduled a status conference for June 29 to give Lever time to seek legal counsel.

# LEGAL NOTICE

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- has resided in the ward or municipality where they wish to vote for at least 28 consecutive days before the election.

The elector must also be registered to vote to receive an absentee ballot. Proof of identification must be provided before an absentee ballot may be issued\*

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Your written request must include:

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2. the address where the absentee ballot should be sent, if different from the address above your signature
3. a copy of your photo identification\*

**The deadline for making application to receive an absentee ballot by mail is:**  
5:00 pm on the fifth day before the election, Thursday, August 6, 2026\*\*.

\*Voters who are indefinitely confined due to age, illness, infirmity, or disability may not be required to provide photo ID. If this applies to you, contact the municipal clerk regarding deadlines for requesting and submitting an absentee ballot.  
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**Voting an absentee ballot in person**  
You may also request and vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office or other specified location during the days and hours specified for casting an absentee ballot in person.  
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| Village of Lena                                                                                                                                                                        | Jodi Marquardt     | (920) 829-5226    |
| Village of Suring                                                                                                                                                                      | Kim Gruetzmacher   | (920) 842-2333    |
| <b>***Village Suring Office Hours Monday – Friday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm No appointment necessary</b>                                                                                      |                    |                   |
| City of Gillett                                                                                                                                                                        | Chelsea Anderson   | (920) 855-2255    |
| <b>***City of Gillett Office Hours Monday – Thursday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm No appointment necessary</b>                                                                                   |                    |                   |
| City of Oconto                                                                                                                                                                         | Camille Belleau    | (920) 834-7711    |
| <b>***City of Oconto Office Hours: Mon.– Fri. 7:30 am to 4:00 pm No appointment necessary within those hours</b>                                                                       |                    |                   |
| City of Oconto Falls                                                                                                                                                                   | Jenny Friedman     | (920) 846-4505    |
| <b>***City of Oconto Falls Office Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8:00am to 4:30pm and Friday, August 7<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am - 5:00 pm. No appointment necessary</b>                                  |                    |                   |

The first day to vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office is: **Tuesday, July 28, 2026\*\*\***  
The last day to vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office is: **Friday, August 7, 2026 at 5:00 pm\***  
No in-person absentee voting may occur on the day before the election. The municipal clerk will deliver voted ballots returned on or before Election Day to the proper polling place or counting location before the polls close on Tuesday, August 11, 2026. Any ballots received after the polls close will not be counted.  
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TOWN OF STILES IS ACCEPTING SEALED BIDS FOR THE FOLLOWING LRIP PROJECT:

PIONEER PARK ROAD FROM CTH I NORTH TO DUAME RD 3000 LF, 21' OF ASPHALT , 3' SHOULDER

**BID# 2 PAVING AND SHOULDERING**

SAW CUT AND REMOVE ALL ASPHALT BUTT JOINTS

PROVIDE TWO 1 ½" LAYERS OF HMA PAVEMENT 21' WIDE FROM CTH I NORTH 3,000 FT TO THE INTERSECTIONS OF ST. PATRICKS ROAD

SUPPLY, PLACE AND COMPACT 300 TON OF ¾" CRUSHED ROCK ON 3' WIDE SHOULDERS

BIDS CAN BE SUBMITTED TO TERRAH PATTON, TOWN CLERK 5718 WATERCREST RD LEAN, WI 54139

NO LATER THEN 6:00 PM WEDNESDAY JULY 8TH.

ALL SEALED BIDS WILL BE OPENED AND REVIEWED BY THE TOWN BOARD AT THE MAY MEETING.

CONTACT JASON FLYNN, TOWN CHAIRMAN AT 920-609-3541 WITH ANY QUESTIONS  
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0710, 07/17, 2026

AD FOR BIDS

The Suring Public School District is accepting bids for milk to be delivered to the school and for a food distributor and bids for snow plowing/snow removal at the Suring School for the 2026-2027 school year.

To request bid specifications please call the district office 920-842-2178 ext. 1041. The deadline to receive bids will be Tuesday, August 11, 2026 at 4pm.

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Suring Public School District

HELP WANTED

Full-Time & Part-Time Paraprofessionals

Full-time Paraprofessional

Part-time Paraprofessional

Suring Public School District has openings for full-time and part-time paraprofessionals The full-time position includes full benefits including medical, dental and retirement.

Please apply by completing a Support Staff Application. This form is available at the Suring Public School District Office at 411 E Algoma Street, Suring, WI or on the school website at [www.suring.k12.wi.us](http://www.suring.k12.wi.us) Please select the “Employment” link at the bottom of the homepage.

The deadline for applications will be Thursday, July 23, 2026, at 4:00 pm. Drop off or mail completed application to Suring Public School District, PO Box 158, Suring, WI 54174.

07/03/2026

STATE OF WISCONSIN

Town of Gillett

Oconto County

NOTICE OF BOARD OF REVIEW

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Review for the Town of Gillett, Oconto County, Wisconsin, shall hold its first meeting on July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026 from 9:00am to 11:00am, at 10908 Town Hall Rd Gillett, WI (Gillett Town Hall).

Please be advised of the following requirements to appear before the board of review and procedural requirements appearing before the board:

1. While s. 70.47 (7) (aa), Wis. stats., provides that no person will be allowed to appear before the board of review, to testify to the board by telephone, or to contest the amount of any assessment of real or personal property if the person has refused a reasonable written request by certified mail of the assessor to view the property, the Town of Gillett, due to a decision by the Wisconsin Supreme Court and recommendation by the Department of Revenue, will allow a person who has denied a request to appear and will address the lack of access and the credibility of evidence offered as an evidentiary issue at the hearing.

2. After the first meeting of the board of review and before the board’s final adjournment, no person who is scheduled to appear before the board of review may contact or provide information to a member of the board about the person’s objection, except at a session of the board.

3. The board of review may not hear an objection to the amount or valuation of property unless, at least 48 hours before the board’s first scheduled meeting, the objector provides to the board’s clerk written or oral notice of an intent to file an objection, except that upon a showing of good cause and the submission of a written objection, the board shall waive that requirement during the first 2 hours of the board’s first scheduled meeting, and the board may waive that requirement up to the end of the 5th day of the session or up to the end of the final day of the session if the session is less than 5 days with proof of extraordinary circumstances for failure to meet the 48-hour notice requirement and failure to appear before the board of review during the first 2 hours of the first scheduled meeting.

4. Objections to the amount or valuation of property shall first be made in writing and filed with the clerk of the board of review within the first 2 hours of the board’s first scheduled meeting, except that, upon evidence of extraordinary circumstances, the board may waive that requirement up to the end of the 5th day of the session or up to the end of the final day of the session if the session is less than 5 days. The board may require objections to the amount or valuation of property to be submitted on forms approved by the Department of Revenue, and the board shall require that any forms include stated valuations of the property in question. Persons who own land and improvements to that land may object to the aggregate valuation of that land and improvements to that land, but no person who owns land and improvements to that land may object only to the valuation of that land or only to the valuation of improvements to that land. No person may be allowed in any action or proceedings to question the amount or valuation of property unless the written objection has been filed and that person in good faith presented evidence to the board in support of the objections and made full disclosure before the board, under oath, of all of that person’s property liable to assessment in the district and the value of that property. The requirement that objections be in writing may be waived by express action of the board.

5. When appearing before the board of review, the objecting person shall specify in writing the person’s estimate of the value of the land and of the improvements that are the subject of the person’s objection and specify the information that the person used to arrive at that estimate.

6. No person may appear before the board of review, testify to the board by telephone, or object to a valuation if that valuation was made by the assessor or the objector using the income method of valuation, unless the person no later than 7 days before the board’s first meeting supplies the assessor with all the information about income and expenses, as specified in the assessor’s manual under s. 73.03 (2a), Wis. stats., that the assessor requests. The Town of Gillett has an ordinance for the confidentiality of information about income and expenses that is provided to the assessor under this paragraph that provides exceptions for persons using information in the discharge of duties imposed by law or the duties of their officer or by order of a court.\* The information that is provided under this paragraph, unless a court determined before the board’s first meeting that it is inaccurate, is not subject to the right of inspection and copying under s. 19.35 (1), Wis. stats.

7. The board may allow the property owner or the property owner’s representative, at the request of either person, to appear by telephone, under oath, before the board or to submit written statements, under oath, to the board. The board shall hear upon oath, by telephone, all ill or disabled persons who present to the board a letter from a physician, osteopath, physician assistant, or certified advanced practice nurse prescriber that confirms their illness or disability.

8. No person may appear before the board of review, testify to the board by telephone, or contest the amount of any assessment unless, at least 48 hours before the first meeting of the board, or at least 48 hours before the objection is heard if the objection is allowed under s. 70.47 (3) (a), Wis. stats., that person provides to the clerk of the board of review notice as to whether the person will ask for the removal of a member of the board of review and, if so, which member, and provides a reasonable estimate of the length of time the hearing will take.

9. At the request of the property owner or the property owner’s representative, the board may postpone and reschedule a hearing but may not postpone and reschedule a hearing more than once during the same session for the same property.

Notice is hereby given this 24<sup>th</sup> of June, 2026

Renee Carlson, Town of Gillett

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07/03,10/2026

Notice of the City of Gillett to Adjourn

Open Book & Board of Review to a later date

NOTICE OF OPEN BOOK FOR ASSESSMENT ROLL EXAMINATION

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to s. 70.45, Wis. Stats., the assessment roll for the Year 2025 assessment will be open for examination on Tuesday, July 14, 2026 from 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. at the City Municipal Building, 150 North McKenzie Avenue, Gillett WI 54124.

Open Book by Appointment ONLY

If property owners have questions regarding the valuation of their real estate or personal property and are unable to attend Open Book examination date, you are encouraged to contact R & R Assessing, 307 N Chestnut Avenue, Oconto Falls, Wisconsin (920-846-4250) prior to this date to discuss any concerns.

NOTICE OF BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Review (from here on referred to as BOR or board) for the City of Gillett shall meet on Monday, August 17, 2026 from 9:00 am until 11:00 am at the City Municipal Building, 150 North McKenzie Avenue, Gillett WI 54124 to hear objections from property owners who follow requirements pursuant to s.70.47(7), Wis. Stats.

Please be advised of the following requirements:

• Sec.70.47(7)(aa), Wis.Stats., provides that the BOR may deny a hearing to a property owner who does not allow the assessor to complete an exterior view.

• After the first BOR meeting and before the BOR’s final adjournment, no person who is scheduled to appear before the BOR may contact, or provide information to, a member of the BOR about that person’s objection except at a BOR session.

• No person may appear before the BOR, testify to the BOR by phone or contest the amount of any assessment unless, at least 48 hours before the first meeting of the BOR or at least 48 hours before the objection is heard if the objection is allowed under sub.(3) (a), that person provides to the BOR clerk a notice as to whether the person will ask for removal under sub.(6m) and if so which member will be removed and the person’s reasonable estimate of the length of time that the hearing will take.

• When appearing before the BOR, the person must specify in writing, his or her estimate of the land value and improvements that he or she is objecting and the person must specify the information that he or she used to arrive at that estimate.

• No person may appear before the BOR, testify to the BOR by phone or object to a valuation; if the assessor or objector made the valuation using the income method; unless the person supplies the assessor with all the information about income and expenses, as specified in the manual under state law (sec.73.03(2a), Wis.Stats.), that the assessor requests. The municipality or county must provide by ordinance for the confidentiality of information about income and expenses provided to the assessor under this paragraph and provide exceptions for persons using the information in the discharge of duties imposed by law or of the duties of their office or by order of a court. The information that is provided under this paragraph, unless a court determines that it is inaccurate, is not subject to the right of inspection and copying under state law (sec.19.35(1), Wis.Stats.). The Board shall hear upon oath, by telephone, all ill or disabled persons who present to the Board a letter from a physician, surgeon or osteopath that confirms their illness or disability. No other persons may testify by telephone.

Respectfully submitted, City of Gillett Clerk Chelsea Anderson

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City of Oconto Falls Job Posting:

Full Time Deputy Treasurer

The City of Oconto Falls is accepting energetic government accounting professional for a full-time Deputy Treasurer position. This position is scheduled for forty hours a week from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday. Salary \$25.00-\$29.00 hour depending on qualifications.

GENERAL POSITION DESCRIPTION: The Deputy Treasurer is responsible for the overall maintenance of the City and Utility financial accounting and reporting system including, but not limited to, tax roll recording and settlement, general ledger, payroll including benefits, cash receipts, accounts payable, accounts receivable, coordination of current GASB requirements, and budget preparation. In addition, this position is responsible for City cash and investment management. This position requires a technical background in accounting and computers. The Deputy Treasurer reports directly to the City Administrator and communicates with all departments to ensure that all required accounting information is being completed appropriately and on a timely basis.

QUALIFICATIONS Bachelor’s degree in accounting, finance, business administration, public administration or a related field preferred. Minimum three years of accounting experience, preferably in a local government or utility; or any combination of education and experience that provides the necessary knowledge, skills and abilities. Strong oral and written communication skills and analytical abilities.

BENEFITS The position includes a comprehensive benefit package including medical, dental and vision insurance, Wisconsin Retirement Plan, life insurance, paid holidays, vacation, and sick leave.

Apply provide a complete resume, cover letter indicating match to qualifications, and city application. Application can be accessed on City website <https://cityfocontofalls.com/employment/>

Apply at [info@cityfocontofalls.wi.gov](mailto:info@cityfocontofalls.wi.gov)

any question please call 920-846-4505.

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Frying Chicken  
Breasts**

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Amish  
Whole Frying  
Chickens**

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lb.



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Potatoes**

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**59¢**

Each



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Cheese**

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