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**LOCAL**



Stacey Balistreri and her daughter Kinzley try out the slide provided by Victory Church at Waupaca's Strawberry Fest Saturday, June 15. Emily Conroy Photo

## Celebrating Independence Day

Parades, picnics and fireworks will be featured during Fourth of July festivities throughout Waupaca County.

SSRM Youth and Family Events and the Clintonville A's.

### Weyauwega

Fireworks for the city of Weyauwega will be held at 9 p.m. Wednesday, July 3, over Weyauwega Lake.

### Waupaca

Fourth of July festivities begin at 10 a.m. in downtown Waupaca with a parade on Main Street

Trinity Lutheran Church will collect non-perishable food items and monetary donations for the Food Pantry during the parade.

Knights of Columbus will host their chicken barbecue and hamburger lunch at South Park beginning at 11 a.m.

Fireworks will be launched at 9:30 p.m. over Shadow Lake at South Park. Tune to Lakes 92.7 at 9:30 p.m. for patriotic music.

### Fremont

Fremont River Days offers live music, food trucks, kid games, a water ski show and fireworks.

On Friday, June 28, in downtown Fremont, the food trucks are open from 5:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Spicy Tie takes the stage at 8 p.m.

On Saturday, June 29, food trucks return to downtown Weyauwega at 5:30 p.m. The Glam Band performs.

On Sunday, June 30, the Webfooters Water Ski Show on the Wolf River will start at 6 p.m. The fireworks show will launch at dusk.

On Thursday, July 4, the Fremont Kiddie Parade will be held in downtown at 10 a.m.

### New London

The highlight of Fourth of July in New London is the annual Festival Foods Fireworks show at Cottrill Field inside Hatten Stadium, 801 Werner-Alten Road.

Gates open at 6 p.m. Men's Methodist club will be selling concessions. There will also be old-fashioned children's games.

Fireworks start at dusk, around 9:45 p.m.

City ordinance does not allow animals in Hatten Stadium.

### Clintonville

Clintonville A's Fireworks, Wednesday, July 3, at W.A. Olen Park-Don Jirschele Stadium. Food, music and activities. Fireworks at dusk.

At 5 p.m. on July 3, St. Rose Catholic parish will host a fireworks food stand on the parish lawn. Serving burgers, hot dogs, nachos, chips, beverages and more. Proceeds benefit

### Iola-Scandinavia

Iola's Independence Day celebration will be held from 6 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 3, at Taylor Field/Lake Iola.

In addition to fireworks, the event will feature raffles, food, softball games and drinks. The is held by the Iola-Scandinavia Chamber of Commerce. 6-10:30pm.

### Manawa

Fireworks are planned at 10 p.m. Thursday, July 4, at the Mid-Western Rodeo grounds at E5888 County Trunk B, in Manawa. The fireworks will be held immediately after the rodeo performance. They are sponsored by the Manawa Lions Club.

## Public Works building open

Plus new street names, lights

BY JAMES CARD  
STAFF REPORTER

WAUPACA – Tucked in a neighborhood off of Royalton Street, a small section of Waupaca got a big makeover. The new Public Works building is officially open and the city hosted an open house on June 14.

The main part of the building is the cavernous garage area and now all of the city's vehicles and heavy equipment are under one roof.

Previously, employees had to bounce between four buildings to access equipment. It was estimated in earlier studies that this will save the city \$30,000 per year now those back-and-forth inefficiencies have been eliminated.

Arranged with military-like order were excavators, skid steers, numerous work trucks, a street sweeper, dump trucks, mowers, a lift truck, front loaders, a tractor and trailers. The space is airy and open and there is enough room for drivers



Michigan and Harding Streets have been renamed Koronk Way and Haberkorn Court to honor two educators and coaches who left a mark on the Waupaca community. James Card Photo

to park trucks or machines without feeling cramped or leaving door dings.

The other equipment is organized in a neat and efficient manner. Along the walls

were racks holding a fleet of chainsaws and outdoor tools. There is a section of lockers holding muck boots, high-vis rain jackets and hardhats. There are pallet racks holding mortar mix and traffic paint. There are two side storage rooms containing street signs organized like library books. Numerous shelves held various machinery and oil filters like a tidy auto parts store.

Down a hallway are some offices and that leads to a break room that can be subdivided into a meeting room by using an accordion folding partition. There is a public entrance area and Director of Public Works Justin Berrens wrote a history of the site and a biography of LeRoy "Hobby" Haberkorn. It is framed and hangs on the entryway wall.

At a gathering of approximately 100 people in front of the Public Works building Mayor Brian Smith addressed the group: "It has been a long time coming and it's an incredible building but we've made this even

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## July 4 festivities in Stevens Point

Weekend celebration

BY ROBERT CLOUD  
SENIOR EDITOR

STEVENS POINT – The 40th annual Riverfront Rendezvous Festival is set for Thursday through Saturday, July 4-6, at Piffner Pioneer Park.

This community celebration features family activities, carnival rides, a parade on Main Street, pickleball and horseshoe tournaments, and fireworks.

More than 20 bands will perform on three different stages.

### Thursday, July 4

Festivities begin at 6 a.m. Thursday, July 4, with the Carp Classic Fishing Contest. Registration at the Piffner Building deck, at 2442 Sims Ave., and fishing limited to the Wisconsin River south of DuBay dam. The entry fee is \$2.



Beginning at 9 a.m. the pickleball tournaments will be held across the river at Mead Park, 1201 W. Whitney St.

During the three-day pickleball tournament there will be games for singles, doubles, men and women, and all ages. Registration is \$45 per person.

Go to [stevenspoint.com/409/Riverfront-Rendezvous](http://stevenspoint.com/409/Riverfront-Rendezvous) for more information and to register for most events.

At 10 a.m. Thursday, a parade will be held on Main Street in downtown Stevens Point.

From noon to 10 p.m.,

Thursday, there will be carnival rides and inflatable games in the Family Zone of Piffner Park. The carnival rides and inflatables are also scheduled from 5-10 p.m. Friday and noon to 6 p.m. Saturday.

Thursday's entertainment opens on the Main Stage with DJ Tyson 11:30 a.m., Miss Myra and the Moonshiners playing jazz and swing at 1 p.m., Copper Box performing Americana at 7 p.m. and the Sppin Doctors playing rock at 9 p.m.

On the Anniversary Stage, Barefoot Americans will play jam rock at 2:30 p.m. and Wheelhouse will play

Americana from 6-10 p.m.

In the Piffner Building, a trivia contest with prizes is slated to run from 1-3 p.m., followed by Big Oil playing rock at 4:30 p.m. and the Rhythm Playboys doing polka music at 7:30 p.m.

### Friday, July 5

On the Main Stage, the Polish choir Non Serio will perform from 5-6 p.m., vocalist Pat McCurdy will sing at 7 p.m. and Horseshoes and Hand Grenades will play bluegrass from 9-10:30 p.m.

On the Anniversary Stage, Boogie and the Yo Yos are scheduled to play rock from 6-10 p.m.

River Cities Jazz will appear from 6:30-9:30 p.m. in the Piffner Building.

### Saturday, July 6

In addition to the pickleball and horseshoe tournaments, there will be a cornhole tournament, with

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Communities throughout Waupaca County will celebrate the Fourth of July with parades, picnics and fireworks. File Photo

## Child found in pool transported to hospital

NEW LONDON – A 4-year-old child was found unresponsive in a pool during a weekend gathering at a home on West Beacon Avenue.

At approximately 3:45 p.m. Saturday, June 16, New London police, first responders and Gold Cross Amulance were dispatched to the home, according to a press release from Police Chief Jeffrey Schlueter Saturday.

The girl was wearing a personal flotation device when she was found non-

responsive.

CPR was started on the child prior to law enforcement arriving.

Police, first responders and people from the gathering continued CPR until the arrival of Gold Cross.

The child had a pulse at the time when Gold Cross transported the 4 year old to ThedaCare New London.

No other updates on the child have been issued as of Monday, June 17, when the paper went to press.



## PUBLISHER'S LETTER

# Unveiling the Echoes of Time in Shelley's "Ozymandias"

Dear Reader,

In Percy Bysshe Shelley's poignant sonnet, "Ozymandias", the reader is transported through the annals of time, encountering the echoes of voices long silenced by the sands of desert winds. Through the juxtaposition of various voices, the poem unveils the ephemeral nature of power, fame, and human existence itself.

The poem begins with a traveler's narrative, setting the scene of a vast, desolate landscape where only remnants of a once mighty civilization remain. The traveler recounts encountering a colossal statue, a monument to the arrogance and grandiosity of Ozymandias, a powerful ruler of ancient Egypt. Here, the voice of the traveler serves as a conduit, guiding the reader through the ruins of a forgotten empire.

Embedded within the traveler's narrative is the voice of the sculptor, whose artistry breathed life into the visage of Ozymandias. Through his craftsmanship, the sculptor immortalized the hubris and vanity of the ruler, capturing the essence of his reign in stone. Yet, even the most masterful of works cannot withstand the relentless march of time.

Central to the poem is the inscription on the pedestal, bearing the command of Ozymandias: "Look on my Works, ye Mighty, and despair!" This declaration, once intended to instill awe and fear in the hearts of onlookers, now serves as a poignant reminder of the folly of human ambition. The voice of Ozymandias himself echoes across the ages, a testament to the transience of power and the fleeting nature of fame.

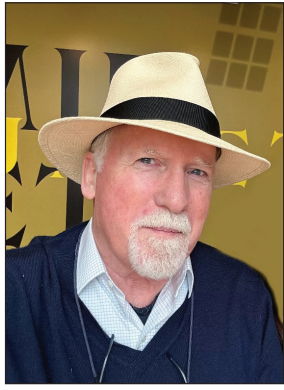
At its core, "Ozymandias" speaks to the brevity of our existence within the vast expanse of time. Like Ozymandias and his once-great empire, we too are subject to the relentless passage of years. Our triumphs and achievements, like the shattered visage of the statue, are destined to crumble into dust, mere footnotes in the chronicles of history.

Yet, amidst the ruins of empires, there is a profound beauty in the impermanence of human endeavors. It is a reminder that true greatness lies not in the accumulation of power or wealth, but in the enduring legacy of compassion, empathy, and understanding that transcends the confines of time.

In "Ozymandias," Shelley invites us to confront our own mortality and to ponder the legacy we leave behind. Through the voices of the traveler, the sculptor, and the enigmatic Ozymandias himself, we are reminded of the fragility of power, the transient nature of fame, and the eternal march of time. It is a testament to the enduring power of poetry to capture the essence of the human experience and to illuminate the truths that bind us across the ages.

**PATRICK J. WOOD**

Publisher  
Author of "Reflections" a new book  
now available on Amazon.



## PUBLIC WORKS

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more of a special night because we're not only recognizing the public works facility but we're also recognizing the improvements at Lakeman Field and we're also honoring two very special people that have been in our community over the years and that would be LeRoy Haberkorn and John Koronkiewicz."

Berrens gave a speech detailing the long history of the site going back to the 1930s where the city designated that area of land as an athletic field. Year after year, the facility developed such as a cinder running track later improved with asphalt. Lakeman Field was created, along with the Haberkorn football field.

The Public Works building was part of this evolution of public space. Berrens said he was proud and humble to be part of the project.

"We will maintain the commitment to our community and drive in working with people now and the future to make Waupaca a great place," he said.

### Two streets, new names

City Administrator Aaron Jenson took to the podium and explained how city staff wanted to recognize the sporting history of the site.

Mayor Smith suggested renaming the two streets that intersected at the corner: Michigan and Harding.

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registration at 11 a.m. in the Family Zone at Piffner Park.

There are multiple divisions and six games. The cost is \$40 per team. For more information, email [paperbaggersllc@gmail.com](mailto:paperbaggersllc@gmail.com) or call 715-544-5850.

"We gather to honor these two remarkable individuals whose dedications and contributions have left an indelible mark on our community. It is with great pride that we celebrate John Koronkiewicz and LeRoy Haberkorn by naming these streets in their honor," said Jenson.

Haberkorn passed away in 1998 and he lived a rich life of many endeavors and accomplishments: as an athlete and Hall of Fame coach, as a WWII vet and Purple Heart recipient, Ripon College alumni, Waupaca High School teacher and as a volunteer with a giant list of civic activities where he held many leadership positions.

Jenson described a lengthy list of coaching accomplishments that Koronkiewicz pulled off while coaching in Waupaca such as 582 combined wins in baseball and football.

"When asked what he liked most about coaching, he said developing relationships with the kids," said Jenson who noted that it was not a cliché. He said his athletes would run through a wall for him because he deeply cared about them as young men.

Berrens presented Koronkiewicz with a duplicate street sign of Koronk Way who stepped up to the microphone. He said he came to Waupaca in 1976 as a recent UW-Oshkosh grad. For the next 40 years he worked, played and raised a family. He said he was fortunate to teach and coach

thousands of students.

Koronkiewicz paused as he got choked up. He froze his face to hold back some tears.

"I have to admit I like the name Koronk Way. Because there is a Koronk way: Work hard. Don't give in. Try to see the good in people. Be humble. Laugh when you can. Cry when you need to," he said. "I wasn't born here and this might not be my final resting place but Waupaca will always be my home."

On the street corner of the intersection formerly known as Michigan and Harding, two public works employees pulled off a fabric cover to reveal the new crossroad street signs of Koronk Way and Haberkorn Court. There was a big round of applause.

### Lights at Lakemen

Shortly after the new signs were unveiled, the crowd filtered over to Community First Lakemen Field and the ballpark was packed for the official firing up of the new lighting system that was recently installed this spring. As the Lakemen warmed up to play the Hortonville Stars, there was the sound of cracking bats and snapping glove leather mixed with music booming from the new speakers that came with upgraded lighting system.

The smell of bratwurst and popcorn filled the air. The bleachers were full along with the picnic tables scattered around the field.

A couple of the new lights were turned on as shadows grew long in the infield as the sun went down over the treetops.

Speaking from the infield with a microphone, Parks and Recreation Director Laura Colbert said this was accomplished by the city staff, the players and fans who "understand the value of holding onto America's favorite pastime." She thanked Josh Peterson of the parks department for his determination on seeing this project through to the end.

A total of \$469,000 was donated for the upgrades at the ballpark. A large sign listing the donors was attached to the rear of the grandstand. Major donors were presented with commemorative baseball bats in the infield: Musco Sports Lighting, Farmers State Bank, L&L Propane, the Anthony family and Community First Credit Union.

Koronkiewicz, a former Lakemen, threw out two pitches to start the game. With his sons Mike and Mark as catchers, his first throw was with a football and the second was with a baseball.

The next big event at the ballpark will be the Battle on the Chain Tournament on Friday and Saturday, June 21-22. According to the schedule the game times are to be determined. Live games and previously played games at Community First Lakemen Field can be watched by going to [muscovision.com](http://muscovision.com).

will play country rock at 6:15 p.m. and Reverend Peyton's Big Damn Band will play country blues at 8:15 p.m.

On the Anniversary Stage, Boo Bradley will perform swamp rock at 2:30 p.m. and Rebel Grace will play country from 6:30-9:30 p.m.

At the Piffner Build-

ing, Subject to Change will present improv comedy from 1-2:30 p.m. and John Dietz and the Twin Lakes Trio will play polka music from 5:30-8:30 p.m.

The highlight of Saturday's activities will be fireworks sponsored by Festival Foods, slated to launch over the Wisconsin River at dusk.



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# Waupaca NEWS

## Catch-A-Ride hits milestone

10,000 rides

BY JAMES CARD  
STAFF REPORTER

WAUPACA - "For me it's a very happy day that we're celebrating 10,000 rides. I live in New London where we do not have a taxi or bus service. If you want a job or your car breaks down, good luck getting to work. This has been a godsend for us. I think it's affected a lot of people's lives and they are much better off," said Waupaca County Supervisor David Morack.

People gathered at the Waupaca County Board room to celebrate an achievement of a partnership that has provided 10,000 rides to people who have difficulty getting around.

The Waupaca County Economic Development Corporation (WCEDC), Feonix-Mobility Rising, and Make the Ride Happen used Workforce Innovation Grant funds in reduce rural transportation barriers to employment in the community.

The group launched their catch-a-ride services in February 2023 and they have

"I represent one of the poorer districts in New London. And when I went walking around for signatures, I was amazed at the number of people that were still home. I thought these people could be working. Why aren't they working? There are lots of starting entry-level jobs. But many of these people did not have a car. Which comes first,



Valerie Lefler, the founder and executive director of Feonix-Mobility Rising, said the catch-a-ride system in Waupaca County is being used as a model in other communities across the nation.

James Card Photo

the chicken or the egg? You got to get a job so you can afford a car. And you need a car so you can go get a job," said Morack.

The catch-a-ride program is not just about getting to work. People have used the service to get to doctors appointments, court dates, classes or daycare.

"Your work is truly making a difference. A year ago we celebrated 1,000 rides. We're looking at ways to bring your example forward to a broader statewide audience," said Assistant Deputy Secretary Jennifer Sereno of the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development.

Sereno noted that she was recently in Ashland and businesses there draw employees from several surrounding counties. Ashland doesn't have much for public transportation and people in rural areas have the same challenges of getting to work as they

do the Waupaca area.

"I think some of the lessons you have learned and the approaches that you have taken with this ride-share system could pay dividends for others around the state," said Sereno.

Valerie Lefler, the founder and executive director of Feonix-Mobility Rising, said she was raised on a dairy farm near a town with a population of 96 "if you count the cats and dogs." She said she grew up very aware of the difficulty of getting around in rural areas.

"Waupaca County is leading the nation in creating transportation solutions. They are talking about what is happening in Waupaca County in the halls of D.C. on the Hill. We are expanding the Waupaca County's Catch-a-Ride in Tennessee. We're looking to expand it in Texas and multiple other communities," said Lefler.

## Congressional candidate forum

WAUPACA - The Waupaca County Republican Party will host a candidate forum at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 26, at Indian Crossing Casino.

Tony Wied, Andre Jacque and Roger Roth running in the Republican primary to fill the vacant 8th District Congressional seat.

The former owner of Dino Stop Convenience Stores in the Green Bay area, Wied is endorsed by Donald Trump. Jacque, of De Pere, is a

member of the Wisconsin State Senate, representing District 1. He opposed mask and vaccine mandates during the pandemic. The Milwaukee Journal Sentinel reported that Jacque was hospitalized in August 2019 for pneumonia after testing positive for COVID-19.

Roth, of Appleton, was a 19th District state senator from 2015 to 2023 and a 56th District state representative from 2007 to 2011. He is a veteran who served

several deployments to the Middle East as a member of the Wisconsin Air National Guard.

The forum is free and open to the public.

Indian Crossing Casino is located at E1171 County Trunk Q, Waupaca.

The 2024 partisan primary will be held Aug. 13.

Two candidates have filed as Democrats running for the 8th District seat: Dr. Kristin Lyerly and Erik Eisenheim.

## Speaker discusses Berlin Airlift

WAUPACA - Christopher Kolakowski will present "To Save a City: The Berlin Airlift" at 6:30 p.m. Monday, June 24, at the Waupaca Area Public Library.

Hosted by Winchester Academy, the program is free and open to the public.

Kolakowski is director of the Wisconsin Veterans Museum in Madison. He has authored three books on the Civil War and three on World War II in the Pacific.

He is a reviewer and contributor to the Air Force Journal of Indo-Pacific Affairs and a senior fellow at the Consortium of Indo-Pacific Researchers.

The Berlin Blockade that was implemented from June



Kolakowski

24, 1948, to May 12, 1949, resulted in the Berlin Airlift. It was in some ways the first battle of the Cold War and set the stage for events to come.

The Berlin crisis started when Soviet forces block-

aded rail, road and water access to Allied-controlled areas of Berlin.

The U.S. and Britain responded by airlifting food and fuel to Berlin from Allied airbases in western Germany.

At the height of the campaign, one plane landed every 45 seconds at Tempelhof Airport. It was one of the great moments for the newly independent U.S. Air Force.

The crisis ended when Soviet forces lifted the blockade on land access to western Berlin.

Kolakowski's program will explore the blockade and the airlift, as well as its importance in history.

For more information is available at winchesterwaupaca.org.

# Quest for Zwicker

Woolly clues about bygone company

BY JAMES CARD  
STAFF REPORTER

WAUPACA - Jackie Stroik is on a citywide scavenger hunt that transcends decades.

She is hunting for anything related to Zwicker Knitting Mills.

Jackie and her husband Mike Stroik own H.H. Hinder Brewing Company and they purchased the building next door that used to be the home of Zwicker Knitting Mills.

Their plan is to remodel the huge building as an event space and they want to incorporate the history of Zwicker Knitting Mills into the interior.

"If someone had actual Zwicker apparel like hats or gloves I'd love to frame them up in a shadow box and hang them up as artwork. Anything Zwicker—products, advertisements or mechanical things they used in the factory," said Stroik.

They named one smaller room as the Zwicker Room and the inside pub is named the Purl Pub (referencing a single-rib knitting pattern known by the phrase: knit one, purl one). The entire building will be named Eight10 which is derived from the street address.

Stroik has put the word out about her interest in Zwicker and reached out to the Waupaca Historical Society and has gotten a few leads that have helped her piece together the history of the company and the impact it had on the Waupaca community.

Zwicker Knitting Mills opened in 1957 and an addition was built in 1969. At one time 170 women were running knitting machines making gloves, mitten, scarves, sweaters, headwear, knee-high socks, loafer socks, toe socks and other



Jackie Stroik of H.H. Hinder holds a fistful of wool discovered within a wall of the former Zwicker Knitting Mills. H.H. Hinder is remodeling the building and Stroik wants to feature Zwicker memorabilia in the interior.

James Card Photo

apparel. It closed in 1991. Thereafter the building was home to a scaffolding company and later the school district maintenance shop.

Of the comments they have heard from people in the community, most recalled the company's annual winter sale.

"That's the thing we heard the most because more of our generation were the kids of the people that worked there," said Mike Stroik.

It's been an investigation where clues trickle in but lead to more questions.

She learned Zwicker had a relationship with Appleton Knitting Mills. It was some kind of division or subsidiary yet Appleton Knitting Mills never listed Waupaca as a branch or its organization.

"They put up a building here away from Appleton for the work force which is not uncommon in manufacturing," said Mike Stroik.

### Female workforce

"There are so many women here that worked for Zwicker. You can talk to anybody here and they will say my grandma did, my mom did or I remember my mother taking me there to buy mittens. But when it comes down to it, you can't find anything specific. Even

the ads don't ever allude to Waupaca. When you Google Zwicker, you get all kinds of obituaries. It's always listed. Mostly it was women that worked there," said Stroik.

They had one strange breakthrough. Their maintenance man was doing some work at the top of the wall in the addition and discovered wool stuffed in hollow core blocks. He pulled a bunch out and gave Jackie a bag of colored wool threads. They were in excellent condition, untouched by mice or mold. She plans to make an artistic creation with it that she can hang on the wall.

Mike Stroik also commented that the masonry work on the building was of exceptional quality not often seen today.

The Eight10 building is slated to be open for Hinderfest on Saturday, Sept. 7. It will not be completely finished but close enough to host the annual brew festival. After that, more finishing touches will be added to the venue until it can be opened on a full-time basis.

For anyone who has information about Zwicker history or Zwicker memorabilia or artifacts, contact Jackie Stroik at info@hinderbrewingco.com.

## Bridge game at Holly Center

WAUPACA - The next duplicate bridge game in Waupaca will be 9 a.m. Friday, June 28, at the Holly Center.

All bridge players are welcome.

At the June 14 game first place went to Gary Schindler, Manawa, and Dan Schommer, Waupaca. Second were Eric McVicker, Appleton, and Greg Underheim, Oshkosh. Third went to Betty Stauffer and Diane Phelan, both of Waupaca.

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# Stevens Point NEWS

## Stevens Point celebrates Juneteenth

STEVENS POINT – Create Portage County's Idea Center will sponsor a Juneteenth celebration beginning at 1 p.m. Saturday, June 22, in Pfiffner Park.

This free, family-friendly event commemorates the end of slavery in the United States.

The holiday's origin dates back to June 19, 1865, when 2,000 Union troops marched into Galveston Bay, Texas, and announced that the Black

slaves were freed under an executive order.

"Juneteenth marks our country's second independence day," according to the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture. "Although it has long been celebrated in the African American community, this monumental event remains largely unknown to most Americans."

A talent show, vendors

and information booths will be featured.

"As we continue to strive to ensure Stevens Point is a great place to live, we are making diversity and inclusion of all types a priority," according to Create Portage County's website. "We invite you to join us for our fourth annual community Juneteenth celebration."

Pfiffner Park is located at 1100 Crosby Ave. in Stevens Point.

## Children's Museum makes learning fun

BY ELIOT JAVERS  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

STEVENS POINT – Kids and parents can expect some fun new activities to be coming to the Central Wisconsin Children's Museum.

Avery, the museum's visitor service manager, mentioned Bingo as one of the flagship events.

"One of our regular occurrences is the Bingo event in collaboration with Dimension Living, scheduled from 10-11 a.m. every other Thursday at our museum," she said. "Each Bingo event is uniquely themed with reflecting prizes. Our next session will be held on June 20, and will be a beach theme."

The museum also offers STEM events.

"The STEM classes have served as a longstanding and integral weekly engagement for our museum visitors, with a strong emphasis on creativity," Avery



Visitors play Bingo with a superhero theme at the Central Wisconsin Children's Museum in Stevens Point. Submitted Photo

said. "Our classes are designed to immerse children in educational activities that foster hands-on exploration and curiosity, enabling them to engage with our lessons in a stimulating and interactive manner."

She also talked about how the museum values being a place where children can

learn, but also be a place where they can have fun and make childhood memories.

STEM events are from 10-10:30 a.m. Mondays

Other events include Art Mania Fridays, and Morning Music Wednesdays. All these 30 minute events start at 10 a.m.

## SPASH to host musical

STEVENS POINT – Playhouse Theatre Group's Second Act will perform "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" at 7 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, June 19-22 at SPASH Theater.

The story of Joseph and his coat of many colors comes alive in the musical retelling.

Joseph – the favorite son of Jacob – has vivid dreams that foretell the future. Sold into slavery by his jealous brothers and endures a series of adventures which challenge him to his core.

Music spans multiple genres, including country-western and calypso to bubble-gum pop and rock and roll.

This show features a high-energy cast of more than 50 actors featuring



Playhouse Theatre Group's Second Act will perform "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" at 7 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, June 19-22 at SPASH Theater. Submitted Photo

Playhouse alumni, community members and friends of Playhouse.

"Joseph" is directed by Tori Schultz, with vocal direction by Schuyler Pletz, and choreography by Makenna Bolton.

Reserved seating tickets are \$15 per person, avail-

able at PlayhousePresents.com

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## Duplicate bridge winners announced

STEVENS POINT – Duplicate bridge winners at the Lincoln Center on June 10 at the Lincoln Center were Mark Thomas, Joan Platt, Birdie Granum and Erik Lacey.

June 7 - Duplicate bridge winners were Janice Doxtator and Ellie Brush, Sandy Davis and Barbara Ringberg, and Mary Kruger and Larry Kruger.

June 13 - Duplicate Bridge winners at the Lincoln

Center were Dan Stoil and Jean Singh. Jim Golz and Emalyn Nikstad, Paul Barsi and Larry Niederhofer.

June 14 - Duplicate Bridge winners were Barbara Ringberg and Keith Ringberg, Mary Jacobson and Pat Curti, Joan Platt and Audrey Patoka.

To learn more about playing duplicate bridge on Fridays, call Sandy Davis at 715-252-3365.

## Restoring balance to agriculture

BY JAMES MCKNIGHT

According to USDA statistics, Iowa and Minnesota appear to produce the most pork in the country.

But in the real world of agricultural subsidies, i.e. the 2024 Farm Bill now making its way through Congress, you could make the argument that more lucrative "pork" is produced in Washington D.C. than on the farm.

And like the porcine tail at the end of a massive corpus, only a small "wiggle" of funds makes it into the pockets of most farmers.

Subsidies originally were created in the 1930s to provide financial relief for farmers and ensure domestic food supplies during the Great Depression. Conservation practices, designed to incentivize cropping methods that would protect soil and water quality, were a strong element of early programs.

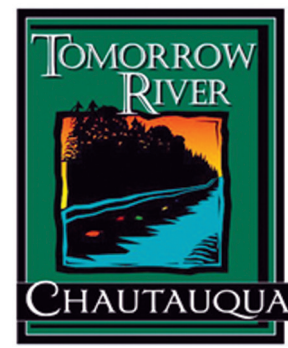
Because agriculture can be affected by many variables including weather and price volatility, there continues to be a legitimate need to support income stability for farmers and consistent food supplies for consumers. But in the last 30 years, the parallel emphasis on conservation has been diminished.

Instead, support payments increasingly focused on expanding the production of corn, soy and CAFOs in the Midwest, especially for export and non-food uses. That change profited a smaller group of players; large scale, two-crop operations, middlemen that process those commodities and non-farming owners of agricultural land. That was no accident.

### Commodity payments

Since 2018, over 27% of commodity payments have gone to the 1% largest sized agriculture operations. According to the USDA and Bureau of Statistics, 48% of that acreage was owned by off-field entities including corporations with industry links, and private equity groups with foreign and domestic ties.

Cargill, the largest middleman in the US, reported \$177 billion in US income in 2023. As a mostly private, family-owned company, Cargill's annual profits and land assets are



not disclosed, but 21 family members are currently ranked as billionaires (Forbes 2023).

In 2023, \$178 Billion was reported spent on lobbying by the industrial agriculture interests. 57% of those lobbyists are former elected officials and government employees once responsible for writing agricultural legislation. (opensecrets.org)

And unfortunately, the current Farm Bill, which just passed the House and awaits Senate action, continues those misguided priorities and threatens to make even bigger losers out of small farmers, rural communities and consumers.

For farmers, linking subsidy payments overwhelmingly to corn and soybean production has discouraged more varied and sustainable agriculture practices. Instead, they have incentivized higher inputs of fertilizers and pesticides, extensive monocropping, and consolidation to maintain viability.

For rural communities, consolidation of farms has meant declining populations and shuttering of local businesses, especially in areas without other economic streams.

From 2017 to 2021, the number of Wisconsin farms decreased by 10%, while the value of agricultural products rose from \$11.4 million to \$16.7 Million in the same period. (WI Farm Bureau) Obviously, most of that bounty did not stay local.

For consumers, rural and urban alike, development of the corn/soy/CAFO infrastructure has been a poor investment and a bad faith bargain. It has been well documented how traces of pesticides and other chemicals now inundate food supplies, from commercially grown vegetables to off-the-shelf grain cereals.

How ironic that in this current iteration of highly subsidized food production,

consumers must pay extra for food recommended as less toxic, i.e. organic.

### Rising water pollution

Add in the rising water pollution problems throughout the Midwest traced directly to industrial agricultural methods. Unsafe nitrate and pesticide levels in private wells, municipal water supplies and stream run-off are a documented fact in the entire region. Cost estimates to replace unsafe wells in Wisconsin alone begin at \$443 million.

Full resource remediation costs may be incalculable given the scope of the problem. Growing evidence of serious health problems and rising healthcare costs linked to these substances are also emerging.

Even those real consequences however don't rise to the brazen level of bad faith rhetoric from the industrial agricultural complex that insists that this is the only way we can "feed the world".

The most obvious reality check is the case of corn, where half the annual production isn't for food, but manufactured into ethanol. On top of the negative environmental and health affects noted above from corn cropping, ethanol production has never been a very efficient way to produce energy, even in the 1970s. That is especially true now compared to renewable sources that have become cheaper and much more efficient.

Ethanol industry claims that it was a "cleaner" fuel negated by University of Wisconsin and Minnesota 2022 studies showing that high levels of benzene and carbon dioxide were a byproduct of fuel processing.

Not deterred, the corn industry, and new partner, the fossil fuel industry, is turning that on its head by proposing a system of pipelines from ethanol plants in Iowa to underground storage in the Dakotas to meet carbon emission standards. Taxpayer funded of course.

### Farm Bill

How could you top that for hubris? Two ways in the current Farm Bill.

Section 10205 eliminates

**Agriculture**  
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## ADRC senior support programs

The mission of the Aging and Disability Resource Center is to support seniors, adults with disabilities, and their families and caregivers by offering easy access to services and by fostering a caring community that values lifelong contributions, maximum independence, and individual dignity.

### Nutrition program

The nutrition program is open to Portage County seniors age 60 and older. Call the ADRC Nutrition Program for more information or to register as indicated below. Donations of \$5 per meal are appreciated. No eligible participant will be denied a meal based on ability to contribute toward the cost of the meal.

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- Plover\*: Municipal Building, 2400 Post Road. Serving at noon every Tuesday.

- Amherst\*: Jensen Center, 487 North Main St. Serving at noon every Wednesday with bingo after.

- Junction City\*: Park Lodge, 224 Case Ave. Serving at 11:45 a.m. on the first and third Thursdays of the month.

- Rosholt\*: Nelson-Kaminski American Legion Post 509, 290 Grand Ave East. Serving at noon on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month.

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### Making difference in children's lives

The Foster Grandparent Program (FGP) of Portage County has openings for volunteers to help in local schools for the 2024-25 school year.

FGP participants help school

children in the community develop the academic and life skills necessary for their development and future success.

FGP is ideal for people who enjoy children, have some extra time, and could use a tax-free stipend each month.

Under the supervision of a teacher, each foster grandparent spends 7.5-20 hours per week assisting children, one-on-one and in small groups. They help those who need extra help in areas such as school readiness, reading, social skills or mentoring.

On-going training is provided, and no previous teaching experience is needed. Foster Grandparent participants find joy, meaning and purpose in serving in the schools.

Candidates for the program must be age 55 or older and meet income eligibility requirements of \$2,510 per month for a one-person household or \$3,407 per month for a two-person household. Individuals with somewhat higher incomes may still qualify if they have higher medical expenses.

The stipend foster grandparents receive does not impact any other aid or benefits they might already be receiving, such as subsidized housing or medical assistance. They also receive travel assistance, meals at the school, and many other benefits.

For more information, contact the FGP Coordinator at the Aging & Disability Resource Center, at 715-346-1401.

The Aging and Disability Resource Center is located at Lincoln Center, 1519 Water St., Stevens Point. Call 715-346-1401 or 1-866-920-2525.

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# Clintonville NEWS

## Hoffman retires from newspaper

BY JOHN FAUCHER  
STAFF REPORTER

CLINTONVILLE – A familiar face in the Clintonville business community has officially retired.

In 1979, Jeff Hoffman began his storied career in print sales and newspapers.

The 1974 graduate of Gresham High School attended the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh where he earned his bachelor's degree in marketing.

Fresh out of college, Hoffman took a job close to home selling advertising at the Shawano Evening Leader.

"Back then, weeklies were thriving," said Hoffman.

Hoffman remembers when the paper operated out of the old theater building in Shawano before constructing its new operation on Green Bay Road.

By the mid-80s Jeff left his sales and marketing post at the paper and sold homes for a few years before answering the call into a sales position with Walter Gleason, a longtime owner of the Clintonville Tribune-Gazette.

Gleason and his wife Arleen owned the T-G since 1951.

### Joining T-G sales staff

Gleason joined the T-G in 1941 as its news editor, but left to serve in the U.S. armed forces during World War II.

After returning to Clintonville, Gleason and his wife Arleen entered into a partnership to buy the paper and they became sole owners by 1953. They owned and operated the paper until their retirement in 1994.

Hoffman recalls their keen awareness of the many roles newspapers played in a community.

"I learned a lot from Walt and the staff he had working there," said Hoffman.

"At the time I was hired to sell advertising, and replace Dick Koeppen, who had been there around 20 years. He was leaving to start a business of his own," said Hoffman.

Hoffman said his prior experience selling newspaper advertising helped him land the job.

Over the course of the next 28 years he would learn other aspects of the printing



Hoffman

and publishing business.

"I always wanted to learn the camera," said Hoffman. And at a small newspaper office it's pretty much an "all hands on deck," approach when something big happens.

"They gave me a camera and it didn't take long, photography kind of became a side thing," explained Hoffman.

Soon he was doing breaking news photos, sports photos, and feature photos for the community.

"I always had a camera on my hip for all of those things.

There are a lot of stories I covered, and some God awful stuff too," he recalled.

Most coworkers at the paper in one way or another were accustomed to developing printing plates, rolling film and developing film. They also collectively experienced the transition from all that old technology into the digital age.

Hoffman remembers when Bernice Fuhrmann, a friend and co-worker at the Tribune-Gazette, used a computer with a 2MB hard drive and Lotus 1,2 and 3 to create a program for pricing print jobs. She retired in 2022.

Thinking back on the rapid changes in technology, Hoffman chuckled at the 2 MB hard drive.

"The amazing thing is, it worked," he said.

### Hoffman named publisher

In 1994 Scott and Marcia McGraw purchased the T-G from the Gleasons.

Hoffman was named publisher.

By then, technology really started to gain hold in the industry and modern computers began replacing old equipment especially on the printing and layout side of things.

In 2000, the McGraws sold their family of newspapers to Gate House Media. Inc. Gate House was a na-

tional chain of newspapers containing around 330 publications.

The print shop in the back of the building eventually was discontinued.

In 2007 Journal Community Publishing Group purchased the T-G and eventually combined it with several papers in the county to create the County Post East.

In 2012 Brown County Publishing acquired the County Post East as well as other publications now part of Multi-Media Channels, including the Shoppers' and Buyers' Guides.

In 2014 the company returned the name Clintonville Tribune-Gazette just as it was turning 128 years old.

During his career in newsprint Hoffman and fellow staff at the T-G have earned multiple awards from the Wisconsin Newspaper Association in both photography and news coverage.

Hoffman has also helped win Wisconsin Community Paper Association awards for advertising campaigns in both the Shoppers Guide and Buyers Guide publications.

Hoffman said he was very thankful to serve with his fellow coworkers over the years and he will miss them.

He also said it was a privilege working in the community that he loves.

"You make a lot of friends in this business and you see a lot of the community's finest in a job like this," said Hoffman.

### Retirement plans

Hoffman said he plans on doing a little more fishing in his retirement and he plans on staying active in the community.

Hoffman is a member of the Clintonville Rotary Club, and serves on the board for the Clintonville Area Foundation. He also supports the Friends of the Clintonville Public Library and is active at St. Martin's Lutheran Church.

Hoffman is looking forward to spending a little more time and traveling with his wife Corinne of 35-years.

His former clients are encouraged to call 715-258-3207 for advertising and other questions or email wpsales@mmclocal.com.



### AED donation

The Clintonville Masons recently donated three AED machines to the city of Marion. Clintonville Masons members Mark Zachow (far left) and Paul Van Laarhoven (far right) presented the AED units to representatives from the city.

Marion Advertiser Photo

## Customer service moving to new utilities building

### \$12,000 for adding offices

BY BERT LEHMAN  
STAFF REPORTER

CLINTONVILLE – The customer service staff of Clintonville Utilities will move from Clintonville City Hall to the new building being constructed.

At its June 11 meeting, the Clintonville Common Council approved moving the customer service staff to the new building once it is finished. It approved an additional construction expenditure, not to exceed \$12,000, for a change order regarding a customer service addition to the building.

Ald. Brad Rokus voted against the change order.

Clintonville Utilities Manager Dave Tichinel told the council that the \$12,000 is not extra money for the project, rather the funds will come from the contingency fund previously approved for the project.

### Finance meeting

At the June 10 Clintonville Finance and Personnel Committee meeting, City Administrator Caz Muske said there had been internal communications within the city and with the city's utility committee regarding the change.

"Initially when we talked about the design for the water, electric facility, the billing and administrative staff was going to stay here (city hall), for a couple of different reasons," Muske said. "But based on the feedback and continued dialogue, it's recommended by city administration and the utility committee and our department heads to go forward with moving the operations ladies here to that new facility."

She added that the city is recommending the approval of the additional construction expenditures not to exceed \$12,000 to support the change order.

Committee member Greg Rose said he thought the original plans for the new utility building included space for offices.

Tichinel said the office space in the original plans included an office for himself and a foreman, but some things had to be reconfigured.

He said adding a drive-thru was discussed, but because of the cost, that idea was eliminated.

### City administrator's report

In the city administrator's report for the June 11 council meeting, Muske stated that during the mid-2000s, city administration "observed efficiency-concerns with Utility Department customer service operations and desired a more accessible facility; therefore, moved the Utility Department customer service operations to City Hall for the following reasons: 1. To improve customer service operations and 2. To allow customers ease of access."

Muske's report also noted that in 2022, it was decided not to include the Utility Department customer service operations in the new building plans because of recent capital expenditures and organizational culture concerns.

"In 2017-2018, \$32,500 was expended to support the retrofit of City Hall to better accommodate the Utility Department customer service operations," Muske said in her report.

Despite that, Muske stated, "While there are concerns regarding organization culture and customer convenience, City Administration's role is to support, empower, and trust in the professional assessment(s) of Department Heads."

**Jeff Hoffman has sailed into retirement!**

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# New London & Hortonville NEWS

## NL's cable access to be restored

### New equipment needed

BY BERT LEHMAN  
STAFF REPORTER

NEW LONDON – The cable access channel for the city of New London, which has not been working since March of 2023, will eventually be back on the air once new equipment is purchased and installed.

The New London Common Council, at its May 21 meeting, approved spending \$7,032 to purchase the transmission equipment required for the cable access channel. The funds will come from the Cable Reserve Fund.

### Parks & Recreation Committee meeting

City Administrator Chad Hoerth told the New London Parks & Recreation Committee at its May 7 meeting, that since the time the cable access channel stopped working, he has been working with Charter Spectrum to rectify the situation.

“Initially, the response from Charter, the reason why we were down was because our equipment failed in transmitting,” Hoerth said. “It took me awhile to figure out how to prove that (our equipment was working), but I did prove that

our transmission equipment was working. So, it was something outside our building that was the failure.”

The transmission equipment the city was using and the receiving equipment Spectrum Charter was using was more than 20 years old, Hoerth said.

“It’s old analog equipment. It’s beyond its useful life,” Hoerth said. “It’s definitely time for an upgrade.”

He added that Charter’s initially said fixing the issue would cost \$30,000 in new equipment. In addition, Charter was going to charge the city \$800 per month for the transmission line.

At that point, Hoerth said he told Charter that state statute “specifically indicates that they can not charge us for that transmission.”

“It took me awhile to get that with them, and have them agree to that,” Hoerth said.

He said Charter finally agreed with that assessment, adding that the only thing Charter can charge the city for is the city’s transmission equipment and the cost to set that equipment up.

To get the city’s channel back up and running, the city would have a one-time cost of \$7,032 for equipment and set-up, Hoerth said.

In addition, Charter would have to update all

their receiving equipment to a digital format. There would be no cost to the city for this.

Hoerth said he expected it would take around six months for everything to be updated and set-up.

“At least I finally got some indication or plan with them to actually move forward,” Hoerth said.

Committee Chair Robert Besaw asked for verification that there are funds available in the Cable Reserve Fund to cover this cost.

Hoerth confirmed that, stating there is more than \$100,000 in the Cable Reserve Fund.

### Cable access channel use

Hoerth said that as time goes on, the number of people who view the city’s cable access channel could decrease as more people go online to YouTube.

“So, maybe this is the last upgrade ever for the cable access channel,” Hoerth said.

“But we still get comments about that. There’s a population out there, in New London, that gravitate more towards cable access channel than online YouTube. This is another way that we are broadcasting our information, and getting our information out to be transparent to the community.”



### Cleaning crew

Members from the New London FFA met on May 30 to clean their portion of State Highway 54. Afterwards, they enjoyed a treat from Dairy Queen. Shown, from left, are FRONT: Evan Schuelke, Shawna Prah, Claire Klotzbuecher, Samantha Prah, Keeley Philips; BACK: Autumn Prah, Brya Schmidt, Carolyn Backes, Morgan Williams and Onan Retzlaff.

Submitted Photo

## Grant approved for senior bus

### City will pay 24% of cost

BY BERT LEHMAN  
STAFF REPORTER

NEW LONDON – The city of New London will receive a \$105,000 grant to put toward the purchase of a new senior van.

The city will pay \$37,985 toward the van.

The New London Common Council approved filing the paperwork for the grant when it met May 21.

The council also approved an additional \$11,405 to finance the total local share of 26% to purchase a 2024 medium bus for the Senior Transit Program.

### Parks and Recreation

The grant was discussed in more detail at the May 7 Parks and Recreation Committee meeting.

At the meeting, Parks

and Rec Director Ginger Sowle said that in 2022, she applied for funding to help purchase a new senior bus. She said the city has been notified that it has been granted the funding.

She said the city was originally told it would be an 80/20 grant in which the city would be responsible for 20% of the total cost of the bus. The other 80% would come from an DOT Federal Transit Administration 5310 Grant.

Sowle said she was later informed that the grant would cover only 70% of the total cost. But since then, she received the actual grant agreement, which calls for a 76%/24% split in the cost.

“So, we’re not going to be on the hook for as much as we thought we would, but we will still need to have some additional funding requested,” Sowle said.

She said she originally asked for budgeting of \$20,580 for the 80/20

split. But with the 76/24 split, the city will pay \$37,985.

“I will be asking capital for (an additional) \$11,405,” Sowle said. “Just to be fully transparent, the cost of the vehicle itself is \$143,340.”

The federal and state government’s share will be \$105,000, that will be provided through the grant.

### Timeline

In a May 21 memo from Sowle to the New London Parks and Recreation Committee, Sowle said the state could not predict when the city will receive the new bus, because of manufacturing delays. She said she hopes the city will have the new bus by next spring.

She added that once the city receives the new bus, she will go through the asset disposal process for the 2007 vehicle the city currently has, and put it up for sale to the public.

## Wega-Fremont NEWS



The Weyauwega-Fremont FFA Chapter was named the winning state FFA Quiz Bowl Team. Shown are state FFA President Mary Schrieber, and W-F FFA members Helmi Lehto, Isaac Leyva, Lia Kiedrowski, Victor Kiedrowski and Emma Epstein.

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## W-F FFA wins Quiz Bowl

MADISON – The Weyauwega-Fremont FFA Chapter was named the winning State FFA Quiz Bowl team.

The High School Quiz Bowl Leadership Development Event (LDE) was held at the 95th State Convention of the Wisconsin Association of FFA in Madison, Wisconsin.

The Weyauwega-Fremont advisors are Connie Peterson and Jessica Magdanz.

To qualify for the state finals, Weyauwega-Fremont competed in several other contests including district contest, sectional contest, and finally the state semifinals in Madison.

The FFA High School Quiz Bowl LDE allows

ninth through 12th-grade FFA members to demonstrate their FFA knowledge and skills in answering questions about FFA programs, history, activities and leaders.

The Bay Port FFA Chapter was the state runner up.

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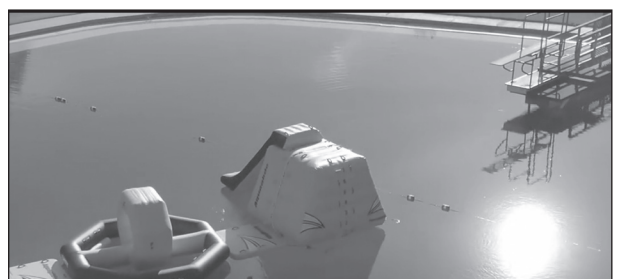
WEYAUWEGA – The swim lake at Maasch Community Park got a playful upgrade. There is a new Aqua Park that resembles a floating playground and a fountain system.

The pool is divided into three zones. Zone 1 is a free swim area just for swimming. No rough play or playing with the fountain.

Zone 2 is a lifejacket area. Everyone must wear lifejackets. Swimming in the Aqua Park is not allowed. Lifejackets are provided and should be returned when finished using them. Swimmers should look before jumping off the Aqua Park equipment. No rough play is allowed in this area.

Zone 3 is the diving board area. Swimmers wanting to go into this area must pass a swim test.

Also there is no



swimming into different zones by swimming underwater and going under the ropes. No pushing or rough play is allowed in any of the zones. Life-guards will ask swimmers to leave a zone if any rules are being broken.

Open swim hours are from 12:30 p.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Thursday, from 12:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday and from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Swimming lessons are offered in the mornings for a half hour starting at either 11 a.m. or 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday. Evening swim lessons are held twice a week from 6:15 p.m. to 7 p.m. either Monday and Wednesday or Tuesday and Thursday.

The first session of morning swimming lessons will be offered through the Weyauwega-Fremont School District Summer School Program. Contact the school district to sign up for morning lessons only from June 10 to June 28. Times will vary.

Registration for all other lesson times and sessions will be done at the swim lake office before the start of each session. Session I lessons: Monday through Friday, June 10 to June 28. Session II lessons: Monday through Friday, July 08 to July 26. Session III lessons: Monday through Friday, July

29 to August 16. Swimming lessons have six levels: (1) Introduction to Water Skills. (2) Fundamental Aquatic Skills. (3) Stroke Development. (4) Stroke Improvement. (5) Stroke Refinement. (6) Advance. Each level has a maximum of eight students per lesson time. Additional classes may be opened if the need arises.

The cost for lessons is \$15 per person for city residents and \$25 for non-city residents who have purchased a season pass, or \$25 for city residents and \$40 for non-city residents without a season pass. Private lessons can be scheduled with an instructor for \$15 per hour.

Season passes are available at the swim lake during open swim hours. Family plus one season pass is \$55 city resident, and \$65 non-city resident. The family pass plus one season pass includes immediate family under 18 living in the same household and one other person such as a babysitter or grandparent.

Season passes for adults are \$35 city resident and \$40 non-city resident. Season passes for children are \$30 city resident and \$35 non-city resident.

Day passes are \$3 for senior citizens, \$4 for adults and \$3 for children. Non-city residents pay one dollar more in each category.



# Iola-Scandinavia NEWS



The Iola-Scandinavia boys' track team accepting their first place spot at state competition in LaCrosse. Submitted Photo

## I-S boys' track take state

**BY EMILY CONROY**  
STAFF REPORTER

IOLA – The 2024 boys' track team won first place at state for the first time in the history of Iola-Scandinavia School District.

The competition was held May 31 and June 1 at the University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse.

Track coach Peter Bowen said many things fell into place for the win.

"They all felt they belonged there but knew nothing was a given, and we needed a few things to go our way which ultimately did," Bowen said.

Among the wins within the track team, some notable performances include senior Charlie Vater and sophomore Jensen Rice.

A long-distance runner, Vater won both the 1600 and 3200 meter runs, Bowen said.

Rice won in the 110 meter hurdles and the 100 meter dash, as well as being a part of the relay team, Bowen said.

Bowen said that Vater and Rice were the foundation to the championship win, however ultimately it was the relay team that put them over the top.

Bowen said Vater was confident going into competition as he had been there twice before.

The relay team competitors were Izyck Olson, Ryan Kampert, Aiden Bowen and Jensen Rice, Bowen said that other than Rice, all three on the relay team were first-time competitors at the state competition.

"They knew exactly what they needed to do and it came together nicely," Bowen said. "I think for most of them it was pretty surreal. I'm not sure if it has sunk in yet what they accomplished."

## Students learn about electrical safety

REGION – To help promote Electrical Safety Month in May, Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative (CWEC) provided electrical safety demonstrations to fourth-grade students at six elementary schools in the CWEC service area.

Elementary schools included those in Birnamwood, Bowler, Iola, Rosholt, Tigerton and Wittenberg.

The demonstrations were conducted by CWEC linemen, and showed students firsthand the dangers that could occur if they aren't safe around electricity.

Students learned about some of the safety equipment a lineman has to wear when they work around power lines. They were also shown examples of what overhead and underground power lines look like, and learned why they are constructed the way they are.

Linemen also showed the students what happens if a tree branch, kite string, and fishing line come in contact with a power line.

"It's important for students to understand how dangerous electricity can be, and that they should never go near a downed power line or something that is in contact with a power line," said Bert Lehman, member relations specialist at CWEC.



Chris Tuszke, a lineman with Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative, uses a hot dog to demonstrate to fourth grade students at Iola-Scandinavia Elementary School how dangerous electricity is. Submitted Photo

"During the classroom demonstrations, students see smoke, sparks, and flames, which help to reinforce that they need to stay away from power lines."

To help convey how dangerous electricity is, one of the demonstrations used a hot dog to simulate what would happen if a human body contacted a power line.

"Students are always amazed by the hot dog portion of the demonstration," Lehman said. "They generally have a lot of questions about electricity after that."

Finally, students were informed about what to do if they are involved in a vehicle accident that resulted in a downed power line. And if need be, how to properly exit a vehicle in that situation.

"Our linemen enjoy giving back to the community by providing these demonstrations to students," Lehman said. "They feel it is important for kids to know why linemen take so many precautions when working around power lines, and why the public needs to stay away from power lines."

## Manawa NEWS



A time capsule buried in 1974 and its contents were found to be damaged ahead of the 150th anniversary of the city of Manawa. Emily Conroy Photo

## Manawa time capsule destroyed

**BY EMILY CONROY**  
STAFF REPORTER

MANAWA – A time capsule buried at the 100th anniversary of the city of Manawa celebration was recently dug up and found to be damaged.

Ken Groholski, one of the people helping to plan the 150th celebration was also present at the centennial celebration. He said the contents of the time capsule are water damaged, with very little of the contents salvageable.

The time capsule was buried in 1974 and contained various items from that time period. It was not to be opened until the 150th celebration, at which time the items would be revealed and new items would be put in.

The expected date of

the opening of the time capsule was set for Aug. 3.

The planter at Triangle Park was placed there in order to house the time capsule, with the Bronco Buster statue being placed at the park in 2000.

The time capsule itself was made of steel and fiberglass, there was an aluminum cover and cement was poured over that to prevent any kind of damage to the box. However, somehow a stake managed to make its way through.

"It is very disappointing," Groholski said of the damage. "We were so looking forward to opening it with everyone."

As of right now, former and current city employees or the members on the sesquicentennial don't know what exactly happened to the capsule.

"I don't know why they didn't stop, it had to be tremendously hard to do," Groholski said.

He said the majority of the items were completely destroyed, while a few of the items they may be able to salvage.

Of the items destroyed was a high school year book, registration of who was in attendance at the 100th city anniversary, as well as buttons, newspapers and advertisements.

There was no sign marking where the time capsule was, Groholski said, outside of a small area outside the capsule that said not to open for 50 years.

Groholski said he is trying to dry the newspapers out the best he can ahead of the celebratory weekend Aug. 1-3.

## Gear Kids returns to Iola Car Show

**BY EMILY CONROY**  
STAFF REPORTER

IOLA – The Iola Car Show will again feature activities for children with their program, GearKids.

Gearkids started up as a way to get younger children involved and interested in cars, said Hayden Nelson, the GearKids program coordinator.

The activities range from crafts to scavenger hunts.

One of the activities this year will be making birdhouses with license plate roofs, Nelson said.

A returning activity will be the Waupaca Foundry event called "Foundry in a Box." This allows youths to work with foundry employees to create a key chain, he said.

The mock swap is also returning this year which gets youths out and about. They will need to collect 10 stamps at a variety of locations. Once they get all 10 stamps they earn a pin, Nelson said.

Nelson also said that Dave Eaton will be at the Iola Car Show this year, and at his booth are robots that he created. One of his robots was featured on the "Battlebots" TV show. The robot is named Rusty.

"This will allow kids and adults to get an up close look at some very unique engineering and fabrication," he said.

The Gearkids area is located at Gate 3 as well as next to the Gregg's Speed Shop tent. At these locations participants

can pick up a card for the mock swap.

"GearKids is a really cool thing for the kids to participate in. They are able to partake in hands-on activities that relate to the car world and really be a part of something that isn't at many other car shows," Nelson said.

Nelson said that he works with different companies and organizations that help to create and grow the Gearkids role at the Iola Car Show with the ultimate goal of being able to spur more interest in cars to younger generations.

Those who have an organization or company that would like to participate in growing the Gearkids activities can email Nelson at hayden@iolaoldcarshow.com.

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# Obituary Notices

## Clayton, Delores

Delores Ann Clayton (nee Thompson) of Cedarburg, formerly of Waupaca, born on December 20, 1933, passed away on June 13, 2024, at the age of 90 years.

A memorial service will be held on Monday, June 24, 2024, at 11:00 AM, at Trinity Lutheran Church, N60W6047 Columbia Road, Cedarburg, WI 53012. Private family burial will take place at Zur Ruhe Cemetery, Cedarburg. A visitation will take place, on Monday, at the church from 10:00 AM until the time of service.

For online condolences, and to view the full obituary, please visit [www.muellerfuneralhome.com](http://www.muellerfuneralhome.com)

## Fratt, Mildred

Mildred Damon Fratt of Waupaca, age 100, passed away on Saturday, February 24, 2024. She was born in Madison on January 26, 1924 to the late William and Alma (Eggert) Damon. She married Homer Fratt on August 4, 1944 in Tucson, AZ. She was a member of Parfreyville United Methodist Church.

She will be missed by her sons: Robert (Imogene) Fratt; Thomas Fratt; daughters: Patricia Daniels; Marilyn Byrne; and Nancy (Paul) Mittelstaedt; 10 grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren; brother: Don Damon; numerous nieces, nephews other relatives and friends. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Homer, siblings, William, Theodore, Robert, Lillian, Dorothy and Winifred, son-in-law, Steve Daniels and great grandchild: Jackelyn.

The Memorial Service will be on Monday, June 24, 2024 at 11 am. at the Maple Crest Funeral Home of Waupaca. Burial will be in the Central Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery in King.

## Jorgensen, Judith



Judith Marilyn Jorgensen passed away at the age of 91 on May 30, 2024 at Tamarack Court.

A celebration of life will be held at 11:00 AM on Friday, June 28, with visitation from 10:00-11:00 AM at First Lutheran Church in Bemidji, MN with the Reverend Corey Fuhrman officiating.

Judy Jorgensen was born on January 31, 1933, in Waupaca, Wisconsin to first-generation Norwegian/Danish parents Aleda and Howard Jorgensen. After spending her early childhood in Evanston, Illinois, the family moved north to the small town of Scandinavia, Wisconsin when Judy was 14. Considered a big city girl by her new classmates, it wasn't long before freshman cheerleader Judy caught the eye of junior basketball player Art Lee, who also happened to be one of their high school principal. Art and Judy soon began to "go steady," having fun jitterbugging to big band jazz at community dances and enjoying picnics at Sand Lake.

Judy and Art stayed together after high school, while she worked at different jobs around town and Art finished his studies at Luther College in Decorah, Iowa. On August 20, 1955, they were married at Scandinavia Lutheran Church. The couple then moved to Osseo, Wisconsin where Art began his first teaching job. Son Scott and daughter Kristen were born in Wisconsin, and in October of 1959, they moved to Bemidji, Minnesota, where daughter Karin was born. Judy and Art spent most of their years in Bemidji enjoying their home on beautiful Lake Movil, a place Judy always held dear in her heart.

They owned a condo in Tucson, Arizona as well, becoming snowbirds and escaping many cold Minnesota winters so they could experience desert sunshine and the unique beauty of the Southwest.

Judy also enjoyed traveling to many other parts of the world. This happened when Art retired and became a guide for Elderhostel; Judy joined him on several trips that saw them doing everything from touring all over Europe to taking a paddleboat river cruise up (and down) the Mississippi. Her enthusiasm and curiosity about places and people were always present during these new adventures, and she came back from them with many good stories to tell.

Judy was an advocate for compassionate care through her 30 years working as a volunteer for Hospice. She guided many, many people through their final journey, and it is fitting that she was supported by the wonderful Hospice volunteers in her last days. Judy also had a passion for music. She was a charter member of Sweet Adelines as well as singing in the choir at First Lutheran Church. Judy had an amazing sense of humor and a beautiful laugh! She surrounded herself with wonderful, dedicated friends and enjoyed many social outings and events with her "Committee."

All in all, Judy was a singer, an artist, a writer, a gardener, a poet, a caller of loons, and of course, an amazing and wonderful mother. She loved her family deeply, and created a solid foundation for the family home. As a grandmother she traveled far and often to support all of her grandchildren and cheer them on for birthdays, concerts, athletic events and graduations. She loved them all, and never failed to show that love. Her family will miss her more than words can say.

Judy is survived by her 3 children: Scott Lee, Kristen (Rick) Barnes and Karin Lee. Her grandchildren: Molly (Aron) Roberts, Madeline Barnes, Micah Barnes, Kristian Hansen and Eirik Hansen. She was preceded in death by her husband, Arthur Lee; parents; Aleda and Howard Jorgensen, and her brother Roger Jorgensen.

The family would like to especially thank Dr. Rodney Will for his kindness and professional care. In addition, the family would like to thank the caring staff at Tamarack Court, the wonderful nurses and staff at Sanford Hospital and the caring hands of Sanford Bemidji Homecare & Hospice personnel.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks any memorials be given to Sanford Bemidji Homecare & Hospice, 3201 Pine Ridge Ave NW, Bemidji, MN 56601.

## Schroeder, Ruby



Ruby Roberta (Pribbernow) Schroeder

Ruby was born on July 13, 1933, in the Town of Maple Creek, WI and passed away on June 12, 2024 in New London, WI. She was the youngest daughter of George and Lenora (Gerks) Pribbernow.

Ruby was baptized on August 20, 1933, and confirmed on May 18, 1947, at Emanuel Lutheran Church in the Town of Maple Creek, WI, where she grew up on the family farm.

She attended grade school at Golden Hill School, Maple Creek, graduated from Emanuel Lutheran School, New London in 1946, and from Washington High School in New London in 1950.

After graduation, she held a civil service position in Madison and Oshkosh, WI before returning to New London where she was an employee at Werner Law Offices for nearly 70 years.

On April 26, 1952, she was married to Donald Schroeder at Emanuel Lutheran Church in Maple Creek. Don preceded her in death on November 16, 1976. Don and Ruby co-owned the Lamplighter Restaurant in New London from 1974 until 1977 when it was sold to her sister and niece after Don's death.

Ruby enjoyed many winter vacations in Florida with family. She enjoyed decorating for Christmas, baking Christmas cookies, Sudoku puzzles, jigsaw puzzles and collecting Hallmark ornaments and other collectibles.

She is survived by her daughters: Andrea Baumann and Julie Schroeder; nieces, nephews, cousins and many other cherished relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Donald; son-in-law, David Baumann; sisters and brothers-in-law: Arline and Kenneth Sweedy, Lorene and Arthur Kusserow and Grace and Herman Jennerjohn.

Due to construction being done at Emanuel Lutheran Church in New London where Ruby was a member, her Christian Funeral service was held on Wednesday, June 19, 2024, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Hortonville, WI (752 E Grand View Rd) at 11:30 am with Rev. William Heiges officiating. Burial will be in Floral Hill Cemetery, New London. A visitation was held at the church prior to the service from 9:30 am to 11:15 am.

Memorials may be made to Emanuel Lutheran Church, New London.

Ruby was a loving wife, mother, friend, and loyal worker who will be sadly missed. Friends may visit [www.dahlkefh.com](http://www.dahlkefh.com) to share memories and condolences with Ruby's family.

## Slezak, Lois Arlene



Lois Arlene Slezak went to be with the Lord on Sunday night, January 21, 2024, at the age of 102 years, 8 months, and 1 day. A Celebration of Life will be held in her honor at Highland Church, 700 Hoover Avenue, Plover, Wisconsin, on June 22. Visitation will begin at 10:00 am with a Memorial service to be held at 11:00 am.

Lois was born on a farm south of Albia, Iowa, on May 20, 1921, at 4:00 pm in the afternoon to Edith and Earl Woodcock. Born also to this union were: Clifton Woodcock of Albuquerque, New Mexico (deceased); Vernal Woodcock of Minneapolis, Minnesota (deceased); Lucille Jorgenson of Cambridge, Minnesota (deceased); and Jean Swenson of Rhinelander, Wisconsin (deceased).

Lois grew up in Newton, Iowa. At the age of eleven, she gave her life to the Lord Jesus Christ. In 1940, Lois graduated from Newton High School. After graduation, she moved to Iowa City, Iowa.

On February 21, 1941, Lois met Ray J. Slezak at the University of Iowa in Iowa City. He was intelligent, fun, and a man of principle. They became engaged in the Spring of 1943 but were separated during World War II. Ray went into the service and Lois worked as a PBX Operator for the Corps of Engineers where she connected calls for the locks and dams up and down the Mississippi River. After the war ended, Ray and Lois were married on January 12, 1947. Ray went to be with the Lord on June 28, 1999, after 52 years of marriage.

Ray and Lois had five dearly loved children – "gifts from the Lord." They are Jan Hardin of Clive, Iowa; Linda Mancuso of San Jose, California; Sandi Lewis of Santa Cruz, California; Steve Slezak of Stevens Point, Wisconsin; and Gale Schoenecke of Mt. Juliet, Tennessee.

From these five children came Lois' heart's delight: Sixteen grandchildren - David Kallemyrn, Laura Mancuso, Kaela Mancuso, Michael Mancuso, Marcus Mancuso, Natalie Ramirez, Emily Henke, Joel Slezak, Joy Silva, Jon Slezak, Bridget Verber, Bryan Schoenecke, Michael Schoenecke, Aprille Aparicio, Aaron Schoenecke, and Alina Mowrey. Lois has also been blessed with thirty-eight great-grandchildren so far.

Lois came from a strong Christian heritage where Christ was the foundation. Lois well remembers her grandmother Rebecca Pherriba, a godly woman, who had a great influence on her life.

It is no surprise then that Lois has had such an influence on her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren as well. Although Lois had come to know the Lord at an early age, it was in 1972 that Lois was introduced to a deeper walk with Jesus which revolutionized her life. God used Lois to touch lives everywhere she went and with whomver she met.

Lois was well-loved by all who knew her, whether they were part of her family, close friends, or simple acquaintances. Lois had a way of making people feel special and loved. She sprinkled the unconditional love of God on everyone around her. Countless individuals have been deeply touched by her life.

Her heart was to share Jesus with everyone she met — not in formality, but with the desire that they would come to know Him as she did — personally.

In August of 2022, Lois was diagnosed with Myelodysplastic Syndrome. As she drew closer to the day of her homegoing, she was conscious of the importance of those she loved coming to a place of certainty in their relationships with Jesus Christ.

"I can't imagine eternity without you," she would say, "and I wait with much love and anticipation to see you all again!"

## Legals

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### BY THE COURT:

DATE SIGNED: May 29, 2024

Electronically signed by Vicki L. Clusman

Circuit Court Judge

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Wayne R. Mathison

doe 11/11/23

Order Setting Time to Hear Petition for Special Administration (Formal Administration)

Case No. 24PR55

A Petition for Appointment of a Special Administrator was filed.

THE COURT FINDS:

The decedent, with date of birth 9/17/1941 and date of death 11/11/2023 was domiciled in Waupaca County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of E8954 State Road 96, Fremont, WI 54940.

THE COURT ORDERS:

1. The petition be heard at the Waupaca County Courthouse, 811 Harding Street, Waupaca, Wisconsin, Room Br. 2, before Hon. Vicki L. Clusman, Court Official, on July 2, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.

You do not need to appear unless you object. The petition may be granted if there is no objection.

2. Notice by publication is required.

Publication of this notice is notice to any interested persons whose names or addresses are unknown.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-258-7429 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

Form completed by: Attorney Pamela McAvoy

2711 N. Mason St., Suite B, Appleton WI 54914

920-733-521

Bar Number 1020141

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DATE SIGNED: June 13, 2024

Electronically signed by Angela Dahle

Probate Registrar

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROBERT A. GORGES

DD: 5/26/2024

Notice Setting Time to Hear Application and Deadline for Filing Claims (Informal Administration)

Case No. 24PR57

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.

2. The decedent, with date of birth 11/24/1942 and date of death 5/26/2024 was domiciled in Waupaca County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of E7593 Greenwing Lane, Fremont, WI 54940.

3. The application will be heard at the Waupaca County Courthouse, Waupaca, Wisconsin, Room 3054, before Angela Dahle, Probate Registrar, on July 16, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

You do not need to appear unless you object. The application may be granted if there is no objection.

4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is September 17, 2024.

5. A claim may be filed at the Waupaca County Courthouse, Waupaca, Wisconsin, Room 3054.

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Form completed by: Attorney Grant E. Birch

55 Jewelers Park Drive, Suite 400 Neenah, WI 54956

Telephone Number 920.702.5301

Bar Number 1711773

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DATE SIGNED: June 13, 2024

Electronically signed by EMMA N. SCHAEFER

Plaintiff/Attorney

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Telephone Number 920.702.5301

Bar Number 1711773

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NOTICE OF LICENSE APPLICATIONS

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TAQUERIA LUCIANO, LLC TAQUERIA LUCIANO 214 W. N. Water Street FILEMON LUCIANO ATANASIO

FRASER HOLDINGS, LLC C & R WATERFRONT 408 W. N. Water Street SEAN A. FRASER

COMBINATION "CLASS A" LICENSES:

Corporation/LLC/Individual Owner DBA Name Address Owner / Agent

LA COSTENITA, LLC LA COSTENITA 214 W. N. Water Street FILEMON LUCIANO ATANASIO

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, DODGE COUNTY

Plaintiff(s): Creative Finance, Inc.

815 Business Park Road PO Box 454

Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965

-vs- Defendant(s): Margaret May Spohrleder

351 Walnut Street Lot 607 Manawa, WI 54949

Lawrence Paul Spohrleder, 351 Walnut Street Lot 607 Manawa, WI 54949

Publication Summons and Notice (Small Claims)

Case No. 24SC491

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Publication Summons and Notice of Filing

TO THE PERSON(S) NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S):

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Dodge County Courthouse Telephone

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Number of clerk of court: 920-386-3570

Courtroom/Room Number: Branch 1

Address: 210 West Center Street

City: Juneau State WI Zip 53039

on the following date and time:

Date: June 28, 2024 Time: 8:30 a.m.

If you do not attend the hearing, the court may enter a judgment against you in favor of the person(s) suing you. A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate (property) you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

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Plaintiff/Attorney Electronically signed by: Christopher M Kern

Date 06-11-2024

Law Firm and Address

Creative Finance, Inc.

815 Business Park Road, PO Box 454 Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965

Plaintiff's/Attorney's Telephone Number (608) 254-6855

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, PORTAGE COUNTY

Plaintiff(s): ONEMAIN FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC

601 NW Second Street

Evansville IN 47708

-vs- Defendant(s): SEAN D NELSON

426 W FULTON ST

WAUPACA WI 54981-1424

Publication Summons and Notice (Small Claims)

Case No.2024SC000403

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Publication Summons and Notice of Filing

TO THE PERSON(S) NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S):

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**TERMS:** Pursuant to said judgment, 10% of the successful bid must be paid to the sheriff at the sale in cash, cashier's check or certified funds, payable to the clerk of courts (personal checks cannot and will not be accepted). The balance of the successful bid must be paid to the clerk of courts in cash, cashier's check or certified funds no later than ten days after the court's confirmation of the sale or else the 10% down payment is forfeited to the plaintiff. The property is sold 'as is' and subject to all liens and encumbrances.  
**PLACE:** On the front steps of the Waupaca County Courthouse, City and County of Waupaca  
**DESCRIPTION:** Lot Number 5 and the East 3 feet of Lot Number 4 of Block Number 16 of the City (formerly Village) of Weyauwega, Waupaca County, Wisconsin, according to the recorded Plat thereof.  
**PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 107 E High St Weyauwega, WI 54983-8525  
**DATED:** May 10, 2024  
 Gray & Associates, L.L.P.  
 Attorneys for Plaintiff  
 16345 West Glendale Drive  
 New Berlin, WI 53151-2841  
 (414) 224-8404  
 Please go to www.gray-law.com to obtain the bid for this sale.  
 Gray & Associates, L.L.P. is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If you have previously received a discharge in a chapter 7 bankruptcy case, this communication should not be construed as an attempt to hold you personally liable for the debt.  
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 Kari Yentler, City Clerk  
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Term/Long-Term Disability and Vision Insurance Benefits. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.  
**2024-2025 CESA 8 Services Agreement:** Moved by Laurie Vollrath, seconded by Kris Strauman to approve the 2024-2025 CESA 8 Services Agreement as presented. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.  
 New Advisor Stipends: Moved by Laurie Vollrath, seconded by Mark Zachow to approve stipends for the following new advisor positions, effective with the 2024-2025 school year:  
 a. Program Advisor - \$500  
 b. Graduation Advisor - \$500  
 c. CES Student Council Advisor(s) - \$500 total  
 Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.  
**POLICY**  
 None  
**ITEMS FOR FUTURE STRATEGIC DISCUSSION ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
 May 31 Last Day of School for Students June 1 Wise Guys & Fearless Females 5K Run 7:30 a.m. @HS  
 June 3 Teacher In-Service  
 June 10 First Day of Summer School  
 June 10 Board of Education Meeting 6:00 p.m. @CHS IMC  
 June 24 Board of Education Meeting 6:00 p.m. @CHS IMC  
**ADJOURNED SESSION:** Moved by Kris Strauman seconded by Laurie Vollrath to adjourn to closed session for the consideration of matters over which the Board has jurisdiction pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (1)(c) - Considering employment, promotion, compensation, benefits, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, for the purposes of reviewing individual employment contracts/language, salary/wages, benefits and performance. Roll call vote was taken with Ben Huber, Mark Zachow, Clint Barkow, Laurie Vollrath, Jason Moder, Glen Drew Lundt, and Kris Strauman voting aye. Motion carried and meeting adjourned to closed session at 7:03 p.m.  
**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:** Moved by Mark Zachow, seconded by Glen Drew Lundt to return to open session. Roll call vote was taken with Mark Zachow, Clint Barkow, Laurie Vollrath, Jason Moder, Kris Strauman, Glen Drew Lundt, and Ben Huber voting aye. Motion carried and the meeting returned to open session at 8:14 p.m.  
**ADJOURNMENT:** Moved by Glen Drew Lundt, seconded by Mark Zachow to adjourn. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.  
 Laurie Vollrath, Clerk  
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 The amended motion to approve the base wage increases for certified staff as presented, to include in the 2024-25 budgetary planning that the district's portion of the health insurance annual renewal rate will not exceed 8% was carried on a roll call vote of 6-0, with 1 abstention (H. Schweitzer-yes, M. Wilz-yes, K. Batten-yes, M. Grossman-no, N. Grundy-abstain, J. Heideman-yes, C. Martinson-yes).  
**C. Review and Potential Approval of Administrator Base Wage Increase for 2024-25**  
 It was moved by M. Wilz and seconded by M. Grossman to approve the wage increases for administrative staff as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.  
**D. Review and Potential Approval of the 2024 Graduating Seniors**  
 It was moved by M. Grossman and seconded by H. Schweitzer to approve the 2024 graduating seniors, pending fulfillment of all graduation requirements. Motion carried.  
**E. Review of Graduation Ceremony**  
 S. Bleck and B. Yarkye reviewed the details for the graduation ceremony. Board members were asked to arrive at the High School by 5:15 p.m.  
**F. Review and Potential Approval of the 2024-25 Official School Newspaper**  
 It was moved by J. Heideman and seconded by M. Grossman to approve the Press Star as the official school newspaper for 2024-25. Motion carried 5-2.  
**G. Review and Potential Approval of Official District Depositories and Individuals Authorized to Invest District Funds**  
 It was moved by M. Grossman and seconded by M. Wilz to approve the official school depositories and the individuals who are authorized to invest district funds as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.  
**H. Review and Potential Approval of 4-Year-Old Kindergarten Service Agreement**  
 It was moved by H. Schweitzer and seconded by K. Batten to approve the 4K Community Collaborative Service Agreement. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.  
**I. Review and Potential Approval of 2024-25 Open Enrollment Applications**  
 It was moved by J. Heideman and seconded by M. Wilz to approve the resident and nonresident open enrollment applications for 2024-25 as recommended, contingent upon the student records received. Motion carried.  
**J. Performance Based Continuous Improvement Plan Metrics**  
 S. Bleck and K. Batten discussed how performance based outcomes could potentially be established. It was the consensus of the Board to further discuss this after initial review of the Continuous Improvement Plan in June.  
**K. Discussion of Board Committees / Board Representatives**  
 Board members were asked to contact Jill Willner by May 17 with their interest on serving on the Board committees. Committee appointments will be made on May 28.  
**L. Review of Regular and Special Board Meeting Schedule**  
 S. Bleck reviewed the board meeting schedule for 2024-25. It was moved by H. Schweitzer and seconded by M. Wilz to continue having the Board meetings on Monday evenings for the summer and change to Wednesdays starting in September. It was moved by J. Heideman and seconded by N. Grundy to table the discussion until the next meeting so that the Board can consider any impact this change may have.  
**IX. CLOSED SESSION**  
 It was moved by H. Schweitzer and seconded by K. Batten to enter into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes as listed on the agenda at 8:02 p.m. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.  
*(Separate minutes for expulsion proceedings.)*  
 It was moved by K. Batten and seconded by M. Wilz to enter open session at 8:20 p.m. Motion carried.  
**X. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION TO TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**  
**A. Resignation of Personnel:**  
 It was moved by H. Schweitzer and seconded by K. Batten to accept the resignations of:  
 • Mary Jo Booker, Speech/Language, ISMS  
 • Jordan Krause, Elementary, Sugar Bush Elementary  
 • Consuelo Morales, Bilingual Tutor, ISMS  
 • Diana Thorpe, Office Assistant, Catalyst  
 Motion carried.  
**XI. ADJOURNMENT**  
 A motion was made by J. Heideman and seconded by M. Wilz to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. Motion carried.  
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Regular and Special Meeting Schedule (continuation from tabled discussion on May 13, 2024)  
 The agenda item was tabled.  
**F. Appointment of Board Committee Representation**  
 The Board reviewed the Board committee representation.  
**VI. CLOSED SESSION**  
 It was moved by H. Schweitzer and seconded by K. Batten to enter into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes as listed on the agenda at 7:04 p.m. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6-0.  
*(Separate Minutes for expulsion proceedings.)*  
 It was moved by H. Schweitzer and seconded by M. Grossman to enter open session at 8:45 p.m. Motion carried.  
**VII. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION TO TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**  
 It was moved by H. Schweitzer and seconded by M. Grossman to approve the administrative staff salaries as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6-0.  
**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**  
 A motion was made by J. Heideman and seconded by N. Grundy to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 p.m. Motion carried.  
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**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**June 13, 2024 Special Meeting**  
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**Call to Order:**  
 The meeting was called to order by President Ron Brooks at 5:31 p.m.  
**Roll Call:**  
 Present in the WHS Community Room: Ron Brooks, Steve Klismet, Betty Manion, Molly McDonald, Dale Feldt, Bob Adams, and Lori Verhalen.  
**Also Present:**  
 Present in the WHS Community Room: Sandy Lucas and Laurie Schmidt.  
**Approval of Agenda:**  
 A motion was made by Dale Feldt and seconded by Bob Adams to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.  
**Review of Board Meeting Norms:**  
 The Board reviewed their collective commitments.  
**Consolidated Statement Relating to Listening Sessions:**  
 Board President Ron Brooks advised that he wanted to consolidate all of the Board members' notes from the recent listening sessions with staff, so he requested that they give them to Board Clerk Betty Manion and asked her to consolidate and summarize them. Mr. Brooks advised that one of the things learned was that communication with the Board is very important to staff. Therefore, the Board will hold listening sessions once or twice a year, and may also hold a meeting with the Student Council once a year. He noted that the Board will meet with the staff during the day when it is most convenient for them.  
**Adjournment into Closed Session:**  
 A motion was made by Lori Verhalen and seconded by Steve Klismet to adjourn into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. § 19.85(1)(c). Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Specifically to review and discuss applicants for the District Administrator position as well as a possible Interim District Administrator. The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote at 5:38 p.m.  
 The Board did not reconvene in open session.  
**Adjournment:**  
 A motion was made by Dale Feldt and seconded by Steve Klismet to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.  
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**Approval of Agenda:**  
 A motion was made by Molly McDonald and seconded by Betty Manion to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.  
**Review of Board Meeting Norms:**  
 The Board reviewed their collective commitments.  
**Services Desired of Superintendent Search Organization:**  
 Board President Ron Brooks advised that the purpose of this meeting is to continue discussion regarding whether to engage a superintendent search organization such as WASB, and if we do, at what level.  
 Board member Dale Feldt advised that he spoke with Wausau School Board President Jim Bouche regarding their recent search for a new superintendent. Mr. Bouche advised that they used WASB and confirmed that WASB sends all applications they receive to the Board and they will perform whatever services you want them to do. The Wausau School District hired an interim superintendent.  
 Mr. Brooks added that WASB will provide whatever level of service we want them to do at a cost, and suggested that as a first approach, the Board can then discuss whether to bring in Mr. Craig Gerlach as an interim superintendent or Dr. Mark Flaten as an interim superintendent for the summer only. It was noted that the District has used WASB once before along with the Don Stevens firm.  
 Director of Business Services Austin Moore advised that the District Administrator position has been posted on Wisconsin Education Career Access Network (WECAN) only. It had been previously mentioned that it would be posted on three other websites, but he advised that those websites charge between \$100-\$700 per week for a

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 The amended motion to approve the base wage increases for certified staff as presented, to include in the 2024-25 budgetary planning that the district's portion of the health insurance annual renewal rate will not exceed 8% was carried on a roll call vote of 6-0, with 1 abstention (H. Schweitzer-yes, M. Wilz-yes, K. Batten-yes, M. Grossman-no, N. Grundy-abstain, J. Heideman-yes, C. Martinson-yes).  
**C. Review and Potential Approval of Administrator Base Wage Increase for 2024-25**  
 It was moved by M. Wilz and seconded by M. Grossman to approve the wage increases for administrative staff as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.  
**D. Review and Potential Approval of the 2024 Graduating Seniors**  
 It was moved by M. Grossman and seconded by H. Schweitzer to approve the 2024 graduating seniors, pending fulfillment of all graduation requirements. Motion carried.  
**E. Review of Graduation Ceremony**  
 S. Bleck and B. Yarkye reviewed the details for the graduation ceremony. Board members were asked to arrive at the High School by 5:15 p.m.  
**F. Review and Potential Approval of the 2024-25 Official School Newspaper**  
 It was moved by J. Heideman and seconded by M. Grossman to approve the Press Star as the official school newspaper for 2024-25. Motion carried 5-2.  
**G. Review and Potential Approval of Official District Depositories and Individuals Authorized to Invest District Funds**  
 It was moved by M. Grossman and seconded by M. Wilz to approve the official school depositories and the individuals who are authorized to invest district funds as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.  
**H. Review and Potential Approval of 4-Year-Old Kindergarten Service Agreement**  
 It was moved by H. Schweitzer and seconded by K. Batten to approve the 4K Community Collaborative Service Agreement. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.  
**I. Review and Potential Approval of 2024-25 Open Enrollment Applications**  
 It was moved by J. Heideman and seconded by M. Wilz to approve the resident and nonresident open enrollment applications for 2024-25 as recommended, contingent upon the student records received. Motion carried.  
**J. Performance Based Continuous Improvement Plan Metrics**  
 S. Bleck and K. Batten discussed how performance based outcomes could potentially be established. It was the consensus of the Board to further discuss this after initial review of the Continuous Improvement Plan in June.  
**K. Discussion of Board Committees / Board Representatives**  
 Board members were asked to contact Jill Willner by May 17 with their interest on serving on the Board committees. Committee appointments will be made on May 28.  
**L. Review of Regular and Special Board Meeting Schedule**  
 S. Bleck reviewed the board meeting schedule for 2024-25. It was moved by H. Schweitzer and seconded by M. Wilz to continue having the Board meetings on Monday evenings for the summer and change to Wednesdays starting in September. It was moved by J. Heideman and seconded by N. Grundy to table the discussion until the next meeting so that the Board can consider any impact this change may have.  
**IX. CLOSED SESSION**  
 It was moved by H. Schweitzer and seconded by K. Batten to enter into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes as listed on the agenda at 8:02 p.m. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.  
*(Separate minutes for expulsion proceedings.)*  
 It was moved by K. Batten and seconded by M. Wilz to enter open session at 8:20 p.m. Motion carried.  
**X. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION TO TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**  
**A. Resignation of Personnel:**  
 It was moved by H. Schweitzer and seconded by K. Batten to accept the resignations of:  
 • Mary Jo Booker, Speech/Language, ISMS  
 • Jordan Krause, Elementary, Sugar Bush Elementary  
 • Consuelo Morales, Bilingual Tutor, ISMS  
 • Diana Thorpe, Office Assistant, Catalyst  
 Motion carried.  
**XI. ADJOURNMENT**  
 A motion was made by J. Heideman and seconded by M. Wilz to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. Motion carried.  
 Katie Batten, Clerk  
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**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**May 13, 2024 Special Meeting**  
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**Call to Order:**  
 The meeting was called to order by President Ron Brooks at 5:30 p.m. and he asked Lori Verhalen to lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.  
**Roll Call:**  
 Present in the WHS Community Room: Ron Brooks, Steve Klismet, Betty Manion, Molly McDonald, Dale Feldt, and Lori Verhalen; Bob Adams was present via phone.  
**Also Present:**  
 Present in the WHS Community Room: Austin Moore, Laurie Schmidt, Steve Thomaschefske, Sandy Lucas, and Sandy Robinson.  
**Approval of Agenda:**  
 A motion was made by Molly McDonald and seconded by Betty Manion to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.  
**Review of Board Meeting Norms:**  
 The Board reviewed their collective commitments.  
**Services Desired of Superintendent Search Organization:**  
 Board President Ron Brooks advised that the purpose of this meeting is to continue discussion regarding whether to engage a superintendent search organization such as WASB, and if we do, at what level.  
 Board member Dale Feldt advised that he spoke with Wausau School Board President Jim Bouche regarding their recent search for a new superintendent. Mr. Bouche advised that they used WASB and confirmed that WASB sends all applications they receive to the Board and they will perform whatever services you want them to do. The Wausau School District hired an interim superintendent.  
 Mr. Brooks added that WASB will provide whatever level of service we want them to do at a cost, and suggested that as a first approach, the Board can then discuss whether to bring in Mr. Craig Gerlach as an interim superintendent or Dr. Mark Flaten as an interim superintendent for the summer only. It was noted that the District has used WASB once before along with the Don Stevens firm.  
 Director of Business Services Austin Moore advised that the District Administrator position has been posted on Wisconsin Education Career Access Network (WECAN) only. It had been previously mentioned that it would be posted on three other websites, but he advised that those websites charge between \$100-\$700 per week for a

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**Also Present:**  
 Present in the WHS Community Room: Sandy Lucas and Laurie Schmidt.  
**Approval of Agenda:**  
 A motion was made by Dale Feldt and seconded by Bob Adams to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.  
**Review of Board Meeting Norms:**  
 The Board reviewed their collective commitments.  
**Consolidated Statement Relating to Listening Sessions:**  
 Board President Ron Brooks advised that he wanted to consolidate all of the Board members' notes from the recent listening sessions with staff, so he requested that they give them to Board Clerk Betty Manion and asked her to consolidate and summarize them. Mr. Brooks advised that one of the things learned was that communication with the Board is very important to staff. Therefore, the Board will hold listening sessions once or twice a year, and may also hold a meeting with the Student Council once a year. He noted that the Board will meet with the staff during the day when it is most convenient for them.  
**Adjournment into Closed Session:**  
 A motion was made by Lori Verhalen and seconded by Steve Klismet to adjourn into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. § 19.85(1)(c). Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Specifically to review and discuss applicants for the District Administrator position as well as a possible Interim District Administrator. The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote at 5:38 p.m.  
 The Board did not reconvene in open session.  
**Adjournment:**  
 A motion was made by Dale Feldt and seconded by Steve Klismet to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.  
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 Board President



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posting. So Mr. Brooks asked that it just be posted on WE CAN for now. After some discussion, several Board members agreed that the Board can handle the first round of whether to hire an interim or permanent superintendent by going through the application and interview process on their own and then reach out to WASB or others if necessary. Board member Betty Manion summarized the Board's decision at this point - it will go through the application process and hold interviews, and if they do not work out, the Board will hire an interim or search organization. It was suggested that while they are waiting for the application process to close, the Board should ask District staff for their input by meeting with them during PLC time. So Board President Brooks asked that Director of Teaching and Learning Mark Flaten get time scheduled for the Board members to meet with staff at each individual school during PLC time on the upcoming Wednesday afternoons. In addition, the Board requested to see the staff survey results prior to these meetings, so he asked that Mr. Flaten send the staff survey results to all of the Board members. Mrs. Manion noted that it is important that uniform (preferably open-ended) questions are asked to all staff and she has all the materials from WASB that were used in the past. Mr. Brooks pointed out that staff needs to understand that these listening sessions are advisory only - the Board will make the final decision. Mrs. Manion advised that one of the processes used by the WASB previously that she did not particularly like was the second session of interviews which involved the three finalists. They came in and rotated in groups consisting of Board, administration, and community people. However, the Board never saw that applicant's interaction with others. So she recommended that session be done differently. Board President Brooks advised that since the Board will not be going with a search service at this time a vote is not necessary. He asked Board Assistant Sandy Lucas to send copies of the WE CAN applications and related attachments to all Board members every Friday. Director of Student Services Laurie Schmidt added that the Core Team is very experienced in the hiring process, so they can support the Board with reference checks, vetting, etc., if desired. However, Board President Brooks pointed out that because they are anticipating a member of the Core Team to apply for the position, it is very important that the Board and Core Team stay in their lanes. Mr. Brooks advised that the WE CAN posting closes on May 30th, so he requested that the school visits during PLC time on Wednesdays be completed by that date. The meetings will only need to be for a half hour to an hour at the most. The staff will be asked the same questions with the Board member(s) taking notes and then sharing highlights of those listening sessions with the rest of the Board. The Board may need to split up in order to get them all completed, and it would be preferable to have smaller groups with an individual Board member (or perhaps Sandy Robinson or other CEC Governance Council member). Board member Manion added that she has the questions that were used in the past for teachers in linkage meetings and will send them to the other Board members. Board President Brooks asked the Board members to review the survey results and Mrs. Manion's questions. However, he cautioned the Board that they need to be careful not to have a walking quorum; this is just for informational purposes.
Adjournment:
A motion was made by Molly McDonald and seconded by Lori Verhalen to adjourn the meeting at 6:10 p.m. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.
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POLICY COMMITTEE
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Administrative Advisor: District Administrator
STUDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE
Lori Verhalen, Chairperson
Betty Manion
Molly McDonald
Administrative Advisor: Director of Student Services
School Visits or Other Board Report:
Board member Lori Verhalen shared that she was given a tour of the CTE department at WHS by Director of Technology & CTE Steve Thomascheksky. This tour included the FFA gardens, robotics, woodworking and the tiny house, automotive, welding, and the culinary classroom. Board member Dale Feldt shared that he attended CEC project night which included a debate. Board member Betty Manion shared that she was invited to judge Cupcake Wars at WMS and also visited the art class. She shared that she also visited with Director of Co-Curricular Activities & Athletics Rob Scherrer regarding the athletic program. In addition, WHS Associate Principal Jenifer Erb gave her a tour of the ag and computer rooms, and it was grilling day for the culinary class. Associate Principal Jenifer Erb advised that the Agri-Science Department provided the Board members with the potted flowers at each of their places tonight.
CEC Liaison Report:
CEC Liaison Betty Manion advised that she attended the Governance Council (GC) meeting where they were given an update on the passion projects. They are also continuing with the grant they received by providing peer leadership training, and are working on a literacy grant from Dollar General. Currently, the GC is reviewing the budget for next school year.
Consent Agenda:
A motion was made by Dale Feldt and seconded by Steve Klismet to approve the items of the consent agenda as presented.
Financial Reports:
Accounts Payable Approval: \$2,014,537.33, and Building Fund Payable: \$520,543.50
Cash Receipts
Budget to Actual Comparison by Fund Groups:
Fund 10 Ending Balance: \$10,617,352 [2022-2023: \$11,647,611]
Fund 21 Ending Balance: \$392,234 [2022-2023: \$337,917]
Fund 27 Ending Balance: -\$2,110,679 [2022-2023: -\$2,238,616]
Fund 49 Ending Balance: \$81,760 [2022-2023: \$879,550]
Fund 50 Ending Balance: \$451,323 [2022-2023: \$402,979]
Updated Staffing Changes for the 2024-2025 School Year
Retirements:
Ron Saari - District Administrator
Resignations:
Riley Bicanic - Part-time WLC Speech Language Pathologist
Jennifer Miller - WLC Special Education Teacher
Samantha Peterson - WHS Ed. Asst.-Spec. Ed.
Devon Faldt - WMS Associate Principal
Hires - 2024-2025 School Year:
Jillian Gutzdorf - WHS Special Education Teacher
Sydney Lee - WHS Social Studies Teacher
Erin Montgomery - WHS Agri-Science Teacher
Joan Barraza - District EL Coach
Hires - 2023-2024 School Year:
Krystal Hoffman - WHS Custodian
Hires - 2024 Summer IT:
Elliott Batten
Ryan Prellwitz
Connor Schultz
Extra Curricular Coaches and Advisors - 2024-2025 School Year:
Resignations:
Adam Chaplin - WHS Varsity Girls Basketball Coach
Extra Curricular Coaches and Advisors - 2023-2024 School Year:
WMS Advisor Positions:
Nicole Hahn - Destination Imagination
Lindsay Ebben - Destination Imagination
WMS Volunteer Coaching Positions:
Lori Martin - Girls Soccer
Dmitri Martin - Girls Soccer
Adam Ross - Girls Soccer
Salary Step Changes:
Nicole Johndro - 9B24 to 9M0
Hannah Rowe - 9M0 to 9M6
Preliminary Approval of Summer School Staffing for 4K-Grade 8 and Grades 9-12
Extended Contract Requests
Recommendation to Approve Teacher Contracts for 2024-2025
Approval of Graduating Seniors
DPI Pupil Nondiscrimination Report, 5 Year Self Evaluation
Preliminary Approval of Class III Field Trips for WHS
The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.
Communications:
Recognitions:
Board President Brooks recognized the many observances happening this month: School Nutrition Employee Week and School Lunch Hero Day; National Teacher Day and Teacher Appreciation Week; National School Nurse Day; and May is Mental Health Awareness Month.
Donations:
Board President Brooks advised of donations made to CEC from the Kempfert and Forseth families; various donations made to WHS SADD Post Prom from many individuals and businesses; a donation made to the Waupaca FFA from the Waupaca FFA Alumni; and a donation made to the WHS Band program from Holly Cloutier.
A motion was made by Lori Verhalen and seconded by Steve Klismet to accept, with gratitude, the various donations as presented. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.
District Administrator's Report:
Mr. Saari advised that the Waupaca Community Arts Hub is interested in possibly purchasing the old District Office building on School Street, which is now being rented by CESA 5. Mr. Saari asked the Board members if they knew what an AirTag was. This came up recently as a student on a bus had one and it appeared on the bus driver's I-phone indicating that the student was being tracked. He shared the many upcoming events occurring at WHS this month. Mr. Saari provided an update on the Critical Response Group indicating that they are in the process of finalizing, printing, and laminating the maps which can be used in training. He also advised that the District may possibly participate in an energy efficiency grant and also shared the Grant Writer update. He added that Mr. Grohman may have a large grant secured by next month.
Monitoring:
Teacher Showcase:
English Learner (EL) Coach Ian Johnson and Technology Integration Specialist Crystal Vida presented information on how technology tools are used in language translation and learning. The District's EL population has grown exponentially over the past four years, with most being Spanish speaking students. The largest increase has been from Venezuelan immigrants with no or very little English. Mr. Johnson shared that he can speak fluent Spanish, but many times interpreters or bilingual family members are utilized in assisting staff, students, and family members in communicating with each other. The District has several technology tools and devices available to assist as well, such as the following: Chromebooks, which are available in English and

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Spanish; Pocktalk, which is a handheld translator device and is in all offices; students (and their families) are comfortable using their own personal devices; and new this year is the use of Timekettle earbuds where students will hear the spoken word in their native language. In addition, applications such as Google and Microsoft translator as well as AI applications such as Magic School AI are utilized. Duolingo is also used for learning correct vowel sounds. The Benchmark Hello program has been purchased as well which focuses on the basics and fundamentals of the English language such as listening, reading, speaking, and writing. The applications are used on a daily basis for student learning and family communication. They highlighted that the District recently purchased several Pocktalks, which is a handheld translator device that is very useful and easy to use for students and staff, and understands the spoken language better than an I-pad. It was suggested that the District work with Go-RiteWay to possibly have one of these devices on an appropriate bus if that is something they are interested in doing.
Director of Student Services Laurie Schmidt added that they are applying for a grant through the State of Wisconsin to help offset the costs of purchasing additional technology devices, and licenses, noting that technology is continuously evolving. Mr. Johnson shared that he works with small groups in grades K-4 on a daily basis and on a consultant basis at WMS and WHS. New students are screened within 30 days on a basis of 1-6 (1 being new and speaking no English and 6 being fully immersed into receiving English instruction). He advised that the students have achieved expected growth targets. Mr. Johnson advised that the EL program will continue serving students and families at a very high degree with the addition of an EL coach and two bilingual educational assistants next school year.
Administration:
Construction Update:
District Consultant Civil Engineer Bob Breeet advised that this is the final update as the projects will be completed next week. At the WLC, staff will move into the new area just prior to the end of the school year and the new main entrance will be used at the start of summer school. Final paperwork is completed so they are waiting for the building inspector to sign off on everything. The landscaping repairs will be completed tomorrow and sod and plants will be installed next Monday. They will leave the fence up for a little longer to protect the fresh sod.
Health and Other Insurance Renewals:
Director of Business Services Austin Moore provided a brief summary of the process in renewing the District's health insurance for next year, which included a listening session with staff to get their feedback of what improvements they would like to see, as well as working with the District's M3 team. Originally, Group Health Trust (GHT) returned an increase of over 12%, so M3 sent the District's information out for bids with other companies. The bids the District received from other providers provided various levels of changes. Through this process, GHT returned a final offer of a 4% increase over last year with no plan changes and the District would drop the required annual Health Risk Assessment. This increase is within the budgeted amount. A high priority for staff was a health insurance option that included a Health Savings Account (HSA). Therefore, the District will offer a High Deductible Health Plan (HDHP) through GHT which includes prescription drug costs and no co-pays. Staff choosing this option would receive a deposit into their HSA through Bank First of \$250 for single/\$500 for family to help offset the increased deductible and those funds can be accessed by using a debit card. The Flex Spending Account (FSA) will also provide staff with a debit card this year to access those funds. Another high priority for staff was a vision insurance option. Therefore, the District will offer vision coverage through Delta Dental which will provide three enrollment options: employee, employee + one, and employee + 2 (family). The employee pays 100% of the premium, but because the District also has dental insurance through Delta Dental, it received a discounted price. Dental insurance will continue through Delta Dental with a 0% premium increase and no plan design changes. A motion was made by Molly McDonald and seconded by Betty Manion to accept Group Health Trust as the District's 2024-2025 health insurance provider with no plan design changes and increasing the District's health insurance annual premium by 4.0%, as presented. The motion carried on a 6-0-1 voice vote, with Board member Dale Feldt abstaining because he participates in the District's health insurance plan. A motion was made by Molly McDonald and seconded by Steve Klismet to offer a second health insurance option for staff through Group Health Trust which includes a HSA, and to offset additional upfront costs, the District will contribute \$500 to employees enrolled in family plans and \$250 to employees enrolled in single plans, as presented. The motion carried on a 6-0-1 voice vote, with Board member Dale Feldt abstaining because he participates in the District's health insurance plan. 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# Measles vaccinations recommended

REGION – As of April 26, there have been 128 reported cases of measles across the U.S. in 20 states.

Several cases have been reported in the Midwest, including cases in Illinois, Minnesota and Michigan.

In light of these developments, Aspirus Health is urging parents and caregivers to remain vigilant and proactive in preventing the potential spread of measles.

Vaccination remains the most effective measure to protect against measles and other preventable diseases, ensuring the health and well-being of children and the entire family.

“Keeping up with your shots is very, very important,” said Dr. Jason Chan, Aspirus pediatrician. “Getting your shots protects yourself, but it also protects others around you who can’t get the shots, includ-

ing babies and women who are pregnant.”

Medical experts recommend the MMR vaccine, which is a vaccine that protects against three infectious diseases: measles, mumps and rubella. It is typically administered as a series of two doses during childhood, with the first dose given around 12 to 15 months of age and the second dose between 4 to 6 years of age.

According to the CDC, about one in five unvaccinated people in the US who get measles are hospitalized. In children, as many as one out of every 20 children with measles gets pneumonia, the most common cause of death from measles in children.

Pregnant women who have not had the MMR vaccine have higher rates of premature birth and a higher risk for a low-birth-

weight baby.

“This vaccine has been in use for decades and we know it is safe and exceedingly effective,” said Chan.

He adds that for those who get the full two-dose course, “the MMR vaccine is 97 percent effective in protecting people from getting sick from the measles.”

Aspirus Health encourages parents and caregivers to consult with their providers regarding vaccination schedules for their children and ensure they are adequately protected. Additionally, adults of any age who have not received two doses of MMR vaccine are candidates for the vaccine as well.

For more information about vaccine recommendations by age groups, contact your primary care provider. To find one, visit aspirus.org.

# Meet the Fleet moves to Iola

COUNTY – First responders and other companies will gather for Meet the Fleet from 4-7 p.m. Tuesday, July 23.

This year’s event will be at a new location, the Iola Car Show Grounds, 350 Chrome Placw.

Visitors can climb into their favorite vehicles including squad cars, fire trucks, ambulances, tow truck, SWAT vehicle, race cars, dump trucks, tractors and many more.

Other activities include live music by Straight Whiskey Serenade from

4-7 p.m., fire extinguisher simulator, K9 demos, The-daStar landing at 5 p.m. (availability & weather permitting), County HazMat Team demonstration, auto extrication demonstration by Iola Fire Department.

Also planned are activities for the children such as face painting, Steve and Carl’s Traveling Snake Shows and a dunk tank.

“We have received so much positive feedback from this event,” said Meet the Fleet organizer Capt. Kevin Studzinski, with the Wupaca County Sheriff’s

Office. “To be able to build so many amazing relationships with not only the citizens and our youth, but also with our fellow officers and first responders, is such an awesome thing to see and be a part of.” In the past, numerous Waupaca County law enforcement agencies, fire departments, EMS, and others have participated in this event.

This event is free and offers an opportunity to meet many of community partners and first responders.

Food and beverages will be available during the event.

## Dogs 7272

**CORGI PUPPIES** Vet checked, Shots, Wormed, Well Socialized w/kids 7-Males & 1-Female \$500 **CECIL 715-745-6018 (WCAN)**

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**ICA REG SHELTY PUPPIES** Males & Females Bl White Sable White 8 wks 6-22-24 \$800 Stanley, WI **715-644-5200 No Sunday Calls**

**Mini Aussie Doodles** Born 5/6/24, will be up to date on shots, nice colors. \$350. Call 715-754-2847

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**PEMBROKE WELSH CORGI PUPS** ACA First shots, dewormed, adorable & friendly \$650 **715-267-6070**

**POMERANIAN PUPPIES** born 4-16-24, Vet checked, Shots & dewormed \$550 **715-644-8077**

**PUG-A-POO PUPPIES** dewes, shots, vet ch'd. wormed Non-Shed \$500 OBO Ready to Go! **715-536-0697 or 715-316-2522 (524892) (WCAN)**

**REG PUG PUPPIES** Fawn colored, dewes/shots, vet chk & dewormed \$1200 **715-536-0697 715-316-2522 (#524892) (WCAN)**

**TOY TEDDY POO PUPPIES** Cuddly and friendly \$650 **W229 Granton Rd. Chili WI 54420**

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## AGRICULTURE FROM PAGE 4

the rights of states and local governments to restrict agricultural pesticide use and protect public health and the environment. Section 10204 gives immunity to producers and users of pesticides from product liability lawsuits for cancers caused by their products, including protections for not disclosing known adverse health effects.

Fortunately, the current Farm Bill is not law yet and the hope is that the most egre-

gious provisions will be eliminated. But there is a long way to go before a balance to the agricultural landscape can be restored.

The good news is there are many individual farmers, sustainable farming organizations and consumer groups who are willing to implement approaches that diversify agriculture and protect natural resources while allowing farmers to make a decent living and produce a healthy and reliable food supply. It can be done. More on that next month.

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## Lorge faces felony charges

WAUPACA – Andrew J. Lorge, 46, Manawa, is charged with felony theft, operating a vehicle without the owner's consent, operating a vehicle while revoked and misdemeanor bail jumping.

On April 26, Waupaca Police Officer Austin Erickson responded to a vehicle theft complaint on Churchill Street. A woman said her white Chevy Trailblazer had been stolen while she was getting a haircut.

She also said she left the car unlocked with the keys inside, according to the criminal complaint.

A security camera at the nearby Foundations for Living facility provided images of a man entering the vehicle. Police identified the man as Lorge from prior contacts.

A traffic monitoring camera located the ve-



Lorge

hicle on Winneconne Avenue in Neenah.

The stolen vehicle had a GPS security system that could remotely track the vehicle and lock out anyone who attempted to operate it.

Fox Crossing police recovered the vehicle.

### Prior charges, convictions

On Dec. 2, 2019, Lorge was convicted of a fourth drunken driving offense. He was placed

on two years of probation with 60 days in jail as a condition of probation. His license was revoked for three years and he was assessed \$2,365.

On July 7, 2021, Lorge was convicted of possession of drug paraphernalia, disorderly conduct, misdemeanor bail jumping and misdemeanor auto theft. He was placed on 18 months probation with the condition of 30 days in jail.

He was placed on probation for 18 months on Aug. 16, 2022, after being convicted of disorderly conduct as an act of domestic abuse.

Lorge currently faces charges of misdemeanor theft and operating while revoked from a case filed on June 29, 2023.

His first court appearance on the felony theft charges was scheduled for Monday, June 17.

## Waupaca County sheriff's report

• June 10 – An anonymous caller reported a man driving a red 2014 Chevy pickup while heavily impaired.

• June 10 – A male caller reported a boat that "flew through" the no-wake zone at full throttle.

• June 10 – A woman approached a deputy's squad car and reported her neighbor has sons that drive around on dirt bikes with modified exhaust systems that are extremely loud.

• June 10 – A female caller reported her father-in-law followed her home from court in Shawano to her home in Marion.

• June 10 – Fremont Citgo reported an abandoned silver Chrysler that had been sitting there for the past five days.

• June 10 – The Wisconsin Veterans Home reported a resident had a suspicious fracture.

• June 10 – A Weyauwega man on County Trunk AA reported he was harassed via Facebook about a vehicle he was working on and the owner refused to pay him.

• June 10 – A Waupaca man on Pebble Run Drive reported a man drinking on a bridge and surmised the man might be camping out under the bridge.

• June 10 – Outagamie County passed along an automated iPhone crash detection sound clip. A woman was crying in the background and a man in the background said, "You can over the hill too fast."

• June 11 – A Manawa man on Depot Street reported his friend was scammed out of \$500. She paid a person in cash to rent a property and received a receipt. The person she paid did not own the property.

• June 11 – An Iola woman on County Trunk P reported being a victim

of identity theft and a person was trying to open accounts in her name.

• June 11 – A Waupaca woman on Shambau Trace requested an officer to remove a black man from her property. It sounded like her daughter's boyfriend. The caller said the man was "laying around on the couch and wrecking it."

• June 11 – Waupaca High School reported a student brought a tobacco product to school.

• June 11 – A Weyauwega man on Bigalke Road reported a male was run over by a lawnmower and did not get cut but had a lot of leg and shoulder pain.

• June 11 – An anonymous caller reported a dark-haired mustached male in his 20s was dancing around wearing nothing but a winter jacket. The man flashed the caller.

• June 12 – A Readfield man on Leitzke reported getting a call from a family member that was being threatened.

• June 12 – Wisconsin Veterans Home reported finding brass knuckles and a stun gun in a resident's room.

• June 12 – A female caller reported a homeowner that runs an AirBnB was harassing her. In order to get a refund, AirBnB said she needed to file a police report.

• June 12 – Rawhide Youth Services reported a student attacked a staff member and the staffer went to the E.R. for a facial injury.

• June 12 – A Marion woman on Quarterline Road reported the death of a man that was found lying on the floor.

• June 12 – Advanced Collateral Recovery reported they were repossessing a vehicle at a given

address.

• June 12 – An Iola woman on Carper Road reported hearing a gunshot from outside her window.

• June 12 – A Waupaca man on Pine Lane reported the neighbor's pit bull tried to attack a juvenile and a dog.

• June 12 – A female caller reported a white male dressed in all black came up to her door and knocked and left heading towards the Bridge Bar.

• June 12 – A Waupaca man on Golke Road reported a 28-year-old female that was extremely intoxicated and floating in and out of consciousness.

• June 13 – A Weyauwega woman on Haire Road reported her son threatened to harm her because he was caught stealing and was going to court.

• June 13 – A Marion woman on State Highway 110 reported she called a wrong number last week. Now people from the number she called were calling her and leaving "not-so-nice messages."

• June 13 – A Clintonville man on Jepson Road reported a suspicious white pickup parked along the road for the past two and half days.

• June 13 – A Manawa man on Hanson Road reported a trespasser in a truck "tearing up the field" across the street from his address.

There was a below average amount of deer-auto collisions during this period. Five controlled burns were called in. The water patrol stopped two boats. Two deputies helped two different turtles cross the road. A dog bit an Iola woman biking on Mud Lake Road. A Marion woman on Peterson Road reported finding a lost horse.

## New role for Boys & Girls Club CEO

STEVENS POINT – Kevin Quevillion, CEO of Boys & Girls Club of Portage County, will be transitioning to a new role.

He will become director of organizational development for Boys & Girls Clubs of America for the Midwest region.

In his new role, he will be providing support services to Clubs in Wisconsin.

Quevillion's journey with the Boys & Girls Club began in 2002 when he took on the task of transforming a dream shared by John and Patty Noel and other founding board members into reality.

Over the past two decades, Quevillion has spearheaded the growth



Quevillion

and development of the Boys & Girls Club of Portage County, which now operates 11 locations throughout the county.

Under his leadership, tens of thousands of youth have been served, with many former members now bringing their own children to the club.

Each year, over 2,000 youths participate as reg-

istered members, with 400-600 members engaging daily in a variety of programs.

"It's been a fun and gratifying experience leading the Boys & Girls Club over the past 22 years! The success of our Boys & Girls Club would not have been possible without community support of this vision and financial support of our programming. I thank the thousands of people who have been involved in whatever capacity through the years," Quevillion said.

He will remain with the local Boys & Girls Club through July 19th supporting the transition of leadership and succession planning.

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