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At the forefront of change

BY ELSA HARVEY
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

GREEN BAY – “We like to call ourselves people who turn over rocks,” said Pete Angilello, president/co-founder of The Canary Fund.

Established in 2019 to honor community member James Rivett — inspired by the canaries brought into coal mines to sense and respond to the environment — The Canary Fund is a nonprofit that helps individuals and new organizations get started in their early-stage projects and helps spread compassion and sustainability in Northeast Wisconsin.

From 2019 to 2021 The Canary Fund worked in partnership with the Pollination Project; however, they officially became a non-profit organization in 2021.

The organization supports individuals and organizations at the “forefront of change.”

Funded by donations themselves, The Canary Fund offers seed grants to individuals and organizations in need.

“They are seed grants so it helps with leverage if these individuals or start-up organizations want to go to a larger fund they can say they have a \$3000 seed grant from our fund,” Angilello explained.

Inspired by the Pollinations Project they find the people who are approaching a problem in their community.

The Canary Fund supports 10 major categories of change, some of which include Human



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The Canary Fund photo



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Services and Basic Needs, Youth Leadership and Development, Animal Rights and Welfare and Environmental Sustainability and Stewardship.

To qualify for The Canary Fund, the individual or organization must be doing their work in one of the 12 counties.

The process is simple: there are 16 members of the board and seven members on the panel. The panel will go through all of the applications to see what they have been doing in their community and look at if they have received previous funds.

“We make it very simple as many of these individuals it's their first time applying for a grant. We make it so it isn't overwhelming ... we even offer oral interviews for people who struggle to write down their ideas or if English isn't their first language,” Angilello added.

Once an individual or organization has received funds they are given a grant ambassador to check in on the project and status and they are sent a nine-month report to fill out on how they are using the funding.

“The best way for people to know is our website; there is a link on the homepage to subscribe to the newsletter. That is where they can find out about upcoming applications,” Angilello said.

The Canary Fund will typically give out the seed grants twice a year.

In their recent rollout of seed

grants, they were able to give \$21,100 to ten change-makers throughout Northeastern Wisconsin.

The Canary Fund is a non-profit themselves, so they are always looking for donors who can help support them.

They hold events, including their first annual Halloween Bash on Friday, Oct. 25.

For more information, visit www.thecanaryfund.org.

Yardstick Books to host “Great Loop” presentation

FOR THE STAR-NEWS

ALGOMA – Yardstick Books will host Manitowoc's James and Jill Iverson, author/illustrators of the travel journal, *Exploring America's Great Loop* on Oct. 19 at 4 p.m.

“The Great Loop” is a North American boating adventure, using a combination of rivers, canals, lakes and open ocean passages to circumnavigate the eastern third of the United States and part of Canada.

Exploring America's Great Loop follows Iversons on a year-long journey of discovery as they experience the challenges and rewards of the Loop, illustrated with pages from Jill's sketch journal.

The Iversons' adventure spanned over 6,000 miles, winding through rivers, lakes, canals and coastal waterways.

They faced numerous challenges, from navigating through rough waters to encountering diverse wildlife and experiencing the vibrant cultures of countless towns and cities along the way.

Each moment was recorded in Jill's sketches and James' detailed



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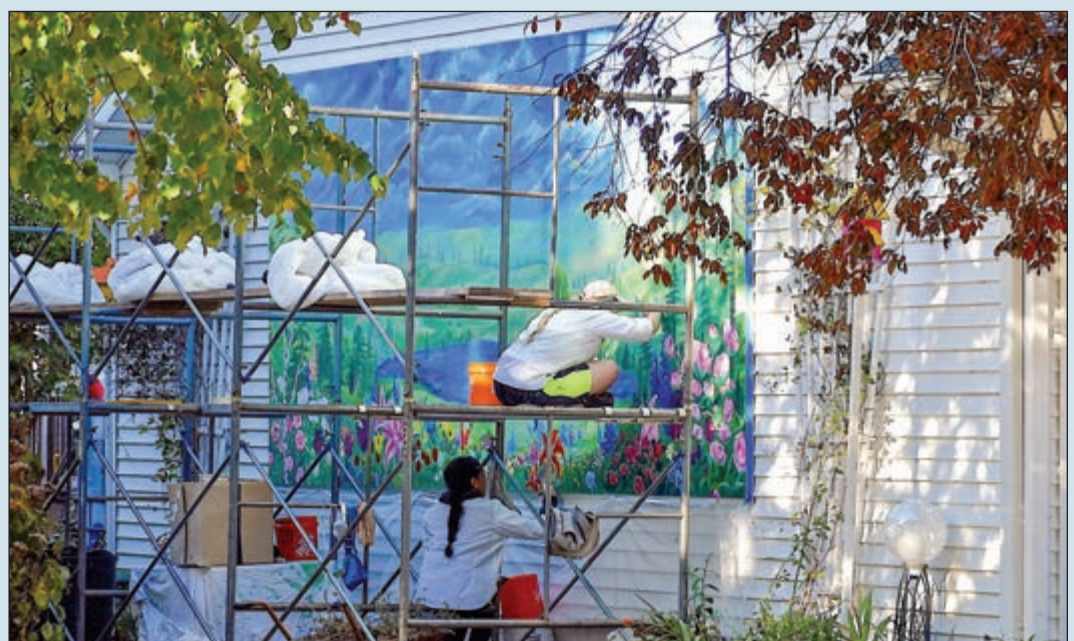
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notes, capturing the essence of their journey.

James, who had grown up with a persistent dream to fulfill his interests in nautical adventures, has a passion for navigation and maritime history.

Jill spent her summers with family operating a remote fish camp in Canada where she would climb rocks, swim and play, which has shaped her creativity as a visual artist today.

Yardstick Books is located at 317 Steele Street, Algoma.



Follow your art

Algoma's newest mural was a joint venture between Isabella Rodriguez Toro of Cottage Grove and her sister-in-law, Karina Rodriguez Toro. The large painting was done for Karina's grandmother, Tina Marie, on the west side of Tina Marie's Boutique, 625 4th Street.

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L-C Homecoming is a bash



School Scoop

BY LAUREN SCHUMACHER
L-C HOMECOMING ADVISOR

Homecoming week has officially wrapped up at Luxemburg-Casco High School (LCHS), and what a week it was.

Our school turned into a lively festival of competition, color, dress up days and Spartan spirit. Here's a look back at the week.

Monday kicked off with judging of the annual hallway decorating contest. In a twist that no one saw coming, the freshmen — yes, the freshmen — walked away with first place.

That evening, the senior boys took control of the

Ironman volleyball game, spiking their way to a victory.

Tuesday brought us the first annual student cook-out and cornhole tournament, which was a great way for students to gather with friends and throw some bags while enjoying Salmon's hot dogs.

Seniors, continuing their dominance, claimed victory in the cornhole tournament.

We can only assume they've been practicing this highly competitive, very serious sport all summer long.

Wednesday's Powderpuff

football game gave us a chance to see the ladies of LCHS battle it out on the gridiron, and it was intense as always. In the end, the seniors triumphed yet again.

The juniors, of course, played hard, and their refusal to let the seniors have an easy win gave us a game worth watching.

Friday was jam-packed, starting with the pep assembly at LCHS, which included the annual class dance competition, hot dog eating contest, the balloon-popping game and tug-of-war.

The parade followed, with floats for homecoming court, sports teams, each grade and high school clubs, while the band played the school song.

The day ended with the homecoming football game against Shawano Community High School, where the state runner-up Spartans secured a solid 27-7 victory under head coach Neil Seering.

Homecoming Court was announced at halftime, followed by the much-anticipated LCHS and L-C Middle School band's Beach Bash halftime show under the direction of Clint Piper, Tim Bahn, and color guard coach Stacy Baird.

A performance by the L-C Dance Team wrapped up half time.

The seniors were awarded the coveted Spartan Shield for their unparalleled school spirit.

Saturday night was the cherry on top of an



The Luxemburg-Casco Homecoming Court, in back row from left: sophomores Lane Ledvina and Alayna Heurkens; third row: Matthew Koss, London Shefchik, Tanner VanKirk, Grace Havel, Bryce Longlais, Bella Marchi; second row: Josh Parins, Anna Charnetski, Alex Steinfeldt, Payton DeGrand, Bryce Dhuey, Elaina Holschuh; front row: freshmen Ben Klass and Gretta Annoye, King Cade Massart and Queen Hannah Schley, juniors Corwin Brewer and Claire VandenBush.

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unforgettable week with the Homecoming dance.

The gym and atrium were transformed into a twinkling wonderland thanks to the hard work of Homecoming court as well as Glitz and Gilt LLC, and the dance floor was packed all night long.

The highlight of the

evening was the grand march and the crowning of our homecoming royalty by last year's queen, Aleece Jandrain, and last year's king, Lawson Johnson.

Congratulations to Hannah Schley, who was crowned Homecoming queen, and Cade Massart, who took the crown as

Homecoming king.

In the end, Homecoming week was a huge success, filled with laughter, competition, school spirit, and memories.

We appreciate the community's support of our students and athletes and the flexibility of LCHS staff during a crazy week.

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Cynthia LaLuzerne provides Family Medicine services at Door County Medical Center Algoma Clinic.

Cynthia is from Algoma, WI and earned her Master of Science in Nursing from Bellin College - Green Bay. In her free time she enjoys spending time with family, cooking and baking, hiking, swimming, exercise, and being outdoors.

Cynthia is board certified by the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners.



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Schlies, Harmann selected for 2025 Wisconsin Farm Bureau Leadership Institute

FOR THE STAR-NEWS

MADISON - Two area agricultural leaders — Joe Schlies, Denmark, and Eric Harmann, Algoma — were among 15 selected to

participate in the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Leadership Institute.

This year-long leadership training program's mission is to develop strong

and effective agricultural leaders.

"It is important that farmers and agriculturists step up as advocates

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Am I doing the right thing?



Sheriff's Corner

BY MATTHEW JOSKI
KEWAUNEE COUNTY SHERIFF



As we continue through the transition of summer to fall and the activities surrounding our agricultural community that we are so proud of, I wanted to share some observations.

I have written many times on our efforts to coordinate and provide guidance to our local agricultural community in regards to their operation on public roads and their obligation to us as a community and to other motorists sharing that same public road.

In some of these areas, we

have been successful, while in others we continue to see areas of improvement.

We have seen transfer site operations where there is proper signage and practices which mitigate risk, while still others fail to take the time and effort to create a safe environment for both their workers as well as others in the adjacent area.

We have seen haulers make use of tarping mechanisms so as to minimize debris leaving their loaded trailers, while others take shortcuts and continue to disregard their obligation

to the community they are working in.

I bring up these contrasts between responsible and irresponsible operations as a call to action. I am asking that those farms, haulers and contractors that have taken the time and spent the resources to do the right thing call out your counterparts who are failing in their obligation to run a legitimate and safe operation.

While we in law enforcement will continue to respond to the complaints, attempt to identify those in violation and issue the proper and well-earned citation, we cannot be everywhere.

If we ever hope to arrive at a place of truly professional and accountable agricultural community, we will need to work together. Just as in law

enforcement when one of officers' actions reflect on all other officers, so too does the behavior of one hauler or farmer reflect on the entire agricultural community.

Thank you to all of those who do the right thing each and every day.

Thank you to those operations who have created and nurture a culture of safety, rather than a culture of expedience for the purpose of profit.

Thank you to those who are truly doing their best to be good neighbors in our community which relies so heavily on the success of our agricultural industry.

Whatever role you may have on a given day, ask yourself "Am I doing the right thing?"



Algoma Utilities recognized

Algoma Utilities was recently recognized during the 2024 WPPI Energy Annual Meeting in Wisconsin Dells, marking its milestone 120th anniversary. Algoma Utilities is a municipally owned and operated electric and water utility serving more than 2,000 customers in Algoma, founded in 1904. Pictured, Algoma Utilities General Manager Pete Haack, center, poses with the utility's milestone anniversary plaque alongside WPPI Energy Board Chair Jim Stawicki and President/CEO Mike Peters during the WPPI Energy Annual Meeting in Wisconsin Dells. **Submitted photo**

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for their farms and agribusinesses," said WFBF Senior Director of Member Relations Wendy Volkert. "The Leadership Institute equips participants with

the skills and confidence to shape the future of farming and agriculture, both within their county Farm Bureau and in their broader communities."

Other members of the 2025 WFBF Leadership Institute class are: Jason

Behrend, Wisconsin Rapids; Alana Biermeier, Mauston; Ann Brost, Walworth; Grant Buwalda, Waupun; Casey Denk, Mondovi; David Foerster, Oostburg; Mary Fronek, Antigo; Allison Gorr, Albany; Katie Koepfel,

Mishicot; Austin Sandmire, North Freedom; Jeremy Skemp, Columbus; Amy VanderMark, Elroy; and Collin Weltzien, Arcadia.

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PUBLISHER'S LETTER

The High Cost Of Estrangement



Dear Reader,

In the course of life, it's inevitable that even the closest of relationships will encounter disagreement. Whether it's a difference of opinion, a conflict of values, or something else entirely, these moments can feel incredibly significant – like hills worth dying on. But what happens when two people, bound by affection and history, find themselves at an impasse over an issue they both deem important?

At first, there's dialogue – a hope that mutual understanding will prevail. Yet sometimes, instead of finding common ground, each party digs in deeper, their positions hardening. What follows is polarization: Both sides, convinced of their own rightness, begin to pull away from each other. Eventually, this tug-of-war leads to estrangement, where the once-close relationship is relegated to the sidelines. What was once a source of joy becomes a source of pain.

During this period of separation, each person continues to live their life. Perhaps they find new routines, new hobbies, and even new joys. But there's a profound loss here too, an unspoken void where connection once flourished. They live in separate orbits, not sharing in each other's successes, not being present in each other's challenges. On the surface, life may seem okay, even good, but there's something fundamentally missing.

Over time, as the emotional dust settles, a realization begins to dawn. What seemed like a monumental issue in the heat of the moment begins to shrink in significance. The conflict that once felt so important now seems almost trivial – a speck of dust in the grand scheme of things. And with that realization comes regret: All that time spent apart, all those moments that could have been shared, are lost forever. They missed out on the chance to support one another, to celebrate together, to simply be there for each other.

Eventually, the estrangement ends. They reconcile, recognizing the value of their relationship over the fleeting issues that drove them apart. There's relief in coming back together, in realizing that the bond between them is far more important than any disagreement. But even as they move forward, there's a lingering sense of loss for the time they wasted, the opportunities they missed to enrich each other's lives.

The truth is, life is too short for such losses. We can get tripped up by small things, but when those small things get in the way of caring for and loving one another, they're not worth the cost. When we let go of pride and stubbornness, we make space for connection and understanding. We remember that what truly matters is the relationship itself, the shared experience of life.

So, let's remind ourselves not to let the small stuff – and it's all small stuff – get in the way of the relationships that matter most. The time we have is too precious to waste on anything less.

PATRICK J. WOOD, Publisher
Author of "Reflections" a new book now available on Amazon.

OBITUARIES



Mary Lou Karnopp
September 13, 1952 – October 1, 2024
Mary Lou Karnopp (née Barbiaux), 72, of Luxemburg, passed away peacefully on October 1st, 2024, surrounded by her loving family, after a long and courageous battle with illness. She was born on September 13th, 1952, at St. Vincent Hospital in Green Bay to Jonas and Lucille (Lemens) Barbiaux. Mary Lou was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend

to many. She married the love of her life, Arlin Karnopp on October 31st, 1970, and together they raised five children: Candy (Steve Hanmann), Angie (Mike Peterson), Kate (Bruce Kinjerski), Rob (Nicole Schultz), and Dusty (Danielle Brey). Family was Mary Lou's greatest joy, and she was a proud grandmother to Madison (Jordan Jadin), Emma, Lydia, Sophie, Bella, Abby, Ryker, Ainsley, Flora, and Vivienne. She also delighted in her role as great-grandmother to Hayes. Mary Lou was also known as "Grandma" to a special little girl named Avery, who held a very important place in her heart.

Mary Lou had a heart for caregiving, a passion she lived out through her career as a registered nurse. She served as the night supervisor at Bornemann's Nursing Home and later transitioned to home health care with Clarity Care before retiring. Even in retirement, Mary Lou continued to share her expertise by instructing Med Pass and Trachea Care classes. Her nurturing spirit and generous nature touched many lives throughout her career and beyond.

An avid sports fan, Mary Lou especially enjoyed following Kewaunee Athletics and cheering on her favorite football teams. However, her greatest passion was spending time with her family, attending her grandchildren's events, and creating lasting memories with those she loved most. Mary Lou's faith was the cornerstone of her life. Baptized on September 21st, 1952, she had her first communion on April 24th, 1960, and was confirmed on May 26th, 1963. She spent over 30 years teaching Sunday school at St. Paul Lutheran Church and was an active member of the flower and altar guilds, the Funeral Lunch Committee, and the Quilting Committee. Alongside her husband, she also served as the church custodian for many years.

As her mobility declined in recent years, her husband, Arlin, lovingly took care of her at home, ensuring she remained surrounded by the comfort of family.

In her final act of selflessness, Mary Lou made the generous choice of being a donor, ensuring that countless others will have the opportunity for better lives through her gift. Her legacy of compassion and care will continue to touch lives even after her passing.

Mary Lou will be remembered as a kind, loving, and selfless woman who gave endlessly to others. Her strength, intelligence, and sense of humor brought joy and comfort to everyone who knew her.

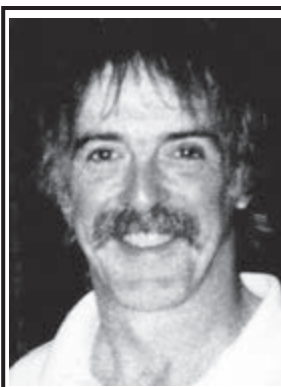
The family would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to Mary's Cardiology Team, Physical Therapy Team, and the 2nd Floor Care Team at Bellin for the excellent care and compassion Mary Lou received in her final days.

Mary Lou is also survived by her loving siblings: LuAnne (John) Kaye, Bob (Janie) Barbiaux, Sue (Ken) Davister, Bill (Nancy) Barbiaux, Kathy (Pete) VanDeHey, Debbie (Dennis) Mercier, and Janelle (Jeff) Zoeller. She is further survived by her cherished in-laws: Nolan (June) Karnopp, Neil (Brenda) Karnopp, and Shelley Karnopp, as well as several aunts, uncles, and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Jonas and Lucille Barbiaux; her in-laws, Elton & Vernis Karnopp; her brother Joseph; her daughter Angie; her brother in-laws, Merle & Dean; her niece Jennifer; her nephew Kraig; and several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

A visitation will be held on Friday, October 4th, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at St. John Lutheran Church in Luxemburg, 700 Heritage Rd, with a prayer service starting at 6:45. Visitation will continue Saturday morning from 9:00 a.m. until the time of the funeral service at 11:00 a.m., also at St. John Lutheran Church. Following the service, the committal will take place at St. Paul Lutheran Church cemetery, Montpelier.

Kinnard Funeral and Cremation Services is assisting the Karnopp family. Online condolence messages can be shared at KinnardFCS.com



Douglas (Doug) E. Bitzan, passed away peacefully at Bellin Hospital in Green Bay, WI on Sunday, September 29, 2024, at the age of 66. He was the son of Earl and Violet Bitzan born on January 4, 1958, in Algoma, WI. Doug grew up on the family farm before graduating from Algoma High School and going to work at Bay Shipbuilding in Sturgeon Bay, WI. Upon marriage and having children, Doug transitioned to Olsonite Corporation in Al-

gomoma, WI, with a short stint running what is now known as the Algoma Pizza Bowl. He worked many years before becoming self-employed logging and ultimately purchasing and running the family sawmill.

Doug grew up and made lifelong friends along the lake shore and beyond. In his younger years, Doug was known to instigate a fun evening out with friends, while always remembering his family obligations the next day. Doug enjoyed self-employment and the opportunity to use his trade to help others with their business and home projects. He thanks his many customers for their years of loyalty and support. While not working, Doug enjoyed his many years of bowling and pool league(s), hunting, logging, and Sunday afternoon football games.

Doug is survived by his sons Lucas Bitzan, Minneapolis, MN and Derek Bitzan, Algoma, WI. He is also survived by Connie Bitzan, longtime wife and mother of his children.

Doug was preceded in death by many aunts and uncles, longtime friends and family, and his parents. While Doug was unable to say good-bye, he cherished his longtime relationships sharing stories until the very end.

Lucas and Derek look forward to welcoming you to celebrate his life with funeral services to be held at Schinderle Funeral Home in Algoma, WI, on Friday, October 18, 2024, from 4:00 – 8:00 PM with a short ceremony at 7:00 PM Rev. Mark Kinney officiating.

Lucas and Derek would like to give a special thank you to the staff on 1st floor south for the care and kindness given to Doug and his family.

Express your sympathy, memories and pictures for the family on Doug's tribute page at www.schinderlefuneralhome.com.



Ruth C. Lukes, 92, (formally from Kewaunee) passed away on September 11, 2024 at Moraine Ridge Assisted Living in Green Bay. She was born on December 13, 1931 in Door County to Henry and Myrtle Berg. When Ruth was a baby, her father tragically died at a young age. Myrtle married Orville Weborg and had 2 children Allan and the late Marilyn Weborg (Hauser). Ruth married Leo Lukes in 1950 and lived in Kewaunee until their retirement and then moved to

Green Bay. They had 5 children, Gary, Lynn, Wendy, Kevin, and a daughter Bonnie who died at birth. Throughout her life she worked as a waitress and cook in various restaurants in Kewaunee and Brown County. Her favorite memories were spending time in Door County at her grandparents farm. Ruth enjoyed golf and bowling leagues throughout her life. Ruth served many roles including being a Girl Scout and Christian Praise Bands. She was the best cheerleader at her children's activities. She enjoyed her grandchildren and spent quality time with them. Survivors include her 4 children: Gary (Sarah) Lukes, Lynn Lukes and special friend (Toni Charles), Wendy and fiancé (Dave Burke), Kevin Lukes (Erika). Grandchildren: Amy, Christopher, Jamie, Mason and Caden. Great grandchildren: Mitchell, Holly, Bronwyn, Elena. Many nieces and nephews. Ruth was preceded in death by her husband Leo, her parents, her daughter Bonnie, her sister Marilyn Hauser.

A funeral is planned on Saturday, October 26 at Grace Lutheran Church in Green Bay. Visitation 9:30 -11 a.m. Service 11 a.m. Thank you to the staff and her friends (especially Mary and Abby) at Moraine Ridge for the care and compassion they gave Ruth over the years.

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second day consists of 10 chest to bars and then riding a bike for increments of four minutes, three minutes and two minutes.

The final event of Day Two consisted of bar snatches.

Fameree had to do four snatches with 105 pounds, three snatches for 115 pounds, two snatches for 135 pounds and one snatch for 145 pounds.

The third and fourth days consist of even more highly competitive events.

Fameree is 62 years old and performing at the top of his game — a testament to his dedication and how he takes care of himself.

Fameree's best advice for



Fameree is shown here competing in one of his assigned sets during the CrossFit Games. Submitted photo

any young competitors is to "not be intimidated and start at your own pace."

Being in touch with your abilities is key to finding

success as a CrossFit athlete.

"Everyone has their own starting point, and no one knows you better than you. Instead of rushing to be like

everyone else, start at your own pace and work up from there. That's how you get the full effect and place well in the games," said Fameree.

Fameree also said he encourages others to join the CrossFit Games.

"It's fun. You become lean, it translates to mental health and you become fit," said Fameree. "In addition, you get to interact with others who are like you and have similar goals as you."

Fameree emphasized how we, "owe it to ourselves to take care of our bodies."

According to Fameree, taking care of your body is an unselfish act, and when you become older, you don't want to become a burden to other people having them take care of you.

Fameree doesn't know if he will qualify for the next CrossFit Games, but if he does, he hopes to continue

to place high and achieve success as a competitive athlete.



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the public can take a horse-drawn wagon ride from the parking lot between 10 a.m. — 1 p.m. The wagon ride is sponsored by the Algoma-Kewaunee Area Great Lakes Sport Fishermen.

Once at the facility, there will be egg collection demonstrations and educational displays and presentations.

Guided tours will be available, or you can simply hang out and watch fish splash below the dam, in the fishway, or in the sorting ponds.

A pair of underwater viewing windows offer a unique look at fish preparing to leap up the fish ladder.

The Root River facility was already up and running last week.

As of Oct. 3, 755 coho, 146 Chinook, 18 rainbow trout and four brown trout had been captured there, with most of them passed upstream.

Last week, the DNR began sorting fish at

Strawberry Creek (1517 Strawberry Lane).

There were 637 Chinooks sorted, but most were not ripe yet.

An additional 48 coho were processed for data and removed from the pond.

This year's goal is to take about 3.5 million eggs.

While there's no formal open house there, the public is welcome to watch the process Mondays and Thursdays.

Hunting update

Judging by all the photos of bucks and does seen on Facebook, last weekend's youth hunt was a big success despite some very windy conditions.

The totals weren't available at the time of this writing, but almost certainly will be similar to or higher than recent years.

Through the first 17 days of the bow and crossbow hunt, more than 10,800 deer were registered statewide, including 5,217 antlered bucks.

The numbers included 140 whitetails (57 bucks)

in Door County, with 85 of those taken with crossbow and 55 with archery gear.

Kewaunee County hunters registered 61 (31 bucks): 39 deer with crossbow and 22 with archery gear. Brown and Manitowoc each had 123, just under half bucks.

Meanwhile, the southern zone duck hunt is on a five-day, split-season break, reopening Saturday, Oct. 12.

That's the same day the Open Water Duck Zone opens. Next weekend is the pheasant opener, along with southern zone cottontail rabbit, fox (hunting and trapping), resident raccoon (hunting and trapping), and Zone B ruffed grouse.

Coyote hunting is open year-round; coyote trapping opens Oct. 19 along with a number of other seasons for those with permits (bobcat period No. 1, fisher, and mink and muskrat in the Northern Zone).

For the birds

It's expected to be hot

Friday, but a lot cooler in the coming week.

That'll get birds flocking to your feeders.

If you haven't already done so, now's the time to give them a good cleaning; or, perhaps pick up one or two new ones if needed.

There are the local birds — like chickadees, cardinals, blue jays and woodpeckers — as well as a number of migrants taking advantage of feeders and fresh water when offered.

While providing a full menu is ideal, you can attract plenty of species with just some suet cakes and oil sunflower seeds.

If new to bird feeding, pick up everything you need at a local store such as Havegard Birdseed, 225 Navarino St., Algoma.

Water levels update

As of Oct. 4, Lake Michigan and Green Bay water levels were just above the 100-year average but down four inches in the

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Lake levels are expected to drop another three inches by early November.



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Public Hearing Notice

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GENERAL FUND	Audited 2022 - 2023	Unaudited 2023 - 2024	Budget 2024 - 2025
Beginning Fund Balance	4,301,886.88	4,460,393.58	4,575,120.47
Ending Fund Balance	4,460,393.58	4,575,120.47	4,491,781.23
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Transfers-In (Source 100)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Local Sources (Source 200)	2,973,014.95	2,891,920.58	3,736,295.65
Inter-district Payments (Source 300 + 400)	349,308.00	348,226.00	373,443.72
Intermediate Sources (Source 500)	16,301.75	10,302.46	6,969.00
State Sources (Source 600)	5,675,273.16	6,427,833.66	6,036,634.49
Federal Sources (Source 700)	756,097.42	705,911.57	259,650.85
All Other Sources (Source 800 + 900)	3,551.00	27,848.96	1,000.00
TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	9,773,546.28	10,412,043.23	10,413,993.71
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES			
Instruction (Function 100 000)	4,410,906.99	4,491,927.04	5,191,259.70
Support Services (Function 200 000)	3,255,137.94	3,366,045.26	3,448,523.81
Non-Program Transactions (Function 400 000)	1,948,994.65	2,439,344.04	1,857,549.44
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	9,615,039.58	10,297,316.34	10,497,332.95

SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND	Audited 2022 - 2023	Unaudited 2023 - 2024	Budget 2024 - 2025
Beginning Fund Balance	231,263.24	228,177.05	250,157.15
Ending Fund Balance	228,177.05	250,157.15	209,787.96
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	1,917,444.63	1,940,570.37	2,108,233.69
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	1,920,530.82	1,918,590.27	2,236,414.30

DEBT SERVICE FUND	Audited 2022 - 2023	Unaudited 2023 - 2024	Budget 2024 - 2025
Beginning Fund Balance	689,864.14	33,718.24	548,913.50
Ending Fund Balance	33,718.24	548,913.50	639,124.64
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	866,090.28	911,508.72	1,119,305.00
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	1,522,236.18	396,313.46	1,029,093.86

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	Audited 2022 - 2023	Unaudited 2023 - 2024	Budget 2024 - 2025
Beginning Fund Balance	223,446.43	226,494.30	723,171.23
Ending Fund Balance	226,494.30	723,171.23	3,857,336.23
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	3,047.87	496,676.93	10,494,250.00
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	0.00	0.00	7,360,085.00

FOOD SERVICE FUND	Audited 2022 - 2023	Unaudited 2023 - 2024	Budget 2024 - 2025
Beginning Fund Balance	312,912.52	307,759.44	254,059.79
Ending Fund Balance	307,759.44	254,059.79	254,059.79
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	411,313.63	383,026.41	438,400.00
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	416,466.71	436,726.06	438,400.00

COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND	Audited 2022 - 2023	Unaudited 2023 - 2024	Budget 2024 - 2025
Beginning Fund Balance	4,945.54	(269,384.94)	124,974.49
Ending Fund Balance	(269,384.94)	124,974.49	124,974.49
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	361,627.93	1,033,214.46	738,500.00
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	635,958.41	638,855.03	738,500.00

Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses

ALL FUNDS	Audited 2022 - 2023	Unaudited 2023 - 2024	Budget 2024 - 2025
GROSS TOTAL EXPENDITURES – ALL FUNDS	14,110,231.70	13,687,801.16	22,212,014.69
Interfund Transfers (Source 100) – ALL FUNDS	991,229.86	1,458,284.28	868,177.44
Refinancing Expenditures (FUND 30)	0.00	0.00	0.00
NET TOTAL EXPENDITURES – ALL FUNDS	13,119,001.84	12,229,516.88	21,343,837.25
PERCENTAGE INCREASE – NET TOTAL FUND EXPENDITURES FROM PRIOR YEAR		-6.78%	74.53%

PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY

Levy Summary	Audited 2021-22	Revised Budget 2022-23	Budget 2023-24
General Fund	\$2,678,309	\$2,457,437	\$3,033,540
Referendum Debt Service Fund	\$760,500	\$802,500	\$760,000
Non-Referendum Debt Service Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
Capital Expansion Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
Community Service Fund	\$200,000	\$705,000	\$387,000
Prior Year Levy Chargeback	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Levy	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL SCHOOL LEVY	\$3,638,809	\$3,964,937	\$4,180,540
PERCENTAGE INCREASE – TOTAL LEVY FROM PRIOR YEAR		8.96%	5.44%

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Famaree does it again

BY MARC THOMAS
 CONTRIBUTING WRITER

MADISON — Thomas Famaree, a local Wisconsin native who has a history of success while competing in the CrossFit Games has done it again.

The Games were held in September in Madison — Famaree was awarded a spot on the podium, being the only one in his age group.

This is Famaree's third time on the podium in three consecutive years, placing third in 2022, second in 2023 and third again in 2024 — an extremely rare feat.

Famaree said he is proud to have made the most of his opportunities and to see that his dedication has paid off.

"It is rare for someone to place on the podium three years in a row. I am happy and proud about it, as it is a unique and unusual achievement, but also surprised," said Famaree.

An active lifestyle

Growing up in Luxemburg, Famaree has always been an athlete, playing football, basketball and running track.

He later attended St. Norbert College, where he played football and ran track.

After graduating, he became a commercial banker for Wells Fargo in Milwaukee where he lived for 35 years before relocating back to De Pere.

Though he has always lived an active lifestyle, it wasn't until Sept. 1, 2014, that Famaree started



Famaree placed third, earning his third consecutive year on the podium as a competitor in the 60-64 age group for the CrossFit Games. Submitted photo

competing in the CrossFit Games.

Famaree took third place his first year, and is on a 10-year long attendance for the games.

The Games

Rapidly growing in popularity, the CrossFit Games is a small nationwide (soon to be international) sport that brings together about 200 people from around the world with different cultures within five age increments who all have the same goal-oriented task.

The Games originated in California, but moved to Madison in 2017.

The competition is a combination of gymnastics, lifting and cardio.

Famaree emphasizes that the games, "keep you healthy, help you physically and mentally, keep the body guessing, make you look at intake of nutrition, functional fitness, a very social environment and replicate real-life situations such as picking up your granddaughter."

Each person qualifying for the games gets assigned certain workouts to focus on and train, which are usually workouts performed at your own gym.

Once training is complete and you've shown what you can do at these events, the judges will qualify 50% of the competitors for the quarterfinals.

Those 50% of contestants

will then get assigned new workouts to train and perform, are judged again and then the top 20 athletes from the group will compete for first place.

With many contestants vying for a top spot, to finish standing on the podium is a big accomplishment.

The grind

In the 2024 CrossFit Games, Famaree competed in eight events within a span of four days.

For the first event of the first day, Famaree had to run 400 meters and deadlift 195 pounds for five reps.

There were four rounds of this, and for each round, the reps for deadlift would increase by five. Famaree got up to 20 reps of deadlift while also running once done.

The second event on the first day consisted of four rounds of three 15-foot rope climbs and carrying 100-pound sandbags six times — all only on the first day.

The first event on the second day of competition consisted of 75 wall balls where the competitor squats and throws a 20-pound medicine ball at a 10-foot target on the wall, 40 shoulder overheads with two 35-pound dumbbells, 30 box step overs with the 35-pound dumbbells, 40 dumbbell snatches alternating arms with one 35-pound dumbbell and 75 wall balls again. Famaree finished all sets in 14 minutes and 25 seconds.

The next event on the See **FAMAREE** page 5

Salmon run more of a trickle so far



In the Outdoors

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Some of the lowest water levels in many years have slowed the spawning run of Chinook salmon this fall, especially in the smaller creeks.

However, thanks to onsite wells and water pumps, Department of Natural Resources staff should be able to lure more than enough fish to man-made ponds to get the eggs they'll need to produce fingerlings for 2025 stockings.

There are already a lot

at the state's main Chinook egg-taking site, Strawberry Creek at Sturgeon Bay, and enough "kings" and cohos at the Besadny Anadromous Fisheries Facility west of Kewaunee that an open house won't disappoint Saturday.

DNR staff are hosting open houses at both Besadny (3884 Ransom Moore Lane) and the Root River facility in Racine Oct. 12 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

At the Kewaunee site,

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You can learn about Wisconsin's salmon egg collection for state hatcheries at an open house along the Kewaunee River Oct. 12. These three "kings" (slang for Chinook salmon) were photographed at last year's event. Kevin Naze photo

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Senior Spotlight



Grace Havel Luxemburg-Casco High School

Sports: Cross country/Track and field

Parents' names: James and Wendy Havel

Siblings: Gabriel Havel

Position or events: 5k/800m, 1600m

Career Highlight: I am most proud of coming back from a long term injury and being able to run a personal best at the last meet of my junior season. I am hoping for another personal best by the end of this year.

At what age did you start playing your main sport? I started running as part of the Luxemburg Area Running Club when I was seven years old and continued running 5k races until I was in middle school. I participated in cross country during sixth grade and then again in high school.

Who introduced you to the sport? My dad has always enjoyed running and introduced my brother and I to racing. He has always been extremely supportive of me running cross country and has inspired me to work hard and become a better runner and person.

Has this always been your favorite sport? I didn't always know I was going to be

a runner. Despite running throughout my childhood, I really enjoyed playing volleyball and thought that was going to be my main sport. However, after some conflict with the volleyball program and convincing from the cross country coaches, I decided to rejoin the cross country team.

How has balancing academics and athletics been different for you from your freshman year to your senior year? During my freshman year, balancing academics and athletics was overwhelming and a bit of a challenge. Now, as a senior, I feel much more confident in my ability to balance the two and do well in both.

What is your favorite part about this sport? My favorite part about cross country is the team atmosphere. Everyone is friendly and talks to everyone else, regardless of age or gender. We all have a lot of fun together.

What about it has caused you to stick with it for this long? I have stuck with cross country for so long because I love to see my improvement over the years. Running also helps me to stay active and improve my mental health when I am stressed.

Is there a professional athlete you look up to? If so, why? I don't follow any professional athletes super closely, but I do admire Sydney McLaughlin and all her track accomplishments.

What would you say is your biggest asset on the field/track? I would say my biggest asset is my work ethic and competitive nature. I strive to be the best I can and love to race and compete against others.

What has been your most memorable experience in high school sports so far? One of my most memorable experiences was finishing the last race of my freshman year side by side with my senior teammate and friend, Vicky Christoph.

How does it feel as a senior, to look back throughout high school and see your growth (as a person and athlete)? Looking back, I hope that I have had as positive of an impact on my younger teammates as my older teammates have had on me. As a person, I feel I have matured and learned a lot about myself over the years.

Do you have any pre-match rituals/routines/superstitions? I wouldn't say I have any pre-meet superstitions, but I always say a prayer before the start of every race.

Do you take any extra steps to prepare for a

big match/game/meet, outside of regular practices?

The night before a meet I make sure to go to bed early and the day of the meet I make sure to drink a lot of water.

Any memorable coaches or teammates you'd like to give a shout out to? I would like to thank all my cross country coaches, but especially head coaches Collin LeGrave and Jackee Wessel. All of my coaches work hard to better our team in any way they can. I am very appreciative of all they have done for me.

Any hobbies outside of sports? Outside of sports, I enjoy reading, baking, shopping, and spending time with friends and family.

Favorite song? My favorite song right now is Die with a Smile by Lady Gaga and Bruno Mars.

Sports drinks like Gatorade and Powerade or water? I drink a lot of water but I also like to drink Body Armour or Liquid I.V. before and after a meet.

Future plans? I would like to attend college at UW Eau-Claire to study speech language pathology.