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Merrill Food Truck-a-Palooza is this Saturday

BY TINA L. SCOTT **EDITOR**

The City of Merrill is set to host its first-ever Food Truck-a-Palooza at the Merrill Festival Grounds this Saturday, May 18, 2024, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Held at what was formerly known

as the Lincoln County Fairgrounds, Merrill Mayor Steve Hass came up with the idea as a way to promote utilizing the Merrill Festival Grounds more "and knowing that Merrill needed something to bring

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Northern Lights

ABOVE: Images of the Northern Lights from this past weekend's beautiful display of color, as captured overlooking Lake Alexander near Merrill.

Blue Sky Photography/Peter Tesch photo.

RIGHT: This image of the Northern Lights this past weekend also captured the path of a meteor as it traveled across the night sky.

Blue Sky Photography/Peter Tesch photo.



May 18-26 is Buddy Poppy Campaign Week in Merrill

Stop and get a red poppy to wear this week in honor of veterans who died for freedom

BY TINA L. SCOTT **FDITOR**

On Friday, May 10, 2024, Merrill Mayor Steve Hass issued a proclamation that the week of May 18-26, 2024, be designated as "Buddy Poppy Campaign Week" in Merrill and asking that "all citizens pay tribute to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the name of freedom by wearing the Memorial Poppy during this week."

"The City of Merrill supports the annual Buddy Poppy Campaign for the VFW Post 1638 and Auxiliary to honor our fallen" and "recognizes the



Mayor Hass presented the Buddy Poppy Week proclamation at City Hall. Shown from L to R: Michele Rathke, 2022-23 State Commander for the VFW; Kathy Palazzo, Chaplain; John Rathke, VFW 1638 Post Commander; Mayor Steve Hass; Denni Radloff, Auxiliary President; and Jeff Radloff and Jill Schmunk, Auxiliary members. Submitted photo.

importance of honoring those who have worn our nation's uniform," the proclamation said. "A nation at peace must be reminded of the price of war and the debt owed every service member who has died in the name of liberty and freedom ..."

After World War I, the red poppy

became a symbol of the blood shed during battle, and in 1922, the "Buddy Poppy" became an annual reminder of lives sacrificed on battle fields, distributed by the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) posts and their

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PUBLISHER'S LETTER

A Glimpse Into **Tragedy**

Dear Reader,

Those of you who read this column regularly may have noticed my enduring interest in poetry. Today I would like to share a poem that few have seen. It was written by William McHale, my grandfather, and appeared many years ago in the Chilton Times-Journal, which he published in the 30s and 40s.



The poem is heartfelt and sad, dealing with the death of

his son in early childhood. This brings to mind the oft repeated maxim that parents should never have to bury their children. Over the years the poem has meant a great deal to everyone in our family, helping my siblings and cousins to remember the uncle that we lost without ever knowing him.

> PATRICK J. WOOD Publisher

For Michael **Had I But Known**

Had I but known he did not come to stay, That he was just a transient little guest By heaven sent and thither shortly bound How avidly his smallest small request I should have heard, and its appeasement found.

If I had known he entered at my gate Only to pause on his far homeward flight -Sweet soul ordained to bear no taint of earth -How I had schemed to make the hours more bright And shield his dimpled hands from every hurt.

But I knew not. There are tomorrows yet, I thought, to mend the playthings wrecked today. Then, lo, a muffling silence stilled the noise Of clamorous mirth, for he had gone his way And left my heart like his poor broken toys.

William McHale



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auxiliaries throughout the United States. The first year, poppies were imported from France, but the VFW soon discovered having paper poppies made by disabled, hospitalized, and aging veterans and then shipping them to VFW posts and auxiliaries for distribution was a better way and also provided veterans with a small source of income. Funds raised through the annual "Buddy Poppy Campaign" to veterans and dependents and orphans of deceased veterans who are in need, while the wearing and display of the red poppies continues to honor the lives lost in service to our country.

Locally, members of Schmitt-Manecke-Donner Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 1638 and Auxiliary will have Buddy Poppies available in several locations in Merrill during the week of May 18-27. VFW Post 1638 Auxiliary President Denni Radloff, VFW Post 1638 Chaplain Kathy Palazzo, and Auxiliary member Jill Schmunk are co-chairing this year's event. "We are looking forward to seeing everybody and will be grateful when the donations are counted and used to benefit veterans." the cochairs said. "Please help the cause and thank you for your continued support."

"Proceeds from Buddy Poppy distributions must be used to benefit disabled veterans, veterans with unmet needs and their families, and the family members and orphans of deceased veterans," they said. "What better way to help our veterans in the community than by distributing this little flower of remembrance."

Look for VFW Post 1638 and Auxiliary members at Dave's County Market or in the First Street Coffee Station/Park City Credit Union parking lot area and plan to stop, make a donation, and get a Buddy Poppy. Then wear your Buddy Poppy proudly this week in remembrance of those who have made the ultimate sacrifice.. Buddy Poppies are also available at the Northwoods Veterans Post, 601 Johnson St. in Merrill, during business



VFW Post 1638 Commander John Rathke with his grandson, Rowan, and Mayor Steve Hass are all wearing red, a fitting way to prepare for the annual Buddy Poppy Campaign Week and the distribution of the symbolic red paper poppies.

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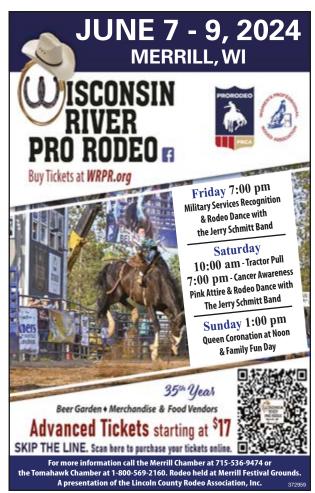
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Latest report highlights progress at LHS, CLS

DOC continues to work on revising administrative code

MADISON, Wis. - On April 5, 2024, the 19th report from the federal court-appointed monitor for Lincoln Hills School/Copper Lake School (LHS/CLS) was filed, noting continued improvements at the juvenile facility.

The Wisconsin Department of Corrections (DOC) is now in substantial compliance with 43 (or 86%) of the 50 provisions identified in the consent decree, 7 more than the previous reporting period.

The consent decree stems from a 2017 lawsuit over conditions at the facility under the previous administration. Under Gov. Tony Evers, the DOC has been in either partial or substantial compliance with all provisions of the consent

"The department is grateful to the monitoring team for their recognition of the important work going on at Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake schools and for their assistance as we continue to make improvements," DOC Deputy Secretary Jared Hoy said. "DOC is especially proud of our employees there who have been energized by the progress. That enthusiasm and passion is positively impacting our care of

In the latest report, the department gained substantial compliance in provisions relating to administrative confinement, staffing, and morale.

The court-appointed monitor visited LHS/CLS in March and conducted 52 interviews with staff and youth.

'Staff morale was exceptionally good overall at the time of the site visit," the monitor wrote. "Staff were extremely friendly from the moment you walked through the front door. The new staff who were on-the-job training expressed their excitement to begin their positions, stated the training was good, and genuinely were happy with their decision to join the team. Staff also said to the monitoring team that they felt safe at the facility and loved their jobs.'

The monitor noted that overall interactions between leadership, staff, and youth were positive and the general atmosphere during the visit was calm.

A major improvement noted in the report was the Division of Juvenile Corrections full implementation of The Mandt System.

The Mandt System uses trauma-informed positive behavior support to help build relationships and create a safe environment for all. The program replaced an older

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Here's what

John has to say

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"January 19th, 1968

Life Magazine article

motivated me to start working out (article

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wake up early, keep

a rigid schedule at

about the interior

Ever since then, I

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the community together," said Hallie Savall, Social Media Specialist for the city of Merrill.

Food Truck-a-'The Palooza is a new event to Merrill," said Merrill Mayor Steve Hass. "It will have food trucks, music, a craft and vendor show, cornhole tournament adult beverages, and a bounce house for kids.

'Having multiple things to do at the Food Truckwill a-Palooza bring more enjoyment to the community," Savall said. "We are excited to see this event happen in the city of Merrill.'

"This event is both a city celebration and tourist attraction," Hass said. "We want people to see Merrill as a place where people can come together and have a great time. Bringing people from other communities is a great way to showcase some of what Merrill has to offer. We are centrally located to several other communities and to have this event here just makes sense."

"We are looking forward to having families out and about kicking off summer with a bang and enjoying a great community event,' Savall said.

Hass said his goal is for Food Truck-a-Palooza to become an annual event that continues to grow each year. "We are looking to the future and bringing more to the event as well," he said.

"Attendees can expect to experience more to life with the community as a whole," Hass said. "The City of Merrill is excited to bring this event to the area. We have been looking for something that our community and the surrounding communities can come together and enjoy. What better way than food, drinks, music, crafts, cornhole, and fun!"

Nearly 20 food trucks offering a huge variety of options - from pizza, tacos, gourmet hot dogs, and smoked foods to cheese curds, thai food, gyros, wraps, sandwiches, and mini donuts will be at the event. "The food trucks are coming from as far away as Sheboygan with several from the Merrill, Tomahawk, Rhinelander, and Wausau areas," Savall

More than 60 craft and vendor displays will offer everything - from clothing, books, and tumblers to crocheted items, signs, soaps, woodworking, and much more - coming from Merrill, Tomahawk, Minoqua, Wausau. Rhinelander, Antigo, and other areas to share their

WDEZ and WJMT will broadcast live from the event from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Brad Emmanuel will provide live music from 3:30 to 7 p.m.

The event includes a cornhole tournament that will cap out at 40 teams. Those interested in participating can preregister by emailing, Goldensandscornhole@ gmail.com; walk-ins will be welcome IF spots are available. Sign-up and registration begins at 11:30 a.m. and the tournament begins at noon and will run throughout the day.

The event is designed to have activities and fun for all ages, with a bounce house and a bounce obstacle course for kids to enjoy, and beverages for all ages, including adult beverages, available for purchase.

"The Boys and Girls Club will also be here to talk about the offerings they have for our local community," Savall said.

The Lincoln County Humane Society (LCHS) will also hold a big raffle and a 50/50 cash raffle to raise funds for the shelter in conjunction with the event. Advance tickets can be purchased at the LCHS during business hours.

"Everyone that we have talked to has been excited to see this event come to Merrill," Savall said. "Seeing the support has really helped drive the promotion of the event and to help bring it to life."

"Our amazing sponsors are excited to be a part of this event and see it grow each year. We really appreciate the support from them and the belief that this will be a great event," she said.

Follow the event's Facebook page, Merrill's Truck-a-Palooza, for announcements all current information, including spotlights of sponsors and the food trucks with their menus.

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On the cusp of a busy spring and summer, United Way is geared up for several initiatives. The United Way annual Planning and Goal Setting meeting was held on April 17th. While it is great to assess your progress, it also provides opportunity to be creative in making changes and addressing new efforts to keep the organization vibrant and moving forward. Additionally, although not crystal clear yet our local Merrill Area United Way is aware that United Way Worldwide has developed a new and improved approach to better serving communities with a clearer model for our organizations focus area. This will be tied to changes in marketing and messaging across the board. The balance of the year will be challenging as we work through the forthcoming changes to a path of greater service. Some of these changes come at a time when we are working on upgrading our website, thus, allowing us to incorporate the United Way Worldwide new "Brand Refresh" initiatives. Our new initiatives will be monitored by the staff and Board of Directors as we move forward, with occasional "Coffee and Conversations" to bring the Board together.

In the upcoming months United Way will also be seeking the mid-year reports required from our funded agencies. This gives us a preliminary overview of the success the agencies have inspired to meeting their goals for the year. This outreach effort is coupled with the annual agency visits conducted by our United Way Board of Directors member. The Board members meet with each agency to better understand the level of activity and challenges the agencies may be facing. This aids the Board to make better informed decisions as they review funding applications and consider annual agency allocation requests. This process enhances our relationships and strengthens the programs offered, assuring United Way dollars are used to best serve people's needs.

United Way has announced Leslie Blasing will be returning to Merrill, WI for her third annual show "Concert For A Cause". Blasing is a phenomenal entertainer out of South Padre Island TX. The concert committee is already working on various planning aspects for this event being held on Tuesday, August 13 at the VFW Post 1638, 601 Johnson Street, Merrill, WI. All profits from the 2024 Concert will go to the "Disaster Relief Fund" established by United Way following the 2011 tornado. This fund helps families impacted by an uncontrollable disaster, like a fire, flood, or tornado when other financial resources are not available. Concert tickets will be available online at Eventbrite and at local ticket outlets. Tickets will be \$25 in advance, and \$30 at the door and includes a heavy appetizer buffet, entertainment, and dancing There will be a cash bar, raffle prizes, and 50/50 raffles. Additional details to come. Check the Merrill Area United Way website – merrillareaunitedway.org and Leslie Blasing's website www.lesliepresents.com or https://www.facebook.com>leslie.blasing.

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| OBITUARIES |



Roger F. Hanneman, 81, of Merrill, passed away Wednesday, May 8, 2024, at his home. Roger was born November 25. 1942, in Wausau, son of Elmer and Berdina (Wendt) Hanneman. He married Darlene Doering on April 3 1964, in Pine City, Minnesota. She preceded him in death on February 24, 2020. Roger started his career as a school bus driver and eventually became an over-the-road truck driver. He started Roger Hanneman Trucking in the early 1980's and ran that business for more than thirty years.

Roger enjoyed fishing and hunting, and woodworking. He loved spending time working on his lawn and driving his lawnmower. Roger was very handy with mechanical projects and was always able to help he knew a little bit about everything. Above all, Roger loved his family.

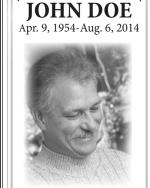
Survivors include his daughters, Kathy Wendorf (David Fischer) of Menominee, MI and Kris (Austin) Wagner of Edgar; sons, Scott (Amy) Hanneman of Gleason and Jim (Diana) Hanneman of Merrill; grandchildren, Jaclyn (Bryan Reiter) Wendorf-Reiter, Jordan Wendorf, Steve (Eryn) Hein, Douglas (Emily) Wagner, Crystal (Nick) Allmann, Aly (Cole) Matz, Wilson Hanneman, Kyle (Cassandra) Graveen, and Bryce Graveen (Briana Minjarez); great grandchildren, Camden, Jaxon, Rocsen, Zander, Olivia, Hayden, Reid, and Camden, Jaxon, Rocsen, Zander, Olivia, riayuen, Reio, and Tianna; sister, Carol (John) Nortman of Black River Falls; and brothers, DuWayne (Karen) Hanneman of Antigo, Kenneth Hanneman of Yuma, AZ, and Glen (Marsha) Hanneman of Illinois. Roger was preceded in death by his wife, Darlene Hanneman; and parents, Elmer and Berdina Hanneman.

The memorial service for Roger will be held at 11:00 A.M. Friday, May 17, 2024, at St. John Lutheran Church, Merrill Rev. David Szeto will officiate. The family will receive friends beginning at 9:30 A.M. Friday at the church. The burial will take place in Merrill Memorial Park Cemetery, Merrill. Taylor-Stine Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Merrill, is assisting the family.

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David W. Krause, aged 85, left this earth and entered into God's kingdom on Monday, May 6, 2024. David was

born July 31,1938 in Merrill Wisconsin to the parents of Ruth (Karau) and Elmer Krause. He joined the Navy at 17 years old and traveled to Japan, Hawaii, and California. After serving four years in the Navy, he returned home and met the love of his life, Joanne Zastrow in July of 1961 and traveled between Merrill and

Milwaukee to be with her until they married December

2,1961.

He loved his wife and worked very hard to allow her to be a stay-at-home mom and raise their three children, Mark, Sherri, and Kevin. David had many jobs including working at American Motor Corp., Marathon Electric, Weinbrenner Shoe Company, and Northern Wire. He also ran his own business, Dave's Cleaning Service.

David cherished his family time with Joanne as they attended their children's sporting events, band competitions and school concerts. He spent many hours playing basketball in the driveway, baseball in the field next door, taking bike rides, and helping build sledding paths in the winter. Weekends during the summer were spent as a family camping in Tomahawk or taking day trips to Tug Lake to swim and picnic. These activities all contributed immensely to his children's love of the outdoors.

When the first grandchild came and could not say Grandpa, David took pride in being called "Pucka." He and Joanne spent their early retirement years as loving babysitters for their grandchildren. As grandchildren got older, he would attend holiday concerts, sporting events, and teach them how to play cribbage. David loved hearing about his grandson in Eau Claire and was proud of his musical talents. He enjoyed watching his grandchildren grow and loved to brag about all of their accomplishments.

David enjoyed fishing, tinkering in the garage, and using any means possible to fix things around the house. He was always a jokester and loved to tease anyone he could. If you asked him how he felt, you knew the answer would be "with my fingers." He also loved to tell you his three favorite vegetables were lettuce, turnip, and pea. You could ask him who would win any sports game, and his answer always was 'the team with the most points."

David is survived by his loving wife of 62 years, Joanne (Zastrow) Krause, his two sons, Mark Krause (Minneapolis) and Kevin Krause (Eau Claire), his daughter Sherri (Dennis) Schulz (Merrill), his two granddaughters, Camryn and Deylah Schulz (Merrill), two grandsons Joshua Krause (Eau Claire) and Dawson Schulz (Merrill), grand dogs Midas and Clutch, sister Bonnie (Gerald) Gerkhardt (Milwaukee), several nieces, nephews, and in-laws.

David was preceded in death by his parents, sisters Janice Rajek and Cheri Volkman, brother Donald Krause, nieces Jean Mondeik and Crystal Josiger, nephew Randall Rajek, and dogs Peanut, Pebbles, Sam, Katie, cats Murphy and Muffin, and grand dogs Emmett and Cooper.

David's uplifting, humorous and positive attitude will be missed by everyone who knew and loved him. He was a fantastic husband, father, grandpa, Pucka, and friend. We were blessed to have such a great man in our lives

The memorial service for David was held at 11:00 A.M. Tuesday, May 14, 2024, at Taylor-Stine Funeral Home, Merrill. Rev. Michael Southcombe officiated. The family received friends beginning at 9:00 A.M. Tuesday at the funeral home. The burial took place in Springbrook Cemetery, Town of Pine River, Lincoln County, with graveside military rites conducted by V.F.W. Post 1638, Merrill. Taylor-Stine Funeral Home & Cremation Services Merrill, is assisting the family.

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William M. "Bill" Beyer,



age 93, of Gleason, Wisconsin, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, May 8, 2024, at Pine Crest Nursing Home in Merrill Wisconsin.

Bill was born on November 12, 1930, in the Town of Schley, Lincoln County, son of the late William J. and Jessie (Fox) Beyer. He married Marion Kanitz on April 7, 1956, at St. Stephen's United Church of Christ in Merrill. Bill served in the Army where he received the National Defense Services Medal and

Army of Occupation Medal. During his time in the service, he was stationed in Germany for a part of his tour. After leaving the service he worked for the Lincoln County Highway Department for 34 years until the early 1990's as a heavy equipment operator. Bill started to play the accordion when he was around age 16. Throughout the years he played with many musicians including the Louis Zdrazil Recording Orchestra and in the Beyer Two polka band with his son

Bill loved to hunt and fish. He harvested trophy deer during both the archery and gun hunting seasons. He also caught lot of brook trout fishing in the local creeks and rivers. Bill enjoyed working with his Kubota tractor, cutting firewood and riding his 4-wheelers on his property. Bill enjoyed snow-mobiling, fishing, skiing, camping and spending time with his wife and children. During his 30+ years of retirement, Bill and Marion met with friends daily at the local

McDonald's to enjoy each other's company.

Bill is survived by his wife, Marion Beyer; 3 children, Alan (Georgie Johns) Beyer, Janis Beyer, and Jeffry (Leah) Beyer; 5 grandchildren, Logan and Jacob Beyer, Kylie (TJ) Brunett, Konnor and Kamryn Beyer; 2 great-grandchildren, Jackson and Ella Brunett; and sister, Barbara Holtz. Bill was preceded in death by his parents, William J. and Jessie Beyer; sisters, Wilma Shankwitz and Nettie Jirtle; and brother, Ronald Beyer.

The funeral service for Bill was held at 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 15, 2024, at St. Stephen's United Church of Christ in Merrill. The Rev. Michael Southcombe presided Visitation began at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday at the church. The Taylor-Stine Funeral Home in Merrill is assisting the family Burial will take place at a later date at the Forest View Cemetery.

In remembrance of Bill's life and love, the family asks that any charitable donations be made to St Jude Children's Research Hospital. https://www.stjude.org/donate/donate-tost-jude.html.

Special thank you to all that cared for Bill at the Woodland Court Elder Services and Pine Crest Nursing Home.

Taylor-Stine Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Merrill is assisting the family.

Online condolences may be made at www.taylorstinefune ralhome.com



Donald Llewellyn Freeman was born on June 4, 1934, in Cedar Bluffs, Nebraska, the son of Louis and Ella Freeman, who moved to Rupert, Idaho in 1936. He was the oldest of seven children, of whom the younger six all survive him: Louis and Daniel Freeman Delores Peterson, Louella Woods, Vickie Fisher, and Pamela Freeman. Donald was trained as a Lutheran school teacher. He graduated from Concordia Teachers College (now Concordia University) in

Seward, Nebraska, in 1956. He taught primary school students in Snohomish, Washington, between 1956 and 1960, then in Merrill, Wisconsin, between 1960 and 1966. After a period working as a restaurant manager in Merrill in the late 1960's and 1970's, he was hired as a teacher for the Wisconsin Division of Juvenile Corrections, Southeast Regional Office, and was eventually promoted to administrative duties. During this time, he mainly lived in Mukwonago, Wisconsin. He earned a master's degree in education from the University of Wisconsin system while working for the Wisconsin Division of Juvenile Corrections. After retiring he returned to live in Rupert. He is survived by three sons. Douglas, Daniel, and Devin, and five grandchildren. His beloved parents and daughter, Denise, predeceased him. He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Rupert and was very active in the Rupert Senior Center.

Don enjoyed fishing and watching all types of sports. Don

was a lifelong Green Bay Packers fan and even attended the famous Ice Bowl (1967).

Don's funeral is May 23, 2024 in Rupert, Idaho. Don will be interned in the Paul Cemetery, Paul, Idaho.



| OBITUARIES |



William "Billy" R. Klade Jr. age 62, formerly of Merrill passed away on Monday, May 6, 2024, at his sister's house in Genoa City, WI, while under the care of Aurora at Home Hospice. He was born on June 9, 1961 to the late William and Barbara (Euler) Klade Sr. in Merrill. Billy attended and graduated from Badger High School in Lake Geneva, WI. Billy was a kind, happy and

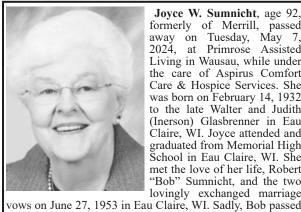
fun-loving person, who always had a quick and witty come-back! He loved working at

Walmart in Merrill, being the friendly face when you would walk in the doors and helping out wherever he could. Billy was a dedicated employee for Walmart for many years and he got to know so many people. When he wasn't working, he would enjoy working out in his flower gardens, looking at antique cars, or indulging in some of his favorites; ice cream and doughnuts. Billy enjoyed watching MASH, collecting Canadian Loon items, listening to the Statler brothers, chatting about the weather or playing with his favorite cat, Dolly He was a member at Bible Presbyterian Church in Merrill Billy and his infectious smile will be sadly missed, but never forgotten.

Billy is survived by his sisters: Liane (Mark) Katezenberg and Deena (Tim) Rathbun, brother: Justin (JoAnn) Klade nieces and nephews: Daniel (Jacqueline) Katzenberg Lindsey (Ken) Roth, Michael (RaeAnne) Rathbun, Tiffany (Ken) Tupa, RJ (Samantha) Klade and Christi (Seth) Sczygelski, many great nieces and nephews and numerous other extended family members. He was preceded in death by his parents and a great nephew.

The funeral service for Billy was held on Saturday, May 11 2024, at 11:00 a.m. at Waid Funeral Home. Pastor Michael Southcombe officiated. Visitation took place on Friday, May 10, 2024, from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home and again on Saturday, May 11, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. until the time of the service at the funeral home. Burial at Merrill Memorial Park Cemetery immediately followed the service. In lieu of flowers, family requests that donations be made to the Lincoln County Humane Society in memory of Billy.

Waid Funeral Home & Cremation Service of Merrill is as sisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences are encouraged and may be made at www.waidfuneral.com.



Joyce W. Sumnicht, age 92 formerly of Merrill, passed away on Tuesday, May 7 2024, at Primrose Assisted Living in Wausau, while under the care of Aspirus Comfort Care & Hospice Services. She was born on February 14, 1932 to the late Walter and Judith (Inerson) Glasbrenner in Eau Claire, WI. Joyce attended and graduated from Memorial High School in Eau Claire, WI. She met the love of her life, Robert "Bob" Sumnicht, and the two

away on June 11, 2014.

Joyce worked as a secretary for the Merrill Area Public Schools, primarily at Franklin Elementary from 1964 until her retirement in 1989. After retirement, Joyce enjoyed play ing golf. She enjoyed traveling with Bob to Germany to learn about their ancestors, working in her flower gardens or shopping for some antiques and depression glass. Joyce was an avid bowler; she was a member of WWBA for 40 years and received membership into Merrill's Bowling Hall of Fame in 1994. She would also spend time enjoying nature watching birds and loved all animals! Joyce was especially proud of her African violets! She was a great cook and hosted many family gatherings, especially during the holi days. Joyce was a charter member of the Merrill Liones Club and St. John Lutheran Church in Merrill. She is remembered by family and friends as a very sweet lady, that was always pleasant, caring and had concern for others Joyce will be sadly missed, but memories of her will remain. Joyce is survived by her children: Sarah (Gary) Stroyny of Kronenwetter, WI, George (Sandie) Sumnicht of New Derry, PA and Carol (Bill) Strand of Kronenwetter, WI, grandsons Steve, Robert (Linsey) and Scott (Anna), step grandsons Nathan and Jason, great granddaughter: Iris and step great Evan. She was preceded in death by her husband: Robert and great grandson: Anderson Strand.

The funeral service for Joyce was held on Monday, May 13 2024, at 11:00 a.m. at Waid Funeral Home. Rev. David Szetc officiated. Visitation took place on Monday, May 13, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. until the time of the service, also at the funeral home. Burial at Merrill Memorial Park immediately followed the service.

The service will be recorded for those unable to attend in person. It can be found under her obituary on the funeral home website.

In lieu of flowers, family requests that donations be directed to the Lincoln County Humane Society or St. John Lutheran Church in memory of Joyce.

The family wishes to thank the staff at Primrose Assisted Living in Wausau for their care and concern and to Aspirus Comfort Care & Hospice Services for their support.

Waid Funeral Home & Cremation Service of Merrill is as sisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences are

encouraged and may be made at www.waidfuneral.com.





Ronald H. 'Ron' Young, 85, of the Town of Rock Falls passed away Friday, May 10 2024, at Tomahawk Health Services.

Ron was born July 20, 1938 in Chicago, Illinois, son of the late Elmer and Helen (Graap) Young. He married Ruth Stevenson on June 27, 1964, in Merrill. She survives. Ron worked at Marathon Electric for over forty years. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and making firewood.

Ron is survived by his wife Ruth Young of the Town of Rock Falls; sons, Rodney (Julie) Young of the Town of Harding and Roy (Ann) Young of the Town of Little Rice; grandchildren, Ben Young and Alexandra (Brendan) Dinges; great-grandson, Lucas Young and half-brother, Elroy (Wendy) Weisman.

The memorial service for Ron will be held at 7:00 P.M., Friday, May 17, 2024, at the Taylor-Stine Funeral Home, Merrill. Deacon Jim Arndt will preside. The family will receive friends beginning at 4:00 P.M. Friday at the

Online condolences may be made at www.taylorstinefune ralhome.com

Legals

Road closures and area road construction

Town of Pine River

Lincoln County Highway Interim Commissioner, Jason Lemmer, advises that Little Oxbo Creek on CTH X between Springbrook Rd. and Bunker Hill Rd. in the Town of Pine River, will be closed starting May 16, 2024, until July 3, 2024, for a bridge replacement. A detour will be posted.

City of Merrill

Resurfacing will begin Monday, May 20, 2024, on S. Center Ave. in the City of Merrill from Joe Snow Rd. for 3600 feet north. Traffic will be limited to local traffic only with through traffic detoured on Hwy. Q to STH 64/Main St. The project is scheduled to be completed by June 14, 2024. Garbage will be picked up on the regular schedule.



|LEGAL NOTICES|

Legals 7700

BY THE COURT: DATE SIGNED: April 25, 2024 Electronically signed by Becky S. Byer Probate Registrar

STATE OF WISCONSIN. CIRCUIT COURT, LINCOLN COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Thomas Alan Vilter Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)

Case No. 2024–IN-20 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

. An application for informal dministration was filed.
. The decedent, with date of birth 05-02-1957 and date of death 04-02-2024. was domiciled in Lincoln County, State of WI, with a mailing address of W5298 N Star Dr, Merrill, WI 54452.

A. All interested persons waived notice.

4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is 08-09-2024.

5. A claim may be filed at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Merrill, Wisconsin,

Crystal Staley 153567 County Road WW Wausau, WI 54403 715-574-2143

Probate Office.

715-574-2143 Published May 2, 9 & 16, 2024 WNAXLP

CITY OF MERRILL 1004 EAST FIRST STREET MERRILL, WI 54452-2586 NOTICE OF ACTION ON A STREET VACATION

Notice is hereby given that a Resolution to vacate a portion of E 5th Street is to be acted upon by the Common Council of the City of Merrill, Wisconsin, at the meeting of the Common Council commencing at 7:00 p.m., July 9, 2024, at City Hall, Merrill, Wisconsin, on the following proposed Vacation Resolution,

1. Vacating that portion of East 5thStreet described as follows:
Located in the NE ¼ of the SW ¼ of

Section 12, Township 31N, Range 6E, City of Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin: All of Fifth Street right of way lying between the East right of way of Court Street and the West right of way

of Spruce Street.

The City of Merrill reserves an easement for construction and maintenance purposes related to utilities serving the public currently located in, on or around the vacated area.

2. This Notice of action is being taken pursuant to a recommendation of the and the City Plan Commission on May 6, 2024.

Any questions, please call City Engineer Roderick Akey, PE, at 715-536-5594. Dated: May 6, 2024 CITY OF MERRILL, WISCONSIN BY: Lori Anderson-Malm

City Clerk
Published May 16, 23 & 30, 2024
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DATE SIGNED: April 23, 2024 <u>Electronically signed by Becky S. Byer</u> Probate Registrar

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT, LINCOLN COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF FRED A. WILL

a/k/a JUNIOR FRED WILL Notice Setting Time to Hear Application and Deadline for Filing Claims
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 2024-IN-19
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed

decedent, with date of birth April 29, 1928 and date of death January 30, 2024 was domiciled in Lincoln County. State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W4899 Pope Road, Merrill, WI 54452.

3. The application will be heard at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Wisconsin, Room Probate, before Becky Beyer, Probate Registrar, on May 29, 2024 at 10:00AM.

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

4. The deadline for filing a claim against

the decedent's estate is August 9, 2024

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5. A claim may be filed at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Merrill, Wisconsin,

6. This publication is notice to any persons whose names or addresses are

tions due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

Atty. Craig J. Nienow N5041 County Road JJ Merrill, WI 54452 715-536-7185

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LIQUOR AND BEER LICENSE APPLICATIONS
CITY OF MERRILL, LINCOLN
COUNTY, WISCONSIN
JULY 1, 2024 TO JUNE 30, 2025 LICENSE PERIOD

CLASS B COMBINATION LICENSE
Bubba's Pub, Brian Kummerow, Agent
Bubba's Pub, 405 Grand Avenue

Casa-Amigos Mexican Restaurant LLC
Yareldi Gutierrez, Agent
Casa-Amigos Mexican Restaurant 2410 State Rd 107

Clark All Aboard LLC, Seth Clark, Agent All Aboard, 315 E. 2nd Street Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie 584 Fraternal Order of Eagles, 1205 N. Lake

Hinz, Calvin L., Calvin Hinz, Agent Kathy & Cal's Club 64, 2405 W. Main Humphrey's Gin Mill, Jason Humphrey,

Humphrey's Gin Mill, 500 W Main Street Jesperson, Flori A., Flori Jesperson,

Salvo's Restaurant, 201 E. 2nd Street Lincoln Lanes, Inc., Mark M. Bares, Agent
Lincoln Lanes, 1208 N. Center Ave.

M & C Entertainment LLC, Cheryl Fick,

Ballyhoo's, 124 N. Prospect Street

Nimrods, LLC, Sean Alexander, Agent Nimrods, 2501 W Main Street Plautz's Pub LLC, David R. Plautz, Agent

Plautz's Pub, 310 E. 2nd Street Quade, LLC, Francie Hahn, Agent Gesundheit Saloon, 1300 E. Main Street Schmitt-Manecke-Donner VFW F 1638, John Rathke, Agent VFW Post 1638, 601 Johnson Street

Texas Recreational Center, Inc., Michael Malinowski, Agent Merrill Public Golf Course, 1604 O'Day

The Creative Spirit, LLC, Kathleen Woodward, Agent
The Creative Spirit, 129 N Prospect

V-F Inc, Valeria Melendez, Agent Los Mezcales, 3340 E. Main Street CLASS A COMBINATION LICENSE CAPL Retail, LLC, Sheri R Myers, Agent Express Lane, 702 N. Center Avenue Hometown Grocer, Inc, Nicole Milach,

Dave's County Market, 300 E. 1st Street In & Out Beer and Liquor LLC, Eric W Dayton, Agent In & Out Beer and Liquor LLC, 701 E.

Krist Oil Company, Dana Wojiechowski, Agent Krist Food Mart #88, 105 S. Center

Avenue

Avenue

<u>Kwik Trip, Inc.</u>, Holly R Hilgart, Agent

Kwik Trip #386, 2311 E. Main Street

<u>Kwik Trip, Inc.</u>, Angela Brose, Agent

Kwik Trip #241, 300 S. Pine Ridge Ave Makalu Real Estate, Gagan Gurung,

Agent Makalu Real Estate, 1201 Grand Avenue Merrill Petroleum, LLC, Kristin Harland.

Agent
Merrill Petroleum, 3350 E. Main Street Merrill Shell LLC, Randy Duberstein, Merrill Shell, 604 S. Center Avenue

Raymer's Westside Market LLC, Mark Westside Market, 1504 W. Main Street River Country Cooperative,

7700 Legals

Guite, Agent Merrill Cenex, 1300 N. Center Avenue Walgreen Co., Jeffry Klapperich, Agent Walgreens #10574, 101 N. Center

Wal-Mart Stores East, LP, Esther Novak Walmart #1366, 505 S. Pine Ridge

CLASS A LIQUOR LICENSE (0) CLASS B BEER LICENSE

Riverside Athletic Club, Inc., Brandon Wilde, Agent Riverside Athletic Club, 500 S Center CLASS A BEER LICENSE

2 Citgo LLC, Jennifer Gremler, Pier 2 Cenex, 504 E 2nd Street
CLASS A BEER LICENSE WITH

CIDER (0) CLASS B BEER AND CLASS C WINE

Submitted – City Clerk Lori Anderson-Malm Published May 16, 2024 WNAXLP

RAZE ORDER (Pursuant to Wis. Stat. §66.0413)

OWNER: Edward Oliver Revocable

Living Trust 6841 W County RD A Evansville, WI 53536 PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2000 Logan Avenue Merrill, WI 54452

LEGAL DESCRIPTION
Land described as Cooper & Curran
Addition to the City of Merrill, Lots 1-2-3, Block 8, City of Merrill, Lincoln County,

Wisconsin.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City of Merrill, by its Building Inspector, hereby declares that the building located on the declares that the building located on the above described property is old, dilapidated or out of repair and, consequently, dangerous, unsafe, unsanitary or otherwise unfit for human habitation and unreasonable to repair.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Owner of said besidence to the above above.

ORDERED that the Owner or said buildings located on the above described property shall raze the buildings on or before June 2, 2024 at 4:30 p.m. To raze a building means to demolish and remove the building and to restore the site to a dust-free and erosion-free condition. If the buildings on the property described herein on the property described herein contains personal property or fixtures which will unreasonably interfere with the razing of the building or if the razing makes necessary the removal, sale or destruction of the personal property or fixtures, the City of Merrill Building Inspector hereby Orders the removal of the personal property or fixtures on or before <u>June 2, 2024 at 4:30 p.m.</u> Published May 2, 9 & 16, 2024

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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT LINCOLN COUNTY NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE Case No. 23-CV-94 COVANTAGE CREDIT UNION,

MATTHEW L. SCHULT AND U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure entered on October 9, 2023 in the amount of \$72,956.98 the Sheriff will sell the

described premises at public auction as TIME: June 11, 2024 at 10:00 am
TERMS: Pursuant to said judgment,
10% of the successful bid must be paid to the sheriff at the sale in cash, cashier's check or certified funds, payable to the Lincoln County Clerk of Courts. (Personal checks cannot and will not be accepted). The balance of the successful bid must be paid to the clerk of courts in cash, cashier's check or certified funds no later than ten days

sold 'as is' and subject to all liens and PLACE: Lincoln County Courthouse

after the court's confirmation for the sale or else the 10% down payment is forfeited to the plaintiff. The property is

1110 East Main Street, City of Merrill and Lincoln County
DESCRIPTION: Lot One (1), in Block
Six (6) of J.M. Smith and Company's

Six (9) of J.M. Shillin and Conhipany's Third (3rd) Addition to the City of Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin. ~This is a purchase money mortgage ~This is the homestead of the mortgagor PROPERTY ADDRESS: 211 N. Ohio Street, Merrill, Wisconsin 54452-1744 DATED: April 25, 2024 Ken Schneider Lincoln County Sheriff

Attorneys for Plaintiff 413 N. 2nd Street, Suite 150 Milwaukee, WI 53203 414-271-5400

Galanis, Pollack, Jacobs & Johnson, S.C. is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If you have previously received a discharge in a Chapter 7 bankruptcy case, this communication should not be construed as an attempt to hold you personally liable for the debt Published May 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30, 2024 & June 6, 2024 WNAXLP

TOWN OF MERRILL

MERRILL, WISCONSIN

NOTICE OF BOARD OF REVIEW

The Board of Review for the Town of Merrill will meet at the Town of Merrill Community Center, W4594 Progress Avenue,

Monday, May 20, 2024 from 4:30 to 6:30 P.M.

Property owners wishing to make a formal objection to an assessed valuation must obtain an objection form from the Town Clerk and schedule an appointment 48 hrs. in advance of hearing. 715-536-4383.

The extensive Board of Review notice can be found on Town of Merrill website and Town Hall door.

Mitzi Flegner, Clerk

www.townofmerrill.net

RECYCLE

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WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

UNCLAIMED PROPERTY

1-855-375-2274

LINCOLN COUNTY

8000922

8030361

7892656

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CONSTRUCTION LLC

110 E LINCOLN AVE

TAYLOR STRATEGIC

TAYLOR STRATEGIC

INDUSTRIES RIVER

WILD ROSE SAWMILL INC

PO BOX 566

PO BOX 566

2285 CTH I

YORDE TOOL &

MACHINING LLC

1111 JACKSON ST

W 7237 SPIRIT HAVEN RD

N11550 MUSKELLUNGE

N 11075 MUSKELLUNGE

SWARMER TONI

TERRY ROBERT

THEIS DONNA

THONE ALICE

LK RD
THORNTON MARY

TIGGAS DEMITRI

N6569 STATE RD 107

N1405 BIG EDDY RD

LAKE RD

8219446

8004629

7983724

8213226

8471050

LEGAL NOTICE: NAMES AND BUSINESSES APPEARING TO BE OWNERS OF ABANDONED PROPERTY

The Wisconsin Department of Revenue received reports from various banks, insurance companies, utilities, and other holders of unclaimed property indicating the following persons or businesses may be owners of unclaimed money, stocks, bonds or contents of abandoned safe deposit boxes. (See Unclaimed Property Act, Chapter 177, Wis. Stats.) All names printed below are from the 2023 reporting year as being owed \$50 or more (Exception: Values of securities or safe deposit boxes may be less than \$50). If you possess legal interest in a name printed below, you are entitled to submit a claim. Complete a claim through www.revenue.wi.gov/ucp or call 1-855-375-2274. Identify the name and property identification number published in this notice. Search for unclaimed property less than \$50 or from an earlier year at www.revenue.wi.gov/ucp. Published this 16th day of May, 2024.

BREITENEELD HEATHER LAMBRUSCHINI MEGAN 8105856 I 8129099 **GLENZER DEAN** 8459514 8221712 **RONIS JAMES** 8471050 **TIGGAS SARAH** BONDS 1219 E MOHAWK GLENZER JANET N11445 COUNTY RD A LANGEBERG NATE PO BOX 102 RUGGLES REBECCA N1405 BIG EDDY RD BRIETZKE TABITHA 7628812 8037079 8129099 8030041 7956311 TIMM JOHN To the class of unknown U.S. savings 1219 E MOHAWK DR 26 CHARLOTTE ST 8166242 RUSSELL CYNTHIA W6961 TUG LAKE AVE N5716 HWY 1 N929 SKYLARK LN SAKELLARIADIS BRIGHT ASHLEY 503 E 1ST ST GOETSCH CASSANDRA 402 S COOPER ST LANGEBERG STEPHANIE 26 CHARLOTTE ST bond owners: be advised that unde 7966183 8030041 8427736 TODOR NEWCOMB LINDA N5823 BACHELORS AVE 8387278 7832854 Wisconsin law, all U.S. savings bonds when they, 1) have not been redeemed within 5 years of their maturity date or BRIGHT MICHAEL KONSTANTINOS 8427736 8347540 GOETSCH MAKYAH 8354369 LARRABEE 8065571 TRANTOW IRENE C W883 COUNTY RD CCC LARRABEE 503 E 1ST ST BROCKMANN FRED 8079214 8129754 8354370 ESTATE the date the bond stops earning interest; GRAMS TYLER 7938748 SAPP SALLY 1207 W TAYLOR ST 2) have purchasers or owners with last-known addresses in the state of W883 COUNTY RD CCC W4594 COUNTY RD A 1310 E 6TH ST LARSON WARD BRUNKER JOY 8066585 GROB ROBERT 8112376 SCHAPER MICHAEL 7997434 UTTECH IRENE 300 THEILER DR RM 14 Wisconsin, according to the records of the N9133 FOX FARM RD 405 N PROSPECT ST 328 E WASHINGTON AVE 25 E PROSPECT AVE U.S. Treasury Department; and 3) were issued during the following timeframes: 7007270 BUCKET PATRICK 8213503 GRODEZANT MEGAN 8079735 LAWRENCE VIVIAN 8161889 SCHARMER MICHAEL 8141202 **UTTECH IRENE** 5700 BUCKHORN RD GRUETT KATHERINE W1688 DUDLEY RD LAWRENCE VIVIAN 1302 N CENTER AVE BURKHOLDER GARY 300 THEILER DR RM 14 8111265 8475322 8194326 8414135 VANSTRYDONK AMY 607 FRANCIS DR APT 106 SCHILTZ JEANNETTE 8129902 - 40-vear Series E bonds issued on or 2812 E MAIN ST W1688 DUDI FY RD 465 W LEATHER AVE before December 31, 1973 BURROW JOHN 311 1/2 N CENTER AVE GRUETZMACHER TROY LEE ALEXANDRA 8000713 7937219 7797517 7928500 VICTOR D KRUEGER W4837 LINCOLN DR SCHILTZ JEANNETTE 8414136 N1803 HIGH RIDGE RD - 30-year Series E bonds issued on or W5733 DAOUST RD GRYSKIEWICZ TARA N2403 LAKE PESOBIC RD 8118537 **BURROW JOHN** 7913786 8201450 LEOPOLD SUSAN 465 W LEATHER AVE before December 31, 1981 8333999 WALSH BERNARD 900 E 5TH ST LESKOVIANSKY MAGGIE Series EE bonds issued on or before 610 CHIPPEWA ST 8292139 8189434 8072923 **BUSTERUD LUCAS GUSTKE ROGER** 8414137 SCHILTZ JEANNETTE 8188948 WANDAHSEGA AMBER 601 BLAINE ST LINNELL LUKE 414 1/2 W MAIN ST APT W2523 ALDER RD 465 W LEATHER AVE CAREY LINDA L ESTATE HAIG SCOTT 2200 E MAIN ST 8106455 8333055 - Series A, B, C, D, F, G, J and K bonds SCHILTZ JEANNETTE 8376059 WARD MISTY W4116 STATE RD 64 8414138 3569 BEARSKIN CREEK 2412 COTTER CT 7900939 HAMMERSLEY ELLEN 8460282 LINNELL LUKE 465 W LEATHER AVE 1305 LARK ST CATHER CHRISTINE 8027243 WEBIE RANDY - Series H bonds issued on or before 8244653 7900939 8307271 SCHILTZ JEANNETTE before December 31, 1980 705 N MEMORIAL DR HAMMERSLEY ELLEN LOWDEN AARON 8414139 N11089 TANNERY RD CATHER CHRISTINE 1004 E 7TH ST LOWDEN ASHLEY 8027244 **ESTATE** 28 W PROSPECT AVE 8105342 WELKE MARION - Series HH bonds issued on or before 8307271 N10902 COUNTY RD CC WENZLICK KENNETH W 7762430 CHEN MEI 1004 F 7TH ST SCHILTZ JEANNETTE 8075823 HARRIS D S 8414140 7832026 N2388 COUNTY RD E HARTL WILLIAM MAAS JASON 205 N 4TH ST 8096841 To claim or redeem a bond issued during ESTATE 109 N CALIFORNIA ST 8430239 8302966 N2954 STATE RD 107 the preceding timeframes, contact the 812 GRAND AVE 8044671 SCHILTZ JEANNETTE 410 E 2ND ST MAHN DAVID 8414141 U.S. Treasury Department. 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Lincoln County Supervisor McCrank announces bid for State Assembly

Democratic candidate hopes to unseat Republican incumbent Calvin Callahan

BY TINA L. SCOTT **EDITOR**

On May 13, 2024, Lincoln County Supervisor for Lincoln County District 3, Elizabeth McCrank, announced her candidacy for Wisconsin Assembly District 35, running on the Democratic ticket. Currently, Republican Calvin Callahan holds the seat, and he recently announced his bid for re-election, as well.

Assembly District 35 includes all of Lincoln and Langlade Counties and portions of Marathon, Shawano, and Octono Counties.

In a press release, McCrank said she pledges "to focus on real district problems and challenges, including rural population decrease, school and library support, comprehensive care needs of the youngest and oldest in our communities, the climate for entrepreneurs, and people's right to make health care decisions for themselves.'

As current Supervisor for Lincoln County District 3, McCrank is currently on the Board of Canvass and the Solid Waste Committee and has also served on the Lincoln County Land Services, Highway, Social Services, and Lincoln County Emergency Planning Committees. In addition, she is a member of the Merrill Historical Society and serves on the Merrill Historic Preservation Committee, sits on the Board of Trustees for the T.B. Scott Free Library, and belongs to the Merrill Noon Optimists Club and Lincoln County Sports Club.

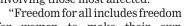
McCrank has dubbed her campaign "McCrank for the People" and has a Facebook page at facebook.com/ McCrankForThePeople. The intro in her page reads, in part, "Elizabeth is passionate about ensuring that people's voices are being heard in our community and in Madison."

"McCrank's diverse private and public sector work experiences help her identify and understand real-life issues. She is presently employed by the University of Wisconsin-Madison, but has worked in light construction, taught college and GED students, bussed restaurant tables and bagged groceries," her release said.

During her last term as Lincoln County Board Supervisor, "McCrank twice supported a referendum on the status of Pine Crest Nursing Home, introducing a resolution tabled by Supervisor Calvin Callahan in May 2023, and then supported Supervisor Norbert Ashbeck's August 15, 2023, resolution that died by a vote of 13-9."

According to her release, McCrank said, "We need leaders who believe that government is not just of the people and by the people, but FOR the people. We need to focus on real-life issues that the majority of our residents face, not contrived crises and gimmicky culture war issues meant to distract from our legislators' ineffective governance"

"Working people need someone honoring them, focusing on them and, most importantly, listening to them," she said. "We need to re-open the conversation about what the public wants from its government, and if the public wants a government different from a party's desires, the public should win out over the party. Rather than disassembling local government and making our communities less attractive, we need to develop customized solutions for local circumstances, involving those most affected."



for women to make their own healthcare choices without interference from government or others who assert their personal freedom but choose to treat others like second-class citizens," she said in her closing statement in her release.





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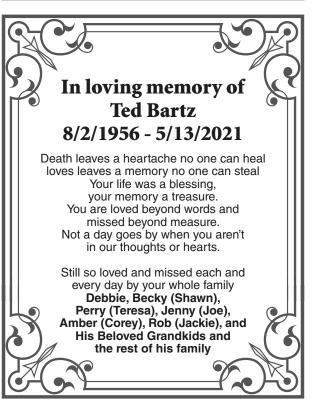
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At night in my dreams, it's like you're still here... Upon awakening you're not, and I shed another tear.

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The following donations approved and/or accepted at the April 17 Merrill Area Public Schools (MAPS) Board of Directors meeting:

A check from Park City Credit Union in the amount of \$65 from the proceeds of selling school-issued debit cards for Student Council; the following donations for the Raise Your Voice Walk 2024: Brickner's Park City \$50, Knights of Columbus Council 1133 \$500, and Breaman Merrill Ford \$250; money from Merrill Noon Optimist Club valued at \$250 for Teen Mental Health First Aid program support at the Merrill High School; and funds from the Bierman Family Foundation valued at \$1,500 for giving a bike helmet to every student at Pine River School for Young Learners.

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Merrill Lions Club



The Merrill Lions Club invites you to attend an open house to learn more about the club and what we do in and for the Merrill community!

> Monday, May 20, 2024 WHEN:

5:30 - 7:30 PM

Merrill Eagles Club WHERE:

1205 Lake Street

During the open house, you'll be able to learn more about:

- 1. Membership
- 2. Community projects
- 3. Use of fundraising dollars
- 4. Club history
- 5. Leo Club for youth ages 12 18 years
- 6. Lions Camp in Rosholt, WI
- 7. Lions Eye Bank
- 8. Merrill community Lions events

Appetizers will be served, and beverages are available to purchase from the Merrill Eagles Club.

Come join us and learn more about how we live our motto: We Serve!

LINCOLN COUNTY SPORTS CLUB

26th ANNUAL FUNDRAISER & OPEN HOUSE

May 18, 2024 from 11:00am – 4:00pm

(Raffle Drawings start at 2:30pm) Located at the Club - W5071 SCHULZ SPUR DR EVERYONE IS WELCOME – NO CHARGE TO ATTEND FOOD, BEVERAGES & MUSIC ALL DAY

Over 30 general raffle packages totaling over \$15,000 in prizes to be won! General Raffle packages include \$5000 in Cimino's Gift Cards, Meat Raffles, Dining Packages, Booze Raffle, Kwik Trip Gift Cards, Fleet Farm Gift Cards, Grocery Shopping Spree, Packers & Brewers packages, Gift certificates from Hold-Up

Display, HuntersGoldHD/AktivBlue, Grizzly Ears and much more! Special DAY OF THE EVENT Raffles, which will be available only at the Fundraiser/Open House on May 18, include a Winchester Gun Safe, Recliners, 50/50 Cash raffles, PowerHouse Choice of One and more.

Kids Events with Door Prizes & Kids Raffles

GENERAL RAFFLE TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AT SEVERAL LOCAL BUSINESSES IN

TOMAHAWK (Billy Bob's Bar & Grill, NAPA), MERRILL (PowerHouse Lawn & Leisure, Cimino's Gun & Archery, The Hub Inn, The Rock, NAPA), IRMA (JEBS Bar & Grill) GLEASON (Gleason Bowling Center, Z's Fork Horners) WAUSAU (Chase Outdoors & The King Company) WESTON Wine & Spirits.

Tickets will also be on sale at the Fundraiser/Open House on May 18. Don't miss your opportunity for a chance to win one of these wonderful prize packages!

12 Non-Profit organizations will be at the Fundraiser/Open House to discuss their organizations, answer questions along with special giveaways.

AAW will be demonstrating their All-Terrain Wheelchairs – take one for a spin! Adult Balloon Darts for special prizes

Wagon Rides around the property

Kids will have an opportunity to try archery with 3-D targets, fish and shoot balloons for door prizes, and check out the Sheriff's Bearcat Armored Vehicle.

For details on prize packages, ticket prices, where to purchase tickets and general information about the club and the fundraiser/open house, visit the LCSC website at Icscsportsclub.com

We hope everyone will join us in supporting the club and our community.



Upon arrival Thursday morning, initial responders found the buildings completely consumed by fire. Photo courtesy of Merrill Fire Department.



The structures were a complete loss.

Photo courtesy of Merrill Fire Department.

Early Thursday morning fire destroys Rock Falls home and garage

BY TINA L. SCOTT **EDITOR**

The Merrill Fire Department (MFD) reports an early morning fire on Thursday, May 9, 2024, completely destroyed a unattached home and garage in the Town of Rock Falls. The Lincoln County 911 Dispatch Center received a report of a structure on fire at N5621 State Rd. 107 and dispatched the MFD at approximately 4:35 a.m. The MFD initially responded with Engine 61, Medic 62, and Tender 65.

Lincoln County Sheriff Deputies were the first to respond and verified the building was fully engulfed "with a majority of the structure being consumed by the fire and a power line down near the residence," and at that time "it was unknown if the residence was occupied."

A call went out for additional resources. Tomahawk EMS, Wisconsin Public Service, Pine River Fire Department, Corning Fire Department, and Town of Russell Fire Department responded, and a General Alarm was issued for offduty Merrill Firefighters, according to the MFD.

"Upon arrival of the first responding units, heavy fire was noted to the residence, along with an unattached garage, with a majority of the structure already consumed by the fire," the MFD said. The initial crews set to work to extinguish the blaze and also cool a 500 lb. propane tank near the structure; it was then shut off at the valve."

"Rural water supply operations were set up and deployed," the MFD said. "On-scene crews were able to extinguish the fire and performed overhaul. It was later confirmed that there were no occupants in the building.'

According to MFD, both the home and unattached garage are a total loss. While the cause of the fire remains under investigation, the initial investigation suggests the fire was unintentional.

injuries No were reported.

Area Events & Entertainment Community Calendar

May 16 - Open Mic Night at Sawmill Brewing Co.

May 18 - Merrill Spring Citywide Garage Sales

May 18 - Food Truck-a-Palooza at Merrill Festival Grounds

May 18 - Lincoln County Sports Club Open House/Fundraiser

May 19 - Girls on the Run North Central Wisconsin Celebratory 5K

May 22 - Trivia Night at Sawmill Brewing Co.

May 23 - Open Mic Night at Sawmill Brewing Co.

May 24 - Merrill High School Graduation

May 26 - BINGO at VFW

AREA EVENTS & ENTERTAINMENT

For more information, go to: merrillchamber.org/ events or contact the event sponsor.



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MERRILL POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORTS

05-06-24

At 12:38 a.m. officers received a dog barking complaint on S. Oregon St. The owner wasn't able to be spoken to at that time. The case is still an active investigation.

At 5:41 p.m. a report of a gas drive-off occurred at a local gas station. The case is still an active investigation until the matter is

At 6:43 p.m. officers received a report of two service dogs attacking each other near the checkouts at an area department store. One person left the scene before officers arrived. The case is an active investigation at this

At 6:38 p.m. a cell phone was found in the area of the Incredible Bank and turned over to law enforcement.

05-07-24

At 8:51 a.m. officers received a report of a box truck traveling on Champagne St. in violation of street weight limits. The truck was not located in the area.

At 9:48 a.m. a report of a truck backing into an orange road construction barrel that also damaged a guard rail was reported at the Merrill High School. The crash was property

At 10:49 p.m. officers received a report of a stolen cell phone from an address on Francis Dr. The investigation is still active

05-08-24

At 2:26 p.m. officers responded to a crash at a local business.

At 4:38 p.m. officers responded to a dog in a vehicle at a local business.

At 5:35 p.m. officers conducted a search warrant at a local residence. One arrest was made

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system known as Principles of Subject Control, which commonly used in correctional settings but isn't as well suited to the therapeutic work of juvenile corrections.

As of January, The Mandt System is the sole model the prevention and de-escalation of negative behaviors in juvenile Academy corrections. recruits are trained in this method and juvenile corrections staff receive quarterly refreshers.

A couple measures of the system's success:

In a 2-year comparison of 2022 and 2023, there has been a 44% decrease in the use of mechanical restraints, a 32% decrease in use of force incidents, and a 50% decrease in AC placements. There has also been a reduction in workplace injuries.

DOC has seen a dramatic improvement in percentage of staff members who reported fearing for their safety. In 2019, that statistic reached an alltime high of 80% of LHS staff. In October 2023 after Mandt implementation, that number fell to just 16%.

DOC is also continuing to work on updating state administrative code related to juvenile corrections to reflect current best practices and the latest research on child development.

Changes to chapter DOC 376 of the state's administrative code, which governs security in Type juvenile correctional facilities, have been referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety and Assembly Committee on Corrections.

A listing of all monitor reports can be found here on the department's website at: tinyurl.com/Lincoln-Hills.

in connection with the search warrant.

At 11:27 p.m. officers took a male into custody for a probation violation at a local residence in connection with a drug complaint.

05-09-24

At 11:18 a.m. officers responded to a complaint of a female juvenile who ran away. The female later returned home to her residence. At 3:50 p.m. officers responded to a theft complaint at a local

05-10-24

At 7:43 a.m. a store reported a female had stolen outdoor décor. The female has been identified and follow-up will be completed

At 2:30 p.m. an officer located a vehicle blocking traffic. The driver was hauling a bed and part of the load became loose. The

female struggled in attempting to re-secure the load to the roof of her vehicle. The officer hauled the remaining items to the female's residence

At 7:27 p.m. a bicyclist reported he had been sideswiped by a vehicle while riding his bicycle. The bicyclist sustained minor injury as a result. The officer is attempting to identify the other vehicle and driver to complete a crash report.

At 10:10 p.m. a caller reported someone had pounded on her front window of her residence and then fled.

At 11:00 p.m. a caller reported someone had pounded on his front window of his residence and then fled.

05-11-24

At 11:47 a.m. a caller reported the previous night someone had pounded on his residence wall. his siding. One of the individuals

was captured on camera and investigation is ongoing.

At 12:56 p.m. a caller reported someone had struck her vehicle in a business parking lot and left the scene. The striking vehicle was captured on the business surveillance camera and investigation is ongoing.

At 3:49 p.m. a caller reported receiving ongoing, harassing text messages and phone calls from his ex-girlfriend. The ex-girlfriend was cited for harassing phone calls.

At 7:06 p.m. a caller reported a teenaged male walking around with an open bottle of whiskey. Officers located the man and found the bottle was iced tea.

05-12-24

At 3:11 p.m. a store reported a driver had struck and damaged a sign in their parking lot and then left the scene. The driver was located and had left due to a language barrier. A crash report was completed.



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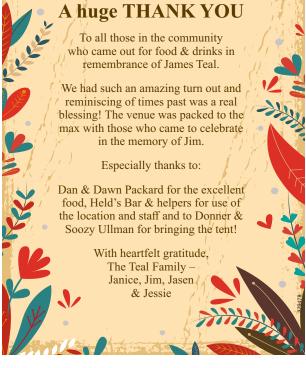
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Pet of the Week Sam is a big beautiful boy! We are told he

enjoys scratches behind his ears especially and • enjoys a saucer of milk in the morning. Sam . will do best in a living situation where he can . be king of the castle within a quiet sanctuary, retirement situation. Sam is terrified of children so no kids or other pets will be the dream life for our Sam. He is neutered, up to date on vaccinations and chipped.

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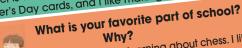


Destiny Schultz

Daughter of Michelle Schmidt

Destiny is in 2nd grade at Trinity Lutheran School. She was nominated by Mrs. Thompson.

What is your favorite subject in school? Why? 🚙 I like math, unless it's minuses. But my favorite subject is writing because we're working on Mother's Day cards, and I like making them.

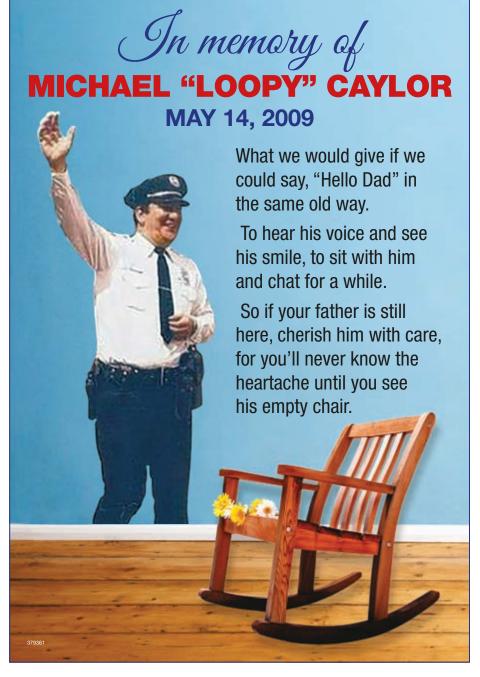


I like chess club. I like learning about chess. I like learning with Mrs. Russell.

What would you like to do/become someday? Why?
I want to be a cheerleader. I want to cheer for a blue team or a red team. I also want to be a singer cause

my grandma says I'm a good singer. I would nominate Destiny Schultz. She is a respectful listener and shares with other students. She demonstrates love and care to her classmates. ~ Mrs. Thompson





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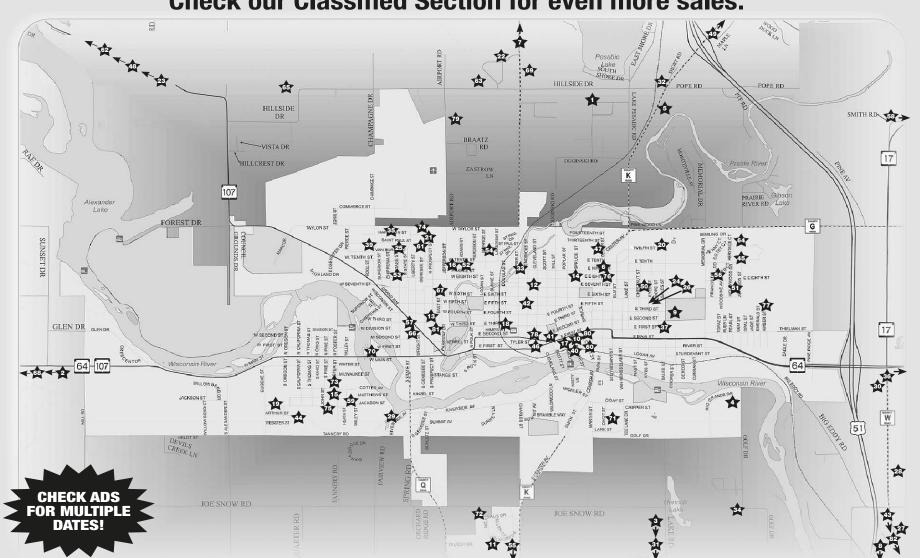
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02. N3143 Cty Rd E. Saturday 8-4 Sunday 9-2. Women's name brand clothing, shoes, rustic modern farmhouse decor, kitchen & household items, treadmill, commercial desk, rainbow vacuum, milk jugs, misc outdoor items, misc tools, table set, downsizing two houses everything must go, a lot of items at \$1-\$2.

03. W4771 Tombstone Dr.

TOOL SALE. Riding lawn mower, Power washer, Snow blower, Power drills, Sawzalls, Hand tools & Much more, 5/18-20 • 8-6

04. 2512 Rio Grande Drive: May 04. 2512 RIO Grande Drive: May 16-19 8am-6pm. Large Moving Sale: Baby items, Kids Toys, Ma-ternity Clothes, Sporting Items, Tools, Men's & Women's Clothing, and Much More!

05. N2460 County Rd K

Friday, May 17th & Saturday, May 18th • 9am - 5pm. Disney items. Peanuts items household goods and more.

06. 1211 E Ninth St. May 17 & 18. 9-4. Kitchen Items, Two Small Antique Tables, Men's & Women's Clothes, Jewelry, Books, Collectables, Glassware, Sharp Stereo Speakers, Mechanic's Roller Seat, Golf Ball retrievers, Bag, and Balls. Daytona Beer Glasses Much More.

07. N2755 Pier Ave. Multi Family Sale, Fri. & Sat. 8-4. Sporting Goods, Harley Davidson Parts, Baby Items, Household Goods, Xmas Outdoor Decorations.

08 14820 N 4th Ave FPIC YARD SALE! Treasures Await! Plus size clothing & swim tops, Tools, Gun cases, Furniture, Mother's formals, Fishing equipment. CASH ONLY. Thurs-Fri •8A-6P; Sat 8A-12P

09. Multi-Family Sale in Sell Building on the Festival Grounds.

Tools; Brand Name Men's, Women's and Young Adult Clothing; Furniture; Collectables; Various Household Items and much

Th-16th thru Sat-18th 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sun-19th 8 a.m. to Noon.

10. 1004 E. Main St. ~ May 18th Come Shop St. Vincent Thrift Store for our first annual sidewalk rummage bag sale. Because. . . Thrifting is fun.

11. 1500 Nicklaus Drive. Saturday Only!! Moving Sale. Houseware, kitchen gadgets, fishing equipment, plus size women's clothes, men's clothes, barware, other misc items. Cash Only!

City Wide Rummage Sale

12. 706 E 7th Street.

Tupperware, Pink Zebra & More Sat. 5/18 • 8AM-6PM Sun. 5/19 • 8AM-6PM Around back of the house

13. 303 N. Prospect St. All different items. Mens stuff, Music CDs, Books, Angel collection, House hold, Kids items & more. Worth the stop. Wed-Sun • 7am-3pm

14. 1106 E. 8TH ST.

Use entrance on Spruce HAVEN'S RUMMAGE SALE FUNDRAISER
MAY 17 AND 18 • 9AM TO 4PM A LITTLE BIT OF EVERYTHING 715-536-1300

15. 506 S Foster Street, In Alley. Thurs.-Sat 9-5. Household, collecsmall freezer, breast pumps, tools, toys, camping gear, women's clothing, half off girls clothes newborn to 2T.

16. 901 Jefferson St., Merrill Friday, May 17, Saturday May 18 8-4. New Trolling Motor, Tools, Fire Pit, Exercise Bike, Houseware.

17. 914 E Main Street Stop in at Polka Dotted Pie to sample lunch items, bakery items and drinks. Open 7am-1pm.

18. Corner Douglas St. & 3rd St., Multi Family Indoor Rummage furnishings Household housewares, holiday décor, pictures, some antiques May 16, 17 & 18. 8:00-4:00

19.1901 Arthur St. Friday May 17, items, men's and women's clothing, misc household, hunting items, and much more.

20. 1204 N. Sales Street, Christ Ev. Lutheran Church. Sat 5/18, 8:00AM-2:00PM. FREE clothing and more. FREE food and water. FREE restrooms for visitors.
Freewill donations will be given to the Merrill Food Pantry. Doors open rain or shine. Find us across the street from Merrill High School.

21. 502 Harrison St. May 17th and 18th 7:00-4:00. Multi family rummage sale. Girls clothes 2T-6 and shoes, Girls toys, household items, woman's clothes M-L, something for everyone, please stop in.

22. W5396 Aspen Blvd. May 17 & 18 • 9AM-5PM. Dishes, Clothes, Kayaks, 5x7 Rugs, Utility trailer, Snowblower, Tools.

23. N3045 Crooked Pine Rd.. Thursday to Sunday • 8AM-4PM. LOW PRICES! Worth the drive. Housewares, Holiday, Toys, Boy clothes 7-10, and lots more.

24. 1806 E 3rd St. Multi Family Sale. May 17 & 18, 8AM-5PM. Infant/Toddler Clothes, Shoes, Toys, Too Much More to mention!

City Wide Rummage Sale

25. 1200 VanBuren St. Thu-Sat 7-5; Sun 8-11. King Bed, Table saw, Wine rack, Meat slicer, Women's clothes (plus) 8-22, Men's clothes M-XL, Girls clothes 10-16, Boy's clothes 0-3T, Kids toys, Shoes, Jewelry, Home decor, Kitchen items, Craft Sale! Multi-Family Sale

26. 1805 E. 3rd St. Black metal table & chairs, Redwood picnic table & four benches, Small snow-blower, Weber Grill, Lime blower, Weber Grill, Lime spreader, Lawn chairs, Assorted Lawn Tools. May 18th 10AM-4PM

27. 246761 County Road W, Thursday, Friday, Saturday. 7AM -4PM. Housewares, Christmas items. Puzzles. Shoes. Men's & Women clothes. Lots of Misc.

28. N1394 Hwy W, 1/2 Mile South of KFC/Taco Bell. Thurs. & Fri. 9-4, Sat. 9-Noon. Large sale -Household, Tools, PRICED TO SELL ALL!

29. 709 W Riverside Avenue, Moving Sale, May 17 & 18, 8-5. Snowblower, household items and holiday decore, portable garden, composter, treadmill and more.

30. N1683 Cty Rd W, Estate/Garage Sale 5/16-5/18, 9-3. Next to KFC. Antiques galore, household, dolls, quilts, many treasures, Priced to Sell.

 N459 Lake Road, Fri.-Sat. 9-4. This is the Sale you can't miss. No clothes something for every-one. All in 40x60 Pole Building Full. Priced to Sell!

32. N2519 HWY K. SALE 5/18 8A-2P. \$10 per bag, New clothing, Shoes. Housewares. Beauty. Gaden, Bikes. All proceeds go to His Hands Extended Food Pantry.

33, 506 E. Ninth St Men's XI clothing & size 13 shoes, Women's clothing size 4-16 & Accessories. Kitchen & household items, books, holiday items & Misc. May 17 & 18 • 8am-4:30pm.

34. N1311 Golf Drive, May 16 & 17, 8-4 May 18, 8-2, Window air conditioner, outdoor wicker furniture, chaise lounge chairs, Black & Decker hedge trimmer, wire shelving, fire pit, landscaping bricks, decorated cemetery crosses, out-door decor, bar stools, 42' Samsun TV, new commercial display case w/light, full metal bed frame, security gate, removable carpet steps, microwave, new kitchen faucet, car speakers, office supplies, restaurant supplies, bedding, name brand clothes, jewelry, home decor, backpacks, luggage, Apple streaming unit, cat & dog toys.

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35. 1105 Harrison St. Multi Family Sale Thurs & Fri 8A-5P. Sat 8A-11A. 50% Off Saturday. Antique console radio, Vintage Household, Holiday decor, Cricut & supplies, Quilting books, Embroidery hoops, Baby girl clothes 3 mo -12 mo, baby items. New jewelry & much more

36. N1990 High Ridge Road, May 18th & 19th, 9AM-5PM. New & Used Sale. Between Hwy G and Hwy 64.

37. 1810 East 1st Street May 17-19 8AM-5PM. Multi Family Sale. Women's and men's clothing, household stuff, electronics, tools, lawn furniture, dog stuff, something for everyone.

38. 914 East 7th, HUGE Multi-Family Moving Sale! May 16 & 17 • 8-4, May 18 • 8-1. Everything priced to sell.

39. 1102 W. St. Paul St. 5/18 & 19 10AM - 4PM. Fishing Equipment, Camping gear, Tools, Household items, Tents, Boats, Gas cans.

40. Check out our first time ever May Sidewalk Sale at Johnson's Downtown Merrill. Plenty of parking in the River Street parking lot behind us!

41. 804 E 1st Street, Fri. May 17th & Sat. May 18th, 9-3. Huge Rummage Sale, Sale is in a store front. Furniture, antiques collectibles, jewelry, pictures & mirrors, shoes, books, hunting items, golf bag - New, exerware, Avon collectibles, mink coat, linens, DVD's, Misc.

42. 505 Hendricks St. Thurs May 16th, 8-5, Friday May 17th, 8-5 and Saturday May 18th, 8-Noon.

43. N387 County Rd W, Merrill, 4 miles south of KFC/Taco Bell. Wed 5/15 Noon-6pm, Thurs., Fri., Sat (5/16-5/18) 9am-6pm, Sun (5/19) 12:30-5pm. Household items, file cabinet, strollers, shoes, clothes, toys, Little Tikes picnic table, child's car table & chairs, and more.

44. 1907 Arthur St. May 17-18, 8-5. Portable dishwasher, New range hood, coffee & end tables, bar stools, sm. dresser, camping supplies, dinning table, chop saw, bench saw, much more.

45. 1000 Johnson Wed. May 15 45. 1000 Johnson Wed. May 18 12-5, Thurs. May 16 - Sat. May 18 8-5. 20 gage pump, 50 Caliber Thompson, 128' barn wood boards, 10' rustic pine table top, chainsaw carvings, and more.

46. 402 Tyler St. Wed. 12-5, Thur. & Fri. 8-5, Sat. 8-12. Tools, weber grill, coolers, stationary bike, DVD's, CD's, hunting items, kitchen table with 4 chairs, books, household item..

City Wide Rummage Sale

47 1300 Cedar Street May 16 - May 18. 7:00 to 5:00. Snowblower, Household items, Tools, Bikes.

48. N2672 State Rd. 107. May 15-19, 9-5. 5 Family, vintage items, plants, puzzles, kitchen, bedding, jewelry, fabric, Christmas decor, clothes, jeans, books, DVD's.

49. W4509 Hwy C, Thur., Fri., Sat. 9-5. Outboard Motor, Canoe, Chairs, Plants, Free Stuff, Weird

50. 1705 E 7th St., Sat 8-1. teen/adult clothing, blankets, jackets for all seasons, home decor,

51. 903 Hollywood Dr., May 16-Boyds Bears figurines, subwoofer. furniture, shoes, purses, brand name clothes infant to 3X, Men's,

52. 903 Adams Street, Thursday May 16 - Saturday May 18, 9am-5pm. 24 inch girls bike, kids table and chairs, dollhouse and accessories, TV's.

53. 803 Cottage Street - in Alley. Men's/Women's shoes & clothes (small to plus sizes), Glassware, Kitchenware, DVD's, Fashion jewelry, Dog items, Canning/crafting jars, Holiday items, Cookbooks, Sport books, Tacklebox w/lures. Many more items! May 16, 17 &18,8am-5pm, May 19 8am-2pm!

US & Canadian Coins, Dale Earnhardt Memorabilia, House-hold items, Womans & Men clothes, Hats & Misc items.

55. W5758 Cty Rd FF. Friday May 17th 8-5. Saturday May 18th 8-Noon.

56. 2402 A East 8th St., Sat. May 8, 8am-4pm. Clothes, Household

57, 304 N State St. Hidden Gems Garage Sale. Fri (17) & Sat (18), 9-2. Vintage and collectable glass barware, vases, lamps and much more. NO Clothes or Kids Stuff.

58. W3104 Schiller Drive, Merrill, 2 miles off Hwy 17, 8-5, Thurs .-Sun.. Building supplies, tools, antiques, toys, foosball table and

59. 1305 Jackson St. HUGE Rummage Sale. May 16, 17 & 18 • 9-5. Household items, Women & Men clothes. Porcelain dolls. Christmas items & MUCH MORE.

60. 1023 E. Main St. WOW! Huge Savings on the Lower Level. 75% OFF ALL Merchandise in Sale Room. Park out back for fast free convenient parking.

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61 1009 N Genesee, F-S-S. 9-New leather chaps, 6 1/2 x 5 ft mattress, wood table/chairs dishes, books western/HC 50¢, PB 25¢, and much much more.

62. W7174 Destiny Dr. 5 min past MARC., off Hwy 107 North. Multi-Family garage Sale. Kids clothes: Girls sz 8-10, Boys sz 5-8. Housewares, Decor., Womens clothing sz Sm-Lg. Kids toys, Many Misc items, Thurs & Fri 8-4; Sat 8-3.

63. W5442 Hillside Dr. Boy's 12 mo. - Size 12, Girl's 12 mo. - Size 12, women's clothing, baby items, shoes, books, games, toys. 5/16 2-7, 5/17 8-5 5/18 8-11.

64. 1200 Johnson Street, Thurs. May 16 - Sat. May 18, 9AM-5PM. Home decor, plus size woman's clothes, school and office supplies, Longaberger pottery and baskets.

65. W5838 Hillside Dr. Houseware, dog kennel, men's & women's clothing. Lots of nice items. Sat. 9am-5pm, Sun. 9am-

66. 301 N State Street, Saturday 9-4, Sunday 10-2. New Avon and discounted Avon. Trailer full of storage unit down sizing. Many misc. household items. Many free items. Old baby bed, Indoor plants, Free old working TV, Free older recliner.

67. 602 East Street Sat. 9-5. NIB car seat/stroller combo, ice auger, genie bottles, MCM glass, lots household items, new school supplies. Something for everyone.

68. N1685 Leafy Grove Rd. Multi Family Sale! Wide Variety of Items! Priced to Sell!! Saturday

69. N2560 County Road JJ, Fri. 8-4, Sat. 8-Noon. Many like-new items! Furniture, housewares, name brand clothing, baby and maternity, makeup and hair products, wedding items, tools, hunt-ing/fishing equipment, 2007 Harley

70. 1106 W Main St., Lighthouse Storage Unit 202. Saturday Only! 8-4. Construction Equip, Head-board, Car Ramps, School Desk with Chair.

71. 716 Divot St. Merrill.

Saturday 5/18 7-4 and 5/19 8-2. Women's clothes L/XL/2x kids both boys and girls clothes, shoes and toys, Household items. Plus so much more. Priced to sell! Follow signs due to road work.

72. 1401 Nicklaus Dr. Friday & Saturday, 8-4; Sunday 9-2. We cleaned every room in the house! Basement, bedrooms, garage, and invited our friends and family to make the best garage sale ever. We have toys, plants, books, household items, clothes, purses, sporting goods, and more.

Merrill man dies in Lincoln County Jail; autopsy finds he died of natural causes

BY TINA L. SCOTT **EDITOR**

A Merrill man died while in custody at the Lincoln County Jail on Saturday, April 27, 2024. According to an independent investigation conducted by the Langlade County Sheriff's Office, 68-year-old Terrence Andrew Wiegel of Merrill, was found unresponsive in a holding cell in the booking area of the Lincoln County Jail just after 4 p.m. on April 27 by a corrections officer, shortly after his evening meal tray was served. He was found lying on his bunk but did not respond when the officer called out to him. The officer immediately entered the cell and shook him, then radioed for assistance and began CPR. Additional corrections officers arrived to assist with life-saving measures, which included use of an AED device, and emergency medical services arrived on scene within six minutes of finding the man and continued CPR for another 11 minutes. However, life-saving measures ultimately proved unsuccessful.

The Langlade County deputy's report indicated that, per his review of video evidence in the investigation, Wiegel had been routinely checked on by a corrections officer and found to be lying down on his mattress on his bunk and breathing at 2:59 p.m. but it appears he may have had a medical incident just minutes later, after the corrections officer had left the area.

Wiegel had been in the most secured section of the jail, a holding cell by himself, with a camera, the deputy said.

Wiegel had been arrested and booked

into the Lincoln County Jail the prior night at approximately 9:32 p.m. on Friday, April 26, on a charge of Theft of Mail. The Langlade County deputy investigating the incident reported: "I was told inmates are typically kept in holding cells in booking for 24 hours before being moved to general population. Terrence had been in the same holding cell since he was booked in. There was video footage of that holding cell for the entire time that Terrence had been incarcerated. I reviewed the video footage of the holding cell from the time Terrence got booked in until after EMS left."

Wiegel was the only person incarcerated in the holding cell from the time of his booking until the time of his death.

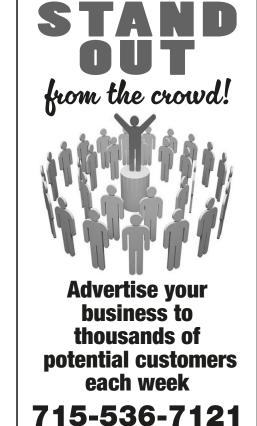
At the time of his booking, according to the paperwork, Wiegel "did not appear to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs when he was brought in. Terrence did not appear to have any major medical concerns. Terrence had stated he had a sinus infection and asthma."

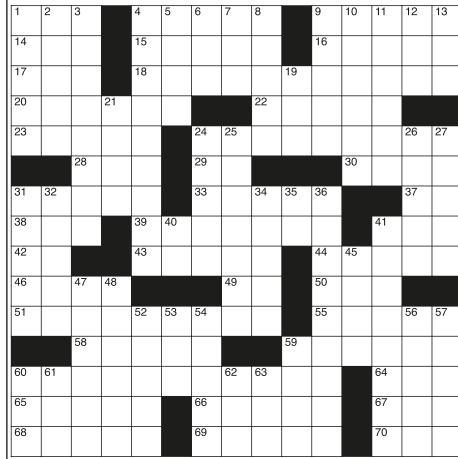
Corrections officers reported Wiegel had been cooperative during booking and had at various times said he had "a hard time breathing but stated Terrence had been very talkative and seemed okay." Wiegel met with the Jail nurse, but he declined to use the inhaler he brought with him and had only taken Tylenol during his time in the holding cell.

Immediately following the death, the scene was taped off, Lincoln County Coroner Valerie Caylor responded to perform her duties, and the Langlade County Sheriff's Office came in to do an independent investigation. The Langlade County deputy was on scene at approximately 6 p.m.

"With the death of anyone in our jail, per policy and standard procedures we have an outside agency conduct an investigation," Grant Peterson said on behalf of Lincoln County. "In this particular case we requested the Langlade County Sheriff's Office to investigate the matter." He said while the matter was being actively investigated by Langlade County, Lincoln County had opted not to release any information "so as not to interfere with their investigation."

Wiegel was transported to Madison for an autopsy by Lincoln County Coroner Caylor and provided her preliminary findings and diagnoses report dated April 30, 2024, to Langlade County. According to that report, the autopsy determined the cause of death as natural pending blood test results. "She confirmed no trauma to indicate Wiegel was victim to a crime. She specifically noted cardiac and pulmonary issues," the report said of the forensic pathologist who had conducted the autopsy in her presence.





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73. 305 S Foster St. Thurs., Fri., Sat. 7-5. Clothes XS to 2X, Household Item, Outdoor Items, and much more.

74. 601 W Taylor St - Multi-family. Thur • 11-5; Fri • 8-5; Sat 8-2 Clothes Women XS-2XL Men XS-L, Girls 0-8, Boys 10-16 Shoes, crafting, lots of misc Saturday most 50% off

75. 1412 Jackson St. Saturday, May 18 8am-4pm. Kitchen, Clothing, Collectibles, Outdoors, Vintage, Fish & Hamster supplies, Multi-Family. No Early Sales

76. 708 Cedar Street, Thurs.-Sat. 8-?. Lots of Crafts, Tools, Christmas, Toys, Household and Much More.

77. 2800 Thielman St. 7B, Sat. 8-4. Portable generator, power tools, floor jack, jack stands, portable hose reel, pressure washer extension wand, trailer dolly, yard tools, kayak cart.

78. 206 Cleveland St., Thurs. & Fri. 9-4, Sat. 9-1. HUGE Multi-family sale. Tons of name brand baby & kid items, toys, clothing & shoes. Women's & Men's clothing, household items, and Crafts by Rustic Road Designs.

79. N2432 Airport Rd. Friday 8am-6pm & Saturday 8am-12pm. Your Favorite Sale! Clean, Overflowing with Household & Decor, Men's Items, Air Conditioners, Lawn Furniture: All New! Plants, Men & Women Clothing, Boys: Infant - 7, Girls: 4-6, Toys, Books, Games & Learning

Courtside Furniture *Buy 1 Get 1 FREE Fri & Sat • 1022 E. Main Street Chairs, Counter Stools, Accessories, Sofas, Loveseats. Etc... *Select Items Only' See store for details

81. 210 East St. Saturday 9-5. Children and adult clothes, household items, decor, books and toys.

82. N1105 County Rd W. Misc Household items, clothes, Young boys clothes & Toys, Bookshelves, Bicycles. Thurs - Sat • 9AM-5PM



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- 31. Humiliate
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- and east
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- with hair
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- California
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Merrill Varsity Baseball goes 2-1 in games against Rhinelander and Wausau West

BY TINA L. SCOTT **EDITOR**

The Merrill Varsity Baseball Team traveled to Rhinelander to play baseball last Monday, May 6, 2024, and brought home a win. "We fell behind early 2-0 after Rhinelander advanced on a couple of misplays and had a couple of base hits, but that is all they would get," said Shawn Schultz, Head Varsity Baseball Coach. "Sam Reimann settled in and pitched five strong innings, and Isaak Clapper finished strong, striking out five of the seven batters he faced to end the game."

"Offensively, we struggled early to make solid contact," he said. "We finally put some hits together in the fifth when Carter Baade reached on a walk and Brady Norton singled. Sam Reimann drove in both with a double to right center to

even it up. Then in the seventh, Carter led off with a single to center and came in to score on a Norton base hit."

Box Score:

Merrill 3 @ Rhinelander 2

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On Thursday, May 9, Merrill hosted Wausau West. "[It was a] well played game by both teams," Schultz said. "Brady Kanitz pitched well for us on the mound. He gave up two on a double in the second that put West up 2-0."

"They got another single run in the third when a line drive to left hit a divot and took a right turn in front of our outfielder, allowing the runner to score from first. But that was all they would get," he said. "Sam Reimann got us within two in the top of the fourth with a long homerun to left and scored another in the sixth with a base hit to left after Brady Norton singled and stole second. We had runners on first and third in the seventh after Cooper Wendorf, and Ben Thom had back-to-back hits but left them stranded to end the game."

Box Score:

Wausau West 3 @ Merrill 2

On Friday, May 10, Merrill then went to Wausau West to play on their home field. "West got two in the first with a couple of walks and some help, but we answered back with three of our own in the bottom of the inning," Schultz said. "Brady Norton led off with a line drive single and then we used some walks and miscues by West to take a 3-2 lead. West answered back with two runs on a couple of hits in the top of the second to make it 4-3."

"But in the bottom of the third, we put up five," he said. "Reimann led off with a single and Brady Kanitz hit a double to score him. Then we had run scoring hits by Wendorf, Baade, and Norton to make it 8-4. EJ Weix came out in the top of the fourth and shut them down with a quick ground out and two strikeouts. Dawson Schulz came in to relieve Weix in the fifth and pitched three strong innings to finish them off."

Box Score:

Merrill 9 @ Wausau West 6

"We only had three games this week but played well in all three," Schultz said. "We have three games again next week and seed on Wednesday night to find out who and where we will start our playoffs. We have been playing pretty consistent baseball and continue to improve every game - lot of fun with this group. of guys."







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LINCOLN COUNTY SHERIFF'S **OFFICE REPORT**

For week ending May 12, 2024

On 05/8/2024, a deputy was sent to the Pride Dam in the Town of Bradley to investigate a report of a male subject with a gun. The reporting party, a 64-year-old man from Tomahawk, reported that he was fishing at that location when an unknown male subject, along with a passenger and dog, pulled up in a big red pickup truck. The dog then urinated on the reporting party's tackle box and jacket, so the reporting party yelled at the dog. The unknown male suspect told the reporting party not to yell at his dog and then displayed a gun. The suspect, along with his passenger and dog, left the area. No better description of the suspect vehicle or suspects were available. No one was injured.

On 05/08/2024 the sheriff's office received a complaint from the Children's Hospital of Milwaukee to report a possible case of child abuse. It was reported that the alleged abuse took place at the father's home on Heritage Rd. in the Town of Pine River. Staff from the hospital reported that a three-year-old child was brought to the hospital with bite marks on his right upper arm and forearm. Pictures provided to the investigating deputy by the hospital clearly showed injuries consistent with someone being bitten. When deputies went to the suspect's place of work to question him about the bite marks, the suspect, a 25-year-old Merrill man, elected not to speak to the deputies without a lawyer present. The suspect was placed under arrest for child abuse and transported to the Lincoln County Jail. The suspect was later heard talking on the phone admitting to biting the child, but that it wasn't that hard, and it was in response to the child biting others.

On 05/11/2024 deputies were dispatched to an address on Lilac Ln. in the Town of Schley for a reported domestic dispute that was physical in nature. The fight was reported to be between a 55-year-old Gleason woman and her 20-year-old daughter. The deputies discovered that the daughter was the predominate aggressor by yelling at and hitting her mother. As a result, she was arrested and transported to the Lincoln County Jail and booked for domestic disorderly conduct and

On 05/11/2024 a deputy on

patrol observed a vehicle in which she believed the driver had a revoked driver's license. The stop took place on STH 64 near French Ridge Rd. in the Town of Pine River. After stopping the vehicle, the deputy went to make contact with the driver, a 49-year-old woman from Merrill. As the deputy spoke to the driver, she noticed signs of impairment and, as a result, asked the driver to perform standard field sobriety tests. As a result of those tests, the driver was arrested for a second offense of OWI. She was then transported to the Lincoln County jail where she was booked for the offense.

On 05/11/2024 a deputy on patrol stopped a vehicle on USH 51 at the 211 mile marker in the Town of Merrill for vehicle equipment violations, Upon making contact with the driver, a 21-year-old man from Marathon, the deputy detected the odor of marijuana. As a result of that, the deputy conducted a search of the vehicle and located numerous drug items. The driver was subsequently arrested for possession of marijuana and transported to the Lincoln County Jail where he was turned over to corrections officers.

On 05/12/2024 a deputy on

patrol sopped a vehicle on USH 51 near USH 8 in the Town of Bradley for a speeding violation. When the deputy made contact with the driver, an 18-year-old woman from Pine Grove, III., and her passenger, a 19-year-old woman from Marengo, III., in speaking with the woman and her passenger, the deputy detected the odor of marijuana from inside the car. In conversation, the driver admitted to smoking marijuana two hours before the stop. Due to her smoking marijuana prior to driving, she was asked to perform standard field sobriety tests. As a result of those tests, she was arrested for an offense of operating while under the influence of a restricted controlled substance 1st offense, as well as possession of Psilocybin. The passenger is being referred for possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

Deputies conducted 57 traffic stops and 14 security checks during this timeframe and responded to 1 car vs. deer crash. The 911 Center had 2 hang-up calls and 13 nuisance calls



Week 7 and the Bluejay Varsity Trap Team remains undefeated

This week they face off against rival Mosinee

BY TINA L. SCOTT EDITOR

Week 7 was a nailbiter for the Merrill Bluejay Varsity Trap Team. Going in undefeated, they faced off against Lakeland Union High School and the weekly score was a tie: 119-119. Their last Varsity shooter, Landon Hipke, shot a perfect 25, saving the matchup and resulting in the tie. Reverse Run (RR) scores were used to break the tie, resulting in a Bluejays win, with a RR score of Merrill 72-Lakeland 49.

Merrill remains narrowly undefeated going into Week 8.

Similarly, their biggest rival, the Mosinee Trap Team pulled out a narrow win in Week 7 with a score of 119 against the Tomahawk Claybusters.

This week will be the showdown [or shootout] between the two undefeated rivals: Merrill vs. Mosinee. The Merrill Varsity Bluejays will need to bring their steady, consistent shooting if they are to take the win.

After this week's shooting, Merrill Varsity shooter Christopher Holz held onto his third place position in the Conference and Bobby Hoff advanced to fourth place in the Conference. Both have a score of 163, but Holz leads slightly with 125 RR compared to 74 RR for Holz.

Holding fast to their undefeated status, the Merrill Bluejay Trap Team will rely on their heavy hitters/ straight shooters on Varsity to see if they can pull out the win against Mosinee this week.

The JV and Intermediate Advanced teams also won their matches against Lakeland, 121-112 and 100-80, respectively.

In JV, Merrill's Mathew Maas holds third place in the Conference with a score of 160 and Merrill's Mason Meyer is in fifth place in the Conference with a score of 157. For female shooters, Merrill's Maria Ashbrenner and Lily Kufahl hold fast to their leading positions in first and second place female competitors with scores of 151 and 127, respectively.



Last week's final Merrill Varsity shooter, Landon Hipke, shot a perfect 25 to help Merrill pull out a very narrow win.

Photo courtesy of Merrill Bluejay Trap Team.



Merrill Senior Mia Ott prepares to defend as the pitch is delivered.

Rick Argall photo.

Merrill Varsity Girls Softball Team blanked by DC Everest

BY RICK ARGALL MMC STAFF

The Merrill Varsity Bluejays Softball Team ran into a buzz saw at the Merrill Area Recreation Complex (MARC) versus DC Everest on Thursday night, May 9, 2024, which was also Senior Night for Merrill. Two DC Everest pitchers, Mara Meverden Addison combined for a six-inning no hitter, while striking out 13 Merrill batters. The Evergreens didn't allow a runner to reach base, defeating the Bluejays 10-0.

"It was a tough game for us. They had strong pitching and we tried not to play into their strengths. It was

difficult to lay off those rise balls, so we are trying to work on pitch selection and playing to our strengths," said Head Coach Ali Krohn. "We will continue to work on pitch selection as we head into our final week and on to the post season."

Box Score:

DC Everest 10 @ Merrill 0

The Merrill Girls (5-14) traveled to Medford (11-7) on Friday night May 10, 2024, and came home with a win, 14-12. Mia Ott was the high scorer, bringing home three runs for the Lady Jays.

The Varsity Girls returned home for the Youth Night makeup game versus Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln on Monday, May 13. (Score not available at the time of printing.) The regular season finale was scheduled for Wednesday, May 15, 2024, at Wausau West.

The first round of regional matchups has been released and Merrill will host Rhinelander at the Marc on Thursday, May 16, at 4:30 p.m.



Senior Night! Front row L to R: Lexi Ollhoff, Sophie Simon, Kayli Wirtala, and Alayna Wyland. Back row L to R: Sophie Wendorf, Olivia Pierce, Mia Ott, and Caina Orzech.

Photo courtesy of Merrill Softball Program.

MERRILL FIRE DEPARTMENT CALLS

For week ending May 12, 2024

Building fire 1

Dispatched and cancelled en route(EMS) 1
EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury 30
Excessive heat, scorch burns with no ignition 1
Gas leak (natural gas or LPG) 1
Motor vehicle accident with injuries 1

Smoke scare, odor of smoke 1 Standby for Tomahawks E.M.S. 1

Total This Week: 38

TOTAL INCIDENTS/CALLS FOR 2024:

702

2024 Merrill High School Spring Sports Schedule

Boys Track (Varsity & JV) Mon. May 20 4:00 pm D. C. Everest-Multiple (Varsity) Away Thurs. May 23 Hudson-Sectional (Varsity) 4:00 pm Away Girls Track (Varsity & JV) Mon. May 20 D. C. Everest-Multiple (Varsity) Away 4:00 pm Thurs. May 23 Hudson-Sectional (Varsity) 4:00 pm Boys Baseball (Varsity, JV & JV2) Thurs. May 16 D. C. Everest (JV2) Away 5:00 pm Thurs. May 16 D. C. Everest (Varsity & JV) Home 5:00 pm Mon. May 20 Crandon (Varsity & JV) Home 5:00 pm Mon. May 20 Stevens Point Red (JV2) Away 5:00 pm Thurs. May 23 Stevens Point Red (JV2) Home 5:00 pm Girls Softball (Varsity & JV) Thurs. May 16 Rhinelander (Varsity) Home 5:00 pm Fri. May 10 Medford (Varsity & JV) 5:00 pm Away Girls Soccer (Varsity & JV) Wausau East (JV) Thurs. May 16 5:00 pm Away Thurs. May 16 7:00 pm Wausau East (Varsity) Away Fri. May 17 6:00 pm Portage (Varsity) Home Tues. May 21 WI Rapids Lincoln (JV) Home 5:00 pm Tues. May 21 WI Rapids Lincoln (Varsity) Home 7:00 pm Thurs. May 23 Multiple Schools (JV) T. B. D. 5:00 pm Thurs. May 23 Multiple Schools (Varsity) T. B. D. 7:00 pm

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Robert Hoff, a Senior at Merrill High School (MHS), has been named Athlete of the Week. Robert "Bobby" Hoff recently shot a perfect 25 in weekly competition for the Merrill Varsity Bluejay Trap Team and is one of the top shooters in the Conference. Raised around guns, Bobby was taught gun safety and learned to shoot at an early age. [His mom owns Cimino's Gun Shop.] He began shooting competitively in the summer league for the Weston Trap Club when he was in seventh grade and, in eighth grade, he joined the Merrill Bluejay Trap Team. He continues to shoot for both and also in the summer trap league for the Lincoln County Gun Club.

With a love for history and working with wood, Robert enjoys his history and building construction and tech classes at school. During the school year, he works part-time at Cimino's Gun Shop, and during the summer, he works at Sorensen Construction.

In his free time, Bobby works on his truck [a 1984 Chevy K10], helps on the family ginseng farm, hunts [deer, turkey, bear, duck, goose], and likes to fish, shoot targets or clay pigeons, ride snowmobiles or four-wheelers, and hang out with friends. He attends St. Mary's Catholic Church in Marathon.

The son of Robin Hoff and Deb Hoff of Athens, Robert has a 2.0 GPA and will join the workforce, working full-time at Sorensen Construction immediately after graduation.

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Robert Hoff

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L to R: Brant Suchocki, Allison Hunter, Brett Suchocki, Remington Skic, and Austin Depies.

Submitted photos.

Merrill wrestlers compete in State Freestyle and Greco-Roman Wrestling Tournament

BY TINA L. SCOTT **EDITOR**

Several Merrill wrestlers traveled to Madison on May 4-5, 2024, to compete in the State Freestyle Greco-Roman Wrestling Championship at the Aliant Energy Center. Allison Hunter, Adison Clark, and Dusty Schmirler competed in freestyle, while Brett Suchocki competed in Greco-Roman, and Brant Suchocki, Broc Suchocki, Remington Skic, Hunter Opper, and Austin Depies competed in both styles.

"Freestyle is a similar style of wrestling to folkstyle wrestling, which is what all high school wrestlers compete in throughout the regular season," said Brian Suchocki, Merrill Head Wrestling Coach. "The main difference is in the scoring, but some techniques and rules are different for both styles. Greco-Roman wrestling is a style of wrestling where you cannot use legs in the same way as freestyle or Greco-

"The Freestyle and Greco State Tournament brings out many of the best high school, middle school, and youth wrestlers in the state," he said.

Brant took first place in Freestyle and second place in Greco-Roman, Allison took third place in freestyle; Brett took fifth place in Greco-Roman, Remington took sixth place in Greco-Roman, and Austin took sixth place in Greco-Roman.

"It's awesome to see so many Merrill wrestlers willing to compete at this level," Suchocki said. "These wrestlers trained hard to compete, and the experience will help them in their future wrestling endeavors.'



The Merrill 12U Traveling Baseball Team started their season in Rhinelander on April 13-14, 2024. They defeated Kingsford, Mich. 13-4, then defeated Shawano 10-2, then defeated the Plover Americans 11-4 to take the Championship. Pictured in front, L to R: Shaban Kiskoski, Parker Simon, Jack Seliger, Colton VanLieshout, and Cam Neumann. Back row, L to R: Ben Schmeltzer, Taylor Timm, Oliver Kahr, Aiden Adams, and Cameron Thom. Submitted photo.



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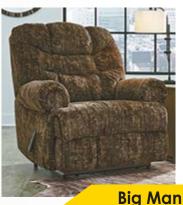


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