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THS grad Cody Scholz to run Wausau Marathon in fundraising effort for Gold Star Families

BY JALEN MAKI
TOMAHAWK LEADER
EDITOR

WAUSAU – A Tomahawk High School graduate is training to run in an area marathon in an effort to raise funds for families who have lost a family member in active duty military service.

Cody Scholz, who is currently studying Civil Engineering at Michigan Technological University, is a member of Air Force ROTC, which allows students to take part in three- or four-year programs that offer a mix of normal college courses and the Air Force ROTC curriculum, covering everything from leadership studies to combat technique. Upon completion of a program, a student enters the U.S. Air Force as an officer.

Scholz is also a part of the Arnold Air Society, a professional, honorary service organization that

advocates for the support of aerospace power. The organization is comprised of cadets throughout the U.S. Air Force officer candidate training programs, including ROTC throughout university-level institutions, and the Air Force Academy.

On a GoFundMe page dedicated to his fundraising efforts, Scholz explained that through the two organizations, the U.S. military has “become integrated with my daily life as I am constantly pushed to grow as a person and a leader in preparation for becoming an officer in the United States Air Force.”

“One of the core values of the Air Force is ‘Service Before Self,’ and it is my goal to demonstrate this core value by supporting Gold Star Families,” Scholz stated.

Scholz said a Gold Star Family is a “designation no one aspires to be.”

“A Gold Star Family has experienced the loss of an



Scholz

immediate family member who died in active duty military service,” he explained. “The title honors a service member’s selfless sacrifice while acknowledging their family’s grief and continued healing. Homes of Gold

Star Families can be recognized by a Gold Star Service Flag, which includes a gold star for each family member who died in the line of duty. A Gold Star Lapel Pin can also be worn, which features a star on a purple

circular background.”

Scholz noted that although their loss “can never be filled, Gold Star Families deserve to be honored for the sacrifice of their loved ones.”

“The best way to honor Gold Star Families is to raise awareness and educate friends and family,” he stated.

Scholz said he ultimately chose to raise funds for Gold Star Families because he did not know what they were prior to being in Air Force ROTC, and after talking to family and friends, they were also unsure.

“This made me realize that many people in my community and surrounding area may also be unaware of Gold Star Families, their sacrifice and the support they need,” Scholz stated.

In response to this, Scholz decided to make an effort to educate those in his community about Gold Star Families and raise

money for those families while training for and running the Wausau Marathon, slated for Saturday, Aug. 19.

The roughly 26-mile race will be Scholz’s first marathon.

Scholz noted that he had previously never run more than three miles at one time, but since Memorial Day, he’s been training weekly using a carefully-crafted plan.

“I chose the challenge of running a marathon to not only test and build my resilience, but to remember those who paid the ultimate price for freedom and showcase the resiliency of the families they left behind,” he said.

Scholz has set a fundraising goal of \$5,000.00.

“All support given is appreciated and makes a difference, no matter the size of the gift,” Scholz stated.

To contribute to Scholz’s efforts, visit his GoFundMe page at www.tinyurl.com/45xnp7jz.

City Council approves financing for capital projects

6th St., Lincoln Ave. work, City Hall improvements, water tower repainting planned

BY JALEN MAKI
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TOMAHAWK – The City of Tomahawk Common Council last week approved the financing for an array of planned projects.

During its meeting at City Hall on Tuesday, July 11, the council gave the thumbs up to a resolution approving a State Trust Fund Loan in the amount of \$2.1 million to fund the city’s 2023 capital projects.

The Trust Fund Loan program is administered by the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands (BCPL), comprised of Secretary of State Sarah Godlewski, State Treasurer John Leiber and Attorney General Josh Kaul.

According to BCPL’s website, since 1871, BCPL has invested in loans to municipalities and school districts for public purpose projects, including economic development, local infrastructure, capital equipment and vehicles, building repairs and improvements and refinancing existing liabilities to reduce future borrowing costs.

“Today, BCPL is among the largest public investors in economic development projects and local infrastructure proj-



Among the City of Tomahawk’s 2023 capital projects is the repainting of the city’s water tower.

Photo by Jalen Maki

ects within the State of Wisconsin,” the website states. “Over the past 10 years, we have invested over \$1 billion in communities throughout Wisconsin.”

The financed projects include 6th St. reconstruction, the replacement of a culvert on Lincoln Ave., police squad and Taser video equipment and the purchase of a used dump truck.


The repainting of the water tower off E. Birchwood Ave., as well as improvements at City Hall – focusing on the roof, furnace, air conditioning and backup generator – are also on the docket.

City Clerk/Treasurer Amanda Bartz last week said there were no start dates scheduled for the 6th St. and Lincoln Ave. work, but a meeting with the contractor, engineer and city staff was slated

for this week.

The City Hall roof project will be bid out in the near future, and the city is currently waiting for the contractor to schedule the water tower repainting, Bartz added.

The city’s Board of Public Works discussed color scheme options for the water tower earlier this year. At that time, navy blue with a yellow stripe emerged as a frontrunner.



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FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

TOMAHAWK – Associated Bank recently made a \$5,000.00 donation to Tomahawk Main Street Inc. (TMS).

In a release, TMS said Associated Bank's financial contribution will "help our downtown thrive through various projects spearheaded by TMS."

"What does that mean for us here in Tomahawk? First and foremost, Associated provides TMS with office, meeting and storage space at no cost," TMS stated.

Karrie Hess, Manager of Associated Bank's Tomahawk branch, said Associated Bank is "fortunate to have the extra space for TMS right here within our branch."

"We are happy we can do

this for them," Hess stated. "This is a great organization, and they do so much to support our businesses and community."

"Associated Bank is the largest Wisconsin-based bank, serving over 1.3 million customer accounts across the Midwest, and we take great pride in helping the more than 100 communities we serve be financially stronger," Associated Bank said. "At Associated, we recognize that we can only be successful if the communities in which we operate are also successful. Developing and maintaining relationships with nonprofits and other charitable organizations that create and sustain vibrant and stable neighborhoods is critical."



Associated Bank employees Chad Curtis, Andrew Shallow, Karrie Hess and Dustin Peterson were on hand to present Tomahawk Main Street Inc., represented by Paula Blom, Donna Ahlgrim, Dawn Genelin, Andrea Krueger, Char Andreach, Tim Calhoun and Jennifer Turkiewicz, with a donation of \$5,000.00. Photo courtesy of Jennifer Turkiewicz

Since the 2012 inception of Associated Bank's volunteer program, "Roots in our Community," colleagues have reported more than

620,500 volunteer hours, equating to more than \$16.2 million in community service value.

"Come downtown to

any of our TMS events, and you will find familiar faces from Associated," TMS stated. "Karrie and Tami have combined for

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Chamber hosts annual July 3 Arts, Crafts and Vendor Fair at SARA Park

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

TOMAHAWK – The Tomahawk Regional Chamber of Commerce hosted its annual July 3 Arts, Crafts and Vendor Fair at SARA Park earlier this month.

A release from the Chamber said 90-plus vendors, four food trucks, a bounce house with

a slide, kettle corn and goats were part of the event, with participants and attendees from around the state making their way to Tomahawk.

"There was truly something for everyone, from kitchen supplies and apparel, to lures and bowling ball art," the Chamber stated.

A few new food vendors

took part in this year's fair. Joining Ed & Sharon's Catering and a shaved ice trailer offering gyros and cheese curds was Bambino's, selling delicious pizza by the slice. Jano's Sun Ray Café and All Sauced Up also joined in the fun, offering even more choices.

The Chamber thanked its sponsors for making this year's event a success, noting Crossbridge Community Bank sponsored the bounce house, Tomahawk Pharmacy

sponsored the addition of music, Sam's Rental provided the shade tent, and Musson Brothers, Cerny's Greenhouse, Wausau Homes/John J. Schoone Construction and Samuel Pressure Vessel Group covered additional expenses.

The Chamber said it is looking forward to the 2024 Arts, Crafts and Vendor Fair. To be contacted when registration opens, email the Chamber at events@gototomahawk.com.



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Floyd's Timber Tavern welcomed to community by Chamber Ambassadors

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

TOMAHAWK – The Tomahawk Regional Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors recently welcomed Floyd's Timber Tavern to the community.

Floyd's Timber Tavern, located at 433 S. Tomahawk Ave., is named after Floyd Manninen, the owners' father and grandfather.

"Floyd was a legend in himself," the Chamber stated. "In the past, he was the owner of the tavern Manny's Hanger, a logger, an accomplished welder, car enthusiast and stock car racer."

The Chamber said Floyd's passing left a huge void in the family's life, and they had the idea to establish a business in his name to honor him and fill the void while giving back to the community.

"The property came up for sale and seemed to be the best fit to create a legacy," the Chamber explained. "It is evident in the decor, taking on the logging theme, very comfortable amenities, great food and smiling faces."

The establishment dons a mural of Floyd, showcasing his personality, the Chamber noted.

Floyd's Timber Tavern regularly hosts community organizations and will help with any fundraising event opportunities.

"Stop in and visit Floyd's daughter Valorie and Bar



Chamber Ambassadors Kathy Rechsteiner, Jennifer VanRixel, Deb Tomaszewski, Mary Lou Voermans, Becky Jaecks, Tami Olson, Bunny Kluka, Sarah Ristau, Brenda Reice and Kathy Rankin were on hand for a recent celebratory ribbon cutting ceremony at Floyd's Timber Tavern.

Photo courtesy of Jennifer Turkiewicz

Manager Caleb, along with their other friendly employ-

ees," the Chamber stated. "Enjoy Floyd's Timber Tav-

ern – cozy, comfortable, and a welcoming atmosphere."

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"The cost of missing the final tax installment deadline is severe. Under state law, interest and penalty charges are 1.5 percent of unpaid principal per month back to February 1 (10.5% in August for 2022 taxes). So, it is imperative to pay property taxes on time to avoid a delinquency."

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OBITUARIES

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William Paul Streicher Jr. (Bill or "Uncle Boogie") was born on Jan. 26, 1933 in Kewanee, Ill., and died on June 26, 2023 in Tomahawk. After growing up in Kewanee, Ill., and Gila Bend, Ariz., Bill joined the Air Force. While in the service he traveled to many interesting places and played guitar in a band. He especially enjoyed his time in Guam where he belonged to a group called the Deep Sea Searchers. In Japan he was tasked with maintaining and repairing military planes, when he wasn't Boogieing down with his buddies or charming the ladies.

Over the years he enjoyed music, scuba diving, traveling, playing poker, fishing, and spending time with his parents, brothers, friends and family while living in the Tomahawk and Rhinelander areas along with several winters at a few different places in Florida. He liked camping with family at Lake Superior, playing pool and ping pong with his nieces and nephews and telling them a few outlandish stories about his world travels.

He and his friend Anne settled in the Rhinelander area where he worked for several years for the Town of Pine Lake. After his retirement from the town he moved to the Nokomis area where he enjoyed camping by the Willow Flowage in the summer and winters at the Lake Nokomis home. He very much loved spending time having a few "Old Mills" with many friends at several watering holes around the area.

His last few years he spent at his family's home on Nokomis - reading, watching TV, and working crosswords. He very much enjoyed looking out at the lake watching birds and other wildlife.

Bill is survived by his nieces and nephews - Dave, Tom, Dawn, Rhonda, Kurt, and Sarah along with several grand- and great-grand nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents Bill and Edith, his brothers Melvin, Don, Dave, and Darrell, grandnephew Jason and his friend Anne Alsteen.

In lieu of flowers or gifts please make a donation to your favorite cancer charity or your local wildlife center.

The Memorial Service for Bill Streicher will take place at 2 p.m. at Krueger Family Funeral Home, Tomahawk, on Wednesday, July 26, 2023. The visitation will take place from 1 p.m. until the time of service at 2 p.m.

In lieu of flowers or gifts please make a donation to your favorite cancer charity or local wildlife center.

Krueger Family Funeral Home & Cremation Service is assisting the family with arrangements. You may view the full obituary and leave online condolences at www.kruegerfamilyfuneral.com.



James Allan Kriesel, age 59, of Rhinelander died on Monday, July 10, 2023 at the Friendly Village Nursing Home in Rhinelander. James was born on February 20, 1964 in Rhinelander, Wis.

James was an active member of the Special Olympics and participated in bowling and basketball. He also loved to listen to music, look through his bible, and teasing his family.

The family would like to give a special thanks to his caregivers over the years especially Marilyn O'Leary and family, the Our Way Group Home in Tomahawk, the Friendly Village in Rhinelander and Compassus Hospice.

James is survived by his father, John (Maggie) Kriesel; mother, Jodie Lassig; brothers, Phil (Amy) Kriesel of Rhinelander, Jake (Dawn) Kriesel of Rhinelander, Dave Kriesel of Nashville, Tenn.; nieces and nephews Lauren (Joe) Gervais, Taylor, Krystal and Nick.

There was a visitation for James at the Carlson Funeral Home on Tuesday, July 18, 2023 from 10:00 AM until the time of the funeral service at 12:00 Noon. Pastor Karl Schultz of Zion Lutheran Church officiated.

You may leave your private condolences for the Kriesel family at www.carlsonfh.com. The Carlson Funeral Home (715-369-1414) is handling the arrangements for the family.

Gerald Hulce, age 90, died June 26, 2023 in Wausau, WI. He was born on May 18, 1933 in Tomahawk, WI to Wilma and Lawrence Hulce. Graduate of Tomahawk High Class of 1952, he served in the United States Navy 1952 thru 1956. Graduate of Wausau Area Technical School in 1958. He was a long time employee of Fort Howard Paper of Green Bay, WI. Survivors include spouse, Faith S. Hulce; ex-spouse, Pat Hulce; two children and two grandchildren. Preceded in death by brothers Darwin and Lauren; sister, Janet. No services will be held. Cremation has taken place.

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Robert "Bob" A. Haring, age 78, of Tomahawk, passed away on Monday, July 10, 2023, at Riverview Health Services in Tomahawk. Bob was born in Chicago, Ill. on Aug. 14, 1944, to the late Bernard F. and Elizabeth (Schuit) Haring. He was married to Beverly Grubbs on May 4, 1968; she survives. Bob grew up in Tomahawk and was a 1964 graduate of Tomahawk High School.

After graduation, he attended culinary school and worked at a local resort for several years.

He then was employed at Northern View Mink Ranch and later Semco Windows where he retired in 2004. Bob's first passion was woodworking. He loved the outdoors hunting, fishing, birdwatching, and gardening, and enjoyed grilling and cooking, playing pool, darts, and horseshoes. His family meant the world to him and he spent countless hours playing cards, cribbage, and Skip Bo with them. He enjoyed watching the Brewers and Packers and loved shopping, especially on Black Friday. In his younger years, Bob was a dedicated member of the Knights of Columbus and the Nokomis Volunteer Fire Department where he was a fire inspector. He had an outgoing and welcoming personality and was loved and cherished by his family.

Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Beverly Haring, of Tomahawk; his daughter, Brenda (Greg) Jones, of Peshtigo, Wis.; his brothers, Bernie (Carol) Haring, Mike (Melissa) Haring, and Joe (Laura) Haring, all of Tomahawk; his sisters, Betty Lou McArdle, of Las Vegas, Nev., Peggy Hitt, of Fond du Lac, Wis., Patricia (Mike) Butz, of St. Cloud, Wis., and Mary Carstensen, of Tomahawk; his brother-in-law, Harry Fender, of Ashley, Ind.; and his sister-in-law, Nancy Haring, of Superior, Wis. He is further survived by his grandchildren, Keith (Lindsay) Jones, Austin (TJ) Jones, Finley (Tom) Jones, and George Jones; his great-grandchildren, Calvin Jones and Phoebe Jones; in addition to many nieces, nephews, and extended family members. He was preceded in death by his parents, Ben and Betty; his siblings, Agnes Fender, Virginia Larson, Richard Haring, and Tom Haring; and his brothers-in-law, Dusty Carstensen, Mac McArdle, Bob Larson, Ken Hitt, and Bill Lovelace. The family would like to extend a sincere thank you to Sharon Cornell who was a wonderful caretaker for many years and became like a daughter to both Bob and Bev.

Memorial services for Robert Haring will be held on Saturday, July 29, 2023, at 11 a.m., at Generations Funeral Home, Tomahawk. Rev. Larry Mathein will officiate. The family will receive friends for visitation from 9 a.m. until the time of services at 11 a.m.

Generations Funeral Home & Crematory is assisting the family. You may view Bob's obituary and leave online condolences at www.generationsfuneral.com.

PUBLISHER'S LETTER

Cloak of Deterioration

Dear Reader,

As we age, we often conceal certain truths. We put on a facade of strength and control, pretending that nothing has changed and everything remains the same. In our attempts to deceive ourselves and others, we go to great lengths, but time inevitably strips away our illusions.

Time patiently waits until we are but a mere shadow of our former selves. We are exposed as vulnerable, reminiscent of a helpless newborn relying entirely on others for survival. Simple tasks like feeding ourselves become challenging, distinguishing between days blurs, and we fixate on trivialities like ice cream. We stumble. Gradually, we descend further into the depths, arrogantly believing that this fate could never befall us.

This reality cannot be evaded. It is an inescapable part of the human experience that as we live longer, our bodies will eventually betray us. However, with preparation, we can alleviate the burden on those close to us. Even in our diminished state, we can leave behind an untarnished legacy of accomplishments.



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Self-Analysis for Progress

Our most important duty in life is buried beneath the accumulated debris of human habits. We need to free ourselves from bad habits and sow the seeds of success that we desire. We are meant to learn this lesson by concentrating on the purpose of human existence: to know who is behind our life.

We all need to analyze ourselves and write down the thoughts and aspirations for our progress as human beings. Find out what you are - not what you imagine you are. Most people don't change because they don't see their own faults and the real need. True self-analysis is the greatest art of progress. Man is the architect of his own destiny.

Self-analysis is important for the progress of the soul. We can alter ourselves very quickly with strong determination. To eradicate bad habits, we must apply the full strength of our determination and willpower with patience. Whatever we have created or done, we can undo.

Plain living and high thinking should be our goal. Don't make your life complicated by too much activity. Carry all the conditions of happiness within yourself, praying and meditating on God. Our happiness is not subjected to any outside influence. You are the cause for your sadness and happiness. Analyze yourself and try to be what you want to be.

Don't keep your mind engaged in too many activities. Analyze what you get from them and see if they are really important. Don't waste time. Read a good book. Always have a positive approach no matter how miserable the situation is. No matter where you are, keep your mind continuously on soul peace.

Remember that each day we need to find ourselves a better person, otherwise we are going backwards. When we are faced with difficulties, make up your mind to be with good company and in a good environment and to study and meditate. Do not dwell on the faults of others. There is already too much evil in the world; do not add to it. Don't talk evil, don't think of evil and don't do evil. Be like a rose spreading the fragrance of soul goodness. Make everyone feel that you are a friend and helper, not a destroyer. Make everyone feel that you are an image of God, not by words alone but also by your deeds and behavior.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

An open letter to the citizens of Lincoln County

I would like to ask Lincoln County citizens to ask themselves one question. "Are you better off today than you were one year ago with regard to county government?"

This time last year we had a non-partisan county board made up of citizens like us who were trying to do what was best for the entire county. This changed in April when Republicans decided to politicize these non-partisan positions by mounting a coordinated and well-funded campaign against sitting board members. Sadly they were successful and I doubt that we will ever

see non-partisan elections at the local level again. We all lose because of this.

Since the Republican board took over, the county has lost the University Extension Program (one of only two counties in the state that do not have the program) and we are on the verge of losing our nursing home, Pine Crest.

Let's look at these two issues, first, the extension program was funded by matching dollars from the University which meant that we received a dollar's worth of service for fifty cents. I think that is a really good deal. The reason given was they could not afford it. This was not true, they

eliminated the wheel tax (\$20.00 per car) which brought in around a half million dollars in revenue, which was big for the county. How many of you have seen a change in your lifestyle because you have another \$20.00 in your pocket? Just Curious.

Second, they want to sell the nursing home because they do not have the money, again not true, past boards have found ways to fund the home for over fifty years

and I sincerely believe if we had last year's board they would have found a way.

Pine Crest takes care of the poorest among us with around 70% of residents on Medicare. It is important to note that no care facility whether profit or non-profit can exist if it has over 10% of Medicare patients without some sort of outside funding. Pine Crest has about 70%. These people will be forced out, are you okay

with this?

There are all sorts of federal programs in the works and the county has already received funding that was not available from the federal government until this year for other projects. They could find a way to keep Pinecrest if they wanted to, but they don't.

Please speak up for these folks that cannot speak for themselves. At a minimum, they should hold off and have a referendum to see

what the citizens think about Pine Crest after all they are supposed to be "Public Servants."

In closing, I will note that while other North Woods counties are gaining population Lincoln County is not among them, more food for thought.

Is your life better without the extension program and the nursing home?

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Northern Wisconsin band Ember took first place in the 2023 Hodag Country Festival Pick-off Contest, held in Rhinelander on Friday, July 7. The final four out of 19 statewide participants performed for cash prizes and the title of Wisconsin State Country Band Champion. Ember will be performing in today's (Wednesday, July 19) Music on the River concert at Veterans Memorial Park in Tomahawk at 6 p.m. **Photo courtesy of Rob Strom**

Evers appoints Jillian Pfeifer as Oneida County District Attorney

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

ONEIDA COUNTY – Governor Tony Evers, on Thursday, July 13, announced that he had appointed Jillian Pfeifer to serve as Oneida County District Attorney.

The appointment fills a vacancy created by District Attorney Michael W. Schiek's election to the Oneida County Circuit Court.

Pfeifer will serve for the remainder of the unexpired term, which ends in Jan. 2025.

A release from Evers' office said Pfeifer has spent her entire legal career in the Oneida County District Attorney's Office as the full-time assistant district attorney.

"During her time in the Oneida County District Attorney's Office, she has handled 23 jury trials and manages a regular caseload of approximately 200 cases," the release stated. "Her experience includes prosecuting matters ranging from ordinance violations to substantial battery to felony child abuse."

The release said that in addition to her courtroom experience, Pfeifer represents the office on Oneida County's Drug Endangered Children Task Force and has provided training



Pfeifer

Photo courtesy of Evers' office

for local law enforcement agencies.

"Jillian Pfeifer is an excellent choice for the appointment of Oneida County District Attorney," Schiek stated. "She is intelligent, hardworking, comfortable in a courtroom and has the skills to be an effective leader in this office. Over the last seven years, as the Oneida County assistant district attorney, Ms. Pfeifer has demonstrated an understanding of victims' concerns, an ability to effectively communicate with local law enforcement agencies, and has gained the respect of judges, defense attorneys and court staff. She understands this community and has a vested interest in Oneida County; with a commitment to public service, Ms. Pfeifer is an asset to the Northwoods."

"Jillian Pfeifer is a well-respected attorney who brings the dedication, dependability and temperament necessary for this important role," Evers said. "She will serve the people of Oneida County well as their next district attorney."

"I am extremely honored to accept the appointment by Governor Evers to serve as the Oneida County District Attorney," Pfeifer stated. "I am humbled by the opportunity to continue the longstanding tradition of respectable district attorneys in Oneida County. I look forward to continuing the collaboration with our dedicated law enforcement agencies and other community partners. As district attorney, I will be committed to serving our community with fairness in the pursuit of justice."

Pfeifer lives near Rhinelander with her family and is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and Marquette University Law School. She has served in numerous leadership positions for the Oneida-Vilas-Forest Tri-County Bar Association and recently became a board member of the Rhinelander Area Scholarship Foundation.

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U.S. Rep. Tom Tiffany hosted a roundtable discussion with area law enforcement at Nicolet College in Rhinelander last month. The meeting was for Tiffany to hear the concerns of local public safety officers. **MMC photo**

Tiffany holds law enforcement roundtable

Area sheriffs, police air concerns of drugs, mental illness

BY EILEEN PERSIKE
 MMC STAFF

RHINELANDER – Law enforcement from north-central Wisconsin met with Congressman Tom Tiffany (R-Hazelhurst) on Wednesday, June 28 for a roundtable discussion.

Tiffany has been holding events, such as this one at Nicolet College in Rhinelander, around the district.

"Sitting on the Crime Subcommittee of the Judiciary Committee, we hear about issues that surround this, so we want to hear from local law enforcement,

what their challenges are, if there are ways in which we can help," Tiffany said.

The subcommittee crafted a bill called "prosecutors should prosecute," Tiffany said, that partly came out of previous meetings with

Roundtable
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Aspirus Rhinelander Clinic recognized by DHS for youth vaccination efforts

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

RHINELANDER – Aspirus Rhinelander Clinic – N. Shore Drive Pediatrics recently earned statewide recognition from the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) for vaccination efforts of young patients.

A release from Aspirus Health said Aspirus Rhinelander Clinic – N. Shore Drive Pediatrics joined Aspirus Kronenwetter Clinic and Aspirus Pediatrics – Wausau as recipients of the 2023 Wisconsin Immunization Program’s annual “BigShot” award, which honors organizations that “had outstanding immunization rates for 2022, according to data pulled from the Wisconsin Immunization Registry.”

“The DHS BigShot award is an annual recognition that celebrates Vaccines for Children Program providers who are leading the way in protecting children’s health by ensuring their pediatric patients are up to date on their vaccinations,”

Aspirus stated.

In 2022, over 90% of pediatric patients cared for at the three Aspirus Clinics were up-to-date with their routine recommended immunizations for the Hepatitis A vaccines before the age of two, according to the release.

“Protecting your child is important,” Aspirus stated. “But there’s another reason kids need their vaccines: It helps protect other members of your family and community through herd immunity.”

“One of the best ways to help protect our children is to vaccinate them from diseases that are dangerous but preventable,” said Amy Slette, MD, Aspirus Rhinelander Clinic – N. Shore Drive Pediatrics. “Vaccines help the immune system fight infections more efficiently by sparking the immune response to specific diseases.”

Aspirus said the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends parents with infants and toddlers (birth to age two years) should



Pictured, from left: Jen Tienhaara, RN; Paul Fischbuch, MD; Sandy Alsteen, CMA; Hailey Aschinger, MA; Amy Slette, MD; Mindy Fisher, CMA. Not pictured: Megan Miles, RN; Julia Pickens, MD; Eunice Corujo-Incha, MD. Photo courtesy of Aspirus

consider immunizations for DTaP (diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis), MMR (measles, mumps and rubella), Chickenpox, Hepatitis A and B, Pneumonia and Polio.

“It’s always better to

prevent a disease rather than treat one after it occurs,” added Paul Fischbuch, MD, Aspirus Rhinelander Clinic – N. Shore Drive Pediatrics. “We’re honored to be recognized for our efforts to keep chil-

dren safe and healthy.”

“According to DHS, people began getting vaccines decades ago on a regular basis and that greatly reduced the spread of diseases,” Aspirus stated. “However, the viruses and

bacteria that cause these diseases still exist. Some of them can make you very sick and some are deadly. Vaccines are the best way to prevent serious illness or death from these diseases.”

ROUNDTABLE

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law enforcement.

“We’ve seen, not so much here in the district, but especially in some of the cities, prosecutors have been really weak on charging crimes, especially violent crime,” he said.

It wasn’t crime the officers had on the top of their lists, however. It was mental health and drugs.

Marathon County Sheriff Chad Billeb described the relationship between the two as a chicken-and-egg situation, not knowing ex-

actly which came first.

“In 2016 we created a co-respondent program where we have a crisis worker paired with a deputy and the city of Wausau did something similar,” Billeb explained to Tiffany. “We’ve seen huge success there, and they’re able to help folks who want the help, but when these people wind up in our jails – getting those folks help in our jails is a huge challenge; trying to get them into Winnebago, Mendota or even into a local resource, can be a big challenge.”

Oneida County Chief Deputy Dan Hess agreed with Billeb’s assessment.

“What we’re seeing now is the methamphetamine, the heroin which is causing severe mental illness with people,” Hess said. “I think a majority of mental illness is drug abuse driven.”

The challenges corrections officers face when working with inmates with drug abuse and mental illness concerns is a factor in why law enforcement has difficulty recruiting staff. And many of those hired are young and have limited

experience.

“We’re hiring 18-, 20-year-old kids, and (inmates are) throwing feces out of their cell,” Hess said. “And these kids are like, ‘I didn’t sign up for this.’ So we’ve got this big revolving door for corrections.”

Officers in attendance suggested to Tiffany law enforcement is hamstrung by federal laws regarding inmates’ mental health options, and the limited number of mental health beds available due to Medicaid funding and reimbursement rates.

Stopping drugs from entering the country, Tiffany said, has been driving his message in regard to the border.

“I’ve had some sheriffs from the district accompany me down to the southern border,” Tiffany said. “What becomes very clear is the one thing we can do to reduce the amount of fentanyl coming into the coun-

try is to secure the border.”

In addition to serving on the Judiciary Committee, Tiffany is on the Natural Resources Committee and is chair of the Federal Lands Subcommittee. He said he expects to be holding a public hearing in northern Wisconsin in the fall regarding access to national lands such as the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest.

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Rhineland School District to apply changes in Title IX complaint resolution Agreement includes training, education, reporting

BY EILEEN PERSIKE
MMC STAFF

RHINELANDER – The School District of Rhineland (SDR) has agreed to take specific steps to resolve a complaint filed against the district with the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights (OCR).

According to OCR, the complaint alleged the district discriminated against a student based on their gender identity when teachers failed to use the student's name and pronouns associated with their gender. The complaint also alleged the district failed to respond appropriately to students harassing the student based on their gender identity.

These events were al-



The School District of Rhineland and the U.S. Department of Education have entered into a resolution agreement following a student's complaint about sex-based harassment at the high school during the 2021-22 school year. **MMC photo**

leged to have taken place during the 2021-22 school year.

The complaint falls un-

der Title IX of the Education Amendments, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in any

educational program or activity operated by a recipient of federal financial assistance – assistance which SDR receives.

“Congress promises every student a right to fully participate in educational programs without harassment based on sex. Rhineland School District has now committed to take steps to ensure that promise of equal access to education for all its students,” said Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights Catherine E. Lhamon.

OCR's investigation included reviewing documents from the complainant and the school district and interviewed the complainant and four district staff members – the Title

IX coordinator, the Rhineland High School (RHS) associate principal and two RHS teachers.

Before the investigation concluded, the district expressed interest in resolving the complaint; OCR determined a resolution agreement is “appropriate in this case” because the investigation identified concerns that can be addressed through a resolution agreement, according to a press release.

In a statement to the Northwoods Star Journal, SDR Superintendent Eric Burke said through the resolution agreement the district will provide additional training to students and staff on discrimination, harassment and bullying. It is something he said the district has been working on for more than a year.

“We continuously provide training to our students and staff, so agreeing to provide more training was a commitment we have already embraced,” Burke said. “The district is committed to providing a safe environment for all students.”

Through the resolution agreement, Burke added, the district is committed to providing a “benefit to all students instead of fighting over the merit of the allegations in the complaint.”

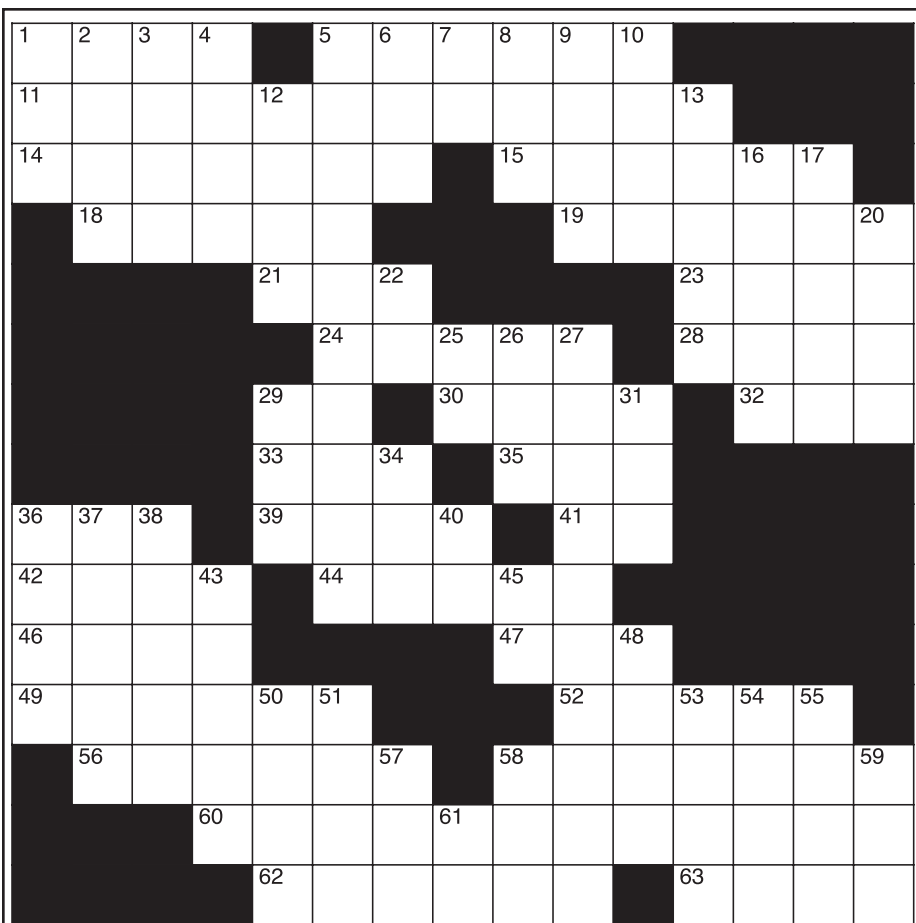
Burke noted the student

is no longer enrolled at SDR and the family moved out of state more than a year ago.

In the six-page resolution agreement, the district has agreed to meet with the complainant and the student to discuss compensatory measures, including grade adjustments due to instructional time the student missed by attending limited in-person classes; provide training to all district teachers and staff regarding the requirements of Title IX by the end of Oct. 2023; provide, by the end of October, age-appropriate lessons for high school students on the district's policies prohibiting sex-based harassment; by Nov. 17, 2023, conduct a climate survey to assess the effectiveness of the training among students and make sure the school is free of sex-based harassment; and take specific reporting actions for each of the measures and create an electronic record system to track all reports of sex-based harassment.

OCR will monitor SDR's progress during the resolution process until it determines the district is in compliance with both the terms of the agreement and Title IX.

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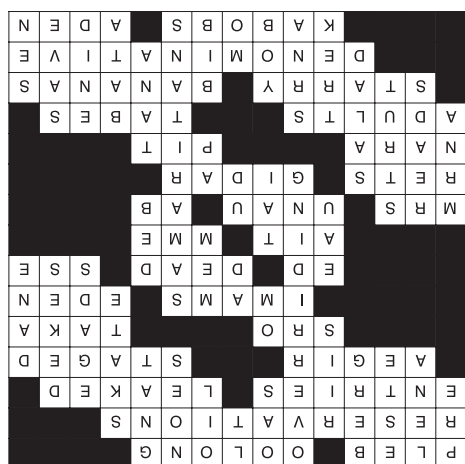
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- 14. Submissions
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- 18. Personification of the sea (Norse)
- 19. Unreal
- 21. No seats available
- 23. Bangladeshi currency
- 24. Leaders
- 28. Famed garden
- 29. Denotes past
- 30. Not living
- 32. Midway between south and southeast
- 33. Small island (British)
- 35. Woman (French)
- 36. Wife
- 39. Two-toed sloth
- 41. Blood group
- 42. Soaks
- 44. Biu-Mandara language of Cameroon
- 46. Japanese prefecture
- 47. Place to be during a rock concert
- 49. Fully grown humans
- 52. Emaciation
- 56. Sparkling
- 58. Fruits you peel
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- 62. Popular items to grill
- 63. Port in Yemen

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- 1. Before
- 2. Actress Dunham
- 3. This (Spanish)
- 4. Director Peter
- 5. Dominant
- 6. English artists' society (abbr.)
- 7. NY Giants legend
- 8. It's in the ground
- 9. No No No
- 10. Pesky insect
- 12. Danish-American muckraking journalist
- 13. Kids love to do it
- 16. Good Gosh!
- 17. Fakes
- 20. A citizen of Denmark
- 22. Mystic syllable
- 25. Commercial
- 26. Letter of the Hebrew

- 27. Helpers
- 29. Water (French)
- 31. Young woman
- 34. Red-brown sea bream
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- 37. Comprehends
- 38. Walk with confidence
- 40. Home of the Flyers
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Nicolet College announces Accounting program credit transfer agreement with UW-Stevens Point

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

RHINELANDER – Nicolet College in Rhineland recently announced a new credit transfer agreement with the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

In a release, Nicolet said the agreement will help Northwoods residents looking to earn a bachelor's degree in accounting do so without leaving the area.

Once students earn the two-year associate's degree in Accounting at Nicolet, they can transfer to UW-Stevens Point with full junior status.

The agreement took effect Saturday, July 1.

"This agreement creates a clear path for students with a Nicolet Accounting associate's degree to transfer seamlessly to UW-Stevens Point," said Ellen Mathein, Nicolet Dean of Business and Entrepreneurship. "One of the greatest benefits to starting a bachelor's degree at Nicolet is the cost savings. Not only are credits less expensive, commonly only half as much or even less, but local students can also live at home while attend-

ing Nicolet, which also saves on room and board. Combined, the savings can amount to many thousands of dollars."

Nicolet said its Accounting program is also offered in the highly-flexible Nicolet MyWay format, with students completing the coursework at the times that are best for them and fit around their busy lives.

"In order to accomplish this, the curriculum is broken down into smaller chunks, known as competencies," Nicolet stated. "Once students have prov-

en that they've mastered one competency, they move on to the next. When they've demonstrated proficiency with all of the required competencies, they are awarded college credits and ultimately a college degree."

A portion of the required coursework is commonly completed face-to-face with instructors during open lab times or during scheduled faculty office hours. The remainder is completed online at times that best suit student schedules.

"The academic rigor is

the same for Nicolet MyWay classes as it is for the traditional format," Mathein explained. "College is challenging for many. There's just no way around that. Just because a class is much more flexible doesn't mean it's going to be easier."

The Nicolet MyWay format also allows students to start college at numerous times throughout the year. Upcoming start dates in 2023 include Tuesday, Sept. 5; Monday, Oct. 2; and Monday, Nov. 6.

"Over the years, Nicolet

has partnered with over 40 four-year universities and colleges to create meaningful articulation agreements," Nicolet stated. "These are aimed at ensuring students experience a smooth transition and academic preparedness as they embark on their journey to pursue a higher degree."

For more information on Nicolet's Accounting degree and the pathway to earn a bachelor's degree from UW-Stevens Point, visit www.nicoletcollege.edu or call the college at 715-365-4493.

News Briefs

CESA 9 offering Substitute Teacher Training

CESA 9 in Tomahawk will offer Substitute Teacher Training on Tuesday, Aug. 8. Individuals with an Associate or Bachelor's degree and who successfully complete the training are eligible to apply for a Substitute Teacher permit. For additional information, visit the CESA 9 website at www.cesa9.org or call 715-453-2141.

Aspirus Tomahawk Hospital blood drive

A blood drive will be held in the Spruce and Tamarack Rooms at Aspirus Tomahawk Hospital, 401 W. Mohawk Dr., on Friday, Aug. 11 from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. To schedule an appointment, call the Community Blood Center at 800-280-4102.

Lincoln County Retired Educators announce scholarship

The Lincoln County Re-

tired Educators will award two scholarships this year. One will go to a Merrill High School graduate and the other to a Tomahawk High School graduate. Applicants must be in the School of Education, be a Junior or Senior, and intend to teach in Wisconsin. To request an application, Tomahawk graduates should email glderleth@gmail.com and Merrill graduates should email jbekp4@gmail.com. Merrill applications are due back via email by Thursday, Aug. 18, and the award recipient will be notified by Friday, Aug. 25. Tomahawk applications are due back via email by Tuesday, Aug. 29, and the award recipient will be notified by Friday, Aug. 31.

Construction on Lincoln County roads

Road construction will run through Thursday, Aug. 31 on the following Lincoln County roads: County Rd. L; County Rd.

S east of U.S. Hwy. 51; Prairie Rd. in the Town of Merrill; and Meyers Rd. in the Town of King. Lincoln County Highway Commissioner John Hanz recommends using alternate routes, if possible.

Chamber seeking photos for 2024 Visitor Guide

The Tomahawk Regional Chamber of Commerce is seeking photo submissions for the 2024 Visitor Guide. When submitting a photo, name the photo as the location where it was taken. All submissions have a chance to be featured on the front of the guide. For more information or to submit a photo, visit www.gototomahawk.com/guidephotos or call 715-453-5334.

Open Arms Community Meal served Tuesdays

Open Arms Community Meal is served each Tuesday at St. Mary's Corpus Christi Center, 320 E. Wash-

ington 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 ev-

ery 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.

Historical Society encourages use of Allan Bell Memorial Trail

The Tomahawk Area Historical Society is encouraging Tomahawk residents and guests to visit the Allan Bell Memorial Trail, located behind the high school office on Kings Rd. "There, you will find a very interesting half-mile walk with ten interpretive signs set up by high school students," the Historical Society said.

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Lincoln County Fair Housing Notice

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- Sex
- National Origin
- Sexual Orientation
- Ancestry
- Status as a Victim of Domestic Abuse, Sexual Abuse or Stalking
- Family Status
- Disability
- Age
- Color
- Religion
- Marital Status

Any individual who has been refused housing or otherwise discriminated against in the provision of housing on the basis of any of the above classes, can contact State of Wisconsin, Equal Rights Division at: <https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/er> or call 608-266-6860.

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LINCOLN COUNTY PROPERTIES FOR SALE – August 2023

The required Bid and Purchase Agreement must be used to bid on these parcels

Table listing properties for sale with columns for Town (e.g., TOWN OF BIRCH, TOWN OF BRADLEY), Parcel #, Description, and Minimum Bid (\$75,000 to \$14,000).

Any special assessment, judgment or lien shall be the liability of the purchaser.

All sales shall be by sealed bid specifying a fixed dollar amount. Each bid shall be accompanied by a cashier's check or money order, in the amount of 10% of the bid, made payable to the Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Department.

Bids must be submitted on Lincoln County's Bid and Purchase Agreement Form.

Mail bids to: Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Department, 801 N. Sales Street, Suite 106, Merrill, WI 54452 in an envelope clearly marked "LAND BID – PARCEL # _____"

Sealed bids will be accepted at the department office until noon on August 11, 2023, and opened at a meeting of the Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Committee on August 14, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in Conference Room 257, Lincoln County Service Center, 801 N. Sales Street, Merrill, Wisconsin.

For further information, contact the Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Department at (715) 539-1034.

Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Committee: Norbert Ashbeck, William Bialecki, Greg Hartwig, Don Wendorf, Kenneth Wickham.

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LEGALS

NOTICE OF QUOTATIONS

The Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Department is seeking to contract with an individual or entity to design, construct and install new vault toilet facilities at the New Wood Campground and Haymeadow Park

Specifications and instructions may be obtained from Dean Bowe, Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Department Administrator (801 N. Sales Street) from the County Clerk (801 N. Sales Street, Merrill) or online at www.co.lincoln.wi.us. (715) 539-1034. Proposals must conform to the requirements of the specifications and instructions.

Proposals must be received by the Forestry Department in a sealed envelope marked "Vault Toilet Bid" on or before 3:00 PM on August 3, 2023 and will be publicly opened at the Forestry, Land and Parks Department Office located at 801 N Sales Street at 4:00 PM that day. Quotations will be prepared for consideration by the Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Committee at the August 14, 2023 Committee meeting.

The Committee reserves the right to reject any or all quotations and accept any quotation or portion thereof they deem most advantageous to Lincoln County.

Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Committee
Published July 19, 2023

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TOWN OF MERRILL
W4594 PROGRESS AVE., MERRILL, WI 54452

BIDS WANTED

The town of Merrill is seeking bids for double chip sealcoat on Prairie Road, approximately 4,330 feet long and 22 feet wide.

All questions can be addressed to Town Chairman Mike Hass at 715-218-7821 or email: camper52@charter.net

Bids can be mailed to Town of Merrill Clerk at W4594 Progress Ave., Merrill, WI 54452 or hand deliver 30 minutes prior to August Board Meeting at Town Hall on August 4, 2023 at 5:00 PM.

This is a WisDOT LRIP TRI program project and must meet all State of Wisconsin Standard Specifications for Highway and Structure Construction 2023 Edition.

Work Must be completed by September 1, 2023.

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TOWN OF MERRILL
W4594 PROGRESS AVE., MERRILL, WI 54452

BIDS WANTED

The Town of Merrill is seeking bids for Snowplowing.

All bidders must:

- Have proof of insurance and bond of \$200,000 minimum.
- Must be able to plow and/or salt 24/7 including weekends and holidays November to April.
- The Town is divided into 3 zones. Must have the capability to plow all three zones at the same time.
- Equipment required is at least two single axle dump trucks with sanding/salting capabilities and one road grader.
- Must ensure that all main roads are open for commuters at a reasonable time both morning and evening.
- All Town roads to be cleared within 24 hours of a snow fall.
- The successful bidder will assume liability for all damages incurred by their drivers and equipment.

Bids can be mailed to Town of Merrill Clerk at:

W4594 Progress Ave., Merrill, WI 54452.

Bids must be received by Monday, August 14th.

All questions can be addressed to Town Chairman Mike Hass

Cell: 715-218-7821 or Email: camper52@charter.net

Town of Merrill Board

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Notice of Pending Application for Proposed Floating Pier and Kayak Launch

Dean Bowe, 801 N Sales St Suite 106, Merrill, WI 54452 has applied to the Department of Natural Resources for a permit to install a floating pier and kayak launch. The project is located in SW 1/4, NW 1/4, Section 06 Township 32N, Range 06E located in Town of Rock Falls, Lincoln County.

The applicant has applied for a permit to install a floating pier and kayak launch parallel to the shoreline at New Wood Park on the Wisconsin River. The proposal includes an approximately 3-foot wide by 30-foot long pier with a 10-foot by 20-foot loading platform and a 3-foot by 40-foot kayak launch system proposed to be removed annually by Lincoln County Staff.

The Department will review the proposal provided by the applicant and any information from public comments and the public informational hearing. The Department will determine whether the proposal complies with ss. 1.11, 30.12, and 30.208, Stats., and ch. NR 150, ch. NR 326 Wis. Adm. Code, and ensure that the required mitigation meets the standards in s. 281.36(3r), Stats. if the project impacts wetlands.

The Department has made a tentative determination that it will deny the permit for the proposed floating pier and kayak launch installation activity.

If you would like to know more about this project or would like to see the application and plans, please visit the Department's permit tracking website at https://permits.dnr.wi.gov/water/SitePages/Permit%20Search.aspx and search for Bowe.

Reasonable accommodation, including the provision of informational material in an alternative format, will be provided for qualified individuals with disabilities upon request.

Any person may submit comments and/or request a public informational hearing by emailing roberta.hoffman@wisconsin.gov, over the phone at (715) 499-0716, or writing to Robert Hoffman, 107 Sutiff Ave., WI, Rhinelander, WI 54501 by U.S. mail. If you are submitting general comments on the proposal, they must be emailed, verbalized, or postmarked within 30 days after the date this notice is published on the Department's website. If you are requesting a public informational hearing, the request must be emailed, verbalized, or postmarked within 20 days after the date this notice is published on the Department's website. A request for hearing must include the docket number or applicant name and specify the issues that the party desires to be addressed at the informational hearing.

If no hearing is requested, the Department may issue its decision without a hearing. If a public informational hearing is held, comments must be postmarked no later than 10 days following the date on which the hearing is completed.

The final decision may be appealed as indicated in the decision document.

Docket Number IP-NO-2023-35-01601

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
For the Secretary

Signature of Robert Hoffman

Robert Hoffman
Water Management Specialist
Published July 19, 2023

Date: 07/13/2023

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Legals 7700

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES Wausau, Wisconsin PUBLIC NOTICE Invitation for Timber Sale Bids on Various tracts in Lincoln and Marathon Counties

Legals 7700

specific counties: https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/timbersale A total of 4 tracts encompassing 239 acres with the following estimated volumes:

Legals 7700

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, LINCOLN COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROSE LEE LYND, deceased.

Legals 7700

TOMAHAWK, WI 54487 1-715-297-1867 Published July 12, 19, 26, 2023 WNXALP

Announcements 7005

WCAN (Wisconsin Community Ad Network) and/or the member publications review ads to the best of their ability.

Dogs 7272

ACA BOXER PUPPIES shots/wormed/vet Ready Now! 3-F 3-M \$1200 715-721-0141

NOTICE OF QUOTATIONS The Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Department is seeking to contract with an individual or entity to crush and stockpile 10,000 tons of 1/4" base course gravel in the County Forest pit on Armstrong Creek Road.

NOTICE OF VACANCY LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS District 16 (City of Tomahawk – Wards 5-6, Town of Bradley – Ward 3) Applications for District 16 representation on the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors are now being accepted.

NOTICE OF QUOTATIONS The Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Department is seeking to contract with an individual or entity to drill and install one new hand pump well each at New Wood Campground, Otter Lake Campground and Otter Lake Picnic Area.

NOTICE OF QUOTATIONS The Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Department is seeking to contract with an individual or entity to provide material for resurfacing the Hiawatha Recreational Trail in northern Lincoln County.

07062023.1 *Ordinance to lower speed limit on town highways. STATE OF WISCONSIN Town of Rock Falls, Lincoln County The Town Board of the Town of Rock Falls, Lincoln County, Wisconsin, has the specific authority under s. 349.11, Wis. stats., to adopt this ordinance.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LAKE NOKOMIS LAKE DISTRICT The annual meeting of the Lake Nokomis Lake District will be held on Saturday, August 12, 2023, at 9:00 A.M., at the Tomahawk High School Auditorium, 1048 E King Rd, Tomahawk, WI 54487.

CLASSIFIEDS

Announcements 7005 Become a published author. We want to read your book! Dorrance Publishing trusted since 1920.

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Rummage Sales This Week 7200

Large 9 Family Sale: N1305 Deer Run Ave, Merrill. Everything you can imagine and more to furnish office or household, display stands, Large items, solid furniture, Sunday - Saturday 9am-5pm, weather permitting.

Rummage Sales Upcoming 7202

Tomahawk: Friday, 7/21, 10 a.m.- 3 p.m., Saturday, 7/22, 9 a.m.- 3 p.m., Sunday, 7/23, 9 a.m.- 12 p.m. 11200 Helen Lane

Estate Sales 7208

JANE'S Estate Sales & Services LLC Rib Mountain: Friday, 7/21, 12 p.m.- 5 p.m., Saturday, 7/22, 9 a.m.- 3 p.m., Sunday, 7/23, 10 a.m.- 1 p.m. Nice, Clean sale!

Antiques and Collectibles 7214

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Firewood 7244

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Miscellaneous Merchandise 7266

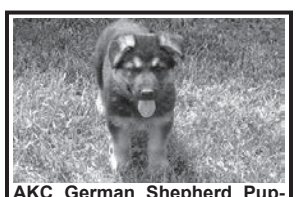
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Miscellaneous Pet 7278

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Pet Services 7280

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Miscellaneous Agriculture 7290

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Leader Sports & Nature

2023 Pow Wow Days kids races, frog jumping contest results

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

TOMAHAWK – Results from the Pow Wow Days kids running and gunny sack races, as well as the frog jumping contest, held at Veterans Memorial Park in Tomahawk on Tuesday, July 4.

Running races

Girls 5 and under: Sadie Minser first, Shelby Hansby second, Cooper Schultz third.

Girls 5 and under, second heat: Aliya Genelin first, Natalie Pelletier second, Norah Morris third.

Boys 5 and under: Henry Clements first, Asher Calhoun second, Reid Myers third.

Boys 5 and under, second heat: Bashir Genelin first, Cameron Olson second, Miles Cooper third.

Girls 6 and 7: Lulu Ohl-

mann first, Molly Pintens second, Nya Kallerud third.

Boys 6 and 7: Aurther Silverstein first, Josh Nelson second, Theo Clements third.

Boys 6 and 7, second heat: Kael Lechleitner first, Lincoln Nelmark second, Nicholas Clevenger third.

Girls 8 and 9: Aubree Bellanti first, Anna Eastwood second, Nicole Bellanti third.

Girls 8 and 9, second Heat: Quinn Lechleitner first, Emma Kieffer second, Dallas Hicks third.

Boys 8 and 9: Jack Siesennop first, Luke Levine second, Eli Silverstein third.

Boys 8 and 9, second heat: Parker Eisener first, Gabe Nelson second, Ean Murillo third.

Girls 10 and 11: Nora

Pintens first, Lucy Nelson second, Olive Primm third.

Boys 10 and 11: Ben Cerny first, Cal Silverstein second, Kaden Lechleitner third.

Boys 10 and 11, 2nd heat: Brayden Meyer first, Beckett Truax second, Enzo Murillo third.

Girls 12 and 13: Aliyah Nelson first, Kylie Roberge second, Dallas Hicks third.

Boys 12 and 13: Charles Siesennop first; Austin Theiler, Owen Hodge second (tie).

Gunny sack races

Girls 5 and under: Shelby Hornsby first, Madeline Toms second, Sadie Miser third.

Boys 5 and under: Marcus Wurl-Koth first, Bodhi Farmer second, Cameron Olson third.

Boys 5 and under, sec-

ond heat: Asa Nelson first, Will Eastwood second, Luke Cerny third.

Girls 6 and 7: Claire Batlus first, Olivia Wurl-Koth second, Olivia Knepel/Mady Vonschrader third.

Girls 6 and 7, second heat: Emily Eastwood first, Pollyanna Schneider second, Lulu Ohlmann third.

Boys 6 and 7: Aurther Silverstein first, Ben Ratzburg second, Matthew Theyerl third.

Boys 6 and 7, second heat: Gideon Primm first, Josh Nelson second, Josiah Nelson third.

Girls 8 and 9: Blakely Truax first, Nicole Bellanti second, Adeline Kahle third.

Girls 8 and 9, second heat: Quinn Lechleitner first, Lily Asik second, Ailyn Roberge third.

Boys 8 and 9: Luke

Levine first, Gabe Nelson second, Ben Baker-Nelson third.

Girls 10 and 11: Anabelle Asik first, Lucy Nelson second, Skylar Gilbert third.

Boys 10 and 11: Cal Silverstein first, Jack Galvin second, Simon Baker third.

Boys 10 and 11, second heat: Taylor Timm first, Beckett Truax second, JJ Patrick third.

Girls 12 and 13: Madison Gallegos first, Megan Mueller second, Catherine Wilt third.

Boys 12 and 13: Logan Gilbert first, N/A second, N/A third.

Frog jumping contest

Top finishers: Beckett Johnson, 111", first place; Cal Silverstein, 107", second; Nolan Morris, 101", third; Olivia Ratzburg,

97", fourth; Aurther Silverstein, 96", fifth; Marley Dean, 94", sixth.

Other results: Matthew Theyerl, 70"; Mya Theyerl, 43"; Skyler Gilbert, 70 1/2"; Logan Gilbert, 52"; Kenadie Gilbert, 42"; Eli Silverstein, 29"; Jack Siesennop, 86"; Beckett Truax, 50"; Blakely Truax, 80"; Charley Siesennop, 77"; Amber Lee Phillips, 77"; Norah Morris, 80"; ZZ Velasco, 74"; Reid Meyers, 88"; Riley Meyers, 51"; Beau Nicholson, 38"; Emily Eastwood, 33"; Elli Tollefson, 40"; Reid Dotter, 64"; Lauren Vandura, 76"; Ty Vandura, 56"; Olivia Wurl-Koth, 41"; Marcus Wurl-Koth, 29"; Landyn Schultz, 32"; Cooper Achultz, 52"; Maddox Martin, 31"; Jack Galvin, 68"; Megan and Reagan Galvin, 55"; Lillian Galvin, 80".

DNR announces nonresident hunting, fishing license fee increases

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

WISCONSIN – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR), on Tuesday, July 11, announced a fee increase for many nonresident hunting and fishing licenses.

In a release, DNR said the fee increases are a result of the final 2024-2025 budget enacted by Governor Tony Evers earlier this month.

The fee changes range from \$5.00 to \$40.00 and are only for nonresidents.

Licenses for the 2023-2024 season are valid through March 31, 2024.

The last time license fees for residents or nonresidents increased was 2005, according to DNR.

New nonresident hunting fees: Annual small game, \$90.00; five-day small game, \$60.00; deer, \$200.00; archery and cross-bow, \$165.00; turkey, \$65.00; furbearing animal, \$165.00.

New nonresident fishing fees: Indi-



vidual one-day, \$15.00; individual annual, \$55.00; individual four-day, \$29.00; individual 15-day, \$33.00; family annual, \$70.00; family 15-day, \$45.00.

New nonresident combination license fees: Conservation patron, \$620.00; sports license, \$295.00

Hunting and fishing licenses can be purchased online via Go Wild (www.gowild.wi.gov/), at any DNR Service Center or from an authorized sales agent location.

Fishing Report: Summer fish on the move

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

As we enter mid-summer, the water temps are into the mid-70s and even 80° at the surface – but it cools back down with a couple of cold nights in a row, which we are still prone to getting this year.

At this time of the summer, it can be problematic for finding fish, as they seem in some cases to be constantly on the move.

It is a good time to hire a guide because of the fish movement. They should be able to get you some fish, even when others are complaining about getting none.

If you don't want to use a guide, in general you can think about bluegills in the shallows, walleyes on mud flats or deep structure, smallmouth on rocky points in 10 feet or so and largemouth in cover. Musky are moving around from the weeds to the deeper water, and northerns are generally weed-related.

The walleye seem to be a bit deeper now, especially on those warm and sunny days. Although minnows

seem to be the favorite, many anglers will try night crawlers or leeches at this time. They work after all the bug hatches, and you just may get some other fish, like bass, perch and even northerns. You can still get some in the shallower weeds in the evenings and early mornings, or on very windy days.

Don't be shy about checking those major and minor times – and be fishing right on top of those.

The panfishing has remained good since spring. In general, look for crappies to be in unexpectedly shallow water at times, especially on dark water lakes. Try four to six feet of water in the cabbage even in high-traffic areas for some nice-sized fish. Look for the perch in the same places you find the walleye. If you're looking for bluegill, small leeches or worms are the ticket.

Bass have been active since the spawn finished. Look for largemouth under

the cover of docks and trees, and try a good old Wopper Plopper for some really fun action. Large leeches are also working for the largemouth and the smallmouth. Smallmouth can be found in deeper water around rocks and structure.

Musky are hitting, but slowly at this time of the year. Use surface baits and/or bucktails in both the weedy areas and out over deeper water. What you need more than anything for these fish is patience and the willingness to try different baits. There's a reason they are called the fish of 10,000 casts! If you are unfamiliar with the water, look for nice cabbage weeds and move around those areas.

Now that it's mid-summer, it's time to pay attention to how quickly summer passes here. Get out there and enjoy, because it'll be over in the blink of an eye.

Good luck and good fishing!

TOMAHAWK SPORTS TRIVIA: WEEK 139

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@mmclocal.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 138 question: In 1970, Don Petta led the THS track team by placing in what position at the State tournament: Fourth, fifth or sixth?

Week 138 answer: Don Petta placed sixth at State in 1970 in the pole vault, clearing 12 feet.

Congrats to Don Stelter for being the first to correctly answer last week's question!

Week 139 question: Who was captain of the 1970 football team: Jeff Kahle, Mike Fischer or Joe Cordova?

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Solunar fishing and hunting chart for Tomahawk. Major feeding periods last two hours and minors run one hour. New Moon is August 16.

Natural Connections: Camping with the Cousins

BY EMILY STONE
NATURALIST/EDUCATION DIRECTOR, CABLE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM

I wasn't quite sure what I was getting into when my cousin Meggan decided that this was the summer her crew would come to the Northwoods on vacation. Born just six weeks apart, we'd spent our childhood together with a pack of 13 cousins running wild around Grandpa's house in southern Iowa during most holidays and school breaks. Now Meggan has six kids of her own. How would I entertain them for a few days? This same crew was part of the family reunion I attended last summer, where we caught a shimmering young spider and named her Princess Entelegyne. As it turns out, I didn't need to worry.

I packed my car, too, and we all headed up to the campground at Little Sand Bay on Lake Superior, hoping to avoid the thickest flocks of mosquitoes. It worked. We had time to make s'mores and tell stories around the campfire before a few biters emerged from the woods, just as we were snuggling into our tents.

The next morning, after Rosemary, age 4, had finished her oatmeal, she wandered over under a tree to build fairy houses. I was helping her poke a little cone of sticks in the ground when she discovered a caterpillar. Enchanted, she encouraged the critter to crawl on a stick so she could hold them up for a better view. My heart twisted a little, and my head churned with negative thoughts.

With their pretty rows of red and blue dots, and whimsical, wispy hairs, I could see why Rosemary was fascinated with this spongy moth caterpillar. She probably hadn't noticed the defoliated trees lining Highway 13 near Bayfield, though, and she def-



Catherine, age 10, lets a "fairy baby" crawl on her fingers. Spongy moth caterpillars may be destructive, but they are also fascinating little critters. **Photos by Emily Stone**

initely didn't know that Bayfield County is in the third (and hopefully last!) year of a spongy moth outbreak. Even though the sugar maple tree we sat under isn't their favorite food, it is one of the 300 species the pests will consume.

Rosemary dropped this caterpillar off in the fairy house, and then went searching for more. She didn't have to go far. They were crawling up tree trunks, car tires, and even our pantlegs. At first, because she was putting them into the fairy house, we called the caterpillars "fairies." That felt odd, though, since fairies usually have wings. So, we switched to calling them fairy babies, a nod to the little pale-winged adult they would become. The cute name softened my grudge against them. I tamped down my worries about the outbreak, and just enjoyed the fact that the caterpillars were such an abundant source of wonder for the kids.

After breakfast, we loaded up and headed to Houghton Falls. This relatively short, wide, gently sloping trail

skirts the edge of an elegantly carved sandstone ravine with waterfalls on its way down Lake Superior. I had seen videos of spring snowmelt tumbling over the ledges in spectacular fashion, but now the stream was a mere trickle. I gave a little sigh of disappointment at the lack of show, and worried that the kids would be bored.

In no time they were braving a balancing log across a little pool to get a closer look. James, Meggan's husband, went with them, and then stood with his back to the falls. I puzzled at his position, until Charlotte's little two-year-old hand reached out from her perch in the pack on his back, fingers splayed, trying to catch each cool drip. Rosemary joined them and stood there catching drops with a look of thoughtful wonder on her face. They didn't need a rushing waterfall to enjoy the touch of water.

On the hike back, after spending a few minutes admiring Lake Superior on a sunny, sandstone point, the kids were getting tired. There was a commotion, some accusatory tones, and a very sad Jerome. One of his siblings had swatted at an insect and injured it. Jerome was indignant. The insect hadn't

been hurting anyone! When he caught up to me, I examined the big horse fly cradled gingerly in his palm. A relative of deer flies, the females

inflict a painful bite, then lap up the blood to fuel egg development. Jerome didn't know that. He felt in his kind little 8-year-old heart that this fragile living being deserved respect and needed care.

Later, we got out the bug nets and swept the bushes around our campsite. Someone soon found a colony of pink and yellow common-candy-striped spiders with their net. There were enough that we could each have a spider "yo-yo" dangling from our finger on an invisible strand of silk. My rule with spiders (learned from Larry Weber, who wrote the book on Northwoods spiders) is that you can only hold them if you're sure that YOU won't hurt THEM, not the other way around. I knew I could trust this group.

Meggan might have brought the kids up here thinking that my naturalist knowledge would augment their homeschool curriculum. And indeed, I read them Natural Connections articles

at story time, taught them the correct name for crane flies, and helped Catherine, age 10, complete the Geology Activity Booklet designed to complement the Museum's current exhibit.

But by the end, they'd also taught me to find beauty in the spongy moth, empathy for a horse fly, and wonder in a trickle of water. Now that's a productive vacation.

Emily's award-winning second book, *Natural Connections: Dreaming of an Elfin Skimmer*, is available to purchase at www.cablemuseum.org/books and at your local independent bookstore, too.

For more than 50 years, the Cable Natural History Museum has served to connect you to the Northwoods. Our new exhibit: "The Northwoods ROCKS!" is open now! Our Summer Calendar of Events is ready for registration! Follow us on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and www.cablemuseum.org to see what we are up to.



Rosemary, age 4, had no trouble finding spongy moth caterpillar "fairy babies" to inhabit her little twiggy fairy house.

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UW-Extension offering online class to help gardeners level-up skills

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

WISCONSIN – The UW-Madison Division of Extension Horticulture Program is offering an online class to help gardeners level-up their skills.

The complete-at-your-own-pace introductory course, Growing and Caring for Plants in Wisconsin: Foundations in Gardening, will focus on “key concepts for selecting, growing and maintaining plants – from trees to houseplants to vegetables and everything in between,” Extension said in a release.

Extension said that by the end of the course, participants will be able to link gardening practices and biology to preventing plant problems; explain how to select, grow and maintain the health of different kinds of plants; identify strategies to manage plant problems; and explain what Integrated Pest Management is and how it benefits people and the environment.

The course includes 14 modules with on-line videos featuring Extension specialists, readings, activities and additional resources, and special course features include live webinars with Extension experts who teach and answer your questions.

All webinars will be recorded and can be viewed anytime, Extension noted.

“Dig deeper into important course concepts by registering for four optional on-line labs led by Extension educators,” Extension stated. “You’ll practice applying course concepts to real-life situations.”



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All labs will be held via Zoom and will be recorded for later viewing. The online labs will be available for purchase for an additional fee.

The course will run from Sunday, Sept. 10 to Saturday, Dec. 9.

Early Bird registration will be open until Monday, Aug. 14. The Early Bird registration rate of \$299.00 includes an electronic version of manual (PDF). For those in need of financial assistance, limited scholarships are available during Early Bird registration.

Hard copies of the course manual are also available for purchase at time of registration.

Learn more about the course by visiting www.tinyurl.com/bdenfr75 or by contacting course moderator Amy Freidig at garden-ing.class@extension.wisc.edu.

For those interested in becoming a Wisconsin Extension Master Gardener, the course is considered an approved learning opportunity from the Wisconsin Extension Horticulture Program. Visit www.tinyurl.com/4dmswxmk for more information.

Sports Briefs

Tomahawk Community Fun Runs

The Tomahawk Community Fun Runs are now underway. Runners of all ages are invited, though runners under the age of 14 should be accompanied by an adult, as runners are not supervised. Runners meet at Veterans Memorial Park, where a description of the running route will be communicated. Runs typically occur Sundays, Mondays, and Thursdays at 5:30 p.m., with occasional 7:30 a.m. Tuesday runs from Sunset Point. View the Fun Run schedules at

www.tinyurl.com/ybwkwdjz. For more information about the Tomahawk Community Fun Runs group, visit www.strava.com/clubs/1066717.

Summer morning lap swim

Summer morning lap swim will be held at the pool at the Tomahawk school complex Mondays through Thursdays from 6 a.m. to 7:15 a.m. Entry is through at Door #6 (auditorium, fieldhouse and pool). Walking on the indoor track and water aerobics will return in the fall.

DATCP accepting applications for Buy Local, Buy Wisconsin grants

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

WISCONSIN – The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) is currently accepting applications for 2023 Buy Local, Buy Wisconsin (BLBW) grants.

Applications will be accepted through Friday, Aug. 18.

In a release, DATCP said it will award a total of up to \$200,000.00 in BLBW grant funding this year.

DATCP said BLBW is a competitive grant program designed to “strengthen Wisconsin’s agriculture and food industries by helping farms and businesses more efficiently process, market and distribute locally-grown food products.”

“BLBW grants provide



consumers with access to more Wisconsin-grown food products, including organic vegetables, hop varieties, hazelnut products, locally grown grain and other value-added products,” DATCP stated.

Qualified applicants include individuals, groups, or businesses involved in Wisconsin production agriculture, food processing, food distribution, food warehousing, retail food

establishments or agricultural tourism operations. Projects will be required to report on increased local food sales, created and retained jobs and new investments, according to DATCP.

Projects can receive grant funds for up to three years in duration. Grant requests must be between \$5,000.00 and \$50,000.00.

Eligible project expenses include compensation for personnel, consultant services, materials and supplies. DATCP said projects must show a one-to-one match of cash or in-kind support accounting for at least 50% of the total project budget.

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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.

Since the 4th of July we have been looking at the writing of our constitution. We have taken a quick look at two competing philosophies that were present in the world of our founding fathers. We have been the benefactors of their choice to follow the teachings of the Bible concerning human nature and its application to government, as it had already been applied to the government of Geneva, Switzerland, in 1541. But the philosophy they had rejected, the philosophy called the *enlightenment*, was the philosophy that France chose to follow in its revolution.

The philosophy was called the *enlightenment* because those who promoted it saw themselves as *enlightened people* who no longer were slaves to *religious superstitions* or *cultural norms*. They saw themselves as the truly *rational* ones, and those who disagreed with them as *ignorant* and *superstitious*.

One tenant of their philosophy was that no religion is true. Most did not believe there was a God. And those who still believed there was a God, they believed that no religion (Bible included) had the truth about God, but that God could only be known through human reason. But whether they believed in God or not, they still had a God – their own thinking.

When it came to morality, since they believed there is no God to define morality, they believed that morality was whatever they reasoned to be moral. Under such thinking, what was thought to be wrong yesterday may be reasoned to be right today. And when it came to accomplishing what they considered a *good* goal, it did not matter what was done to accomplish the goal, the only thing that mattered was that the goal was accomplished. This philosophy became the guiding light of the French Revolution of 1789, just after we had established our own constitution and government in 1787.

Psalms 14 tells us, *The foolish has said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done hateful works, there is none that does good.* In France’s revolution of 1789, with reason as their guide, they accepted the execution of thousands of *men, women and children* as an acceptable cost to accomplishing their goal. This became known in history as the Reign of Terror. But France is not the only country to suffer at the hands of such a philosophy.

In the 1800’s the *enlightenment* made Germany its home and became known as *German Rationalism*. It was in Germany, during the late 1800’s, that this philosophy gave rise to two political philosophies that in the 1900’s became known as communism and Nazism. And we know the atrocities of the last century that were committed under those two political systems. The Bible teaches in Romans 1:28-32 that when a people *choose* to forget God, they give themselves over to all kinds of evil in order to get their own way.

In our times, may we be as wise as the framers of our constitution.

Pastor Charles Scheele
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ADRC of Oneida County seeking applicants for RSVP Advisory Council

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

ONEIDA COUNTY – The Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) of Oneida County Committee is accepting applications from interested Oneida County residents for a position on the RSVP Advisory Council.

The RSVP Advisory Council will have seven members, one of whom will be an ADRC Committee member.

Individuals interested in filling the vacancy should have knowledge of human and social needs in Oneida County and knowledge in the field of community service and volunteerism, as well as an interest in and knowledge of the capability

of older adults.

Volunteers and organization representatives that have volunteers are encouraged to apply.

Interested Oneida County residents should contact the ADRC of Oneida County to receive an application. Applications are due back to the department on or before 4:30 p.m. on Aug. 20.

The ADRC Committee will review all applications, and candidates will be selected to recommend to the county board for official appointment.

For more information, contact the ADRC of Oneida County at 715-369-6170 or toll-free at 800-379-7499 or via email adrc@co.oneida.wi.us.

GRANTS

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DATCP said it will use a competitive review process to select the most qualified projects. Selected project contracts and work may begin in Oct. 2023.

Grant information and application materials are available at the DATCP website at www.tinyurl.com/cesfpemn.

grants, requesting a total of more than \$19.8 million in funding. Of those applications, 112 projects have been funded, totaling more than \$2.8 million. Previous grant recipients have generated more than \$13.89 million in new local food sales, created and retained more than 400 jobs, and benefited more than 4,800 producers and 4,972 markets.

For more information, contact DATCP Grants Specialist Brian Williams at DATCPdadgrants@wisconsin.gov.

About BLBW grants

Since its inception in 2008, 571 applications have been submitted for BLBW

Speak Up, Speak Out now offering text tips

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

WISCONSIN – The Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ) Office of School Safety (OSS), on Tuesday, July 11, announced that Speak Up, Speak Out (SUSO) is now offering text tips.

Launched by OSS on Sept. 1, 2020, SUSO is a 24/7 statewide confidential reporting system free to all Wisconsin schools.

In a release, DOJ said SUSO is a “comprehensive, one-stop place to turn with important concerns, offering a Threat Reporting System, Threat Assessment Consultation, Critical Incident Response and General School Safety Guidance.”

“SUSO aims to promote the reporting of concerns before violence happens,” DOJ stated.

The School District of Tomahawk offers a link to SUSO on its website (www.tomahawk.k12.wi.us/). Hover the cursor over the Families tab to find the link under Resources.

DOJ said SUSO text tips allow tipsters to report



concerning behavior without visiting the SUSO website or downloading the mobile app. Tipsters can text SUSO to 738477 and make a report to SUSO via a direct link to the SUSO tip form.

“This new feature will make it even easier to submit a confidential report on a mobile device,” DOJ stated.

DOJ offered the following SUSO facts:

- More than 1,700 schools and law enforcement agencies in Wisconsin have received at least one tip from SUSO since its inception.
- To date, SUSO has received more than 7,000 contacts, with half of those coming in the 2022-2023 school year alone.
- Between May of 2022 and May of 2023, 63 of Wisconsin’s 72 counties received at least one SUSO tip.
- Students, parents,

school staff, or any community members can submit a school safety concern or threat via the SUSO website, mobile phone application, toll-free number, or by texting SUSO to 738477.

“The Office of School Safety provides high-quality programs and trainings to help keep Wisconsin schools safe,” said Attorney General Josh Kaul. “Adding another way to report safety concerns can only make Speak Up, Speak Out even more effective – so long as the tip line is able to continue operating.”

SUSO Reports can be made 24 hours a day, 7 days a week:

- Online at www.widoj.gov
- 1-800-MY-SUSO-1 (1-800-697-8761)
- Mobile apps for iOS and Android
- Text SUSO to 738477

About OSS

OSS was initially supported by more than \$2 million in federal STOP School Violence Act grant funding from the U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance. OSS operations were extended with more than \$1.8 million in American Rescue Plan Act funding.

“Without additional funding and position authority, the critical services provided by OSS will cease to exist,” DOJ said. “Wisconsin DOJ requested approximately \$2 million to permanently fund OSS in the 2023-2025 biennial budget, but the legislature voted against including this funding.”

DOJ said it is currently exploring other options to secure the funding and positions needed for OSS to “continue providing free, high-quality services to students and schools in Wisconsin.”



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