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With 15-6 vote, Lincoln County board takes first step toward selling Pine Crest Nursing Home

BY JALEN MAKI
TOMAHAWK LEADER
EDITOR

MERRILL – After several months of mulling options regarding the future of Pine Crest Nursing Home in Merrill, the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors last week took the first step in the process of selling the county-owned facility.

During its three-plus-hour meeting at the Lincoln County Service Center in Merrill on Tuesday, May 16, the board voted 15-6 to direct the county's Administrative and Legislative (A&L) Committee to begin the process of securing the services of a broker to put Pine Crest up for sale.

Pine Crest, which has operated in Merrill for about 70 years and is owned by Lincoln County, has experienced financial losses in recent years.

An ad hoc committee formed in June 2022 was tasked with coming up with actions Lincoln County could take regarding the facility's future.

In March, Pine Crest Ad Hoc Committee Chair and District 18 Supervisor Ken Wickham laid out a summary of a nearly 170-page report prepared by the committee. He also offered several options the county could consider proceeding with.

In the roughly two months since the report was released, Supervisors have individually and as a board mulled the proposed options, among which were seeking ways to cut costs and create additional revenues at Pine Crest, downsizing or finding alternative uses for the facility, selling the property and/or holding a referendum to allow Lincoln County voters to decide whether or not



Pine Crest Nursing Home in Merrill.

Photo by Tina L. Scott

the county should continue its operation of Pine Crest.

In a letter to Pine Crest residents dated Friday, May 12, District 9 Supervisor and Board Chair Don Friske said the board had narrowed its options concerning the facility's future down to two: "(drafting) a referendum question asking our voters to support an increase in their property taxes to fund Pine Crest's operational losses; or "(exploring) the sale of the Pine Crest Nursing Home to a privately-owned, skilled nursing home care provider."

Public comment period

Several individuals, including residents and an employee of Pine Crest, utilized the meeting's public comment period to voice their support for Lincoln County's continued ownership of the facility and keeping the nursing home open.

One Pine Crest resident said he's been residing at the facility since 2019.

"I don't want to live under the bridge in a pasteboard box," he said.

"That's the only place I know I could go (if Pine Crest closed)."

The individual noted that he had spoken to several of his fellow Pine Crest residents, who he said hope the nursing home "(remains) a viable entity."

A second individual, a Pine Crest employee, said he's been working in nursing facilities around the state for about 30 years.

"I've seen a lot of nursing homes," he stated. "I've seen very, very few that can compare, quality-wise, to Pine Crest, and I've seen none that have the absolute community, family feel that we have at Pine Crest."

The individual noted that he believes that atmosphere is attributable to the facility's county ownership, with many residents and staff members being Lincoln County residents.

"Should we privatize the home, trust me, care will go down," he said. "Then we're looking strictly at a profit motive. Profit motives with nursing care for elderly, disabled folks, it's a real tough game in the

nursing business, and ultimately, quality suffers. ... I'm praying that you give us a chance so that we can maintain and be a family."

Discussion on Pine Crest

Pine Crest was the focus of discussion among the board for much of the meeting.

Prior to discussion, Friske said he wished for the board to choose a direction forward regarding the future Pine Crest by the end of the meeting.

District 12 Supervisor and Finance and Insurance Committee Chair Julie DePasse opined that selling Pine Crest to a private entity would be "the best way (the board) can ensure the ongoing care of the residents that live there, not just now, but in the future."

"Pine Crest has lost money for the last 15 years," DePasse stated. "It has lost over a million dollars per year, on average, since 2016."

DePasse, who is also a member of the Pine Crest Ad Hoc Committee, said covering all expenses

related to Pine Crest, including the estimated \$13 million in improvements to the facility, deficit averages and maintenance and administrative costs, would carry a price tag of about \$4 million per year.

"We don't have that," DePasse stated. "If we go to a referendum and it fails, then we're in a much worse position, because then it's a distress sale. Buyers know that, and worse, the employees and the residents there know that."

DePasse noted that a proposed referendum, which was taken up later in the meeting, did not ask voters for a specific dollar amount to fund Pine Crest operations.

"So, if we do decide we don't want a private entity to run (Pine Crest), then I think we have to give the voters a referendum that's real," DePasse said. "We have to ask for the actual amount it costs to finance that, and we have to be honest about that number."

District 20 Supervisor and Pine Crest Ad Hoc Committee member Angela Cummings said Lincoln

County "needs to sell the Pine Crest skilled nursing facility as soon as possible, for two reasons."

"We need to ensure our residents are provided the best and most seamless care possible, and ensure that the employees are treated fairly," Cummings stated. "Lincoln County is in an advantageous position to sell Pine Crest and ensure that it remains a skilled nursing facility. Statistics show an average of 42 residents are turned away every month. There is no guarantee that a room would be available for you or any resident of Lincoln County when you need one, and neither you nor I know what our health concerns will be in the future and whether this facility could adequately manage them."

Resolution beginning sale process

District 13 Supervisor Calvin Callahan stated his opinion that Lincoln County should look into a sale of Pine Crest and made a motion to direct the A&L Committee to begin the process of hiring a broker to sell the facility.

During discussion on the motion, District 3 Supervisor Elizabeth McCrank opined that beginning the sale process was "premature," saying the board should "take up the issue of finding out what the public as a whole wants us to do before we begin taking that action."

District 22 Supervisor Greg Hartwig said he had received "approximately 20 phone calls and messages" and had spoken with other individuals regarding the nursing home.

"I haven't heard one person say they wanted us to sell Pine Crest," Hartwig stated, adding

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Car Show, Competition Cheer, Our Dream Park receive Tomahawk Chamber's room tax grants

BY JALEN MAKI
TOMAHAWK LEADER
EDITOR

TOMAHAWK – The Tomahawk Regional Chamber of Commerce, on Tuesday, May 16, announced that a total of \$10,000.00 had been allocated among three community nonprofit organizations for tourism development and promotion of the Tomahawk area.

In a release, Chamber Executive Director Sherry Hulett said this marks the

second year the Chamber has offered room tax grants.

"Applicants from nonprofit groups and organizations who market our area with a focus on bringing people to our room tax zone, as well as look for ways to develop the destination for future years, are eligible to apply," Hulett explained. "Consideration is given to nonprofit groups that offer activities or events that will encourage people to stay longer."

A total of \$5,000.00 was



earmarked for Tomahawk Main Street Inc.'s Main Street Memories Car Show, held each Memorial Day weekend.

The event continues to grow each year, the Chamber said.

"They are adding kids' activities and music to the west end of Wisconsin Ave.," the Chamber stated, noting that the event runs throughout the day and features exhibitors from throughout Wisconsin.

Tomahawk Youth Football and Competition Cheer was awarded \$4,000.00 for mats to hold competitions.

Competitive Cheer is currently planning to hold a meet next February.

"It will bring families from the around the state for a one- to two-day event," the Chamber said. "This is a new undertaking, and our lodging partners will greatly benefit from this weekend event."

A grant of \$1,000.00 went to Tomahawk Together for

its Our Dream Park project, through which an all-inclusive playground and splash pad will be constructed in Washington Square Park on N. 4th St.

The Chamber said Tomahawk Together's fundraising efforts to revitalize the park will help "(make Tomahawk) a destination for families from across the state."

Check presentations will be held in the near future, the Chamber said.

Statehood Day: Wisconsin celebrates 175th birthday next week

40 years after state's founding, Bradley established Tomahawk

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TOMAHAWK – Wisconsin will celebrate its 175th birthday – also known as Statehood Day – on Monday, May 29.

A state that started on mining and created longevity on timber and farming, Wisconsin has long been called the Badger State. This is due to the earliest of the settlers coming to the area for lead mining. After those long days, they didn't have the strength to build homes, so they simply dug into the sides of the hills surrounding the mines.

Populations grew rapidly in the Wisconsin Territory, from just under 1,500 people in 1820, to over 150,000 by the mid-1840s.

The increase shows just how much was available to the settlers, who not only mined, but created farming industries in southern and central Wisconsin and lumber industries in the north.

Just shy of 40 years after the founding of Wisconsin,

William H. Bradley established a town in the north.

Supported by the vastly-expanding lumber industry, Tomahawk grew quickly. Adding industries to the town, like the Tomahawk Boat Company, the Tomahawk Blade newspaper, a public library and a police department, as well as building a dam, contributed to Bradley's dream.

Bradley used to host friends in a peculiar fashion. They would all go out on a "boat train." It was exactly how it sounds – a tugboat pulling barges. Two of these boats can still be seen today on an island near the Marinette Bridge.

From Col. Einar Ingman's Medal of Honor in 1951, to Lloyd Mitchell, who drove the Yellow Cab for more than 40 years, Tomahawk has seen many events and celebrated many characters – yet one of these notable characters wasn't even human. Whitey was Tomahawk's "town dog" for roughly 19 years. He was so loved that the police officers let him be, and visitors and townies alike would stop to pet or share snacks with him.

Tomahawk has become a vacation destination for water recreation, with 766 lakes in Lincoln County and an additional 1,200 in our neighboring Oneida County. Tourism and blue collar jobs work alongside one another to provide a culture showcasing community.

Many things in Tomahawk have changed, yet some things still remain. The Lions Club is still doing the 4th of July festivities, as they have been for more than 60 years. Our downtown is full of thriving businesses. The mills are still some of our biggest employers.

Tomahawk may look to be just another small town in northern Wisconsin, but our tight-knit community keeps it alive, thriving and moving forward.

To the 30th State, the Badger State, the Dairy State, or Wisconsin: Happy 175th birthday!

This article was written in collaboration with the Tomahawk Regional Chamber of Commerce, the City of Tomahawk, Tomahawk Main Street Inc. and the Tomahawk Area Historical Society.

Supervisors green-light use of ARPA funds for Pine Crest losses, parks, marketing

BY JALEN MAKI
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EDITOR

MERRILL – American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding earmarked for Lincoln County is slated to be allocated to a variety of areas.

During its meeting on Tuesday, May 16, the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors approved nine resolutions, under which a total of about \$4 million funding will go towards covering losses at Pine Crest Nursing Home, implementing electronic timekeeping software for county employees, improving several county parks, resurfacing the Hiawatha Trail, crushing a stockpile of gravel, marketing Lincoln County and developing campsites in Tomahawk and Merrill.

The resolutions come about a month after the board gave its stamp of approval to a vision statement and branding that seek to promote tourism, bring visitors to the county and, ultimately, increase sales tax revenue.

Lincoln County received roughly \$5.5 million in ARPA funds as

part of the federal government's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The county's Administrative and Legislative (A&L) Committee has been tasked with vetting ARPA fund requests "against the criteria that it does not create base building and creates economic growth and/or generates county revenue," according to the resolutions.

Pine Crest losses

Supervisors approved a resolution allocating \$1,126,328.00 to cover losses experienced by Pine Crest Nursing Home in Merrill.

The resolution said Lincoln County is required to reimburse North Central Health Care (NCHC) for losses experienced at the county-owned nursing home "should there be no change in the supplemental funding" that was reduced for fiscal year 2022-2023 by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS).

"Lincoln County does not have the money available to cover the projected loss without putting the county in a high risk situation," the resolution

said before declaring that the ARPA funds will be used to cover the losses.

If not used for that purpose, the monies will be "dedicated to another project by the end of calendar year 2024," according to the resolution.

Electronic timekeeping

A resolution approved by the board will direct \$101,000.00 to the purchase of software to implement electronic timekeeping for county employees, who currently use paper timesheets.

A transition to an electronic program, called MUNIS, "provides benefits to include elimination/reducing of double entry, employee access to enroll in their own benefits and update personal information, eliminate most manual entry of time for 250 employees, reducing workload and human error of human resources and payroll specialists, increase telecommuting opportunities, and oversight of real time supervision," according to the resolution.

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that he supported the creation of a referendum to "let the people speak."

Following further discussion, the board voted 15-6 to approve Callahan's motion to direct the A&L Committee to begin the process of hiring a broker to sell Pine Crest.

Voting in favor were Friske, Wickham, DePasse, Cummings, Callahan, District 2 Supervisor Lori Anderson-Malm, District 4 Supervisor Steve Osness Jr., District 5 Supervisor Don Wendorf, District 8 Supervisor Julie Thiel, District 10 Supervisor and Board Vice Chair Jesse Boyd, District 11 Supervisor Randy Detert, District 15 Supervisor Marty Lemke, District 16 Supervisor Mike Loka, District 17 Supervisor Jim Meunier and District 21 Supervisor Eugene Simon.

McCrank, Hartwig, District 1 Supervisor William Bialecki, District 6 Supervisor Norbert Ashbeck, District 7 Supervisor Greta Rusch and District 19 Supervisor Julie Allen were opposed.

Board mulls referendum

The board later in the meeting discussed creating a referendum regarding Pine Crest's future.

McCrank introduced a motion seeking to create an advisory referendum

designed to gather public opinion on the topic.

The board discussed whether or not a potential referendum should be advisory or binding before ultimately voting 13-8 to table the motion indefinitely.

Next board meeting

The next meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors will be held at the Lincoln County Service Center, 801 N. Sales St., Merrill, on Tuesday, June 20 at 6 p.m.

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THS junior Arawen Alberg received an Exemplary Performance Award. Pictured are Alberg with Associate Principal Sheri Woodall, Choir Director Corey Colburn and Principal Ryan Huseby. Photos courtesy of Corey Colburn

THS musicians perform at State Solo and Ensemble Festival in Stevens Point

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

STEVENS POINT – Numerous Tomahawk High School (THS) students performed at the Wisconsin School Music Association (WSMA) State Solo and Ensemble Festival earlier this month.

A total of 14 THS students performed at the festival, which was held at UW-Stevens Point (UWSP) on Saturday, May 6.

Among them, the students performed ten vocal and instrumental events.

The Soprano-Alto Ensemble earned a Division II (silver) rating and was made up of all 14 Tomahawk students: Salma

Ramadhani, Maddy Baumann, Arawen Alberg, Jenny Meza, Brynne Stefan, Maria Smith, Murphy Koth, Elli Witulski, Bella Marino, Kennedi Kromm, Sadie Miller, Robin Schmidt, Kailey Cerny and Greyson Marta.

Other events earning Division II ratings were Brynne Stefan, vocal solo; Jennifer Meza, vocal solo; and Kailey Cerny, musical theater solo.

“The balance of the events earned a Division I (gold) rating, which is difficult to do,” a release from the THS Music Department said. “The performer(s) must be within two points of a per-

fect score to be rated in this top division.”

Tomahawk students earning this distinction were Arawen Alberg, vocal solo; Brynne Stefan, piano solo; Brynne Stefan, Kailey Cerny and Jenny Meza, SSA trio; Jennifer Meza, musical theater solo; Kailey Cerny, vocal solo; and Arawen Alberg, vocal duet.

In addition, Brynne Stefan was nominated for an Exemplary Performance Award on her piano solo, and Arawen Alberg was awarded an Exemplary Performance Award for her vocal solo.

The release said only

about 10% and 5% of performances at the State Solo and Ensemble Festival are nominated and awarded, respectively, as an Exemplary Performance.

“The THS music faculty is extremely proud of the very fine musicianship that our students put on display at the festival,” the release stated. “We would like to congratulate them on their hard work and practice time that brought them to this point.”

Tomahawk High School offers an array of curricular and co-curricular opportunities for students in music, including Concert Band and Chamber

Choir, music festivals and an annual musical theater production. Approximately 70 students elect to participate in the school’s two curricular music ensembles, according to the release.

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Carol A. Gruening, 88, of Tomahawk, passed away unexpectedly at her home Wednesday, May 17, 2023.

Carol was born July 28, 1934 in Wausau to Emil and Agnes Baltz. She was married for 25 years to Melvin Gruening, who eventually became her brother-in-law. Carol will be best remembered as a modern day Mother Teresa – her life goal was to help others in any way possible, often found sharing anything she could with the underserved communities she lived in. She and her family shared their home with well over 50 foster girls throughout the years, and worked at the Women's Community shelter, in teenage group homes, and as a counselor at Lincoln Hills. She loved bringing her dog, Bianco, with her to work at the group homes for companionship and protection while working the night shift. Carol was also a black belt in Aikido martial arts and was partial owner of Phil's Supper Club in Tomahawk for six years.

Surviving Carol are her children: Tim Gruening, Harshaw; Cindy Hubert (Steve Markley), Waukesha; and Bruce (Kyle) Gruening of Lake Tomahawk. Two sisters: Vernelle Carazalla, Wausau; and Beverly Gruening, Rothschild. Carol is further survived by two grandchildren: Kayci (Tyler) Stevenson and Brian Schulta; and three great-grandchildren: Hattie, Huck, and Hogan Stevenson. She was preceded in death by her brothers Robert, Don, Ken, and Duane, and a great-grandson, Hugo.

Carol's life will be celebrated privately by her family. There will be no public service. Krueger Family Funeral and Cremation Service, Tomahawk, is caring for the family. You may view the obituary and share online condolences at www.kruegerfamilyfuneral.com.



Gladys E. Pagenkopf, age 99, of Tomahawk, passed away on Thursday, May 11, 2023, at Milestone Senior Living in Tomahawk. Gladys was born in Fairbanks, Alaska, on July 30, 1923, to the late Winifred (Eddy) and James C. Kinney, a gold miner and store owner. Gladys and her mother returned to Wisconsin, Winifred's home state, after her father's death in 1934. She completed high school in Lancaster, Wis., and later earned

her nursing degree at Rush Medical Center in Chicago, Ill. Gladys was married to Virgil E. "Bud" Pagenkopf in 1947 in Lancaster. They moved to Merrill, Wis., in 1956 and raised their family. She worked at Holy Cross Hospital in Merrill. After retirement, she and Bud traveled extensively by trailer and RV visiting nearly every one of the lower states plus Mexico and Canada. They eventually settled in Sun City, Fla. Gladys volunteered on the local rescue squad for 11 years. Her husband died in 2015. She excelled at many crafts and painted exquisite water colors.

She is survived by two sons, James B. (Peggy) Pagenkopf and Jon J. (Christine) Pagenkopf; two daughters, Patricia Heller, and Mary (Albert) Pjura who preceded her in death. Other survivors include her grandchildren, Amy (Greg) Crocker, Jennifer (Patrick) McGraw, Nicholas (Emily) Pagenkopf, and Elizabeth (Michael) Pagenkopf; in addition to her great-grandchildren, Hanna Pjura and George Pagenkopf. In accordance with Gladys' wishes, no formal services will be held. Generations Funeral Home & Crematory, Tomahawk, is assisting the family. You may view Gladys' obituary and leave online condolences at www.generationsfuneral.com.



Joan M. "Ma Clint" Bowman, age 92, of Tomahawk, passed away on Thursday, May 18, 2023 at Milestone Senior Living Center in Tomahawk. Joan fought a most courageous battle with Alzheimer's for the last 17 years. Being the true fighter she was, she never let it dull her shine. "The mind may not remember, but the heart will never forget."

She was born June 16, 1930 in Chicago, Ill., to the late Frank and Margaret (Garry) Laulette. She was later married to Clint A. Bowman Jr. on June 3, 1960 in Waukegan, Ill. He passed away in 1997.

Joan had owned and operated Plaster Heaven in Schaumburg, Ill. The family vacationed in Tomahawk in the 1960s and moved to the area permanently in 1978. It was always Joan and Clint's dream to own a bar and they fulfilled that dream when they opened Clint's Castle in Tomahawk. They were affectionately known as Ma and Pa Clint, and they owned and operated Clint's Castle for 19 years.




She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Tomahawk. She loved dancing and listening to music at festive parties with all her extended family. She enjoyed cooking, and spending time at her cabin on the Wisconsin River.

She is survived by three children. She was the most special loving Granny to 23 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren, and 13 great-great-grandchildren. She is further survived by very special nieces, nephews and their children, along with many beloved friends and customers.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Clinton A. Bowman Jr., her son, Larry Anthes, two sisters, Mary "Fra" Wickland, and Margaret "Peggy" Slove.

Private Traditional Graveside services for Joan "Ma Clint" Bowman will take place on Friday, June 16, 2023 at Calvary Cemetery in Tomahawk. A Celebration of Life for Ma Clint will take place on Friday, June 16 from 5 p.m. to ? at the Corner Pub in Tomahawk (the former Clint's Castle). Generations Funeral Home & Crematory, Tomahawk, is assisting the family. View Joan's obituary and leave online condolences at www.generationsfuneral.com.



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This coming Sunday marks the birth and beginning of that CHURCH. It is celebrated on Pentecost when, historically, people from miles around were gathering in Jerusalem to celebrate the Jewish Feast of Harvest (The Greek language called it Pentecost). The Apostles and disciples of Christ were in an upper room praying and waiting as Jesus had instructed them to do prior to his ascension to the Father. Suddenly, those believers were empowered by the Holy Spirit to share the Good News with the whole world (See Acts 1:8). On that day they could speak in numerous languages so that people present could hear and understand. The Apostle Peter was the first to step up and explain, to those within his proximity, about the good news of Jesus' crucifixion, death on the cross and resurrection and what that would mean for anyone who believed that Jesus Christ was who he said he was. Three thousand were baptized and added to the church that day (Read the whole account in Acts 1:1-21)

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May HIS church be added to in numbers of believers today as it was on that first Pentecost - by the power of His Holy Spirit! AMEN



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Elaine M. Pierce, age 94, of Tomahawk, passed away on May 15, 2023 surrounded by her family.

Elaine was born on June 5, 1928 in Woodboro to Martin & Marjorie (Schrofe) Charbarneau. She was married to Donald E. Pierce. Elaine was a hard worker. She had worked at Nick & Sons Casket Factory, was a CNA at the hospital and was a home health aide. After work, she would come home and tend to her gardens. She had beautiful flower gardens, especially her roses. Elaine loved going out to stay with her daughter, Margie, in Washington State for the winters, and enjoyed living in Tomahawk for the summers. She cherished her time spent with her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Elaine is survived by her children – Margie Mitchell, Gwen Baker & Don (Marge) Pierce, all of Tomahawk. Elaine is further survived by 11 grandchildren and 24 great grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her husband, son – Edward "Butch" Pierce and grandson – Edward "Butch" Jr.

The Memorial Service for Elaine Pierce will be planned for a later date. Krueger Family Funeral Home & Cremation Services is assisting the family with arrangements. You may view the full obituary and leave online condolences at www.kruegerfamilyfuneral.com

Diana Katherine Javens

Aug. 14, 1950-May 11, 2023

Diana K Javens was born on Aug. 14, 1950, in Chicago, Ill., to John and Anna Marton.

She and her husband Tom Javens moved to Tomahawk in the early 1990s. She worked at the Rhinelander Walmart until her retirement in 2015.

Diana was very talented at many things. She enjoyed crocheting, she was big fan of all movie genres watching them all. She enjoyed hosting friends during the Fall Ride, she liked fishing even if they were not biting. Diana loved Country music and attended the Hodag Country Festival and Fudfest for many years.

She was very generous to her friends with her kindness. When she called you friend, you were her family.

She was a resident of Country Terrace Assisted Living in Tomahawk and loved many of the staff members as she was loved by them. She was cared for by them as a family member which meant a great deal to her as well as to her family and friends. She was blessed to have them.

Diana is survived by her brother Dennis (Linda) Marton, her sister Susanna Marton, her son John (Gina) as well as her nieces Heather, Jill and Amy. She will especially be missed by her very good friends, The Frank and Joyce Repinski family and the Russ and Linda Sineni family.

A private Memorial service will be held for Diana Javens at a future date. Krueger Family Funeral Home, Tomahawk, is helping the family locally.

Sideways Wine and Craft Beer welcomed to downtown Tomahawk by Chamber Ambassadors

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

TOMAHAWK – Sideways Wine and Craft Beer was recently welcomed to the community by the Tomahawk Regional Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors.

The Chamber said Sideways owner Donna Ahlgrim lived in Tomahawk for many years in the late '70s to early '90s, working as a bartender at just about every bar in town.

"She moved to Chicago for her career as a Program Manager, but she was determined to return to the quiet Northwoods life and realize her dream of owning her own place," the Chamber stated.

Donna, and her husband Steve, returned to Tomahawk in 2019, and in 2021, they purchased the Tomahawk Surplus Store from Jim and Pam Wise, who were retiring.

"Donna saw the potential in this classic building as the perfect place for a wine bar," the Chamber said.

After an 18-month rehab project, Sideways opened its doors on Feb. 2.

The Chamber said Sideways offers wines from around the world, as well as craft beers from right here in Wisconsin.

Donna has expanded the menu to include hand-

crafted signature cocktails, regionally-inspired flatbreads, empanadas and charcuterie boards from France, Italy, Spain and California, as well as jumbo pretzels and desserts.

"Sideways has a private 'Mr. Botti's' wine tasting room, where Donna offers customized tastings, food pairings and classes," the Chamber stated. "With the warm weather, the back patio is now open, where patrons and their pooches can relax outside, or as Steve says, 'Dogs, and their well-behaved owners, are welcome on the patio!'"

In the upstairs loft is The Fifth Element Art Gallery, owned by Donna and Steve's daughter, Shayna, which highlights local artists' work for sale.

The Chamber noted that Shayna also offers yoga and "Paint and Sip" classes, where she guides groups through the process of completing their own masterpieces while enjoying wine offered by Sideways.

"The Tomahawk Ambassadors were excited to officially welcome Steve, Donna, and their new business, Sideways Wine and Craft Beer, and Shayna and The Fifth Element Art Gallery, to downtown," the Chamber stated.



Ambassadors Kathy Rankin, Heather Smith, Karrie Hess, Deb Tomaszewski, Bunny Kluka, Kathy Rechsteiner, Tami Olson and Kristi Davis, as well as Chamber Executive Director Sherry Hulett, recently welcomed Shayna, Steve, Donna and Manager Kayla to downtown Tomahawk. Photo courtesy of Andy Tomaszewski

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

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PCCU reports 'strong finish' to 2022, sets sights on future growth following annual meeting

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

MERRILL - Park City Credit Union (PCCU)'s annual meeting was held in April, where members were informed about the credit union's successes in 2022, as well as its future plans.

In a release, PCCU said it had a "successful year in 2022, reporting total assets of \$329.1 million, representing a 2.75% growth in assets since 2021."

"The credit union serves 23,845 members and growing and has nearly 100 employees across four branches and ten communities," PCCU stated.

PCCU CEO Val Mindak attributed the credit union's success to "its dedication to its members and the communities it serves."

"2022 was an amazing year for the credit union as we helped our members achieve their financial goals and worked to foster even stronger relationships with all of you," Mindak said. "We've continued to make investments in technology to be able to meet you wherever you are, and whatever you may be doing so that banking with us is easy and enjoyable."

PCCU noted that during the meeting, the credit union donated \$500.00 to the Park City Cares Foundation, which supports the local communities financially through grant and scholarships as well as volunteer programs.

"As the credit union looks to the future, it is committed to continuing to grow and expand its services, while maintaining its commitment to its



Pictured are PCCU employees holding ribbons representing the "many individuals the credit union has assisted to make a positive impact in their lives, and the ribbons are interconnected to form a strong chain." PCCU said the theme of this year's meeting and annual report was "Our members are the heart of everything we do," something PCCU said is reflected in this photo "symbolizing the love and care the credit union has for its members."



Pictured, from left: Park City Cares Foundation President Jack Mikunda and PCCU Board Chair Jim Richardson. Photos courtesy of PCCU

members and the communities it serves," PCCU said. "PCCU is proud to be a supporter of each and every community it serves and is committed to helping its members achieve their fi-

ancial goals. To that end, the credit union has made significant investments in technology to ensure that banking with them is easy and convenient."

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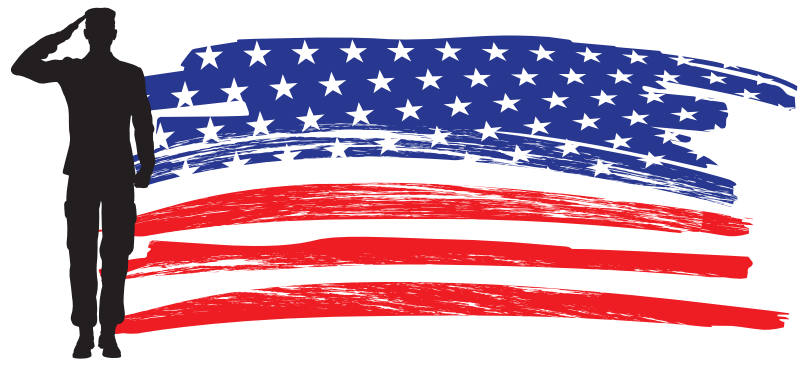
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Tomahawk-area Memorial Day events and ceremonies

Memorial Day events and ceremonies taking place in the Tomahawk area are as follows:

- American Legion Post 93, Tomahawk Middle School Red, White and Blue Day Program, Thursday, May 25, 1:30 p.m.
- American Legion Post 93 and VFW Post 2687, cupcakes to honor veterans, Trig's, 662 N. 4th St., Friday, May 26, 8 a.m. Cupcakes will be available for sale upon entering the store and can be paid for at the check-out counters. All proceeds from the sales will be distributed to the Wisconsin VA hospitals.

- Tomahawk Area Veterans Honor Guard, Prairie Rapids Cemetery, Saturday, May 27, 8:30 a.m.
- Free breakfast will be served at the Prairie Rapids Town Hall immediately following the ceremony.
- Tomahawk Area Veterans Honor Guard, Union Grove Cemetery, Harshaw, Saturday, May 27, 11 a.m. Free luncheon to follow at Cassian Town Hall. For more information, contact Rick at 715-612-0332.
- Tomahawk Area Veterans Honor Guard, Veterans Memorial Park, Tomahawk, Monday, May 29, 10 a.m.

- Tomahawk Area Veterans Honor Guard, Greenwood Cemetery, Tomahawk, Monday, May 29, 10:45 a.m.
- Tomahawk Area Veterans Honor Guard, Calvary Cemetery, Tomahawk, Monday, May 29, 11:15 a.m.
- Tomahawk Area Veterans Honor Guard, Oak Hill Cemetery, Town of Skanawan, Monday, May 29, 11:45 a.m.

All times are approximate and are subject to change. For more information, contact Bill Burcalow at 715-612-7118; or Gerry Johnson at 715-453-7081.

News Briefs

Greenhouse sale

The Tomahawk Greenhouse will hold its yearly sale at Tomahawk Middle School, 1048 E. Kings Rd., today (Wednesday, May 24) from 7:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; Thursday, May 25 from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and Friday, May 26 from 7:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Use Door 2 for entry and follow the signs to the greenhouse. Tomatoes, lettuce, squash, broccoli, zucchini, cucumbers, sunflowers, zinnias, peppers, bachelors buttons, marigolds and morning glories will be sold.

Shred Day in Merrill

A Shred Day, sponsored by Crossbridge Community Bank and Incredible Bank, will be held at Incredible Bank, 3210 E. Main St., Merrill, on Saturday, June 3 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. On-site document

shredding services will be provided by Confidential Records. The event is open to all Lincoln County residents. The service is free, but a donation of \$5.00 per box is suggested. All proceeds will benefit Lincoln County Crime Stoppers.

Lincoln County chip sealing

Lincoln County Highway Commissioner John Hanz advises that the following roads will be closed for chip sealing, weather permitting: County Rd. H, from County Rd. V to S. Silver Lake Rd. (1.13 miles), closed from Monday, June 5 through Tuesday, June 6; County Rd. S, from Cattail Ln. to Brief St. (4.11 miles), closed from Monday, June 5 through Tuesday, June 6; County Rd. JJ, from County Rd. J to Lincoln Dr. (4.9 miles), closed from

Tuesday, June 6 through Wednesday, June 7; County Rd. Q, from Tree Ln. to County Rd. K, (3.35 miles), closed from Wednesday, June 7 through Friday, June 9; County Rd. K, from County Rd. Q to Joe Snow Rd., (2 miles), closed from Wednesday, June 7 through Friday, June 9.

Historical Society seeking volunteers

The Tomahawk Area Historical Society is looking for people willing to be volunteer greeters at its two historical museums on E. Washington Ave. Shifts are two-hours. Volunteer as an individual or with a friend, one time or more often. Volunteer greeters help keep the museum doors open to give visitors an opportunity to see displays of Tomahawk's past. It is not nec-

essary to know all about local history. Museum hours are 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, from June 13 through mid-August. For more information, contact Gordy Lovsletten at 715-453-4783 or Historical Society President Pat Pietila at 715-966-4801.

THS Class of 1993 30th reunion

The Tomahawk High School Class of 1993 is holding a 30-year reunion at Maday's Fish Trap, 9408 County Rd. N, Tomahawk, on Saturday, July 1 at 3 p.m. Food, drinks, music, a photo booth and cornhole will be featured. For more information, contact Nora Boomer on Facebook.

Chamber accepting applications for Arts, Crafts and Vendor Fair

The Tomahawk Regional Chamber of Commerce is accepting applications for its annual Arts, Crafts and Vendor Fair, slated for Monday, July 3 at SARA Park, 900 W. Somo Ave. The outdoor fair will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will also feature food trucks, a kids' bouncy house, a shade tent and live music. For more information and/or an application, visit www.gototomahawk.com/fairapplication.

Open Arms Community Meal served Tuesdays

Open Arms Community Meal is served each Tuesday at St. Mary's Corpus Christi Center, 320 E. Washington Ave., Tomahawk. The Corpus Christi Center opens at 4 p.m., and the meal begins at 5 p.m. All are welcome to

come and share fellowship with old and new friends. To volunteer at the Open Arms Community Meal, call 715-224-3306 and leave a message.

Eagle Summit Community Healing Rooms

Eagle Summit Community Healing Rooms, W5676 Water View Ln., Tomahawk, are open every Thursday night from 6 p.m. to 7:30 for prayer support. Eagle Summit is part of the International Association of Healing Rooms and features trained volunteers who offer free, confidential prayer support. Eagle Summit is a faith-based center open to all. For more information, contact Paula at paulapmt25@gmail.com or call Eagle Summit Healing Center 715 224-3490.



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LINCOLN COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

As reported by the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office Monday, May 15:

A Milwaukee woman, 42, was taken into custody Saturday morning, May 13, following a traffic stop in the Town of Rock Falls. A deputy on patrol on U.S. Hwy. 51 stopped the vehicle the woman was operating near mile-marker 217 after observing the vehicle traveling at 78 MPH in a 65 MPH speed zone. Upon contact with the woman, the investigating deputy noted signs of impairment. Following roadside field sobriety testing, the woman was taken into custody on a first offense charge of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated and later released to a responsible party.

A Merrill man, 32, was taken into custody Friday morning, May 12, following a one-vehicle crash in the Town of Rock Falls. Deputies responded to the report of a vehicle on private property, just after 2 a.m. on North Star Dr. Upon arrival, the man was located asleep in the driver's seat of a vehicle. A preliminary investigation indicated the vehicle had left the roadway and struck a tree. Upon the driver waking up, the investigating deputy noted signs of impairment. As a result, the man was taken into custody on a third-offense charge of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated and transported to the

Lincoln County Jail.

A Pembine man, 57, was injured during a two-vehicle crash which occurred Thursday afternoon, May 11, near the intersection of County Rd. G and State Rd. 17 in the Town of Merrill. A preliminary investigation indicated the man was on a motorcycle southbound on State Rd. 17 when it struck the passenger side of a vehicle being operated by a Merrill teen, 17. That vehicle was northbound on State Rd. 17 and had attempted to make a left turn on to County Rd. G when it was struck by the motorcycle. The driver of the northbound vehicle will be cited for failure to yield right-of-way. The operator of the motorcycle was transported by Merrill Fire Department ambulance to Wausau Aspirus Hospital for treatment of his injuries.

A Kronenwetter woman, 35, and a Merrill woman, 44, avoided injury following a two-vehicle crash Sunday morning, May 7, in the Town of Pine River. A preliminary investigation indicated a vehicle being operated by the Kronenwetter woman was entering State Hwy. 64 from the U.S. Hwy. 51 off-ramp when it struck the other vehicle involved that was eastbound on State Rd. 64. The Kronenwetter woman will be cited for failure to yield right of way.

PUBLISHER'S LETTER

Beyond the picnics of Memorial Day

Dear Reader,
The majority of Americans have the day off on Memorial Day. Most spend the time with their families and many traditionally go on a picnic in the afternoon.



But the true meaning of Memorial Day goes far beyond a picnic and a day off. Memorial Day was established to honor the dead – those who died in service of defending our country. Observance of those who had fallen first began three years after the Civil War; originally, it was referred to as Decoration Day. It was expanded to honor everyone in our armed forces who had fallen in all American wars. In 1971 Congress declared it a national holiday to be observed the last Monday each May.

There are parades in many cities, towns, and boroughs that honor the veterans who died in past and current wars to keep our country free. Many of us go to the cemetery to plant flowers and place flags, to “decorate” the graves (hence the name) of those we love to commemorate their actions to preserve our country’s freedom. Others at home will run a flag at half staff until noon when it will be raised to the top until sunset. Each year there is a national ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington, Virginia where a wreath is placed upon it to commemorate the day.

In 2000 Congress passed The National Moment of Remembrance Act so all American citizens would pause for a moment of silence to remember our fallen brothers and sisters. This Memorial Day at 3 PM most in our Country will stop grilling and other leisure pastime activities to remember those who gave the ultimate gift of their lives in service to America and its freedom.

Pause and give thanks. It's the least we can do.

PATRICK J. WOOD
Publisher

Author of “Dear Reader” and “Tapestry of Love and Loss”

ARPA FROM PAGE 2

Parks

A series of resolutions given the thumbs up by the board will see ARPA funds dedicated to several Lincoln County parks.

The resolutions allocate \$47,000.00 to Camp New Wood; \$27,000.00 to Otter Lake Park; and \$232,175.00 to Prairie Dells and Hay Meadow Park.

Under the resolutions, the monies will be used to make improvements to campsites, trails, pavilions and other amenities.

Hiawatha Trail resurfacing

A resolution passed by the board allocates \$92,145.00 to the resurfacing of the Hiawatha Trail, which connects SARA Park in Tomahawk to the start of Bearskin Trail in Oneida County.

According to the resolution, a segment of the Hiawatha Trail is part of larger trail proposed in the North Central Wisconsin Regional Bicycle Facilities Network Plan and State Trails Network Plan to connect the Bearskin Trail south to Wausau and eventually Wisconsin Dells.

The resolution said the Northwoods Passage Snowmobile Club and Recreational Trail Aid grants have been used to replace the decking and railings on the trails railroad trestle crossing, “but non-motorized trail grant funding has become increasingly more difficult to obtain for these types of projects.”

Crushing gravel stockpile

A total of \$50,000.00 will go toward crushing a stockpile of gravel to be used to improve access to logging roads.

According to the resolution, the Lincoln County

Forestry Department maintains 13.14 miles of “gas tax roads” in the area of the Armstrong Creek Pit and receives \$351.00 per mile in road aid funding from the state for maintenance.

“The funding has been used primarily to build up and maintain roads with sparing amounts of crushed gravel,” the resolution said. “The project would reduce the haul distance (eight miles) to these roads from an existing pit on Four Mile Rd., allowing several inches of crushed gravel to create a maintainable surface.”

The project would also improve the roads for logging access to the Lincoln County Forest, which could potentially increase stumpage rates.

Marketing

Supervisors approved a resolution earmarking \$500,000.00 for marketing Lincoln County.

The resolution said developing specific plans on marketing strategies will “will take some time and collaboration, but was recognized as an opportunity to support the APRA use objectives in a meaningful way.”

“Once a specific and detailed plan is developed, the request will be brought forward for further approval,” the resolution stated.

City campsite development

A total of \$500,000.00 will be allocated to upgrading and marketing campsites in the cities of Tomahawk and Merrill, as well as townships that show interest.

Similar to the resolution related to marketing Lincoln County as a whole, plans and strategies will be developed and brought to the board in the future.

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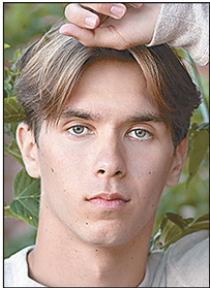
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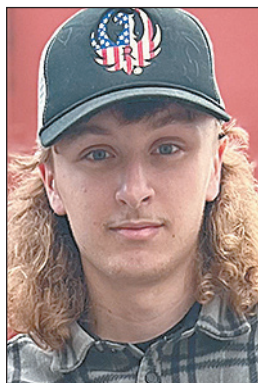
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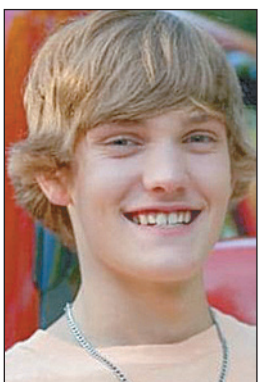
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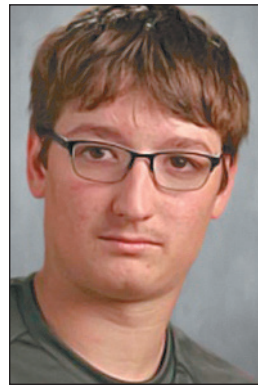
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Legals 7700 in the office of the Town of King, for the period of July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 all according to Section 125. of the Wisconsin State Statutes.

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Legals 7700 archaeology, engineering, or culture that are listed or determined eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Comments pertaining specifically to potential effects on historic resources may be submitted within 30 days from this publication to: Ben Youra, G2 Consulting Group, LLC, 1186 Heather Dr. in Lake Zurich, IL 60047, Phone: 847-353-8740, e-mail: byoura@g2consultinggroup.com This notice is provided in accordance with the regulations of the Federal Communications Commission, 47 C.F.R. Part 1, Subpart I and Appendices B and C. Published May 24, 2023 WNAXLP

Legals 7700 22" W A DISTANCE OF 562.74' TO AN IRON PIPE AND THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, TO INCLUDE ALL LANDS LYING BETWEEN THE ABOVE LAKE SHORE MEANDER AND A NORTHERLY EXTENSION OF THE LATERAL LINES TO LACERTE LAKE. EXCEPT HIGHWAYS. SUBJECT TO EASEMENTS, RIGHT-OF-WAYS AND RESERVATIONS OF RECORD. Street Address: N9018 County Road S, Tomahawk, WI 54487 Tax Key No. 00434061139998 THE PROPERTY WILL BE SOLD AS IS AND SUBJECT TO ANY AND ALL REAL ESTATE TAXES, SUPERIOR LIENS OR OTHER LEGAL ENCUMBRANCES. TERMS OF SALE: CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK or CERTIFIED FUNDS, payable to the Clerk of Courts (10% down payment at sale, balance due within ten (10) days of Court approval; down payment to be forfeited if payment not received timely). Buyer must comply with minimum bidder qualifications as set forth in Wis. Stat. § 846.155. Buyer to pay applicable Wisconsin Real Estate Transfer Tax in addition to the purchase price. Ken Schneider Sheriff of Lincoln County, Wisconsin Codilis, Moody & Circelli, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiff (414) 775-7700 50-19-02088 NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector. Published May 10, 17, 24, 2023 WNAXLP

Legals 7700 Place: Lincoln County Courthouse, BR 1 1110 E. Main St. Merrill, WI 54452 Date: June 29, 2023 Time: 9:30 a.m. If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call (715)536-0303 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation BY THE COURT: DATE SIGNED: May 01, 2023 //s/: Robert Russell CIRCUIT JUDGE/COURT COMMISSIONER Published May 10, 17, 24, 2023 WNAXLP

TOWN of NOKOMIS 2541 Lake Nokomis Road Tomahawk, Wisconsin 54487 "RECREATION CENTER OF THE NORTH" PH# 715-453-4801 • Fax 715-453-6399 Web: townofnokomis.com Town of Nokomis is now accepting bids for concrete slab replacement in front of the food pantry. Approximate size 80 FT X 13 FT. Any questions please contact Dave Halfmann 715-351-9364 E-mail nokomisshop@frontier.com. Deadline for completed bids is 2:30 pm June 1, 2023. Published May 17 & 24, 2023 WNAXLP

ALCOHOL LICENSE APPLICATION NOTICE Notice is hereby given that the following have applied for Class B Combination Liquor License for the time period of 7/1/2023-6/30/2024 in the Town of Schley, Lincoln County: Adam Paulus, Club X to C Inc., W890 County Rd C, Gleason, WI 54435 Gina Vandergeest, Gina Marie's Bar & Grill, N4297 County Rd X, Gleason, WI 54435 Christopher Streich, Hub Inn, N3294 State Rd 17, Merrill, WI 54452 The Town Board of the Town of Schley will consider and receive public input and comment regarding issuance of the above referenced licenses at its regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, June 12, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Schley Hall. Becky Dallman - Town of Schley Clerk Published: 05-24-2023 WNAXLP

Invitation to Comment on a Proposed Tower Construction: TowerNorth is proposing to construct a 285-foot self-support telecommunications tower (overall height including top-mounted appurtenances) located on SR 86, 900ft W of CoRd O, Tomahawk, Lincoln Co., WI. The type of lighting for the tower has not yet been determined. TowerNorth invites comments from any interested party on the impact the proposed undertaking may have on any districts, sites, buildings, structures or objects significant in American history, Published May 24, 2023 WNAXLP

NOTICE AMBER SIMON please contact us at 715-453-8500 to redeem your property abandoned at A-1 Northwoods Storage at W5885 Derleth Road Tomahawk, WI 54487. Your storage unit with your property is in default. The sale of your property will take place after June 1, 2023 so please contact us before then. Published May 17, 24, 2023 WNAXLP

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSES in the City of Tomahawk Notice is hereby given that the following application has been filed in the Clerk-Treasurer's office of the City of Tomahawk, Wisconsin for the sale of intoxicating beverages in said City for such classes of licenses and at the location the premises to be licensed in the City of Tomahawk, for the license year ending June 30, 2024 all according to Section 125 of the Wisconsin State Statutes. Table with columns: Name, Premise Address, Mailing Address, Class "A" Beer, Class "A" Combination, Class "B" Beer and Class "C" Wine, Class "B" Combination.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSES In the Town of Skanawan Notice is hereby given that the following applications have been filed in the Clerk office of the Town of Skanawan, Wisconsin for the sale of intoxicating beverages in said Town for such classes of licenses and at the location the premises to be licensed in the Town of Skanawan, for the license year ending June 30th, 2024 all according to Section 125 of the Wisconsin State Statutes. CLASS "B" COMBINATION NAME Clover Club LLC ADDRESS N8894 County Rd H, Irma WI PREMISE LOCATION SAME NAME Maple Bear Campground LLC ADDRESS N9350 county Rd H, Tomahawk, WI PREMISE LOCATION SAME Published May 24, 2023 WNAXLP

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT LINCOLN COUNTY Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as Trustee for Mortgage Assets Management Series I Trust Plaintiff, v. Brian D. Jones, et al. Defendants. Case No. 2020CV000006

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE By virtue of a judgment of foreclosure made in the above-entitled action on September 8, 2021 in the amount of \$184,873.35, I will sell at public auction, located at the main entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, 1110 E. Main Street, Merrill, WI 54452, on June 6, 2023 At 10:00 AM, all of the following described premises, to wit: ALL THAT PORTION OF THE WEST HALF OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH OF RANGE 6 EAST LYING EAST AND NORTH OF HIGHWAY 51 RIGHT OF WAY, IN THE TOWN OF BRADLEY, LINCOLN COUNTY, WISCONSIN, EXCEPT THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PARCEL: A PARCEL OF LAND BEING A PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, RANGE 6 EAST, OF THE FOURTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, LINCOLN COUNTY, WISCONSIN, BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT A BERNTSEN MONUMENT MARKING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 11, THENCE S. 00 DEGREES 51' 23" W. ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 11 A DISTANCE OF 2630.74' TO A BERNTSEN MONUMENT MARKING THE WEST QUARTER CORNER OF SAID SECTION 11, THENCE S 37 DEGREES 57' 12" E. A DISTANCE OF 1885.70' TO AN IRON PIPE ON THE NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF STATE TRUNK HIGHWAY "107" AND THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, THENCE S. 65 DEGREES 50' 55" E. ALONG SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE A DISTANCE OF 133.28' TO AN IRON PIPE, THENCE LEAVING SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE ON A BEARING OF N 00 DEGREES 02' 34" E. A DISTANCE OF 60.63' TO AN IRON PIPE, THENCE N 02 DEGREES 35' 20" E. A DISTANCE OF 68.27' TO AN IRON PIPE, THENCE N 04 DEGREES 15' 27" E. A DISTANCE OF 102.91' TO AN IRON PIPE, THENCE N 04 DEGREES 13' 02" E A DISTANCE OF 259.27' TO AN IRON PIPE, THENCE N 02 DEGREES 07' 03" W A DISTANCE OF 178.81' TO AN IRON PIPE NEAR THE SOUTHERLY SHORE OF LACERTE LAKE, THENCE S 67 DEGREES 33' 05" W NEAR SAID SOUTHERLY LAKE SHORE A DISTANCE OF 135.58' TO IRON PIPE, THENCE LEAVING SAID SOUTHERLY LAKE SHORE A DISTANCE OF 135.58' TO AN IRON PIPE, THENCE LEAVING SAID SOUTHERLY LAKE SHORE ON A BEARING OF S. 01 DEGREES 59' 10" W A DISTANCE OF 562.74' TO AN IRON PIPE AND THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, TO INCLUDE ALL LANDS LYING BETWEEN THE ABOVE LAKE SHORE MEANDER AND A NORTHERLY EXTENSION OF THE LATERAL LINES TO LACERTE LAKE. EXCEPT HIGHWAYS. SUBJECT TO EASEMENTS, RIGHT-OF-WAYS AND RESERVATIONS OF RECORD. Street Address: N9018 County Road S, Tomahawk, WI 54487 Tax Key No. 00434061139998 THE PROPERTY WILL BE SOLD AS IS AND SUBJECT TO ANY AND ALL REAL ESTATE TAXES, SUPERIOR LIENS OR OTHER LEGAL ENCUMBRANCES. TERMS OF SALE: CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK or CERTIFIED FUNDS, payable to the Clerk of Courts (10% down payment at sale, balance due within ten (10) days of Court approval; down payment to be forfeited if payment not received timely). Buyer must comply with minimum bidder qualifications as set forth in Wis. Stat. § 846.155. Buyer to pay applicable Wisconsin Real Estate Transfer Tax in addition to the purchase price. Ken Schneider Sheriff of Lincoln County, Wisconsin Codilis, Moody & Circelli, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiff (414) 775-7700 50-19-02088 NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector. Published May 24, 31, June 7, 2023 WNAXLP

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT LINCOLN COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CLIFFORD R. HOTCHKISS DOD: 07/25/2021 Order Setting Time to Hear Petition for Administration and Deadline for Filing Claims (Formal Administration) Case No. 23PR9 A Petition for Formal Administration was filed. THE COURT FINDS: The decedent, with date of birth 07/09/1930 and date of death 07/25/2021 was domiciled in Lincoln County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N9992 Sunset Point Road, Tomahawk, WI 54487. THE COURT ORDERS: 1. The Petition be heard at the Lincoln County Courthouse, 1110 E. Main St., Merrill, Wisconsin, Room /Branch 1, before Circuit Court Judge/Circuit Court Commissioner Honorable Galen Bayne-Allison, on July 25, 2023 at 10:15 AM. You do not need to appear unless you object. The petition may be granted if there is no objection. 2. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is September 8, 2023. 3. A claim may be filed at the Lincoln County Courthouse, 1110 E Main St., Merrill, Wisconsin, Office of Register in Probate. 4. Heirship will be determined at the hearing on petition for final judgment. 5. Publication of this notice is notice to any persons whose names or addresses are unknown. If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-536-0342 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation. BY THE COURT: DATE SIGNED: May 18, 2023 Electronically signed by Galen Bayne-Allison Circuit Court Judge Form completed by: Attorney Steven C. Garbowicz 221 S First St., PO Box 639 Eagle River, WI 54521 715.479.6444 Bar No. 1018485 Published May 24, 31, June 7, 2023 WNAXLP

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT LINCOLN COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF Carla Donna Senn By (Petitioner) Carla Donna Senn Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing Case No. 23CV51 NOTICE IS GIVEN: A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: First- Carla Middle- Donna Last- Senn To: First- Carla Middle- Donna Last- Verbockel IT IS ORDERED: This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Lincoln County, State of Wisconsin: Name: Honorable Galen Bayne-Allison

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT LINCOLN COUNTY Reverse Mortgage Funding LLC Plaintiff, v. Estate of Elaine D. Riesinger, et al. Defendants. Case No. 2022CV000175 NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE By virtue of a judgment of foreclosure made in the above-entitled action on March 14, 2023 in the amount of \$96,051.38, I will sell at public auction, located at the main entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, 1110 E. Main Street, Merrill, WI 54452, on June 22, 2023 At 10:00 AM, all of the following described premises, to wit: BEGINNING AT A POINT THIRTY-FIVE (35) RODS EAST OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (NE 1/4 SE 1/4), OF SECTION TWELVE (12), IN TOWNSHIP THIRTY-ONE (31) NORTH, OF RANGE SIX (6) EAST, AND RUNNING THENCE DUE NORTH EIGHT (8) RODS; THENCE EAST FIVE (5) RODS; THENCE SOUTH EIGHT (8) RODS; THENCE WEST FIVE (5) RODS TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING. ALSO KNOW AND DESCRIBED AS A. P. LOT 145 OF THE ASSESSOR'S PLAT OF THE CITY OF MERRILL, LINCOLN COUNTY, WISCONSIN. AND A STRIP OF LAND TWENTY-SEVEN (27) FEET (EAST AND WEST) AND EIGHT (8) RODS LONG (NORTH AND SOUTH) ADJOINING AND BORDERING UPON THE EAST SIDE OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED LAND, ALSO RECORDED AS BLOCK THIRTEEN (13) OF THE RECORDED PLAT OF W. D. KOLLOCK'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF MERRILL, LINCOLN COUNTY, WISCONSIN. Street Address: 1709 E. 1st Street, Merrill, WI 54452 Tax Key No. 251-3106-182-0057 THE PROPERTY WILL BE SOLD AS IS AND SUBJECT TO ANY AND ALL REAL ESTATE TAXES, SUPERIOR LIENS OR OTHER LEGAL ENCUMBRANCES. TERMS OF SALE: CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK or CERTIFIED FUNDS, payable to the Clerk of Courts (10% down payment at sale, balance due within ten (10) days of Court approval; down payment to be forfeited if payment not received timely). Buyer must comply with minimum bidder qualifications as set forth in Wis. Stat. § 846.155. Buyer to pay applicable Wisconsin Real Estate Transfer Tax in addition to the purchase price. Ken Schneider Sheriff of Lincoln County, Wisconsin Codilis, Moody & Circelli, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiff (414) 775-7700 50-22-01311 NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector. Published May 24, 31, June 7, 2023 WNAXLP

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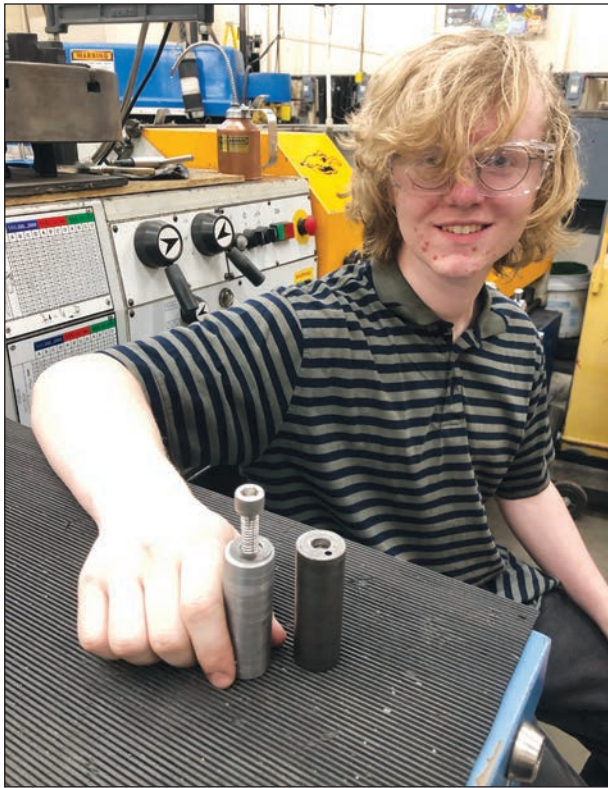
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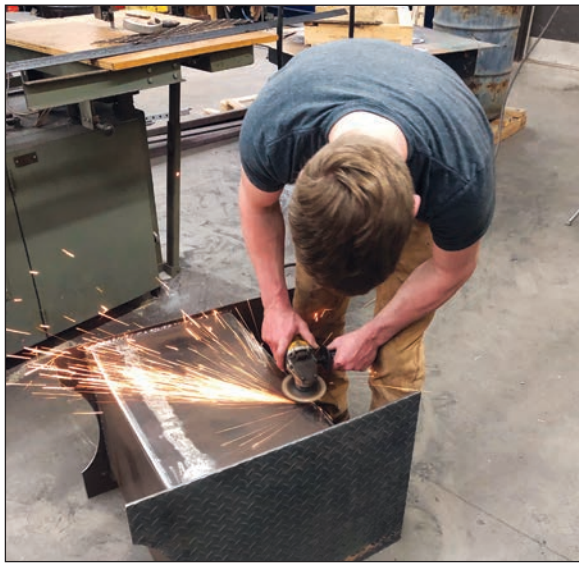
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When the School District of Tomahawk's Building and Grounds Department needed a part, they turned to the THS Metals Fabrication class. Pictured is Ian displaying a pin he machined out of round stock to fulfill the request.
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Pictured is the progress Hudson and Brett are making on the sauna stove they have been working on. Hudson is cleaning up some welds on the stove itself, while Brett is TIG welding the door assembly.



Rep. Tiffany considering U.S. Senate bid

BY JALEN MAKI
TOMAHAWK LEADER EDITOR

WISCONSIN – U.S. Representative Tom Tiffany (R-Wis.) is considering a run for the United States Senate in 2024.

According to a statement from his media team, Tiffany will “make a decision this summer” on whether or not he will launch a campaign, which would likely be against current Democratic Senator Tammy Baldwin.

Tiffany has purchased the domain name www.tomtiffanyforsenate.com, which currently redirects to his website, www.tomtiffany.com.

Tiffany was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in May 2020 after defeating Democrat Tricia Zunker in a special election that was called following the resignation of former Republican Rep. Sean Duffy. Tiffany defeated Zunker again in Nov. 2020 and emerged victorious over Democrat Richard “Dick” Ausman on his way to reelection in Nov. 2022.

Prior to his election to Congress, Tiffany represented Wisconsin’s 35th Assembly District from Jan. 2011 to Jan. 2013 and represented the state’s 12th Senate District from Jan. 2013 until his May 2020 election to the U.S. House of Representatives.

WEATHER

DATE	HIGH (°F)	LOW (°F)
Sunday, May 14	68	33
Monday, May 15	77	48
Tuesday, May 16	74	30
Wednesday, May 17	64	40
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Saturday, May 20	74	39

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Ask the PASTOR

Readers are invited to submit questions about God, the Bible, and religion. I shall try to answer them for you, using the Bible as the authority for my answers. We should read the Bible with the intent of learning who God is and what He says.

Last week we looked at James 4:8 and the concept of *drawing near to God*, which will never happen if we are given to making self centered choices (verses 1-5). There we are called to humble ourselves so that God may give to us His grace so we may overcome our selfish nature (verses 7 and 8). For today, I would like to look at the concept that we are servants, as defined in Romans 6.

In verses 15 and 16 we are confronted with the question, is it okay for a believer to sin; after all, we are forgiven by God's grace through Jesus Christ? The answer is a resounding NO! Why? Verse 16 puts it this way: *Do you not know that to whom you yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants you are to whom you obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?* Salvation is never a license to sin, we show the servitude we have chosen by whatever it is we are given to doing.

In verses 17 and 18 we are reminded that in salvation, we have chosen to be the servants of doing what is right. Before we believed Christ, we were the servants of sin, and ended up doing things that we may be embarrassed to admit to (verses 19-21). The end of a life of servitude to sin is death – the judgment of God against us.

The Bible's idea of being a servant to sin is not that we looked for ways to sin. Instead, the idea is that we were governed by a desire to please our self. In Ephesians 2:2,3 we are told that before we believed, we naturally followed what everyone else around us did, but in doing this, we were actually following the devil in how he operates (verse 2). And how is that? It is that we lived to please our selves, doing what we felt like doing and following our own ideas without any real concern for what is right (verse 3). Selfish behavior is the nature of our sinfulness. Our servitude to sin is slavery to pleasing ourselves without a concern for what is right – in this we were free from righteousness (Romans 6:20).

Getting back to Romans 6, we find that in believing Christ, we are set free from a servitude to sin so we may become the servants of God, doing what is right and having a relationship with the eternal God (verse 22).

In verse 23 we are reminded that there is always a payday for the servitude we have chosen. We can be the servants of sin, living to please ourselves, with its payday of the judgment of God (death). Or, we can be the servants of God, obeying what we know God has said, with its payday of living with God because we chose to believe Jesus Christ. As verse 16 puts it, *Do you not know that to whom you yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants you are to whom you obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?* The question is, what servitude are we choosing?

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Leader Sports & Nature

Mystery solved: DNR identifies snake spotted in Tomahawk

BY JALEN MAKI
TOMAHAWK LEADER
EDITOR

TOMAHAWK – Earlier this month, a reader submitted two photos of a snake recently spotted in Tomahawk.

The snake was photographed on the property of Jim and Jan Nelson on Kings Rd. and was believed to possibly be a timber rattlesnake or a gopher snake.

After the *Leader* published the photos in the Wednesday, May 17 issue seeking identification of the reptile, several readers

reached out to say it was an eastern foxsnake, which was confirmed by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) on Thursday, May 18.

Armund D. Bartz of the DNR said foxsnakes, also known as pine snakes, are found throughout Wisconsin and can get up to five feet in length.

“They are non-venomous, but can be aggressive if they feel threatened,” Bartz explained. “Foxsnakes are also one of several snake species in Wisconsin that are considered rattlesnake mimics – when threatened,



they will ‘rattle’ their tail to mimic a rattlesnake, hoping to scare off any potential predators.”

Bartz noted that not

only does a foxsnake look like a rattlesnake when they do this, but the vibration of their tail against the ground, dry leaves or



Photos courtesy of Catherine Nelson-Dittmann

vegetation often produces a rattling noise that can sound very much like a rattlesnake.

To learn more about eastern foxsnakes, visit the DNR website at www.bit.ly/3OnfZb5.

Tomahawk golfers host GNC meet, triangular at Inshalla

FOR THE TOMAHAWK
LEADER

TOMAHAWK – Last week, the Tomahawk Hatchet golf team competed in a Great Northern Conference (GNC) meet and a triangular, both at Inshalla Country Club in Tomahawk.

GNC meet

On Tuesday, May 16, in their final GNC meet of the season, the Hatchets finished in seventh place.

Sawyer Hanna was the top Tomahawk golfer with a score of 92 strokes, followed by Austin Lamer with 96, Caiden Reichelt with 101, Owen Dickrell with 104, Carson Childers with 104 and Drew Albert with 105.

Team scores: Lakeland,

326; Rhinelander, 343; Mosinee, 352; Northland Pines, 352; Medford, 358; Antigo, 384; Tomahawk, 396.

The Lakeland Thunderbirds crowned GNC champions for the 2023 season.

Mosinee’s Jett Walters was named Player of the Year, while the Coach of the Year award went to Matt Hasse of Medford.

Dickrell was named Second Team All-Conference. Hanna received Honorable Mention.

Triangular

The Hatchets took part in a triangular with Northland Pines and Ashland on Friday, May 19.

Northland Pines finished in first place with a score of

165, followed by Tomahawk with 170 and Ashland with 193.

Dickrell had the best score of the day with 38 strokes. Lamer finished with a 42, Hanna 43, Albert 47 and Childers 52.

The JV Hatchets ended the day with a score of 213, while Northland Pines’ JV squad finished with 241.

JV Hatchet scores: Caiden Reichelt, 48; Trevor Schumann, 50; Riley Massa, 53; Nathan Reimer, 58; Quentin Susa, 62; Sophia Kiser, 67; Lydia Ziert, 69; Sean Towne, 84.

Regionals

Regionals were slated to take place at Turtleback Golf Course in Rice Lake on Tuesday, May 23.

North Central Conservancy Trust seeking national accreditation Public comment period now open

FOR THE TOMAHAWK
LEADER

STEVENS POINT – North Central Conservancy Trust (NCCT) on Wednesday, May 17 announced that it is applying for national accreditation through the Land Trust Alliance.

A public comment period is now open.

Established in 1994, NCCT is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to conserve the natural heritage of Central Wisconsin through the protection of land, according to a release from NCCT.

NCCT said it works with landowners to “develop conservation easements that protect and preserve the ecological values of their properties.”

The organization, based in Stevens Point, operates in an eight-county service area that includes Lincoln, Taylor, Clark, Marathon, Wood, Portage, Adams and Waushara counties.

“The land trust accreditation program recognizes land conservation organizations that meet national quality standards for protecting important natural places and working lands forever,” NCCT stated.

“The Land Trust Accreditation Commission, an independent program of the Land Trust Alliance, conducts an extensive review of each applicant’s policies and programs.”

The release said this is NCCT’s first attempt at becoming accredited, “though it has been a goal for the organization for a long time,” NCCT said.

There are currently more than 450 accredited land trusts across the United States.

“We are very excited to have embarked on the journey towards becoming a nationally accredited land trust,” said Chris Radford, Executive Director of NCCT. “This has been an organizational priority for NCCT, and the Board of Directors has directed resources to make this vision a reality. The rigorous accreditation process has already shown incredible value in ensuring our organization is living up to the highest standards of excellence while instilling confidence and trust with our members,

donors, partners and landowners.”

NCCT and the Commission are inviting public input and accepting signed,

written comments on pending applications. Comments must relate to how NCCT complies with national quality standards.

“These standards address the ethical and technical operation of a land trust,” NCCT said.

For the full list of standards, visit www.bit.ly/3IvenIH.

To learn more about the accreditation program or to submit a comment, visit www.landtrustaccreditation.org, or email comments to info@landtrustaccreditation.org.

Comments may also be mailed to the Land Trust Accreditation Commission, Attn: Public Comments, 36 Phila St., Suite 2, Saratoga Springs, New York, 12866.

Comments on NCCT’s application will be accepted until Friday, July 21.

To learn more about NCCT, visit www.ncctwi.org or call 715-344-1910.



TOMAHAWK SPORTS TRIVIA: WEEK 131

The Tomahawk Leader will feature one local sports trivia question per week, provided by Bob Skubal, retired coach, historian, and author of “History of Tomahawk Sports.” Email leadernews@mmlocal.com if you know the answer!

The first person to tell us

the correct answer each week will have their name published in the paper if they wish, along with their correct answer to the question.

Week 130 question: Craig Kuntz went on to run track in college. Where did he go: UW-Stevens Point, UW-Oshkosh or UW-Superior?

Week 130 answer: Craig Kuntz went on to run track at UW-Superior.

Congrats to Gus Feind for being the first to correctly answer last week’s question!

Week 131 question: What year was the first golf dual victory for THS: 1967, 1968 or 1969?

Sports Briefs

Indoor track

The indoor track above the fieldhouse at the Tomahawk complex will be open Monday through Friday from 6:15 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. Entry is through at Door #6 (auditorium, fieldhouse and pool).

Water aerobics

Water aerobics will be held at the pool at the Tomahawk school complex on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Entry is through Door 18 (back pool door).

Morning lap swim

Morning lap swim will be held at the pool at the Tomahawk school complex on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 6 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. Entry is through at Door #6 (auditorium, fieldhouse and pool).

NATURAL CONNECTIONS

Balsam Poplar: Tree of the Far North

BY EMILY M. STONE
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NATURAL HISTORY
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We were supposed to be focused on birds as the group walked along the gravel road north of Grandview, but in the damp air I smelled something. Thick, sweet, and spicy, the scent hung in this one spot where tall trees gathered instead of the scrubby alder brush. I inhaled deeply, filling my lungs with an aroma that reminded me of lovingly cooked food, or carefully chosen perfume, or new life. I couldn’t quite place it.

Looking around the small patch of forest, I noticed olive-green bark near the



The buds of a balsam poplar tree are coated in sticky, aromatic resin that contains medicine for both the trees and us.

Photo by Emily Stone

top and gray-brown furrows at the bottom. Aspen, I thought. But wait. On a hunch, I jumped a wet spot in the ditch to get a better look at some lithe young twigs sprouting out of an injury in the base of one

of the trees. The buds were almost an inch long and encased in shiny brown scales just beginning to expand. I pinched one, and the aroma intensified. Another birder

Balsam Poplar
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Lincoln County Highway Department Highway Worker

Applications are now being accepted to fill a Highway Worker position-CDL Drivers. Starting wage is \$18.49 to \$21.55 per hour depending upon qualifications.

Regular scheduled work week is Monday through Thursday 6:30 am to 4:30 pm with overtime opportunities. Job description, duties, responsibilities, and applications are listed on the Lincoln County web page at www.co.lincoln.wi.us (career opportunities) or applications can be picked up at the Lincoln County Service Center at 801 N. Sales Street (upper level) Merrill, WI. John Hanz, Highway Commissioner, may be reached at 715-539-2554 if you need additional information or have questions.

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Nicolet College to host opening reception of Northern National Art Competition

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

RHINELANDER – Nicolet College in Rhinelander will host one of Wisconsin's premier art exhibits next month.

An opening reception of the 36th Northern National Art Competition will be held in the Nicolet College Art Gallery on Thursday, June 15 at 5 p.m.

"Top contemporary artists from across the country submitted works for this juried competition," said Jenny Bonardelli, Nicolet College Arts and Events Manager. "Only the finest pieces were selected, resulting in an amazing collection that rises to a very high standard."

The event is co-sponsored by the Northern Arts Council, which awards \$8,500.00 in prize money to artists judged to have created the best works.

The reception will include a light buffet, wine, live music by Darlene Cole and commentary from this year's judge, F. Lennox "Lenny" Campello.

"Known internationally for narrative-driven paintings and drawings and technology-infused mixed media works, Campello has worked as an artist, gallerist, curator, art critic, instructor, author and arts blogger in the Greater Washington, D.C., area for over three decades," Nicolet



Rhinelander artist Sheila Stillin's piece, Tom's Barn, was one 96 images selected to be part of the Northern National Art Competition at Nicolet College. Photo courtesy of Nicolet College

stated. "He was named one of D.C.'s 'most interesting people' by the Washington

City Paper in 2016." Nicolet said Campello pored over 612 images sub-

mitted by hundreds of artists from 43 states, in the end selecting 96 pieces for the exhibit.

"Everyone is invited and encouraged to join us at our opening reception," Bonardelli stated. "It's always a remarkable evening in celebration of the artists whose work has been chosen for the exhibition. It's always an enjoyable experience to take a leisurely stroll to savor the exhibition while enjoying a glass of wine and a plate of hors d'oeuvres and then to join exhibit juror and judge Lenny Campello as he shares his remarks on the curation of this prestigious national show."

Tickets for the opening re-

ception are \$20.00 and can be purchased at Child's Frame Shop in downtown Rhinelander, any Northern Arts Council member, or from Bonardelli, who can be contacted at jbonardelli@nicolet-college.edu or 715-365-4669.

Admission to the exhibit will be free after the opening reception.

The Nicolet Art Gallery, located in the Northwoods Center on the Rhinelander Campus, is open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday; Fridays from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Northern National Art Competition exhibit will run through Friday, July 28.

BALSAM POPLAR

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walking near me looked curious, so I broke off the bud and handed it to her. "Hmmm... Oh!" she exclaimed as she caught the scent, too.

The buds of balsam poplar were releasing their magic.

In Wisconsin, *Populus balsamifera* aren't as common as their cousins the quaking and big-tooth aspens. Their numbers increase as you head north, and their groves catch my eye with a distinctive golden cast to leaves and bark whenever I head up Scenic Highway 61 along the North Shore of Lake Superior. Reaching peak performance on the damp soil and extreme cold of Alaskan and Canadian floodplains, balsam poplars survive the farthest north of any American broadleaf tree.

Similar to a big-tooth as-

pen, balsam poplars have pale young bark and furrowed older bark. The leaves, though, have finely serrated teeth and rusty blotches on the undersides. Their winter buds, as we noticed, are reddish brown, up to an inch long, and glossy.

As spring sunshine coaxes open the buds, that gloss becomes airborne. According to scientist Diana Beresford-Kroeger ("The Jane Goodall of trees,") those aerosols act like "a health shield for all life on the planet." The aromas wafting in the breeze contain a myriad of chemicals. They are anti-inflammatory, anti-bacterial, and anti-fungal. Often included in wild-crafted soaps and salves, balsam poplars have earned the nickname "Balm of Gilead," after a rare, medicinal perfume mentioned in the Hebrew Bible.

The more scientists dig into the chemistry of balsam

poplar, the more impressive it gets. In the poplar's pharmacopeia, scientists have identified vasodilators that are important for heart health, and oxytocins that reduce blood pressure. These trees of the far north manufacture the molecular building blocks of the brown fat that humans use to shiver and stay warm. Tree bodies contain the same chemicals that the human body deems essential for brain, liver, and glandular development.

For years the Cree Nations have used balsam poplar sap to treat diabetes, and now scientists are expanding on that traditional knowledge.

An article in the international, peer-reviewed journal of Evidence-Based Complementary and Alternative Medicine states "The results clearly demonstrated that the plant extract substantially attenuated weight gain and the development of insulin resis-

tance [in mice]."

In fact, balsam poplars, who belong to the Willow Family, Salicaceae, have seemingly figured out the key to eternal life. Roots, stumps, and even stems and branches buried during autumn logging can sprout into whole new trees. Even 15-year-old cuttings regularly sprout new roots and shoots when planted in damp soil. Each spring, balsam poplar produces thousands of tiny seeds attached to silky parachutes—they are often called cottonwood like their southern cousins—but they mainly rely on vegetative reproduction, not those seeds.

So where do these trees get their super powers? Unlike the northern conifers, balsam poplars have taproots that dive deep into the soil, right down to the nutrient-rich permafrost layer (wherever there is one). The tree draws up minerals, concen-

trates them into the waxy green leaves, and generously drops them onto the ground every fall. This enriches the topsoil for all the neighbors. Beresford-Kroeger suspects that these habits, and their pharmacopeia, are all adaptations to surviving the harsh environment of the cold, dry North.

Somewhat ironically, this cold-adapted tree may win bigtime as the climate changes...at least for a while. As summers warm and lengthen, balsam poplars are intruding on formerly treeless areas at the northern end of their range. They are making fundamental changes in the tundra. In a journal article from 2016, Carl A. Roland (the botanist I studied with in Denali when I visited Alaska!) and his colleagues from the National Park Service declared, "It appears that poplar may thus act as the 'leading edge' of land-

scape change in this region... leaving a substantially altered, boreal landscape in its wake." Meanwhile, they will disappear from the southern end of their range—like the gravel road near Grandview, Wisconsin.

That's a lot to take in on a damp spring day.

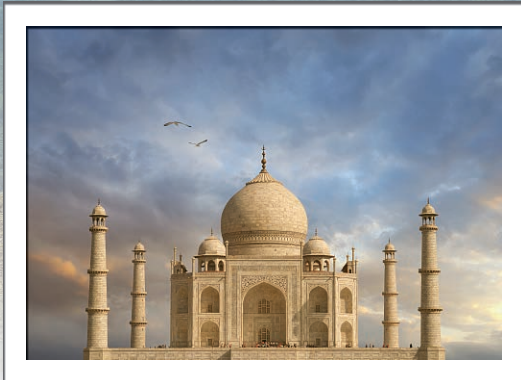
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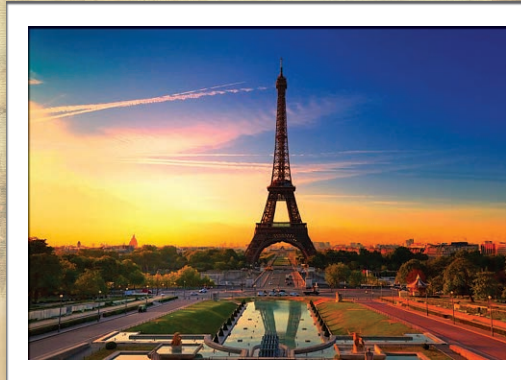
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