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## OWI driver convicted of four counts of homicide

BY ROBERT CLOUD  
SENIOR EDITOR

WAUPACA – The driver responsible for a deadly head-on crash in rural Weyauwega on Dec. 16, 2023, was convicted of homicide Wednesday, Aug. 7.

Scott C. Farmer, 47, Neenah, appeared before Waupaca County Circuit Court Judge Raymond Huber and entered pleas of no contest to four counts of homicide by intoxicated use of a vehicle and a fifth OWI. Farmer was driving a westbound pickup truck in the eastbound lane of U.S. Highway 10 when he collided with an oncoming sports utility vehicle. The crash resulted in the deaths of four siblings.

The driver of the SUV, Daniel Gonzalez, 25, was critically injured and succumbed to his injuries after he was transported to a hospital for medical treatment.



Farmer

His siblings – 9-year-old Daniella, 14-year-old Lillian and 23-year-old Fabian – died at the scene.

The Gonzalezes were originally from Ecuador. Daniel and Fabian were working on a dairy farm in Waushara County.

They were the stepchildren of Rev. Kurt Schilling, pastor of Emmaus Lutheran Church in Waupaca, and his wife Paulina.

According to the criminal complaint, an off-duty officer called the Waupaca

**Farmer**

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### Bird of prey

William Draves holds Aldora, a peregrine falcon, at the Renaissance Faire hosted by the Waupaca Area Public Library in the city square Saturday, Aug. 10. Organized by Gryphon Poursuivant, a reenactment troupe based in Janesville, the entertaining and educational event featured people who specialize in medieval and Renaissance history, culture and technology.

Robert Cloud Photo

## Arts on the Square 2024

### Waupaca hosts live music, hands-on activities

WAUPACA – Arts on the Square started out as a Street Dance and festival with one music stage, about 20 artists, a couple of art workshops and some beer.

This year's 18th annual Arts on the Square festival boasts 35 juried fine artists, three music stages, eight hands-on art workshops, five artist demonstrations, eight food vendors, an expanded Farmer's Market, a performance dance stage and a whole lot of fun packed into one day in downtown Waupaca.

"It's fun to think back to our early days," said Waupaca Community Arts Board President Marci Reynolds. "We have grown beyond our wildest dreams, now producing a festival anticipated by people near and far and attracting thousands."

Funded by a variety of sources, including Community First Credit Union, Arts on the Square continues to grow.



Arts on the Square on Saturday, Aug. 17, in downtown Waupaca, offers hands-on demonstrations. Shown, clockwise from top left, are glass blowing by Brady Looker, basket weaving by Barbara Johnson, encaustic painting by Jessie Fritsch and clay sculpting with Terry Achten.

Photos courtesy of Waupaca Community Arts Board

### Friday Night Street Dance

The event opens with the dance band The Jimmys performing at 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 16. This seven-piece blues band features horns, guitars, keyboards and a dynamic rhythm section.

"The Jimmys are excellent musicians, wildly fun entertainers, and perform

a slew of strong, original songs," according to Bruce Iglauer, with Alligator Records. "They're a treat for any fans of roots rock, old school R&B, and straight-up blues. every performance is like a party."

Food trucks, and a wine and beer bar will be available. During the band's break around 8:15 p.m. the Cloud

Nine Fire Show will perform.

### Music on Saturday

The Main Stage opens at 9:15 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 17, with the Aber Suzuki Center Students playing various stringed instruments and piano, from a large repertoire of music.

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Work was halted at the stadium grandstand in Clintonville.  
Bert Lehman Photo

## Clintonville halts grandstand project

### Roof may be removed

BY BERT LEHMAN  
STAFF REPORTER

CLINTONVILLE – The project to replace the I-beams for the grandstand roof at Don Jirschele Stadium at W.A. Olen Park has been halted because the water table is too high.

Justin Mc Auly, Clintonville's Public Works director, updated the Finance Committee on the project at its Aug. 12 meeting.

City Administrator Caz Muske told the committee that the city would not seek any action at the meeting regarding the bleacher project, due to new information recently received from the project's contractor.

She said the city would meet with the Clintonville Athletic Club (CAC) this week to present the updated information.

"Based on the new information, we'll kind of decide together collectively, on how we're going

to move forward with this project," Muske said. The Clintonville Common Council had approved the project at its May meeting. The project included replacing the I-beams holding up the roof.

### Water table problem

Mc Auly said that as soon as the contractor began drilling holes for the project, the holes began filling with water.

"We all know that the water table down there is very high," Mc Auly said. "They were not anticipating that much water."

He added that the contractor needs to drill a hole almost 10 1/2-feet deep to install the tubes and I-beams.

"So, they pumped the brakes on the project, just because of that fact," Mc Auly said.

Instead of replacing the I-beams, Kunkel Engineering and the contractor

**Grandstand**

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## Sports complex holds groundbreaking

BY ELIOT JAVERS  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

PLOVER – Donors and board members of the Plover Whiting Youth Athletics broke ground Aug. 5 for a new addition at the Woyak Sports Complex in Plover.

The McCain Foods Hall of Fame Pavilion is part of a \$1.3 million renovation project at the baseball and softball fields on Cedar Drive.

Andrew Halberson, executive vice president of Ellis Construction, talked about what people can expect when the pavilion is finished being constructed.

"It's going to be a two story building which will prevent exposure to inclement weather," Halberson said. "More importantly, it will provide fully handicap accessible viewing of two different fields for various



A groundbreaking ceremony was held Aug. 5 for the McCain Foods Hall of Fame Pavilion in Plover.  
Eliot Javers Photo

sporting events on any given day."

Construction will include renovations to dugouts and batting cages. The project is expected to be finished in May 2025.

Plover Area Convention and Visitor's Bureau Executive Director Malorie Paine

talked about how important youth sports are in the village.

"Anywhere you walk in the Plover area, you're going to see a Plover Whiting Youth Athletics shirt, you're going to see some sort of PWYA apparel and I just think that speaks to the

volumes to just how many youth are impacted every year from or through Plover Whiting Youth Athletics," Paine said.

McCain secured the naming rights to the pavilion after its employees presented a \$100,000 check to the PWYA.



**AOTS 2024**

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Following the Suzuki students at 10:30 a.m. is AOTS favorite, Tom Pease. He brings back favorite songs from childhood in a fun and energetic performance.

At 11:45 a.m., the stage will erupt with the big sounds of Lynda and the Zeros. This 10-piece band from Madison plays a unique blend of soul, Motown and funk.

At 2 p.m., Big Oil, a five-piece band from Appleton, will play music inspired by the Black Keys and more, using catchy riffs, solos and raw lyrics.

The Jazz Stage, held in the Union Street Emporium, hosts two acts this year. At noon, enjoy the Son Reis Project, a quartet that plays progressive and funky jazz, featuring Jason Reisdorf on saxophone.

At 2 p.m., Vivo takes the stage, with contemporary, bossa-samba, jazz-pop interpretations of classic songs that span the decades, featuring Waupaca's own Tony Wagner on drums.

The Acoustic Stage welcomes back Vibhas Kendzia and his Anasazi and Native American Flutes. Vibhas will be around all day, playing music and demonstrating various flutes.

**Dance Stage**

Arts on the Square will feature three dance acts this year.

At 10 a.m., the Waupaca Senior Cardio Drumming group will perform groove to the beat with this fun active group! Sponsored by The {Tie} of Life.

At 11 a.m., the award-winning Waupaca High School Dance Team will perform multiple sideline dances and a hip hop routine. Kids can join in. Sponsored by United Country Real Estate/Udoni Salan Group.

At noon, the Niam Leej Nixhais Dancers, a Hmong dance group from the Fox River Valley will perform. The group was created to preserve the Hmong arts of dance and music. Sponsored by Community Insurance.

**Artists**

There are 35 juried fine artists, with a variety of mediums including textiles, jewelry, paintings, ceramics and more. This year's festival art judge is artist Dawn Olson, a multimedia artist from Central Wisconsin. Cash prizes will be awarded in several categories, including best in show and the Patti Vaux Award.

**Workshops, demonstrations**

There are lots of opportu-



Cloud Nine Fire Dancers will provide entertainment when The Jimmys take a break during the Friday Night Street Dance Aug. 16 in downtown Waupaca. Photo courtesy of Waupaca Community Arts Board

nities for hands-on art fun, for all ages. The all-day workshops, offered from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., include:

“Let's Shine Together” – the 2024 Community Art Project. Attendees can be a part of the community art project by creating and adding their own gem with all the others created by community members. The finished frames will be auctioned off at the end of the day.

The Pieciful Hands Quilt Guild will help participants make rice filled fabric chick-

ens. Participants will learn basic hand-sewing skills.

“SHINE” Suncatcher – Visitors can create their own painted suncatcher to take home, using water-based acrylic markers on clear acrylic round discs, perfect for hanging in a window.

**Drop-in workshops**

Totally Tube Printing – work with Arts Hub artist Michelle Sharp in an art make-and-take project, from 9-11:30 a.m. All ages

can participate.

The Waupaca Wood Carvers will demonstrate wood carving techniques, and host two hands-on sessions. At 10:30 a.m. youths can carve a dog out of wood, and at 1 p.m. participants can learn how to turn a bar of soap into a 3D sculpture.

From 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., participants can work with local artist Terry Achten, using clay to create a landscape.

Art demonstrations will take place all day, featuring a variety of live-action artists creating their work:

- Brady Looker, glass blower, features blending glass and metal to make pendants.

- Davette Leonard, demonstrating oil painting and calligraphy, features calligraphy techniques and an in-progress painting.

- Barbara Johnson, basket weaving demonstration and a special project for children.

- Bob Lechtenberg, sand sculpture, participants learn how to take their days at the beach to a whole new level. He will demonstrate a variety of topics related to sand sculptures from how to start through to a finished product with additional tips and tricks that will correlate to snow sculptures in winter as well.

**Food and beverages**

Arts on the Square will feature a wide variety of food vendors including the local European Delights, featuring crepes and spanakopita; Diablos Mexican Food Truck; Java Jive featuring coffee and pastries; Cottontail Cotton Candy, Moos Ice Cream, Street Grub featuring pulled pork sandwiches, burgers, fries and more; Say Cheese Curds Company featuring fried curds and lemonade; and the Asian Hmong Eggrolls truck. The WCAB will also be selling beer and wine under the Main Tent.

**Expanded Farm Market**

The Waupaca Farm market will be moved to Union Street, with a record number of vendors signed up to be on hand the entire day.

Arts on the Square is an all-weather event. In the case of rain, the Artists will be located at the Waupaca Rec Center while the rest of the featured acts and workshops will remain downtown, under the cover of its many tents. Stay tuned to 96.3fm, 99.1 or the Waupaca Community Arts Board Facebook page for weather alerts.

For more information on all of the events go to [www.waupacaarts.org](http://www.waupacaarts.org).

**GRANDSTAND**

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suggested the possibility of removing the roof from the grandstand, Mc Auly said.

Removing the roof was one of the original options for fixing the safety concerns with the current I-beams of the structure.

“It was save the roof, or demo the roof,” Mc Auly said.

A proposal is currently being developed to demo the roof of the structure, Mc Auly said.

Once the proposal is developed, it would go before the Clintonville Common Council. Mc Auly said he hoped that could be done next month.

An issue that could arise

with removing the roof is, if proper precautions aren't taken, damage to the asphalt could occur if a crane was used to remove the roof and there was no frost in the ground. Matting may have to be placed on the asphalt to alleviate that issue, which would cost more money.

“We have a few things to discuss before we pull the trigger on anything here,” Mc Auly said.

Committee member Darrell Hansen asked if the current I-beams are safe, considering how high the water table is.

“Right now, we have it (bleachers under the roof) flagged off, we don't want anybody under it (roof structure),” Mc Auly said.

He added that the current I-beams are only two and a half to three feet deep in the ground.

“That's a lot of weight on them, and we don't want people underneath it (roof structure),” Mc Auly said.

Muske added that the grandstand bleachers need to remain closed to the public because of safety concerns with the roof.

Mc Auly said the process, which has been going on for a long time, has been frustrating. The city originally received no bids from any company to complete the project. After the company currently working on the project submitted a bid, it made adjustments to the bid so it would fit in the city's budget.

“They are just not comfortable with their original scope (of work),” Mc Auly said.

Committee member Tammy Strey-Hirt asked Mc Auly what his opinion was as to what the city should do.

Mc Auly said originally he wanted to have the city remove the roof of the grandstand, but he was worried about the cost of doing that. He added that the cost to remove the roof is less than he thought it would be.

The city has \$22,000 committed to the grandstand project already, he said.

“We're stuck with that regardless,” Mc Auly said.

Most of that cost was for the I-beams, which were custom ordered for the project. Those I-beams are already the

property of the city.

If the city were to remove the roof of the grandstand, the I-beams could be used for other projects, possibly for new batting cages near the ball field, Mc Auly said.

“I think there will be a purpose for them (I-beams),” Mc Auly said. “We're not going to lose out. They're not going to collect dust.”

If the city were to back out of the current project of replacing the I-beams, and instead remove the roof, the contractor thinks that could be done for less than it would cost to replace the I-beams.

“It's not going to cost us more to do the demo than what we budgeted on this project,” Mc Auly said.

Committee member Greg

Rose asked if a replacement roof would be added in the future.

“Or, would we just go without a roof forever?” Rose asked.

Mc Auly said that's why the city wants to confer with the CAC, because they use the facility the most.

He added that the reason the roof was built in 1989, was to add a sun block for the pitcher and the infielders on the field.

“It wasn't for a shelter for the spectators,” Mc Auly said. “Obviously, they're able to achieve both with that.”

If the roof is removed, nothing would block the sun.

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# Waupaca NEWS

## ICC hosts country music

WAUPACA – The Frontmen of Country will perform Friday night, Aug. 30, at the Indian Crossing Casino.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m., the opening act, The Wannabes, start at 7:30 p.m.

The Frontmen of Country features four lead singers of top-rated country bands: Richie McDonald (formerly of Lonestar), Larry Stewart (of Restless Heart), and Tim Rushlow (formerly of Little Texas).

The band performs an-favorite hits from their award-winning and critically acclaimed bands.

Classic tunes include Restless Heart's "The Bluest Eyes in Texas," "That Rock Won't Roll," "I'll Still Be Loving You," and "Why Does It Have to Be (Wrong or Right)," Lonestar's chart-toppers "Amazed," "Smile," and "I'm Already There,"



The Frontmen of Country will perform Friday, Aug. 30, at the Indian Crossing Casino. Contributed Photo

and Little Texas anthems like "God Blessed Texas," "Amy's Back in Austin," and "What Might Have Been."

Located at E1171 County Trunk Q, the historic Indian Crossing Casino, a waterfront dining and entertainment venue nestled on the scenic shores of Columbia Lake, has been a popular destination on the Chain O' Lakes since its establish-

ment in July 1925.

With a legacy of hosting legendary musical acts including The Beach Boys, Cheap Trick, Eddie Money, The BoDeans, LeAnn Rimes, Uncle Kracker, and the Everly Brothers, the ICC continues to be a cornerstone of Waupaca's cultural and entertainment scene.

Tickets are \$40, available on Eventbrite or at the door.

## Bowler strikes silver

Mallasch nears pro level

BY JAMES CARD  
STAFF REPORTER

WAUPACA – A Waupaca graduate recently returned from Asia with some silver in his pocket.

Braden Mallasch competed in the 2024 International Bowling Federation World Youth Championships in Incheon, South Korea. He helped the men's Junior Team USA take a silver medal. The Czech Republic team took the gold.

He had never been out of the country before. The team left on July 4 and flew into Incheon International Airport. The championships were held in the same city. It was a 20-minute bus ride to the bowling venue from their hotel. Jet lag was a factor (14-hour time difference) but they had time to adjust during practice sessions.

"Some of the stuff was a bit different. Even the bowling, it was nothing like bowling I've done before. It felt like a different sport. There was a lot to get used to. There were four different events. I felt as each event went on, I got more comfortable and better," said Mallasch.

The events were singles, doubles, team and mixed team. He struggled in singles despite practice sessions beforehand. So did his teammates but they pulled themselves together for the team events, bowling better and better and they eventually took the silver medal.

Mallasch started bowling



Waupaca High School grad Braden Mallasch was a state champ bowler who is now a student at Wichita State University. He recently brought home a silver medal from the 2024 International Bowling Federation World Youth Championships in Incheon, South Korea. Submitted Photo

in eighth grade. On weekends he and his family would bowl penny-a-pin at Silver Lake Lanes. He joined the Waupaca Middle School bowling team and that led to a place on the high school team. He played baseball, soccer and flag football in his younger years but he competed at the Waupaca Curling Club throughout high school.

"I think bowling and curling helped each other," he said.

He also competed in outside bowling tournaments on his own. During high school he qualified for the state championship in his sophomore, junior and senior year. He qualified for the No. 1 seed his senior year and he won the state championship in the finals. This led him to Wichita State University in Kansas.

"Wichita as far as bowling is the best in the country. They consistently have the best bowlers in the country and for the last few years they have placed in the top three at nationals every year. In collegiate

bowling nationally they have been very dominant," said Mallasch.

Wichita is about a one-way 12-hour drive from Waupaca. Mallasch is able to visit home a couple times a semester. Back in Waupaca for summer break he bowls three tournaments a week.

The 20-year-old will be starting his sophomore year this fall semester. He is studying filmmaking. Once back at Wichita he hopes to make the Team USA again in the January trials. Farther into the future there is the allure of turning pro. As a college student he cannot get his PBA card but he can compete in some high-level near-pro events.

"A lot of the alumni that have bowled at Wichita are bowling on tour now or they have bowled on tour and have had Hall of Fame careers. As much as I'd love to do that, I'm not sure if that is possible or not. I will see where that takes me," he said.

## Library exhibit highlights hunger

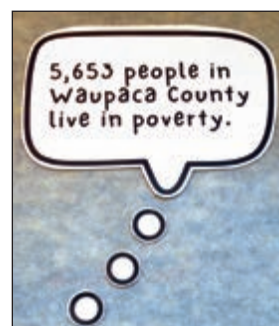
BY JAMES CARD  
STAFF REPORTER

WAUPACA – In Waupaca County, 5,653 people live in poverty. In Wisconsin, 19.5% of children face food insecurity.

These are some of the facts on display in the exhibition room at the Waupaca Area Public Library. The exhibit is titled "Food Justice" and was created in partnership with the Waupaca County Hunger Network, Food-Wise, and Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin.

Compared to other previous exhibits that feature artwork, history or interesting achievements, this exhibit is educational about a topic that is difficult for some to comprehend. The exhibit is well organized and succinct and within about 15 minutes of perusal, one can walk away well informed about food issues locally and on the state and national level.

Many topics are covered, such as the difference between a food bank and



The Waupaca Area Public Library is hosting an exhibit about Food Justice in the lower level exhibition room. It's a quick and informative overview about people struggling with food (and solutions to help them) on a local, state and national level.

James Card Photo

a food pantry (a bank donates food to other groups, a pantry donates food to individuals). There is the table-leg model of food security: emergency food network, vibrant food systems, federal food programs and economic security.

Some assumptions are

challenged: people in the country can grow their own food, right? There is a section on rural hunger and it turns out it is worse than urban hunger (15% for rural areas, 11.8% for urban areas).

There is information about some solutions such as SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), Project Backpack, Foodshare, farmer's market programs, various meal programs for school children and a listing of local pantries. The exhibit will be on display until Sept. 14.

The Waupaca Area Public Library is walking the walk on this topic. In 2022, they created the Little Free Pantry within the library. Check out the refrigerator on the main floor. There is no registration, checkout or income limits. If a person in the community needs food, they can help themselves. They accept donations of non-perishable foods and depending on the season, they have fresh produce from community gardens.

## Overdose Awareness Walk planned

WAUPACA – An Overdose Awareness Walk will be held Saturday, Aug. 31, in Waupaca.

Registration will begin at 4 p.m. at Project WisHope, 200 N. Main St.

Participants will walk south on Main Street to South Park, over to

School Street, then to the rec center, north on State Street to the Waupaca Foundry Plant 1, then on Main Street back to Project WisHope. The total walk is 2.5 miles.

There will be a balloon lift off for lost loved ones and a memory wall. Food

will be served and commemorative T-shirts sold for \$25.

The event will also feature education and free distribution of Naloxone.

For more information, call Justine at 715-408-4742 or Rachel at 715-802-3831.

## Chamber seeks RUBY Award nominees

WAUPACA –The Waupaca Area Chamber of Commerce seeks nominations for the annual RUBY Awards.

The RUBY Awards recognize those between the ages of 18 and 40 who are making a difference in the local community.

Individuals nominated must be between the ages of 18 and 40, work in the Waupaca area, be making a notable impact on their business or industry and demonstrate service and commitment to the community.

Those wishing to submit names may nominate anyone who meets the qualifications by completing and submitting the nomination form, nominate multiple people, self-nominate by submitting the nomination form, previous nominees

are eligible to be nominated again.

All nominations are due to the Waupaca Area Chamber of Commerce office by Aug. 30.

Go to bit.ly/3AKkLRX to find an online copy of the nomination form.

Questions regarding the RUBY Awards can be directed to Kathy LeClair at the Waupaca Area Chamber of Commerce at 715.258.7343 or by email at Kathy@WaupacaAreaChamber.com.

The previous three years of RUBY Award recipients will select the recipient of the 2024 RUBY Award.

Honoree will be recognized at a luncheon at noon Wednesday, Oct. 23, at The Indian Crossing Casino at E1171 County Trunk Q, Waupaca.

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# Stevens Point NEWS

## Local artisans hold market

STEVENS POINT – Wisconsin Handmade Market will take place on from 4-9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 16 and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 17, at The Annex at The Opera House in downtown Stevens Point. The event will feature live music on Friday and drink specials on both days.

Wisconsin Handmade Market is an initiative aimed at bridging the gap between Central Wisconsin artisans and their local customers.

Bridget Chariton, owner of Cherry Tree Creatives and a polymer clay jewelry maker, began participating in makers markets across Wisconsin in 2023.

During her travels, Chariton identified a gap in opportunities for Central Wisconsin artisans to connect with their customers and supporters.

“There is a unique energy at a market – the excitement of meeting customers, seeing them interact with your goods, and networking with fellow makers is unparalleled. In today’s one-click shopping era, artisans need opportunities to share their products and forge personal connections with their audience,” said Chariton.

Finding a suitable venue for such an event has



Wisconsin Handmade Market will be held in The Annex in downtown Stevens Point on Aug. 16-17.

Submitted Photo

also been challenging. The shortage of indoor spaces in Central Wisconsin capable of hosting markets was evident until Chariton discovered The Annex at The Opera House in downtown Stevens Point.

The Annex is the former location of a Book World retail store. The space has been renovated to highlight architectural elements original to the building, including antique wide board trim, original maple floors, ornate pressed tin ceilings, and a two-story atrium.

The venue offers old world charm with a flexible open floor concept that can accommodate all types of events.

The Annex is also a part of a larger up-and-coming venture, The Stevens Point Op-

era House event complex, which will operate The Annex and The Opera House (formerly known as the Fox Theater) as a single large-event venue. The goal of The Opera House LLC, founded by local entrepreneur T. Senner, has been to reinvest in the historic downtown by renovating and saving an iconic historic building, while also providing more event space in the area.

“The legacy of downtown Stevens Point has always been one of community, and it’s one of our goals to collaborate with local small businesses and artists in a variety of ways to make a positive contribution to the commercial industry and vibrant community life of our downtown,” said Erin

Batzler, event coordinator and brand manager for the Opera House. “We’ve been very lucky to have so many community members like Bridget and others work with us to collaborate on events the community can get excited about, like Wisconsin Handmade Market.”

Following a successful trial in June, Wisconsin Handmade Market is set to return in August for a two-day event featuring more than a dozen Central Wisconsin female makers and artisans.

“I am thrilled about the lineup of talented local makers and artisans,” Chariton said. “Attendees will find an array of high-quality, unique items including mixed media art, jewelry, baked goods, textiles, home decor, pottery, soaps, candles, and pet products. Our community can take pride in the extraordinary artistry and craftsmanship on display.”

For more information about the event, visit [linktr.ee/cherrytreecreatives](http://linktr.ee/cherrytreecreatives) or on Facebook at Wisconsin Handmade.

## Fill the Boot drive kicks off

STEVENS POINT — A kick off event for the annual Fill the Boot campaign will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 22, at Iverson Park, 4601 State Highway 66, in Stevens Point.

Hosted by members of the Stevens Point Professional Fire Fighters Association Local 484, along with the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA),

the Fill the Boot Drive raises funds to empower families living with muscular dystrophy, ALS and related neuromuscular diseases to live longer, more independent lives.

Speakers at the kickoff event include Stevens Point fire Chief Jb Moody, Stevens Point Mayor Mike Wiza, MDA Director of Firefighter Partnerships Elizabeth Nelson, Stevens Point Professional Firefighters Association Local 484 MDA Representative Austin Lewandowski. Special guests include MDA families.

“Traditions are at the heart of the fire service, and the IAFF is proud that

for 70 years Fill the Boot campaigns led by IAFF members throughout the United States and Canada, including Professional Fire Fighters Association Local 484, have made a difference for people living with neuromuscular diseases,” said IAFF General President Edward Kelly. “As fire fighters, we go where the fight is, and that’s why we are raising awareness and funds to help ensure effective treatments and therapies are found.”

This year’s Fill the Boot drive will officially begin at the intersections of Division and Clark Street and Division

Main Street from 2-6 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Aug. 29-30.

More than 30 members of the Professional Fire Fighters Association Local 484 will greet motorists on the street at those intersections, asking them to donate to help MDA lead the way in accelerating research, advancing care, and advocating for the support of families.

## VFW holds steak fundraiser

PLOVER – The Plover Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 10262 Rifle Squad will host its annual Steak Feed Fundraiser from 4-7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 17.

The menu includes a 12 oz. ribeye steak prepared to patron preferences over a charcoal fire, fresh corn on the cob, baked potato, fresh garden salad, dessert and milk or coffee; one tap beer or rail drink included. Tickets for this year’s event are \$30 each.

Tickets can be purchased in advance at the Post at 2970 Hickory Drive in

Plover after 2 p.m. Limited tickets available at the door. Contact the post at 715-341-8414.

All proceeds from the fundraiser will be used to purchase uniform attire and equipment for the “Plover VFW Rifle Squad, a specialized unit that performs military honors for fallen veterans at all military funerals, conducts ceremonies at area cemeteries on Memorial Day and Veterans Day, and supports scholarships for a high school senior and a UWSP-ROTC Outstanding Cadet.

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# Clintonville NEWS

## District business manager resigns

BY BERT LEHMAN  
STAFF REPORTER

CLINTONVILLE – The Clintonville School Board has accepted the resignation of Lindsay Norder, who had served as the business manager for the Clintonville School District.

The board accepted her resignation when it met Aug. 12. The resignation is effective July 31.

Norder went on maternity leave in January. To fill the void while Norder was on maternity leave, the school board decided to work with CESA 8 regarding financial matters for the district, including budgeting. This allowed the district to look at its financials in a different light.

“We’ve never really had the experts in here to see if what we’ve done is right or wrong,” Clintonville Superintendent Troy Kuhn told the Clintonville Tribune-Gazette. “We brought Nick Curran on board. He is the CESA 8 business manager. Knowing that the business manager would be going out on leave sometime after holiday break, we were preparing for that.”

With Norder’s resignation, the district decided to contract with CESA 8 on a one-year contract for support on financial issues.

Jessica Holtz, who is a certified business manager, who works for CESA 8, will begin working with the dis-

trict on Aug. 19.

“We had to make some monthly decisions on continuing to work with CESA 8,” Kuhn said. “Once there was an idea that there would possibly be a resignation, we did put a plan together of what would it possibly look like next year, but until we got the resignation, that plan was kind of up in the air.”

When asked if the district had any idea Norder was going to resign, Kuhn said he and the district always have a backup plan.

“Not just for this situation, even with staffing right now, trying to find a math teacher, we have a backup plan, to a backup plan, to a backup plan for that,” Kuhn said. “Ideally, Lindsay comes back and doesn’t resign, she’s the business manager. But we always have backup plans.”

“I think the most important part is, knowing that we had a \$1.2 million deficit, and knowing that we needed to possibly change our processes, or look at things from a different angle, because we had put feelers out, we had some people in mind in case something happened”

Kuhn said Norder took her normal maternity leave, and returned to work before she submitted her resignation. He added that the district and Norder did work together on a stag-

gered return from maternity leave, rather than returning on a specified date. He said employers and employees working together like that is common.

With the resignation of Norder, Kuhn said he becomes the chief financial officer for the district. This entire process has provided Kuhn the opportunity to learn more about each of the district’s funds.

“Working through the budget this year and really looking at things with a fine-tooth comb, I want to thank, first of all, the teachers for watching their spending,” Kuhn said. “The teachers being considerate when there were issues with payroll while we had a chance to get them figured out. Our administration in building a brand-new budget and learning about that budget. Then I would probably say, most importantly, the school board, because there were, at times with new people coming in, they’re looking at numbers, we didn’t know what that number meant because there are different ways to get to that number.”

“Moving forward I think we learned a lot, but at the same time, we’re always learning. In the end you don’t want to overspend. I am optimistic that we’re not going to have a \$1.2 million deficit on our audit. My goal is to break even.”



### Trap shooting champs

The Clintonville High School trap team competed in the Wisconsin State High School Clay Target League Championships in Rome on June 8. Fourteen Clintonville athletes competed. More than 1,800 athletes competed in varsity, junior varsity and novice classes. The five students above all placed first in the novice class. They are, from left, Christian Ebert, Dradyn Krueger, Griffin Killips, Hunter Ruch and Patron Hoffman. Ruch took second place overall in the novice class.

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## Grass clippings bring complaints

### Contractor to use different mowers

BY BERT LEHMAN  
STAFF REPORTER

CLINTONVILLE – Complaints about grass clippings on headstones at Graceland Cemetery has prompted the contractor the city hired to start using a different type of lawnmower to help prevent grass clippings from accumulating on headstones.

In a July 17 memo from Clintonville Public Works Director Justin Mc Auly to members of the Clintonville Public Works Committee for its July 25 meeting, Mc Auly stated that he had received several complaints about grass clippings being discharged onto foundations and monuments at the cemetery.

“The reason this is happening is because Tony’s Cemetery Service uses side discharge mowers (much faster to mow with) rather than rear or mulching,” Mc Auly said in the memo.

He added that the contract the city has with Tony’s Cemetery Service did not specify what type



The city of Clintonville has heard complaints about grass clippings at the cemetery. Bert Lehman Photo

of mower deck they needed to use. He felt that the city could “suggest” a change be made in what mower deck is used, but the city couldn’t “require” the change.

“I completely understand both ways and realize the members were accustomed to mulching decks in the past,” Mc Auly said in the memo. “This change has brought a lot of stress on some people whom regularly visit their love one’s graves. Cleaning and the brushing off of the grass clippings have become a nuisance for many. I plan on making a suggestion with Tony’s Cemetery

Service, but a requirement I feel cannot be made until the contract expires. I expect if we suggested a change in the equipment the cost may go up.”

Changes made In an email communication with Mc Auly, Mc Auly told the Clintonville Tribune-Gazette that he hadn’t been in contact with Tony’s Cemetery Service since the Public Works Committee meeting, but that because of people calling Tony’s Cemetery Service with complaints, they “must have felt they received enough

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## Waupaca County sheriff’s report

• Aug. 5 – Rawhide Youth Services reported a juvenile runaway.

• Aug. 5 – A Waupaca woman on Long Cove Drive reported a suspicious vehicle that was parked in the same spot for a week. It looked like the windshield was smashed from the inside out.

• Aug. 5 – The Wisconsin Veterans Home in King reported the theft of a denture with a gold filling.

• Aug. 5 – Rawhide Youth Services reported a youth was throwing rocks at the staff.

• Aug. 5 – A Marion caller on Peterson Road reported she had three checks stolen from her mailbox. Her neighbor also had mail taken.

• Aug. 5 – An anonymous caller reported a juvenile with suicidal thoughts. The juvenile had superficial cuts and was drinking with no adults around.

• Aug. 5 – A Manawa caller on Mill Street reported her neighbor placed a sign facing her address that says, “F\* You.”

• Aug. 6 – A Waupaca man on Emmons Creek Road reported a flashing strobe in the middle of the road. Nobody was around and there was no explanation for it.

• Aug. 6 – A Waupaca woman on East Road reported an older man was banging on her door and later jumped in

front of her vehicle.

• Aug. 6 – An Iola man on Goli Road reported a warehouse was on fire.

• Aug. 6 – A Waupaca caller on County Trunk E reported a woman was trespassing on her property.

• Aug. 6 – A caller reported his brother – while living with their mother – drained her bank account before he moved out.

• Aug. 6 – Rawhide Youth Services reported a juvenile runaway.

• Aug. 6 – A caller reported she walked out to get the mail and was almost struck by a vehicle. She said there were always cars speeding on County Trunk Q.

• Aug. 6 – The Wisconsin Veterans Home reported the theft of a \$300 pre-paid bank card.

• Aug. 6 – Eastside Mobil in Waupaca reported an employee stole \$150 from the cash register.

• Aug. 6 – A Manawa caller on State Highway 22 reported that a female was posting negative things about him on Facebook.

• Aug. 6 – A Fremont man on County Trunk H reported he has a restraining order with conditions of no contact and no alcohol. The man text messaged the caller with an image of himself holding a drink.

• Aug. 6 – Eastside Mobil in Waupaca reported an employee received a scam phone call of a person claiming to be the owner.

• Aug. 6 – A New London caller on Otto Road reported someone was trespassing and digging and drilling on her land.

• Aug. 7 – An Iola man on Ellefson Road called to ask about his bond and if he was allowed to have a knife. His

### Sheriff’s Report

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### TOWN CLERK POSITION

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# New London & Hortonville NEWS

## Plan Commission recommends new TID

### TID 5 boundaries discussed

BY BERT LEHMAN  
STAFF REPORTER

NEW LONDON – The New London Planning Commission recommended a new TID be formed to include the Aldi construction, as well as adjusting the boundaries to TID 5 to include a proposed new apartment building complex.

The recommendation will now go before the New London Common Council for approval.

### TID purpose

A tax increment district is a financing tool, the only tool that is used at the local level to fund economic development type activities, Harry Allen, associate municipal advisor for Ehlers, told the commission.

All the taxes go to a special fund controlled by the city to pay for costs necessary to attract new development and growth in that area, Allen said.

“If you didn’t have an incremental tax district, you’re really just getting the city’s portion of that new tax bill, so this allows the city to recover more money on the front end

so you can incur the costs necessary to go after these economic development projects,” Allen said.

The creation of a TID starts with the Joint Review Board, which includes the county, city, technical college and area school district, which all have a say in whether a TID can be created.

“The idea here is that everybody benefits from economic development, because once this district closes, all that value does roll on to the tax rolls of all the overlapping bodies, and there’s that shared benefit at that point,” Allen said.

### Creation of TID 7

The TID would be located in the north side of town.

“Largely, this district is being created to capture the incremental value that’s going to be created by Aldi, and then any other development that could occur in this area,” Allen said. “The thought here is to create the district, is to create a financing mechanism to pay for the necessary infrastructure to make this area developable.”

By doing it this way, Allen said the infrastructure cost would stay off the tax levy and find another financing mechanism to attract additional development to the city.

The proposed TID would be a mixed-use district, which means it would have a 20-year lifespan.

The district would be created as of Jan. 1, 2024.

“Which means you’re kind of going back in time and setting the base of anything that existed on January 1 of this year,” Allen said. “Anything after January 1 of this year, that will go into incremental value and create dollars within this tax increment district. So, by creating that district at this point in the year, Aldi will be fully incremental value in this district.”

He added that there is potential for an Ascension medical facility to be added south of where Aldi is being constructed.

Allen said the projected value for the TID from Aldi would be \$2.5 million, based on research from other locations Aldi has been constructed.

The proposed costs for the TID are primarily infrastructure costs. The city would likely borrow funds for the infrastructure, Allen said.

From the Aldi development, Allen said the city expects to collect around \$820,000 in tax increment revenue over the 20-year life of the TID.

The costs for infrastructure

would be around \$1 million for the first phase.

Allen acknowledged expenses are proposed to be higher than the revenue.

“The solution here that we modeled, is you issue that upfront financing as some general obligation type pledge, which allows the city the ability to levy a property tax to make up any shortfall in the district,” Allen said. “So, you can get creative in how you structure that financing and you can delay principal until the later years, so hopefully you get some additional development on top of the Aldi, so you have more revenues coming into this district to pay that debt service.”

The proposed TID would close in 2045.

### Ascension

New London City Administrator Chad Hoerth was asked if Ascension was currently working with the city to build a medical facility in the city. Hoerth said Ascension purchased property in the city around four years ago.

“I’ve had some talks with them a year or two ago,” Hoerth said. “They don’t have any plans at that point in time. There’s an assumption there’s going to be something down

the road with that.”

He added that there is little chance for development in the area unless infrastructure is added.

“We wanted to make it eyes wide open, it’s not financially solvent unless we get more development in that area,” Hoerth said. “I want to make that crystal clear.”

Allen was asked what it would take to get the project “right side up” financially.

Allen said the TID would probably need around three more “Aldi-type” developments in the TID to make the TID financially solvent. That would be for the first phase of infrastructure. To make phase two solvent, more development would be needed.

“And the whole purpose of this, is obviously, we don’t see the ability to get more development in this area without that infrastructure,” Hoerth said. “It just can’t happen. We’re encouraging more of that ability for that development to happen around that area.”

### Amendment to TID 5

TID 5 was created several years ago, and is comprised of a good portion of the downtown area of the city. The TID was amended in 2022 to support First State Bank.

The proposed new boundaries would include a new apartment development that needs financial incentive to make the project feasible. The addition to the TID would be just under an acre, Allen said.

“This is directly to support the construction of those apartments,” Allen said.

TID 5 is designated as mixed-use with a 20-year life span. With the proposed amendment to the district, that doesn’t change.

By the time the TID closes, it will have generated around \$21 million of incremental value, Allen said.

Allen said there was over-spending on the prior project plans for the TID. He added that they are estimated there could be \$800,000 in infrastructure costs in the TID in the future. The new expense that would be added to the TID would be a developer incentive estimated at \$300,000 based on 50% of the tax bill on the new apartment building, adding that that has not been finalized yet.

Including borrowing costs, the total cost being added to the TID is \$4.3 million.

“We are showing that this district would need all the remaining years of its life to recover its costs so it closes out in 2042,” Allen said.



(Above) In New London Youth Baseball Amcor took home first place in the 7-8-year-old Machine Pitch division.



(Top Right) The Quiver N Minnow youth baseball team took home the 11-12-year-old, National League championship.



(Bottom Right) The 9-10-year-old, American League championship was won by the Plach youth baseball team.

Submitted Photos

## Three local teams win titles

BY NICK GRIESBACH  
SPORTS REPORTER

NEW LONDON – New London Youth Baseball wrapped up its season with Championship Weekend on July 27.

Three leagues crowned their annual winners after tournament play.

In the 7-8-year-old Machine Pitch division, Amcor, which

was seeded second, defeated the T-rats in the opening round. Amcor took home first place after winning 13-9 over Jolly Rogers.

The 9-10-year-old, American League championship was won by the fourth-seeded Plach after they defeated the top seed Hintzke Drillers in the first round to win by a score of 7-1. Plach took on the Fire De-

partment in the title game and won a high scoring 16-7.

Plach coach Josh Wilson believes players can get a good experience from New London Youth Baseball.

“I want the experience to be the same for each kid who comes out whether they are an experienced travel ball player, or playing the game for the first time,” Wilson said. He has

been a coach with the league since 2015. “My goal is teaching the fundamentals of the game and everyone having a good time doing it.”

The Quiver N Minnow team took home the 11-12-year-old, National League championship as a three-team round robin determined the title holder as Quiver N Minnow fended off Dairy Queen to win the title.

## Iola-Scandinavia NEWS



This group of workers were able to fix and get the Iola Riverwalk open. Shown from left, FRONT: Rollie Meyers, Dan Remington and Goob Sprangers. BACK: Mark Doll, Glen Tetzlaff and Scott Bestul.

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## River Walk opens in Iola

BY EMILY CONROY  
STAFF REPORTER

IOLA – After deliberations, planning and rebuilding, the Iola River Walk is again open to the public.

The entire walkway was shut down due to the path being heaved in locations causing a “roller coaster” type of affect to the west end, as well as boards that needed to be replaced on the east end of the walk.

The half-mile river walk was built in 2012 with donations and a grant received through the Department of Natural Resources.

Clifford Mishler, who was influential in the creation of the walk when it was being planned, said the first two years did not yield any kind of upheaval, however by year three there started to be notable damage from spring thaws.

The Community Development Authority took on the project earlier this summer, with several meetings aimed at developing a method to fix the walk and the damage caused to the wood pylons.

It was decided that a timber lock system would be used, an idea put forth by Scott Bestul, who had fixed a similar board walk with this solution.

A number of solutions were offered up to and including tearing down the existing board walk and replacing it, something that the CDA had no intentions of doing.

The next project will be the covered bridge, which will be located on the east side of the bridge, closer to Main Street.

The money for the bridge has already been donated by an anonymous donor with the anonymous donation being specifically for the covered bridge.

Missy Fenn, the Village of Iola deputy clerk and treasurer, said they are hoping to start the covered bridge project very soon, however they are happy that the walk can at least now be open and used by the public again.

The project was completed by the Iola Lions Club, with workers including Mark Doll, Glen Tetzlaff, Scott Bestul, Rollie Meyers, Dan Remington and Goob Sprangers.

## Thank You

Many thanks to all of the golfers, sponsors, donors, and volunteers who helped make this year’s James Kempfert scholarship fundraiser another rousing success. It is your generosity and participation that makes these scholarships a reality.

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## Tech scholarship



Brandy D. Smith, of Scandinavia, will receive a \$1,500 tuition scholarship to attend the diesel program at Fox Valley Technical College (FVTC) in Appleton. In addition to the scholarship, Smith will receive a tool set valued at \$4,855 from Snap-on Corporation headquartered in Kenosha.

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# Wega-Fremont NEWS

## Weyauwega's got talent

### Homegrown theater

BY JAMES CARD  
STAFF REPORTER

WEYAUWEGA – The murder mystery “A Talent for Murder” took the concept of community theater to another level.

Everything about this production was grassroots, self-made and native to Weyauwega. Both shows on Aug. 9 and 10 were sold out and balcony seating was opened for those that missed out on tickets.

The endgame of this theater production was to raise money for the Weyauwega Area Historical Society's plan to repaint the silo mural that depicts scenes and landmarks in the area.

Brad Leonhardt, a historical society member and actor, and his daughter Brittney Baldwin, wrote the original play. At first they considered hiring a playwright but that cost so much that it would negate any funds raised for the silo so they did it themselves.

They based the play around the 65th anniversary of the publication of Robert Bloch's novel, “Pyscho,” that was later turned into the iconic film by Alfred Hitchcock. Bloch, an author of crime, horror and fantasy stories, lived in Weyauwega in the 1950s while writing his most famous work and that was the seed for turning this into a murder mystery story that goes back in time.

The story is that the audience is taken back to 1959 and Robert Bloch is asked to be a judge in a talent show held at the Gerold Opera House. During the show unexplained events take place that lead up to a murder.

At this stage, they have a good cause (the silo), a script, and a venue as Wega Arts was the producer. Baldwin acted as the stage manager, and Joni Radley would be the piano accompanist. Now all they needed were people for the talent show. They put out a call for auditions and Weyauwega and Waupaca-area people answered.

The evening entertainment opened up as Ian Teal of Wega Arts took the stage acting as Mr. Gerold. He welcomed the crowd and announced that the winner of the talent show gets a \$100 cash prize and a one-year supply of cheese curds. “If you got a Kodachrome or an Instamatic, feel free to take some pictures,” he said. That would be one of many hints and reminders that the event is taking place in 1959.

He closed with a remark about visiting a fortune teller in Waupaca who warned him that something dangerous would happen at his workplace.

The panel of judges was composed of the author Robert Bloch (Brad Leonhardt), Sheriff Wyatt Rhoades (Dave Larson) and Mayor Elmer Sackett (Brad Leonhardt).

The prize of a year supply of cheese curds set off Mayor Sackett to crack cheesy jokes about cheese throughout the entire show: “Sheriff, are you wearing cheddar tonight?”



Steven Yankowski played a cover of the blues hit “Kansas City.” Part way through the song he substituted Weyauwega for Kansas City in the lyrics.

James Card Photos



Bethany Reilly sang “Over the Rainbow” while her dogs Toulou and Revere performed stunts on stage.



Brittney Baldwin performed “Olympia's Aria” (also known as The Doll Song) from the opera Les Contes d'Hoffmann. The aria is sung by singer acting like a mechanical doll.

You look awfully sharp. And without further fondue, on with the show!”

He also sang the song of their sponsor, the Wega Dairy Bar: “Cheese, cheese, cheese, eatin’ Wega cheese/goodness how delicious/eatin’ Wega cheese.”

### Local talent

The first act is the Gouda Girls, a song-and-dance trio that performed the “Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy” and it turned into a clumsy slapstick routine. Next Marietta Paap took the stage as Etta Meyers. She was an elderly woman that gave a speech about aging and not giving up. The noteworthy part of her speech was dropping very subtle references to Weyauwega's history such as Dr. Maasch not being present because he was attending to a patient (Maasch Community Park is named after him).

Ron Reynolds crooned Sinatra's “Summer Wind.” Erin Tracy performed solo synchronized swimming in a bathing suit on stage which was odd yet elegant. Ellen Magnin belted out a sultry rendition of “Walkin’ After Midnight.” Anna Van Maas-tricht sang “Am I That Easy to Forget,” a classic country hit. Steven Yankowski strummed the blues hit “Kansas City” and substituted Weyauwega for Kansas City in the lyrics.

Two dogs came on stage with Bethany Reilly. She sang “Over the Rainbow” while trying to get Toulou and Revere to perform a few tricks.

side the theater. While Dalton Zanin was singing, a sandbag dropped down and conked him on the head; the tap dancer took a stumble and found a mysterious slick substance coating the floor. Finally, a dark figure darts onstage and stabs a performer with a knife. Who was the culprit behind this string of malicious machinations?

The unveiling of the murder suspect took everyone by surprise and the killer was right in front of everyone throughout the entire show. It was the stagehand, Winnie, played by Xasha Lagunes, the ponytailed young lady was dressed in black and adjusted the microphone for the performers between each act.

### In review

Students from the W-F Music Booster Club and the National Honor Society provided the hustle, acting as maitre d's, servers and bussers. This was a dinner theater murder mystery blended as a bona fide talent show. Tickets were \$20 and it included pasta dinner, bread, salad and dessert. Considering \$20 doesn't go far at a fast-food restaurant or a night at the movies is around \$20 with popcorn and soda, this homegrown theater production was an excellent bargain for an evening of entertainment and dining. Also, all the proceeds are going towards the restoration of a local monument.

The plot of the murder mystery was clever and it worked in small nuggets of Weyauwega history. The dialogue was playful and generated laughter from the audience. As for the talent show aspect, there was opera, blues, poetry, and a wide range of classic American music.

A similar event is in the works and the W-F Music Boosters will present “Dinner and a Show” on Saturday, Feb. 1, 2025. If it is similar the entertainment value that “A Talent for Murder” provided, one will want to reserve tickets far in advance.

Cora Ledger sang a high-energy robust cover of “Gimme Gimme” and later she would be declared the winner of the show by audience vote.

Tonie Borgardt sang “Lullaby Birdland,” Mia Cerda sang “On the Good Ship Lollipop,” Dalton Zanin sang “I Get a Kick Out of You,” and Kate Teal sang “Mack the Knife.”

Erinn Manteufel did a tap dance routine to “Tutti Frutti” and Marguerite Leonhardt performed the “Trumpet Blues.”

Local poet James Hamilton performed spoken-word beat poetry while he snapped his fingers. The audience clapped along and his word-play would have made Ginsburg and Kerouac proud.

Lori Bauer sang “Stupid Cupid” and Eliza Nollenberg played “The Hunting Song” on piano. Brittney Baldwin performed “Olympia's Aria” (also known as The Doll Song) from the opera Les Contes d'Hoffmann. The aria is sung by singer acting like a mechanical doll. It is considered to be the most difficult aria ever written for a soprano.

### Whodunit?

During these performances there was commentary and action that slowly revealed to the audience. News of strange car accident is mentioned early on, Marietta Paap took a bad stumble when exiting the stage and a person was hit by a car out-

# Manawa NEWS



Hometown Proud resonates with these four teens working at the Manawa Nursing Home and taking care of local community members. From left are Marilyn Klatt, Kiera Schlueter, Floyd Gerl, Julia Seeger and Bella Ferg.

Submitted Photo

## Manawa teens work at nursing home

BY EMILY CONROY  
STAFF REPORTER

MANAWA – The theme of hometown proud echoed throughout the Manawa community as the city turned 150 years old.

Stories of coming together during turbulent times and helping neighbors were told across the city.

Four young ladies continued that theme at the Manawa Nursing Home.

When Jim Rill became the newest resident at the Manawa Nursing Home, his friend, Floyd Gerl, former Little Wolf High School principal, started to visit him daily and took note of the bond that grew between Rill and four recent LWHS graduates.

“As a frequent visitor to see my friend he would manage a token smile, however when one of these gals would come to his room that smile was something to behold,” Gerl said.

The ladies that Gerl is referring to are Marilyn Klatt, Kiera Schlueter, Julia Seeger and Bella Ferg.

The bond between Klatt and Rill started when her father found out that Rill became a resident, telling his daughter to take special care of “Shooter,” Klatt said.

Klatt started talking to Rill about basketball, as Rill was a former basketball coach and really loved sports as well. She recalled seeing him taking tickets at games.

“He cared about my games and the boys, it was just cool that he still cared,” Klatt said.

Seeger echoed a similar sentiment, that she enjoyed taking care of Rill because he was always so happy and laughing and telling jokes.

Seeing his friend happy and well taken care of, Gerl said he also started to bond with the young ladies, and appreciated the positive affect their presence brought to Rill.

“I really found myself getting attached to these four outstanding kids,” Gerl said.

“These girls don't know how much they meant to him, there were very important to him, and his wife can confirm it.”

Gerl said he asked Rill why the girls got such a big smile compared to the one he would receive. He responded, jokingly, that Gerl didn't deserve it.

Rill was a heavy Pepsi drinker, Gerl said, and the ladies found a Pepsi sign online and had people autograph it. They gifted it to Rill's wife after his passing.

Because these four ladies all had one or both parents who attended LWHS, they all have connections in the community. Seeger said that helps and makes going into residents' rooms easier and less awkward. Because they already know the person in some capacity.

Klatt said that if she mentions someone in her family, the resident will often know who that person is and mention how they know them.

Klatt and Seeger agreed that the unpredictable nature of working in a nursing home can have its difficulties, but they still enjoy being able to get to know the residents and making a positive difference in their lives.

“It takes a very special person to work in a nursing home,” Gerl said. “How do you put a price on a simple genuine smile? Their personalities are also priceless. I'd be glad to have any one of them as my granddaughters, that is how much I think of them.”

Seeger said she finds it rewarding to make people happy during difficult times. A sentiment Klatt agreed with adding that she also enjoys learning their stories and getting to know them.

The ladies all have fond memories of Rill, Klatt saying he was a great guy and left too soon.

Klatt grew up around nurses and plans to continue into

### Nursing Home

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## Blood drive Aug. 22

WEYAUWEGA – The Weyauwega community blood drive will be held at 109 E. Main St. near city hall from noon to 3 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 22.

To make an appointment, call 1-800-280-4102 or visit [communityblood.org/donor](http://communityblood.org/donor) and enter sponsor code N659.

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# Obituary Notices

## **Volz, Marleen**



Marleen M. Volz, age 82 of Scandinavia, WI died at Theda Care Appleton on August 5th, 2024. She was born on February 24, 1942 in Fond du Lac WI, the daughter of Gustav and Elfrida Wentland Herre.

On November 2, 1963, Marleen married Jeffery R. Volz at St. Peter's Eve Lutheran Church in Fond du Lac.

Marleen was a graduate of Goodrich High School, class of 1959. She worked at AC

Nielsen Co. from

1959-1965. Then was a stay-at-home mom for many years. In 1986, Marleen returned to the work force and was employed by the Arc of Fond du Lac until 1999- She retired from Blue Cross Blue Shield of WI in 2002.

Marleen enjoyed reading water aerobics, movies, concerts, needlework and living in the country after retirement. She loved spending time with her children and grandchildren. Marleen was a member of Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church in Waupaca, WI

She is survived by a daughter, Annette (Peter) Lionberger of Janesville, WI and their children Rachael Kersten (Kenny) and Emma; a son Greg (Karen) Volz of Menomonee Falls, WI and their children Drake and Karly; a brother-in-law, Gary Volz of Lakefield, MN; many nieces and nephews; and dear friends Gene and Camille Nowakowski and Linda Johnson, her fellow travelers/adventurers and Friday night fish fry buddies. Preceding her in death were her parents, husband Jeffery in 2009, a brother Donald Herre, a sister-in-law Judy Herre, and a sister-in-law Renate Volz.

Friends may call at Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church in Waupaca from 12:30 to 1:30 PM on Sunday, August 11, 2024. A Memorial Service will follow at 1:30 PM. Pastor Ron Siemers officiating. Private committal service will be held at the Central Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery

Thank you to the Theda Care Oncology staff in Waupaca for their compassionate care. Also, thank you to friends Susan Barlow, Mary Mork, and Terry Bobbe for their loving support in so many ways. The Holly Funeral Home of Waupaca is assisting the family with arrangements.

## **Allen, Donald**



Donald (Donn) Lee Allen, age 90 went to his heavenly home on Monday, August 5th, 2024. He was born on May 1st, 1934, in Bovina, son of the late Russell and Mae (Thayer) Allen. Donn was a lifelong resident of New London. He was a member of Emanuel Lutheran Church. Donn loved his hometown of New London and served as an Alderman for several years. After retiring from Churny, Donn maintained

his pride in New London and kept the public areas looking good by cutting grass for the city. He was a veteran and served his country in the United States Navy. Donn also loved his family, the Harley Davidson brand, and the Green Bay Packers.

Donn is survived by his children: Mike Allen, Oshkosh; Jenny (Dave) Lenz, New London; Peter (Elizabeth) Allen, Marietta, Georgia; grandchildren: Stephen Switala, Gabe and Sammy Allen; three sisters and one brother: Patsy Miller, Paola, KS, Angie (Kirk) Fletcher, New London, Judy (Dave) Ostermeier, New London, and Gary Allen, Appleton. He is further survived by nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

Donn was preceded in death by his parents, and four brothers: Russell Allen Jr., Jimmy Allen, Dale Allen, and Ralph Allen.

The Funeral Service for Donn was held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 8, 2024 at Cline & Hanson Funeral Home in New London officiated by Rev. Mark Tiefel of Emanuel Lutheran Church. The visitation took place from 9:00 a.m. until the time of the service. Burial took place at Floral Hill Cemetery, New London.

## **Ashton, Ardis**



Ardis Daun Ashton (nee Kitzman), 77, passed away on Sunday, August 11, 2024.

Ardis was born on October 17, 1946, in Clintonville, to the late Virgil and Erma (nee Schoen) Kitzman. Ardis was united in marriage to William Ashton on February 14, 1993, in North Fond du Lac. She was a Respiratory Therapist for several years. Ardis enjoyed her cats and spoiling them.

Those left to cherish Ardis memory include her husband, Bill Ashton; two children, David (Julie) Russ and Melonie (Rob) Mims; six grandchildren; Bill's three children, Kristi (John) Stanton, Rick (Sarah) Ashton, and Ken Ashton; Bill's four grandchildren; sister, Joy (Bill) Mader; other relatives and friends.

In addition to her parents, Ardis is preceded in death by her son, Ryan Russ; two brothers, Owen and Alan Kitzman.

Per Ardis's wishes there will be no services held at this time.

Myrhum-Patten Funeral & Cremation Service has been entrusted with Ardis's arrangements. Additional information and guest book can be found at [www.myrhum-patten.com](http://www.myrhum-patten.com).

## **Berwig, William H., Jr.**



William "Boog" H. Berwig Jr., age 72, of Clintonville passed away peacefully on Thursday, August 8th, 2024 at ThedaCare Medical Center- Shawano with his family at his side.

William Harry Berwig Jr. was born May 9, 1952 in Fond du Lac, WI the son of the late William Berwig Sr. and Geraldine (De Nell) Berwig. On February 16, 1974 he was united in marriage to Debra K. Kohel in Clintonville, WI. He was a faithful employee to FWD in Clintonville as a wireman for 38 years. He was a member of St. Rose Catholic Church. Boog was an avid bowler at the Clintonville Lanes, fisherman, hunter, wood carver, and painter. Painting was more than just a hobby for him; he was passionate about capturing nature and his family on canvas. He loved spending time with his family, listening to 60's and 70's music, and watching movies. He enjoyed the Eagles and the Beatles, as well as the ABBA soundtrack in Mamma Mia. Being the nature lover he was, one of his favorite pastimes was sitting out on his deck watching deer and turkeys eat apples and sunflower seeds.

Survivors include his wife of fifty years, Debra; two daughters: Tracy (Jeffrey) Van Zealand and Kasey (Andrew) Wehlag; five granddaughters: Grace, Abigail, and Anna Van Zealand; Ariana and Kamryn Wehlag; sisters: Bonnie Allen and Lynn (Kevin) Kavanagh; brothers: Robert and Frank (Becky) Berwig; brothers-in-law: Robert (Darlene) Kohel, Gary (Donna) Kohel, and Donald (Judy) Kohel; sisters-in-law: Kathy (Jim) Waite, Karen (Greg) Husman, and Mary (Glen) Zabel.

Boog is preceded in death by his parents; brother, Craig Berwig and sister, Sue Nowak.

Memorial Mass of Christian Burial will be held 11 AM on Thursday August 15, 2024 at St. Rose Catholic Church, Clintonville, with Fr. Timothy Shillcox, O. Praem, officiating. Inurnment will take place following the service at St. Rose Cemetery, Clintonville.

Visitation will take place on Thursday from 9 AM until the time of service.

In lieu of flowers, memorials in Boog's name are preferred to be directed to the Berwig family for a memorial to be established at a later date.

The Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home & Crematory, Clintonville is assisting the Berwig family.

An online guestbook is available at [eberhardtstevenson.com](http://eberhardtstevenson.com).

## **Legals 7700**

Plaintiff/Attorney Electronically Signed by EMMA N. SCHAEFER Date: 8/7/2024 Telephone Number: 262-641-3715 Attorney's State Bar Number: 1116788 Dobberstein Law Firm, LLC 225 S. Executive Dr. Suite 201 Brookfield, WI. 53005 Published August 15, 2024 WNAXLP

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY. IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF RAFAEL CRUZ COBOS AND REYNA GARCIA CARRASCO. Petitioner Rafael Cruz Cobos. Respondent Reyna Garcia Carrasco. THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, TO THE PERSON NAMED ABOVE AS RESPONDENT:

You are notified that the petitioner named above has filed a Petition for Divorce against you. A Temporary Order hearing is scheduled for August 28, 2024 at 9:00 AM in the Jury Assembly Room of the courthouse located at 811 Harding St, Waupaca, WI 54981. A pre-trial conference hearing is scheduled for January 21, 2025 at 9:00 AM in Branch III of the courthouse located at 811 Harding St, Waupaca, WI 54981. You must respond with a written demand for a copy of the Petition within 40 days from the day after the first date of publication.

The demand must be sent or delivered to the court at: Clerk of Court, Waupaca County Courthouse Address: 811 Harding St, Waupaca, WI 54981.

And to: Rafael Cruz Cobos c/o Kristina Mendez 1221 Bellevue St., Ste. 210, Green Bay, WI 54302

It is recommended, but not required, that you have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not demand a copy of the Petition within 40 days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Petition, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Petition.

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You are further notified that if the parties to this action have minor children, violation of §948.31, Wis. Stats., (interference with custody by parent or others) is punishable by fines and/or imprisonment.

If you and the petitioner have minor children, documents setting forth the percentage standard for child support established by the department under §49.22(9) Wis. Stats., and the factors that a court may consider for modification of that standard under §767.511(1m), Wis. Stats., are available upon your request from the Clerk of Court.

You are notified of the availability of information from the Circuit Court Commissioner as set forth in §767.105, Wis. Stats. §767.105 Information from Circuit Court Commissioner.

(2) Upon the request of a party to an action affective the family, including a revision of judgment or order under sec. 767.59 or 767.451: (a) The Circuit Court Commissioner shall, with or without charge, provide the party with written information on the following, as appropriate to the action commenced: 1. The procedure for obtaining a judgment or order in the action. 2. The major issues usually addressed in such an action. 3. Community resources and family court counseling services available to assist the parties. 4. The procedure for setting, modifying, and enforcing child support awards, or modifying and enforcing legal custody or physical placement judgments or orders. (b) The Circuit Court Commissioner shall provide a party, for inspection or purchase, with a copy of the statutory provisions in this chapter generally pertinent to the action.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY Plaintiff(s): SWEENEY LAW OFFICE S.C. P.O. BOX 206 SEYMOUR WI 54165 -vs- DENISE & AARON MONTGOMERY W9413 SCHWEITZER ROAD NEW LONDON WI 54961 Publication Summons and Notice (Small Claims) Case No. 24SC551

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

You are being sued by the person(s) named above as Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. The lawsuit will be heard in the following small claims court: Waupaca County Courthouse Telephone Number of clerk of court: 715-258-6460

Courtroom/Room Number: Address: 811 Harding Street City: Waupaca State WI Zip 5498 1 on the following date and time: Date: August 26, 2024 Time: 10:30 a.m

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

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Plaintiff/Attorney Robert D. Sweeney Date: July 30, 2024 Plaintiff's/Attorney's Telephone Number 920-833-6166 Attorney's State Bar Number 01020151 Law Firm and Address Sweeney Law Office S.C. P.O. Box 206 Seymour, WI 54165 Published Aug. 8, 15 & 22, 2024 WNAXLP

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT WAUPACA COUNTY Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority Plaintiff,

vs. The Estate of Johan Pelnar, Deceased Defendant.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE Case No. 24-CV-000077 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure entered on May 23, 2024 in the amount of \$52,683.09 the Sheriff will sell the described premises at public auction as follows:

TIME: September 10, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. 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,

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payable to the clerk of courts (personal checks cannot and will not be accepted). The balance of the successful bid must be paid to the clerk of courts in cash, cashier's check or certified funds no later than ten days after the court's confirmation of the sale or else the 10% down payment is forfeited to the plaintiff. The property is sold 'as is' and subject to all liens and encumbrances.

PLACE: On the front steps of the Waupaca County Courthouse, City and County of Waupaca DESCRIPTION: A part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 19, Township 22 North, Range 12 East, City of Waupaca, Waupaca County, Wisconsin, bounded by a line commencing at a point on the South line of Elm Street which is 190 feet Northwestly of the point where the North line of Outlot Block 17 of said City intersects with the South line of said Elm Street, thence Northwestly along the South line of Elm Street a distance of 100 feet, thence Southwestly at right angles 100 feet, thence Southeastly parallel with Elm Street 100 feet, thence Northeastly 100 feet to the place of beginning.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 603 Elm St Waupaca, WI 54981-1105 DATED: July 9, 2024 Gray & Associates, L.L.P. Attorneys for Plaintiff 16345 West Glendale Drive New Berlin, WI 53151-2841 (414) 224-8404

Please go to [www.gray-law.com](http://www.gray-law.com) to obtain the bid for this sale. Gray & Associates, L.L.P. is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If you have previously received a discharge in a chapter 7 bankruptcy case, this communication should not be construed as an attempt to hold you personally liable for the debt. Publish Aug. 8, 15 & 22, 2024 WNAXLP

Meetings and Public Hearings 7720 MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING AGENDA August 20, 2024 - 6:00 p.m.

Chairperson calls meeting to order. Pledge of Allegiance Roll call of Officers

It is understood that in accordance with Town of Mukwa Ordinance 10-05, this Meeting will adhere to Robert's Rules of Order

Notification of this Meeting was given to the Press on June 28, 2024 and the Final Agenda was posted in the three designated places on July 5, 2024. 1. Approve: (a) July 9, 2024 Monthly Town Board Meeting Minutes; (b) August 8th Special Meeting Min.

2. Treasurer: Approve Monthly Treasurer's Report - July 3. Budget/Vouchers: Approval and Payments of Monthly Vouchers 4. Showing of Hands for Public Forum - Keep Subject and Question Brief.

5. Animal Control Officer(s): (a) Animal Report Forms; (b) Citation Letter/s Issued in Past Month; 6. Building Inspector: Monthly Report 7. Pup's Irish Pub: (a) Transfer Class B Combination Liquor License - Colin Loughrin;

(b) Operator License - Kelli Sager 8. Roads: (a) Monthly Report; (b) Equipment Report/Repairs/Purchases Needed; (c) Town Hall Parking Lot Repair - Follow-up & No Overnight Parking; (d) Culverts - Manksie Rd

9. Waupaca County Zoning & Other Meetings: Attended; Upcoming: 10. Correspondence Received: 11. Motion to Adjourn.

/s/Jeannette Zielsnik, Municipal Clerk Publish: August 15, 2024 Press Star - Legal Notice Final Agenda Posted: August 16, 2024 WNAXLP

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Planning Commission of the City of Stevens Point, Portage County, Wisconsin will hold a Public Hearing on September 3, 2024 at 6:00 PM at 933 Michigan Avenue (Community Room - Room 122), Stevens Point, Wisconsin and via Zoom Teleconferencing to hear the following:

1. Public Hearing and action on a request from Jason Davis, representing Blue Top Enterprises LLC, for a conditional use permit to operate a car wash on the property located at 3457 Church Street (Parcel ID 281230804301426), consistent with Ch. 23.02(2)(j)(3)(k). This property is zoned "B-4" Commercial District and is described as LOT 2 CSM#811924 DOC-907042 BNG PRT SESW SUBJ JT DRVVYV ESMT-670703 S4 T23 JR 792A 890588, City of Stevens Point, Portage County, Wisconsin.

2. Public Hearing and action on a request from Drew Bain, representing the Wisconsin Public Service Corporation, for a conditional use permit to construct a utility structure on an unaddressed parcel bounded by Whiting Avenue (Parcel ID 281230805450801), consistent with Ch. 23.01(1)(a)(3)(b). This property is zoned "M-1" Light Industrial and is described as NENE S8 T23 R8 EXC RR ROW & EXC THE S 596' OF W 439' & EXC THE E 33' & EXC LOT 1 CSM#4321-15- 116 (ATTACHED TO CITY BY ORD 8/19/46) 153/169, City of Stevens Point, Portage County, Wisconsin.

3. Public Hearing and action on a request from the City of Stevens Point to apply a permanent zoning classification of "R-3" Single- and Two-Family Residential to an unaddressed parcel bounded by Briwoski Road and Old Highway 18 (Parcel ID 281240836330100), and an unaddressed parcel bounded by Old Highway 18 (Parcel ID 281240836330200). Parcel ID 281240836330100 is described as SWSW EXC CSM#7588-28- 68; EX HWY ROW-554132 & PRT NWSW LY S N/L OLD HWY 18; EX HWY ROW-554133 S36 T24 R8 & PRT FRACL NWNW LYG N RR ROW EX HWY-55432 S1 T23 R8 39.80A MIL 8915731; 895732; 895759; 905898ANX; 91 City of Stevens Point, Portage County, Wisconsin. Parcel ID 281240836330200 is described as PRT SESW LYG S N/L OLD HWY 18 S36

T24 R8 & PRT NENW LYG N RR ROW S1 T23 R8 28.63A MIL 895759; 905898ANX, City of Stevens Point, Portage County, Wisconsin. To participate via telephone: 1) Dial on your phone: (312) 626-6799 2) When prompted dial the Meeting ID: 875 5196 2378 3) Passcode: 495028 4) Press # again to be a participant in the meeting. 5) Hold until the meeting starts. To participate via online zoom platform: 1) Go to [www.zoom.us](http://www.zoom.us) 2) Click "Join a Meeting" in the upper right-hand corner. 3) Enter Meeting ID: 875 5196 2378 4) Passcode: 495028 5) If you haven't downloaded the Zoom program, do so now.

Published August 15 & 22, 2024 Maps further defining the above area(s) may be obtained from the City of Stevens Point Department of Community Development at 1515 Strongs Avenue, Stevens Point, Wisconsin 54481, or by calling (715) 346-1567 during normal business hours. All interested parties are invited to attend, but are strongly encouraged to submit their comments to the Director of Community Development, [kernosky@stevenspoint.com](mailto:kernosky@stevenspoint.com) prior to the meeting.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STEVENS POINT, WISCONSIN Kari Yenter, City Clerk WNAXLP

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

CITY OF WAUPACA AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 17, ZONING CODE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Common Council of the City of Waupaca will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, September 3, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 111 S. Main Street, Waupaca, Wisconsin, to hear testimony on whether to change language in Chapter 17 of the Municipal Code, Zoning Ordinance, to amend 17.13(1)(3) B-1 Neighborhood Business District, Dimensional Standards.

## **Legals 7700**

186438 STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT PORTAGE COUNTY

AMERICAN FAMILY MUTUAL INSURANCE CO., S.I. 6000 AMERICAN PKWY MADISON, WI 53783 Plaintiff,

vs. MICHAEL W. BARTZ PUBLICATION SUMMONS Case No. 24CV199

416 WEST STREET N Hon. PATRICIA BAKER STEVENS POINT, WI 54481 Case Code: 30301 Defendant.

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, To each person named above as a Defendant. You are hereby notified that the Plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The complaint, which is also served on you, states the nature and basis of the legal action.

Within forty (40) days after August 8, 2024, you must respond with a written answer as that term is used in chapter 802 of the Wisconsin statutes, to the complaint. The court may reject or disregard an Answer that does not follow the requirements of the statutes. The answer must be sent or delivered to the court, whose address is 1516 Church St., Stevens Point, WI 54481, and to the offices of Heuer Law Offices, S.C., Plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 300 N. Executive Dr., Suite 101, Brookfield, WI 53005. You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not provide a proper answer within forty (40) days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property. Dated this 30th day of July, 2024.

Attorney for Plaintiff Heuer Law Offices, S.C. Jonathan D. McCollister (State Bar No. 1037740) 300 N. Executive Dr., Suite 101 Brookfield, WI 53005 Phone: (414) 224-3500 Publish August 8, 15 and 22, 2024 WNAXLP

## **BY THE COURT: DATE SIGNED: July 23, 2024**

Electronically signed by Raymond S. Huber Circuit Court Judge STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Elsie Rieckmann DOD 4/13/2024

Order Setting Time to Hear Petition for Administration and Deadline for Filing Claims (Formal Administration) Case No. 24PR63 A Petition for Formal Administration was filed.

THE COURT FINDS: The decedent, with date of birth 6/21/1934 and date of death 4/13/2024 was domiciled in Waupaca County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 107 E. Becker Road, New London, WI 54961.

THE COURT ORDERS: 1. The Petition be heard at the Waupaca County Courthouse, Waupaca, Wisconsin, Room Br. 3, before Circuit Court Judge/Circuit Court Commissioner Hon. Raymond S. Huber, on August 27, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.

You do not need to appear unless you object. The petition may be granted if there is no objection. 2. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is October 28, 2024.

3. A claim may be filed at the Waupaca County Courthouse, Waupaca, Wisconsin, Room 3054/Probate Office. 4. Heirship will be determined at the hearing on petition for final judgment. 5. Publication of this notice is notice to any persons whose names or addresses are unknown.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-258-6429 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation. Form completed by: Attorney John Koenig Elder Advisors Law 450 N. Wales Road Wales, WI 53183 Telephone Number 262-968-2515 Bar Number 1030741 Publish August 1, 8 & 15, 2024 WNAXLP

"CLASS B" INTOXICATING LIQUOR LICENSES AND CLASS "B" FERMENTED MALT BEVERAGE LICENSE: Maison Carlson MCARLSON LLC 2181 S. Appletree Lane, 54961 PUBLISH: AUGUST 15, 2024 WNAXLP

DATE SIGNED: July 30, 2024 Electronically signed by Angela Dahle Probate Registrar STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DAVID A. BARTEL D.O.D. 04/02/2024

Notice Setting Time to Hear Application and Deadline for Filing Claims

## **Legals 7700**

(Informal Administration) Case No. 24-PR-64

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: 1. An application for informal administration was filed.

2. The decedent, with date of birth 09/01/1937 and date of death 04/02/2024 was domiciled in Waupaca County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N2665 County Road QG, King, WI 54946.

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

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 October 31, 2024.

5. A claim may be filed at the Waupaca County Courthouse, 811 Harding Street, Waupaca, Wisconsin, Room 3054. 6. This publication is notice to any persons whose names or address are unknown.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-258-6429 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation. Form completed by: Attorney Brian C. Williams, Esq. 1400 Merrill Avenue, Wausau, WI 54401 Telephone Number (715) 675-7777 Bar Number 1037787 Publish Aug. 8, 15 & 22, 2024 WNAXLP

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice of Initiation of the Section 106 Process-Public Participation in accordance with the FCC's Nationwide Programmatic Agreement. U.S. Cellular intends to construct two telecommunications facilities in Waupaca, Waupaca County, Wisconsin at the following locations:

Waupaca CRAN 001E #774574 - TBD N Main Street (Latitude: N 44 21 37.05 and Longitude: W 89 05 05.71) proposed 34 ft. (38 ft. overall height) new wood utility pole.

Waupaca CRAN 003D #774576 - TBD Bert Street (Latitude: N 44 21 08.65 and Longitude: W 89 04 49.31) proposed 34 ft. (38 ft. overall height) new wood utility pole.

The proposed two new wood utility pole telecommunication towers will have overall heights of 38 ft and will include associated equipment attached to the poles. U.S. Cellular is publishing this notice in accordance with Federal Communications Commission regulations (47 CFR § 1.1307) for Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and for the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). We respectfully request that parties interested in commenting on this Federal undertaking relative to potential effects on cultural or historic properties should contact GSS, Inc., 3311 109th Street, Urbandale, IA 50322; Ph. (515) 331-2103 within 30 days of the posting of this notice (GSS #N24142 Waupaca CRAN 001 and 003). Published August 15, 2024 WNAXLP

## **STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, MILWAUKEE COUNTY**

Publication Summons and Notice (Small Claims) Case No. 2024SC000468

Plaintiff(s): AvanteUSA, LTD 3600 South Gessner, Suite 225 HOUSTON TX 77063

-vs- Defendant(s): TIMOTHY MAURITZ 730 LEROY BUTLER DR APT 4 WAUPACA WI 54981



**Meetings and Public Hearings 7720**

The hearing will be for the purpose of giving an opportunity for any person interested, their attorneys or agents, to be heard. A copy of the proposed changes may be obtained from the Community & Economic Development Department. /s/ Barbara J. Nowak  
City Clerk  
PUBLISH: August 15 and 22, 2024  
WNAXLP

**STRATTON LAKE DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING:** to be held on Saturday, 8/31/24, at 9:00 AM at Dayton Town Hall N2285 Hwy 22, Waupaca. This Annual Meeting will include voting for one District commissioner, review and approval of 2025 budget and reviews of water quality, non-native species and the new wake surfing ordinance enacted on Stratton Lake by the Town of Dayton in July. See full agenda and proposed 2025 budget at [StrattonLakeDistrict.com](http://StrattonLakeDistrict.com), posted at Dayton Town Hall and mailed via USPS to SLD members. [StrattonLakeDistrict@gmail.com](mailto:StrattonLakeDistrict@gmail.com)  
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The Village of Iola Board Meeting will be held the second Tuesday of the month at 5:30 PM, at the Iola Village Hall, Community Room, 180 S. Main Street. The Finance Committee meeting is held thirty minutes prior to the board meeting. WNAXLP

**Minutes 7725**

**MINUTES OF UTILITY COMMISSION MEETING**  
July 16, 2024  
The regular meeting of the New London Utility Commission was called to order at 8:00 A.M. by President Steingraber at the Utility Offices at 400 East North Water Street, New London WI. Members present were Steingraber, Barrington, Schmidt, Coppersmith and Bessette. St. Marie not present. It was moved by Barrington and seconded by Schmidt that the agenda be adopted. Motion carried. It was moved by Coppersmith and seconded by Schmidt to approve the minutes of the July 2, 2024 meeting. Motion carried. It was moved by Steingraber and seconded by Schmidt to approve vouchers \$1858 through 519081 the amount of \$1,525,265.48 as listed to be paid. Motion carried. It was moved by Schmidt and seconded by Coppersmith to approve \$10,000 for the 2024 tree removal budget. Motion carried. The Manager updated the Commission on a large outage on July 5th affecting hundreds of customers caused by a large tree in a right of way. The next meeting will be on Aug. 6, 2024:00 A.M. at the Utility Offices. It was moved by Coppersmith and seconded by Barrington that the agenda be adopted. Motion carried. It was moved by Schmidt and seconded by Barrington that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. Mike Barrington, Secretary  
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**MINUTES OF UTILITY COMMISSION MEETING**  
July 2, 2024  
The regular meeting of the New London Utility Commission was called to order at 8:00 A.M. by President Steingraber at the Utility Offices at 400 East North Water Street, New London WI. Members present were Steingraber, Barrington, Schmidt, St. Marie, Coppersmith and Bessette. It was moved by Schmidt and seconded by Coppersmith that the agenda be adopted. Motion carried. It was moved by Steingraber and seconded by Schmidt to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2024 meeting. Motion carried. It was moved by St. Marie and seconded by Schmidt to approve vouchers 51809 through 518571 the amount of \$164,414.71 as listed to be paid. Motion carried. It was moved by Schmidt and seconded by Coppersmith to approve bid for \$6,280.98 for Nielson Communication to install two radios. Motion carried. The Manager discussed the scope of work for MSA, the Utilities GIS mapping system. The Manager updated the Commission on important dates and work performed by Electric and Water crews. The next meeting will be on July 16, 2024:00 A.M. at the Utility Offices. It was moved by Schmidt and seconded by Steingraber that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. Mike Barrington, Secretary  
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**Notice To Creditors 7735**

**BY THE COURT:**  
**DATE SIGNED: August 5, 2024**  
Electronically signed by Angela Dahle Court Commissioner in Probate  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY**  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF NANCY G. WANDEL  
**Order Setting Time to Hear Petition for Administration and Deadline for Filing Claims**  
(Formal Administration)  
Case No. 2024PR000072  
A Petition for Formal Administration was filed.  
**THE COURT FINDS:**  
The decedent, with date of birth 10/26/1954 and date of death 5/21/2024 was domiciled in Waupaca County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N10572 Wrostad Road Iola, WI 54945.  
**THE COURT ORDERS:**  
1. The Petition be heard at the Waupaca County Courthouse, 811 Harding Street Waupaca, Wisconsin, Room Branch II, before Circuit Court Judge/Circuit Court Commissioner Hon. Vicki L. Clussman,

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on September 11, 2024 at 8:45 am. **You do not need to appear unless you object. The petition may be granted if there is no objection.**  
2. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is November 6, 2024.  
3. A claim may be filed at the Waupaca County Courthouse, 811 Harding Street Waupaca, Wisconsin, Room 3054.  
4. Heirship will be determined at the hearing on petition for final judgment.  
5. Publication of this notice is notice to any persons whose names or addresses are unknown.  
If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call (715) 258-6429 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.  
Atty. David L. Forsythe  
PO Box 215  
Iola, WI 54945  
(715) 445-2511  
Bar Number 1012182  
Published August 15, 22 & 29, 2024  
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**CLAIMS DEADLINE NOTICE IN THE MATTER OF RUTH A. DERBY LIVING TRUST**  
**DATED MARCH 8, 2012**  
Pursuant to Section 701.0508, Wisconsin Statutes, Carol L. Derby and JoEllen M. Derby, as successor trustees of Ruth A. Derby Living Trust dated March 8, 2012, with power to pay the debts of Ruth A. Derby, D.O.D. July 19, 2024, hereby provides notice that the deadline for filing claims for payment of debts of Ruth A. Derby with Carol L. Derby and JoEllen M. Derby, as Trustees of the Ruth A. Derby Living Trust dated March 8, 2012, is December 9, 2024, being the date four (4) months after the date of the first insertion of the Notice.  
By: /s/ Jaimesue M. Knowlton  
Legacy Law Group, LLC, 5740 Grande Market Drive, Ste D, Appleton WI 54913  
Publication Dates  
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**DATE SIGNED: August 2, 2024**  
Electronically signed by Angela Dahle Probate Registrar  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY**  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Jimmie M. Fowler  
D.O.D. 1-1-24

**Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)**  
Case No. 24PR44  
**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:**  
1. An application for informal administration was filed.  
2. The decedent, with date of birth July 4, 1940 and date of death January 1, 2024, was domiciled in Waupaca County, State of WI, with a mailing address of N2665 County Road QQ, King, WI 54946.  
3. All interested persons waived notice.  
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is November 5, 2024.  
5. A claim may be filed at the Waupaca County Courthouse, 811 Harding Street, Waupaca, Wisconsin, Room 3054.  
Form completed by: Jack Buswell  
101 West Oak Street  
Sparta, WI 54656  
Telephone 608-269-1200  
Bar Number 1008176  
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**DATE SIGNED: August 2, 2024**  
Electronically signed by Chris Marfilus Probate Registrar  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, PORTAGE COUNTY**  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Gavin M. Scott  
**Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)**  
Case No. 24PR52  
**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:**  
1. An application for informal administration was filed.  
2. The decedent, with date of birth January 5, 1965 and date of death May 9, 2024, was domiciled in Portage County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 1100 Wisconsin Street, Stevens Point, WI 54481.  
3. All interested persons waived notice.  
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is November 13, 2024.  
5. A claim may be filed at the Portage County Courthouse, 1516 Church Street, Stevens Point, Wisconsin.  
Attorney Heather M. Huebner  
Anderson O'Brien, LLP  
1257 Main Street, P.O. Box 228  
Stevens Point, WI 54481  
Telephone (715) 544-0890  
Bar Number 1102350  
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**DATE SIGNED: July 26, 2024**  
Electronically signed by Chris Marfilus Probate Registrar  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, PORTAGE COUNTY**  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RICHARD P. COONEY  
**Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)**  
Case No. 24PR55  
**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:**  
1. An application for informal administration was filed.  
2. The decedent, with date of birth July 7, 1942 and date of death July 15, 2024, was domiciled in Portage County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 3000 Center Street, Stevens Point, WI 54481.  
3. All interested persons waived notice.  
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is November 6, 2024.  
5. A Claim may be filed at the Portage County Courthouse, 1516 Church Street, Stevens Point, Wisconsin.  
PAUL A. ANDERSON, Attorney  
1001 Union Street, PO Box 325

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Stevens Point, WI 54481-0325  
Telephone (715) 341-3323  
Bar Number 1022993  
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**Ordinances 7740**

**ORDINANCE NO. 24-FP ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR THE TOWN OF ST LAWRENCE**  
The Town Board of St Lawrence, Wisconsin, do ordain as follows:  
**SECTION 1.** Pursuant to Section(s) 60.22(3) and 60.23(2), and (3) of the Wisconsin Statutes, the Town of St Lawrence, is authorized to prepare and adopt a comprehensive plan as defined in Sections 66.1001(1)(a) and 66.1001(2) of the Wisconsin Statutes.  
**SECTION 2.** The Town Board, by the enactment of an ordinance, formally adopted the document titled *Comprehensive Plan, 2030* as the Town comprehensive plan on November 20, 2007.  
**SECTION 3.** The Plan Commission, by a majority vote of the entire Commission at a meeting held on July 9, 2024, recommended to the Town Board the adoption of an amendment to implement Farm Preservation as part of the comprehensive plan.  
**SECTION 4.** The Town published or posted a Class 1 public notice and held a public hearing regarding the plan amendment.  
**SECTION 5.** The Town Board of St Lawrence, Wisconsin hereby adopts the proposed plan amendment. Documents attached show the parcels, and the change as requested by the parcel owner.  
**SECTION 6.** The Town Clerk is directed to send a copy of this ordinance and the plan amendment to the parties listed in Section 66.1001(4)(b) of the Wisconsin Statutes.  
**SECTION 7.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage by a majority vote of the full membership of the Town Board and publication or posting as required by law.  
ADOPTED this 5th day of August, 2024  
Jim Ferg, Town Chair  
Ayes: 2 Noes: 0 Absent: 1  
Attest: Jackie Beyer, Town Clerk  
Published August 15, 2024 WNAXLP

**ORDINANCE NO. FP-24 ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR THE TOWN OF LITTLE WOLF**  
The Town Board of the Town of Little Wolf, Wisconsin, do ordain as follows:  
**SECTION 1.** Pursuant to Section(s) 62.23/60.22(3) of the Wisconsin Statutes, the Town of Little Wolf is authorized to prepare and adopt a comprehensive plan as defined in Sections 66.1001(1)(a) and 66.1001(2) of the Wisconsin Statutes.  
**SECTION 2.** The Town Board, by the enactment of an ordinance, formally adopted the document titled *Town of Little Wolf - Year 2030 Comprehensive Plan*, as the Town comprehensive plan on January 9, 2007.  
**SECTION 3.** The Plan Commission, by a majority vote of the entire Commission at a meeting held on July 10, 2024, recommended to the Town Board the adoption of an amendment to implement Farm Preservation as part of the comprehensive plan.  
**SECTION 4.** The Town published or posted a Class 1 public notice and held a public hearing regarding the plan amendment.  
**SECTION 5.** The Town Board of the Town of Little Wolf, Waupaca County, Wisconsin hereby adopts the proposed plan amendment.  
**SECTION 6.** The Town Clerk is directed to send a copy of this ordinance and the plan amendment to the parties listed in Section 66.1001(4)(b) of the Wisconsin Statutes.  
**SECTION 7.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage by a majority vote of the full membership of the Town Board and publication or posting as required by law.  
ADOPTED this 8th day of August 2024  
Alan Moede, Town Chair  
Ayes: 3 Noes: 0 Absent 0  
Attest: Jackie Beyer, Town Clerk  
Published/Posted: August 15, 2024 WNAXLP

**Announcements 7005**

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**Announcements 7005**

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**Lost and Found 7010**

**Generous reward for recovery of lost gold signature ring, given to me by my father. Lost in or around Park Ridge Waigreen's Pharmacy. Call Bob 715-310-6515.**

**Rummage Sales This Week 7200**

Iola E1680 State Road 161 **HUGE SHED SALE**, August 15, 16, 17, 8am-4pm. Antiques, collectibles, rustics, furniture, shelving, garden. Shed is full of cool junk & unusual finds

**Rummage Sales Upcoming 7202**

Iola: N7292 Cty G. (South end of Main) Aug. 15, 16, 17, 9 a.m.- 5 p.m. Girls clothing YL, LS, women's career clothes, shoes, winter jackets, Boy's, Men's L, XL, hunting clothes, housewares, glassware, milk glass, Plaltzgraff Winterberry accent dishes, Lots more.

**Computers and Electronics 7216**

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**NURSING HOME**

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nursing and is going to attend the University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire this fall to start her nursing education.

Seeger said she is planning on going into nursing, but wants to take some time to get more experience.

“I told this awesome four-some that people can find something good even in a sad scenario,” Gerl said. “If my good friend hadn’t entered the nursing home I probably would have never met these four. I guess I’m a lucky guy.”

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# ADRC senior support programs

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

## Nutrition program

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

Congregate dining and grab-and-go meals are available on these days at these locations:

- Stevens Point: Lincoln Center. Serving from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Monday through Friday. Reservations are required one or more days in advance by calling 715-346-1421.

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

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

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

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

\*Reservations are required two or more days in advance by calling 715-347-4856.

## Falls Prevention

The Portage County Healthy Aging Coalition will observe Falls Prevention Awareness Day beginning at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 17. They encourage all individuals throughout the county to use the autumn season to educate themselves and their loved ones about fall risks and fall prevention.

Older adults are encouraged to reserve a spot at the coalition's falls prevention event, Healthy Aging Your Way, which will be held at Lincoln Center, 1519 Water St., in Stevens Point. The event will include screening activities, prize drawings, guest expert speakers, refreshments, lunch, and more.

The event is free, but space is limited, and reservations are required. To register, call The Aging and Disability Resource Center at 715-346-1401 by Sept. 3.

Falls are not a normal part of aging and can be prevented. Attending Healthy Aging Your Way on Sept. 17 is one step seniors can take to prevent falls. To attend the event, seniors can visit [www.falls-free.org](http://www.falls-free.org) where they will find steps, tools, and resources that can help them stay safe and independent as they age.

For more information or to register, contact the health promotion coordinator at

715-346-1401, or toll-free at 1-866-920-2525.

## Introduction to Medicare

A class on Medicare is scheduled from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Monday, Sept. 16., at the ADRC. This class is designed to help anyone enrolling into Medicare for the first time better understand their available options. It is suggested that you attend one session three to four months prior to starting Medicare.

Topics covered will be the basic parts of Medicare (A, B, C, D), how they work, how to enroll, the additional insurance options available, drug coverage requirement, along with the Extra Help program and Medicare Savings program which are designed to help cover some of the costs for Medicare premiums. To register for this free class, call the ADRC at 715-346-1401.

## Lincoln Center

The Aging and Disability Resource Center is located at Lincoln Center, 1519 Water St., Stevens Point. Call 715-346-1401 or 866-920-2525. Hours: Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Email: [adrc@co.portage.wi.gov](mailto:adrc@co.portage.wi.gov)

Web: [www.co.portage.wi.gov/adrc](http://www.co.portage.wi.gov/adrc)

# Stevens Point bridge winners

STEVENS POINT – The Aug. 5 social bridge winners at the Lincoln Center were Mary Olson, Jeanette Glisczynski and Dave Schill.

Call Rose Marie at 715-341-1654 by Wednesday to play the following Monday.

The Aug. 8 duplicate bridge winners at the Lincoln Center were Erik McVikar and Terry Byrne, Cathy Quella and Jay Quella, and Tom

Rowe and Larry Niederhofer.

The Aug. 9 duplicate bridge winners at the Lincoln Center were Pat Curti and Mary Jacobson, Sandy Davis and Barbara Ringberg, and Audrey Patoka and Joan Platt.

New duplicate players welcome. People interested in playing duplicate bridge on Fridays, call Sandy Davis at 715-252-3365.

# UW releases Facts and Trends

STATE – The Universities of Wisconsin published its latest Facts and Trends data book, a compendium of key statistics affecting the state's 13 public universities.

The data book includes information on state funding trends, talent development and degree production, enrollment and participation rates, affordability and tuition, and infrastructure.

"Facts and Trends describes the challenges facing our universities while also demonstrating the incredible value we offer to our individual students, our

communities, and the state of Wisconsin," said Universities of Wisconsin President Jay Rothman. "We're pleased to share this vital information with the public. It is an important complement to our Accountability Dashboard and our Strategic Plan."

Facts and Trends includes the following key data:

- Wisconsin ranks 43rd out of 50 states in public funding of four-year higher education.

- The college-going rate of Wisconsin high school graduates is lower than the national average and most

surrounding states.

- More than 600,000 Wisconsin adults under 65 years of age have some college credit but no degree.

- More than 265,000 enrollments in adult education classes at a UW.

- Average debt load upon graduation is lower on both an inflation-adjusted and real dollar basis.

- Universities are reducing their structural deficits.

- Nearly four in 10 degrees conferred are in STEM or healthcare fields, and nearly 70 percent of new programs are in STEM fields.

# Optimist Club gives scholarships

STEVENS POINT—The Stevens Point Noon Optimist Club announced the recipients of its annual scholarship program.

Recipients are Juniper Rydberg of Stevens Point, daughter of Russell Rydberg and Elizabeth Rydberg, attending UW-Stout, and Nicholas Grywacz of Plover, son of Randall and Maryann Grywacz, attending Concordia University Wisconsin.

Rydberg will pursue a degree in family and consumer science education. Grywacz will pursue a degree in rehabilitation science.

Each received a \$1,000 scholarship. The scholarships, administered by the Stevens Point Noon Optimist Club, have been awarded since 2000 to worthy graduating high school seniors of Portage County.

The Stevens Point Noon

Optimist Club was chartered on May 17, 1961, and has been in continuous service to our local community and youth since that time.

The club is committed to the Optimist Mission Statement "By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in youth, our communities, and ourselves."

For more information, message the club on Facebook.

# Zietlow named Prevail Bank CFO

STEVENS POINT – Randy Zietlow is the new chief financial officer at Prevail Bank.

Zietlow brings more than 25 years of experience in financial management, process and profitability improvement, facilities management, in addition to other areas of banking. His home base will be Prevail Bank in Stevens Point.

"We are excited to have Randy join our team," said Nathan Quinnell, President of Prevail Bank. "Randy is a visionary, with strong interpersonal, operational, and



Zietlow

communications skills. His experience, expertise, and analytical, problem-solving

abilities will be valuable assets to the bank."

Zietlow has been involved with the Stevens Point YMCA, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Wisconsin, the Stevens Point Noon Rotary Club, Junior Achievement, and the Wisconsin DNR Hunter Education Program.

When he isn't working, he enjoys spending time with his spouse, Justis, and their three boys. Together, they enjoy hunting, hobby farming, and spending time at church and school and sporting events.

**Clerk Wanted:**

The Town of St Lawrence is seeking resume's to fill the position of Assistant Town Clerk, to start immediately. This position can progress to Town Clerk. This is an Appointed (hired) part time position, with pay commensurate with experience. The duties include: Election Administration; keeper of the Town records and recording of minutes for all Town meetings; payment of bills and budget management; assembling the Town budget; maintain records for the Fire Department and First Responders- financial and meetings; attend all Board meetings and Fire Commission meetings, Board of Review; maintain the calendar for Park rentals; any other duties directed by the Board. All necessary training will be provided and paid for by the Town. Candidate must be able to work well with residents and other Board members. Pay is determined by the Board, and a probation period is required. Please submit your resume to the Town Chair at [jferg@highway.email](mailto:jferg@highway.email), or the Town email at [lawrence@wolfnet.net](mailto:lawrence@wolfnet.net) Phone calls will not be accepted. Qualified candidates will be contacted for an interview appointment. The job will remain open until filled.

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# Plover to host EgoCon 2024

PLOVER – EgoCon, the science fiction, fantasy and gaming event will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 17, at the Sentry Curling Center, 1515 Maple Drive, Plover.

The event features full-size Daleks from the Doctor Who TV series, light sword demonstrations by the Saber Legion of Wisconsin, author Laura Kearney, Larry VanMersbergen with the Doctor Who Collectors Podcast, board games, vendors and a charity auction.

Admission is \$15. Costumes encouraged.

For more information, go to [egocon.org](http://egocon.org) or contact [egocon.masona@gmail.com](mailto:egocon.masona@gmail.com).

# FARMER

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County Sheriff's Office at 9:13 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 16, and reported a pickup truck going the wrong way on U.S. 10.

A minute later, the officer reported that the truck had crashed with a SUV on U.S. 10 east of County Trunk X in rural Weyauwega.

A Waupaca County deputy reported seeing an open bottle of vodka in the center console area of the truck.

Weyauwega firefighters and Fremont paramedics struggled to remove Farmer from the truck for more than 10 minutes. He threatened to fight with them, the complaint says.

When asked how much alcohol he had to drink, Farmer reportedly said, "A lot."

His blood tested at .346 BAC, more than three times the legal limit.

Farmer faces up to 40 years in prison on each of the homicide charges.

He is scheduled for sentencing on Nov. 22.

In 2015, Farmer was sentenced to two years in prison on felony charges of battery and disorderly conduct as acts of domestic abuse.



# Opinion

## PUBLISHER'S LETTER

### Blueprint For The End Of Days

Dear Reader,

How do you want to exit this world and transition to the next?

There are two fundamental ways to approach the end of life, aside from extraordinary circumstances.

The first way is to grow old and do the ordinary things necessary to get along. You die with your hearing intact. You can still see clearly. Your voice remains strong. You have most, if not all, of your teeth, and your brain functions well enough to know what day it is. You can walk and manage basic needs independently. Ultimately, you pass away peacefully in your sleep.

The second path is to live life to the fullest, pushing your limits every day. Your vision diminishes, your voice weakens, and your hearing fades. You have only a few teeth left, and your body is marked with wrinkles and scars. You fought hard for good causes and never shied away from a challenge. You practically crawl to your grave, having given everything you had. You face the afterlife unafraid, with the remnants of your soul.

So, which path will you choose—the easy way, with its stately graces and comforts, or the challenging route, overcoming obstacles and conflicts, leaving the world a better place behind you?

It's your call.



**PATRICK J. WOOD**  
Publisher

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

## Federal aid buoys municipal finances

### WISCONSIN POLICY FORUM

Wisconsin's cities and villages increased their basic forms of spending in 2022 by the most in at least a decade, but the increase significantly lagged that year's rate of inflation.

Recent infusions of federal pandemic aid also likely have played a key role in bolstering the fiscal health of Wisconsin cities and villages. Their reserves saw their second-largest increase in a decade in 2022, while their main form of debt grew by the smallest amount since 2014.

These are among the findings from the Wisconsin Policy Forum's interactive 2024 Municipal DataTool, or MuniTool. The tool provides interactive data on municipal government spending and services for all 604 cities and villages in Wisconsin — from the village of Yuba (population 53) to the city of Milwaukee. Data are grouped into the following areas: property taxes, municipal spending, debt, fund balances, shared revenue (a key form of state aid) and property values, and income and population. The latest 10 years of data are provided.

Across Wisconsin municipalities, net basic spending increased on a per capita basis from \$693 in 2021 to \$719 in 2022. After increases of less than 1% during the previous two years, this 3.8% rise is notable because it is the largest annual increase in this category in at least the last decade. However, it still trailed that year's 8% increase in inflation.

About half of the increase in net basic spending came from a 12.9% increase in per capita general government spending — the second-largest such increase in the last decade. The three other components of net basic spending — street maintenance, fire and emergency medical services (EMS), and police — also increased in

2022, albeit much more modestly.

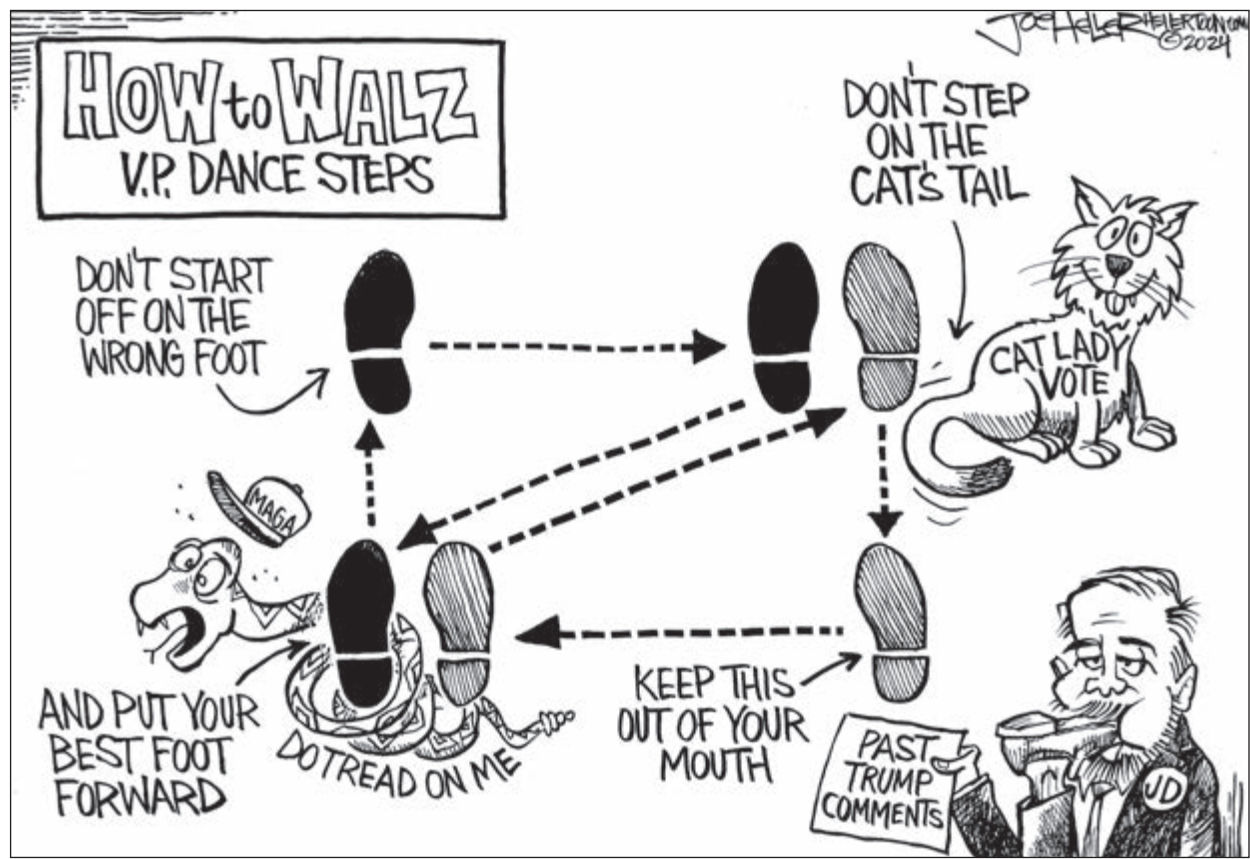
Average municipal fund balances rose from \$927 per capita in 2021 to \$1,004 per capita in 2022, an 8.4% increase that was the second-largest in the last decade. In 2022, fund balances rose to 90.3% of annual net operating spending, the highest point in the last decade.

The impact of federal pandemic aid on municipal fiscal health may also have affected general obligation (G.O.) debt levels, since municipalities could opt not to borrow but to instead use these federal dollars on capital expenses. Per capita G.O. debt rose by only 2.1% in 2022 — the smallest increase since 2014 — and G.O. debt as a percentage of the state-allowed limit plummeted to 35.2%, the lowest level in at least a decade.

Looking back over the past decade, property tax levies across all Wisconsin municipalities rose from \$542 on a per capita basis in 2014 to \$687 in 2023. That 26.7% increase was slightly below the 28.7% rate of inflation over the same time period.

The two primary sources of municipal revenue in Wisconsin — property taxes and state aid — have grown more slowly than inflation over the last decade, with a corresponding impact on spending. From 2013 to 2022, net operating spending per capita rose by 22.1%, while annual average inflation rose by 25.6%. Net police spending per capita rose by only 9.0% during this period. Net fire and EMS spending per capita rose by 15.9%, and street maintenance spending per capita rose by 6.5%.

*This information is a service of the Wisconsin Policy Forum, the state's leading resource for nonpartisan state and local government research and civic education. Learn more at wispolityforum.org.*



## Lobbying big business in Madison

BY WISPOLITICS.COM  
CAPITOL REPORT

Interest groups are constantly trying to influence lawmakers and policymakers in Madison. And they spend a lot of money doing it.

Through reports filed by interest groups with the state, we can find out how much is being spent and what topics are being lobbied.

According to recently filed reports, interest groups spent \$18.4 million seeking to influence the Capitol over the first six months of 2024. During that time, the Legislature wrapped up its floor work, and lawmakers turned their attention to the fall elections.

That's up from the \$16.6 million that groups spent over the first six months of 2022 as registered lobbying organizations spent just over \$52 million over the first 18 months of the 2021-22 session.

So far this session, groups have racked up \$57.6 million in expenses seeking to lobby the Capitol.

Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce led the way for spending over the first six months of 2024 with \$448,077 in reported

expenses.

The Wisconsin Realtors Association was No. 2 at \$438,343, while the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation was next at \$386,578. The Wisconsin Hospital Association reported \$351,180 and Wisconsin Infrastructure Investment Now Inc. dropped \$279,917.

Those groups are regularly the top spenders for lobbying the Capitol; they comprised the top five for all the full 2021-22 session.

Here's an overview of the lobbying efforts by some of the top five:

\*WMC: Lobbying groups have to register any bill or issue they worked on during the period. Still, they only have to provide specifics on how much time was dedicated to the topic if it took up at least 10% of their overall effort. For the state's largest business group, 89% of the time it spent seeking to influence the Capitol between Jan. 1 and June 30 went toward "minor efforts," those that took up less than 10% of its overall time. It spent 11% on the topic of "workforce" over that period.

\*Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation: The ag group put 20% of its effort during the six-month period into supporting AB 860/SB

811, which sought to allow agricultural organizations to provide health coverage to its members and their families. The legislation, which also sought to exempt the proposed coverage from insurance law, received public hearings in both houses of the Legislature, but didn't get a floor vote. The group spent another 10% of its time on AB 957/SB 952, which sought to preempt local animal ordinances. Both houses passed the bill, but Democrat Gov. Tony Evers vetoed it in March.

\*Wisconsin Hospital Association: The group put 40% of its effort into AB 1088, which sought to create an option for a "patient's representative" to consent to an incapacitated person being admitted directly from a hospital to a nursing home or a community-based residential facility. Current law allows certain family members to provide that consent. The bill passed the Assembly, and a Senate committee backed it 5-1 in mid-April after lawmakers had already completed their regular floor periods for the year.

\*Wisconsin Infrastructure Investment Now Inc.: The expenses groups are required to report include any

efforts to influence the public on legislation. Wisconsin Infrastructure Investment Now Inc. is led by longtime Capitol figure John Gard, a former GOP Assembly speaker. Dedicated to supporting infrastructure, it didn't list any hours spent lobbying in the Capitol. It split its effort during the six-month period evenly between state highway facilities and workforce development, with all of the money it spent falling under the header of "all other lobbying expenses." The rest of the top 10 for lobbying expenditures between January and June were: Badger Advocates Inc., \$257,451; Wisconsin Property Taxpayers Inc., \$221,770; the Wisconsin Counties Association, \$215,602; ATC Management Inc., \$201,026; and the Wisconsin Insurance

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## Navigating home insurance claims

BY MACKENZIE CAMPBELL  
WISCONSIN STATE BAR

One of the most common types of homeowner's insurance claims is due to wind, water, and hail-related losses after a storm. In 2023, the National Weather Service recorded 132 severe hail events, 221 severe wind events, and 20 tornados in Wisconsin.

Any number of these events can give rise to a claim for damage. Policyholders often receive less from their insurers than they expect and feel lost in the claim process. Here are eight tips to make your claim successful.

### Be aware of the insurance coverage you purchased

Review any annual changes to your policy. If you see any errors, make sure to get those corrected in a timely manner.

### Document everything

Take photographs and videos at the earliest opportunity. Document any damaged or missing property and any steps you are taking following the loss. Be specific and include the make/model and age of items where possible.

Keep a diary of the dates and times of anyone that you talk to as well as their respective contact information. Keep track of anything you believe is

damaged even after the adjuster leaves your property as additional items may come to your attention later.

### Promptly notify insurance agent after a loss

Don't delay! Reporting your claim promptly is crucial. If the damage forces you to vacate your home, ensure your insurer has your updated contact information.

### Take steps to protect property from further damage

You cannot make permanent repairs until your insurance adjuster has a chance to assess the damage. However, if temporary repairs are necessary to protect your property from further damage and you can do so, you should make them. In some cases, your insurance company will hire others to assist you with this.

### Make a list of items that you may need help with on a temporary basis

This may include temporary living arrangements and money to replace lost food while repairs are made to your home.

### Be prepared for insurance adjuster

Make a list of things you want to show the insurance adjuster before the assessment. This could include things like broken windows, cracks in the walls, missing or broken ceiling tiles, and water damage. Also include items that may not be visible to the naked eye, such as electrical damage.

### Save all communications

You should always keep a copy of any written communication between yourself and your insurer, claims adjuster, agent, or contractors/repair workers. This includes any text messages. You will likely be expected to complete paperwork, such as a proof of loss form, or other claim paperwork during this process.

### Seek legal advice

Talk to an attorney experienced in handling these claims if you have concerns about what you are being asked to provide or disagree with the claim payments being offered to you by your insurer.

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## SHERIFF'S REPORT

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friend was getting his dog for him to kill. His friend said the dog bit his children.

• Aug. 7 – A Clintonville caller on Kuschel Road reported her neighbor was feeding her horses. This causes them to cluster, knock the fence down and get loose.

• Aug. 7 – Rawhide Youth Services reported a juvenile shoved a staff member and punched another.

• Aug. 7 – A Waupaca caller on Franklin Street reported her son put a gun in her mouth this morning. He took off in his pickup truck with medications and a pocketknife.

• Aug. 7 – A Coleman caller reported she was trying to get a bee out of her van and she hit a Road Closed sign at full speed and smashed her windshield.

• Aug. 7 – A 911 caller reported the death of an elderly man who fell.

• Aug. 7 – An anonymous caller reported a white Mustang and a dark sedan were doing donuts in a parking lot.

• Aug. 7 – A local tavern reported that a man brought his own drinks into the bar and the bar staff asked him to leave. Disgruntled, the man egged and threw garbage at the back of the building.

• Aug. 7 – A Marion caller on Missall Lane reported he thought someone was trying to break into his truck.

• Aug. 8 – A Waupaca woman on Butternut Road reported a neighbor stole their patio chaise and portions of their deck fence and

sold them.

• Aug. 8. – A Waupaca man on East Road reported his neighbor was mowing his property.

• Aug. 8 – A 911 caller reported a man and a woman lying by the side of the road. The man was bleeding at the back of the head. Both were intoxicated.

• Aug. 8 – A Clintonville caller on Lakeshore Road reported a male trespasser was taking food out of her house.

• Aug. 9 – Portage County Sheriff's Office reported a white and blue "crotch rocket" speeding at over 100 mph on State Highway 54 near Town Line Road.

• Aug. 9 – Rawhide Youth Services reported a juvenile threatened to harm another student. They confiscated an edged weapon.

• Aug. 9 – A Clintonville caller on Olson Road reported a woman was harassing her via text messages.

• Aug. 10 – An Iola caller on Johnson Road reported a suspicious man wandering around on foot. The caller spoke to the man who seemed confused. The man said he wanted to be friends.

• Aug. 10 – An unknown caller reported a man wearing camouflage and a backpack and holding a big stick was yelling racial remarks by Woods Restaurant.

• Aug. 10 – A caller reported that a juvenile was at Pick-n-Save in Waupaca to buy gift cards and was being blackmailed.

• Aug. 10 – A Fremont caller on Wolf River Drive reported his mailbox was struck by a vehicle and mir-

ror was lying in the ditch.

• Aug. 10 – An Ogdensburg woman on Saint Lawrence Street reported a female hitting a male.

• Aug. 11 – A Clintonville woman on County Trunk C reported she hired a caretaker for her property to clean, take care of a cat, and take out garbage. The caller was gone for a year, came back and now items were missing.

• Aug. 11 – A caller reported a juvenile followed another juvenile into the woman's bathroom and crawled under the stall.

• Aug. 11 – A Waupaca caller on State Highway 22 reported a man in a blue Dodge truck with no plates stopped near his property and the driver got out and made lewd gestures.

• Aug. 11 – A Manawa woman on Cemetery Road reported a road rage incident involving her husband and another man.

• There were few deer-auto collisions during this period. Seven controlled burns were called in. The water patrol stopped nine boats. A female caller reported an emaciated horse. A Waupaca woman reported a dog was eating her chickens. ThedaCare reported a woman was bitten by a stray cat. A Manawa man on Murray Road reported two loose horses. A Waupaca woman driving a VW Jetta hit a cow. The cow survived. There were numerous calls about trees blocking the roadway. An Iola caller on West Hill road reported downed power lines. A deputy escorted a turtle across the road.

## CLIPPINGS

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complaints to change their equipment."

"Moving forward I have been informed that Tony's Cemetery Service will be using chute blockers to prevent grass from being discharged," Mc Auly said in the email. "This method should prevent a majority of

the grass clippings from hitting the monuments. There is still a chance of clippings hitting the monuments with weed whipping around the monuments, but nowhere near the amount that a side discharge mower can send."

He added that the five-year agreement with Tony's Cemetery Service hasn't changed, and the city isn't paying any

additional money for the change in equipment used.

In addition, Tony's Cemetery Service removed grass clippings from all the monuments at Graceland Cemetery on Aug. 6.

"The decision to clear all clippings from the monuments was made by Tony's Cemetery Service," Mc Auly said.



Eric Bestul, with a group of Viking reenactors at the Waupaca library's Renaissance Faire Saturday, Aug. 10, played a tagelharpa, horsehair-stringed lyre from Scandinavia. James Card Photo

## Free corn roast at Bear Lake

MANAWA – The annual free corn roast held by the Bear Lake Preservation Association will take place the Sunday of Labor Day weekend, Sept. 1 at Bear Lake Campground and Resort.

The event also features a bean bag tournament, craft fair, kid's games as well as free corn on the cob.

The money raised at the event goes to benefit the BLPA which uses the money to invest in keeping Bear Lake clean to ensure the health of the aquatic eco systems.

Judy Doud, secretary and treasurer of the BLPA, said they are also hoping to in-

vest in more fish cribs.

The event has been going strong for over 20 years. It started when neighbors on Bear Lake donated corn in order to raise money for the BLPA. From there it has grown and is currently the only fundraiser the association has during the year.

There is a craft fair that runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and vendors are welcome to sign up, Doud said they will take vendors right up until the morning of the event.

The cost to be a vendor is \$25, which pays for a 10-foot-by-12-foot space. For more information about becoming a vendor, email

Doud at bjd4848@outlook.com.

The bean bag tournament is not luck of the draw, players can choose their partners. The cost is \$20 per team and will yield a 50% payout to winners, with a split among the top three teams.

The bean bag tournament begins at 11 a.m.

The kid's games start at 11 a.m. and will go until 1 p.m.

The free corn roast starts at 11 a.m. and will keep going until it's gone. This year the corn will be donated by Lake Side Foods out of Random Lake.

## Trail Life Troop meets Aug. 27

WAUPACA – An introductory event for the Waupaca Trail Life Troop will be held at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 27, at Faith Community Church.

Trail Life is a "Christ-centered, boy-focused" organization with more than

55,000 members and 1,200 troops in all 50 states.

The Waupaca troop was chartered in December 2023 and became active in March 2024 as a ministry of Faith Community Church.

Today, there are 20 boys participating in the Wau-

paca Trail Life troop.

Boys ages 5-17 and their parents or guardians are invited to learn more about this local program.

For more information, call 715-281-5334 or go to [traillifeusa.com](http://traillifeusa.com).



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