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Tomahawk Community Theater to present 'Ghost Story' at THS auditorium



The Tomahawk Community Theater will present its third production, "Ghost Story," this weekend.

Photos courtesy of TCT



FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

TOMAHAWK – The Tomahawk Community Theater (TCT) recently announced its third production.

TCT will present "Ghost Story" at the Tomahawk High School (THS) auditorium, 1048 E. King Rd, Tomahawk, on Saturday, Oct. 26 at 7 p.m.; and Sunday, Oct. 27 at 2 p.m.

The play is a "haunting comedy" that's "the perfect play to start off the Halloween season," a release from TCT said.

Written by Marsha L. Grant, "Ghost Story" takes place in unsuspecting Chesapeake Bay.

"A broken-down safe house has some new guests: a corporate whistle blower and her daughter waiting to tes-

tify in court," TCT stated. "Imagine their surprise as they discover that the safe house is already occupied by four historic ghosts! You will have a great time watching as a cast of our talented local actors bring these characters to life on stage as the story unfolds."

TCT noted that directors Kenneth Lusty and Laurie Grant have "en-

joyed working with this fun loving, talented cast to create the perfect Halloween mood."

"The last two productions have been dinner/theater events," TCT stated. "Dinner will not be included at the auditorium venue; however, four of our local restaurants have offered something new. If you desire a total experience of dinner/theater, we

encourage you to visit one of our contributing sponsors: Castaways Bar and Grill, Sideways Wine and Craft Bar, The Tilted Loon Saloon and the Tomahawk Family Restaurant. These local businesses would be happy to serve you a delicious meal before or after the show."

General seating tickets are available for \$10.00 and can be purchased online at www.tomahawk-communitytheater.com.

"Tickets sell out quickly," TCT said. "Don't miss out on this fun event of laughter, mystery and Tomahawk community spirit."

Fall Ride featured in Uniquely Wisconsin series

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LINCOLN COUNTY – To those that ride, Harley-Davidson is much more than a motorcycle. It's a lifestyle, a sense of freedom and a source of great pride. And in Lincoln County, the brand carries an even deeper meaning.

The Tomahawk Fall Ride, and those riders that flock to Lincoln County, was highlighted in a new Uniquely Wisconsin program. Coverage of the story includes a portion of the Uniquely Wisconsin broadcast documentary, a streaming docuseries, social and digital stories and an appearance on "The Cabin" podcast.

"The People Behind the Thunder: Tomahawk Fall Ride," was released on YouTube and all Discover Wisconsin streaming platforms on Tuesday, Oct. 22.

Built upon generations of rich storytelling from Discover Wisconsin, the Emmy-award winning



Uniquely Wisconsin brand highlights the stories of the people, the culture and the history of our state, sprinkled in with a bit of economic development and tourism.

"Our state's history is rooted in so many tremendous stories, and

there is no story greater than that of Harley-Davidson, whose impact is felt in Lincoln County, as well as in our state and literally across the globe," said Wisconsin Counties Association President and CEO Mark D. O'Connell, an organization that has worked with

the Discover family for years. "We are honored to continue to be a part of the Uniquely Wisconsin brand and share stories like the Tomahawk Fall Ride in Lincoln County."

Current counties sharing their Uniquely Wisconsin stories in

Season Three, which will be released through December, include Ashland, Calumet, Jefferson, Lincoln and Oconto.

Season One and Two counties included Portage, Marathon, Adams, Rock, Sauk, Sheboygan, Monroe, Wood, Racine, Kenosha, Green Lake and Price.

"As a part of the Discover Mediaworks family of programming, the Uniquely Wisconsin brand highlights our state's greatest resource: its people," said Discover Mediaworks Inc. President and CEO Mark C. Rose. "At our foundation is the telling the stories of our state, something we've done for decades. We are so proud of the Uniquely Wisconsin brand, a brand that has literally reached millions and tells the wonderful stories like Tomahawk Fall Ride in Lincoln County, and its impact on the region and our entire state."

News Briefs

Speaker Alice Sharpling at Northwoods Vineyard

God is Calling Ministry will host speaker Alice Sharpling at Northwoods Vineyard Church, 418 Kaphaem Rd., Tomahawk, on Saturday, Oct. 26 at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome.

Zion Lutheran Church Harvest Dinner and Raffle

Zion Lutheran Church will host its annual Harvest Dinner and Raffle at the Brantwood Community Center, W1593 U.S. Hwy. 8, Brantwood, on Saturday, Oct. 26 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. The meal

will include chili, garlic bread, brownies and beverages. The raffle will feature a quilt, gift cards, baskets and items.

Rep. Tiffany to hold mobile office hours in Lincoln County

A member of Congressman Tom Tiffany's staff will be at the following Lincoln County locations on Monday, Oct. 28 to assist residents who may need help with a federal agency: T.B. Scott Public Library, 106 1st St.,

Merrill, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.; and the Tomahawk Public Library, 300 W. Lincoln Ave., Tomahawk, from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Appointments are not necessary, and staff will be able to aid in federal matters concerning Veterans Affairs, Social Security, the Internal Revenue Service, Medicare, passports, and more.

City of Tomahawk Fall Yard Waste Clean-Up Week

The City of Tomahawk Streets Department has des-

ignated the week of Monday, Oct. 28 through Friday, Nov. 1 as Fall Yard Waste Clean-Up Week. Only brush and yard waste will be accepted. Brush should be neatly piled with cut ends of limbs facing the curb. The only acceptable containers for leaves are plastic bags. The items should be set out no later than 7 a.m. each day.

Grace Lutheran blood drive

A blood drive, sponsored by the American Red Cross,

will be held at Grace Lutheran Church, 108 W. Somo Ave., Tomahawk, on Tuesday, Nov. 12 from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Appointments are recommended, but not necessary. To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-733-2767 or visit www.redcross-blood.org. A photo ID or a Red Cross ID is required.

Donations to cover student lunch debts being accepted

A Park City Credit Union account established to cover student lunch debts at the School District of Tomahawk is continuing to accept donations. To contribute to the account, visit Park City Credit Union.

Open Arms Community Meal served Tuesdays

Open Arms Community Meal is served each Tuesday at St. Mary's Corpus Christi Center, 320 E. Washington Ave., Tomahawk. The Corpus Christi Center opens at 4 p.m., and the meal begins at 5 p.m. All are welcome. To volunteer, call 715-224-3306 and leave a message.



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Biermann Foundation donation covers replacement of Sheriff's Office cameras

BY JALEN MAKI
TOMAHAWK LEADER
EDITOR

LINCOLN COUNTY – The Lincoln County Sheriff's Office will replace its aging camera systems after receiving a donation to cover the associated costs.

During its meeting at the Lincoln County Service Center in Merrill on Tuesday, Oct. 15, the

Lincoln County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved a resolution accepting a donation of \$533,349.50 to purchase new squad cameras, body cameras and related data storage systems for the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office.

According to the resolution, drafted by Lincoln County Sheriff Ken Schneider, the cameras

currently being used in Sheriff's Office's patrol vehicles are nearing the end of their life cycles, and half of them no longer record audio.

The Sheriff's Office also sought to replace body-worn cameras, citing the safety of Corrections staff and protection from liability when state inmates are housed at the Lincoln County Jail.

The Biermann Foundation has made financial contributions to the Sheriff's Office in the past, and after the Sheriff's Office presented the camera package to the Foundation, funding for the project was approved.

No timeline for when the Sheriff's Office would receive the new camera systems was provided during the meeting.

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LINCOLN COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

As reported by the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office Monday, Oct. 14:

On 10-07-24 a deputy on patrol stopped a vehicle on USH 8 near Woodland Dr. for a speeding violation. While making contact with the driver, a man from Grand Rapids, Mich., 35, was discovered to be in possession of marijuana. A subsequent search turned up more illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia. The suspect was taken into custody and transported to the Lincoln County Jail, where he was booked for possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia. He was also cited for speeding and operating after revocation.

On 10/11/2024 deputies were dispatched to the area of USH 51 and Lincoln Dr. for a reported car vs. box truck crash with injuries. Upon investigation and witness statements, it was learned that a box truck being operated by a man from Elgi, Ill., 35, was traveling W/B on Lincoln Dr. intending on crossing USH 51 and continuing on Lincoln Dr. The driver cleared the N/B lanes of USH 51 but failed to see a S/B vehicle being operated by a Wausau woman,

74. The box van continued into the S/B lanes and was struck by the S/B vehicle. The driver of the S/B vehicle was transported by Merrill Ambulance to Aspirus Wausau Hospital. The crash is still under investigation.

On 10/11/2024 deputies were dispatched to the area of the USH 51 Truck Stop on Brandenburg Ave. in the Town of Scott for disturbance in progress. The caller, a Merrill man, 30, was reporting that he has a no contact order with a Tomahawk woman, 44, and that she was at the time of the call following him. The man reported that they had been arguing, and that during the argument, the woman had hit the R/P with her with her car, but no injuries were reported. According to the investigation, the man and woman were involved in an argument. During the argument, the man reported that the woman who was sitting in a car struck him three times. The woman denied having struck the man. Both parties were found to be on probation; as a result of the incident, both parties were arrested on a probation hold. Additional domestic related charges are possible.

On 10/12/24 a deputy on patrol stopped a vehicle for a speeding violation on USH 51 near the 229 mm in the Township of Bradley. While making contact with the driver, a Merrill man, 43, the deputy noticed signs of impairment. The deputy requested the driver perform sobriety tests and a preliminary breath test, which the driver refused to do. The driver was then placed under arrest for a first offense of OWI. He was then transported to Aspirus Merrill Hospital for a blood draw, which the driver also refused to do. Following a search warrant, the subject's blood was obtained, and he was transported to the Lincoln County Jail, where he was later turned over to a responsible party.

On 10/12/2024 LISO received a call from the Marathon County Sheriff's Office of a hang up call they had received from a phone number that is located within Lincoln County. Deputies were dispatched to an address Bittersweet Ln. in the Town of Pine River. When the first deputy arrived on scene, she found a Merrill man, 49, passed out in a car. A short time later, the deputy advised that the female subject, 52, also from Merrill,

had returned to the scene. After talking with both parties, it was learned that the two were engaged to be married and the woman was suspecting the man of cheating on her. This led to a fight where the man reportedly struck the woman. After talking with both parties, the man was arrested on numerous domestic-related charges. An ambulance was requested at the scene for a possible head injury, but no one was transported. The male subject was transported to the Lincoln County Jail.

Deputies conducted 42 traffic stops five security checks. Deputies responded to nine car vs. deer crashes. Driving complaints: Seven. The 911 Center took three hang-up calls and eight nuisance calls.

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OBITUARIES

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Darrell L. "Bud" Spieth, 73, passed away on Sept. 28, 2024, in Tripoli, Wis. Bud was born on April 13, 1951, in Fort Wayne, Ind., to Darrell and Louise Spieth, both of whom preceded him in death. Bud graduated from South Side High School in 1970. After working for years in Fort Wayne, he moved to Milwaukee and worked for Briggs and Stratton. In later years, he moved to Tripoli, Wis., where he enjoyed his land, living life on his own terms. He liked to brag/complain to his family about the extreme weather he experienced in northern Wisconsin, but everyone knew he loved living there. Bud enjoyed motorcycle culture and attended the Fall Ride in Tomahawk and several other bike rallies. He enjoyed using his wit to agitate his friends and family members.

Buddy had many friends in the Tripoli area. The family thanks John, Sandy, and George for being Buddy's special friends and providing vital support over the years, particularly during his recent illness.

Bud is survived by three sisters: Kay Mikeworth of Indianapolis and Charlotte (David) Wolfe and Sandra (Jerry) Hetrick of Fort Wayne. He was preceded in death by his brother-in-law, Danny Mikeworth. Bud is also survived by four nephews, three nieces, and a host of great-nephews and great-nieces.

At Bud's request, there will be no services.



Vernon "Boot" James Hakala, 57, of Rhinelander, Wis., passed away on Sunday, Oct. 13, 2024 after battling cancer. He was born Jan. 7, 1967 in Tomahawk, the son of Philip and Janice (Schweke) Hakala. He attended Prentice High School graduating in 1985. After graduating high school Vernon joined the U.S. Navy serving from 1985-1990. He spent two years stationed in Japan on the USS Blueridge (LCC-19) and two years in Bremerton, Wash., on the USS Sacramento. (AOE-1) After his honorable discharge he lived in Washington State before returning home to Wisconsin in 1994. Vernon married the love of his life Becky Lontcoski on June 13, 2020 on Somo Lake in Tomahawk.

Vernon was employed at Phillips Plastics for 19 years until 2016 when he moved to Rhinelander with his family where he was employed at Charter Next Generation until the time of his illness. Vernon enjoyed camping on Somo Lake, sports, bowling, trips to the casino and spending time with his family and friends.

Vernon is survived by his wife, Becky Hakala of Rhinelander, Wis.; his two daughters, Megan and Zoe Hakala of Phillips, Wis.; son, Dominic Hakala of Rhinelander, Wis.; and his dog Chewie. He is also survived by his brothers, Brian (Dani) Hakala of Tomahawk; Keith (Mary) Hakala of Tomahawk; sister, Lynn Hakala of Parker, Colo.; brother-in-law, David (Heather) Lontcoski of Phillips, Wis.; sister-in-law, Jody (Brandon) Kozak of Phillips; and mother-in-law, Linda (Pete) Linden of Phillips. Also survived by four nieces and eight nephews and his Nicks Hodag Lanes bowling family.

Vernon is preceded in death by his parents, sister, Lori (Kenny) Laaksonen, his grandparents, many aunts and uncles, and his father-in-law, Chuck (Diane) Lontcoski.

Visitation will be held on Friday, Oct. 25, 2024 at Krueger-Nimsgern Funeral Home, Tomahawk from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. and again, on Saturday, Oct. 26 from 10 a.m. to time of service at 11 a.m. Services will be held at 11 a.m. with Pastor Dennis and Wendy Mannering officiating. Burial will take place at Somo Cemetery in Tripoli, Wis., with Military Honors. Following burial, there will be a celebration of life held at Nicks Hodag Lanes in Rhinelander.

Per Boot's request please wear your favorite sports jersey or comfortable clothes.

Online condolences for the family may be directed to www.nimsgernfuneral.com.



Don G. Habeck, age 87, of Tomahawk, WI, passed away on Sunday, Oct. 6, 2024, at Country Terrace Assisted Living in Tomahawk. Don was born in Schofield, Wis., on April 17, 1937, to the late Walter Sr. and Ora Madge (Bentley) Habeck. He was married to Patricia Knipfer on Oct. 10, 1959; she passed away on May 29, 2017.

Don was a 1955 graduate of Wausau High School. He entered the military serving in the United States Army. After

Don's honorable discharge, he moved to Tomahawk starting employment at the papermill for some time before moving back to the Wausau area where he worked as a carpenter for Knutson Construction. Don was a talented wood carver and excelled in carving wildlife such as birds, ducks, and eagles. He loved the outdoors and enjoyed watching the birds in his yard. Don was an avid Packer and Brewer fan and enjoyed visits to the casino with his wife, Pat. In his later years, Don and his best buddy, Joe Frigo, were frequent customers at the Tomahawk Family Restaurant, AKA "Benny's." Always up for an adventure, Don and Joe enjoyed taking drives, making daily stops to "Hob's" where he loved talking with the customers and crew in the shop. Don loved spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren enjoying brats and root beer floats with them.

Survivors include his son, Michael "Hob" (Stacy) Habeck, of Tomahawk; his daughter, Rhonda (Jack) Evans, of St. Augustine, Fla.; his grandchildren, Dezarae (Jake) Wierzba, Nichole (Jason) Lahti, Tara (Shane) Fletcher, Jessi (Beau) Rumsey, Jake Evans, and Cole Evans; and his eldest great-granddaughter, Kaitlin (Adam) Fau Fau, in addition to many other great-grandchildren and one great-great grandson. He was preceded in death by his parents, Walter and Ora; his wife, Pat Habeck; his brothers and sisters, Faythe Habeck, Audrey Earl, Walter, Harley, Truceman, Allen, Merlyn, Ervin, Patrick and an infant brother, Leander Habeck.

We, the family, would like to thank all the girls at Country Terrace for the love and care they always provided him. We also express extreme gratitude to Holly Duplyee and the staff at Moments Hospice. They lovingly guided Don home to our Lord Savior with great compassion, dignity, and grace. Also, a special thank you to Joe Frigo for his unconditional friendship, laughs, adventures, and Burger King Whoppers he shared with Don.

Private family services will be held. Generations Funeral Home & Crematory is assisting the family. You may view Don's obituary and leave online condolences at www.generationsfuneral.com.

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Tempus Fugit - Memento Mori

Forty or more years ago, I was a member of a Fraternal organization that used those Latin words as their motto. It translates into English as "Time Flies - Remember you must die." Now, to some, that may seem rather sad, or frightening. However, do we not often ask ourselves, or perhaps others, "Where has all the time gone?" "How have I spent the time God has given me?" or "How much time do I have left?"

Many songs have been written about time, both secular and religious.

For example, Frank Sinatra sang a song titled "September Song". Composer, Kurt Weill. Lyricist, Maxwell Anderson. The last two lines of the second verse says, "And plentiful waste of time of day, a plentiful waste of time." Followed by the chorus,

"Oh, the days dwindle down to a precious few

September, November

And these few precious days I'll spend with you

These precious days I'll spend with you"

There's a real lesson to be gained from those words.

God has allotted each of us a certain number of days, some of us more, and others less. We just don't know. Would we want to know? And, if we did know how many days, or years, we have "been allotted," would we make one or more changes to how we are living now?

Pete Seeger, Joe Hickerson and Bert Paige wrote "Where Have All the Flowers Gone?" A song with which you may be familiar. Peter, Paul, and Mary produced a wonderful recording of the song. It too, reminds us of Tempus Fugit, Time Flies. Each verse begins with a question. The first is "Where have all the flowers gone?" followed by "Where have all the young girls gone?", "Where have all the husbands gone?", "Where have all the Soldiers gone?", "Where have all the graveyards gone?", and then returning to "Where have all the flowers gone?" (This reminds me of the song, "The Circle of Life" in the animated movie "Lion King") Then each verse ends with the same questions. "Oh, when will they ever learn? When will they ever learn?" most importantly "When will we ever learn?"

Return now with me to consider some of our Sunday Morning worship hymns.

A praise song with which we often begin our service is titled "This Is the Day". Wonderful words of praise - "This is the day that the Lord has made, we will rejoice and be glad in it." A wonderful testimony of how we will spend our time in worship.

In the hymn "In His Time" we are reminded how beautiful is God's creation. The seasonal changes can bring stunning changes for our enjoyment. (I do realize, though, some of the weather changes do not rise to that level called enjoyment.)

And then we raise our voices singing "Take Time to Be Holy", a wonderful time to reflect on the awesomeness of God, how He has provided us with the tie to "Time to Be Holy".

There are several other praise songs and Hymns that speak of time such as "In Moments Like These" and "In Times Like These."

Do you have your own Hymnal at home? If not, perhaps you could borrow one, or purchase one at a book store for your own family worship time in your home. Great uplifting time well spent.

Consider the following abbreviated story titled "The Unmoved Rock", source unknown

Once upon a time, there was a man who was sleeping at night in his cabin when suddenly his room filled with light and the Savior appeared. The Lord told the man He had work for him to do and showed him a large rock in front of his cabin. The Lord explained that the man was to push against the rock with all his might. This the man did, day after day, for many years he toiled from sunup to sundown, his shudders set squarely against the cold, massive surface of the unmoving rock, pushing with all his might. He became discouraged that the rock would not move. He planned to quit until one day he decided to make it a matter of prayer and take his troubled thoughts to the Lord.

"Lord," he said "I have labored long and hard in your service, putting all my strength to do that which you have asked. Yet, after all this time, I have not even budged that rock a half a millimeter. What is wrong? Why am I failing?" The Lord responded, "My child, when I asked you to serve me and you accepted, I told you that your task was to push against the rock with all your strength, which you have done. Never once did I mention to you that I expected you to move it. Your task was to push. I, my child, will now move the rock.

The man thought his work was a waste of time. How often do we think the same when dealing with what we consider the "rocks" in our life? Pray about them, asking God for help. He is faithful. There is so much more to say, however I have exceeded my allotted time (words).



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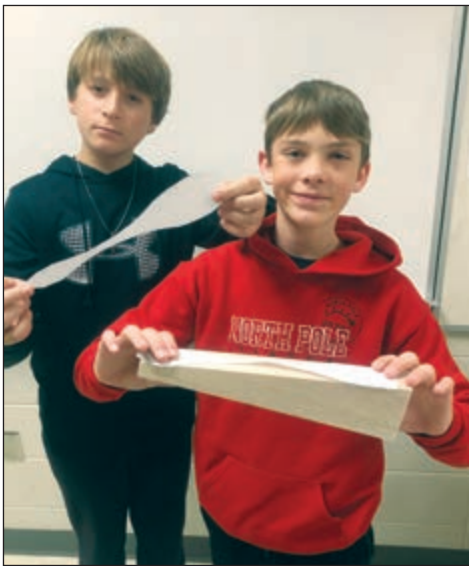
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Tomahawk Middle School (TMS) Concepts of Design students recently finished their final templates and attached both the top view and the front view to their CO2 dragster balsa wood blanks.



Tomahawk High School (THS) Automotive Technology students have been working on vehicles in the shop, including performing a wheel rotation and a radio system replacement.



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Nicolet College, UW-Madison Online launch direct transfer opportunity

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

RHINELANDER - Nicolet College recently announced a new partnership with the University of Wisconsin-Madison, creating a streamlined pathway for students to earn a Bachelor of Business Administration degree through UW-Madison Online.

In a release, Nicolet said the agreement guarantees that students who complete their Associate of Arts degree at Nicolet College and meet all UW-Madison admission requirements can transfer a minimum of 60 credits to UW-Madison, entering with junior-level academic standing.

"Nicolet College is thrilled to offer this opportunity to our students," said Nicolet College President Kate Ferrel. "This partnership with UW-Madison provides a seamless transition for our students to continue their education at a prestigious university, all



while staying in the Northwoods. The ability to complete both the associate and bachelor's degrees online is a significant advantage for our students, particularly those balancing other commitments such as family and work."

"Upon finishing their associate degree and meeting all requirements, Nicolet College University Transfer students may have guaranteed admission to the prestigious Wisconsin School of Business online business administration bachelor's degree programs in management, human resources and marketing," Nicolet stated.

Nicolet noted that its associate degree can also be completed entirely online,



providing students with flexible options to pursue their education wherever they are.

"This collaboration ensures that students who meet the transfer requirements are granted direct admission into an online Bachelor of Business Administration program, enabling them to continue their academic journey without the cost associated with moving to Madison," Nicolet said.

"We're proud to meet the needs of students who want to complete their bachelor's degree but cannot be a traditional residential student in Madison," said Maya

Evans, Associate Dean and Director of UW-Madison Online. "This online option helps us increase access to more outstanding Wisconsin students and enriches our Badger community."

To celebrate the partnership, Nicolet College will host a Badger tailgate party as the Badgers take on Northwestern on Saturday, Oct. 19. The event will begin 30 minutes before game time at Nicolet College, 5364 College Dr., Rhinelander. The game will be shown on multiple large screen monitors with traditional tailgate food, snacks and beverages.

"Degrees through UW-Madison Online can be completed 100% online, allowing students to advance their careers with a valuable degree while maintaining their current lifestyle," Nicolet stated. "This partnership underscores both institutions' commitment to accessible, high-quality education."



THS Small Engines students recently began the process of disassembling their projects.

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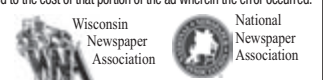
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PUBLISHER'S LETTER

On Aging

Dear Reader,

As we grow older, the reality of needing a little extra help to stay healthy becomes more apparent. High blood pressure, cholesterol, diabetes, asthma—these conditions often creep into our lives as we age. The truth is, once we hit 60, it's common to rely on at least one medication to manage our health. It's a fact of life, and it's not something to be ashamed of. Instead, it's a sign that we're taking the necessary steps to ensure we live longer, healthier lives.



But what can we do about this reality? First and foremost, we need to recognize that our bodies are the most precious assets we have. With just one body to carry us through life, it's essential that we take care of it—physically and mentally. That means staying active, eating well, and ensuring that our mental health is just as much of a priority as our physical health.

In the hustle and bustle of daily life, it's easy to focus only on the physical aspects of health—taking our prescribed pills, going to our doctor's appointments, monitoring our blood pressure. But mental health is equally crucial. To be dynamic, charismatic, and fully functional, we need to nurture our minds just as we do our bodies. Whether it's through meditation, social connections, hobbies, or simply taking the time to relax and de-stress, maintaining mental well-being is key to a truly healthy life.

So, while it's true that pills may become a necessary part of our daily routine, let's not forget that they're just one tool in our arsenal. A healthy lifestyle—both physically and mentally—can make all the difference in how we age and how we feel. Let's embrace the fact that, with the right support, we can live vibrant, fulfilling lives, no matter what age we are.

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



THS Incorporated business-starting event

Tomahawk High School (THS) students took part in a dynamic, three-hour boot camp-style event led by Nicolet College professors earlier this month. As part of the exercise, THS Incorporated students had the opportunity to get hands-on experience with the various facets of starting a business.



The students used platforms such as LogoAi, Looka and Canva to design logos for their fictional cookie companies and honed their data organization skills by compiling business data in Google Sheets, culminating in group presentations showcasing their companies.



Photos courtesy of Connor Ahrens

DATCP provides cybersecurity tips

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

WISCONSIN – The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) is partnering with the Wisconsin Department of Administration (DOA) and Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM) to

highlight October as Cybersecurity Awareness Month in Wisconsin.

Together, DATCP, DOA, and WEM are working to promote several everyday practices that the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency and National Cybersecurity Alliance recommend Ameri-



our society already relies on, it is more important than ever to strengthen and adapt our cybersecurity habits. These habits may require adjustment, but they are simple, effective, and easy to remember."

DATCP recommends keeping the following steps in mind when considering how to increase privacy and safety:

- Update your software regularly to fix security risks.

Cybersecurity
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cans implement this month, whether they be for personal or organizational use.

"Everyone benefits from improved online and device security," DATCP said in a release. "As new technologies enter the digital spaces

Ask the PASTOR

Readers are invited to submit questions about God, the Bible, and religion. I shall try to answer them for you, using the Bible as my final authority.

A couple of weeks ago we looked at Proverbs 2:1-9 and its answer to the question: *How do we get wisdom?* There we saw the two conditions necessary to being wise and understanding: 1) knowing how to obey God defined authority and 2) a desire to learn. Last week we looked at this as it applies to the coming elections. Today, we shall look at what it is to not behave wisely as we choose the next set of leaders. God defines two types of people that are the opposite of the wise, who know no authority but their own thoughts, and listen to no one who may disagree with what they already think. God refers to them as the foolish and the scorners.

The nature of a foolish person (usually called a fool in the Bible) and a scorners is that they only want to hear what they already think (Proverbs 18:2), considering themselves to be wise enough to already know anything of importance (Proverbs 12:15). For this reason, they will not receive instruction from others (Proverbs 23:9), and if you try to correct their errors, they will not like you for it (Proverbs 15:12) and will not learn from what you say (Proverbs 17:10). They also are easily angered at any who would challenge what they think (Proverbs 12:16).

The foolish and the scorners are alike in these things, the main difference between them is that the foolish will leave you alone if you leave them alone, but the scorners will freely voice their opinions, because they are proud in their self-conceived wisdom and are quick to attack any who may disagree (Proverbs 21:24). The scorners, in their pride, is a source of contention (Proverbs 22:10).

Because the foolish and the scorners will not listen to anyone who may disagree with them, and therefore are unteachable, they will often bring upon themselves and those they influence, trouble (Proverbs 19:29 and 29:8). When it comes to elections, to vote foolishly or as a scorners, our choices will affect everyone for time to come. So, how does the foolish and scorners vote?

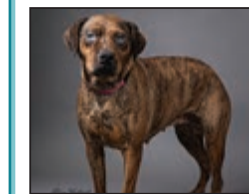
First, they will vote for the party they always have, without investigating what the candidates on both sides really believe. Second, when they do investigate the candidates, they limit their investigation to what their favored party says about the opposition. And third, they will believe the campaign slogans without investigating what past performance (what the candidates have already done – actions speak louder than words) actually tells us about their candidate's politics.

A final comment about the foolish and scorners is that they do not care about moral issues, only that they get their own way (Proverbs 10:23, 13:19 and 14:9).

May we be wise in our voting, our future and that of our children depends upon it.

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25	11:31PM	6:47AM	2:49PM	7:10PM
26	12:40AM	7:31AM	3:08PM	7:52PM
27	1:46AM	8:13AM	3:25PM	8:32PM
28	2:51AM	8:52AM	3:40PM	9:11PM
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OCHD highlights Breast Cancer Awareness Month

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

ONEIDA COUNTY – The Oneida County Health Department (OCHD) recently highlighted Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

“Breast Cancer Awareness Month happens every October to bring awareness to breast cancer and breast cancer screening,” OCHD said in a release. “This disease is far-reaching. In fact, each year it affects one out of every eight women in the United States and around 2.3 million women worldwide.”

OCHD is asking the public to be on the lookout for pink this month, because pink is the color for breast cancer awareness.

The department said it is working with its partners, including the Wisconsin Well Woman Program, to do the following:

- **Help people who have breast cancer.** Those already diagnosed with breast cancer, even when it may have spread to other parts of the body, can receive financial and other kinds of support.

- **Teach people about what causes breast cancer.** Education is very important when it comes to breast cancer, and some organizations create messages to share so women know what can cause or increase their chances of getting breast cancer.

- **Tell everyone how important it is to get checked.** Some groups also share critical information about breast cancer screening messages. This includes sharing that starting at age 40, or sometimes earlier if you have a higher risk, getting regular check-ups can find breast cancer early when it's easier to treat.



- **Collect money to study breast cancer.** The more we know about it, the better we can fight it. So, breast cancer fundraising organizations raise money to do important research.

“In 2023, statistically about 5,460 women in Wisconsin may have found out they had invasive breast cancer, and sadly, 720 of them might not survive it,” OCHD stated. “However, if we can find breast cancer early, with regular check-ups, women can live longer, healthier lives.”

OCHD said Breast Cancer Awareness Month is a great time to set up screenings.

“If you are a woman aged 40 to 64 and you do not have good insurance, or maybe you do not have insurance at all, you may be able to get these important screenings through the Wisconsin Well Woman Program,” OCHD said.

To learn about eligibility, visit www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/wwwp or call OCHD at 715-369-6119.

WPS crews working to restore power in Florida following Hurricane Milton

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

FLORIDA – Wisconsin Public Service (WPS) crews are working to restore power in Florida after the significant damage caused by Hurricane Milton.

A release from WPS said approximately 25 WPS workers arrived in Tampa earlier this month.

“The WPS crews are among tens of thousands of utility workers from across the U.S. who are making repairs after Hurricane Milton knocked out power to people across Florida,” WPS stated. “The crews continue to see substantial damage – including toppled trees, flooded homes and broken electric equipment – while also managing hot temperatures and unfamiliar wildlife, like snakes.”

“Our crews are able to make good decisions, able to work safely, able to work efficiently and try to get through what they are giving us,” said WPS Operations Manager Jon Joanis, who is among the workers in Tampa. “The



A WPS crew works to restore a power line in Florida.

Photo courtesy of WPS

local lineworker we're paired with has been very impressed with the guys' work ethic, our coordination and speed of restoration.”

WPS crews began their work in northwest Tampa earlier this month, jumping in and helping restore power to a hospital affected by the storm. The crews were also working to make repairs to some of the main power lines in

the city's neighborhoods. “Each time, residents have been quick to share their thanks, offer crews something to eat or drink, or express their appreciation for coming all the way from Wisconsin to help,” WPS stated.

“We had customer after customer coming up and thanking them,” Joanis said. “One guy drove by and said he wanted to come and visit Wisconsin

because he heard of all the great supper clubs ... he actually threw some names out there that guys knew. Our northern guys were very appreciative of that and thought it was pretty funny.”

The sister utility of WPS, We Energies, also has crews working to restore power in Tampa. WPS noted that crews aren't sure when their work in Florida will be finished, but they are “committed to helping as long as they are needed.”

“We're here, doing good work and helping people out ... it's kind of what it is all about,” Joanis said. “If we can come help, we're ready and willing to do so.”

WPS and We Energies helped restore power in Puerto Rico following the devastation from Hurricane Maria in 2017. Both companies also assisted in restoring power in Georgia and Florida after Hurricane Irma, and last year they sent crews to help restore power after extreme weather in California.



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School District of Tomahawk to see roughly 13.5% increase in state aid

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

WISCONSIN — The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) last week posted state general school aids that school districts will receive during the current school year.

DPI said the release of certified financial figures is based on data from the previous school year, including student counts and year-end financial data.

The information published includes certified general school aid amounts for each school district, as well as 2024-25 student enrollment numbers for independent charter schools and private schools participating in the Private School Choice Programs (PSCP) and the Special Needs Scholarship Program (SNSP).

Certain enrollment numbers for these programs are used to determine the dollar amounts to be withheld from school districts' aid payments to fund the programs as applicable, according to DPI.

"General school aids are the largest form of state support for PK-12 schools in Wisconsin and are based on prior-year data," DPI stated in a release. "The PSCP, SNSP, and independent charter school programs are funded based on current year data."

DPI is required by state law to release the certified aid figures by Oct. 15 of each year.

District	Local Aid Data		\$ Change	% Change
	2024-2025 Oct. 15 General Aid	2023-2024 Oct. 15 General Aid		
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Antigo	\$16,483,136.00	\$15,237,083.00	\$1,246,053.00	8.18%
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Prentice	\$2,211,359.00	\$2,538,635.00	-\$327,276.00	-12.89%
Rhineland	\$7,159,091.00	\$7,716,147.00	-\$557,056.00	-7.22%
Rib Lake	\$4,146,860.00	\$3,821,471.00	\$325,389.00	8.51%
Stratford	\$7,150,716.00	\$6,768,877.00	\$381,839.00	5.64%
Wausau	\$77,977,610.00	\$69,309,221.00	\$8,668,389.00	12.51%

Data courtesy of DPI.

General school aid amounts for school districts are calculated using student counts and year-end financial data from the previous school year (2023-24). This certified data replaces preliminary aid estimates released in July.

"The 2023-2025 state biennial budget increased funding for general school aids for the 2024-25 school year by 4.2% (\$224.9 million) to a total of \$5.58 billion," DPI said. "Statewide, a majority of general aid is equalization aid, which is distributed according to a formula designed to help Wisconsin communities provide public education despite local differences in property wealth."

The formula incorporates school district expenditures, property values and resident student counts (called "membership"). The other, smaller elements of general school aids are integration aid (or "Chapter 220" aid) and special adjustment aid. The latter, also known as 'hold harmless' aid, prevents districts from receiving more than a 15 percent reduction in aid from year to year and will go to 69 districts for 2024-25."

Aid varies widely by district based on the equalization formula, DPI noted. Of 421 districts, 276 (66%) will receive more aid for 2024-25 than in 2023-24; 137 (33%) will

receive less.

According to DPI data, the School District of Tomahawk will see a \$237,390.00 (13.46%) increase in state aid, representing one of the largest local boosts, percentage-wise. Tomahawk's \$2,001,350.00 allocation is among the lowest in the area.

Aid amounts for each school district can be found on the department's School Financial Services webpage (www.dpi.wi.gov/sfs/aid/general/summary), both alphabetically and by percent change.

General school aids are paid in four installments during the school year.

CYBERSECURITY

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- Create different strong passwords for each account.
- Enable multi-factor login authentication.
- Recognize and report phishing attempts.

"Scammers are always searching for new ways to take advantage of consumers," said DATCP Secretary Randy Romanski. "Innovative tools like artificial intelligence, voice cloning and video deepfakes are not well-understood by most people – but there are still steps we can take to keep ourselves safe from their use by cybercriminals. Cybersecurity Awareness Month is a great opportunity to assess and improve your online privacy habits."

"Each year, the threats to our cybersecurity continue to grow, and Cybersecurity Awareness Month is a great reminder to all of us to safeguard our digital assets," said DOA Secretary Kathy Blumenfeld. "We're proud to work with our state agencies and partners statewide to help support the state's cybersecurity efforts and help Wisconsinites protect themselves from bad actors."

"In today's digital world, cybersecurity is not just a tech issue, it is a community concern," said Brig. Gen. David May, Wisconsin's Interim Adjutant General and the governor's Chief Cybersecurity Advisor. "Every click, every password and every interaction online matters. If each Wisconsinite can take steps to protect their devices and online information, we will have a safer, more secure digital environment for the whole state."

For more information and consumer protection resources from DATCP, visit www.ConsumerProtection.wi.gov or contact the Consumer Protection Hotline at 800-422-7128 or DATCPHotline@wisconsin.gov.

DACTP noted that businesses, organizations and industry professionals can register now to attend the 2024 Wisconsin Governor's Cybersecurity Summit from Monday, October 28 through Wednesday, Oct. 30 in Appleton. Learn more about cybersecurity fundamentals; leadership, management, and policies; resources; and incident response and preparation – including a whole day for Women in Cybersecurity.

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Aspirus: How to manage natural products, supplements alongside medications

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

WISCONSIN – Aspirus Health recently provided tips on managing natural products and supplements with medications.

“Many people incorporate natural products and supplements into their health routines to enhance their well-being alongside prescribed medications,” a release from Aspirus said. “While these supplements can offer added benefits, it is crucial to use them safely and effectively.”

Olivia Bishop, a pharmacy resident with Aspirus Health, emphasizes the need for open communication with health care providers to ensure that supplements complement your medications without causing harm.

“Natural products can affect how your medications break down in your body,” Bishop explained. “Sometimes, they can cause a medication to be broken down too quickly or too slowly, which might impact its effectiveness or increase side effects.”

Aspirus said several common natural products can interact with medications in significant ways.

“For instance, activated charcoal, used for various purposes, can reduce the absorption of medications, potentially affecting the efficacy of birth control or Prozac,” Aspirus stated. “Additionally, supplements like

turmeric, bitter orange and ashwagandha, while beneficial for general health, may lower blood sugar levels when taken with diabetes medications. Similarly, ginger, ginkgo and high levels of fish oil can increase bleeding risk for those on blood thinners such as Eliquis, Xarelto, or Warfarin.”

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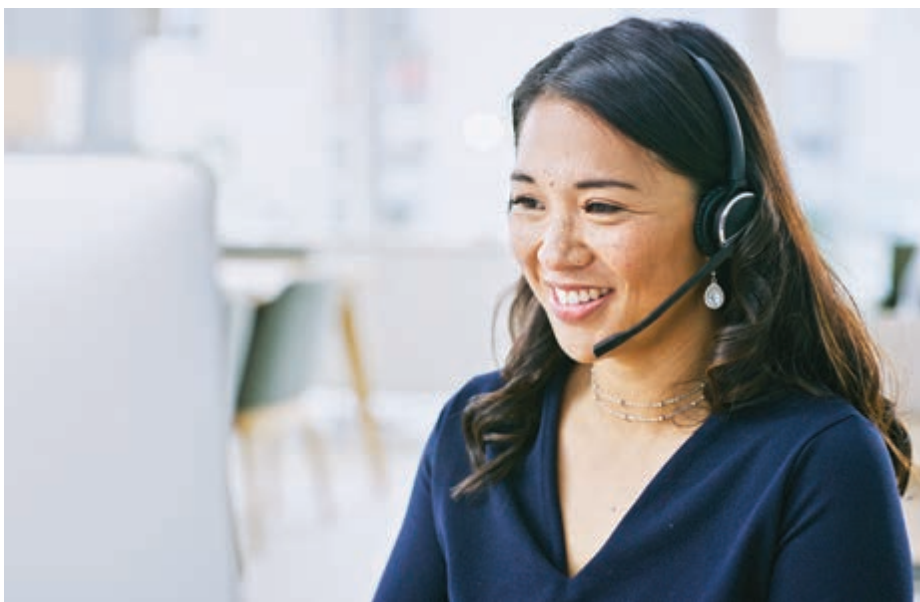
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Notice of General Election and Sample Ballots
November 5, 2024
OFFICE OF THE LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK
TO THE VOTERS OF LINCOLN COUNTY

Notice is hereby given of a general election to be held in Lincoln County, on November 5, 2024, at which the officers named below shall be chosen. The names of the candidates for each office to be voted for, whose nominations have been certified to or filed in this office, are listed under the title of the office and under the appropriate party or other designation, together with any referendum questions submitted to a vote, in the sample ballot below.

INFORMATION TO VOTERS

Upon entering the polling place and before being permitted to vote, a voter shall state their name and address, show an acceptable form of photo identification and sign the poll book. If a voter does not have acceptable photo identification, the voter may obtain a free photo ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles. If the voter is unable to sign the poll book due to disability, a poll worker may write the word "exempt." If a voter is not registered to vote, they may register to vote at the polling place serving their residence if the voter provides proof of residence. Where ballots are distributed to voters, the initials of two inspectors must appear on the ballot. Upon being permitted to vote, the voter shall enter a voting booth or go to a machine and cast their ballot. The vote should not be cast in any manner other than specified here. Sample ballots or other materials to assist the voter in marking their ballot may be taken into the booth and copied. The sample ballot shall not be shown to anyone so as to reveal how the ballot is marked. A voter who is a parent or guardian may be accompanied by the voter's minor child or minor ward. An election official may inform the voter of the proper manner for casting a vote but the official may not advise or indicate a particular voting choice.

Assistance for Voting

A voter may select an individual to assist in casting their vote if the voter declares to the presiding official that they are unable to read, have difficulty reading, writing, or understanding English, or that due to disability are unable to cast their ballot. The selected individual rendering assistance may not be the voter's employer or an agent of that employer or an officer or agent of a labor organization which represents the voter. If a voter is unable to state their name and address, an assistant may also do so for the voter.

Voting for President and Vice President

A vote for candidates for President and Vice President is a vote for the presidential electors of those candidates. A write-in vote for President and Vice President must designate the name of a presidential candidate. A write-in vote for a candidate for President only will be counted. A write-in vote for a candidate for Vice President only will not be counted.

Where Optical Scan Voting is Used

The voter shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to the name of the candidate of their choice for each office for which they intend to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall write in the name of the person of their choice in the space provided for a write-in vote and fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to the write-in line. When voting for President and Vice President, the voter shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to the set of candidates (ticket) for president and vice president for whom they intend to vote. To vote for a Presidential ticket that does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall write in the names of persons of their choice in the spaces provided and fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to the write-in lines. On referendum questions, the voter shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the voter shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to "no" if opposed to the question.

When using an electronic ballot marking device (Express Vote) to mark an optical scan ballot, the voter shall touch the screen or use the tactile pad to select the name of the candidate of their choice for each office for which they intend to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall touch the screen next to "write-in" and type in the name of the person of their choice. When voting for President and Vice President, the voter shall touch the screen at the set of candidates (ticket) for president and vice president for whom they intend to vote. To vote for a Presidential ticket that does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall touch the screen next to "write-in" and type in the names of persons of their choice. On referendum questions, the voter shall touch the screen at "yes" if in favor of the question, or the voter shall touch the screen at "no" if opposed to the question.

Spoiling Ballots

If a voter spoils an optical scan ballot, they shall return it to an election official who shall issue another ballot in its place, but not more than three ballots shall be issued to any one voter. If the ballot has not been initiated by two inspectors or is defective in any other way, the voter shall return it to the election official who shall issue a proper ballot in its place.

After Voting the Ballot

After an official optical scan ballot is marked, it may be inserted in a security sleeve so the marks do not show. The voter shall then insert the ballot in the voting device or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. If a central count system is used, the voter shall insert the ballot in the ballot box or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. The voter shall leave the polling place promptly.

The following is a sample of the official ballot:

Official Ballot
Partisan Office and Referendum
November 5, 2024

Christopher J. Marlowe
Christopher J. Marlowe, Lincoln County Clerk

Table with 3 columns: A Lincoln County, B State of Wisconsin, C November 5, 2024

The ballot below is for Publication purposes only. This ballot includes all of Lincoln County's November 5th Political Races. All Lincoln County Ballots may be viewed on the county website at: https://co.lincoln.wi.us/county-clerk/page/absentee-and-sample-ballots. Your ballot specific to your address may be found at: https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/Whats-On-My-Ballot.

Notice to voters: if you are voting on Election Day, your ballot must be initiated by two (2) election inspectors. If you are voting absentee, your ballot must be initiated by the municipal clerk or deputy clerk. Your ballot may not be counted without initials (see end of ballot for initials).

Official Ballot Partisan Office and Referendum November 5, 2024 for Lincoln County Town of Birch. Includes sections for Congressional Cont., Referendum, Federal, Legislative and State, President/Vice President, Municipal Town of Bradley, Municipal Town of Harrison, Town of Somo, County, County Clerk, County Treasurer, Register of Deeds, and United States Senator.

Notice

Mr. Junior Howard, doing business as JBM Howard Companies, 3517 Old Oak Trail, Rhinelander, Wisconsin; telephone 715.490.5014, is proposing to construct a small (<50,000 cubic yard) demolition landfill on the Southwest Quarter of Section 4, Township 35 North, Range 8 East, Town of Harrison, Lincoln County, Wisconsin. The site address is W1688 Old County A Road, Tomahawk, Wisconsin. The landfill is expected to be operational for 4 to 6 years. Public comments may be submitted orally or in writing, to Mr. Nathan Collier, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. Mr. Collier's address is 810 West Maple Street, Spooner, Wisconsin 54801; phone 715.635.4048 and email nathan.collier@wi.gov.

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LINCOLN COUNTY TIMBER SALE
November 11, 2024

Lincoln County is offering 15 Timber Sales on 851 acres

Table listing timber sales: 22,528 Tons Aspen Pulp, 97 MBF Mxd Hwd Logs, 1,500 Tons Red Pine Pulp/Logs, etc.

List of sales, maps of cutting areas, access information, cutting requirements and contract specifications may be secured from the Lincoln County Forestry Department Office, 801 N. Sales Street, Suite 106, Merrill, WI 54452, 715-539-1034. List of sales and maps are also available online at www.co.lincoln.wi.us. All bidders must file a declaration of intent to bid, unless previously filed, on forms provided at the forestry office.

Sealed bids will be accepted until 8:50 A.M., Monday, November 11, 2024 and will be opened at 9:00 A.M., Monday, November 11, 2024 at a meeting of the Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Committee in the Lincoln County Service Center, Conference Room 257, 801 N. Sales Street, Merrill.

Any contractor who wishes to phone in and attend by teleconference when bids are opened should contact the Lincoln County Forestry Dept. at 715-539-1034 for call in instructions.

The Forestry, Land and Parks Committee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and accept the bids most advantageous to Lincoln County.

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LOCATION AND HOURS OF LINCOLN COUNTY POLLING PLACES

At the General Election to be held on November 5, 2024, in Lincoln County, the following are the designated polling places:

Table with 2 columns: PRECINCT and POLLING LOCATION. Lists locations for Birch, Bradley, Corning, Harding, Harrison, King, Merrill, Pine River, Rock Falls, Russell, Schley, Scott, Skanawan, Somo, Tomahawk, and Wilson.

Table with 2 columns: CITY OF TOMAHAWK and POLLING LOCATION. Lists locations for District 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8.

- Contact your municipal clerk if you have any questions concerning your polling place.
All polling places will open at 7:00 a.m. and will close at 8:00 p.m.
All polling places are accessible to elderly and disabled voters.

Christopher J. Marlowe, Lincoln County Clerk

LEGALS

Legals 7700 STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT LINCOLN COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Roger William Chuck Notice Setting Time to Hear Application and Deadline for Filing Claims (Informal Administration) Case No. 2024IN41 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: 1. An application for informal administration was filed. 2. The decedent, with date of birth 08-25-1937 and date of death 08-29-2024 was domiciled in Lincoln County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N11636 Spring Creek Drive, Tomahawk, WI 54487. 3. The application will be heard at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Merrill, Wisconsin, Branch 1, before Honorable Galen Bayne-Allison, on 12-11-2024 at 9:30 a.m. 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 02-14-2025. 5. A claim may be filed at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Merrill, Wisconsin, Probate Office. 6. This publication is notice to any persons whose names or addresses are unknown. The names or addresses of the following interested persons (if any) are not known or reasonably ascertainable: Timothy Chuck. [If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process please call 715-536-0342 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.] BY THE COURT: DATE SIGNED: October 17, 2024 Electronically signed by Becky S. Byer Probate Registrar

Legals 7700 Form completed by: Becky S. Byer, Register in Probate 1110 E. Main Street Merrill, WI 54452 Published October 23, 30, November 6, 2024 WNXALP STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MARATHON COUNTY CREATIVE FINANCE, INC. 815 Business Park Road PO Box 454 Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965 Plaintiff, v. BRIDGETT BABETTE BEATTY 310 West Leather Avenue Lot 37 Tomahawk, WI 54487 Defendant. Case No. 24CV470 SUMMONS THE STATE OF WISCONSIN To each person named above as a Defendant: You are hereby notified that the Plaintiff named above Creative Finance, Inc., by its attorney, Christopher M. Kern, filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. Within Forty (40) days the 8th day of October, 2024, you must respond with a written demand for a copy of the Complaint. The demand must be sent or delivered to the Court, whose address is: Clerk of Circuit Court, Marathon County Courthouse, 500 Forest Street, Wausau, Wisconsin 54403, and to Plaintiff's attorney, Christopher M. Kern, 815 Business Park Road, PO Box 454, Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin, 53965. 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

Legals 7700 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 8th day of October, 2024. General Counsel for Plaintiff Signed By: Christopher M. Kern Christopher M. Kern State Bar Number: 1093883 Creative Finance, Inc. 815 Business Park Road P.O. Box 454 Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965 Phone: (608) 254-6855 Fax: (608) 253-5005 legal@creativefinanceinc.com Published October 16, 23, 30, 2024 WNXALP

Notice To Creditors 7735 2024, was domiciled in Lincoln County, State of Wisconsin, with a post office address of 314 E. Lincoln Avenue, Tomahawk, WI 54487. 3. Deadline to make claims: All persons or companies having claims against BonnieJean Marie Daigle and/or the Daigle Family Trust dated March 1, 2001, and the Jean Marie Daigle Survivor's Trust dated January 18, 2001, must present their claims to the attorney for the trustee on or before February 9, 2025, which is four (4) months after the date of October 9, 2024, the date of first insertion and publication of this Notice in the Tomahawk Leader, or the claims will be forever barred as set forth in Section 701.0508 of the Wisconsin Statutes. 4. Notice of claims: Claims must be presented by delivering or mailing a written statement of the claim indicating its basis, the name and address of the claimant, the date the claim is due, the amount claimed, and describing any security for the claim. The claim is deemed presented upon receipt by the attorney for the trustee at the address set forth herein. 5. Publication of this notice shall constitute notice to any persons whose names or addresses are unknown. 6. Attorney for trustee: Melissa S. Kampmann, Ruder Ware, L.L.S.C., P.O. Box 8050, Wausau, WI 54402-8050. Published October 9, 16, 23, 2024 WNXALP

Notice To Creditors 7735 IN THE MATTER OF THE DAIGLE FAMILY TRUST DATED MARCH 1, 2001 AND THE JEAN MARIE DAIGLE SURVIVOR'S TRUST DATED JANUARY 18, 2001 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: 1. David W. Daigle is the trustee of the Daigle Family Trust dated March 1, 2001, and the Jean Marie Daigle Survivor's Trust dated January 18, 2001. 2. The decedent, BonneJean Marie Daigle, with a birth date of March 4, 1932, and date of death of August 20,

Notice To Creditors 7735 STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT LINCOLN COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Irvin B. King Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration) Case No. 2024 IN 39 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: 1. An application for informal administration was filed. 2. The decedent, with date of birth 8/16/1934 and date of death 12/13/2023, was domiciled in Lincoln County, State of WI, with a mailing address of N11445 County Road A, Unit 62, Tomahawk, WI 54487. 3. All interested persons waived notice. 4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is 01/24/25. 5. A claim may be filed at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Merrill, Wisconsin, Probate Office. DATE SIGNED: October 7, 2024 Electronically signed by Becky S. Byer Probate Registrar Form completed by: Dan. C. Koblitz, Attorney 2320 Parallel Lane Silver Spring, MD 20904 Telephone: 301-960-5857 Bar Number: 1102710 Published October 16, 23, 30, 2024 WNXALP

Notice To Creditors 7735 STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT LINCOLN COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Terry Lynn Scholz a/k/a Terry L. Scholz a/k/a Terry Scholz DOD 8/13/2023 Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration) Case No. 2024-IN-000037 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: 1. An application for informal administration was filed. 2. The decedent, with date of birth 6/23/1961 and date of death 8/13/2023, was domiciled in Lincoln County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W9207 New Wood Rd., Tomahawk, WI 54487. 3. All interested persons waived notice. 4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is January 17, 2025. 5. A claim may be filed at the Register in Probate, Lincoln County Courthouse, 1110 E. Main St., Merrill, WI 54452. DATE SIGNED: October 2, 2024 Electronically signed by Becky S. Byer Probate Registrar Form completed by: Mark D. Alberg, Lawyer 217 S. Tomahawk Ave. Tomahawk WI 54487 Telephone: 715-224-3531 Bar Number: 1015704 Published October 9, 16, 23, 2024 WNXALP

NOTICE OF QUOTATIONS The Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Department is seeking to contract with an entity to design, construct and install a new clear span pedestrian bridge across Ripley Creek in New Wood County Park. Removal of the existing bridge, abutments/cribbing and stairways is also a component of this project. Specifications and instructions may be obtained from Dean Bowe, Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Department Administrator, 801 N. Sales Street, Merrill from the County Clerk, 801 N. Sales Street, Merrill or online at www.co.lincoln.wi.us. Proposals must conform to the requirements of the specifications and instructions. Proposals must be received by the Forestry Department in a sealed envelope marked "Ripley Creek Bridge" on or before 12:00 PM on November 14, 2024 and will be publicly opened at the Forestry, Land and Parks Department Office located at 801 N Sales Street at 12:30 PM that day. Quotations will be prepared for consideration by the Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Committee at the December 9, 2024 Committee meeting. For further information and specifications, contact the Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Department Phone (715) 539-1034. The Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Committee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and accept the bid most advantageous to Lincoln County. Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Committee Published October 23, 2024 WNXALP

NOTICE OF QUOTATIONS The Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Department is seeking to contract with an entity to design, engineer and install new electric service to the seven individual campsites in New Wood Campground and the two pavilions in New Wood County Park. Specifications and instructions may be obtained from Dean Bowe, Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Department Administrator, 801 N. Sales Street, Merrill from the County Clerk, 801 N. Sales Street, Merrill or online at www.co.lincoln.wi.us. Proposals must conform to the requirements of the specifications and instructions. Proposals must be received by the Forestry Department in a sealed envelope marked "New Wood Electric" on or before 12:00 PM on November 14, 2024 and will be publicly opened at the Forestry, Land and Parks Department Office located at 801 N Sales Street at 12:15 PM that day. Quotations will be prepared for consideration by the Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Committee at the December 9, 2024 Committee meeting. For further information and specifications, contact the Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Department Phone (715) 539-1034. The Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Committee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and accept the bid most advantageous to Lincoln County. Lincoln County Forestry, Land and Parks Committee Published October 23, 2024 WNXALP

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS The Lincoln County Solid Waste Department is accepting proposals for a Qualified Engineering and Consulting Firm To provide general engineering services, including design and construction administration services, engineering support, financial, outreach and education, environmental monitoring, and compliance support. The contract term will be for a 5 year period beginning 2/1/25. Specifications and instructions may be obtained from the County Clerk (801 N. Sales Street, Merrill) or online at: www.co.lincoln.wi.us Proposals must conform to the requirements of the specifications and instructions. Proposals must be received by the Solid Waste Department at 801N. Sales Street, Merrill, WI, on or before December 13, 2024, at 4:00 PM, and will be publicly opened at the Service Center Office located at 801 N. Sales Street at 4:00 PM. Lincoln County Solid Waste Management reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids, or select the bid that is most advantageous for them. Published October 23, 2024 WNXALP

NOTICE OF PUBLIC TEST Notice is hereby given that public testing of the ExpressVote and DS-200 voting equipment being used in municipalities within Lincoln County for the November 5, 2024 General Election is scheduled from 8:30 a.m.-9:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 26, 2024 through Wednesday, October 30, 2024. All towns and cities in Lincoln County will be testing their voting equipment through the Municipal Clerk's Office within these times. For specific times pertaining to an individual municipality please contact the clerk for that municipality. Specific times will also be posted on all municipal bulletin boards and websites where available. Published October 23, 2024 WNXALP

NOTICE OF PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING TOWN OF SKANAWAN, LINCOLN COUNTY, WISCONSIN Notice is hereby given that on Monday, November 11, 2024, 6:00pm, the Town of Skanawan will hold a Public hearing on the Proposed Budget for the year 2025 at the Skanawan Town Hall, N8506 County Road H. The Proposed Budget is posted along with this notice for your convenience. You may obtain a copy by calling the clerk at 715-966-2601.

NOTICE OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ELECTORS OF THE TOWN OF SKANAWAN LINCOLN COUNTY, WISCONSIN Notice is hereby given that on Monday, November 11th, 2024, immediately following completion of the Public Hearing on the Proposed 2025 Budget of the Town of Skanawan, there will be a special Town Meeting called pursuant to Sec. 60.12 (lc) of Wisconsin State Statutes for the following purpose: 1. To adopt the 2024 Town Tax Levy to be paid 2025 pursuant to Sec. 60.10 (l) (a) of Wisconsin Statutes. 2. Will discuss and vote on Officer Salaries.

NOTICE OF A TOWN BOARD MEETING OF THE TOWN OF SKANAWAN Notice is hereby given that immediately following the Special Town Meeting of Electors, November 11th, 2024, the Town Board will hold a Town Board Meeting for the following purpose: 1. To discuss and adopt the 2025 Budget for the Town of Skanawan AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING AT TOWN HALL POSTING Dated this 15th Day of September 2024 Loyetta Dennis, Clerk Published October 16, 23, 30, 2024 WNXALP

NOTICE OF REFERENDUM ELECTION November 5, 2024

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that at an election to be held in the several towns, villages, wards, and election districts of the State of Wisconsin, on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, the following questions will be submitted to a vote of the people pursuant to law:

2023 Senate Resolution 71 Enrolled Joint Resolution

To renumber and amend section 1 of article III; and to create section 1 (1) of article III of the constitution; relating to: eligibility to vote in Wisconsin (second consideration).

Whereas, the 2021 legislature in regular session considered a proposed amendment to the constitution in 2021 Senate Joint Resolution 32, which became 2021 Enrolled Joint Resolution 13, and agreed to it by a majority of the members elected to each of the two houses, which proposed amendment reads as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of article III of the constitution is renumbered section 1 (2) of article III and amended to read: [Article III] Section 1 (2) Every Only a United States citizen age 18 or older who is a resident of an election district in this state is a qualified elector of that district who may vote in an election for national, state, or local office or at a statewide or local referendum.

SECTION 2. Section 1 (1) of article III of the constitution is created to read: [Article III] Section 1 (1) In this section: (a) "Local office" means any elective office other than a state or national office. (b) "National office" means the offices of president and vice president of the United States, U.S. senator, and representative in congress. (c) "Referendum" means an election at which an advisory, validating, or ratifying question is submitted to the electorate. (d) "State office" means the offices of governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, state treasurer, attorney general, state superintendent of public instruction, justice of the supreme court, court of appeals judge, circuit court judge, state senator, state representative to the assembly, and district attorney.

SECTION 3. Numbering of new provision. If another constitutional amendment ratified by the people creates the number of any provision created in this joint resolution, the chief of the legislative reference bureau shall determine the sequencing and the numbering of the provisions whose numbers conflict.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the foregoing proposed amendment to the constitution is agreed to by the 2023 legislature; and, be it further Resolved, That the foregoing proposed amendment to the constitution be submitted to a vote of the people at the election to be held on the first Tuesday of November, 2024; and, be it further Resolved, That the question concerning ratification of the foregoing proposed amendment to the constitution be stated on the ballot as follows:

"Eligibility to vote. Shall section 1 of article III of the constitution, which deals with suffrage, be amended to provide that only a United States citizen age 18 or older who resides in an election district may vote in an election for national, state, or local office or at a statewide or local referendum?"

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT AS TO THE QUESTION

The Wisconsin Constitution provides that "[e]very United States citizen age 18 or older who is a resident of an election district in this state is a qualified elector of that district." Wis. Const. art. III, § 1. That language is repeated in Wisconsin statute. Wis. Stat. § 6.02(1).

The referendum question would modify the language in Wis. Const. art. III, § 1 to provide that "only" a U.S. citizen 18 or older who resides in an election district may vote, and it would specify that only such individuals may vote in an election for "a national, state, or local office or at a statewide or local referendum." It also would add definitions of what "local office," "national office," "referendum," and "state office" mean. 2023 Wis. S.J. Res. 71.

A "yes" vote would vote to modify existing article III, section 1 of the Wisconsin Constitution to provide that "only" a U.S. citizen 18 or older who resides in an election district can vote "in a national, state, or local office or at a statewide or local referendum."

A "no" vote would vote not to change Wis. Const. art. III, § 1 of the Wisconsin Constitution.

Done in the County of Lincoln, on this 10th day of September, 2024.

Christopher J. Marlowe

Christopher J. Marlowe, Lincoln County Clerk

Published October 23, 2024

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Notice To Creditors 7735

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT LINCOLN COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Lawrence Bromberg

Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No. 2024IN00038

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 12-30-1950 and date of death 9-24-2024, was domiciled in Lincoln County, State of WI, with a mailing address of 1528 Spruce Ave. Tomahawk WI 54487.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is 01-24-2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Merrill, Wisconsin, Probate Office.

DATE SIGNED: October 9, 2024
Electronically signed by *Becky S. Byer*
Probate Registrar

Form completed by:
Joel Morrison
3712 Fox Tail Trl NW
Prior Lake, MN 55372
Telephone: 952-277-9736
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ASPIRUS FROM PAGE 9

To ensure that your medications and supplements work together harmoniously, Bishop advises consulting with your health care providers.

"Before starting any new supplement, talk with your doctor or pharmacist," she said. "They can check for potential interactions and help you make informed decisions. Always inform them about all the medications and supplements you're taking."

Aspirus noted that it is also important to understand that natural supplements are regulated differently from prescription drugs.

"Unlike prescription drugs, which require FDA approval, natural supplements are primarily the manufacturer's responsibility," Bishop stated.

"For added safety, look for quality certifications, such as the United States Pharmacopeia (USP) mark on the label," Aspirus said. "This certification verifies that the product's contents are as stated and safe for use."

"The biggest advice I have is to talk to your doctor or pharmacist before starting a new product,"



Bishop
Photo courtesy of Aspirus

Bishop said. "We want to make sure your medication is working the best it can and that the natural supplements are helping you as well."

"By taking these precautions, you can confidently use natural supplements to support your health while minimizing the risk of adverse interactions," Aspirus stated.

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Auctions 7282

AUCTION...(COINS-COMICS-COLLECTABLES) Sat. Nov. 2, Preview 9am, Auction 10:15am Shawno Community Hall 115 E Division St Shawno. Info... www.zurkospromotions.com 715-526-9769

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AD DEADLINE FRIDAY AT 10:00 A.M.

Invitation to Bid City of Tomahawk Land for Sale

Parcel Number	Legal Description	Proposed Minimum Bid
Parcel 1:	State Road 86 286-3406-044-0002 LOTS 1-2-10 LAKE MOHAWKSIN ADD'N DEDICATED TO PUBLIC FOR PARK PURPOSES	\$5,000.000
Parcel 2:	State Road 86 286-3406-044-0002 LOTS 1-2-10 LAKE MOHAWKSIN ADD'N DEDICATED TO PUBLIC FOR PARK PURPOSES	\$5,000.00
Parcel 3:	King Road 286-3506-352-0061 LOT 21 SUNSET BLV'D 2ND ADD'N	\$15,000.000

Any special assessments, judgements, or liens shall be the liability of the purchaser. All sales shall be sealed bids specifying a fixed dollar amount. Each bid shall be accompanied by a cashier's check or money order, in the amount of 10% of the bid made payable to the City of Tomahawk. The deposit of the unsuccessful bidders shall be returned. The deposit of the successful bidder shall be retained as down payment, with the balance due to the be paid within 30 days after notice of acceptance. Bidder acknowledges that failure to make payment within 30 days after notice of acceptance is mailed shall result in a forfeiture of your deposit without further notice of legal recourse. If successful bidder defaults on the property purchase, at the City's discretion, it will be offered to the next eligible successful bidder on the property on the same terms and conditions. IF the 2nd eligible bidder declines or defaults on the purchase then the parcel will again be offered for sale when practicable. All conveyances are by Quit Claim Deed.

The Committee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and accept the bid most advantageous to the City, and every bid less than the minimum bid established shall be rejected. Properties are sold in "as it, where is" condition. City of Tomahawk makes no warrant as to boundaries or acreages or any other matters on properties offered for sale.

Mail bids to: City of Tomahawk, 23 N 2nd St, PO Box 269 Tomahawk, WI 54487 in an envelope clearly marked "LAND BID - PARCEL # _____".

Sealed bids will be accepted at the Clerk's Office until 4:00 p.m. on November 6th, 2024. Bids will be opened at the Finance Committee meeting scheduled at 4:30 p.m. on November 6th, 2024.

For further information, contact the Clerk's Office at 715-453-4040 or abartz@tomahawkwi.gov.

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Harley-Davidson donates to local organizations

For the first time since 2018, Harley-Davidson Tomahawk Operations held a shirt sale at SARA Park during last month's Northwoods Fall Ride. The success of the sale allowed the company to make donations to eight local organizations. A total of \$8,000.00 was distributed among Tomahawk Music on the River, Ties that Bind Us, Our Sisters' House, the Salvation Army Backpack Program, HAVEN, the Tomahawk Area Historical Society, Hometown Christmas and 4-H Leaders of Lincoln County.

Photos courtesy of Roxanne Consvolver



Packers vs. Texans: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly

BY JALEN MAKI

So that was chill, huh? Before we get to the Green Bay Packers' 24-22 Week 7 victory over the Houston Texans at Lambeau Field on Sunday, let's recap the Pack's last few games. Since my last column on Green Bay's win over the Tennessee Titans in Week 3, the Packers lost at home to the Minnesota Vikings in a blowout-turned-nail biter marred by three interceptions from Packers quarterback Jordan Love and a pair of missed field goals by now-ex-Packers kicker Brayden Narveson; beat the Los Angeles Rams on their home turf to maintain Green Bay head coach Matt LaFleur's perfect winning streak against his



friend and mentor, Rams head coach Sean McVay; and flat-out walloped the Arizona Cardinals at home. The Packers now stand at 5-2, behind the Detroit Lions and the Vikings, each with 5-1 records, in the NFC North. The Chicago Bears, at 4-2, were on a Week 7 bye and are in fourth place in the division.

Alright, let's get into the Good, the Bad, and the Ugly from the Packers' anxiety-inducing, ugly-at-times, last-second win over the Texans.

The Good

First and foremost, I want to send a sincere "atta boy Josh" and virtual high-five to Packers running back **Josh Jacobs**, who caught his first career touchdown reception on Sunday. Prior to his score, Jacobs, at 212 career receptions, held the NFL record for the most catches without a touchdown. LaFleur earlier this year said he intended on getting Jacobs a touchdown catch this season, and it was great to see Jacobs' Lambeau

Leap after finally ending the scoreless streak.

In my 2024 season preview published a few months ago (www.tinyurl.com/ht9wdeu), I predicted the Packers would beat the Texans in a shootout. While Green Bay did, indeed, get the W, it seems like only one quarterback brought his six shooter. While Jordan Love was slinging the pill around the yard (positive and negative connotations here), Texans quarterback C.J. Stroud was straight-up not having a good time. The Packers' **pass rush** had the usually-electric Stroud in the torture chamber all day, pressuring him on seemingly every down and sacking him four times while holding him to just 10 completions on 21

pass attempts for 86 yards and no touchdowns. You couldn't ask for more from defensive coordinator Jeff Hafley's guys.

Jaire Alexander talking trash is always great to see, and there was no shortage of it on Sunday. On-field drama between Alexander and Texans wideout Stefon Diggs broke out before the game, and Alexander kept up the smack talk all day. It might've been effective: Diggs left Lambeau with just five catches for 23 yards.

Have the Packers finally **ended their kicking woes**? Green Bay signed 33-year-old veteran kicker Brandon McManus last week, and he made his debut for Green Bay in glorious fashion

on Sunday. McManus hadn't been with a team since last summer, after he and his former team, the Jaguars, were sued by two women claiming McManus had sexually assaulted them while they were working as flight attendants when the Jaguars traveled to London last year. After an investigation, the NFL in September said it found insufficient evidence that McManus had violated the league's personal conduct policy, and the civil case has since been resolved. In his first game with Green Bay, McManus hit a 45-yard field goal as time expired, sealing the Packers' win. After enduring struggles

Free Play
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Leader Sports & Nature

Cross country: Hatchets shine on home turf, at conference championships

Ahrens named GNC Coach of the Year

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

TOMAHAWK – The Tomahawk High School cross country team hosted its annual invitational and took part in the Great Northern Conference (GNC) Championships.

Hatchet Invitational

The Tomahawk High School cross country team hosted seven teams for their annual Hatchet Invitational on Saturday, Oct. 12.

For the first time in many years, the meet was hosted on school grounds. The new course takes athletes around the baseball field and then into the school forest before hitting the first mile on School Rd. The athletes then exit the school forest and do a loop on school grounds by the softball field before returning to the school forest for the final loop. The two-mile mark is on Hiawatha Trail, as runners are beginning their second loop of the school forest. After exiting the school forest for a second time, the athletes finish just beyond the baseball field's left field fence.

Conditions were cold and rainy, but this did not deter the Hatchets in the slightest. The girls' race was first, resulting in the Hatchets winning at both the varsity and junior varsity levels. The boys followed with a second-place varsity finish and first-place junior varsity finish.

"Was it cold and rainy? You wouldn't have known that it was supposed to be a gloomy day in Tomahawk," said coach Steph Ahrens. "This was the first time in many years that the high school cross country team hosted a meet on school grounds, a huge advantage for our team that knows every nook and cranny of the course. Our student-athletes exploited enough of the race to run some great times."

Nearly all the varsity girls were medalists. Leading the pack was senior Alli Palmer in a time of 20:27 for 2nd place overall. Other varsity finishers were Lydia Shaney (5th-21:44), Ellie Micke (6th-21:53), Abbie Rosenmeier (8th-22:28), Norah Mann (10th-22:49), Reese Molitor (13th-23:08) and Faith Derleth (17th-23:45).

Girls' varsity team scores: Tomahawk-27, Rhinelander-51, Antigo-73, Mosinee-82, Lakeland-DNS, Merrill-DNS.

The junior varsity girls were also nearly all medalists. Leading the junior varsity squad was sophomore Elise Gibeault, making her return from injury with a 2nd-place finish in 23:12. Other junior varsity finishers were Joa Reilly (3rd-23:30), Reagan Gorell (6th-24:51), Lizzy Arnott



Photo by Jacob Heid

(7th-25:26), Jennie Frederickson (9th-25:49) and Aliyah Nelson (11th-26:16).

Girls' junior varsity team scores: Tomahawk-27, Rhinelander-28, Mosinee-DNS.

The boys managed to get three medalists. The fastest boy was 4th-place finisher Sam Zastrow in a time of 17:20. The other varsity finishers were Dominic Boos (9th-18:20), Joe Zastrow (12th-18:24), Beau Stromberg (16th-18:42), Jeremiah Johnson (20th-19:04), Drew Voermans (21st-19:11) and Nathan Rosenmeier (24th-19:22).

Boys' varsity team scores: Rhinelander-29, Tomahawk-51, Crandon-70, Merrill-106, Mosinee-111, Lakeland-DNS, Antigo-DNS.

Having five medalists and no other junior varsity team having five runners guaranteed the junior varsity boys would win. Setting the tone for the junior varsity was freshman Dawson Jones, who took 2nd overall in a time of 19:13. Other junior varsity finishers were Jordyn Carew (3rd-19:30), Bruce Peetz (5th-19:51), Ryan Montag (8th-20:28), Luke Morrison (9th-20:32), Will Boneck (12th-20:56), Elliot O'Connor (14th-21:08), Mason Riebe (15th-21:22), Cayden Shepler (17th-21:59) and Gerard Gorell (18th-22:02).

Boys' junior varsity team scores: Tomahawk-15, Lakeland-DNS, Rhinelander-DNS, Mosinee-DNS, Crandon-DNS, and Merrill-DNS.

"It was great to see a good portion of Tomahawk at the meet," said coach Jerett Flynn. "The girls winning the varsity race was great, especially knowing that the majority of the competition is our conference. The junior varsity sweep to defend our home course was excellent. Even though the boys' varsity fell to Rhinelander, they made an awesome effort, and now they're armed with what it will take to challenge the Hodags at Northland Pines next weekend."

"When you have 20 seasonal best times, you know



Photo by Jacob Heid

it's a great meet," said coach Connor Ahrens. "The fact that many of our student-athletes are popping now before we begin our training taper speaks to our students' sheer grit and determination. Some of the biggest races came from some of our underclassmen, like Joe Zastrow, Dawson Jones, Abbie Rosenmeier and Reagan Gorell. As a coach, these are the kind of races that get you really excited for the postseason."

After the awards ceremony, Hatchet cross country parents and seniors were recognized for their service and commitment to the program.

"Without their help, the Tomahawk cross country program would not be what it is today," the Hatchet coaches said. "Once again, the coaching staff thanks all past and present cross country parents and alumni who have made their mark on Hatchet cross country. We also would like to thank the School District of Tomahawk maintenance staff for helping get our home middle and high school cross country courses ready for their races."

GNC Championships

On Saturday, Oct. 29, Tomahawk traveled north



Both the girls' varsity and JV squads took first place at the Hatchet Invitational.



The varsity boys earned a second-place finish, while the JV team took the top spot.



The Tomahawk runners took part in the GNC Championships this past weekend.



Photos courtesy of Connor Ahrens

to Eagle River for the Great Northern Conference (GNC) Cross Country Championships.

Kicking off the day's races in a big way was the girls' varsity team with a decisive, second-year-in-a-row victory. This was achieved by once again having all five of the girls' scoring runners attain All-Conference honors.

Due to the girls' team first-place finish, Coach Ahrens again earned the GNC Coach of Year award.

The next race was the boys' varsity. Like last year, the boys once again placed third, but this time five boys earned All-Conference honors.

The last race of the day was the combined junior varsity races. The junior varsity boys dominated with a total score of 19 points to win the boys' race, and the junior var-

sity girls took second, behind Rhinelander. The junior varsity squads had ten runners finish in the top ten of the boys' and girls' races, respectively.

"These kids truly don't know their own potential yet," coach Flynn stated. "We got a little preview of what they're capable of today, and we're extremely proud of them."

Senior Alli Palmer earned All-Conference 1st Team for the second time in her career, placing 3rd overall with a time of 20:30. Earning All-Conference 2nd Team were junior Lydia Shaney (9th-21:30), freshman Ellie Micke (11th-21:44), sophomore Abbie Rosenmeier (12th-21:44) and sophomore Elise Gibeault (14th-22:11).

The rest of the girls' varsity was made up of senior Reese Molitor (25th-23:07) and sophomore Norah

Mann (29th-24:27).

Girls varsity results: Tomahawk-44, Medford-63, Rhinelander-63, Lakeland-64, Northland Pines-143, Mosinee-145, Antigo-DNS.

Seniors Sam Zastrow and Dominic Boos earned All-Conference 1st Team, placing 4th (17:44) and 6th (17:55), respectively. Earning All-Conference Honorable Mention were freshman Joe Zastrow (16th-18:52), junior Jeremiah Johnson (18th-18:59) and junior Beau Stromberg (19th-19:08).

The rest of the boys' varsity was made up of senior Nathan Rosenmeier (25th-19:40) and freshman Dawson Jones (37th-20:40).

Boys' varsity results: Lakeland-36, Rhinelander-55, Tomahawk-63, Medford-102, Mosinee-111,

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Athletes of the Week



Reagan Gorell – “Some improvements can shock the very foundation of what is believed to be possible in a short amount of time. The improvement freshman Reagan Gorell made in one week is one of those incidents. Finishing the vast majority of her races in the 27-minute range for a 5k, Reagan proceeded to destroy the new Hatchet course with a personal record of 24:51. It seemed as if she got faster as the race went on. Reagan has done a great job making the jump from middle school to high school cross country. She is also a big reason why our girls’ team has plenty of fun and stays relaxed, helping to maintain that great team chemistry. Through Reagan’s positive energy, one never knows what the girls could be capable of given time, effort and camaraderie.”

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Faith Derleth – “One of the hardest-working women on the team, junior Faith Derleth, has had a roller coaster ride of a season. Starting out 5th on the team and then having many frustrating races throughout the heart of the season was beginning to take a toll. Despite these setbacks, Faith continued to have solid practices, and when conference came, she didn’t hesitate to lead the junior varsity girls with a great first-place finish in 23:04. Regaining her momentum, Faith now looks on to the Sectional meet. She’s run the course before and knows what it will take to advance as a team. Faith has a strong presence on the team, and now that she’s back on-track and in the mix, the coaching staff believes there is nothing this girls’ team can’t accomplish when Faith is at her best.”



Gerard Gorell – “Junior Gerard Gorell completes the ‘Gorell Sweep’ of the Athletes of the Week. Gerard came into this season with a decent amount of summer mileage, looking to make a big-time improvement on his 5k. At first, it seemed Gerard would be relegated to the 23-minute mark again for his 5k. Undeterred though, Gerard has continued to push himself in every workout this fall and has attended every single practice to date, even without any excused absence. With the home invitational this past weekend, he has reaped his reward, running a new personal record of 22:02. Gerard has been the epitome of quietly going about one’s business and working hard. Gerard is a stand-up role model for many of our young student-athletes who want the gains and fast times to happen instantly. With Gerard on the team, patience and hard work is embodied in a living example of what it takes to have success in this sport. It’s not glamorous, and often the daily grind is overlooked, but not this week. We’re truly lucky to have such a student-athlete on the team.”



Dominic Boos – “Senior Dominic Boos is the outspoken leader of the team. Always a fiery competitor at heart, Dominic thrives in the hard practices and bigger races. No bigger evidence than this past GNC meet with Dominic earning 1st Team All-Conference honors with a 6th-place finish in 17:55. Dominic has served as a great example of what determined effort can achieve. Now nearing the end of his cross country career, he would like nothing more than to have one last big race and one more stellar boys’ team performance. The upcoming Sectional meet could be the place to make one last mark on the program and inspire the boys’ team to the next level. If anyone can do it, it’s Dominic.”

TOMAHAWK SPORTS TRIVIA: WEEK 205

The Tomahawk Leader will feature one local sports trivia question per week, provided by Bob Skubal, retired coach, historian, and author of “History of Tomahawk Sports.” Email leadernews@mmclocal.com if you know the answer!

The first person to tell us the correct answer each week will have their

name published in the paper if they wish, along with their correct answer to the question.

Week 204 question: After graduating from THS, Craig Bjelland wrestled at which college: UW-Stevens Point, UW-Whitewater or UW-Eau Claire?

Week 204 answer: After graduating from THS,

Craig Bjelland wrestled at UW-Eau Claire.

No correct answers to last week’s question were submitted. Better luck this week!

Week 205 question: Who was the head coach of the 1980-81 THS boys’ basketball team: Paul DeNoble, Jack Culhane or Gordy Erickson?

CROSS COUNTRY

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Northland Pines-137, Antigo-DNS.

Winning the junior varsity races, respectively, were freshman Jordyn Carew with a time of 19:06 and junior Faith Derleth with a time of 23:04.

The rest of the junior varsity Hatchets included

Karson Hanse (3rd-20:37), Mason Riebe (4th-20:56), Bruce Peetz (5th-21:07), Ryan Montag (9th-21:10), Will Boneck (10th-21:44), Elliot O’Connor (11th-21:51), Cayden Shepler (16th-22:18), Gerard Gorell (18th-23:00), Reagan Gorell (6th-24:55), Lizzy Arnett (9th-26:21), Kailynn Hanse (10th-26:27), Jennie Frederickson (14th-28:26), Aliyah Nelson (15th-28:30) and Abi

Micke (16th-28:34).

Boys’ JV results: Tomahawk-19, Lakeland-44, Rhinelander-DNS, Medford-DNS, Mosinee-DNS.

Girls’ JV results: Rhinelander-28, Tomahawk-39, Medford-59, Northland Pines-DNS, Mosinee-DNS.

“Our kids got out to great starts for both the boys and girls races,” said coach Carmi Pietila Cleary. “Many looked very

TMS runners close out season with invitational, awards ceremony

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

STEVENS POINT –The Tomahawk Middle School Cross Country team closed out the 2024 season by lining up at the Wisconsin Valley Conference Junior High Invitational at Standing Rocks County Park just outside of Stevens Point.

On a challenging course, the young team did an amazing job on a beautiful day against some of the biggest teams in the area.

The girls would leave the line first, and for the last time as a middle school runner, Charlee Lund would be the girls’ medalist, placing 4th overall with a fantastic time of 13:12. The girls pack that would follow would include Lexi Palmer, who has just come back from an injury to have her best race of the year, placing 74th, as well as Leigha Vassar (84th), Victoria Towle (105th), Alyse Arndt (117th), Elaine Huber (120th) and Lucy Nelson, earning her best time of her career and wrapping up the scoring in 142nd with a time of 17:38 over the two-mile course.

Other Hatchet ladies finishing up the season at this race were led by another career best time of Allie Reiff in 18:11 placing 172nd, Lily Meurer (172nd), Nevaeh Mathis (177th), Nora Bubolz (178th), Alaina Stogbauer (179th), Gabby

Ulrich (184th) and Kortney Busterud (190th).

The boys were ready to attack the course and end the season on a positive note and certainly left their best effort on the finish line. Connor Zorn was one of three Hatchets who had a very busy race schedule over the last week, but showed no signs of weakness, as he would be the boys’ sole medalist, placing 48th overall in a time of 13:09. His teammates did a great job moving up the pack as a group and would have the next five runners cross the line within 25 seconds of each other. This group was led by Hector Luna Perez (95th), Kamron Ristau (98th), Max Micke (99th), Max Childers (103rd) and Levi Cerkas (104th). Tripp Tabbert would make a big move late to get under 16 minutes in 123rd overall, followed by Chastin Dziura (135th), Vallyn Ott (149th), Finn Childers (159th), George Van Asten (160th), Zach Scott (173rd), Eli Scott (180th) and Colton Welke placing 183rd.

Post-season awards ceremony

The following awards were presented during a pizza party in which the athletes and coaches had a lot of fun sharing memories of the last season and talking about what we

would like to do and goals for next year.

The girls’ major award winners include Charlee Lund, Runner of the Year; Alyse Arndt, Rookie of the Year; Victoria Towle and Lexi Palmer, Captains of the Year; Leigha Vassar, Coaches Award; and Kortney Busterud, Most Improved.

The boys’ major award winners include Connor Zorn, Runner of the Year; Hector Luna Perez, Rookie of the Year; Levi Cerkas and Kamron Ristau, Captains of the Year; George Van Asten, Coaches Award; and Tripp Tabbert, Most Improved.

Congrats to our young Hatchet runners on a great season,” the coaching staff said. “We started this season with essentially a brand new team, where most if not all of our top scoring runners moved onto the next level to join coach Connor Ahrens’ high school program. In addition to the above mentioned awards, we express our gratitude to coaches, parents and supporters of our program, in addition to all the athletes for continuing to grow the program and increase our perfect attendance numbers, which allows us to see that these young athletes want to be there, which is very encouraging in such a demanding sport.”

Fishing Report: Turnover is imminent

BY GEORGE LANGLEY

NORTHERN WISCONSIN – We’re getting some typical fall weather right now, albeit a bit warmer than we’re used to for this time of the year. Water temperatures remain in the mid-50s – we’re seeing both upper and lower 50s, depending on the body of water. Turnover is imminent, and we’ve heard of some smaller lakes where it’s on.

Walleye fishing is generally good at this point, although just like the water temperatures, we’re getting very different reports from different lakes. Fish are being caught on the deep flats and in the holes on many bodies of water. This makes them pretty easy to find, and these deep spots will be exactly where you’ll want to be after turnover, too. If you find yourself in a spot with a good bite, don’t be afraid to put some of those big ones back to help with next year’s spawn. Jigs and minnows have been doing the trick, with walleye suckers or large fatheads working

well. On the bigger lakes, you may have luck looking off the breaks, at hard bottom areas in water from 20 to 35 feet or so. Again, larger minnows seem to be working the best.

Panfish action has been decent, with perch leading the bunch and being found surprisingly shallow by many anglers. Look for shallow weeds and use bigger minnows to catch those big guys, but crawlers are still working great, too. The bluegill seem a little confused by the last couple of weeks of weather, but crawlers are working. Crappies have been pretty deep, along weed edges or structure. They seem to be hanging at about 15 feet, and crappie minnows and the smallest jig you can manage have been working for these fish.

Bass action has remained steady. Not a lot of anglers fishing for largemouth, but the smallie bite has stayed excellent. These fish are being caught all over the map – deep flats and shallower weed edges. Bigger sucker

minnows or plastics that mimic are working great.

The northern have been hitting well, with a lot of musky anglers reporting catches of northern on musky baits while fishing in or near weeds. As usual, the deeper the weeds the better for these fish.

Even with the warmer-than-usual weather, musky action has been good. We’re glad to see a forecast with some colder weather, even if it is still a bit of a roller-coaster. The sucker bite has been getting strong now, and we’ve also seen some great action on bucktails and jerk baits, too. It’s almost time for a super slow retrieve and giant plastics – almost. We’re just waiting for turnover to come and go, hopefully before the snow flies, to see some of those giants!

Assuming we’re in for a “normal” winter, we’re going to see snow flying on some of these cold days soon!

Good luck and good fishing!

This week’s action

The next race for the Hatchets is Friday, Oct. 25, as Tomahawk heads to Colby High School to compete in the WIAA Division II Sectional meet. The top two teams and the top five non-qualifying team members advance to the State meet the following weekend in Wisconsin Rapids.

strong at the two-mile, which is essential this late in the season. It was a very exciting day with our boys getting third and our girls winning conference back to back years.”

“Our junior varsity boys dominated and the junior varsity girls also had a good race,” said coach Connor Ahrens. “This displayed Tomahawk’s depth and the promise of great

teams to come, assuming we keep our current roster and our athletes stay hungry. Lots of fast times, and the biggest difference in this race compared to others is that our kids showed their competitiveness. The team had a plan to execute during the second and final miles of the course. Most succeeded, and it resulted in desirable team results.”

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at kicker for quite some time, dating back to Anders Carlson last year, the idea that the Packers might have some stability at the position is a relief. Hopefully I didn't just jinx it.

The Bad

Jordan Love's pair of interceptions counted for two of three Packers turnovers, with the third coming on a punt snafu that we'll talk about shortly. It's been said that Love has aspects of his two predecessors, Aaron Rodgers and Brett Favre, in his game. I'd make the case that Love has arm talent and playmaking ability reminiscent of Rodgers, coupled with a Favre-like gunslinger confidence in said arm talent, which leads to him attempting some questionable passes with varying degrees of success. Love has thrown some of the ugliest interceptions from a Packers quarterback I've seen since...well, Favre. But I implore you to find a better-looking ball in today's NFL than a Love dime, or a Love completion threaded through tight coverage. Personally, I admire Love's belief in himself, and although

he tends to be less protective of the football than the uber-safe Rodgers, seeing him take Favre-esque chances evokes some classic backyard football-style vibes that you don't feel too often these days. Long-term, I'm not sure if Love's pendulum will ever permanently swing to Favre's "you live or die by him" side, or the efficiency aficionado side occupied by Rodgers; but if Love continues to operate somewhere in the middle, Packers fans are in for a lot more fun.

Ok, back to the turnovers – specifically, the aforementioned punt snafu. Early in the second quarter, Packers cornerback Keisean Nixon was back to field a punt that landed a few yards in front of him and bounced off fellow Green Bay cornerback Corey Ballentine. I'm not sure if Nixon properly communicated to his teammates to stay away from the ball, but regardless, he simply should've just fielded it. The Texans recovered the fumble and scored shortly thereafter. The Texans were ultimately able to score 16 points off the Packers' mistakes, which kept them in a game that, otherwise, Green Bay had largely dominated. Wanna know the

real bummer? There's more Bad Punt Stuff coming up in a bit.

Jayden Reed wasn't much of a factor on offense today. This actually isn't a bad thing necessarily, considering the Packers have a plethora of weapons and they were able to hang on for the win, but after starting out the season red-hot, Reed was an absolute liability on my fantasy team this week, scoring only three (3) points. You hate to see it.

Texans head coach **Demeco Ryans' clock management decision** late in the fourth quarter probably handed the Packers the game. With just under two minutes left, on third and 15 on the Packers' 17 yard line, Houston ran an out route to wide receiver Tank Dell seven yards short of the first down, which was ruled incomplete. The Texans settled for a field goal, giving them a one-point lead. They then gave the ball back to Green Bay, who had one timeout and plenty of time on the clock. The Packers proceeded to drive downfield and win the game. If the Texans had, say, just run the ball instead of passing it to Dell, the Packers would've had to burn their final timeout

before getting the ball back. And even if Dell had caught it, he still would've ended up out of bounds, which would've stopped the clock. And, he was well short of the first down, meaning a fourth down attempt would've been ill-advised. Do NFL coaches not play Madden? Why are there so many clock management mishaps in this league? Someone, please make it make sense.

The Ugly

I'd like to start with the additional Bad Punt Stuff by asking a more general question: What in the world is going on with the Packers' special teams? First we had the Nixon-Ballentine debacle, and then Reed caught a punt at the two yard line – a punt that he, without debate, should've let go into the end zone. It's just an ongoing saga of inexplicable, mind-boggling stuff. My entire life's experience with the Packers' special teams makes me feel like I'm very, very slowly going insane.

Time is a flat circle. The Packers ended the day with eight penalties for 55 yards. There's not much else to say at this point, except for something like "Yikes!" or

"Gross!" or "The Packers need to meaningfully address this issue, which has plagued them all season!"

Green Bay's **white helmets** cannot be ignored. Guys, I wanted to like them. I really tried. But at the end of the day...I vaguely felt like I was watching the New York Jets (strictly from an aesthetic perspective). I guess I'm just not a big fan of changing the colors of iconic stuff. What's next? Blue Wisconsin Badgers jerseys? Purple Cheetos? Where does it end?

Players of the Game

Houston running back **Joe Mixon** deserves props. The Texans' offensive line didn't give Stroud time to do much of anything, but Mixon's consistency helped keep Houston alive. He ended the day with 115 yards and two touchdowns on 25 carries, including a 32-yard run.

McManus sealed the Packers' dub, and **Jacobs** finally got a long-awaited career milestone, so shoutouts to both are due here.

Packers punter **Daniel Whelan** earned a tip of the cap as well. While the Packers struggled to convert on third downs in the second half, Whelan was able to push

the Texans' starting field position far enough downfield to give the defense a chance to keep them off the scoreboard. Whelan averaged just about 57 yards per punt on five punts – a notable jump from his roughly 46-yard average heading into the game, and the second-best single-game average in team history. Whelan's longest punt of the day went for 66 yards, and he also deftly handled a low snap that McManus sent through the uprights for the win.

Green Bay appears to have a Dawg in rookie safety **Evan Williams**. He's a tough, instinctual player, and he's made several key plays this season, including stuffing a run on a two-point conversion attempt by Houston. Williams' tackle arguably saved the game for the Packers. His nine tackles Sunday were the most on the team, and he joins his teammate Xavier McKinney as the league's two highest-graded safeties by Pro Football Focus. Keep an eye on this guy.

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