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Remains of Cassandra Ayon found in Town of Brighton

FOR CITY TIMES

MARSHFIELD--The Wisconsin Department of Justice in partnership with the Clark and Marathon County Sheriff's Offices, and the Clark County District Attorney's Office, announced the remains of Cassandra Ayon, last seen in Unity, Wis. on Oct. 3, 2020, have

been found on private property near CTH P and Abe Lincoln Road in the Town of Brighton, Marathon County, Wis. on Saturday, Nov. 30, 2024.

"My heart goes out to Cassandra's family and friends," said Attorney General Josh Kaul. "Thank you to everyone who has worked to

get justice and help provide answers in this appalling case."

"Although we were pleased with the outcome of the trial and felt that justice had been done on behalf of Cassandra Ayon, we never stopped looking for her," said Clark County

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Cassandra Ayon

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Christmas Toy Drive held in honor of passed students

BY KATIE SCHIMKE

MARSHFIELD--For the first time ever, a toy drive will be held in honor of two Abbotsford students who lost their lives to domestic violence in the summer of 2024. Emily and Melanye's Christmas Toy Drive is organized and run by two Abbotsford teachers, Tim Buttke and Brett Nelson.

The goal of the toy drive is for every student in the elementary school to receive a toy. Some examples of the toys include fishing poles, sports equipment, board games, remote control cars, art kits, and more. Parents have the opportunity to pick up gifts for their children, or children can pick up wrapped gifts on their own.

Abbotsford Elementary School has 370 students, 80% of which come from economically challenged families.

Emily and Melanye's Christmas Toy Drive will be held on Dec. 17, 2024 from 4:00-8:00 pm. Toys will be given in addition to holiday themed activities planned by Abbotsford PTO.

Emily and Melanye's Christmas Toy Drive is in its' first year of many to come, with continued support from the community in the form of donations, fundraising, and spreading awareness to honor the passed students.

Police Lights of Christmas donates \$200,000 to police departments



Photos by Accent Photography Kim Martin

FOR CITY TIMES

MARSHFIELD--On Dec. 3 the Marshfield Police Department participated in the 2024 Police Lights of Christmas hand-off event at Vanderverst Harley-Davidson. During this event, Marshfield

officers received gift cards that they will hand out to people in need in the community during the holiday season and the new year. Police Lights of Christmas is an annual event that raises money that is converted into gift cards for Wisconsin police departments to hand out in their local community, with 2024 seeing a grand total of \$200,000 in gift cards. To celebrate the event, over 100 squad



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Library to close on Sundays starting in Jan.

FOR CITY TIMES
MARSHFIELD - The Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library announced that due to budget cuts within the city of Marshfield, the public library will no longer be open on Sundays beginning in Jan. of 2025.

WREATHS across AMERICA

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
for Wreaths Across America

On Saturday, December 14th at 10am, the Marshfield Veterans Council with generous support from Roehl Transport invite you, your family and friends to our Wreath-laying Ceremony at Hillside Cemetery. Arlington National Cemetery has over 259,000 veterans' wreaths placed by more than 35,000 volunteers. To date, we have about 1,800 wreaths (goal 2,200) to place on veterans' headstones throughout Hillside Cemetery. This is an experience you will never forget, as we take a break from the hustle and bustle of the holiday season to honor our service members and their families. To VOLUNTEER online www.wreathscrossamerica.org/wi0091 or please arrive at Hillside Cemetery by 10am for a brief Ceremony and instruction on Saturday, December 14th.

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Marshfield woman sentenced to one year in prison for drug trafficking case

FOR CITY TIMES

MARSHFIELD--Shandel L. Mohr, 32, of Marshfield was sentenced to 12 months and one day to federal prison for conspiring to distribute cocaine and methamphetamine. Mohr's time in prison will be followed by three years of supervised release. Mohr pleaded guilty to this charge on Aug. 20, 2024.

After several years of investigation which began in Feb. of 2022, officers seized packages containing drugs from the mail, controlled purchases of narcotics, and firearms and large quantities of drugs from an operation based out of Wausau. Based on the results of the investigation, officers believe kilogram quantities of cocaine and methamphetamine were being distributed.

Mohr was identified as a cocaine dealer for the operation who would work in the area. The individual who previously worked in Mohr's role to sell drugs in the Marshfield area had been arrested, leading Mohr to be recruited to take over distribution in Marshfield.

Eight other individuals were also charged in regards to the drug trafficking organization.

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District Attorney Melissa Inlow. "We hope that the discovery of her remains lends a sense of closure and finality to her family and everyone who misses and mourns her."

"This case has been on our minds for years, said Clark County Sheriff Scott Haines. "Our hearts and thoughts go out to the family and friends of Cassandra Ayon."

Jesus Contreras-Perez of Mosinee, Wis. was sentenced to life in prison without eligibility for release on Sept. 12, 2022, in relation to the disappearance of Cassandra Ayon. A jury found Contreras-Perez guilty of first-degree intentional homicide, hiding a corpse, and stalking causing bodily harm after a 5-day trial in

June of 2022.

Wisconsin DOJ worked in partnership with the Clark County Sheriff's Office, the Marathon County Sheriff's Office, the Clark County District Attorney's Office, Marathon County Medical Examiner's Office, DNR, the Wisconsin State Crime Laboratory, and Wisconsin State Patrol on recovery of the remains.

Marshfield Clinic seeks volunteers for a community study of common respiratory illnesses and gastroenteritis in Marshfield area

FOR CITY TIMES

MARSHFIELD – Respiratory and diarrheal illnesses are common, but doctors rarely know which germ is responsible. Some of these illnesses can be treated or prevented by vaccination. Volunteers are needed to help researchers understand how often people develop respiratory illness or diarrhea, and to identify the germs that are making them sick.

The PACC-ER study will enroll about 1,500 people of all ages for up to two years. So far, more than 700 people have signed up, but hundreds more are needed to reach the enrollment target by the end of this year. The study is led by Marshfield Clinic Research Institute research scientists Huong Nguyen and Joshua Petrie.

"Most of us remember getting sick with cough, cold or flu symptoms or a stomach bug," Nguyen said. "These illnesses can make you feel miserable and prevent you from going to work or school. This study will provide much needed information on the frequency and causes of these illnesses in the community." She also noted that study results will help guide vaccine development and aid doctors who are taking care of patients with respiratory illness or gastroenteritis.

Volunteers will fill out a brief survey each week to let the study team know if they are sick or not. Volunteers will collect and mail back a nose swab when they have cough, cold or flu symptoms or a stool sample when they have a stomach bug. These samples will be tested for different germs, and participants will be told if they have influenza, COVID-19, or respiratory syncytial virus (RSV). Blood and saliva samples will also be collected to measure immune responses. There will be three study

visits for blood collection: at enrollment, during summer 2025, and during summer 2026. Some participants may be asked to complete additional study visits with blood collection after vaccination or illness. Children under 5 years old can participate in the study without any blood or saliva collection. Participants may receive between \$228 and \$378, depending on how long they are in the study and which activities are done. Extra payment will be given to those who complete extra activities.

"People in central Wisconsin are always willing to help out friends and neighbors and support the community," Petrie said. "This is a wonderful opportunity for Marshfield-area residents to participate in science that is community-focused. It's quite rare for a large research study like this to take place in a rural midwestern setting. This is big-time infectious disease research that will be used at the national level."

More than 18,000 study invitation letters were sent to Marshfield-area children and adults. The study team needs your help to reach enrollment targets. Interested people are encouraged to contact the study team to see if they are eligible to volunteer. The study is open to invited people who live in the following communities: Abbotsford, Arpin, Auburndale, Hewitt, Marshfield, Milladore, Pittsville, Sherry, Spencer, Stratford, Rangeline, Rozellville and Unity. Children under 5 years old may also be eligible if they live in other communities near the study area.

To learn more about the PACC-ER Study or volunteer, visit <https://marshfieldresearch.org/pacc>, call 800-468-9700 or email pacc@marshfieldresearch.org. The study is funded by Moderna, Inc.

Scam calls on the rise claiming to be Wood County Sheriff's Department

FOR CITY TIMES

WOOD COUNTY--In recent weeks, Wood County residents have received an increase of phone calls from individuals claiming to be from the Wood County Sheriff's department, utilizing the phone number 715-421-8700,

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OBITUARIES

RACHEL SEEFELDT

Rachel Seefeldt, 83, of Marshfield, passed away on Dec. 1, 2024. The Hansen-Schilling Funeral Home & Cremation Center assisted the family.

RAYMOND CLAUSNITZE

Raymond "Ray" Clausnitzer, 84, of Marshfield, passed away on Dec. 1, 2024. The Hansen-Schilling Funeral Home & Cremation Center assisted the family.



THEDA MARIE KASNER

Theda Marie Kasner, aged 86, of Marshfield, WI, passed away on November 15, 2024, after a courageous battle with cancer. Born on December 22, 1937, in Oquawka, IL, to Charles and Beulah (Clark) Hall, Theda was the eldest of five siblings. She graduated from Broadview Academy in La Fox, IL, in 1955 and attended Emmanuel Missionary College in Berrien Springs, MI.

In 1958, Theda married Gerald Kasner in Arpin, WI, and together they raised two daughters, Tami and Nancy. Their family life was filled with adventure, moving from Wisconsin to Colorado and Arizona, always seeking new opportunities. In Colorado, they built their home from the ground up, a testament to their determination and love. Theda and Jerry returned to Wisconsin in 1972, purchasing a farm near Marshfield, before moving to Arizona in 1977, where Jerry opened a cheese store and Theda managed senior retirement communities.

Theda's love for travel took her to Europe, Hawaii, and Alaska. She returned to Marshfield in 1989, where she worked as an accountant, managed the Purdy, and retired from Marshfield Clinic as the coordinator of the Mobile Services van. In 2015, she met John Holland, and they married the following year, spending winters in Texas.

Theda is survived by her husband, John Holland; her daughter Nancy (Todd) Stobie; grandchildren Victoria, James (Tracy Burton), and Jake Rodriguez, Greg Fox, Jennifer (Matt) Craig, Erin (Beau) Davis, and Scott Stobie; ten great-grandchildren; and son-in-law Kenneth Reuterskiold. She is also mourned by her siblings Martha Tews, Sheila (Wayne) Mueller, and Billy (Sally) Hall, along with many nieces, nephews, and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband of 49 years, Jerry Kasner, her daughter Tami (Kenneth) Reuterskiold, and her sister Barbara (Charles) Wernberg. Theda's legacy of love, resilience, and adventure will be cherished by all who knew her.

Services will be held on Saturday, December 14 at the Marshfield Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 714 W. 14th Street, Marshfield, WI. Visitation will take place from 1:30-3:00 pm with services starting at 3:00 pm and a meal to follow.



DOROTHY M. NIEHAUS

Dorothy M. Niehaus, 95, of Marshfield, died peacefully the evening of December 3, 2024 at Wells Nature View (2807 S Apple) with her family at her side.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11am Monday, December 9th at Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church in Marshfield. The Reverend Douglas Robertson Officiating. Music will be provided by Cindy Penker and the Resurrection Choir. Interment will take place in Gate of Heaven Cemetery following the Mass. Visitation will be from 9:30 until time of service on Monday. Dorothy was born April 11, 1929 in Boaz, Wisconsin to William and Dolly (Simpson) Hustedt. In 1930 the family moved to Marshfield where she later graduated from the local high school in 1947. She had attended Carroll College. Soon thereafter she found work as a billing clerk for the Marshfield Electric and Water Department. She had later worked for JC Penny in the Women's Department for over 23 years, retiring as a manager.

She married the late Willard A. "Willie" Niehaus August 1, 1949, at St. John's Catholic Church in Marshfield. He sadly died November 5, 2009 after over 60 years of marriage.

After Dorothy and Willie had retired, they pursued a shared love of travelling. She was a CCD Teacher at Our Lady of Peace, worked at the Senior Craft Shoppe, and was a Scout Leader for a time. She lived and loved and used her time well.

Dorothy is survived by her children: Jim (Bev) Niehaus of Eagle River, Jane Niehaus of Marshfield, Steve (Alice) Niehaus of Marshfield, Tom (Karen) Niehaus of Marshfield, Brian (Kim) Niehaus of Cannon Falls, MN, Sandy (Paul) Hughes of Hudson, Jeff (Rhonda) Niehaus of Muskego, and Tammy (Bob) Koontz of Medford. She is also survived by grandchildren: Terrance, Lisa, Corrie, Ryan, Kristen, Kari, Ben, Tim, Alyssa, Kyle, Brice, Chad, Katie, Sean, Patrick, Ashley, Samantha, Joshua, Sydney, Lindsey, and Kylee; 15 great-grandchildren; and many nieces & nephews.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Willard, and her son Paul, her daughter Pat, and her siblings: Bill (Phyllis) Hustedt, Jean (Larry) Delaney, and Laura (Elmer) Ingle.

The family wishes to extend a special thank you to the wonderful staff at Well's Nature View and St. Croix Hospice. Condolences may be sent online at www.rembsfh.com

PUBLISHER'S LETTER

The Joys and Blessings of Christmas

Dear Reader,

Christmas holds many meanings for those who celebrate this special day and the season that surrounds it. At its heart, Christmas signifies the birth of Christ, a moment

of profound spiritual importance. But it also brings to mind the joy of giving, with gifts and presents for little boys and girls, each package wrapped with love and anticipation.

While we often find ourselves striving to be our best during the holiday season, the true magic of Christmas shines brightest in the eyes of a child. In their wonder and delight, we are reminded of the simple, pure joy that this time of year brings.

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Innovative sports medicine partnership continues between UW-Stevens Point and Marshfield Clinic Health System

FOR CITY TIMES

MARSHFIELD - University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point and Marshfield Clinic Health System have renewed their partnership for official sports medicine care through June 2027. This renewal builds on the comprehensive sports medicine care provided to student-athletes.

This medical model allows the athletic training staff, who are health system employees, provide seamless access to the entire system of services including team physician Dr. Chad Giles and team surgeon Dr. Jeffery Rossow.

There are seven full-time and several casual licensed athletic trainers supporting 26 collegiate teams of approximately 800 students. This level of support provides a dedicated athletic trainer for practices and events plus daily personalized care on campus. Athletes have full access to a highly trained sports medicine team. Dr. Giles and Dr. Rossow provide office hours on campus, in the training room or through field event coverage when attending games.

"We provide a full approach to sports medicine care including mental health support, rehabilitation services (including post operative return to play), efficient referral process," said Brock Reichardt, athletic training services manager.

The sports medicine team treats a wide range of injuries and illnesses including, but not limited to concussions, cardiovascular issues, orthopedic injuries, acute emergencies, eating disorders, viral illnesses, bacterial illnesses, skin disorders, lacerations, surgical cases, mental health, and other injuries and illnesses.

"Our continued partnership with Marshfield Clinic Health System merges two vital organizations in Central Wisconsin," said UW-Stevens Point Athletic Director Brad Duckworth. "UW-Stevens Point Athletics strives to provide our student-athletes the best experience in NCAA Division III athletics and having quality health care is an essential component. The world-renowned health care from Marshfield Clinic Health System gives our student athletes the best chance to compete at the highest level. I couldn't be more grateful for our continued partnership."

With this seamless access to care, the sports medicine team can be active with preventive resources, including early identification of injury and provide a rapid response to care and recovery. This partnership continues the trailblazing medical model.

"This is a unique model at the Division III level," said Aaron Homolka, director of rehabilitation services. "No other Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) school has a robust network of dedicated athletic trainers and team physicians working on campus."

The athletic training program is another example of the close partnerships the Health System and UWSP have developed in the last several years. In 2018, the two organizations announced a partnership to advance the development of the health care workforce by providing new education and training opportunities for students.

Praschak Memorial in need of donations

RICH WEIS FOR CITY TIMES

MARSHFIELD - Have you driven by the Praschak Memorial Statue

lately? It's probably better known as Jesus standing on top of the world globe, with the motto: "Christ Guide Us On Our Way." It was erected through the generosity of Henry Praschak and many others back in the early 1950's. It proudly stands as residents and visitors come into Marshfield from the south side of town. This memorial statue depends upon donations to pay for its utilities and upkeep. Please consider making a donation to help support this piece of the community. All donations can be sent to: 309 Meadow Lane, Marshfield, WI. and marked Praschak Memorial.

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Marshfield Police Department announce new office hours

FOR CITY TIMES

MARSHFIELD--The Marshfield Police Department has announced that their front office will be closed by noon on Fridays beginning on Jan. 3, 2025. Officers will still be

working 24 hours a day and 7 days a week. The department said, "These new hours will have minimal effect on service and no effect on the safety of our city."

Festival Foods partners with The Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign

FOR CITY TIMES

MARSHFIELD--Festival Foods is again partnering with The Salvation Army's Red Kettle Campaign to raise funds in support of the organization's year-round missions, which address needs such as hunger relief, financial assistance, housing support, youth empowerment and more.

In 2023, shoppers visiting Festival Foods throughout Wisconsin donated over \$442,000 to the campaign. "We are pleased to partner with The Salvation Army and in its efforts to support local programs," said Mark Skogen, Festival Foods President and CEO. "Community giving with neighbors helping neighbors is one of our values."

This year, Festival will accept donations at the store registers from Dec. 2-24, with 100 percent of donations added to grocery totals or placed in the Red Kettles going directly to The Salvation Army. To carry on a successful campaign, community members are encouraged to



volunteer. Those interested in volunteering may sign up for shifts in 1-hour increments via The Salvation Army's registration website. The Salvation Army welcomes individuals, families, service clubs, schools and businesses to consider volunteering for the campaign.

Sen. Testin named vice-chair of Joint Finance Committee

FOR CITY TIMES

WOOD COUNTY--Sen. Patrick Testin announced he has been named the Senate vice-chair of the Joint Finance Committee.

The Joint Finance Committee is responsible for determining all state appropriations and expenditures, including the biennial budget. Sen. Testin was first appointed as a member of the committee in 2022.

"As Senate vice-chair of JFC, I will be more heavily involved in the negotiation process when putting together our state's two-year spending plan and deciding what to do with our projected \$4.6 billion

budget surplus," Sen. Testin said.

"It is an absolute honor that my colleagues have the confidence in me to be a leading voice in handling our state's finances," Sen. Testin added. "It is a responsibility that I take very seriously and I cannot wait to begin the budget proceedings in January. One of my top priorities will be making key investments in our state while also reducing the tax burden on the hard-working taxpayers of Wisconsin."

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Wednesday, Jan. 1st, 2025

Advertising deadline for the
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Thursday, Dec. 19th at 10:30 am

Please note: We will not be publishing a
paper the week of January 1st, 2025!

Our next paper will be January 8th, 2025.

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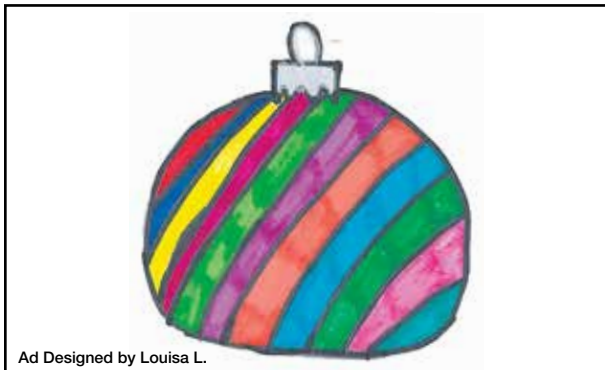
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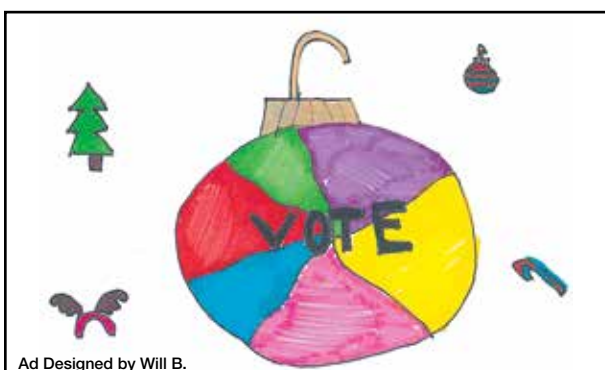
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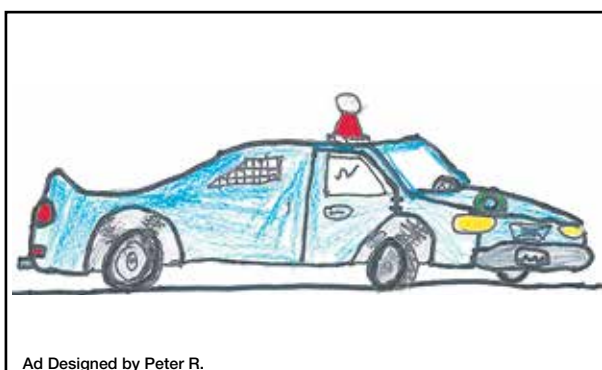
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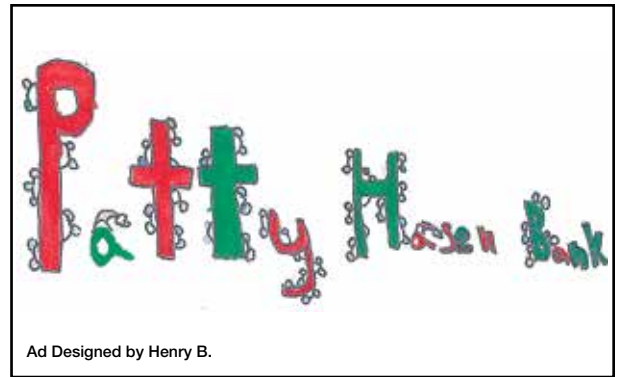


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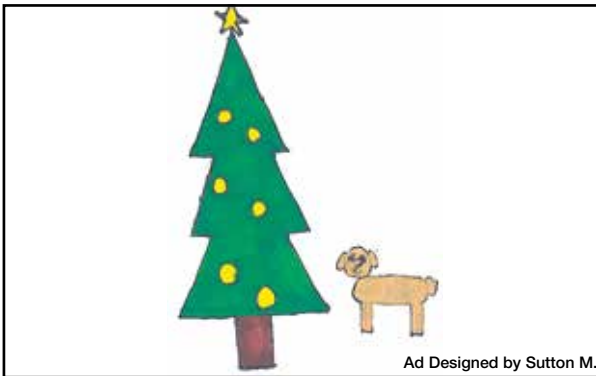
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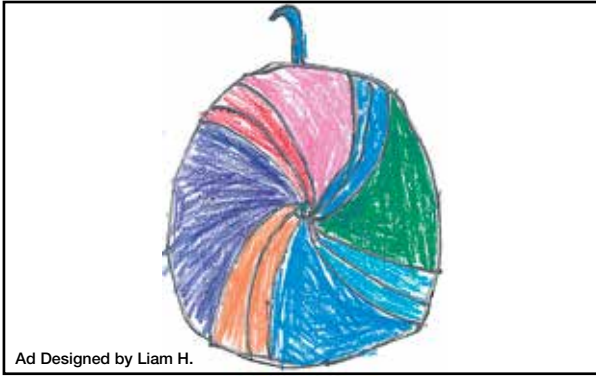
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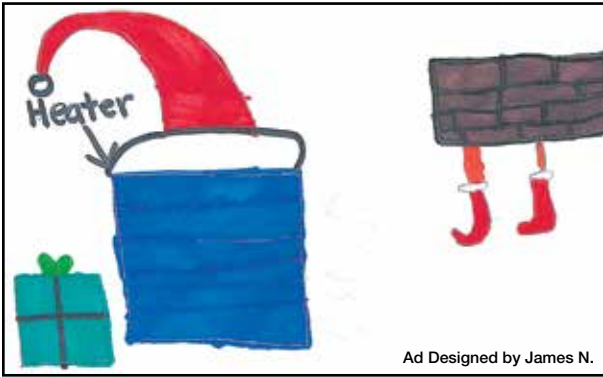
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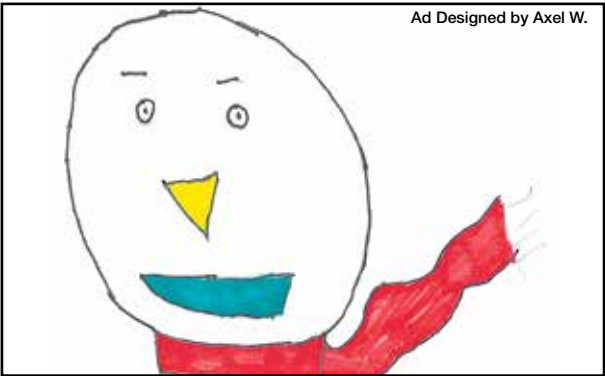
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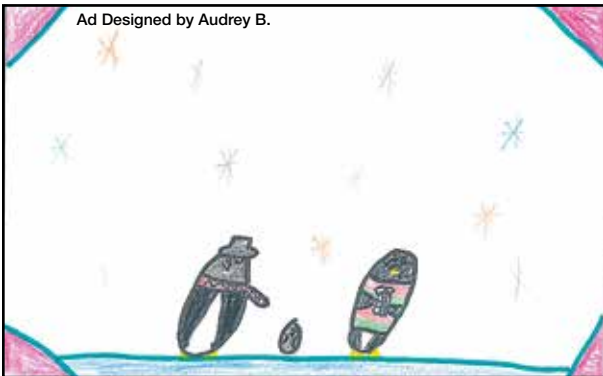
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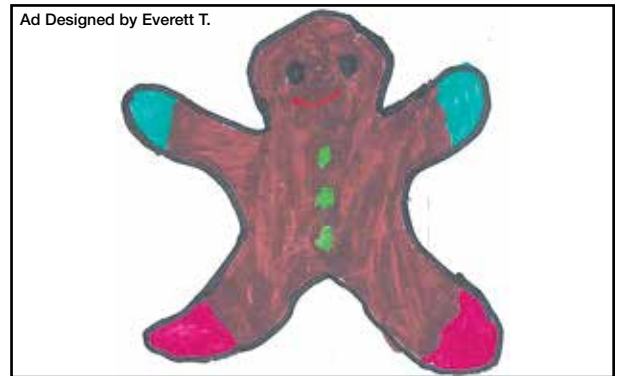
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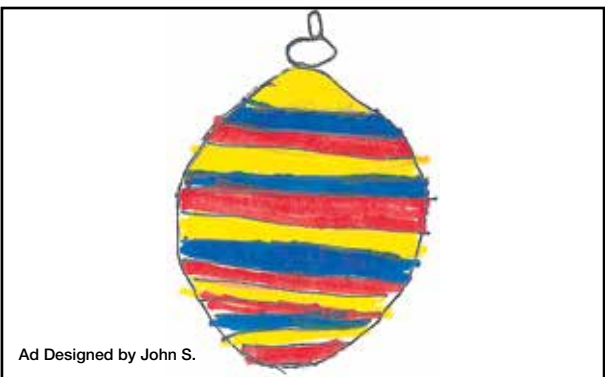
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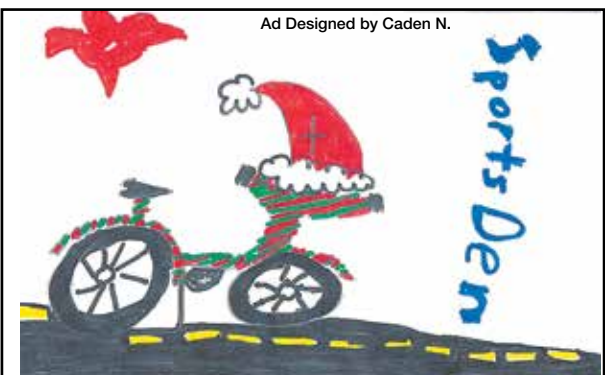
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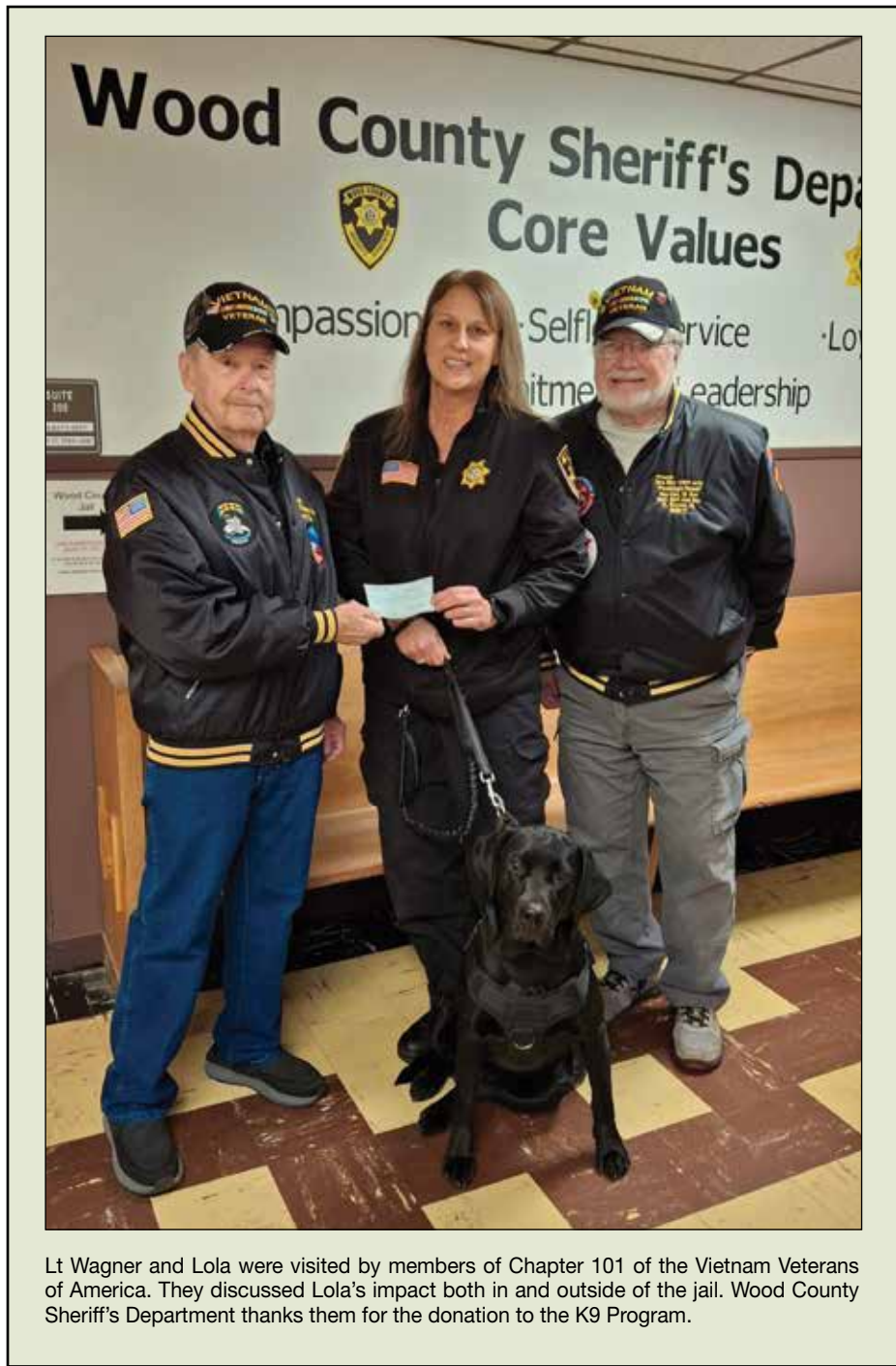
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Lt Wagner and Lola were visited by members of Chapter 101 of the Vietnam Veterans of America. They discussed Lola's impact both in and outside of the jail. Wood County Sheriff's Department thanks them for the donation to the K9 Program.

Deer carcass disposal available



Deer carcasses or remains cannot be mixed with trash. Hunters can drop them off, for free, in the marked dumpster at the Portage County Transfer Facility through Jan. 31, 2025.

FOR CITY TIMES

WOOD COUNTY--Portage County Solid Waste has once again collaborated with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to offer residents a free option for deer carcass disposal. A dedicated dumpster is available at the Portage County Solid Waste Transfer Facility until Jan. 31, 2025. After this date, deer carcasses and remains will no longer be accepted. This

service is available for both in-county and out-of-county residents.

Processing facilities and businesses must arrange for deer carcasses and remains to be sent directly to the Adams County or Marathon County Landfill.

The Portage County Solid Waste

Transfer Facility is also a CWD testing site. Please place deer heads for testing in the self-service kiosk located next to the carcass disposal dumpster.

Due to CWD concerns, many Wisconsin landfills no longer accept deer carcasses, and therefore they cannot be mixed with trash. If you need to dispose of deer carcasses or remains outside of the specified timeframe, the Marathon County Landfill will accept them year-round for a fee. As a reminder, it is illegal to dispose of waste on public lands, roadways, or

on private property without permission. Additional guidance on deer carcass disposal is available at www.dnr.wi.gov/topic/wildlifehabitat/carcass.html.

Fighting food insecurity through the deer donation program

FOR CITY TIMES

WOOD COUNTY--The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) encourages hunters to donate Wisconsin-harvested deer through the DNR's Deer Donation Program. The program supports Wisconsin residents in need by helping stock food pantry shelves with ground venison made from donated deer.

"There are many individuals that face food insecurity, and the Deer Donation Program is a wonderful opportunity for hunters to help those in need," said Marcus Ruffedt, DNR Wildlife Program specialist. "According to data from the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, more than 900,000 Wisconsin residents received food assistance in 2023. There remains a high demand for the venison this program provides, and

we hope hunters continue to donate deer and make a difference in their communities."

Since the program began in 2000, hunters have donated over 98,000 deer, totaling nearly 4 million pounds of venison, to help Wisconsinites in need. A network of venison donation partners, including county land and water conservation departments, food pantries, charitable organizations, USDA-Wildlife Services and participating meat processors, all help administer and implement the program.

Hunters interested in donating a Wisconsin-harvested deer to the Deer Donation Program should follow these steps:

- Field dress the deer.
- Register the deer through GameReg. When dropping



The Deer Donation Program helps Wisconsinites in need.

Photo by Wisconsin DNR

it off, you will need the registration confirmation number.

Test the deer for CWD before taking the deer to a processor if harvested from a CWD-affected county. A list of CWD sampling locations is available on the DNR's Chronic Wasting Disease Sampling webpage.

Contact a participating processor before dropping off the deer to ensure they have the capacity to accept it. More processors may be added later in the season.

Bring the deer to the

processor. The processor will not distribute the deer until the results are known.

Hunters and non-hunters may also support the Deer Donation Program through a monetary donation at any license sales location or online through their Go Wild account. Visit Wisconsin's Deer Donation Program webpage to learn more about the program.

Avoid Lead In Venison. Deer harvested with lead bullets have been shown

to have tiny lead particles or fragments remaining in a portion of the processed meat. Some of the lead fragments may be too small to see during processing. Although research has not linked lead in venison to human health effects, hunters are encouraged to use non-lead ammunition. Visit the DNR's Safely Eating Venison webpage for more information and steps to reduce potential exposure.

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STRATFORD AREA SCHOOLS SCHOOL NEWS



Stratford School District Celebrates Academic Excellence in State Testing

The Stratford School District has once again demonstrated its commitment to academic excellence with impressive results in the 2023-2024 Forward and ACT exams. The district outperformed state averages in both English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics, with 67.2% of students meeting or exceeding proficiency in ELA and an exceptional 80.8% in Mathematics, compared to state averages of 51.1% and 53.1%, respectively. Stratford's ACT average score of 21.4 which also scored the highest in the Marawood Conference.

These results highlight Stratford's consistent dedication to high-quality instruction and student support. While many nearby districts showed strong performance in specific areas, Stratford's overall scores set a high standard for the region. Superintendent Dr. Nathan Lehman credited the district's success to the hard work of students, staff, and families, and emphasized the district's ongoing commitment to maintaining a culture of excellence. Moving forward, Stratford is focused on building on these achievements to ensure continued success for all students.

Other Success throughout the fall

In addition to our successes academically, our students had a lot of success this fall in extracurricular activities. Our boys cross country team took first at sections for the first time since 1984, our Musical Matilda Jr. was a huge success, we hosted the Marawood Conference Music Festival, volleyball won the regional championship, and our football team won state for a third consecutive year. This is our 10th state football championship which is the most in WIAA history. In addition, we had 31 students receive an all conference award this fall.

Football - Central Wisconsin

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Jack Tubbs (QB)
Alec Chapel (DB)(TE)
Jett Schoenherr (DB)(WR)
Carter Lueck (DL)(OL)
Walker Weis (DL)(OL)
Caleb Wrensch (LB)
Reid Miller (RB) | Second Team:
Drew Gage (OL)
Brooks Vanderhoof (RB)(LB) | Honorable Mention:
Coltan Breit (WR)
Jack Tubbs (DB)
Xander Curtice (LB) |
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- Jack Tubbs - Offensive Player of the Year
- Alec Chapel - Defensive Player of the Year
- Jason Tubbs - Coach of the Year
- Kellen Kafka - Assistant Coach of the Year



Volleyball - Marawood

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| First Team:
Emerson Roy
Kalyn Schueller | Second Team:
Daisy Yoder | Honorable Mention:
Tria Tubbs
McKenzie Novotny |
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Kalyn Schueller - Player of the Year

Cross Country - Marawood

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| First Team:
Ethan Heeg
Cree Defoe
Kayla Casperson | Second Team:
Breleigh Skaya | Honorable Mention:
Christopher Stuttgen
Jaden Defoe |
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Marawood Band/Choir

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| Instrumental
Chris Stuttgen
Gavin Ceyress
Emma Syring
Lydia Junemann
Alexa Krieg | Choir
Sylvia McMeeken
Breleigh Shanks
Ali Griepentrog |
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The senior class had the highest ACT scores in the Marawood Conference. Here is a picture of our seniors and staff celebrating this amazing accomplishment.



The 3rd Grade classes attended a field trip to the Wausau School Forest! They had the opportunity to learn about animal habitats, adaptations, camouflage, and the students got to on a nature walk. It was a fun-filled day of learning in nature for our Stratford Tigers!



To finish off our Dairy Science unit in 6th grade Agriscience, students made their own homemade ice cream! It was a pretty SWEET way to finish the week.

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A weekly feature highlighting school news from around the area!

SPENCER AREA SCHOOLS SCHOOL NEWS



On Thursday, November 21, seven High School Student Council members attended the WASC (Wisconsin Association of Student Councils) Fall Leadership Tour at UW-Stevens Point. The keynote speaker was Duncan Kirkwood and he was amazing! He talked about the importance of being present and taking advantage of every opportunity available to you. Students also attended breakout sessions of their choice. Topics to choose from included a Homecoming idea swap, ways to address mental health in teens and information about the state conference and competitions. This is the first time Spencer High School students have attended this event and it was a great experience for each of them.

The night of October 26th brought an eerie excitement and spooky thrills to Spencer School Forest with more than 300 people gathering to experience the school's 1st annual Haunted Trail event. The Haunted Trail, set within Spencer School Forest, had visitors weaving their way through spooky scenes that were brought to life by the hard work of the Middle School Student Council, Ecology Club, and Drama Club students. Dressed in haunting costumes, the students set the stage for a series of creepy vignettes designed to spook and thrill. Our student actors did an excellent job in creating an atmosphere of suspense and fright for the patrons. The evening also featured beautifully carved pumpkins from our 3rd grade classes that illuminated the trail and added an extra layer of autumn charm to our kids trail. Volunteers from the School Forest community had spent hours creating designs and decorations that lined the path. Attendees were also able to grab some warm beverages and snacks at the concession stand. Lastly we had the Art Club onsite offering face painting bringing creativity to life with their painted designs, adding an extra fun element for the kids.



With so many hands involved, the event had a true community feel, with students, teachers, and parents all contributing their time and talents to ensure a successful evening. The Haunted Trail is a new tradition in Spencer, raising funds for updating our school forest for our programs and community to better enjoy while giving everyone a chance to enjoy some spooky fun. The true spirit of the event was the incredible community support and collaboration that made it such a success. Hope to see you next year!

Spencer Elementary School held their annual Food Drive from November 1st through November 22nd. Throughout this time students bring in food items to be donated to Christ the King Catholic Church food bank. Mrs. Kristy Ehlers does a weekly count for a friendly class competition. On November 22nd, our 5th grade students separate all items and prepare them for donation as the totals are tallied. We then have an elementary assembly where the winners and total amounts are presented. This year's winning class was Mrs. Payant's 3rd grade class with 311 items collected. Total donations collected were 1,791 food items and \$270 to be donated to local families in need. At the end of our assembly high school students who are

members of National Honor Society load all of the donations and they are delivered to the food pantry. Thank you to all of our students and families for their compassion and support to help take care of our community!



The 8th grade class and interested juniors and seniors had the chance to learn about some amazing careers on Tuesday, November 14th! The Spencer Fire & EMS team worked with Lifelink to secure a landing of their helicopter on our football field for this event. There were three stations for the students to rotate through. Lifelink opened their helicopter and explained the various materials within, as well as shared about their various roles of pilot, medic and EMT. Spencer Fire Department and EMS, as well as Spencer PD, also talked about their role, day in the life, and education requirements. Despite being a little chilly, this was a fantastic event! We are grateful to all those that were involved!



On November 11, the History Club hosted a Veterans Day Program held in the RJ Tack Gym. The guest speaker this year was Spencer alumni SSG Rudy Nieman, a 2013 graduate and member of the United States Army Reserve. We would like to thank Rudy Nieman, members of American Legion Post 298, Mrs. Olson along with the choir and handbells, student speakers, Yazmin Gonzalez, Hailey Rucker, and Emma Sandley for their participation in the program. In addition to this, we would like to thank all of our active duty military members and veterans for their service.

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Explore more with Wisconsin State Park System's new 12-month admission pass

FOR CITY TIMES

WOOD COUNTY--The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) announced the Wisconsin State Park System will be moving to a 12-month admission pass model. The new 12-month admission passes is available to purchase as of Monday, Dec. 2, 2024.

The update to the Wisconsin State Park System admission pass follows the implementation of 2023 Wisconsin Act 113, which was signed by Governor Tony Evers on March 14, 2024. The new pass model is valid for 12 months following the month of purchase, rather than expiring on Dec. 31. The 2025 passes purchased in Dec. 2024 will be valid through Jan. 2026.

"With this new 12-month pass model, we hope that our customers are encouraged to spend more time outdoors enjoying Wisconsin's beautiful public lands," said Steve Schmelzer, DNR Parks and Recreation Management Director. "This is a great opportunity to plan a visit to a place you've never been before. There are tons of ways to make the most of your full 12 months of exploring."

The physical appearance of the pass has also been updated. In addition to being slightly larger, the 12 months of the year will be listed around the perimeter of the pass. Beginning in 2025, the pass will be marked to indicate the month and year in which the pass will expire. The pass remains valid until the final day of the 12th month following the month in which it is issued. For example, a pass that is marked to expire March 2026 will be valid through March 31, 2026.

Reduced-rate vehicle admission passes will still be available for additional vehicles registered to the same address. Reduced-rate passes must be purchased at the same time as the full-price pass or at a later date with proof of purchase of the full-price vehicle pass. Passes for additional vehicles will expire in the same month and year as the household's full-price pass.

Beginning in March 2025, conservation patron state park vehicle admission passes will be the same design as other vehicle admission passes. The validity period for conservation patron passholders is not changing. A conservation patron pass will always be marked for the



The 12-month 2025 vehicle admission passes went on sale beginning Dec. 2, 2024. **Photo by Wisconsin DNR**

month of March, regardless of when it was redeemed.

Customers are encouraged to save time by buying their passes online. Orders placed online will receive an email receipt with a confirmation number that can be used immediately for park entry. 12-month vehicle admission passes purchased online will be delivered pre-marked with the expiration month and year according to the date of purchase.

Vehicle Admission Passes

A vehicle admission pass is required on all motor vehicles stopping in state parks, forests and recreation areas. Admission passes can be purchased online or at most individual properties via drive-up window service or electronic sales kiosks.

Vehicle admission fees include daily and 12-month rates. A 12-month admission pass costs \$28 for vehicles with Wisconsin license plates or \$38 for vehicles with out-of-state plates.

If there is more than one vehicle registered to the same household, additional vehicle passes are available for \$15.50 for in-state plates and \$20.50 for out-of-state plates. A senior citizen 12-month sticker is available for \$13 to Wisconsin residents 65 years of age and older. Daily passes are \$13 for

vehicles with Wisconsin licenses plates and \$16 for vehicles with out-of-state plates for all properties in 2025.

State Trail Passes

The 2025 annual state trail passes will go on sale beginning Monday, Dec. 2, 2024. The annual state trail pass is valid for the calendar year. A 2025 annual state trail pass will expire Dec. 31, 2025, regardless of when it was purchased.

A state trail pass is required for all people age 16 or older who bike, cross-country ski, horseback ride or inline skate on certain trails. A state trail pass is not required for walking or hiking. The DNR reminds the public that annual state trail passes are different from vehicle admission passes.

The DNR offers the option to purchase a state trail pass online by selecting "Trail Pass" under "Product Type." State trail passes can also be purchased at individual properties via drive-up window service or electronic sales kiosks, DNR service centers or a DNR-affiliated vendor or sub-vendor.

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DNR seeking public input on the statewide comprehensive outdoor recreation plan

FOR CITY TIMES

WOOD COUNTY--The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is seeking public input on the draft Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP).

The SCORP describes the supply and demand for outdoor recreation in Wisconsin. The draft Wisconsin SCORP includes an analysis of the motivations for recreating and the barriers Wisconsin residents may experience preventing them from participating in outdoor recreation.

States are required to complete SCORPs every five years to be eligible for participation in the Land and Water Conservation Fund State Assistance Program.

The Land and Water Conservation Fund was enacted by Congress in 1965 "to strengthen the health and vitality of the United States" through the acquisition and development of outdoor recreation resources and facilities. States are allocated funds as matching (50%) grants for the acquisition and development of public outdoor recreation sites and facilities.

The public is encouraged to submit comments using the online public input form on the DNR's Wisconsin Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan webpage. Comments may also be sent via U.S. mail, phone or email. Submit comments by Dec. 15, 2024 to:

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The public is encouraged to provide their input on the draft Wisconsin Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan by Dec. 15, 2024. **Photo by Wisconsin DNR**

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Following the close of the public comment period, the department will summarize the input received and adjust the report as necessary before submitting the final report to the governor for his consideration.

Police Calls

On Nov. 27 around 10:00 in the morning a male subject entered a store in Rudolph vocalizing suicidal intentions that he said would be masked as an accident. He later returned and said he was kidding and joking around, then asking others in the store to not call the police. The male was reported to be heading towards Rapids and was acting strange.

On Nov. 28 an ambulance was called for a male who was throwing up a black substance in Grand Rapids. The male was reported as too weak to get up and passing blood.

On Nov. 29 at 5:00 in the evening a caller from Port Edwards reported that they had ordered Taco Bell through DoorDash. When the caller opened their food order that had been delivered they discovered "a piece of paper with writing on it" and requested to speak with an officer.

On Nov. 30 at 10:00 a stovetop fire in Rudolph's Hillcrest Village Apartments was reported. The stove was turned off and the fire was put out.

On Nov. 30 at 3:00 in the afternoon a caller in Saratoga told dispatch their brother had stolen some

of their belongings and was already working on pawning the belongings.

On Nov. 30 at 6:00 at night a caller in Wisconsin Rapids reported their bathroom window was gone. The motion light outside the home had been one but the caller could not see anyone but was home alone.

On Dec. 1 at 1:00 in the afternoon a caller in Saratoga reported a bay horse was running loose and cutting through yards.

On Dec. 1 a caller in Marshfield reported at 3:00 in the afternoon that their tire had been slashed at

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Lauryn Katzenberger of Marshfield High School signs with University of Minnesota State Moorhead to continue soccer career



Lauryn Katzenberger signing to play soccer at University of Minnesota State Moorhead, with her parents by her side.



BY KATIE SCHIMKE

MARSHFIELD-- Lauryn Katzenberger, a senior of Marshfield High School, has signed her letter of commitment to the NCAA Division 2 school of the University of Minnesota State Moorhead where she will continue her soccer career at a collegiate level.

Lauryn has been playing soccer since the age of five when her parents signed her up to begin the sport. Aside from soccer, Lauryn is on Marshfield High School's girls basketball team and has previously run cross country, as well.

During Lauryn's freshman year of high school she made the varsity team for soccer, then was sidelined as a sophomore due to injuries. Her junior year led her right back to a competitive season, as her senior year promises

to do the same.

On her love for soccer, Lauryn said, "I just love the team environment and how everyone comes together. There's so many friendships and connections I've made." Lauryn plays center midfield, and she said the position is her favorite as it allows her to play both defense and offense.

When deciding on which college was the right fit for her, Lauryn said of University of Minnesota State Moorhead, "During campus visits everything just felt very comfortable and familiar. The teammates and coach were all super nice and welcoming."

When not on the field or in practice at the University of Minnesota State Moorhead, Lauryn will be studying exercise science and kinesiology.

Cranberry Classic leads to a strong night of basketball

FOR CITY TIMES

WOOD COUNTY--The Panther Girls split a pair of games over the weekend in the 40th Annual Cranberry Classic. On Friday night, the Lady Panthers used a strong start to jump out to an 18-0 lead over Nekoosa on route to a 46-7 first half lead. The Panthers continued a strong defensive effort in the 2nd half and finished with a 66-13 victory to move to 2-1 on the season.

Pittsville had 4 players in double-figures, led by Emma Bowden with 15 pts, Brynn Friday with 13, Reese Grimm with 12, and Kaylee Jacobson with 11. Grimm led the Panthers with 6 rebounds, while Lana Vollert had 4 assists and Brooke Grossman had 5 steals.

The Panthers met #1 in D5 Assumption for the championship game on Saturday Night and were unable to overcome 41 turnovers and an Assumption team that shot 13-21 from 3 pt for the night. Pittsville trailed 13-15 midway through the first half, but Assumption finished on a 15-7 run to lead 30-20 at the half. The Royals shot 8-11 from three in route to the 10 point halftime lead. Pittsville came out with the first 3 points of the 2nd half to trim the lead to 7 and were within 8 with 12 minutes to go, but could not overcome a turnover total that doubled their team turnovers combined for the first three games of the year. Pittsville shot 54 percent from the field to 51 percent for Assumption, but were outshot from three point range 13-21 compared to 3-6 for the Panthers. Pittsville also won the rebounding battle 34-16 and forced 16 assumption turnovers, but neither were enough to overcome the blistering three point shooting and turnover discrepancy.

Pittsville's Reese Grimm had 13 pts, 9 rebounds, 5 assists, and 2 steals, while Brynn Friday led Pittsville with 10 rebounds. Brooke Grossman led the Panthers in steals with 4.

Crash in Rudolph leaves three with critical injuries

FOR CITY TIMES

WOOD COUNTY--On Dec. 2, 2024 at approximately 3:59 p.m. Wood County Central Dispatch received report of a two vehicle crash at the intersection of CTH C and CTH S in the Township of Rudolph. A SUV was traveling westbound on CTH C approaching CTH S. A pickup truck was traveling northbound on CTH S approaching CTH C. The pickup truck failed to yield the right-of-way and the vehicles collided in the intersection of CTH S / CTH C. Both vehicles came to rest in the northwest ditch with the SUV on its side. The operator of the pickup received minor injuries. The operator and two juvenile passengers in the SUV received critical injuries. The two juveniles were flown by helicopter to Marshfield Medical Center and the female operator was transported by ambulance to Marshfield Medical Center. CTH C, CTH S and Zubella Rd were closed for several hours. The crash remains under investigation.

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FOR CITY TIMES

MARSHFIELD--Kids Korner Clothes & More, located at 505 N Central Ave., announced they anticipate to be closing their Marshfield location by or around Christmas. With the closing, there are numerous items hung up frequently to clear their stock. Kids Korner Clothes & More is open Monday-Friday from 10:00 am until 6:00 pm and Saturday from 10:00 am until 5:00 pm.

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WisDOT, WCHA applaud snowplow drivers across Wisconsin

FOR CITY TIMES

WOOD COUNTY--Governor Tony Evers proclaimed December 2 as Snowplow Driver

Appreciation Day in Wisconsin to remind motorists to slow down and give space to snowplow drivers to safely do their jobs. In partnership with the Wisconsin County Highway Association (WCHA), the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) urges drivers to pay attention on Wisconsin roads this winter.

"Every winter, Wisconsin's snowplow drivers show up no matter the conditions to make sure the roads are safe for

you," WisDOT Secretary Kristina Boardman said. "We are grateful for their commitment to keeping our roads clear, but we need to do our part to keep them safe. Please, focus on the road ahead at all times; be patient and give extra space to snowplows; and, when possible, avoid traveling during major winter storms."

For more than 100 years, Wisconsin has maintained a unique partnership with the state's 72 county highway departments. During the winter, county highway workers keep interstate, U.S. and state highways safe by snow plowing, salting and applying liquid brine. WisDOT works closely with Wisconsin counties year-round to establish best practices and test new tools for safety and efficiency.

"With great gratitude we appreciate the dedication of our snowplow drivers. They work overnight, weekends and holidays so that we can get to where we need to be," WCHA Executive Director Patrick Vander Sanden said. "WCHA stands with WisDOT in urging patience and vigilance for all motorists traveling during storms. Please be aware, and give the snowplows the room to work."

Wisconsin allows flashing green warning lights on county or municipal maintenance vehicles - in addition to red or amber lights. The green warning lights are meant to increase safety, enhance driver awareness and improve visibility of maintenance vehicles.

Create a new holiday tradition by giving blood or platelets

FOR CITY TIMES

WOOD COUNTY--As holiday celebrations continue into Dec., the American Red Cross encourages donors to keep the blood supply top of mind by giving blood or platelets this month. Type O negative blood donors and those giving platelets are especially urged to give now to help ensure patients can continue to receive the care they need in the coming weeks.

Record-breaking Nov. travel is expected to carry into the new year, which could cause some potential donors to put off blood donation until after the holiday season. In addition to millions of Americans traveling to spend holidays with loved ones, extended vacations are also surging in popularity at a time when fewer people may be available to give lifesaving blood products.

Bring joy to someone facing a medical emergency; give something that means something with a blood or platelet donation. Schedule an appointment this Dec. by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

For a limited time, those who come to give Dec. 9-15, 2024, will receive a \$15 e-gift card to a merchant of choice. Those

who come to give Dec. 16, 2024-Jan. 3, 2025, will receive an exclusive Red Cross long-sleeved T-shirt, while supplies last. For details on both offers, visit RedCrossBlood.org/Gifts.

Upcoming blood donation opportunities Dec. 4, 2024-Jan. 3, 2025:

Marshfield

12/19/2024: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Marshfield Clinic Health System YMCA, 410 West McMillan St

Pittsville

1/3/2025: 12 p.m. - 5 p.m., Lions Club Building, 5572 Fourth Ave

Wisconsin Rapids

12/18/2024: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., McMillan Library, 490 E. Grand Avenue

1/2/2025: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., McMillan Library, 490 E. Grand Avenue

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Wood County Deputies were assisted by Wood County Sheriff's Rescue, United Ambulance, Rudolph Fire Department/First Responders, Wisconsin Rapids Ambulance, Lifelink III Helicopter, Aspirus Medevac Helicopter, Wisconsin State Patrol and Wood County Central Dispatch.

Those involved in the crash include the driver of pickup, Jack Rogers (Age 25) of Wisconsin Rapids, WI and the driver of SUV, Kamie Pupols (Age 40) of Milladore, WI as well as 2 Juvenile Passengers (6 years old and 15 months old).

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at what you may find in the **CLASSIFIEDS**

Plan ahead to prevent impaired driving this holiday season

Dec. Law of the Month: Impaired driving

FOR CITY TIMES

WOOD COUNTY--Dec. is here, and with it, another season of holiday celebrations. Don't cut the party short by driving impaired--it is dangerous, reckless and never the only option.

Wisconsin State Patrol's Dec. Law of the Month brings attention to impaired driving laws and encourages motorists to find safe ways to get to their destinations this holiday season.

"Across the state, Wisconsinites are celebrating the holidays and the end of another year," Wisconsin State Patrol Superintendent Tim Carnahan said. "We encourage everyone to take responsibility and plan ahead if you plan to celebrate. Designate a sober driver ahead of time, take public transit, or use a rideshare program to keep yourself and others safe on the roads. There is never an excuse for driving impaired."
On average, someone is injured or killed in an impaired

driving crash every two hours in Wisconsin. In 2023, there were over 7,700 impaired driving crashes that claimed the lives of 186 people on Wisconsin roads.

In Wisconsin, drivers are prohibited from operating any vehicle with a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of more than 0.08. Under Wisconsin's "not a drop" law, drivers under age 21 are prohibited from having any detectable amount of alcohol in their system. Drivers may not have any illegal drugs in their system when behind the wheel.

Motorists who refuse a blood/breath alcohol test will lose their license for at least one year and may have their vehicle impounded.

Over 7,500 law enforcement officers across the state are trained in Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE). This helps law enforcement detect impaired drivers and get them off the road.

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Aspirus Health offers birthing center classes for expectant parents

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WOOD COUNTY--Aspirus Health offers a wide range of birthing classes across its system, providing expectant parents with essential resources to support a healthy and confident start to parenthood. With both in-person and online options available, these classes are part of Aspirus's ongoing

commitment to making quality maternal education accessible to communities throughout Wisconsin.

Aspirus Health offers a full suite of classes designed to empower new parents with knowledge and skills. From breastfeeding techniques and newborn care to infant CPR and car seat safety,

these classes address key areas for families preparing for the arrival of a new baby. The offerings ensure that families, regardless of location, have access to critical information and support.

"The needs of families in our communities are diverse, and Aspirus is committed to meeting them," said Jodi Bessette, an RN at Aspirus Stevens Point Hospital - Birthing Center. "Our goal is to provide expectant parents with the resources they need to feel ready and confident, whether they attend classes in person or online."

The online options, which mirror the curriculum of in-person classes, make it possible for families to prepare from the

comfort of home. At the same time, in-person classes across Aspirus locations offer valuable hands-on experiences, allowing families to practice techniques in a supportive environment with Aspirus professionals.

Aspirus is dedicated to supporting parents on every step of their journey, from pregnancy through delivery and beyond. These birthing classes represent the health system's commitment to fostering healthy beginnings for families in all the communities it serves. For more information on Aspirus Birthing Center classes, including how to register, visit Aspirus.org.

Local truck dealership celebrates 16 years of giving back with annual Truckers for Tots Campaign

FOR CITY TIMES

MARSHFIELD--Mid-State Truck Service, now Ascendance Truck Centers, announced the continuation of giving back to local communities through a 16-year tradition, Truckers for Tots. Mid-State Truck Service started Truckers for Tots 16 years ago to support the Toys for Tots mission of alleviating some financial stress of the holidays while making sure children have something to open on Christmas morning.

Ascendance Truck Centers acquired Mid-State Truck Service in Feb. 2024 and recognized the impact this initiative has on its local communities and has vowed to continue the tradition.

Toys for Tots is a top-rated charity; 97% of donations goes to their mission of providing toys, books and other gifts to less fortunate children. The objectives of the Foundation are to help less fortunate children throughout the United States experience the joy of Christmas; to play an active role in the development of one of our nation's

most valuable resources - children; to unite members of local communities in a common cause for three months each year during the annual toy collection and distribution campaign; and to contribute to improving communities in the future.

The success of Truckers for Tots is a testament to the generosity and commitment of the communities, customers, and industry partners who have joined to spread joy and make a positive impact on the lives of children during the holiday season.

This year's campaign has been made possible through collaboration with local Toys for Tots program coordinators, donors throughout the community, and major transportation donors; Furniture & ApplianceMart, Roehl Transportation, and Dave Evans Transports. The chosen toy retailer, Fleet Farm, continues to support the campaign and plays a pivotal role in organizing and executing these shopping events.

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across the state, Wisconsin is helping lead the nation in eliminating drug-impaired driving. DREs help prevent tragedies by identifying the signs of drug-impaired driving and securing convictions to keep them off the roads.

The Wisconsin State Patrol is continuing to highlight the danger that impaired driving poses throughout the holiday season with its Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over campaign. Running from Dec. 13, 2024, through Jan. 1, 2025, Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over is an annual holiday partnership with local law enforcement to keep Wisconsin roads safe and free of impaired drivers.

Driving impaired carries serious

consequences. Operating While Intoxicated (OWI) charges can cost you around \$10,000. Stay safe and save money on the road this holiday season:

- Select a sober designated driver ahead of time. If you're feeling impaired, you are likely over the 0.08 Blood Alcohol Concentration limit and should not drive.
- Remember you have options: take the bus, call a taxi, use a rideshare or ask a sober friend to drive you home.
- If you have a friend who is about to drive under the influence, step in. Take away their keys and get them home safely.
- If it's your turn to be the sober driver, take that job seriously.
- If you suspect a driver is impaired, safely gather as much information as you can about the vehicle, driver and location. Then call 911.



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