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Former Tomahawk teacher, coach John Handel to be featured speaker at Milwaukee Heart and Stroke Walk

BY DAN TRUTTSCHEL MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR, MILWAUKEE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION

MILWAUKEE – It's been two-plus decades since a then-rookie boys basketball coach came to Tomahawk from Lake Geneva to begin what turned into a 28-year career.

But John Handel certainly hasn't forgotten his roots.

Fast forward to current time, and Handel remembers fondly his three years with Tomahawk as part of his bigger life's story that nearly took a tragic turn about a year ago.

Handel had just concluded his remarks as part his induction into the Elkhorn High School Hall of Fame last Oct. 1, where he spent 17 years as a head coach immediately after his tenure at Tomahawk when he suffered a sudden cardiac arrest that nearly ended his life. But he's now healthy, alive and well and will share that story as the featured speaker at the Milwaukee American Heart Association (AHA)'s 2023 Heart and Stroke Walk on Saturday, Sept. 23. Handel will address the crowd at Veterans Park at about 10 a.m

in Tomahawk," Handel said. "I enjoyed my time there very much, and still enjoy a lot of friends from there who still live in the area. Having lifelong relationships with former players is truly a gift, one that I have never taken for granted. I always appreciate Tomahawk taking a chance on me and giving me a chance to be a head coach. They will forever have a place in my heart, and I will forever be a 'Hatchet.'"

The details surrounding his cardiac arrest remain somewhat a mystery, but Handel had just finished accepting his award and was about to have a photograph taken with Jerry Hoffman, the stepfather of former Elkhorn star Brian Earle, when he collapsed to the ground. "As soon as I turned around, I never even made it and down I went," Handel said. It was that point that Hoffman, a trained emergency medical technician, along with a nurse and a cardiologist and a police officer - all there for the ceremony - sprung into action with immediate CPR, and soon after, the use of an AED to attempt to save Handel's life. Handel, 58, had regained consciousness and was fully aware of what was going on by the time he was whisked away by ambulance to St. Luke's in Milwaukee. Just four days later, he underwent quadruple bypass surgery, along with a stem and valve replacement. Doctors quickly determined that Handel had a se-



vere blockage that needed immediate attention. said he was born with a preexisting condition, a bicuspid aortic valve, instead of what most people have, a tricuspid aortic valve. The aortic valve controls the flow of blood from the left ventricle to the aorta, which is the main artery that delivers blood to the body. "Eighteen months before (the event), (his doctors) were like, 'This is something we'll have to keep an eye on," Handel said. "I don't now if (his cardiac arrest) was avoidable or not."

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eeded And as an educator,

And with more than 356,000 out-of-hospital cardiac arrests that occur yearly – with 90% of those fatal – that means many will not get the immediate care by a bystander. It's estimated that only about 40% of those in cardiac arrest get the help they need before emergency personnel can arrive.

Looking even deeper at the numbers specifically to schools, the AHA estimates that more than 23,000 children younger than 18 experience a cardiac arrest away from a hospital setting each year, and almost 40% of those are sports related.

Those statistics show the importance of not only having a cardiac emergency response plan in place, but said. "The rehab was great. I still go to rehab because I choose to. I'm still working on dialing in all my medicines and stuff like that. But overall, I'm doing pretty well. I'm sleeping a lot better. I think I slept horribly before this. I noticed that right away. I just feel a lot better. My heart rate is way down. There were a lot of positive things, but it's still a process."

The ceremony happened at the school, which brings back constant memories as Handel walks the halls daily.

"I walk past that spot and think of it all the time," he said.

But he's not dwelling on that day – there's too much to be done guiding the Elkhorn Athletic Department

As he prepares for that event, Handel, who coached and taught at Tomahawk from 1994-97, took a moment to reflect on the start of his head coaching journey.

"So many great memories of my formative years

CPR/AED at the forefront

With his life saved by those knowing how to do CPR and use an AED, it's pretty apparent the importance of knowing both to Handel, his family and friends. who has dedicated his life to coaching and athletics, having a plan in place at every public facility is paramount, he said. Handel, a graduate of Badger High School in Lake Geneva, began his coaching career at his alma mater, where he was there for five years, followed by three in northern Wisconsin in Tomahawk, 17 at Elkhorn and three at UW-Whitewater.

The fact that his event happened where it did isn't lost on him, either.

"I think, if it had happened in another spot, it probably wouldn't have had the same result," he said. "I'm pretty lucky there."

According to the American Heart Association, seven of 10 people in the United States say they feel powerless to act in the face of a cardiac event.

one that everyone in the building can execute when a situation like Handel's arises.

"Education and the value of having as many people trained and having these (AED) devices available in as many settings as possible (is so important)," Handel said.

On the mend

Handel, now fully back at work as the athletic director with a full plate of events, said he continues to go through rehabilitation – but he's feeling strong and healthy.

There's been a lot of work to get back to this point, he said.

"They equate it to a car accident that you went through, so it's a matter of following the protocol, changing diets," Handel and being around his family and friends, Handel said. His family – wife, Barb; and children, Connor, Maggie and Katie – have been there every step of the way. "(There's been) a lot of support," Handel said. "They were there the whole

"They were there the whole time. My wife and kids have been a rock through this whole thing."

And to those who jumped in when his life hung in the balance? Where does one start when it comes to thanking them?

"It just shows that there's a lot of good in a lot of people, who are willing to step up and want you to do well," he said. "It resets your priorities (when this happens). I work a lot, but I'm active and staying active. I know I need to continue to be active. Health takes a priority now." **TOMAHAWK LEADER**

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Sept 23		6:18AM	3:19PM	6:48PM	
Sept 24	11:21PM	7:19AM	4:06PM	7:50PM	
Sept 25	12:40AM	8:19AM	4:43PM	8:49PM	
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Carl Edward Randall, age 49, passed away on Thursday Sept. 7, 2023 in Gleason, Wis He was born on April 30, 1974 to Ronald and Dawn (Pankow) Randall in Wausau, Wis. He was baptized at First English Lutheran Church in Wausau Wis., and he attended Wausau West High School.

Throughout his life, Carl worked a variety of jobs, he was a talented wood worker and a jack of all trades. Carl enjoyed fishing, hunting, the outdoors, and occasionally vis-

iting casinos. He loved spending time with his nieces and nephews, especially when he could pull pranks on them and wrestle with his nephew Mitchell. He was a stubborn, funny man, who loved giving his father a hard time. He loved hard rock music like Metallica and Kiss. He really cared for his two German Shepherds, Kujo and Houdini.

Carl is survived by his parents: Ronald and Dawn Randall, siblings: Paul John "PJ" Randall and Jennifer (Aaron) Jill Prueser, nieces and nephews: Melissa, Stephanie, Lisa Mitchell, and Abigail, great-nieces and nephews: Eli, Emma, Phoenix, Elaina, Charlie, Melody Jill "MJ", Lillian, and Malaki, uncle: Kip Randall, aunt: Susan Pankow and many cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents: Edward and Audrey Mae Randall, maternal grandparents: Car and Mary Pankow, uncles: Gary Randall, Gene Randall Donald Pankow and Dean Pankow, nephew: Matthew Prueser and brother-in-law Gary Prueser.

A funeral service was held on Friday, Sept. 15, 2023 at 1 p.m. at Waid Funeral Home. A visitation was held on Friday. Sept. 15, 2023 from 11 a.m. until the time of service also a the funeral home.

The service was live-streamed for those unable to attend. It is posted under his obituary on the funeral home website as a

recording for viewing. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to St. Jude's o Shriners Hospitals for Children in loving memory of Carl. Waid Funeral Home & Cremation Service of Merrill is as sisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at www.waidfuneral.com.



Walt V. Halverson, age 75, of Tomahawk, passed away on Monday, September 11, 2023, at Aspirus Wausau Hospital Walt was born in Tomahawk on November 23, 1947, to the late Carl and Irma (Gaedtke) Halverson. He was married to Carol Krueger on March 4 1967; she survives. Walt was a lifelong resident of

Tomahawk, graduating from Tomahawk High School with the Class of 1965. After high school, he attended the University of Wisconsin Stevens

Point where he received two master's degrees. Walt's pas sion was teaching and he was known as the "gentle giant" within the Tomahawk School District. In his early teaching career, he served as principal in the Town of Harrison. He later taught many years in the elementary school, touching the lives of young students. In 2002, Walt retired after 32 years of service. Everything he did he did for the right rea sons and wanted nothing in return.

Walt was an enthusiastic supporter of the arts. He enjoyed painting from a very young age and was a gifted crafter. Wal shared his crafts as a vendor at the flea market in St. Ger main, WI, and locally at the Old Towne Mall, a store which still holds a collection of his work. He had an eye for flora design and spent countless hours helping in the floral depart ment at Nelson's Super Market, helping Rita at Rita's Scarle Garden, and working from his home when contacted by cou-ples to do their weddings. Walt had a love for music and dancing. He was a talented cook who was delighted to share his creations with family and friends. Walt loved to travel and looked forward to his fishing trips to Canada and his an-nual vacations to Florida. Above all, Walt cherished family and will always be remembered by the Tomahawk commu-nity for his bright, caring, and kind personality. Survivors include his wife of over 56 years, Carol Halver son; his sons, Shawn (Shirley) Halverson and Jason (Shannon) Halverson; his daughter-in-law, Tracy Halverson; his sister, Jan VanNorman; his brother-in-law, Jim VanNorman and his sister-in-law, Linda Halverson. He is further survived by his grandchildren, Shane Halverson and Amanda Halver son; his step grandchildren, Carissa Handrick, Tucker Van-Ryen, Hunter VanRyen, Casey Rossiter, Eric Ravelo, and Amber Ames; and his step great-grandchildren, Leah Handrick, Charlotte Rossiter, Lydia Ravelo, Emmitt Ravelo, and Corbin Cannon. He was preceded in death by his parents, Carl and Irma; his son, Todd Halverson; his sisters, Lorraine Musch and Donna Halverson; his brother, Carl Halverson and his brother-in-law, Al Musch. Memorial services for Walt Halverson were held on Monday September 18, 2023, at Grace Lutheran Church, at 11:00 a.m. Pastor Susan Christian officiated. The family received friends for visitation from 9:00 a.m. until the time of services at 11:00 a.m. Inurnment was held at Greenwood Cemetery in the Town of Bradley. Generations Funeral Home & Crematory is assisting the family. You may view Walt's obituary and leave online condolences at generationsfuneral.com.

PUBLISHER'S LETTER Are We The Hope **Or The Despair?**

Dear Reader,

As parents, we want to give our children a happy

childhood. We want them to be introduced to the world in a beautiful and truthful way. In fact, one of the greatest gifts that parents can give their children is a happy childhood. We want our children to

grow up with compassion. We want our children to grow up loving the people in the world around us. We want them

to have compassion in their hearts for our fellow man. Some of our children make it that way and some don't.

Those that don't may end up with violence in their hearts. And as Isaac Asimov once wrote, "Violence is the last refuge of the incompetent."

At some point, can't we as adults grow up and act as inspirations for our children and the next generation rather than showing them the wreckage and violence in the world and lack of respect and disregard for another point of view that is out there right now?

> PATRICK J. WOOD Publisher



Jan. 7, 1930 at the Lyytiner house with Dr. McKinnon present in Clifford, Wis. Her parents, Laimi (Leino) Aho and Onni Aho took to the fields full of snow, as the roads were impassable to the midwife's home nearby. Marcella passed away peacefully at home in Brantwood, Wis., on Sept. 9 2023.

Marcella attended the Tripol Joint District School in Tripoli for 12 years. Throughout her adult years she attended col-

lege classes at Nicolet and UW-Marathon Campus. She worked mainly in accounting and bookkeeping at Solar Permanent, Brantwood Credit Union, Brantwood Co-op Dairy, Brantwood Co-op Supply, Ah-Nee-Pee, and Mid-America Bank in Phillips where she retired for the first time. Marcella then went on to work at the United States Postal Service in Brantwood and was the Town of Knox Treasurer before retiring once again.

Marcella lived an active life in her community. She was in-volved with the Co-op Park at Somo Lake, The Finnish American Club, VFW Auxiliary as well as 4H and Cub Scouts. Marcella was active in social change and participated in the NOW organization and ERA ratification efforts. Marcella was a founding member and President of the Know Creek Heritage Center in Brantwood, Wis.

In her "retirement" Marcella traveled to Finland and to Spain. She traveled the Southwest, Alaska and Canada to camp and fish. Her pastimes were visiting, gardening, can ning, camping, fishing, downhill skiing, motorcycling, preserving history and reading.

The pride of her life was her four children and spending time with her grandchildren. She loved people and helping others in the betterment of society. Marcella was also a very proud Finn.

She is survived by her children Karla (Kenneth) Braski, Stephanie Braski and John Braski. She is predeceased by son, Michael Braski. She is survived by her grandchildren Sasha (David) Swetkovich, Mischa Swetkovich, Nathan Braski, Maya (Onyx) Bell, Neil Braski, Nicholas Braski Naomi Braski and great-grandchildren Addyson Swetkovich and Vincent Braski.

Memorial services will be held at the Brantwood Community Center with lunch following on Sept. 23, 2023 at 11 am.



Bruce Allen Berenda, age 64 of Madison, passed away on Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2023, at UW Hospital. He was born on Nov. 18, 1958, in Tomahawk, Wis., the son of Joseph Emily (Pienkowski) Berend Bruce graduated fi Rhinelander High School 1980. He loved working Madison Opportunities Inc. an assembler for 42 years. Bruce loved to read books novels, completing jig-puzzles, and hooked rugs fore he lost his vision. He a curious nature and a love exploring various subjects. Bruce was known for being v knowledgeable on many topics. He enjoyed being outs and going on walks. Bruce was known for his big hugs, heart and smiles. Bruce is survived by his sister, Pamela Messina; nephews, Gregory Messina and Michael Messina; and nic Jenni Zaremba. He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, William Berenda. A memorial service will be held at Gunderson East Fund and Cremation Care, 5203 Monona Dr., Madison, at 12 nd on Thursday, Sept. 21, 2023. A visitation will be held fi 10 a.m. until the time of service on Thursday. A graveside service will take place at NATIVITY OF OULORD CATHOLIC CEMETERY, Lincoln St., Rhineland at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 23, 2023. A special thank you to all of the wonderful caregivers doctors who cared for and enabled Bruce to live life to fullest. Memorials may be made to Options in Community Liv LLC. Online condolences may be made at w gundersonfh.com.

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Lincoln County Highway Commissioner John Hanz advises that County Rd. O, one-half mile west of Stegman Rd. at Coffee Creek, in the Town of Bradley, will be closed until approximately Monday, Oct. 2 due to an emergency culvert replacement.

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The Tomahawk Regional Chamber of Commerce is seeking photo submissions for the 2024 Visitor Guide. When submitting a photo, please name the picture as the location that 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. 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.

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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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'Almost Famous' is an essential friendship film

BY JALEN MAKI

Almost Famous, Cameron Crowe's 2000 comedy-drama about a teenage music journalist hitting the road with an upand-coming rock band to pen a piece for *Rolling Stone* in the early 1970s, hits every beat you'd want it to hit.

First and foremost, the soundtrack is completely stacked, and the film is loaded simply top-notch needle drops. From Simon and Garfunkel to Stevie Wonder, Neil Young to David Bowie, Steely Dan to Cat Stevens, every song not only perfectly sets the tone for the scene it's featured in, but also acts as a time machine, further immersing the viewer in the movie's setting.

The film is also a truly wonderful coming-of-age story – maybe my favorite ever. William, the aforementioned teen writer (played by Patrick Fugit), is caught somewhere in the middle of childhood and adulthood, trying to figure out who he is and where he belongs in the world. By simple chance, the United States itself is also experiencing a crisis of identity, moving from the patriotic optimism of the 1950s and early 1960s into an era of war, economic uncertainty and cultural revolution.

Throughout the tour with Stillwater, the fictional rock group at the center of his *Rolling Stone* piece, William gets a crash course on life from people who could not have it less figured out – which, in the long run, might be the best way to learn. Or, at least, the most fun way.

Early in the film, William meets Penny Lane (Kate Hudson), who, she says, is "not a groupie," but a "band aid."

"We're here because of the music," Penny tells William during their first encounter.

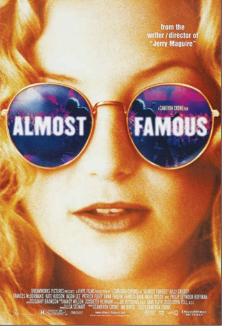


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Although Penny isn't much older than William, she takes him under her wing, acting as a sort of guide for William as he learns the ins and outs of hitting the road with rock and rollers. The two become friends, and William's feelings towards Penny evolve over the course of the movie.

Most viewers focus the bulk of their attention on William, and correctly so – the film really is about him. But, as someone who has seen this movie many times, I've found myself drawn to something else: the turbulence within the band – or, more so, their friendships.

I've been in bands since I was 12 years old, and from day one, I played with one of

my best friends. We were buddies before starting the band – playing Little League baseball together, swimming in his parents' pool, riding our bikes around the little Northwoods town he lived in – but music is what bonded us from the start.

If you spend enough summer afternoons in a garage with someone, sitting on an old couch with acoustic guitars in hand or staring over a drum set at them as you try (and try and try and try) to learn a song together, an unspoken connection develops. Your friendship influences the music. It's like your musical DNA permeates the song, and it develops into something else – still the same song, but now, in its own little way, it becomes yours. In turn, the music soaks deeper into your friendship, and this cyclical process happens again and again.

Being in a band with friends is an absolute blast, but it can be difficult at times. Disagreements are a given in a creative setting, and when you throw personal relationships into the mix, tensions can boil over. I've found that you're bound to get the angriest at those you truly care about, and the people who are fondest of you are also the most likely to smack you in the head and call you a moron. Although it might not feel like it in the moment, that frustration comes from a place of love.

To me, the inter-band dynamic is the most fascinating aspect of *Almost Famous*. In real time, William watches Stillwater as they navigate the paths to artistic fulfillment and internal discovery. Egos collide, and creative and personal frictions build. William sees the band's dreams on the cusp of realization, only to see them nearly slip through their fingers before the grip is regained at what seems to be the very last moment.

This has been said about a lot of bands over the years, and the same rings true about Stillwater: the guys are truly pals. They love each other, a point that's probably driven home the hardest when they're at each other's throats.

My favorite scene in the movie takes place on the tour bus. The band's in the throes of their young adult rockstar drama, the band aids are firmly in the grasp of the post-party hangover, and William's unsure of his place both on and off the bus. Just when it seems like the wind might be permanently out of everyone's sails, Elton John's absolutely unassailable 1971 classic "Tiny Dancer" starts playing over the bus speakers. A few mumbles and hums turn into into a rollicking sing-along, and everyone - the band, the girls, and William - are reminded of why they're there in the first place: the music.

Something I specifically love about the scene is the discernible wave of relief that washes over everyone and the subsequent collective realization that the magic is still there. What brought them together never faded. It can't. It wouldn't, even if they wanted it to. Once you strip away the superficial – the stages, the lights, the parties, the magazine reviews, the public perception – all that's left is you, your friends and your passion for music. It's what matters the most, and although it's sometimes easy to forget, it's even easier to remember again.

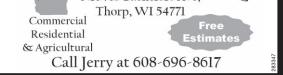
Oh, and by the way, my friend and I are still in a band together.

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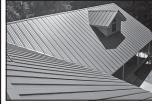








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Five Tomahawk veterans to take Never Forgotten Honor Flight next week

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

WASHINGTON, D.C. Five Tomahawk veterans will participate in next week's Never Forgotten Honor Flight (NFHF) to Washington, D.C., to see the memorials that honor their service.

The flight is organized by the Wausau-based NFHF organization, which serves veterans in Barron, Clark, Iron, Langlade, Lincoln, Marathon, Oneida, Portage, Price, Rusk, Taylor, Vilas and Wood counties.

The flight, slated for Monday, Sept. 25, marks the Wausau-based NFHF organization's 45th flight since the first took place on April 27.2010.

A total of 111 veterans four Korean War veterans and 107 Vietnam War veterans – will take the flight.

Among those taking the trip are Tomahawk residents Timothe Blair, Army; Gerry Johnson, Army; Joseph Story, Air Force; Alvin Ericksen Jr., Army; and Charles Kimball, Navy. All five served in the Vietnam Era

Veterans from other communities throughout northern and central Wisconsin, including Antigo, Harshaw, Medford, Merrill, Park Falls, Rhinelander and Wausau, are also slated to take the flight.

The veterans will be accompanied by 62 guardians on the one-day round trip that departs Central Wisconsin Airport (CWA) in Mosinee at 6:30 a.m. and is scheduled to return at ap-



proximately 10 p.m.

The public is invited to CWA to welcome the veterans home. NFHF officials recommend arriving no later than 8:30 p.m. Free parking for those welcoming the veterans home will be provided. NFHF veteran alumni are encouraged to wear their NFHF-issued clothing (hat, shirt or windbreaker) for the welcome home ceremony.

Veterans receive a free round-trip flight, and guardians pay \$500.00 for the opportunity to accompany one, two or three veterans on the trip.

Veterans and guardians interested in taking a future Honor Flight must complete an application at www.neverforgottenhonor*flight.com* or contact the organization at 715-573-8519.

All veterans from the World War II, Korean War and Vietnam War eras are encouraged to submit an application. The only criteria for veterans to qualify for an Honor Flight is to have served during the years listed on the application/website, regardless of where they served.

Completed applications for veterans and guardians also can be mailed to Never Forgotten Honor Flight, 4404 Rib Mountain Drive, #234, Wausau, Wis., 54401.

NFHF said the veterans are selected based upon the order in which their applications are received and the conflict they served in.

"Preference is given to World War II veterans, then Korea Veterans, and then Vietnam era veterans," NFHF stated. "Veterans who are terminally ill, regardless of when they served in those three eras. are given top preference. Guardians should be 18-69 years old and able to lend physical assistance to the veterans."

Following the flight, NFHF will have flown more nearly 4,300 veterans to Washington, D.C.

North Central Wisconsin's NFHF is the nation's 77th regional hub and one of five Wisconsin Honor Flight hubs. The Wausaubased organization was certified by the National Honor Flight Network office in Springfield, Ohio on Dec. 11, 2009.



Those stopping by a new local business for a cup of coffee or a bite to eat will be greeted by a unique wall decoration. A large crossword puzzle is on display at Northwoods Café and Coffeehouse, 125 W. Wisconsin Ave., Tomahawk. The puzzle features words highlighting the Tomahawk area, giving shoutouts to the School District of Tomahawk, local parks, area lakes, outdoor recreation and more. Photo courtesy of Joan Laabs

Callahan seeking First Responder of the Year nominations

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

MADISON - State Representative Calvin Callahan (R-Tomahawk) is accepting nominations for the 35th Assembly District's First Responder of the Year Award.

Created in 2019, the Assembly-wide award "provides an opportunity to honor the hard work and dedication of our first responders throughout the state," a release from Callahan's office said.

Police officers, sheriff deputies, firefighters and EMS personnel are eligible to be nominated for a specific heroic action, significant professional achievement, their body of work



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over time or their length of service and commitment to the community, according to the release.

Nominations must be returned to Callahan's office by Friday, Sept. 29. Nominations may be submitted online through Callahan's website at www. RepCalvinCallahan.com or by emailing the name, contact information and a brief description of why the candidate is being nominated to Rep.Callahan@legis.wisconsin.gov.

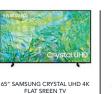
The winner will be contacted and invited to the State Capitol in Madison for a special recognition ceremony alongside fellow award winners from each of Wisconsin's 99 Assembly Districts.

"Last session, I had the honor of presenting this award to Ryan Picl, an officer with the Tomahawk Police Department," Callahan stated. "This October, I look forward to recognizing another deserving individual for their service to our community.'

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LCHD to host Walk-In Wednesday adult flu shot clinics

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

MERRILL - The Lincoln County Health Department (LCHD) will host Walk-In Wednesday adult flu shot clinics this fall.

The clinics will be held at LCHD, 607 N. Sales St., Merrill, each Wednesday from today (Sept. 20) through Nov. 15, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day.

Quadrivalent (\$55.00) and high dose flu vaccines (\$105.00) will be available while supplies last. Medicare Part B. Security Health Plan (Essence, Esteem and Spirit) and Railroad Retirement will be accepted. LCHD is unable to bill any other Medicare Advantage Plans, private insurance (Humana, United Health Care, Blue Cross Blue Shield, etc.) or Medical Assistance. Insurance



cards are required. Cash, checks and credit cards will be accepted for those without an accepted insurance plan.

In addition, LCHD will provide Tdap vaccines for \$10.00, regardless of insurance status.

LCHD said an annual flu vaccine is recommended for everyone six months and older.

"It's the best way to protect you and your loved ones from getting the flu," LCHD stated. "Certain people are at higher risk for flu complications. This includes adults who are 65 years and older; people who have chronic medical conditions, such as

asthma, diabetes or heart disease; pregnant women: and children younger than five years "

Fall, ideally by the end of October, is the best time to get a flu vaccine, LCHD said, noting it can take up to two weeks for the flu vaccine to take full effect.

"If you do get the flu after getting vaccinated, it is more likely to be a milder case," LCHD said.

For more information about the flu or the clinics, call LCHD at 715-536-0307.

LCHD said it will be sharing information soon on youth flu clinic opportunities.

LCHD is not currently offering COVID-19 vaccines. LCHD said it will notify the public as its supply becomes available. Visit www.vaccines.gov to find a vaccine provider.

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Ogema Christmas Tree Festival slated for next weekend

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

OGEMA – The annual Ogema Christmas Tree Festival will be held Saturday, Sept. 30, with activities running from 9 a.m. to midnight.

The festival started as an Ogema Lions Club event in 1960 to celebrate the start of the Christmas tree harvest of the area's tree farmers, trimmers, decorators and related industries. Today, the Ogema Area Our Town Association continues the event with public voting for the best Christmas tree and wreath with ribbons and cash prizes.

Other events tailor made for the festival include the tree tossing contest with various sized trees by age group and prizes for the furthest toss. Mr. and Mrs. Santa Clause are also a highlight for their early preseason appearance.

The Ogema Public Library is celebrating its 50th anniversary and will host a book sale, lefse and rosette sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The library will also have a display on regional genealogy.

The Pioneer House exhibit will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

A craft show and flea market will be held at the Ogema Town Hall and at locations throughout the town from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Christmas Tree Festival Parade will start at 11 a.m. to include marching bands from the Rib Lake and Prentice school districts. Santa and Mrs. Claus will ride in the parade, and immediately following will be available for pictures with the kids at the library until 12:30 p.m.

There will be kids activities to include bounce houses and face painting, along with a bean bag tournament after the parade at Pioneer Park. The kickball tournament starts Friday night at the park and wraps up on Saturday.

There will also be a pie

sale at the park along with food trucks and other vendors.

There will be a bake sale at the Downtown Ogema Depot all day, and a raffle drawing for a quilt from Crazy Heart Quilters Club will be held at 4 p.m.

The antique car event started last year is back again across from the fire department, with registration starting at 9:30 a.m. There will be prizes, including fan favorite, oldest entry and the entry from the furthest destination.

The Iron Coach will host Music by EJ the DJ from 2 to 6 p.m.

The Firemen's Dance will feature live music from Firsthand High from 8 p.m. to midnight at Ogema Fire Hall. An ID is required.

For more information on the festival, contact Amy Komarek of the Ogema Area Our Town Association at 715-657-0168 or amykomarek5@gmail. com.



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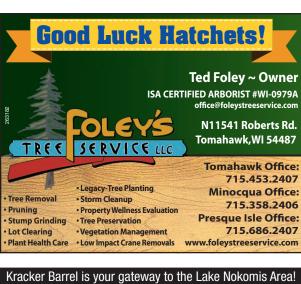
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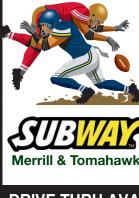
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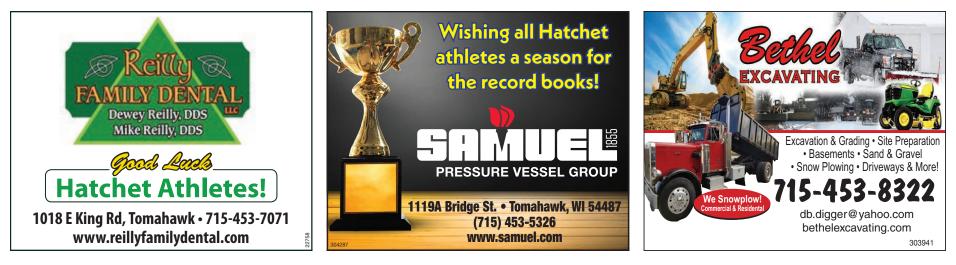
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Back row, from left: Landon Hoff, Matthew Walbeck, Mason Riebe, Ethan Gibeault, Logan Norman, Michael Samundsen, Nathan Riemer, Brett Marheine, Beau Stromberg, Jack Amelse, Tyler Sundquist, Tiegan Sarazin, Rex Reilly, Kaiden Kapellusch, Andrew Samundsen, Nathan Norman; middle: Coach Dewey Reilly, coach Cooper Kelley, coach Jeremy Zimmerman, Caleb Dickens, Ashton Greil, Jonah Dickens, Brayden Larson, Jason Watkins, Zach Germano, Nathan Kurth, Ryan Sundquist, Patrick Samundsen, Ty Eckstein, Connor Jones, coach Aaron Evans, coach Tony Derleth, coach Jason Olsen, coach Dave Long; front: Tanner Wanta, Fletcher Baumann, Ryan Larson, Jack Derleth, Landyn Seymour, Mason Hensel, Harmon Hoffman, Brayden Lamer, Michael Horabik, Marcus Patterson, manager Lexi Baker, manager Alicia Nelson.



Varsity Volleyball

Back row, from left: Emerson Lange, Siennah Calkins, coach Jess Denton, coach Katie Denton, Macy Jankiewicz, Cayley Scholz; middle: Chloe Buckwalter, Sara Gebauer, Sadie Liebelt, Claire Albert, Ashley Beck; front: Sophie Olsen, Samantha Gebauer, Cadee Benaszeski.





Volleyball JV1 Back row, from left: Averi Petta, Shelby Borowski, coach Katie Pintens, Freya Alberg, Kianna Vacho; middle: Alicia Voermans; front: Ella Peissig, Sophia Kiser, Kylie Peissig. Photos by Stacie Petta Photography



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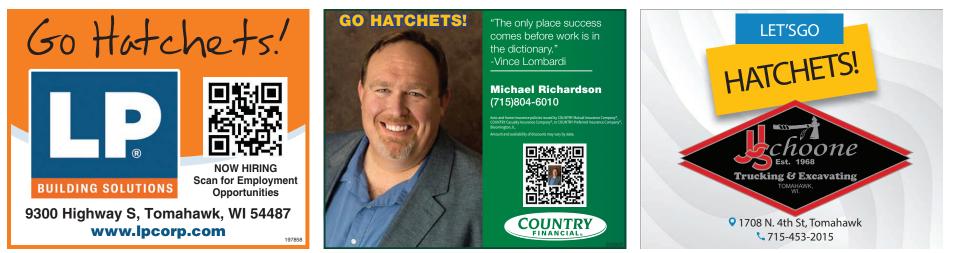




Middle School Girls' Cross Country Back row, from left: Coach Phil Dahl, coach Justin Lund, Joa Reilly, Aliyah Nelson, Camryn Kraklow, Reagan Gorell, Victoria Towle, Savannah Reinke, Lilliana Marheine, coach Carmi Pietila-Cleary, coach Kurt Reinke; middle: Lily Meuer, Leigha Vassar, Halie Pierce, Lucy Nelson, Giordana Cammisuli, Autumn Pankow, Alaina Stogbauer; front: Kortney Busterud, Lexi Palmer, Charlee Lund. Photos by Stacie Petta Photography



Middle School Boys' Cross Country Back row, from left: Coach Phil Dahl, coach Justin Lund, Abe Flohr, Max Childers, Joe Zastrow, Dawson Jones, Vallyn Ott, coach Carmi Pietila-Cleary, coach Kurt Reinke; front: Zachary Scott, Kamron Ristau, Levi Cerkas, Tripp Tabbert.



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Tomahawk runners compete in Menomonie Relay, Smiley Invite

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

MENOMONIE – The Tomahawk Hatchet cross country team competed in the Menomonie Cross Country Relay and the Smiley Invite this month.

Menomonie Relay

Tomahawk's Cross Country team traveled southwest to Menomonie to compete against Division I, II, and III schools in the 48th Annual Menomonie Cross Country Relay on Saturday, Sept. 9. This was the first time Tomahawk entered into the annual race.

Alongside elite competition, the Hatchets had a fantastic day with many new season bests and personal records. The invite featured a unique racing format so that, for example, Tomahawk's 6th, 7th, and 8th runners would only run against the other teams' 6th, 7th, and 8th runners. Yet, at the end of all the races, the times would all be put together on paper in classic cross country scoring fashion to determine team scores.

"It was exciting to see what our kids were able to run against many Division I schools," said coach Steph Ahrens. "Lots of seasonal bests and personal bests up and down the roster."

The Hatchet boys were led by varsity runners Presley Gutbrod (55th-18:49), Sam Zastrow (56th-18:51), Dominic Boos (66th-19:13), Owen Dickrell (78th-19:44), Trey Morrison (92nd-20:25), Jeremiah Johnson (92nd-20:25), Nathan Rosenmeier





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The varsity boys placed 12th overall and 7th in D2 at the Smiley Invite. Photo courtesy of Connor Ahrens

(100th-20:55) and Bruce Peetz

(105th-21:56). They would fin-

The junior varsity stu-

ish in 12th place as a team.

dent-athletes were Drew Voermans (28th-20:39), Elliot O'Connor (117th-23:30), Ryan Montag (123rd-23:38), Will Boneck (135th-24:14) and Gerard Gorell (137th-24:44).

Tomahawk's girls were paced by varsity runners Elise Gibeault (29th-21:42), Rachael Reilly (35th-22:04), Alli Palmer (36th-22:04), Halle Derleth (45th-22:26), Faith Derleth (62nd-23:15), Izzy Lee (73rd-24:12), Kambyl Mattke (76th-24:13) and Abi Micke (89th-25:20). The girls would prove to be level with the field by placing 7th as a team.

Junior varsity studentathletes were Lydia Shaney (27th-24:54), Norah Mann (29th-24:57), Reese Molitor (36th-25:42), Abbie Rosenmeier (37th-25:43), Kailynn Hanse (54th-27:25) and Summer Gaedtke (68th-29:33).

"Though our placings didn't earn any medals or trophies, our team is walking away from this meet with many valuable lessons," said coach Kurt Reinke. "Chiefly, being how to race an entire 5k after going out at a quick, downhill pace."

Smiley Invite

On Saturday, Sept. 16, the Hatchets made the trek south to Wausau East High School for the annual Smiley Invite. Over 50 teams and nearly 1,200 runners from across the state came to compete in divisional races. Tomahawk competed in D2/ D3 races for all events.

The Tomahawk varsity girls placed 7th in the overall D2/D3 race, behind stateranked teams from Little Chute, West Salem and Kiel.

When scores were tallied for just D2, the girls took 4th, even with a few top runners sitting out.

The varsity boys placed 12th overall and 7th in D2. The varsity boys' race was won by West Salem, followed by Kiel.

The bright spot at the meet was that Tomahawk's JV girls took 2nd in the D2 race.

"It was great to see how comfortable some of our runners were, even though they were racing at a faster pace," said coach Kurt Cordova. "Many of them were able to take on the hills with determination to pick off runners with one mile to go."

The varsity girls squad was led by freshman Elise Gibeault, with a personal record time of 20:54 as she placed 10th in D2 (12th overall out of 142 runners). Alli Palmer (21:31), Halle Derleth (22:30), Lydia Shaney (23:35), Faith Derleth (24:09) and Kambyl Mattke (26:01) rounded out the Hatchet squad.

In the first varsity race of the day, the Hatchet boys were led by junior Sam Zastrow, who placed 28th in the D2 race (43rd in the combined D2 and D3 race standings) with a personal best time of 18:06. Other varsity D2/D3 finishers for the Hatchets included Presley Gutbrod (18:28), Dominic Boos (18:43), Owen Dickrell (18:55), Trey Morrison (19:26), Jeremiah Johnson (20:44), Drew Voermans (20:51) and Bruce Peetz (21:40).

The JV squad also showed up ready to race, with many of them finishing with either seasonal bests or personal records. Finishing as medalists for the JV races were Nathan Rosenmeier (19:52, 7th), Abi Micke (24:55, 6th), Norah Mann (25:06, 9th), Reese Molitor (25:20, 10th) and Abbie Rosenmeier (25:28, 12th).

Rounding out the JV competitors were Will Boneck (22:43), Ryan Montag (22:51),

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is a disturbance in nature or personal life, it is the result of man's

wrong thinking and wrong doing. All the wars in the world are the

result of selfishness. Banish all selfishness (individual, industrial,

political, and national) and there will be no more wars. The world will continue to have war and natural calamities until all people

correct their wrong thoughts and behavior. As human beings, we

us lastingly happy. Real happiness can stand the challenges of all

outer experiences. When we can keep inner peace by returning love

guide to happiness. Happiness comes only by doing right. We must

be good now if we want happiness now and in the future in heaven.

Lord had to use this word 'Commandment" that we may listen to

Him and obey Him to have eternal bliss. These Ten Commandments

are rules of conduct. Breaking the Ten Commandments is a primary

before me" Deut.: A man worshiping possessions, name and fame

anything less than God - finds unhappiness. Only God can give us

true happiness. No diversion is a replacement of our worship of the

supreme God. The first commandment summons man to believe in

God, to hope in Him, and to love Him above all else.

Sin is that which causes us suffering; virtue is that which makes

When we ignore the commands of God by following our foolish desires, we do not find happiness. God's commands are our

The 'Ten Commandments' are Eternal Rules of Happiness. The

1. "I am the Lord your God ... You shall have no other gods

Any disaster that happens is not an "act of God". Disasters

Exodus 20:2-17; Deuteronomy 5:6-21

and forgiveness, we shall know this happiness

source of all the misery in the world.

need to seek God first.

innings.

Week 147 answer: In

1972, Grant Dotter had

an ERA of .02. He gave

Congrats to Don Stelter

for being the first to

correctly answer this

week's question!

up only one run in 35

CROSS COUNTRY FROM PAGE 12

Eli Albrent (23:50), Elliot O'Connor (23:57), Gerard Gorell (24:34). Kailynn Hanse (28:06) and Jennie Grederickson (28:48).

"It was great to see a lot of personal records or seasonal bests from the team," said coach Steph Ahrens. "You could tell the kids are pushing themselves out of their comfort zones to see what they can do in these bigger races."

"Unfortunately, we were down three of our varsity female athletes, but that didn't stop a few of our athletes from stepping up to fill the void," said coach Connor Ahrens. "Some standout performances were from Elise Gibeault, Alli Palmer and Lydia Shaney. As for the boys, both varsity and JV continue to tap into new potentials. Almost 80% of the team got a season best or PR."

This week's action

On Thursday, Sept. 21, the Hatchet runners will travel to Big Stone Golf Course southeast of Three Lakes for the Blue Jay Invite. The meet gets underway at 4 p.m.

Lady Hatchet swimmers take on Medford

FOR THE TOMAHAWK

MEDFORD – The Tomahawk Hatchet girls' swim team took on Medford in a road matchup on Thursday, Sept. 14.

Among the highlights of the night was Paige Dekeip's pair of first place finishes in the 200yard IM (2:20.74) and the 100-yard backstroke (1:05.60).

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seven seconds in the 200yard freestyle (36.39) and 20 seconds in the 500-yard freestyle (7:18.01), while Maggie Lashua cut two seconds in the 100-yard backstroke (1:36.22) and four seconds in the 500yard freestyle (8:51.85).

This week's action On Thursday, Sept. 21, Tomahawk will travel to Rhinelander for a meet that gets underway at 5:30 p.m.

in the paper if they wish,

along with their correct

answer to the question.

Week 147 question: In

1972, THS pitcher Grant

Dotter had a 5-0 record

Was his ERA .02, .05 or

and an amazing ERA.

.07?



Week 148 question:

In what year did boys'

cross country become

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1971, 1972 or 1973?

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Tuesday, Sept. 12	54	40	
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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 have been looking at the idea that God is more concerned about making us holy in character than He is about making us happy. The underlying reason is that happiness is a character issue more than a circumstance issue.

Last week we looked at the peace God gives to anyone – even if they do not believe in God; a peace that is actually a part of God's design in creation. One law God established in creation, just like the law of gravity, is the law that peace is gained when we do what is right. Today I want to ask the question, *Why don't we have peace*? The loss of peace can happen to anyone, even to those who claim to believe in God.

Last week we looked at the principle of Isaiah 32:17, And the work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness quietness and assurance forever. Today, we will focus on the principle of Isaiah 57:21, There is no peace, faith my God, to the wicked.

When Isaiah 57:21 says *There is no peace... to the wicked,* it is not necessarily talking about someone who likes to do what is wrong. The Bible's idea of the *wicked* is that of someone who will not submit themselves to what is morally right. They are their own authority for what is right. They may do things that are right for their own personal reasons, but they are also not afraid to do wrong to get what they want.

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3. **"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy":** To keep apart one day for God is in the best interest of our own welfare. Many never use it to think of God. If we spend our time alone with the family, enjoying the stillness and quiet time, we will see how much better we feel. Everyone needs one day a week in the spiritual hospital to heal our worldly wounds. It is not by force, but you'll enjoy it. Seclusion with God is a price of greatness. It does good to our mind, body, and soul. We cannot spend our time fruitfully without communion with God.

4. **"Honor thy father and mother":** Our parents are representatives of God, who is the supreme Parent. They give us unconditional love and protection. The spirit of God becomes our father and mother to help us and our children. Children owe their parents respect, gratitude, just obedience, and assistance. Filial respect fosters harmony in all of family life.

To be continued on the third Wednesday of October ...



Rev. Dr. Louis Maram Reddy Pastor, St. Mary's Church, Tomahawk, WI These are the wicked that will not know peace.

In Proverbs 13:10 we are told that the source of most *contention is pride;* the idea of pride is that of focusing on ourselves and getting what we want. The proud will sacrifice what is right in trying to get what they want. Romans 2:8,9, in talking about those who would come under God's judgment, it calls them the *contentious* (argumentative about getting their own way), and therefore they do not submit to doing what is right, but are willing to do what they know is wrong to get what they want. The Bible teaches that when we want our own way, we will get into arguments and disputes because we do not love what is right.

In James 4, we have a discussion on why people get into trouble with each other, and again, it is that they want their own way. In verse 5 we are reminded that we sometimes want something so bad that we get *envious* and *jealous* of others. It is this selfish nature that focuses on getting our own way that robs us of peace within our relationships with others. In Proverbs 13:10 it is called *pride*.

The general principle in the Bible about the lack of peace is that someone in the situation is more concerned about getting their own way than they are in doing what is right. Just like *peace* is the fruit of doing what is right, so the *lack* of *peace* is the fruit of selfish actions that are willing to sacrifice what is right.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN

CIRCUIT COURT LINCOLN COUNTY ASSOCIATED BANK, N.A. 1305 Main Street Stevens Point, WI 54481 Plaintiff

VINCENT PIZZOFERRATO JR. 87 Summerset Cir. Wheaton, IL 60189

Defendants. Case No. 23-CV-86

Foreclosure of Mortgage: 30404 Hon. Galen Bayne-Allison Br.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, LINCOLN COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

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Case No. 2023IN39 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

for informal 1. An application administration was filed. The decedent, with date of birth /20/1926 and date of death 25/2023, was domiciled in Lincoln 12/20/1926 5/25/2023, County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W5913 Dean Road, Tomahawk, WI 54487.

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2020 CARL WESTBERG JR, 1101 E 6TH STREET, MERRILL, WI 54452; D488135, GOVT.LOT3.SECT.12.T31N.R6E.LT 1 & 1/2 LT 2 BLK 3 SCOTT & PARK'S DD'N, TOTAL DUE: \$6872.53 Ŵ ADD'N,

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(25131061230230) 2020 JW PERRY INC, PO BOX 542, MERRILL, WI 54452, 807 S CENTER AVE, MERRILL, WI 54452; D241239, SENW,SECT. 13,731N,R6E, LT 1 CSM 2720 V16 P55 D0535612, TOTAL DUE: \$5423.99 (25131061320260) AND 714 MARTIN ST, MERRILL, WI 54452; D241239.

D24 1239, SENW,SECT.13,T31N,R6E,LT 4 CSM 2720 V16 P55 D0535612, TOTAL DUE: \$15,698.88 (25131061320263)

2020 WILLIAM KING AND LISA KING, 26 S 2ND STREET, TOMAHAWK, WI 54487; D387994, SWSW,SECT.34,T35N,R6E,E 00' OF LOT 15 BLK 7 ORIGINAL PLAT OF TOMAHAWK, TOTAL DUE: \$3915.09 (28635063430065)

2020 AARON SCHLOEMER, 5207 SCOTT STREET, SCHOFIELD, WI 54476, 411 N 4TH ST, TOMAHAWK, WI 54487; 5170944 COVITIOT 5.SECT.34,T35N R6E, E 90' OF LOTS 5 & 6 BLK 47 TOMAHAWK LAND & BOOM CO'S SECOND ADD'N, TOTAL DUE: \$948.31 (28635063420038) 2019-2020

All interested persons waived notice The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is 12-08-2023.
 A claim may be filed at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Merrill, Wisconsin, Probate Office. BY THE COURT DATE SIGNED: August 25, 2023 Electronically signed by Beck S. Byer Probate Registrar Form completed by: Jeffrey Paul Dean W5912 Dean Road, Tomahawk, WI 54487 715-966-5644 Published September 6, 13, 20, 2023 WNAXLP

Notice To Creditors

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

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CIRCUIT COURT, LINCOLN COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Dorothy B. Wagner DOD: 07-24-2023

DOD: 07-24-2023 Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration) Case No. 2023 IN 40 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: 1. An application for informal administration was filed. 2. The decedent, with date of birth 12-24-1933 and date of death 07-24-12-24-1933 and date of death 07-24-2023, was domiciled in Lincoln County, State of WI, with a mailing address of 1007 Piper Street, Tomahawk, WI 54487.

3. All interested persons waived notice. 4. The deadline for filing a claim

against the decedent's estate is January 5, 2024.

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Athletes of the Week



Faith Derleth, Menomonie - "Coming off of the hardest workout all season, earning the title of Co-Queen of the Hill, sophomore Faith Derleth would step up in a major way. A fellow varsity athlete was pulled out of the meet due to injury, and Faith was inserted into the 6th position for the race. Faith would respond with a 5th-place finish on the team, running a new 5k personal record of 23:15. Her positive mental inputs during meetings and practices cannot be overlooked. The coaching staff is witnessing the development of a fantastic future leader. Combining what she brings mentally to the team with her increasing speed makes her a key asset for the girls' team success this season and years to come."



Drew Voermans, Menomonie - "There was no slowing down freshman Drew Voermans at the Menomonie Cross Country Relays. Dropping over two minutes from his personal record, Drew flew through the Mustang course, passing competitor after competitor, going from 59th to 28th place. Drew is one of our most laid back and even-keeled student-athletes. He brings stability to the team, a very uncommon trait for a freshman, but when he's on the race course, his calmness changes into fiery determination. Running a 20:39 for only his fourth 5k alltime means the future is bright for this young Hatchet. While he continues his athletic journey, the sky truly is the limit for Drew."



Lydia Shaney, Smiley - "Lydia is one of our returning sophomores who always knows how to lighten the mood at practices and meets. This year, she has really pushed herself to improve her times from last year, and Smiley was her biggest performance yet. She ended up filling a varsity spot with a few runners sitting out this week and ran a time of 23:35, which was a one minute and 19 second personal record from last week. With it only being halfway through the season, this young student-athlete is showing great promise in being a key asset to the team for the rest of the season and into the future.'



Sam Zastrow, Smiley - "Sam is starting to show leadership, as he is a junior this year, and consistently has been a valuable component to the boys varsity squad. He has always been a very coachable athlete and is always up to a challenge in order to reach new goals for himself. At Smiley, he became the first finisher on the team and ran a personal record time of 18:06. He continues to push himself in races and practices as he strives to achieve running a sub-18 minute 5K. If this boys' team plans to reach new heights this season, it is going to have to begin with Sam pushing ahead and encouraging his teammates to follow."

Football: Tomahawk rocked by Oconto Falls

FOR THE TOMAHAWK I FADER

OCONTO FALLS - The Tomahawk Hatchet football team traveled to Oconto Falls on Friday, Sept. 15 and fell by a score of 48-14.

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chipped in on the ground. Brayden Larson (five catches, 27 yards, one touchdown) and Dickens (three catches, 21 yards) were the Hatchets' top receivers.

The Hatchets logged a total of 241 yards, outpaced by the Panthers' 370. Along with two interceptions, Tomahawk lost one fumble,

while Oconto Falls did not turn the ball over. Oconto Falls also did not commit a penalty, while Tomahawk's three accounted for 40 yards.

Despite the lopsided score, Tomahawk won the time of possession battle. holding the ball for 26:55.

The Panthers had possession for 21:05.

With the score, Tomahawk's record falls to 3-3, and 1-2 in conference.

This week's action The Hatchets are scheduled to host Crivitz on Friday. Sept. 22. Kickoff is at 7 p.m.



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Volleyball: Tomahawk takes down Lakeland, goes 2-1 in Antigo tourney

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

MINOCQUA – The Tomahawk Hatchet volleyball team earned a win over a conference rival and took two of three games in a tournament last week.

Lakeland

The Tomahawk spikers traveled to Lakeland Union High School in Minocqua on Tuesday, Sept. 12 and came away with a hard-earned 3-2 win by scores of 23-25, 25-22, 17-25, 28-26 and 15-9.

Chloe Buckwalter ended the night with 29 assists and 16 digs, while Macy Jankiewicz had 13 kills, five blocks and two aces. Claire Albert had two aces. Claire Albert had two aces, eight kills and 12 digs; Emerson Lange tallied five aces and 15 digs; and Sienna Calkins ended the night with nine kills and six blocks. Antigo tournament

On Saturday, Sept. 16, the Hatchets went 2-1 in a tournament in Antigo, earning wins over Northland Pines (25-21, 25-16, 25-16) and Rhinelander (25-15, 25-11, 25-18) and falling to Medford (22-25, 26-24, 25-15, 25-19).

Stats vs. Medford: Buckwalter, 25 assists, eight digs, one ace; Samantha Gebauer, 20 digs, one ace; Jankiewicz, nine kills, four blocks; Siennah Calkins, seven kills, one block; Emerson Lange, 10 digs, five kills, two aces.

Stats vs. Pines: Buckwalter, 29 assists, nine digs, one ace; Calkins, 12 kills; Jankiewicz, eight kills, two aces, one block; Samantha Gebauer, 17 digs.

Stats vs. Rhinelander: Buckwalter, 24 assists, two aces; Gebauer, 18 digs, one ace; Albert, 13 digs, eight kills, one ace; Calkins, nine kills.

This week's action

Tomahawk was slated to host Mosinee at the Hatchet Fieldhouse on Tuesday, Sept. 19.

On Thursday, Sept. 21, a quad with Newman, Prentice and Antigo will be held at the Fieldhouse at 5 p.m. LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Pine Crest?

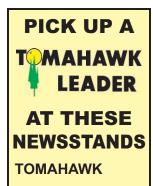
Please read the 158 page report (dated March 21, 2023) by the Ad-Hoc Committee on Pine Crest on the Lincoln County Board website! The Ad-Hoc committee did a very complete, investigative report on Pine Crest. The layout of the Pine Crest campus shows the situation with closed halls, number of beds, access to specfic areas, etc. Many of you have not read this report; if you had you'd know that Clifton. Larson, Allen Wealth Advisors did perform a study on Pine Crest.

NCHC also manages the Marathon County owned nursing home, Mount View. Judy Woller was on the Lincoln County Board when Resolution 2021-11-50 was passed unanimously to reduce number of bed licenses at Pine Crest.

Further, \$85.00 per \$100,000.00 of valuation equates to \$170.00 per tax bill, per year, for a \$200,000.00 valuation. Many actions were taken by county board since 2015 in attempt to bring Pine Crest operations in the black. It doesn't have to make a profit; it just needs to break even. In conclusion, eight years, and it is in worse condition now in 2023 than it was in 2015.

Further, our habits have changed as stated in the 2021 survey. When we cannot live alone any longer, we do not feel Pine Crest is the place for us. We look at in-home care, senior living apartment with help from ADRC and meals on wheels, assisted living possibly hospice care (which by the way is not offered at Pine Crest). Yes, one may go on Medicaid and continue to live at assisted living.

> Leona Vander Sanden Gleason



Middle school harriers take part in Junior Smiley Invitational

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

WAUSAU – Horace Mann Middle School in Wausau hosted 26 schools for the Junior Smiley Invitational on Thursday, Sept. 14.

A total of 583 racers crossed the finish line in the biggest field of the year.

The Tomahawk Middle School (TMS) boys placed 8th overall, while the girls placed 4th.

In the small school division, Phillips won, and in the large school, Stevens Point took home the title overall for the boys, while Waupaca and D.C. Everest won the team titles for the girls.

Charlee Lund led the way for the Hatchets with a medalist performance as she crossed the line 10th in a time of 14:33. Other award winners for the Hatchets were Lexi Palmer (27th), Hallie Pierce (28th), Kamron Ristau (30th), Joe Zastrow (32nd), Aliyah Nelson (35th), Abe Flohr (36th), Joa Reilly (44th), Camryn Kraklow (48th) and Dawson Jones (50th). Rounding out the scoring seven for the Hatchets boys and girls were Giordana Cammisuli (51st), Levi Cerkas (74th), Max Childers (81st) and Zach

Scott (82nd).

The strong Hatchet team was also represented by Autumn Pankow (53rd), Victoria Towle (64th), Reagan Gorell (78th), Leigha Vassar (89th), Tripp Tabbert (91st), Vallyn Ott (92nd), Alaina Stogbauer (114th), Lilli Marheine (122nd), Lilly Meuer (123rd), Lucy Nelson (127th), Savannah Reinke (134th) and Kortney Busterud (143rd).

"This would be the first true challenge for this very young group as they haven't competed in a race with this many kids around them," said coach Justin Lund. "You could tell the nerves were there, but you could also tell they were also ready to compete and give it their absolute best effort. They showed some real grit out there on the course today, which resulted in positive outcomes both in the team standings and for individuals with some, even on the challenging hilly course, managing to get a PR."

This week's action

The TMS runners were scheduled to head to Medford Area High School for the Middle School Great Northern Conference (GNC) championships on Monday, Sept. 18.



Lexi Palmer – "For two weeks now, Lexi has been battling some ankle issues, and some issues with her shins as well. Also, for two weeks, she has found her way from scoring 8th on the team to now sprinting hard through the finish line as our 2nd Hatchet runner. She's getting better and better each week, and her progress from the first race at Marathon has simply been a body of work that can't be ignored."

Photos courtesy of Justin Lund



Fishing Report: And so it begins, the fall transition

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

NORTHERN WISCON-SIN – Many of us look forward to fall fishing more than any other time of year, and it will be an interesting transition for the next several weeks as water temperatures fall.

You will notice the beginning of fall colors around here as the roadside ferns turn brown, and the maples start their changes. Water temps will now be on the decline, which is exactwarming temps will kill the fishing for the duration of those fronts.

Walleye fishing has been good on the Chain, with good numbers of fish being caught on a daily basis. Basically, they have stayed on those deeper weed edges and are hitting better during the daytime than they were in August. Jigs and minnows are, as usual, the best bait for them. On the deeper lakes, we have seen some improvement in the daytime fishing, but the evening and night fishing is still better. Half crawlers have been good on these lakes on the weed edges in the 12' range.

good, with bluegills continuing to hit well in the mid-range weeds. Waxies or worms are working. Crappies continue to be schooled up, and if you can find them, they will provide great action on minnows. Look for them in deeper brush piles and deep weed edges. Perch have moved somewhat deeper lately, and leeches or minnows are best for these guys.

Bass action continues to be very good, with a lot of smallmouth and largemouth being caught mixed together on lakes that contain both types of fish. Plastics fished right on the bottom have been effective, but a half crawler on a jig

at the weed edges can work too.

As always, the northern remain hungry. Look for them in the weeds and throw anything flashy and they will hit. Try a spinner bait right over the top of the weed beds for some good action. They are also hitting well on pike-sized suckers.

Musky action has been decent and will improve with the dropping water temps. These fish will be more active in the weeds this month during the daytime than they have been all summer. There is a great combination of good numbers and a chance of a trophy during the fall fish-

on what is viewed commonly by us as the hardest course of the year."

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Ing. Larger bucktails have still been the most effective, but it's worth trying surface baits, too, if for nothing else but the chance of seeing a hit right on top of the water. With the drop in water temperatures coming, we're right on the cusp of sucker season.

Welcome to the start of what we hope is going to be some great fall fishing, with some of the most beautiful views of the year about to pop. There's noth-

ly what we want. We hope for a consistent drop into the 60s and then 50s, and we really hope for a lack of any hard warm fronts. From this point forward,

Panfish action remains

ing like a day on the water during a crisp fall day, with the colors blazing on the shores

Good luck and good fishin'! BP TOMAHAWKCrossroadsTrig'sGreat Lakes FoodsHolidayTomahawk ShellTomahawkPharmacyKwik TripCorner MartViegut's Self ServiceWagner ShellKracker BarrelNorthwoods Store

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/ybwwkdjz*. 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 Historical Society encourages use of Allan Bell Memorial Trail

water aerobics will return

in the fall.

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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