





Council vote asks ThedaCare to rethink closing birthing unit

BY ROBERT CLOUD SENIOR EDITOR

WAUPACA - Members of Waupaca Common Council voted unanimously for a resolution asking ThedaCare to reconsider closing its birthing unit in Waupaca.

Introduced by Ald. Paul Hagen, the resolution notes that, "Obstetrics patients of the Waupaca area should not be forced to travel out of the community to have access to OB services that include delivery."

"Removal of OB services go directly against the original purpose of this community hospital," according to the resolution.

Before the vote, members of the community spoke about ThedaCare's decision.

Rev. Carl Ferguson has been pastor at Waupaca Christian Church since 1983.

"My wife took her first job as an RN in the Waupaca hospital at the same time," Ferguson said, noting the "vibrant health of this city and

surrounding area."

'What has made this community prosperous:" Ferguson asked. He then pointed to the several major economic catalysts, including Waupaca Foundry, the Wisconsin Veterans Home and the community's hospital.

"I stand before you tonight to join forces with the several thousand voices who recognize that the loss of obstetrical services in this hospital will have a long-term detrimental effect on this community and the local health care system."

Ferguson said that the loss of OB services at a hospital often marks the beginning of losing or limiting other health care services over time.

"Community health is not entirely about finances, it is about caring for the community here at home," Ferguson said.

Joshua Garrison, moved to Waupaca in 2018 and his wife, Christy Reynolds, is a midwife in Iola.

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Expanded Entrance Idea

Rendering of proposed entrnce to the New London Public Museum after its expansion.

Courtesy of Sue Tennie

New London reviews museum plans

Expansion done in phases

BY BERT LEHMAN STAFF REPORTER

NEW LONDON Christine Cross, director of the New London Public Museum, updated city officials about museum expansion plans.

She spoke at a Nov. 20 meeting of the New London Committee of the Whole.

"For over 100 years, this community has embraced and supported the museum. We want to honor and build on that commitment as we continually look forward," Cross said. "The idea is to

Museum facts

The New London Public Museum was founded in 1917. The Carnegie Library was built in 1914, while the museum building was built in 1932. In 1986, the buildings were connected and the museum moved to the lower level.

With the New London Public Library moving out to its new location, the museum will occupy the entire building, expanding its space from 3,000 square feet to 12,500 square feet. The exhibits and program spaces will double, with the collections preservation spaces increasing from 800 to 5,300 square feet.

Expansion plan

Cross said the museum expansion plan includes community collaboration. This is being accomplished by allowing input from the community through the expansion process.

"This spirit of collaboration will continue, and the opportunities for a broad spectrum of involvement with the project will grow," Cross said.

The Friends of the New London Public Museum, which was established in 2008, and received its 501c3 non-profit status in 2011, has supported the

on the expansion project," Cross said.

Cross told the committee that the New London Public Museum is one of only five public, multitopic museums in the entire state of Wisconsin.

Cross said each phase of the expansion project will include "fundraising benchmarks and the flexibility to change our plan."

"We will work hard to work within our financial boundaries, while still taking care of the artifacts entrusted to us, and giving the community an amazing museum," Cross said.

With the approval of the Library Museum Board, Cross said she assembled

Shown, from left, are Stevens Point Fire Division Chief Anthony Ewing, Karyn and Rob Baxter, Vanessa Carns and SPF Division ChiefTerence Sinner. Olivia Coffin Photo

Area First Responders ring bells for donations

BY OLIVIA COFFIN CONTRIBUTING WRITER

STEVENS POINT -The Salvation Army held its annual First Responders Challenge. Saturday, Dec. 7, at the Bread of Life-Hope Center of Portage County.

The First Responder Challenge is the largest bell-ringing event during the Red Kettle Season.

Members from the Stevens Point Police and Fire Departments, Dewey Fire Department and EMS, Plover Fire and Rescue Department, Plover Police Department, Portage County Sheriff, Amherst Fire District and the Wisconsin State Patrol all participated this year.

This event has happened for more than 30 years. It's not just a fun and friendly competition among those who serve the Portage County community, but also a way to unite people in raising funds for the Bread of Life's Red Kettle Campaign.

Each year, a trophy is awarded to the department that raises the most money. An engraved plaque with the winning department's name and the year is added to the trophy. The Plover Fire Department

has claimed the trophy for the past three years.

The Stevens Point Fire Department was ringing bells at Fleet Farm this year and have been involved with this event for more than a decade.

"This is such a good cause and we bring our own family to ring with us. This is a family thing, not just for the workers,' said Stevens Point Division Chief Anthony Ewing. "It's a friendly competition between the fire, police and state troopers in Portage County and everything goes to a good cause."

Portage County Sheriff's Office had members ringing bells at Metro Market in Stevens Point.

"It's the biggest fundraiser they have and it's a great opportunity for us as well to get out and about with the public," said Sheriff Mike Lukas.

"I like coming to events and helping out with my dad, it's always fun and even though it's cold out, it's for a good cause," said Finley Ostrowski, daughter of Capt. Joshua Östrowksi with the sheriff's office.

Bell Ringers

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take an historic building and create a high performance, dynamic museum that invites everyone to discover something new."

The expansion project will take place in phases over the next seven to nine years to ensure fundraising keeps pace.

museum over the years, including with \$80,000 in grants, Cross said.

"They are fired up, and can't wait to start working

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Clintonville native to return as White Sox third base coach

Jirschele pursues professional

career

BY BERT LEHMAN STAFF REPORTER

CLINTONVILLE - Justin Jirschele, a native of Clintonville, will be returning as the third base coach for the Chicago White Sox in 2025.

The White Sox announced its 2025 coaching staff via a Dec. 9 press release. Jirschele was originally promoted to the third base coach position with the White Sox in August of this year when changes were made to the White Sox's coaching staff.

"I'm very excited and grateful for the opportunity to be on the Major League staff, and I'm ready to get to work for the Chicago White Sox," Jirschele told the Clintonville Tribune-Gazette.

Coaching third base in the major leagues is a familiar position for the Jirschele family, as Justin's dad, Mike, was the third base coach for the Kansas City Royals for six seasons, including when the Royals won the World Series in 2015.

Clintonville roots

Not surprisingly, Justin Jirschele was a star baseball player for Clintonville High School. When asked



Shown on left, Justin Jirschele, a Clintonville native will return to the Chicago White Sox as the third base coach in 2025. Photo courtesy of Melissa Ferrara

about his accomplishments, Jirschele began listing off the accomplishments of the teams he played on in high school. He said he played on "some good teams" in high school, teams that went to sectionals. He also said the Clintonville Legion team he played on won back-to-back state championships in 2007 and 2008.

Individually, Jirschele said he was named first team All-Conference three years, and was named conference player of the year his senior season.

"I played shortstop in high school, but when I went to college, I moved around from second to third, a little bit of shortstop," Jirschele said.

Jirschele went to UW-Oshkosh his freshman year of college, but transferred to UW-Stevens Point for the remainder of his college years. He earned first team all-conference honors his junior and senior year. He also won two All-American Rawlings Gold Glove awards for Division 3. The Gold Glove award is awarded for outstanding defense.

"Those two are my babies," Jirschele said. "My dad was always an infield guy. We always prided ourselves being strong defenders. To be recognized as one of the best in Division 3 at that position, my sophomore year I won it at third base and my junior year I won it at second base. And that's in the entire country in Division 3. Those are given out by Rawlings, similar to the Major League Gold Glove awards, just not as big."

Despite the accolades in college, Jirschele was not selected in the Major League Baseball Draft after his senior year of college. But the Chicago White Sox offered him a free agent contract, which he signed, so he could start his Minor League Baseball career, in an attempt to reach the Major Leagues.

"I always felt like there might be a chance of going in the draft, but obviously I know there's a lot of good baseball players out there, so I was fortunate enough to have an opportunity with the White Sox," Jirschele said.

Pro career begins

After signing with the White Sox, Jirschele began his professional playing career in rookie ball in Greybull, Montana.

"It was not necessarily a shock, but it's obviously a completely different level of competition," Jirschele said. "Some of the top guys I ever faced in college, you're seeing those every night as pitchers. Then the relievers would come in, and some of those guys were throwing stuff I had never seen in my life. It was just kind of getting used to the level of competition and really trying to hold your head above water and compete with those guys, the best of the best."

Prior to going to rookie ball, Jirschele said his dad,

> **Jirschele** CONTINUES ON PAGE 5

BIRTHING UNIT

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Garrison noted that Gov. Tony Evers came to Waupaca in July to visit a daycare center that was closing its doors.

"Here we are six months later and we're learning about another loss to this community that also affects families, young families, and it affects women," Garrison said. "I'm saddened and I understand that you all have no control over this."

Noting that issues of economics, demographics and a changing labor market have a major part in the decision, Garrison said, "But you do have the influence to make a statement that I believe is moral and ethical."

Just because Waupaca is a small town, doesn't mean the people who live here "don't deserve world-class health care, world class child care and world-class education."

"I think our community is wonderful and it needs to grow," said mary Case, who noted the growing number

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of elderly living in Waupaca. "How can we invite younger people to join our community if we don't have an OB?" Case said.

She noted that young families would consider moving to other cities where they could find hospital delivery services closer to home.

Faith Janusz said she had experienced high-risk deliveries when she was younger.

"I would not want to have to travel 50 or 60 miles just to have my child if I was having a problem, which was at high risk," she said.

Prior to voting on the resolution, Mayor Brian smith and several council members said they were taken by surprise when they learned that ThedCare planned to end its labor and delivery services in Waupaca.

ThedaCare's response

In response to the city council's resolution, ThedaCare sent the following statement to the Waupaca

County Post"

'ThedaCare is committed to providing access to safe, high-quality health care.

'The decision to discontinue labor and delivery services at ThedaCare Medical Center-Waupaca was made based on the shifting needs and demands of expectant mothers, including declining deliveries, mothers choosing to deliver at larger birth centers, and increasing complexity of labor and delivery. The decision is also a result of a shortage of physicians and nurses in rural areas, which is an issue being felt across the country and in our region.

"Mothers can be confident in continuing their pre- and post-delivery care, breastfeeding support and well-baby care at ThedaCare Medical Center-Waupaca as these are important ongoing services to provide in our local communities.

"This was a difficult decision, and one that was not made lightly because of our dedication to the people we are privileged to serve."

MUSEUM

FROM PAGE 1 a Museum Expansion Committee that represented all the involved stakeholders.

"The idea is that this advisory committee oversees planning, communicates through me with the Library Museum Board, making recommendations and suggestions," Cross said.

In 2016, Cross said the city of New London financed a master plan for the expansion of the museum into the building. The city hired Alex Ramsey from Engberg Anderson architectural firm to create the master plan n. This included a full assessment of the condition of the building, upgrades to the building systems, and a plan for using the space to create an "engaging museum."

In 2022, a collections assessment for preservation was made possible because of a grant from

compete for a trophy but

help support those in need

Point Fire Department said

they are going to win this

the Foundation for Advancement in Conservation and the Institute of Museum and Library Services, Cross said.

'This assessment allowed us to hire professionals to look at the condition of the collection and building," Cross said.

The city of New London provided more funds to update the masterplan in 2023. This involved Engberg Anderson to update and phase the masterplan.

All of this melded into a vision for the future of the museum – honoring the past, and being forward thinking, taking an historic building and making it high-performance all while involving our community," Cross said.

Through working with Engberg Anderson, updates to the masterplan have continued.

"The updated master plan takes two historic buildings, used for two purposes, and creates a cohesive, single use efficient

structure," Cross said. Cross added that the

master plan gives the committee "guidance and a road map" for the expansion.

"But even before we start to refine and work with the master plan, we know that we need some time," Cross said. 'We need to make sure that what looks good as a thought on paper, actually works for us."

The group working on fundraising for the expansion project will create a plan that includes a traditional and grassroots capital campaign and public funding requests.

"We are approaching it this way in order for you to plan what works in the larger city picture, and for us to plan how to accomplish our goals, all while maintaining the transparency and trust the public-private partnership requires," Cross said.

"We are definitely going to win," said Lukas.

However, the Plover Fire Department also thinks they are going to win and bring the trophy home for the fourth year in a row.

The 2024 Red Kettle Campaign will run until Dec 24.

This year they have set a higher goal due to inflation

and the growing needs within the community. There are several ways to help give back throughout the season, such as signing up to be a bell ringer at RegistertoRing.com, mail in a donation or visit in person: The Salvation Army - Hope Center, 1600 Briggs St.. Stevens Point, or text StevensPoint to 24365.



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PUBLISHER'S LETTER

The Joys and Blessings

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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.

Merry Christmas to all.

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

rights. But they are not the only ones who think they are winning.

Waupaca County sheriff's report

• Dec. 2 – A Weyauwega caller on Clark Street reported the death of a 40-year-old man.

• Dec. 2 – A Waupaca caller on Setter Lane reported the sound of booms. He could not tell if it was gunfire.

• Dec. 2 – An Iola caller on State Highway 49 reported she believed someone was watching her. She receives suspicious calls and she finds beer cans at the end of her driveway. • Dec. 3 – Canadian National reported some crossing arms malfunctioned and were blocking a crossing with no train coming.

• Dec. 3 – A Waupaca caller on County Trunk QQ reported her tenant was "explosive" and other

residents were fearful of him. He also caused property damage. She requested help with the eviction.

• Dec. 3 – An unknown caller reported a white

> Sheriff's Report CONTINUES ON PAGE 11



within the community. Many family members While it is a friendly were at the bell ringing in competition, the Stevens support of their spouse, par-

ent or friend. "It's just such a fun competition that you don't mind being out in the cold," said

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year and bring home that trophy along with bragging Stevens Point fire Division Chief Terrence Sinner.

Responders not only

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Waupaca NEWS



Fire destroyed a home on Smith Lane in Waupaca Friday, Dec. 6. Emily Doud Photo

Waupaca home ravaged by fire

BY ROBERT CLOUD SENIOR EDITOR

WAUPACA - Fire destroyed a home at N2909 Smith Lane in Waupaca on Friday, Dec. 6.

Waupaca firefighters were called to a possible chimney fire at 6:30 a.m.

While they were en route, dispatch informed them that flames were visible and all occupants were out of the house.

When firefighters arrived at the scene, they found flames coming out of the windows and the roof of a two-story structure.

The fire spread and crews were called in from Scandinavia, Manawa, Saxeville, Wild Rose, Weyauwega, Iola and Amherst.

According to the fire report, the owner, Seth Hoffman, had fallen asleep the previous night in his office. He woke when he started coughing due to the smoke.

When he opened the door from his office, he saw smoke that was so thick he could not see the other side of the room.

"The home owner crawled up the stairs to the second story bedroom to wake his wife and get her out of the house," the fire report says.

Once both occupants were outside the front door, they saw smoke and flames

around the air intake pipe located on the backside of the fireplace and chimney.

Crews went into the house to attack the fire. Later they removed some belongings.

Faulks Bros. arrived on scene with an excavator and began demolishing the exterior of the structure.

The excavator was also used to break a hole in the

in the incident.

Some Waupaca firefighters remained at the scene until 11:47 a.m.

Damage was estimated at over \$650,000.

Christmas meal open to community

WAUPACA St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church will again host this year's free community Christmas meal.

Sponsored by through private donations, Trinity Lutheran Church and St. Mary Magdalene Church, the meal is open to the community.

Our belief is that nobody should be alone on Christmas," said Barbara Koster, who helped organize the meal last year. "They should have someplace to come together, to enjoy good food, companionship with others and enjoy Christmas music." Vocal and instrumental music will be performed.

The meal is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 25, at St. Mary Magdalene's fellowship hall, located at N2845 Shadow Road, near the intersection of State Highway 22 and U.S. Highway 10.

The free meal will feature chicken, ham, potatoes and gravy green beans, dinner rolls, fruit salad and homemade pies.

Schueller's will cater some of the food, while church volunteers also made some of it.

About 200 people are expected to attend, so reservations are needed by noon Wednesday, Dec. 18, by calling the church office at 715-258-2088.

While the goal is to encourage fellowship, meals can be delivered to shut-ins by calling the number above.

floor to gain access to the basement. No injuries were reported

hearing.

He noted that the city lost \$20 million in assess-

BY ROBERT CLOUD

SENIOR EDITOR

of Waupaca plans to levy nearly \$4.13 million in

property taxes in 2025.

WAUPACA - The city

While the 2025 tax levy

will be down by \$53,000

from 2024, the mill rate

will increase by 1.95% in

is \$7.71 per \$1,000 of as-

sessed value, compared to

a decreased overall levy

amount, that is due to

some impacts from Act 12

that happened a couple of

years ago and this is the

first year we're seeing those

impacts," City Administra-

tor Aaron Jenson said dur-

ing the city's Dec. 3 budget

marily personal property

value dropping off the as-

sessment," Jenson said.

"These impacts were pri-

\$17.54 in 2024.

Waupaca's 2025 mill rate

"Even though we had

2025.

ments due to Act 12 and gained \$5 million in total real estate assessed value for a total negative impact of \$15 million.

Waupaca OKs city budget

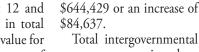
The city's total assessed value has decreased from nearly \$626.48 million in 2023 to under \$612,32 million in 2025.

Revenues

Waupaca's total revenues from all sources, including local taxes and state funding, are projects at \$8.6 million in 2025, an increase of \$435,032 over 2024.

In 2025, municipal aid payments from the state are set to grow with the 2024 state sales tax trends that were approximately 2.3%. This equates to \$1.2 million from the state to the city, an increase of \$28,585 when compared to 2024.

General transportation aids will increase in 2025 from \$559,792 to



revenues are projected to increase from \$1.96 million in 2024 to \$2.19 million in 2025.

Expenditures

Waupaca spends 37% of its tax revenues on public safety. This includes police, fire and EMS, which combined account for approximately \$2.33 million.

Public Works represents 23% of the city's 2025 budget at nearly \$3.4 million, while administration, clerk's office, finance and IT account for 15% of the budget, Parks and Rec 14%, Community Development 6% and the Public Library 5%.

Debt service

In 2025, the city of Waupaca will levy \$1.69 million for debt service, an increase of \$29,070 (1.7%).



Employees at the Waupaca office of Premier Commujnity Bank spent time on Make A Difference Day volunteering in the community. Submitted Photo

MAD Day at Premier Community

REGION - Volunteering and serving local communities are among Premier Community Bank's values.

Each year, employees dedicate time and energy on MAD Day, which stands for "Make A Difference" Day.

Their goal is to support

cally while the offices are closed.

We're incredibly proud of our employees for their commitment to giving back," said Robin Christian, senior vice president of retail at Premier Community Bank. "MAD Day is a special opportunity for our team to connect with our communities and truly make a difference. The impact of our work goes beyond this day; it's about building relationships and supporting organizations that strengthen our community all year long.'

with 88 employees contributing a total of 472 volunteer hours across 18 organizations. Each branch selected meaningful community organizations where employees could provide hands-on

assistance.

Premier Community Bank is headquartered in

BY JAMES CARD STAFF REPORTER

CO - The ice fishing season is underway as local anglers ventured onto thin and thicker ice.

On Sunday, Lake Weyauwega had over a dozen anglers and with some of them using pop-up ice shelters. Silver Lake in Scandinavia also held ice safe enough to walk on. On the Chain O' Lakes, the ice was sketchy.

Numerous members of the Waupaca High School Ice Fishing team scouted multiple spots earlier in the week and found safe ice in some places and in other spots the thin ice flexed and water gushed over the surface.

"Things are going to start freezing up here in the next couple of days. I heard Weyauwega had four to five inches. With the Chain you can get some thick ice out there but there are so many channels you have to be careful," said Michael Greiner of the Minnow Bucket. He said he had a rush on Sunday morning with anglers coming in to buy waxworms, minnows and shiners.

Four inches is considered to be safe for walking and fishing. Five to six inches will support ATV or snowmobiles and eight to 12 inches will support small vehicles.

The Wautoma Police Department reported that local lakes had four inches of ice, yet on Sunday, Dec. 8, a SUV plunged partway through the ice on Lake Puckaway and the driver crawled out the window.

On Saturday, Jan. 18 will be the Waupaca Chain O' Lakes Invite and teams in the Wisconsin Interscholas-



Jay Card, member of the Waupaca High School Ice Fishing Team, caught this northern pike at sundown on Silver Lake. Submitted Photo

Football and Cheer program

has taken over the annual

ice fishing tournament from

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Ice Fishing

tic Fishing Association will compete on lakes across the Chain. In years past, hundreds of high school anglers converge at Peterson Marine for the weigh-in and awards.

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the communities where they live and work.

Held annually on the second Monday in October to coincide with Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples Day, MAD Day gives Premier Community Bank an opportunity to create positive change lo-

Farmers Market heads to ICC

WAUPACA - As winter settles in, the Waupaca Farmers Market will be held indoors at the Indian Crossing Casino.

The first indoor winter event will be the Kris Kringle Market from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14,

There will be greenhouse products. local honev. baked goods, handmade soaps and lotions, fresh flowers, meats and cheeses and other produce.

More upcoming markets will be held on Saturday. Jan. 11 and Saturday, Jan. 25.

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Starting hourly wage will range from \$25.00 to \$29.00 and will depend on skill, credentials, and experience. Wage increases per year will follow the public works pay scale along with acceptable work performance. Benefits included as described in the city employee handbook. Job description and City of Waupaca Employment Applications are available at Waupaca City Hall, 111 S. Main Street, Waupaca, WI or at www.cityofwaupaca.org. You must submit a City Employment Application for consideration, with an attached resume.

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Stevens Point NEWS



The Community Foundation of Central Wisconsin awarded a \$25,000 grant to the Jensen Community Center in Amherst. Contributed Photo

Foundation awards major grants

STEVENS POINT -The Community Foundation of Central Wisconsin awarded two major project grants

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The Jensen Community Center in Amherst and the Waushara County Animal Shelter in Wautoma will each receive \$25,000.

The Jensen Center will use its grant to increase capacity and improve safety with plans for an outdoor terrace, fire protection and an expanded theater stage.

The expansion will create much-needed space for community-wide gatherings and private events such as weddings and memorials.

'The Jensen Community Center is truly the hub of the community, bringing together patrons of all ages and providing experiences that overlap the generational divide. The Community Foundation Major Projects grant will allow us to move forward with the last stage of the 3Stage Expansion Project and lends greater credibility to our enhancement project and its donors," said Sandra Lynne Schmutzler, president of Jensen Community Center's Board of Directors.

The grant for Waushara County Animal Shelter will fund an expansion project, providing more space for stray dogs and helping manage overflow from nearby counties. This project keeps tax dollars local, reduces transportation costs, and ensures quicker access to care through a local veterinary partner.

"I am very excited to see the Community Foundation having the opportunity to partner with the Jensen Center and Waushara County Animal Shelter during the major grant cycle because it allows these organizations to meet their goals and help the communities they serve," said Rachel Pekowsky, Community Foundation Board member and grants committee chair.

The major grant cycle really allows the community members and organizations a voice in where the funds are best used. As a grant committee member, it is so rewarding to be a part of the process and see those organizations continue to grow and make a positive impact in the community."

The Major Project grant cycle supports the growth and development of a community project that makes a significant impact in Portage and Waushara counties.

Plover VFW Breakfast With Santa

PLOVER - Plover Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10262 Riffe Squad will host "Breakfast With Santa" at their monthly steak and omelet breakfast fundraiser from 8:30 a.m. to noon Sunday, Dec. 15.

The post is located at 2970 Hickory Drive in Plover.

Breakfast will feature a choice of steak and omelet combo for \$12 or sausage and omelet combo for \$9.50. Prices include hash browns, buttermilk or potato pancakes, toast and a choice of coffee, milk, tomato juice or orange juice. A children's plate for ages 12 and younger is \$4.75 and includes 2 sausages, two pancakes, toast and a choice of tomato juice, orange juice or milk.

Santa will arrive at the post around 10 a.m. and children will receive a special surprise.

Proceeds from the fundraiser will be used to purchase equipment and uniform attire for the Plover VFW Rifle Squad and Color Guard. The unit performs military honors for fallen veterans at all military funerals, conducts ceremonies at area cemeteries on Memorial Day and Veterans' Day, and supports an award for an Outstanding Cadet at the annual UWSP-ROTC military ball.

The Plover VFW Auxiliary will hold a holiday bake sale fundraiser in conjunction with the breakfast. Proceeds from the bake sale support the Plover VFW Auxiliary.

County B reopened in Plover

PLOVER – The County Trunk B improvement project from Interstate 39 to Wisconsin Avenue in Plover is substantially complete and the roadway is fully open to traffic.

The project involved a rural-to-urban reconstruction of County B from Wisconsin Avenue to Hoover Avenue and urban pavement replacement of County B from Hoover Avenue to I-39 ramps, according to Portage County Highway Commissioner Nathan Check in a press release.

Crews replaced the deteriorated concrete pavement, widened the pavement median, installed new curb and gutter or asphalt shoulders, new concrete sidewalk, new asphalt multi-use path, new street lighting, and a signalized intersection at Mecca Drive.

No future work is expected this winter but there will be additional lighting, multi-use path, concrete repairs, and final project punch list work to be completed next Spring. This work will be completed with single lane closures with at least one lane open in each direction.

Program gives emergency aid to UWSP students

STEVENS POINT -Unexpected challenges and expenses happen to everyone, including college students.

With the goal of making sure these emergencies don't get in the way of earning a degree, the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point is making it easier for students to apply for financial help in a crisis.

Unlike previous years, students will have one "front door" with one application for any type of emergency funding rather than applying with several units.

Starting in January 2025, a website through the Next-Gen financial aid software system will supply the application form. Once completed, a new, collaborative Emergency Aid Team from various university departments will provide financial support within 24 business hours.

'We find that students at the university are balancing work, school and family obligations, and that 43% of our students have some kind of basic need insecurity that can impact their education," said Chancellor Thomas Gibson. "We don't want an unforeseen financial circumstance to derail their college education and their ability to find their purpose and career path."

Once approved, funding will come from one of four sources, including the James and Nancy Baxter Fund, Universities of Wisconsin Administration Emergency Aid Funds, UWSP Foundation funds, and via emergency funds housed in UWSP's colleges, such as the College of Natural Resources Crisis Intervention Fund established by UWSP CNR alumnus Alan Buchanan.

Created in 2014, the Baxter Fund has provided emergency awards for students with unexpected expenses due to car repairs, accidents, housing, technology and health care costs. The fund was created to help students with short-term challenges that might prevent them from continuing their university courses.

"There are times in life where a little financial help can make the difference between failure and success," said UWSP alumni Jim and Nancy Baxter. "This fund is intended to enhance that opportunity." from the Individuals

Dean of Students, Financial Aid, Academic Success, Bursars, Advancement and Diversity and College Access offices will participate as members of the Emergency Aid team to review applications, award funds and ensure consistency. The Nex-Gen software will be used to support and immediately award funds.

Prior to January 2025, students may reach out to uwsp.foundation@uwsp. edu to apply for emergency assistance. Students may be referred to the Dean of Students for general resource support as well as Financial Aid. Additional support may also be found through The Cupboard, the student food pantry on campus, as well as The Closet and The Backpack, which offer donated clothing, school and home supplies for students through the Office of Sustainability.

Those considering donations to the UWSP's emergency funds may do so through the UWSP Foundation, or visit UWSP Giving Tuesday to donate to The Cupboard, The Closet, The Backpack and other student support funds across campus.

UWSP to hold winter commencement

STEVENS POINT - Point. The event will also songwriter and composer

ment.

from Milwaukee. Alumni An alumnus who is an be livestreamed at www. Greg, '76, and Mari Reg-instrumentalist, singer, uwsp.edu/commence- nier, '85, will lead the alumni pinning ceremonies. Guests may park in any campus lot for free, except Lot F East, which will be used for accessible parking. Mitchell is well-versed in a variety of musical genres including pop, jazz, country and classical. He has made a name for himself within the industry as a go-to solo and collaborative performer and writer. Mitchell moved to Nashville shortly after his graduation from UW-Stevens Point. Since then, he has worked steadily as a freelance musician in and around Nashville and across the country. He earned a bachelor's degree in jazz piano and composition at UW-Stevens Point.

wSU announces holiday concerts

STEVENS POINT - The Central Wisconsin Symphony Orchestra will perform "Holiday on Broadway" on at 7:30 p.m. Saturday and 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14-15, at Sentry Theater.

These holiday concerts will feature popular Christmas songs, such as "Win-ter Wonderland,""Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas," "All I Want for Christmas Is You," "Let It Go" from Frozen, and more.

The concerts will also feature Broadway star and vocalist Christiane Noll. She received Tony and Drama Desk award nominations and won a Helen Hayes Award for her portraval of Mother in the Kennedy Center Revival of "Ragtime."

Noll starred in the record-breaking Broadway and First National Tour companies of "Dear Evan Hansen." She has been a frequent guest soloist as part of Bravo Broadway with symphony orchestras in almost every state in the USA, as well as international appearances with Toronto Symphony, Vancouver Symphony Orchestra, Jerusalem Symphony, Sinfonica Brasileira in Rio, and the China Philharmonic with concert pianist

Lang Lang. Wisconsin Public Radio will host some arts and crafts before the concert. At intermission, free cookies and hot chocolate or spiced cider will be available while students of the UWSP Low Brass studio the Aber Suzuki Center perform more holiday music.

Tickets for Holiday on Broadway" are available online at cwso.org, by calling 715-345-7726, or at the door on Dec. 14-15.

Tickets are \$45 for adults, \$35 for seniors age 65 and up, \$15 for students with ID and for children ages 5-17 years.

will address more than 500 graduates and their families at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point's winter commencement ceremony Saturday, Dec. 14.

Stevens Point native Danny Mitchell, a 2006 graduate of UWSP, currently lends his talents as keyboardist, bandleader and vocalist with multiplatinum recording artist Miranda Lambert. He will speak to graduates from campuses in Stevens Point, Marshfield and Wausau who are earning degrees.

The ceremony will be held at 10 a.m. in Skyward Fieldhouse inside Marshfield Clinic Health System Champions Hall, 2050 Fourth Ave., Stevens

Thomas Chancellor Gibson will lead the ceremony with the assistance of Provost and Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs La Vonne Cornell-Swanson. Deans of each college will preside over presentation of degrees. Music education and music performance major Karina Verdette, Green Bay, will perform the national anthem. Music education major Briannah Wanca, Antigo, will join Verdette in performing the Alma Mater accompanied by the UW-Stevens Point Symphony Orchestra under the direction Andy Moran, director of orchestras.

The student speaker is Sequoyah Byas, a sociology and social work major

Bridge winners at Lincoln Center

STEVENS POINT - Social bridge winners at the Lincoln Center on Dec. 2 were Jane Schill, Elsie Glodowski, Mary Olson and Dian Schufelt.

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

Duplicate bridge winners on Dec. 5 at the Lincoln Center were Emalyn Nikstad and Jim Golz, Jerry Hild and Janice Doxtator, Gene Clark and Bob Alexeiun.

Duplicate bridge winners on Dec. 6 at the Lincoln Center were Nancy Quick and Gene Clark, John Herder and Rick Jansing, Sandy Davis and Barbara Ringberg, and Ellie Brush and Janice Doxtator.

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

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Clintonville NEWS

JIRSCHELE FROM PAGE 1

who played for more than 10 years in minor league baseball, reminded him about how good the players would be that he would be playing against. He said his dad told him to keep competing and working on a daily basis, and to stay humble.

Jirschele played three and a half years in the minor leagues, and progressed through the White Sox minor league system.

"I got has high at Triple A as a utility player, so I bounced around a lot," Jirschele said.

Triple A is just one level below the major leagues, so Jirschele was on the cusp of reaching the major leagues as a player. But in May of 2015, Jirschele was given the opportunity to become a hitting coach in the White Sox's minor league system.

Despite being only 25 years old, Jirschele said he wasn't surprised with the coaching opportunity.

"They had talked to me about getting into coaching the year prior," he said. "Obviously, some things didn't pan out, so I went to Spring Training as a player

Local airports launch EAA chapter

CLINTONVILLE – The aviation community of Northeastern Wisconsin has launched EAA Chapter 1710.

The chapter is a collaborative effort between the Clintonville Municipal Airport (CLI) and the Shawano Municipal Airport and Seaplane Base (EZS).

Formally established on Nov. 18, the new EAA chapter aims to preserve aviation history, inspire the next generation of pilots, and strengthen ties within the community.

The journey began in 2020 when Caz Muske stepped into her role as airport manager at CLI.

Mentored by Mike McCord, Clintonville's long-serving Public Works director, Muske learned the history of CLI – once the birthplace of Wisconsin Central Airlines, which later became part of Delta Airlines.

Medford's vision for reviving community engagement in aviation inspired Muske to and was ready to keep going, and then this came up in the middle of the year. I was surprised at the timing of it, but not that they were asking me to coach."

It was a tough decision. If he accepted the coaching position, it meant his dream of playing in the big leagues was over. But if he accepted the coaching position, because he was so young, it would allow him plenty of time to advance as a coach.

"I would say 95% of guys are told that their careers are done, or they just don't get that opportunity anymore after they are released or cut or whatever," Jirschele said. "They told me, 'You can keep playing, finish this year out and see where we're at, at the end of the year, or if you want this job, you can take it right now."

Ultimately, Jirschele decided to accept the hitting coach position.

When asked if he accepted the coaching position because he felt that was his best path to the majors, Jirschele said with a laugh, "Yeah, ultimately, because I wasn't a very good player."

"You get into professional baseball, and you start seeing the talent around you, and you start to understand where you stack up with these people, and you know it's certainly a longshot to make it to the big leagues at that moment," Jirschele said. "Not that you don't have those goals, or those dreams, and you're certainly working for it, but just that sense of reality.

"And on the opposite side, them offering me a coaching job at such a young age, I saw an opportunity that may not have come again, especially with the White Sox, the organization I knew. I just felt that the timing was right, and I was able to kind of hit the ground running because it was the middle of the year."



Justin Jirschele, a native of Clintonville, will returni as the third base coach for the Chicago White Sox. Photo courtesy of Darren Georgia

Coaching career begins

After spending the second half of the 2015 season as a minor league hitting coach, Jirschele spent 2016 as the hitting coach for the Low A team in Kannapolis, North Carolina. In 2017, he was promoted to manager of that team. In 2019, he managed the team in Winston Salem, North Carolina, which was the White Sox's High A team.

Another promotion in 2021, led Jirschele to the manager's position for the Double A team in Birmingham, Alabama. He spent two years there, before taking over the manager's job for the Triple A team in Charlotte, North Carolina. He was the manager of the Charlotte team until August of this year, when he received the phone call that brought him to the major leagues.

"Our GM (general manager) had called in August and said 'I'm making a change, you're going to come up and you're going to coach third base and run the infield for the rest of the year," Jirschele said.

Jirschele's dream of making it to the big leagues was coming true, but he said he had mixed emotions because he knew those who were losing their jobs.

"First and foremost, it's a shock, because of the timing, and you're getting the call being told you're going to the big leagues," he said. "I've told people that usually I'm the one who gets to make that sweet phone call or bring a guy into my office and tell him that his dream's coming true.

"I knew guys up there that I have known were losing their job because of the fact I was coming up there. Some of those circumstances obviously weren't ideal, but at the end of the day, once the dust settled a little bit and I was on my way to Chicago, it's 'Ok, how can I go up there and help and try to turn this thing around and be a positive impact?"

Even though Jirschele had been a manager in the White Sox minor league system, he also served as the third base coach during the games he managed.

When he was promoted to the third base coaching position with the White Sox, Jirschele was 34 years old. But age is not something Jirschele said he thinks about.

"I feel like, my whole career, from the day I started coaching, I got asked a lot about being the youngest hitting coach, or being the youngest manager," he said. "I tried to drown a lot of that out knowing that I'm here for a reason and have a job to do. I'm confident in my abilities as a coach and instructor, as a mentor."

When Jirschele received the call from the GM of the White Sox informing him that he was being promoted to the third base coaching position with the White Sox, his family was with him at the time.

"My family was actually there with me, including my mom, and also my sister, her husband, and her three boys," he said. "My wife's parents as well were with us. We jumped in the trucks and drove north to Chicago. That was a blessing in disguise. It was something that none of us seen coming. To have all them there, and then some cousins drive down from the Appleton area and Madison area, it was a ton of support, and it was really, really neat to see them all up there."

Unfortunately, Jirschele's dad couldn't be there because he was managing the Triple A team for the Kansas City Royals.

But Jirschele said his dad was excited when he heard the news about the promotion. "He understands the game and how this works, and the timing of it," Jirschele said. "(He was) certainly surprised and shocked, as we all were at that time, but definitely excited for me, and excited I was going to get that opportunity."

Coaching duties

To be a successful third base coach, Jirschele said he watches a lot of film of outfielders to see how strong their arms are and how they attack a baseball hit to them.

"Pretty much every single scenario that could come up, we have video on it, and we have data on it," Jirschele said.

In addition, Jirschele is the infield coach for the White Sox.

"I was in charge of running the infield defense," Jirschele said. "During the game, it's making sure guys are in their correct spots of where our data shows they should be to defend the ground ball. Along with that, it's watching film on opposing offenses and guys that bunt."

The future

When asked if he has a goal of managing in the big leagues in the future, Jirschele said he tries not to think about that.

"If the opportunity presented itself, would I say no? Absolutely not," he said. "I would love an opportunity, but it's not something that I'm working towards or striving towards. I love the opportunity I have each and every day with the Chicago White Sox. I take that opportunity with gratitude and understand that I have a job to do, whatever that may be, each and every day. I'm confident that whatever happens, will happen down the road."

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pursue the creation of a local Experimental Aircraft Association chapter.

Muske worked with Colin Isom, airport manager at EZS. Together, they researched successful models and reached out to nearby EAA chapters for guidance. They were advised by Mathieu Labs, an experienced EAA volunteer, who later stepped up alongside his wife, Lauren, to lead the chapter.

The founding leadership team includes Mathieu Labs, president and Young Eagles coordinator; Fran West, vice president; Daniel Connelly, treasurer; and Lauren Labs, secretary.

"Launching EAA Chapter 1710 is a dream realized," said Muske. "This chapter is not just about aviation; it's about bringing people together to share a passion for flight and inspire the next generation."

Starting in January 2025, the chapter will hold monthly meetings on at 7 p.m. on the third Wednesday, alternating between CLI and EZS..

For more information or to get involved, contact EAA Chapter 1710 at EAAChapter1710@gmail.com, 715-250-0220 (Caz Muske), or follow the chapter on Facebook: EAA Chapter 1710.



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New London & Hortonville NEWS

'Christmas Carol' in New London

NEW LONDON -Wolf River Theatrical Troupe will present "A Christmas Carol: Live Radio Show" at 7 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, Dec. 11-14, and at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15.

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Performances will be at the theater at 304 St. John's Place in New London.

Actors and sound crew will take the audience back to the 1943 live radio version of Charles Dickens' classic story of Ebene-zer Scrooge learning the meaning of Christmas. Tickets are \$20 and

available online at www. wrtt.org or by calling 920-250-6200.

Thern Farm hosts holiday event

NEW LONDON -Thern Farm will host Holiday on the Farm from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14.

Highlights for this family event include opportunities to meet with Santa Claus, Mrs. Claus and an elf, a real live reindeer, wagon rides, holiday music with Tom Tunes, refreshments, face painting and holiday crafts.

Admission is \$10 per car and includes all activities. Thern Farm is located at

425 E. Fairview Drive in New London.



Downtown business owners and city officials held a brief ribbon cutting ceremony on the newly reconstructed North Water Street to start the 2024 Winter Wonderland Parade Friday, Dec. 6.

John Faucher Photo

New London reopens downtown

NEW LONDON – A two-year multimillion dollar downtown reconstruction project in New London is officially over.

The project, which began in spring of 2023 and ended this month, involved a complete rebuild of belowsurface infrastructure and above-ground amenities on North Water Street.

The project also included additional downtown parking and improvements to side streets along North Water Street. Mayor Mark Herter gave

a few remarks during a brief ribbon-cutting ceremony celebrating the reopening of downtown.

"Today marks a transformative moment for New London as we celebrate the completion of our downtown reconstruction project.

This ribbon cutting signi-

fies not just the opening of revitalized streets and spaces, but also the beginning of a brighter chapter for our community.

With modern infrastructure, enhanced accessibility, and a vibrant atmosphere, our downtown is now a hub that reflects the spirit, resilience, and vision of New London.

Let this moment remind us of what we can achieve together, as we welcome new opportunities, growth and connections in the heart of our city," Herter said.

He thanked the downtown revitalization committee, Chamber of Commerce, community input groups and citizens for their patience, and he thanked the Department of Public Works and city staff for their hours of work and planning in the project.

Hometown Holiday event Saturday

HORTONVILLE Downtown Hortonville and the Hortonville Community Center will host a Hometown Holiday event from 1-6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14.

Local businesses will offer holiday specials all day while residents and visitors drop in on a number of planned events.

Santa will visit the community center in the Hortonville Municipal Building from 1-4 p.m. during an Arts and Crafts workshop and Cookies with Cops event also featuring EMTs and firefighters

from the community. There will be a bike and basket raffle at 3 p.m. in the community center.

Closer to downtown, turkey bowling takes place on Pine Street from 3-6 p.m. and at 4:30 p.m. the Hortonville High School Choir will perform outside in the community square at the intersection of West Main and South Nash streets.

At 5 p.m., there will be a tree lighting ceremony featuring an 18-foot tall Christmas Tree donated by Wolfrath's Nursery and Landscaping.

Wega-Fremont NEWS Hometown rodeo queens

Two sisters serve the state

BY JAMES CARD STAFF REPORTER

WEYAUWEGA - In a rare coincidence of overlapping timelines, two Weyauwega sisters will have concurrent roles as ambassadors for the world of rodeo and agriculture.

Ashley Johnson, 21, will serve this year as Miss Rodeo Wisconsin and her younger sister Ava Johnson, 19, is currently serving as Miss Teen Rodeo Wisconsin.

Ava was crowned Miss Teen Rodeo Wisconsin in August and her one-year term will end next August.

Her sister Ashley will be ormally coronated at Rio



Ava Johnson (left) is Miss Teen Rodeo Wisconsin and Ashley Johnson is the future 2025 Miss Rodeo Wisconsin. The sisters will travel throughout the state this upcoming year as ambassadors of rodeo and the agriculture industry. James Card Photo

First, one submits head- all over the United States. shot photographs, a resume, It's cool to see their upbringa biography, an essay of ing and how they got into one's intentions as serving as Miss Rodeo Wisconsin and two recommendations. At the pageant, they are run through a grinder where they are judged on photogenic qualities and horsemanship skills. They must pass a 100-question test, have a personality interview, give a prepared speech and also a think-fast impromptu speech. At a rodeo, the queen will ride in the grand entry and carry the American flag for the opening ceremony. During the rodeo she may ride around with sponsorship flags and help round up loose cattle. If there is a drill team performance or a mutton busting – where children ride sheep - they will participate with that. At the end of the rodeo, they close it out with a Happy Trails ride and wave the audience goodbye. "For us, when we go to different rodeos it's about meeting a whole bunch of different people, like the rodeo contestants and the stock contractors are from

Painted Horse (aptly named, "Paint") from a rescue in Richland Center and trained him and the horse is now six years old. Ashley rides Squash, a Quarter Horse-Palomino mix. She got the horse from a woman that named her horses after vegetables.

"I rode her on the Rodeo City Riders drill Team and she's been a great queen horse-she's really pretty. She likes cows so we do a lot of ranch riding and cow work which is fun," said Ashley. She also has an Australian shepherd dog that can jump up onto Squash on command.

They joined the Pink Ribbon Rebels Drill Team that is known for their performances at the Mid-Western Rodeo in Manawa. Ashley served as the Mid-Western Rodeo Queen and she also joined the Rodeo City Riders. A year later, she became Miss Teen Rodeo Wisconsin. After a break, she tried out for the Miss Rodeo Wisconsin. Later, her younger sister Ava also served as a Mid-Western Rodeo queen. Ashley is currently a junior a UW-River Falls and studying agricultural education. Ashley will compete for Miss Rodeo America next year. Ava studied at Fox Valley Technical College for a year and earned a agriculture business management degree. Now she works part-time at TLC Signs and sometimes uses her commercial driver's license to drive large work trucks. She plans to go to farrier school in the future. They can be contacted for community event appearances and sponsorship opportunities at missrodeowisconsin2025@gmail. com. They also encourage girls to reach out to them to learn about becoming a rodeo queen.



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Lobo Winery & Brewery at 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 11. There will be dinner, raffles, silent auctions and activities for children.

Ashley's term will end next January so the sisters have the winter, spring and summer to team up their efforts as they make appearances throughout the state. Ashley will do more out-ofstate trips representing Wisconsin in the rodeo world but when back in her home state they plan to work together which helps save on travel expenses.

There are 11 Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association events in Wisconsin and they plan to go to all of them, along with some other related events such as the Midwest Horse Fair in Madison in April. They also plan on participating in numerous community events and visiting schools, libraries and hospitals.

The process of earning this title is not easy. It's like a cross between a college application and an interview for an important job.

it," said Ava.

Riders of mammoth mules

They are the daughters of Charley and Charlene Johnson and they grew up on a farm of diversified livestock (beef, pigs, sheep). Ashley graduated from W-F High School in 2021 and Ava graduated in 2023. Both played sports, were on the equestrian team and cite FFA playing a big role in their lives.

They learned how to ride mules before they learned how to ride horses. Their father kept mules for hunting trips in the American West (including American Mammoth Jackstock – a large-sized breed of mule). The girls rode the mules on trails and showed them at the state mule show.

Paint and Squash

Later they got horses and they are the ones you might see them riding at rodeo events.

Ava got an American

Magdanz earns national award

WEYAUWEGA - Bethany Magdanz was named as one of the top four FFA members in the nation for her work in the Dairy Production Proficiency area at the 97th National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Ind.

W-F FFA member Magdanz earned first place in Wisconsin for her proficiency in Dairy Production in June 2023.

After winning state, she interviewed in front of a panel made up of judges from around the nation from the agriculture industry and they reviewed her proficiency that was composed of a 30-page application about work her on her family's dairy farm in Pine River



Bethany Magdanz represented Weyauwega-Fremont FFA at the natiional convention. She recieved the American FFA Degree as well as being recognized as a top four national proficiency finalist. Submitted Photo

Iola-Scandinavia NEWS



Waupaca Rotarian Wes Klages (third from right) presents a check for \$1,000 to teachers, from left, Hayli Breyhan, Megan Driebel, Kimberlisa Przychocki, Kristen Bertsch and Casey Danielson. Submitted Photo

Rotary gives grant to I-S school

Waupaca gave a \$1,000 grant to Iola-Scandinavia Elementary School.

The grant funds one-third of the program costs for the new Energy Bus for Schools program.

Costs associated with the program are \$2,000 for access to the Energy Bus for Schools Programming and \$1,000 for the Energy Bus and Energy Bus for Kids books.

The program will benefit 300 students.

The program is designed to have a lasting impact on students.

"A growth mindset prepares students for lifelong learning, as they are more likely to embrace new opportunities, adapt to change, and continuously improve," the grant application indicates.

The social skills and behaviors help students form healthy relationships throughout life.

IOLA - Rotary Club of In the workplace, strong collaboration and communication skills are key to success. In personal life, positive rela-tionships contribute to overall well-being and happiness," the application continues.

These habits lead to ongoing personal and professional success. Students who have adopted these positive habits are more likely to become successful leaders, team players, and well-rounded individuals who contribute positively to society."

The program's instructional Energy Bus Team indicates, "We would love for guest speakers to come in to share the importance of positivity, leadership, and teamwork to provide powerful real-world examples. Partnering with local social media platforms and news stations may help foster community pride and increase awareness of what we are doing."

The Rotary Club of Waupaca recently awarded more than \$9,000 to the Iola-Scandinavia, Waupaca and Weyauwega-Fremont school districts.

Over 90 members strong, Rotary Club of Waupaca works to support education, protect the environment, grow local economies, promote peace, support mothers and children, provide clean water, sanitation and hygiene, and fight disease.

The club raises funds through community events to support various programs and service projects that improve lives locally, nationally, and worldwide.

Iola-Scandinavia residents are invited to attend a club meeting to see what Rotary is about. It meets at 7:30 a.m. Wednesdays at St. Mary Magdalene's Fellowship Hall in Waupaca.

Manawa NEWS



June and Joy had the chance to meet Santa at Merry Manawa Dec. 5. Emily Doud Photo

Miracle on Bridge Street in Manawa

BY EMILY DOUD STAFF REPORTER

MANAWA – Since 2018, Miracle on Bridge Street has strived to bring families together for activities and entertainment in downtown Manawa.

This Christmas-themed event took a brief hiatus in 2023 in order to recuperate and recharge the creative juices, according to said Jamie Lane, event organizer.

This year the event is back and boasts more than 20 activities, all of which are free except for bowling, which is \$2 per person.

Lane noticed there were not a lot of large Christmas events in the county and thought creating an event for families to come out and enjoy the holidays without having to worry about cost would be a great way for the Manawa business community to give back to their customers.

'We started this in 2018 because not a lot of communities had Christmas activities," Lane said. "And so I think it's just so exciting

to see that, kind of spurred more communities on ... joy and generosity is contagious, right?"

The event began as a way to steer away from commerce, but instead to remember what Christmas is all about in the first place.

"Christmas is not about the gifts and the presents, even though those are wonderful things to do to show your love, because obviously Christmas is about Jesus and his birth, and the love that he gave for us, and the gifts that he gave to us," Lane said. "And so we also want to highlight that, and to bring that true meaning of Christmas, so we don't have Santa or Mrs. Claus because we want Jesus to be the focus of the Christmas season."

Businesses throughout Manawa are participating in the event, holding various crafts and activities within each business.

One of the new activities families can participate in this year is a cookie scavenger hunt, which is being

held by Treehouse Foods within Clover Motors.

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Each child will receive a box with cookie decorating items in them, then they can take them to area businesses to collect cookies and decorate them when they get home.

There will also be takeand-bake cookies at Sunrise Café where families can pick out toppings for the cookies and go home to bake their cookies. This which is also new this year.

There will be gingerbread cookie frames that visitors can create at Bridge Street Salon, after which they can hit the selfie stroll through a Christmas decorated walk, themed Uncle Eddie from National Lampoon Christmas, to get a picture printed out for the frame.

Other highlights include face painting, cookie decorating, coloring, Lego ornaments, free popcorn, snowman kits and trail mix, hot chocolate and

Miracle

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Another sand mine appeal filed

BY EMILY DOUD STAFF REPORTER

IOLA - Neighbors to a proposed sand mine site in Iola have filed an appeal to the Board of Adjustment in an attempt to overturn the decision made Oct. 25 to allow for a conditional use permit (CUP) for the sand mine.

The Board of Adjustment (BOA) met Oct. 21 to hear testimony from both Faulks Bros. Construction and representatives from the Iola Car

ers Construction, was reached for comment and said the following:

"The opposing neighbors have filed an appeal against the BOA's decision. While this is within their rights, it's important to emphasize that the decision was made based on legal compliance and a thorough review of all facts. The Comprehensive Plan is a guiding document, not a regulation, as stated by the law. The proposed sand pit aligns with the [Private Recreation and Forestry] PVRF's preferred land use, which allows for mining, and includes a commitment to restore the land to its original agricultural and parking use once the project is complete." According to Greg Ambrosius, a plaintiff listed in the appeal: "The decision to appeal was actually pretty simple. The law

clearly states that the applicant has the burden to prove with substantial evidence that their permit is in compliance with 28 Waupaca County non-metallic mining requirements in order to get approval. If they are not in compliance with even one requirement then they can't get approval. We believe there was no substantial evidence presented for multiple requirements and in fact Faulks Bros. even admitted that they aren't in compliance with the Township of Scandinavia's Comprehensive Plan, which was one of the requirements. We believe it's important for an unbiased judge to re-hear this case and determine if they are in compliance with all 28 requirements or not."



Show grounds, as well as from the plaintiffs, who are neighbors to the sand mine site.

Te plaintiffs' lawyer, Christa Westerberg, is with Pines Bach out of Madison.

After listening to over 10 hours of testimony, the BOA then met Oct. 25 for deliberations. The board decided to uphold the decision made by the Planning and Zoning Committee.

The plaintiffs listed in the appeal had 30 days to decide whether or not they were going to appeal the decision.

The CUP for the proposed sand mine has been in question since May of 2023, when the town of Scandinavia recommended a denial for the CUP.

The most recent appeal was sent to the BOA and Westerberg listed four areas that should be considered in reversing the decision.

One area in the appeal states that the Board did not meet the requirements of the county's zoning and non-metallic mining ordinance, which includes consideration of the circumstances of the neighboring residents.

The appeal also stated that the CUP does not meet the requirements for a sand mine in a Farmland Preservation area.

According to the appeal, the BOA did not explain how the applicant had satisfied the requirements of the county's standards for the CUP.

Finally, the appeal states:

"The Board erred in approving a CUP application that was not supported by substantial evidence on all applicable ordinance requirements ... particularly concerning the impact to property values, and where other substantial evidence showed the standards could not be met."

Jon Faulks, of Faulks Broth-

The Iola Car Show was reached but declined to comment on the appeal.

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Obituary Notices

Volk, Barbara

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Barbara "Barb" Lorraine Volk, age 86, of Waupaca, passed into eternal life, surrounded by her loving family, on Wednesday, December 4, 2024. Born in Keswick, Iowa, to the late John and Maude (Henry) VanDee Kerkove. Barb was a proud valedictorian 1956 of Millersburg High School.

On February 16, 1957, Barb married the love of her life, Maurice Eugene "Gene" Volk. Together, they built a life filled with love and

laughter, moving to Wisconsin in 1979, where they raised six children and enjoyed 62 years of devotion to one another.

Family was the heart of Barb's life, and she cherished her role as wife, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. Barb lovingly raised her six children and extended that same care and kindness to many others in need, opening her heart and home to children who were not her own. Her home was always a welcoming place, filled with warmth, laughter, and the smell of delicious home-cooked meals. Every Sunday, she prepared large, homemade meals for her family, where they would gather after church to enjoy each other's company and cheer on the Packers. Her famous homemade buns and gooey cinnamon rolls became cherished family traditions. Barb found great joy in tending to her garden, canning, and baking apple pies to freeze for the colder months with a glass of sweet iced tea or cup of cof-fee in her hands. She also enjoyed trips to the casino, making cross-stitch sweatshirts for her grandchildren, and at-tending their extracurricular events, always there to support and cheer them on with pride. A woman of incredible work ethic, Barb devoted 27 years as a licensed practical nurse at the Wisconsin Veterans Home in King, where her compas-sion and dedication touched the lives of many residents that she cared for. A natural-born caregiver, Barb's unconditional love extended beyond her family to many others, including the animals on their farm, especially the sick calves Gene would bring home from the auction.

Barb's legacy lives on in her children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, and all those whose lives she touched with her unconditional love, generosity, strength and devotion to her faith. She will be deeply missed but always remembered for the warmth, kindness, and joy she brought to everyone around her.

She will be deeply missed and is survived by her loving family; children: Eugene Volk, Theresa Turzinski, Michelle (Ron) Bowden, Leanne (Daniel) Turzinski, Robert (Debra) Volk, Brian Volk; 15 grandchildren; 24 great grandchildren; 4 great-great grandchildren; one sister, many nieces, nephews, neighbors, and friends. She was preceded in death by her husband, Maurice Eugene "Gene" Volk, her parents, and four brothers.

The celebration of Barbara's life was held on Wednesday, December 11, 2024, at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church, located at N2845 Shadow Rd, Waupaca. A visitation took place prior to the Mass, from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m., followed by a rosary service until the time of the funeral Mass at 11am. A luncheon was served after Mass.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Whispering Pines Assisted Living activity center in Barb's name, where Barb loved to participate in various activities and events.

The family would like to express their heartfelt gratitude to the staff at Whispering Pines for the exceptional care and compassion they provided to Barb over the past several years, and to the St. Croix Hospice team for their support and care during this time.

Maple Crest Funeral Home in Waupaca is honored to assist the family with arrangements.

Apps, Mary

Hildebrand, Dustin



Dustin (Dusty) Bartlett Hildebrand, age 44, of Weyauwega WI, passed away unexpectedly on the morning of December 2nd, 2024. He was born on March 12th, 1980, the second son of Greg and Sharon Hildebrand. Dustv grew up in Weyauwega and was a graduate of Weyauwega Fremont High School in 1998. Dusty was employed at different businesses throughout his life including being a truck driver after he obtained his CDL li-

cense. Once you met Dusty you had a loyal friend for life. Dusty had a jovial personality and was always cheerful and optimistic. He had an infectious and happy heart, and his heart was always in the right place. If you were ever stuck in a bad spot and needed some help, Dusty was always there for you, to help you and to make you feel better. He truly loved all his family and friends. In his last few years Dusty was truly a Godsend as he was a primary caregiver for his mother at home in her time of need, a sincere thank you for that. Dusty!

In the spring and summer months you could find Dusty on his boat up at the fishing raft with his dad and his other friends and family, catching walleyes or "cruising" on the Wolf River.

Dusty is survived by his parents: Greg and Sharon Hildebrand; brother: Andy (Mandi) Hildebrand; nephew Mason and niece Brooklynn Hildebrand; cousins: Todd, Craig, Trevor, Scott, Jason, Anjela, Jamie and Andie. Dusty is further survived by his Uncle Ron and Aunt Jane Behm, and his Aunt Wanda; his dog Bailey, and special friends: Greg (Oscar) Harris and Amy Halverson, and numerous other friends and relatives in a list that is too long for this writing.

Dusty was preceded in death by his grandparents: Ed and Delores Hildebrand, Elder and Margaret Behm; Uncles John and Jim Hildebrand; Aunts Diana and Susan Hildebrand; his beloved dogs throughout his life: Ginger, Sammy, Matty.

A Celebration of Life for Dusty will be held at the Dahlke Life Celebration Center of Weyauwega on Thursday, December 12th, 2024 from 4:00 - 7:00 pm, followed by a gathering at Picklebellies Pub in Weyauwega where we will continue Dusty's celebration of life, a life left unfinished. Ya Guy!!

Magee, Judith



Judith "Judy" I. Magee, age 78 of Clintonville passed away peacefully Tuesday morning December 3, 2024 at The Pines in Embarrass.

Judith Ione Magee was born on September 8, 1946 in Clintonville as the daughter of the late Donald and Marion (Lambrecht) Magee. Judy graduated from Clintonville High School in 1964 which coincidentally would become her workplace serving as secretary for 40 years until her retirement. She rarely missed

a chance to support the school and attended many sporting events over the years. Judy was also heavily involved with the German Club and enjoyed chaperoning a number of trips back to Germany with the students. She was instrumental in getting the Skyward program up and running at the school as well. Those that knew Judy might best describe her as an ambassador for the City of Clintonville where she proudly served as the city's mayor and as an alderman. She truly had the best interest of Clintonville at the forefront of her mind. Judy was also a faithful member of Christus Lutheran Church in Clintonville where she volunteered in many ways over the years. She was an avid bowler in her day and donated blood on a regular basis to help others in need. Survivors include:

Her Siblings: Kathleen "Kathy" Harder and Max (Pam) Magee.

5 Nieces and Nephews, 12 Great-Nieces and Great-Nephews, and 8 Great-Great-Nieces and Great-Great-Nephews.

Judy was receded in death by her parents Donald and

Nielson, Sandra



Sandra "Sandy" Nielson left her earthly home November 30, 2024, leaving behind a tapestry of love and devotion that will forever warm the hearts of those who knew her. Born on April 28, 1953, Sandy's life began on the Stuhr family farm on Mielke Road in the Town of Grant, Shawano, Wisconsin. She grew up there with her cherished family Ken and Millie (Stuhr) Schultz, Grandpa (Bill) and Grandma (Esther Tews) Stuhr and sister Sherry

Johnson. The nurturing spirit and steadfast values of those she loved shaped the woman she would become. Many hours were spent playing in those fields and woods with her neighbor and forever friend Sue Mielke Anderson and her sister. Sandy was the leader who tried her best to keep The Gang of Three on the straight and narrow. The other two admit they were not easily managed, yet Sandy never wavered from the responsibility.

Sandy's journey was one of compassion and dedication, a path she chose early on. After she graduated from Marion High School in 1971, her heart led her to Fox Valley Technical College, where she pursued her calling in nursing, graduating in 1972. The stage was set for a career and life that would touch countless lives with a gentle touch, kindness and empathy.

On September 14, 1974, Sandy's life took a new turn when she married Doug Nielson and they settled in Waupaca. Together, they built a home of love and laughter, where they raised their two children, Amy, now residing in Suffolk, Virginia with her husband Jim Womick and Todd, in Miami, Florida. They were the center of Sandy's universe, her pride and joy.

Her friendships were many and she cherished every one of them. Her friendship with Marlyce Wehmeyer Jueds began in nursing school in 1971 and Marlyce fondly recalls their 52 years of friendship as a tapestry woven with love and shared adventures. In 1990 Sandy became assistant to Dr. Russ Butkiewicz and that partnership evolved into a wonderful friendship that lasted her lifetime. Both of these special friends came to Florida to accompany Sandy on her final journey; a testament to Sandy's ability to forge deep, enduring bonds.

Sandy moved with Doug to Port St. Lucie, Florida in 2019 where she was able to live next to her sister, brother-in-law Tim Sturges and mom. A dream come true for Sandy who always wanted her family together. Sherry will always remember her big sis as her best friend who held her hand and made sure she was safe every day of her life and the Florida Gang of Five were inseparable whether it was watching football, adventures exploring new places or sharing meals all filled with laughter and love.

All of us who loved her knew her knitting bag was always at her feet and she knit doll blankets and later, scarves for the military since 2016 when her friend Sue introduced her to a friend, Mary, who coordinated these projects. Mary says Sandy was truly a blessing to them, always willing to go above and beyond having knit over 200 scarves for the Veterans Hospital of Gainesville and came through when no one else did. Sandy's heart was forever tethered to the earth through her beloved flower gardens. Each bloom was a reflection of her enduring connection to her roots, a vibrant reminder of the farm where her story began.

Sandy's warmth and kindness were the threads that wove together the fabric of her life, creating a legacy that will be cherished by all who had the privilege of knowing her. She had unwavering love for her family and friends including: Ashley Sturges, Anne and Brad Hungerford, her "favorite girl" Abigail Serrano, Kari Esbensen, sister-in-law Marian Nielson and nephews Tim and Scott Nielson. She was a beacon of light, guiding those around her with a gentle hand and an open heart.

Sandy asked for no formal service. She wishes your farewell be to hold her memory close, a cherished keepsake that will forever illuminate your life. Her spirit lives on in the hearts of her loved ones, a testament to a life well-lived, a journey marked by love, laughter, and an unyielding dedication to those she held dear.

Goodbyes are only for those who love with their eyes. Because for those who love with heart and soul there is no such thing as separation. -Rumi

The family is funding a project for the Marion Historical Society. A permanent case for the Harold Wolf display will be built in memory of Sandy. It is a detailed woodworking replica of buildings that recall growing up on a farm in Marion. The same memories Sandy described as "the best childhood ever." Donations in Sandy's memory can be sent to Sherry Johnson, 518 NW Blue Lake Drive, Port St Lucie



Mary Margaret (Bouvat) Apps, age 90, of Wild Rose, passed away peacefully at home with family by her side on Monday, December 2, 2024. She was born April 1, 1934 in Elcho, WI; daughter Ben and Margaret of (Pflanzer) Bouvat. On June 26, 1954, she married Edward Apps Jr. in Wautoma, WI. They resided in Wild Rose where they owned a family farm. In 1979, they started a flower shop / greenhouse. In 1980, they built a

ballpark next to the flower shop, which was eventually converted into a bar in 1984 called "Mr. Ed's Place". Mary bartended there until her passing. She loved tending bar and being with her customers who became family to her. She will be deeply missed by all of her family and friends. Mary is survived by two sons David (Andrea) Apps of Wild Rose and Daniel (Roberta) Apps of Wild Rose; one daughter Darlene Apps of Wild Rose; three step-daughters Susan (Clyde) Wendlandt of Wild Rose, Linda Rosales of Appleton, and Arlene Apps of Wild Rose; eighteen grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren and great-great grandchildren; and by many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband Edward Apps Jr.; her parents Ben and Margaret Bouvat; three sisters Jeanne, Élaine, and Betty; a step-son Robert Apps; and a step-daughter Sandy Clements.

Per Mary's request no formal services will be held. A celebration of her life will be held on a future date. The Holly Funeral Home of Wild Rose is assisting the family with arrangements.



Marian Magee, and her brother-in-law David Harder.

Judy's memorial service was held Wednesday December 11, 2024 at 11am at the Christus Lutheran Church in Clintonville with Rev. Brian Crocker officiating. Inurnment will take place at Highland Memorial Park in Appleton. Visitation was held at the church on Wednesday from 10am until the time of the service. The Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home & Crematory of Clintonville is assisting her family. www.eberhardtstevenson.com

Bartel, Eugene



Eugene "Gene' Leonard Bartel, age 87, went to heavenly his home on Decem-

ber 7, 2024. He was born October 27, 1937 in the Town of Lind to Leonard and Hazel Bartel. He married Priscilla Paschke and they recently celebrated 60 years together. They were blessed with three children, Steve, Scott, and Stacey.

Gene acquired his nickname "Scrooge" in grade school and it stuck with him. He was a life-long member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church where he was baptized, confirmed, married and served in various positions in both church and school throughout his life. After graduating from Weyauwega High School, he enlisted in the Army Reserves, and also was a substitute mail carrier for 11 years He served as a volunteer fire fighter for the Town of Lind and was on the town board there. Gene spent his life farming with his family and was very proud of his Red & White Holsteins. He was the 4-H Market Animal Leader and was active in many farming organizations.

Some of his happiest hours were spent enjoying nature while hunting and fishing. He loved spending time with his grand daughters and great grandchildren, making their events his priority. He sometimes made-up games as he went along like "Ball In the Bucket" which was one of their favorites.

Eugene is survived by his wife Priscilla; children: Steve (Debi), Scott (Stacy), and Stacey (Larry) Glick; granddaughters: Miranda Bestul and Lakkin (Justin) Zielke; great grandchildren: Kameron, Carson, Ellaina, Lukas along with step grandchildren: Becca, Jake, Rudy, Ashtyn and Lyndon; sister Karen (Darrell) Koehler; brother-in-law: Robin (Leea) Paschke. He is further survived by nieces, nephews, and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and father and mother-in law Roland and June Paschke, and daughter-inlaw Mary Bartel.

The Christian Memorial Service for Gene will be held on Friday, December 13, 2024 at 11:30 a.m. at St. Peter Ev. Lutheran Church in Weyauwega with Rev. Aaron Kristopeit officiating. Burial will be in Lind Center cemetery, Town of Lind. A gathering of family and friends will be held at the church on Friday from 9:30 a.m. until 11:15 a.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to St. Peter Ev. Lutheran Church or School. Friends may visit www.dahlkefh.com to share memories and condolences with Gene's family.

To my family, I have reached at last the promised land. God be with you 'til we meet again.

Hon, I will hold you in my heart until I can hold you in heaven

or go to https://gofund.me/37cdfeb4. Interment will take place at Greenleaf Cemetery, Marion at

a later date.

Luaders, Earl



Earl passed away on Sunday morning, December 8, 2024, surrounded by his family, after a courageous battle with Parkinson's disease. He was 72 years old.

Earl was born to Nancy (Riley) and Earl Luaders, Jr. and spent his early childhood in Connecticut and California before settling in Winneconne, Wisconsin, with his mother. In 1980, Earl moved to New London to begin his law career, where he would go on to make a lasting im-

pact on his community.

Earl was a lifelong baseball fan. Whether he was playing in the Babe Ruth traveling little league, coaching his children's little league teams, or playing in local bar leagues in Winneconne and New London, Earl's love for the game was undeniable. He was a diehard fan of the St. Louis Cardinals and Milwaukee Brewers, and he took great joy in taking his children to see these teams play, sharing his passion with them.

Earl was a proud 1970 graduate of Winneconne High School and earned his undergraduate degree from the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh. He went on to graduate with a JD from Hamline University in 1979. Earl worked as a dedicated attorney for over 40 years, including as City Attorney for New London, earning the respect of his colleagues and clients for his expertise and commitment to his work

In 1970, Earl married Maureen Christensen, and together they had three children: Alex, Kelly, and Matthew. Later in life, Earl married Nancy Stern, who selflessly cared for him during his battle with Parkinson's disease.

Earl was also a lover of Corvettes, playing poker and traveling to warmer destinations.

Earl is survived by his children, Alex (Amanda), Kelly (Michael), and Matthew (Colleen); his loving wife, Nancy Stern; Nancy's children, Andrea, Merica, and Eric; his grandchildren, Stelly, Finn, Domanic, Addy, Aiden, and Libby; and his great-granddaughter, Akira. His father Earl II and brother Robert also survive him. He also leaves behind a wide circle of friends and colleagues who will miss him dearly.

Earl was preceded in death by his mother, Nancy; and his beloved grandson, Ethan, who tragically passed away in October.

Earl's children would like to especially thank his wife Nancy for taking such loving care of their father during his struggle with Parkinson's disease. She gracefully enhanced his quality of life.

A celebration of Earl's life will be held on Saturday, December 14, 2024, at the Fin n Feather 22 W. Main St. Winneconne. Please stop by between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. and help us celebrate Earl's life.

Mueller Funeral Home-Winneconne is assisting the family. If you wish, please submit online condolences/memories to muellerfh.net.

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Niemuth. Louise



Louise A Niemuth born November 13, 1958, died December 7, 2024 after a long battle with alcohol addiction. Louise was born to Dean Riley and Jeanette (Zywicki) Batten in Stevens Point, WI. She graduated from Waupaca High School in 1976. She graduated from FVTC in 1978 with a degree in accounting. She was united in marriage to the boy next door, her high school sweetheart and the man of her dreams Richard Niemuth on

September 27, 1980. Together they had three children whom she loved dearly. Louise had many jobs throughout her life including her longest at AAL/Thrivent from where she retired in 2013. In 2003 Richard and Louise started Niemuth's Southside Market where she did the bookwork along with many other roles.

Throughout the years Louise was a Boy Scout and Brownie leader and a travel soccer mom, spending many weekends driving to AJ's soccer games or watching Aaron and Scooter play football among other activities. But her greatest joy was her grandchildren. She would spend as much time as she could with them and attended as many of their school and sporting events as possible. But her favorite past time was baking cookies, and letting them play in the flour! In her spare time, she had tons of hobbies including taking pictures of her kids, loons (mostly water as they would swim away) and eagles, basket weaving and quilting/sewing (spending many weekends with friends doing both.)

Louise is survived by her Husband of 44 years Richard, her children Aaron (Rebecca) of Waupaca, Andrea (AJ) (James) Taylor of Amherst and Scott (Bridget) of Waupaca. Her grandchildren Carter and Kenzie Niemuth, Owen and Sylvi Taylor. Her mother Jeanette Batten of Waupaca. Her Siblings Dave (Dawn) Riley of Freedom, Marie Thompson of Bolder Junction, Loretta (Rudy) McKinney of Appleton, Daniel Riley of Waupaca, Tom (Jane) Riley of Waupaca, Dean Riley of Waupaca, Tim (Jessica) Batten of Plover. Her sisters-in-law Nancy (Mark Ervin) Niemuth Columbus OH, and Janet Niemuth of Lakeland Fl. Along with many Nieces and Nephews and other family members.

She was preceded in death by her father Dean Riley, stepfather Benny Batten. Her sister Doris Riley, brothers-inlaw Roger and Robert Niemuth. Mother and Father-in-law Robert and Dorothy Niemuth.

Addiction is a terrible but treatable disease that causes so much pain for all involved. We wanted to fight with you and for you but knew that you had to want to fight for yourself and now you have lost that fight. Mom, we will miss the good times but know that you are at peace with the demons that you were trying to drown.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday December 14, 2024 at 12 P.M. at Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church in Waupaca, WI. Pastor Ken Frey will officiate. A memorial gathering will be held on Saturday December 14, 2024 from 10 A.M. until the time of the service at 12 P.M. at the church. The Holly Funeral Home of Waupaca, WI is assisting the family with arrangements.

Legals

Meyer Jr., Edward

Edward Otto Meyer Jr. of Waupaca, WI passed away on Monday, November 25, 2024.

Legals

7700 BY THE COURT: DATE SIGNED: December 5, 2024

Electronically signed by Judge Troy L. Nielsen Circuit Court Judge STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT. WAUPACA COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DALE D. WEGNER DECEASED

⊠ Amended Order Setting Time to Hear Petition for Administration and Deadline for Filing Claims (Formal Administration)

Case No. 2024PR99 A Petition for Formal Administration

was filed. THE COURT FINDS:

The decedent, with date of birth 08/25/1960 and date of death 10/03/2024 was domiciled in Waupaca

Legals reside in the School District of Waupaca but who are enrolled in and attending a private school or home-based private educational program include the following: • Such students have the opportunity to offered in the District.

 Private school students in the high school grades have the opportunity to apply for approval to take up two courses per semester in a District chool, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § Students who are enrolled in a home-

based private educational program have • Apply for approval to take up two courses per semester in public schools

as provided under Wis. Stat. § 118.53 Participate in District interscholastic athletics and other District extracurricular activities as provided under Wis. Stat. § 118.133. The State of Wisconsin has established the Special Needs Scholarship Program for students with disabilities. Under this scholarship program and as further specified in state law, a child with a disability who has been denied the opportunity to attend a nonresident school district under the full-time oper enrollment program may be eligible to receive a scholarship from the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) that allows the child to attend an eligible private school that is participating in the Special Needs Scholarship Program. This is a state-administered program. A parent or guardian who is interested in the Special Needs Scholarship Program should independently verify the participating private schools and the specific terms, eligibility criteria, and application procedures of the scholarship program with the DPI. The Special Needs Scholarship Program is further defined under Wis Stat. § 115.7915. However, special eligibility requirements not found in that statute exist for program scholarships that are awarded for private school attendance. Additional information about the program is available at the DPI website at http://dpi.wi.gov/sms/special needs-scholarship. For more information about any of the educational options listed in this notice please contact the District's Director of Teaching and Learning at 715-258-4121 or the Wisconsin Department of Public struction at (608) 266-3390 or (800) 41-4563

Publish Dec. 12, 2024 WNAXLP

Notice of Filing On 11/30/2024 Dwight Shanak, N3311 Sunrise Lane, Waupaca, WI 54981 filed an application with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for a minor license for the proposed Weyauwega Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 2550) located at Weyauwega, Wisconsin. If a request is made for an application, contact Dwight Shanak by e-mail (modernhydro@sbcglobal.net). Any request for additional scientific studies must be filed with the Commission by 60 days after filing date, which is on top of the notice. The Commission will issue subsequent notice soliciting public participation once the application is found acceptable for filing. Publish Dec. 5 & 12, 2024 WNAXLP

Notice of Pending Application for Proposed Dredging Terry Wilz, E6624 CTH F, Weyauwega, WI 54893 has applied to the Department of Natural Resources for a permit to dredge a connected enlargement adjacent to the Waupaca River. The project is located in NE1/4, SW1/4, Section 11 Township 21 North, Range 13 East located in Town of Weyauwega Waupaca County. The project will consist of the mechanical dredging of the existing connected enlargement, from the bank in an area approximately 6,400 ft2. Dredged material will be placed directly into sealed haul trucks to be disposed of nearby on the Beyer property at E6485 CTH F. No more than 900 vd3 will be removed. Any spills will be immediately cleaned from the road surface. No dredging will occur in the Waupaca River channel and a turbidity barrier will be placed at the mouth of the pond to prevent siltation downstream in the river. Erosion control will be installed and maintained at both the dredging location as well as the disposal site. No wetlands will be impacted at the disposal site. The Department will review the proposal provided by the applicant and any information from public comments and the public informational hearing. The Department will determine whether the proposal complies with ss. 1.11, 30.20, & 30.208, Wis. Stats., and ch. NR 150, Wis. Adm. Code, and ensure that the required mitigation meets the standar

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CLINTONVILLE WI 54929-1663 **Publication Summons and Notice** (Small Claims) Case No.2024SC005400 If you require reasonable

accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 920-448-4155 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation. Publication Summons and Notice of

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

You are being sued by the person(s) named above as Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above The lawsuit will be heard in the following small claims court: BROWN County Courthouse Telephone Number of clerk of court: 920-448-4155 100 S Jefferson Street Court Room B Green Bay, WI 54305 on the following date and time: Date: 01/08/2025 Time: 3:45 p.m. If you do not attend the hearing, the court may enter a judgment against you in favor of the person(s) suing you. A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate (property) you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property. You may have the option to Answer

without appearing in court on the court date by filing a written Answer with the clerk of court **before** the court date. You must send a copy of your Answer to the Plaintiff(s) named above at their address. You may contact the clerk of court at the telephone number above to determine if there are other methods to answer a Small Claims complaint in that county

Plaintiff/Attorney Electronically Signed by MICHAEL F. G. HICKEY Date 12/9/2024 Plaintiff's/Attorney's Telephone Number 262-641-3715

Attorney's State Bar Number 1124679

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COURT, BROWN COUNTY Plaintiff(s):

GREEN BAY ANESTHESIA ASSOCIATES, S.C. First Floor 225 S Executive Dr Brookfield WI 53005 -vs-Defendant(s): DONALD CAYCE 600 TOWER RD APT 14B WAUPACA WI 54981-7011 Publication Summons and Notice

(Small Claims) Case No.2024SC005392 If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 920-448-4155 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

Publication Summons and Notice of

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

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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT WAUPACA COUNTY Capital Credit Union Plaintiff,

James Hassell XYZ Unknown Defendant. Defendants Case No. 24CV286 Code No. 30301

<u>PUBLICATION SUMMONS</u> THE STATE OF WISCONSIN To each person named above as a

Defendant: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The Complaint, which is attached, states the nature and basis for the legal action. Within 40 days after November 28, 2024, of receiving this Summons, you must respond with a written Answer, as that term is used in Chapter 802 of the Wisconsin Statutes, to the Complaint The Court may reject or disregard an Answer that does not follow the requirements of the statutes. The Answer must be sent or delivered to the Court, whose address is Clerk of Circuit Court, Waupaca County Courthouse 811 Harding St, Waupaca, WI 54981, and to Plaintiff's attorney, whose mailing address is PO Box 1473, Wausau, Wisconsin 54402-1473. You may have

If you do not provide a proper Answer within 40 days after November 28, 2024, the Court may grant Judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Complaint and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Complaint. A Judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or by garnishment or seizure of property. Dated this 19th day of November 2024

Bates Legal Group, LLC, Attorney

for Capital Credit Union By: /s/ Attorney Justin J. Bates Justin J. Bates State Bar No. 1066128 PO Box 1473

Wausau, WI 54402-1473 (715) 843-5599 Publish Nov. 28, Dec. 5 & 12, 2024

WNAXLP STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT WAUPACA COUNTY

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association Plaintiff,

vs Tom E. Nietzer

Defendant. NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE Case No. 19-CV-000027 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure entered on March 27, 2019 in the amount of \$92,361.36 the Sheriff will sell the described premises at public auction as

described premises at puone accur-follows: <u>TIME</u>: January 14, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. <u>TERMS</u>: Pursuant to said judgment, 10% of the successful bid must be paid to the sheriff at the sale in cash, cashier's check or certified funds, peuchle to the clerk of courts (personal payable to the clerk of courts (personal checks cannot and will not be accepted). The balance of the successful bid must be paid to the clerk of courts in cash, cashier's check or certified funds no later than ten days after the court's confirmation of the sale or else the 10% down payment is forfeited to the plaintiff. The property is sold 'as is' and subject to all liens and

Legals <u>PLACE:</u> On the front steps of the Waupaca County Courthouse, City and County of Waupaca DESCRIPTION: The South 50 feet of Lot 79 and the North 22 feet of Lot 78, Rohrer's 4th Subdivision to the City of Clintonville, Waupaca County, Wisconsin, according to the recorded plat thereof. <u>PROPERTY ADDRESS:</u> 176 McKinley Ave Clintonville, WI 54929-1149 DATED: October 29, 2024 Gray & Associates, L.L.P. Attorneys for Plaintiff 16345 West Glendale Drive New Berlin, WI 53151-2841 (414) 224-8404 Please go to www.gray-law.com to obtain the bid for this sale. Gray & Associates, L.L.P. is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If you have previously received a discharge in a chapter 7 bankruptcy case, this communication should not be construed as an attempt to hold you personally liable for the debt. Publish Dec. 5, 12 & 19, 2024 WNAXLP

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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT WAUPACA COUNTY U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Trustee of LSRMF MH Master Participation Trust II Plaintiff,

Randal C. Hawkins, et al. Defendants.

Case No. 2024CV000079 NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE By virtue of a judgment of foreclosure made in the above-entitled action on June 27, 2024 in the amount of \$330,155.55, I will sell at public auction, located in the front lobby of the Waupaca County Courthouse, 811 Harding Street, Waupaca, WI 54981, on January 7, 2025 At 10:00 AM, all of the following

described premises, to wit: THAT PART OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 21 NORTH, RANGE 14 EAST, TOWN OF RANGE 14 EAST, TOWN OF CALEDONIA, WAUPACA COUNTY, WISCONSIN, LYING SOUTH OF COUNTY TRUNK HIGHWAY "H", EXCEPT THE WEST 11 RODS; ALSO EXCEPT THE SOUTH 340 FEET OF THE EAST 435.6 FEET; AND ALSO EXCEPT THAT PART OF THE EAST 40 EEET LYING NORTH OF THE SOUTH FEET LYING NORTH OF THE SOUTH

340 FEET THEREOF. Street Address: E8253 County Hwy H, Fremont, WI 54940 Tax Key No. 02-2124-4

THE PROPERTY WILL BE SOLD AS IS AND SUBJECT TO ANY AND ALL REAL ESTATE TAXES, SUPERIOR LIENS OR OTHER LEGAL ENCLIMBRANCES

TERMS OF SALE: CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK or CERTIFIED FUNDS, payable to the Clerk of the Courts (10% down payment at sale, balance due within ten (10) days of Court approval; down payment to be forfeited if payment not received timely). Buyer must comply with minimum bidder qualifications as set forth in Wis. Stat. § 846.155. Buyer to pay applicable Wisconsin Real Estate Transfer Tax in addition to the purchase

price. Timothy R. Wilz Sheriff of Waupaca County, Wisconsin Codilis, Moody & Circelli, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiff (414) 775-7700 50-24-00292

NOTE: This law firm is a debt

collector. Publish Dec. 5, 12 & 19, 2024 WNAXLP

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT WINNEBAGO COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION

Notice of Rate Increase Water Customers of the Waupaca Water Utility

This is to give you notice that the Waupaca Water Utility will file an application on December 12, 2024, with the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC). for authority to increase water rates. Rates for general service will increase 4.1, percent. The increase is necessary to reduce the existing deficiency in present rates. The request is being made under Wis. Stat. 196.193. Rate increases granted under this statute do not require a public hearing. The effect of the increase for some selected customers is shown below. Public Fire Protection and Wholesale rates (if applicable) will also increase 4.1 percent.

Customer Classification	Meter Size	Gallons	Existing Monthly Rate	Revised Monthly Rate	
Average Residential	3/4	4,000	\$16.71	\$17.39	
Multifamily	2	30,500	\$105.02	\$109.28	
Commercial	1	19,300	\$105.02	\$62.36	
Industrial	4	286,700	\$615.68	\$641.27	
Large Residential	3/4	6,200	\$22.67	\$23.59	
This rate increase will go into effect on February 1, 2025.					
If you have any questions about the rate increase request, call the Waupaca Water Utility at (715) 258-4411.					



English Learner education
Gifted and Talented programming
Career and Technical Education (CTE)

Individualized program and curriculum

modifications Alternative education program(s) graduating from high school) Summer school programming

Waupaca High School (9-12) *** Our district and school report cards,

 Early childhood special education (for students who are at least 3 years old, but not yet school age)

disabilities

At-risk education (e.g., for students identified as being at-risk of not

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attend summer school classes/programs

County, State of WI, with a mailing address of 1104 Nassau Street, New London WI 54961

THE COURT ORDERS: 1. The Petition be heard at the Waupaca County Courthouse, 811 Harding Street, Waupaca, Wisconsin, Room Branch 1, before Circuit Court Judge/Circuit Court Commissioner Hon. Troy Nielsen, on January 10, 2025 at 11:00 a.m.

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

2. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is March 6, 2025. 3. A claim may be filed at the Waupaca County Courthouse, 811 Harding Street, Waupaca, Wisconsin, Room 3054/Probate Office.

4. Heirship will be determined at the hearing on petition for final judgment 5. Publication of this notice is notice to any persons whose names or addresses are unknown

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-258-6429 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation. Form completed by: Attorney Sara Micheletti 2401 East Enterprise Avenue Appleton, WI 54913 Telephone Number 920-882-4070 Telephone Number 1025002 ... Bar Number 1075922 Publish Dec. 12, 19, 2024 & Jan. 2, WNAXLP

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSES

LIQUOR LICENSES in the Village of Junction City Notice is hereby given that the following application have been filed in the office of the Village Clerk in the Village of Junction City, Wisconsin for the sale of intoxicating liquor in said Village for such class of license and at the location the premises to be licensed in the Village of premises to be licensed in the Village of Junction City, for the license year ending June 30, 2025. All according to Section 125 of the Wisconsin State Statutes

"CLASS A" LIQUOR AND CLASS "A" BEER ce Fue LLC, 100 N Wilkes Barre

Blvd, Wilkes Barre, PA at The Store, 1000 Main Street, Junction City, WI; Kelly Kowalchyk agent. Village of Junction City, Betty A. Bruski Mallek, Clerk Publish: December 12, 2024

NOTICE OF EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS OR CHILDREN WHO RESIDE IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WAUPACA

December 2, 2024 The School District of Waupaca offers a variety of educational options to children who reside in the district. The district's primary educational pathway and instructional program for students involves a progression from 4-year-old kindergarten through 12th grade, leading to a high school diploma. The School District of Waupaca schools are listed below with their corresponding DPI issued report card rating (if available). The state provides a star rating to each of the District's schools: 5 stars – significantly exceeds expectations, 4 stars – exceeds expectations, 3 stars - meets expectations, 2 stars – meets few expectations, 1 star – fails to meet expectations

4-Year Old Kindergarten

- Chain Exploration Center
- Head Start
- Sunny Day Waupaca Learning Center
- Waupaca Learning Center (K-4)
- Chain Exploration Center (K-8)

Waupaca Middle School (5-8) ***

 Online Learning
 Start College Now Program • Allows students in grades 11-12 the opportunity to take college courses at Wisconsin Technical Colleges

 Early College Credit Program o Allows students in grades 9-12 the opportunity to take courses at an institution of higher education for high school and/or college credit. • Includes institutions within the University of Wisconsin System, tribally controlled colleges, or private, non-profit institutions of higher education located

in the state For more information on any of the aforementioned programs, please speak with your child's counselor. Educational options for students who are enrolled in the School District of Waupaca that involve part-time attendance at an educational institution other than a school in the School District of Waupaca include the following:

 Part-time Open Enrollment
 A pupil enrolled in grades 9-12 at a public high school may attend a public school in a nonresident school district to take a course offered by the nonresident

A student may take no more than two (2) courses per semester in nonresident chool districts

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opportunity to take courses at an institution of higher education for high school and/or college credit. • Includes institutions within the

University of Wisconsin System, tribally controlled colleges, or private, non-profit institutions of higher education located in the state.

Additional educational options for children who reside in the School District of Waupaca that involve full-time enrollment/attendance at a school, program, or other educational institution that is not a school or instrumentality of the School District of Waupaca include the following:

· High school students meeting certain age and other eligibility requirements may be permitted to attend a technical college or certain other programs for the purpose of completing a program leading to the student's high school graduation or to a high school equivalency diploma Full-time Open Enrollment involves physical attendance in a public school of a nonresident school district or attendance through a virtual charter school that is associated with a nonresident school district. A child with a disability who meets the program's specific eligibility requirements may apply to attend an eligible, participating private school under a scholarship awarded through the state's "Special Needs Scholarship Program," as established under Wis.

Stat. § 115.7915. • Enrollment in a private school participating in the Wisconsin parental choice program. The following within the District's boundaries, and their accountability score is provided, if available (5 stars – significantly exceeds expectations, 4 stars – exceeds expectations, 3 stars – meets expectations, 2 stars – meets few expectations, 1 star - fails to meet

expectations). ○ Waupaca Christian Academy (4K-12) ***

 Enrollment in a private school of the family's choosing (at the family's own cost, as applicable). Enrollment in a home-based private educational program as provided under state law. Educational options for children who

in s. 281.36(3r), Stats., if the project impacts wetlands

The Department has made a tentative determination that it will issue the permit for the proposed activity. If you would like to know more about this project or would like to see the application and plans, please visit the permit tracking website at https://permits.dnr.wi.gov/water/SitePag es/Permit%20Search.aspx and search for Wilz.

Reasonable accommodation, including the provision of informational material in an alternative format, will be provided for qualified individuals with disabilities upon request.

upon request. Any person may submit comments and/or request a public informational hearing by emailing <u>scott.koehnke@</u> wisconsin.gov, over the phone at (715) 526-4232, or writing to Scott Koehnke, 647 Lakeland Road, Shawano, WI 54166 by U.S. mail If you are 54166 by U.S. mail. If you are submitting general comments on the proposal, they must be emailed, verbalized, or postmarked within 30 days after the date this notice is published on the Department's website If you are requesting a public informational hearing, the request must be emailed, verbalized, or postmarked within 20 days after the date this notice is published on the Department's website. A request for hearing must include the docket number or applicant name and specify the issues that the party desires to be addressed at the informational hearing. If no hearing is requested, the Department may issue its decision without a hearing. If a public informational hearing is held, comments must be postmarked no later than 10 days following the date on which the hearing is completed. The final decision may be appealed as indicated in the decision document. Docket Number IP-NE-2024-69-02561 Dated at Shawano Service Center, Wisconsin on 09/24/2024. STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES For the Secretary By Scott Koehnke Water Management Specialist Publish Dec. 12, 2024 WNAXLP

PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF MANAWA APPLICATION FOR RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that application has been made to the City of Manawa Common Council for a Class A Fermented Malt Beverages and Class A Retail Intoxicating Liquor Combination License to sell from the date hereof until June 30, 2025, intoxicating liquor as defined by the Wisconsin Statutes, at retail, subject to the limitations imposed by Chapter 125 of the statutes and all acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, at the described premises in the City of Manawa by: Reliance Fuel LLC, The Store, Beckie Seehaver, agent, 430 S. Bridge Street, Manawa, WI 54949. The Common Council will meet Monday, December 16, 2024 at 6:00 PM at the City Hall at 500 S. Bridge Street, Manawa to consider the above application. Logan Hass, City Clerk Publish Dec. 12, 2024 WNAXLP

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, BROWN COUNTY

Plaintiff(s); GREEN BAY ANESTHESIA ASSOCIATES, S.C. First Floor 225 S. Executive Dr Brookfield WI 53005 Defendant(s): MADYSON GERRITS

Plaintiff/Attorney Electronically Signed by MICHAEL F. G HICKEY Date 11/25/2024 Plaintiff's/Attorney's Telephone Number 262-641-3715 Attorney's State Bar Number 1124679 Law Firm and Address

Publish Date 12/12/2024

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NOTICE OF SPRING ELECTION Village of Park Ridge April 1, 2025

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at an election to be held in the Village of Park Ridge, on Tuesday, April 1, 2025, the following offices are to be elected to succeed the present incumbents listed. The term for village trustees will begin on April 15, 2025. All terms are for two years unless otherwise indicated.

> <u>Office</u> Village President Village Trustee Village Trustee

Incumbent Steve Menzel Gordon Renfert Kristin Paulson

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a village caucus for the purpose of nominating candidates to appear on the spring election ballot for the above listed offices will be scheduled between December 1, 2024, and January 1, 2025. The caucus will be held on a date not sooner than January 2, 2025, and not later than January 21, 2025. Notice of the scheduled date of the caucus will be given at least five days before the caucus.

Acceptable Photo ID will be required to vote at this election. If you do not have a photo ID, you may obtain a free ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles.

> Done in the Village of Park Ridge, on November 21, 2024

Shanna Behrend, Village of Park Ridge Clerk

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NOTICE OF SPRING ELECTION

Village of Junction City

April 1, 2025

Election Details

An election will be held in the Village of Junction City, on Tuesday, April 1, 2025. The following offices are to be elected to succeed the present incumbents listed:

> Office Village President Village Trustee Village Trustee Village Clerk Village Treasurer

Incumbent Peter Mallek Bradley Wiernik Alex Peden Betty A. Bruski Mallek Nancy Steuck

Office Terms

The term for village president and village trustees begins on April 15, 2025. The term for all other offices begins May 1, 2025.

For Candidates

The first day to circulate nomination papers is December 1, 2024 and the final day for filing nomination papers is 5:00 p.m., on Tuesday, January 7, 2025 in the office of the village clerk.

Primary Election

If a primary is necessary, the primary will be held on Tuesday, February 18, 2025.

Additional Information

Acceptable Photo ID will be required to vote at this election. If you do not have a photo ID you may obtain a free ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles.

> Done in the Village of Junction City, on November 20, 2024.

/s/ Betty A. Bruski Mallek

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(Signature of Village Clerk)

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ONEMAIN FINANCIAL GROUP. LLC AS SERVICER FOR ("ASF") WILMINGTON TRUST, N.A., AS ISSUER LOAN TRUSTEE FOR ONEMAIN FINANCIAL ISSUANCE TRUST 2023-1 601 NW Second Street Evansville IN 47708 Plaintiff,

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ROSANNE F KUSKE 715 BERLIN ST WAUPACA WI 54981-1826

Defendant Case No.: 2024CV001002 Classification Code: 30301 The amount claimed is over \$10,000.

PUBLICATION SUMMONS THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, To the person named above as a defendant

You are hereby notified that the plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The complaint, which is attached, states the nature and

basis of the legal action. Within 40 (forty) days after 12/05/2024, you must respond with a written answer, as that term is used in Chapter 802 of the Wisconsin Statutes to the complaint. The court may reject or disregard an answer that does not follow the requirements of the statutes. The answer must be sent or delivered to the court, whose address is 415 JACKSON STREET OSHKOSH, WI 54903 and to Dobberstein Law Firm, LLC, the plaintiffs attorneys, whose address is 225 S. Executive Drive, Brookfield, Wisconsin 53005. You may have an attorney help or represent you. If you do not provide a proper answer within 40 (forty) days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the complaint, and you

may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now on in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property Dated this 20th day of November, 2024. DOBBERSTEIN LAW FIRM, LLC

Attorneys for the plaintiff Electronically signed by Jillian E Caggiano Jillian E Caggiano State Bar No. 1101032 MAILING ADDRESS 225 S. Executive Dr. Brookfield, WI 53005

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BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting AGENDA December 16, 2024 | 6:00 PM | WF

- High School Community Forum Room
- Post on December 9, 2024 @ 8:15 a.m. 1. Call the meeting to order 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Roll call and establish quorum
- Report of meeting notification
 Communication and Visitors
- a. Visitors
- b. Administration
- Oistrict Administrator
 Middle/High School Principal
 Weyauwega/Fremont Elementary
- Principal
- Director of Pupil Services
 Business Manager
 Others
- c. Board of Education
- d. Recognition and Special Guests e. Student School Board Representative- Lauren Wisner
- 6. Consideration and approval of
- vouchers a. November monthly vendor payments b. November monthly cash receipts
- 7. Old Business
- a. Charter School Update 8. Consent Agenda a. Committee of the Whole Meeting -11-25-24 (Dec)
- b. Regular Board of Education Meeting
 11-25-24
- c. Resignations Director of Special
- Education/Pupil Services
- 9. New Business a. USI Insurance Services (Health Plan
- Update) (Discussion) b. 2025-2026 Course Description
- Handbook (Action) 10. Calendar & Future Agenda Items 11. Adjourn Meeting Publish Dec. 12, 2024 WNAX WNAXLP

Farmington Town Board Meeting Agenda Monday, December 16, 2024 at 6:30pm E913 Prairie View Ln www.farmingtonwaup.gov

Call to Order: Pledge of Allegiance **Open Meeting Statement:** This meeting and all of the meetings of this Town Board are open to the public.

Minutes

similar legal relationship but functioning as a part of the single housekeeping entity. The definition of Household Entity Plus shall only apply to Owner-Occupied Dwellings. The definition of Household Entity Plus shall not apply to a Tourist Rooming House. 2. Public Hearing and action on a

Meetings and Public Hearings 7720

request from the City of Stevens Point to amend Chapter 23, Zoning Ordinance, of the Revised Municipal Code of the City of Stevens Point. Said request amends Section 23.02(1)(e)(4) amenos Section 23.02(1)(e)(4) pertaining to minimum lot area requirements for single-family and two-family dwellings in the "R-3" Single- and Two- Family Residence District. The lot area for single-family dwellings is amended from 5,000 square feet to 0.000 square feet the lot area for 4,000 square feet, the lot area for single-family zero lot line dwellings is amended from 5,000 square feet to 4,000 square feet, and the lot area for two-family dwellings is amended from 10,000 square feet to 8,000 square feet. participate via telephone: Dial on your phone: (312) 626-6799 2) When prompted dial the Meeting ID:

895 1669 3959 a) Passcode: 740925
b) Press # again to be a participant in

the meeting. 5) Hold until the meeting starts.

To participate via online zoom platform: 1) Go to www.zoom.us

2) Click "Join a Meeting" in the upper right-hand corner.

3) Enter Meeting ID: 895 1669 3959 4) Passcode: 740925

5) If you haven't downloaded the Zoom program, do so now.

of the proposed ordinance ments may be obtained from the City of Stevens Point Department of Community Development 4 1515 Strongs Avenue, Stevens Point, Wisconsin 54481, or by calling (715) 346-1567 during normal business hours.

All interested parties are invited to attend, but are strongly encouraged to submit their comments to Adam Kuhn, Associate Planner/ Zoning Administrator (akuhn@stevenspoint.com), prior to the

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The Village of Iola Board Meeting will be held the second Tuesday of the month at 5:30 PM. at the Iola Village Hall, Community Room, 180 S. Main Street. The Finance Committee meeting is held thirty minutes prior to the board meeting. WNAXLP

Minutes MINUTES OF UTILITY COMMISSION

MEETING

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November 19, 2024 The regular meeting of the New London Utility Commission was called to order at 8:00 A.M. by President Steingraber at the Utility Offices at 400 East North Water Street, New London WI. Members present were Steingraber Schmidt, St. Marie, Coppersmith, Barrington and Bessette. It was moved by Steingraber and seconded by Schmidt that the agenda be adopted. Motion carried. It was moved by Barrington and seconded by St. Marie to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2024 Initiates of the November 3, 2024 meeting. Motion carried. It was moved by Steingraber and seconded by Schmidt to approve vouchers 52251 through 52303 in the amount of \$2,202,767.23 as listed to be

paid. Motion carried. It was moved by Barrington and seconded by Schmidt to approve Christmas hams list. Motion carried It was moved by Schmidt and seconded by Coppersmith to approve General Managers proposed wage increase for employees. Motion carried The Manager reviewed with the Commission the maintenance plan for the transformer at Industrial Sub. The next meeting will be on December 3, 2024 8:00 A.M. at the Utility Offices. It was moved by Barrington and seconded by Coppersmith that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried Mike Barrington, Secretary Publish Dec. 12, 2024 WNAXLP

MINUTES OF UTILITY COMMISSION MEETING

November 5, 2024 The regular meeting of the New London Utility Commission was called to order at 8:00 A.M. by President Steingraber at the Utility Offices at 400 East North Water Street, New London WI Members present were Steingraber Barrington and Bessette. The agenda was amended to include approval of Elexco bid. It was moved by Steingraber and seconded by Schmidt that the amended agenda be adopted Motion carried. It was moved by Barrington and seconded by Coppersmith to approve the minutes of the October 15, 2024 meeting. Motion carried. It was moved by St. Marie and seconded by Schmidt to approve vouchers 52188 through 52250 in the amount of \$1,034,354.72 as listed to be paid. Motion carried. It was moved by Steingraber and seconded by St. Marie to approve bid for directional boring by Elexco to move transformers on Oriole St. in the amount of \$8,975. Motion carried. The Manager updated the Commission on a spare chlorine tank at the Oshkosh St Well that malfunctioned and did a lot of damage to the equipment in the chlorine room. The Manager reviewed with the Commission oil test results from a transformer at Industrial Sub that may need attention in the future. The next meeting will be on November 19, 2024 8:00 A.M. at the Utility Offices It was moved by Barrington and seconded by Steingraber that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. Mike Barrington, Secretary Publish Dec. 12, 2024 WNAXLP

OTHERS None. BOARD OF EDUCATION Nothing to report. RECOGNITION AND SPECIAL GUESTS None

STUDENT SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVE Ms. Wisner was not present. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS Motion by Wagner, seconded by Gerrits, to approve the September monthly payments as printed. Roll call vote: Loehrke, aye; Kohl, nay;

Wagner, aye; Gorchals, aye; Looker,aye; Ehrenberg, aye; Gerrits aye. Six (6) ayes

One (1) nay. Motion carried. Motion by Ehrenberg, seconded by Wagner, to approve the September monthly cash receipts as printed. Roll call vote: Ehrenberg, aye; Kohl, nay; Gerrits, aye; Wagner, aye; Gorchals, aye; Looker, aye; Loehrke

iye. Six (6) ayes. One (1) nay. Motion carried

OLD BUSINESS

CHARTER SCHOOL UPDATE Mr. Krause noted that a few students have transferred out of the Charter school and the board has discussed changing the policy so that students will not be able to transfer out until semester. There are currently 33 students enrolled and 15 of those students are open enrolled into the CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Gerrits, seconded by Ehrenberg, to accept the consent agenda as presented. Seven (7) ayes Zero (0) nays. Motion carried. Under the Consent Agenda, the Board of Education approved the following: . Committee of the Whole Meeting 10-14-24 B. Regular Board of Education Meeting -9-23-24 C. Resignations - Paraprofessional NEW BUSINESS MIDDLE SCHOOL BASEBALL/SOFTBALL/CHEER(Action) Motion by Ehrenberg, seconded by Gorchals, to approve the addition of middle school baseball and softball teams and for the MS/HS cheer club Seven (7) ayes Zero (0) nays. Motion carried. RVA CHARTER SCHOOL AGREEMENT (Action) Motion by Wagner, seconded by Gerrits, to approve the Rural Virtual Academy agreement Seven (7) ayes Zero (0) nays. Motion carried SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE POLICIES

& PROCEDURES (Action) Motion by Gerrits, seconded by Ehrenberg, to approve the School Health Services Policies and Procedures that are annually reviewed by Dr. Steven Goedderz from the Ascension Medical Group. Seven (7) ayes. Zero (0) nays. Motion carried. TITLE I WAIVER (Action)

Mr. Muir noted that nothing had to be done for Title I

CALENDAR & FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

November - Roof Update, Budget & Expense Discussion

Motion by Wagner, seconded by Gerrits, to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 p.m. Seven (7) ayes.

Zero (0) nays. Motion carried The November Regular Board of Education Meeting will be held on November 25, 2024 at 6:00 PM in the High School Community Forum Room Monthly Regular Board of Education Meeting agendas will be posted on the district website at www.wegafremont.k12.wi.us, the Weyauwega Public Library, Weyauwega City Hall, Fremont Village Hall, Neuschafer Community Library, Waupaca County Post, and at all W-F District locations Dawn Loughrin Board Secreta Publish Dec. 12, 2024 WNAXLP

Name Change 7730

BY THE COURT: Honorable Louis J. Molepske Jr. Portage County Circuit Court Branch 2 Date: 11/18/2024

Name Change 7730 A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: [First] Jodi [Middle] Ann [Last]

To: [First] Jodi [Middle] Ann [Last] Bergan Birth Certificate: [First] Jodi [Middle] Ann [Last] Berga IT IS ORDERED: This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Waupaca County, State of Wisconsin Judge's Name Raymond S. Huber Place Waupaca County - BR II 811 Harding St, Waupaca WI 54981 Date Jan. 3. 2025 Time 9am If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please

call prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not ovide transportatior IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of (b) were an a low plot to the date of the barrow plot to the barrow pl WNAXLP

Notice To Creditors

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CLAIMS DEADLINE NOTICE IN THE MATTER OF SCHNEIDER FAMILY IRREVOCABLE TRUST DATED FEBRUARY 6, 2017 Pursuant to Section 701.0508 Wisconsin Statutes, Gwenn M. Radtke, as successor trustee of Schneider Family Irrevocable Trust dated February 6, 2017, with power to pay the debts of Jill C. Schneider, D.O.D. 9/11/2024, hereby provides notice that the deadline for filing claims for payment of debts of Jill C. Schneider with Gwenn M. Radtke as Trustee of the Schneider Family Irrevocable Trust dated February 6, 2017, is April 12, 2025, being the date four (4) months after the date of the first By: /s/ Jaimesue M. Knowlton Legacy Law Group, LLC, 5740 Grande Market Drive, Ste D, Appleton WI 54913

Publication Dates Dec. 12, 19, 2024 8 WNAXLP Jan. 2, 2025

DATE SIGNED: November 21, 2024 Electronically signed by Sandra Gagas Probate Registrar STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT

COURT, PORTAGE COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Gertrude C. Glodowski

Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration) Case No. 24PR85

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

for An application administration was filed. informa The decedent, with date of birth July 1927 and date of death October 16, 2024, was domiciled in Portage County, State of Wisconsin. with a mailing address of 3380 Bridlewood Drive Plover, WI 54467.

3. All interested persons waived notice 4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is February 28, 2025. 5. A claim may be filed at the Portage County Courthouse, 1516 Church Street, Stevens Point, Wisconsin. Attorney Katherine A. Young Anderson O'Brien, LLP 1257 Main Street, P.O. Box 228 Stevens Point, WI 54481 Telephone (715) 344-0890 Bar Number 1087888 Publish November 28. December 5 &

12.2024 WNAXLP

Ordinances

ORDINANCE NO. 15-2024 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL TRAFFIC MAP OF THE CITY OF WAUPACA, WISCONSIN BY ADDING STREET SIGNS

7740

The Common Council of the City of Waupaca do ordain as follows SECTION 1. In accordance with Section 7.02 of the Municipal Code, the Official Traffic Map of the City of Waupaca is hereby amended as follows: Revise the "Official Street Map" with the installations of new signs as follows: LOCATION SIGN-FACING DIRECTION

East bound Koronk Way at the intersection of Haberkorn Court R1-1 30"x30" - west South bound White Oak Drive at the intersection of Sunset Court R1-1

30"x30" - north ADDITIONAL DESCRIPTION All stop signs installed to promote safe vehicle movement in the public right-of-

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Cowboys Fisheree will be

held on Saturday, Jan. 25.

Bodies of water to fish in-

clude the river channel of

the Manawa Mill Pond,

School Section Lake, Bear

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Manawa Area Veterans Free-

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to qualify fish. There will be

The White Lake Aeration

Conservation Club Fisheree

will be on Saturday, Jan.

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have food, drink, raffles and

The Iola Winter Carni-

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val's Children's Ice Fishing

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Ice Fishing Tournament will

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bass on Silver Lake.

ICE FISHING

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Proper notice has been posted and given to the press, in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes, so the citizens may be aware of the time, place and agenda of this meeting. Roll Call

Approve Agenda Approve Minutes of November 18, 2024 Approve Financial Report Committee Reports Public Input: Old Business:

New Business:

1) Clerk/Treasurer/ Chair to pay yearend bills 2) Approve fireworks application request

by Ryan Anderson 3) Ordinance 12/ 16/24A(2024) for

Accommodating Utilities in the Town

Accommodating offines in the fown Road Right-of-Way 4) Ordinance 12/ 16/24B(2024) Citation Ordinance

5) Establish Caucus date for January 20, 2025

6) MOU agreement with City of Waupaca for Youth Recreation Funding from Townships

7) Towns of Dayton and Lind Tree Removal request and review of maintenance for landfill 8) Operator /retail liquor license application(s) received in Clerk's office 9) Land Use Permit applications -

informational 10) Intent to Cut Wood Products -

informational

11) Culvert/Driveway application(s) -

informational 12) Roads - Otter Rd repair/ cost share 13) Issues/Projects Discussion (30 minute maximum) - No Action Required 14) Communications and

Recommendations of the Chair 15) Bills 16) Adjournment

Posted December 9, 2024 at Farmington Town Hall & Website www.farmingtonwaup.gov The Town Board may conduct a roll call vote, a voice vote or otherwise decide to approve, reject, table or modify any item

on this agenda. If special accommodations are necessary, please contact Town Clerk at 715-258-2779 to make arrangements 24

hours prior to meeting. Publish Dec. 12, 2024 WNAXLP

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Plan Commission of the City of Stevens Point, Portage County, Wisconsin will hold a Public Hearing on January 6, 2025 at 6:00 PM at 933 Michigan Avenue (Community Room – Room 122), Stevens Point, Wisconsin and via Zoom Teleconferencing to hear the

following: 1. Public Hearing and action on a request from the City of Stevens Point to amend Chapter 23, Zoning Ordinance, of the Revised Municipal Code of the City of Stevens Point. Said request amends Section 23.04(2) for the purposes of amending the definition of 'Household Entity' and 'Household Entity

Plus' as follows: HOUSEHOLD ENTITY – is an HOUSEHOLD ENTITY – is an individual, or two or more persons related by blood, marriage, adoption, foster child arrangement, or similar legal relationship and functioning as a single housekeeping entity, or such individual or person plus two individuals and their dependents, not having such similar legal relationship huit functioning as a legal relationship but functioning as a

part of the single housekeeping entity. The definition of Housekel Entity shall not apply to a Tourist Rooming House. HOUSEHOLD ENTITY PLUS – is an HOUSEHOLD ENTITY PLOS – is an individual, or two or more persons related by blood, marriage, adoption, foster child arrangement, or similar legal relationship and functioning as a single housekeeping entity, or such individual or person plus three individuals and their dependents, not having such REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION

MEETING MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2024 HS COMMUNITY FORUM ROOM Meeting called to order by President, Doug Ehrenberg at 6:00 p.m. Meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call -

Board members present: Kohl, aye; Wagner, aye, Ehrenberg, aye; Loehrke, aye, Gorchals, aye; Gerrits, and Looker

Board members absent: None Meeting properly noticed: Yes. Quorum: Yes.

Administration present: Phillip Tubbs. Alexander Muir, Jodi Alix, Donald Ryan,

Nick Schultek. Administration absent: None Supervisors present: None. Others Present: Dan Knecht, Paul Krause, Anthony Alix, John Neuman, Michele Neuman, Brad Walborn, Julie Walborn, Dan Kohl, Matt Betz, Cassandra Rupno, Richard Rupno, Robert Lederer, Matt Betz, Jeff Fahser, Meta Berg, Sam Benjamin COMMUNICATION AND VISITORS

VISITORS: None. ADMINISTRATION PHILLIP TUBBS Mr. Tubbs referenced his written report which included results of a student engagement survey and included a social media report card. JODI ALIX

Ms. Alix thanked the Community Engagement Committee for all of their work. She also thanked the students along with Mr. Hansen and Mr. Lemke for repairing the welcome signs around

DONALD RYAN Mr. Ryan referenced his written report and noted the hard work that the leadership team has done digging into data and designing strategies for literacy

goals. NICHOLAS SCHULTEK Mr. Schultek referenced his written report which included updates on the Waupaca County Suicide Prevention Coalition, ELL Department, and Special Education Department. ALEXANDER MUIR Mr. Muir noted that he has included the Fremont Stem budget numbers in his report.

COURT, PORTAGE COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF Tonya Marie Zarecki By (Petitioner) Tonya Marie Zarecki Notice and Order for

Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing Case No. 24CV339 NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: Tonya Marie Zarecki To: Tonya Marie Bauer Birth Certificate: Tonya Marie Bauer IT IS ORDERED:

IT IS ORDERED: This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Portage County, State of Wisconsin by Honorable Louis J. Molepski, Jr. at 1516 Church Street, Branch II, Stevens Point, WI 54481 on 12/30/2024 at 11:00 a.m.

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BY THE COURT: Honorable Louis J. Molepske Jr. Portage County Circuit Court Branch 2 11/18/2024

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, PORTAGE COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF Delaney Marie Zarecki By (Petitioner) Tonya Marie Zareck Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing Case No. 24CV340 NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: Delaney Marie Zarecki To: Delaney Marie Bauer Birth Certificate: Delaney Marie Zarecki IT IS ORDERED: This Petition will be heard in the Circuit

Court of Portage County, State of Wisconsin by Honorable Louis J. Molepski, Jr. at 1516 Church Street, Branch II, Stevens Point, WI 54481 on 12/30/2024 at 11:00 a.m.

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BY THE COURT Honorable Raymond S. Huber Circuit Court Judge STATE OF WISCONSIN. CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF Jodi Ann Jewett By (Petitioner) Jodi Ann Bergan Notice and Order for Name Change

Hearing

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

Case No. 24CV297

previously un-controlled. Development within the local areas of these intersections has resulted in an increase of traffic and thus warrant the addition of stop signs SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take

effect upon passage and publication. /s/ Brian Smith Mayor Brian Smith

ATTEST

/s/ Barb Nowak Barb Nowak, City Clerk Adopted: December 3 , 2024 Approved: December 3 , 2024 Published: December 12, 2024 WNAXLP





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Activities and Meetings

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Sporting Goods

GUN SHOW: December 13, 14, & 15, 2024, Waukesha Expo, 1000 Northview RD. Waukesha, WI. Fri 3-8pm, Sat 9am-4pm, Sun 9am-3pm \$8 (Under 14 FREE) Buy/Sell, 608-752-6677 www. bobandrocco.com

Miscellaneous Merchandise 7266

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Miscellaneous Transportation 7574

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Waupaca Area 2090

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Immanuel Lutheran Church WELS 1120 Evans, Waupaca. 715-258-0204. Sunday Worship: 8:00 am & 10:30 am, Thurs 7 pm Pastors Ron Siemers & Ben Kempfert. Sunday Radio Service 8:00am (WDUX 92.7) www.immanuelwaupaca.com

St. Mark's Episcopal Church 415 South Main Street, Waupaca, WI (715) 258-5125 Holy Eucharist Sunday 9:30 AM www.stmarkswaupaca.com

St. Mary Magdalene N2845 Shadow Rd., Waupaca (715)258-2088 Saturday Mass 4:30 pm Sunday Mass 8 am & 10 am www.smm-waupaca.org

Weyauwega 2100

First Presbyterian Church 200 S. Pine St., Weyauwega 10:30 a.m. Sunday Service 920-867-2880 All welcome! Open Communion

SS Peter & Paul Catholic Church 608 E. Main St., Weyauwega.Mass Sat. 4:30pm Sun. 10:30am Tues 9am, Thurs 9am920-867-2179 www.sspeterpaulchurch.org

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N3882 Cty. Rd. KK Weyauwega, 920-867-3793 Worship at 9:30 a.m. Sunday FM 101.7 for Outdoor Option stjohnslutheranlcmc.org

St. Peter Lutheran (WELS) 312 W. Main St., Weyauwega Services 4:00 pm Saturday, 8:00 am and 10:30 am on Sunday. (920)867-3169,www.splwega.net

Craft Sales



Picnic tables for kids

Students in the general construction class at Clintonville High School helped build four picnic tables for Mother Goose Day Care after they had a fire. With help from Torborgs Lumber, who donated all the lumber and screws, the students worked together in groups to follow building plans and divided up responsibilities to get the job done.

Photo courtesy of Clintonville Chamber of Commerce

Community blood drive

WEYAUWEGA – An American Red Cross blood drive will be held from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 30, at Weyauwega

Dodge Ram drove past

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stopped and the lights were

• Dec. 3 – A Waupaca

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• Dec. 3 – A Waupaca

caller on County Trunk K

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• Dec. 3 – A Waupaca

caller on LeRoy Butler

Drive requested a welfare

check on a woman who

called her. The woman

could not speak because

she had vocal cord surgery.

Youth Services reported a

juvenile runaway.

• Dec. 3 –Rawhide

• Dec. 4 –Rawhide

SHERIFF'S

REPORT

FROM PAGE 2

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City Hall, 109. E. Main St., enter Weyauwega to schedin the community center room.

Call 1-800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org and

his truck and broke the side mirror.

• Dec. 6 - An Ogdensburg man on Keating Street reported his neighbor flies his drone over his fields and food plots. He wanted to know what could be done about these incursions.

• Dec. 6 - A Waupaca man on Rural Road reported the Department of Veterans Affairs informed him he would receive a check. The check never arrived. The VA traced the check and learned it was cashed.

• Dec. 6 – A contractor brought in a plastic bag filled with pill bottles that he found in a house on Lincoln Avenue in Clintonville. The house has been vacant for three or four years. He turned over He was extremely intoxithe items to the sheriff's cated and he said it would

• Dec. 7 – A Waupaca man on Melody Lane reported a woman was invited into the home by the caller's cousin who lives with the caller and the caller's mother. The caller wanted the woman removed from the premise.

While supplies last, do-

nors may get a long-sleeved

ule an appointment.

Red Cross t-shirt.

• Dec. 7 – Rawhide Youth Services reported a juvenile runaway.

• Dec. 7 – A Manawa woman on Oak Road reported her ex-husband was threatening her via email and Facebook Messenger. He threatened to choke her and kill her and throw her into the river.

• Dec. 8 – A Marinette woman requested a welfare check on her son who was drinking at Betty's Bar & Grill with members of his National Guard unit. be very easy to slit his jugular.

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Youth Services reported a juvenile hit and kicked two staff members.

• Dec. 4 – A female caller reported a man believed that the neighbors were conspiring to kill him.

• Dec. 4 – Rawhide Youth Services reported a juvenile runaway.

• Dec. 4 - The Wisconsin Veterans Home in King reported a resident claimed that he was missing some money.

• Dec. 4 – A 911 caller reported the death of a 64-year-old man.

• Dec. 4 – A 911 caller requested an ambulance for a 62-year-old man with a pulse but not breathing.

• Dec. 5 –A New London man on County Trunk N reported a bullet hole in his barn door.

• Dec. 5 – A Manawa woman on County Trunk B reported she was receiving harassing calls from a company asking for money.

Dec. 5 – Rawhide Youth Services reported a juvenile runaway.

• Dec. 6 - Án anonymous caller reported some juveniles threw an egg at

office.

• Dec. 6 – A Clintonville woman on Island Road reported a suspicious maroon Ford minivan driving up and down the road

• Dec. 6 – Marion Body Works reported one employee threatened to kill another employee.

• Dec. 6 – An unknown caller reported a natural gas leak but could not locate its source.

• Dec. 6 – A 911 caller reported a vehicle on fire.

• Dec. 6 – A Clintonville man on State Highway 156 reported two women were harassing him. He blocked their numbers and told them to stop it. Now they came to his house and did burnouts in his driveway.

• Dec. 6 – A New London man on Huntley Road reported he was flying his drone and he heard gunfire. An individual fired five to six more shots at the drone. The drone video recorded the encounter. The caller did not know the anti-aircraft gunner.

• Dec. 8 – A Marion woman on Meyer Street reported she was "looking for crisis." She had thoughts of overdosing or cutting herself.

• Dec. 8 – Rawhide Youth Services reported a juvenile runaway.

• Dec. 8 – A Pine River man on Saxeville Road reported he heard the door that connects the house to the garage open. He called out thinking it was his wife. The door quickly closed. No one was there when he checked.

• Dec. 8 – An Iola man on County Trunk G reported a person struck his mailbox the night before. A taillight was left behind.

• Dec. 8 – An unknown caller reported the death of a 62-year-old man.

• There were 12 deerrelated calls during this period. One controlled burn was called in. A New London man reported a black cow was in the road. A Waupaca man reported an injured goose in his backyard.

MIRACLE

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cookies, reindeer ornaments, reindeer food and pipe cleaner candy cane ornaments as well as \$2 per person bowling at Kegler's Bowling Alley.

Paul's Lutheran St. Church will have their live nativity, complete with live animals.

Manawa City Hall will have a meet and greet with the Grinch, as well as mini golf, which will be hosted by Cedar Spring Golf Course.

Kolbe Vinyl Doors and Windows will provide trolley rides so families can get to each activity without having to drive themselves.

There will also be horse drawn carriage rides at the Mid-Western Rodeo grounds.

The event starts at 11 a.m. and lasts until 4 p.m., after which will be a Christmas parade and fireworks.

This is the second year that the event will feature fireworks, which will be visible from Bridge Street where families sat for the

parade.

Lane said her goal as an organizer is to give families support and give families a day to enjoy without having to pull out their wallet.

"Christmas time can be a very difficult time for families both financially and emotionally," Lane said. "The point of Miracle on Bridge Street is just to bring families together that they can have a free day, they can have fun, and they don't have to pull out their pocketbook at all if they don't want to."

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Sports





Senior Spotlight

Jenna Jones-Wisconsin Valley United/SPASH

A 3-1 start for Wisconsin Valley Union has been spearheaded by senior Jenna Jones.

In the 2023-2024 season, Jenna was named First-Team All-Eastern Shores. Jenna was also the leader in points and goals for her team, an impressive feat for a player whose primary position is defense.

Jenna is now picking up where she has left off, scoring eight goals in the first four games of the 2024-2025 season.

Learning to skate as a toddler was the first step toward Jennas' hockey career,

"I learned how to skate just after I turned 3." Jenna said of her introduction to the ice, "My brother, Jarett, played, and I wanted to be just like him. My dad and him were the people who first taught me to skate."

As she begins her senior season, Jenna is already a decorated player after being voted All-State last season, and her Wisconsin travel team made it to the USA National Quarterfinals a season ago.

Hockey has brought many positive influences into Jenna's life: "The team dynamic I have experienced through hockey is so much different than any other sport. Meeting great people has been one of the easiest things to love about it. I also love how physical and fast-paced it is. It really challenges your body in many ways athletically. I also just love being competitive—I think being the youngest of four kids will do that to you."

Jenna has done well balancing academics and athletics as she plans to attend the University of Wisconsin next fall, "It's been a challenge. Academics are important to me, and as the years have progressed, I have added more challenging classes to my schedule. However, I am a firm believer that if you care, you can make time, and I have learned to do just that. This year, I've gone to school early to have time to keep up with all my APs, and communicating well with your teachers is always important, too."

As an athlete on the Track and Field team, Jenna has found success, "Outside of hockey, I also run track. My sophomore year my 4x400 relay got 5th at State which put us on the podium. Getting to feel that pride and be with my teammates as we cried out of joy, was truly something special."

Graduation will be a bittersweet feeling for Jenna as her high school athletics career comes to a close, "It's sad thinking I am a senior, but knowing I will have thousands of memories from high school sports makes me smile because I'll always have those to look back on. I think sports changed me more as a person than an athlete. I have become a more tenacious and confident young woman. The leadership skills I have gained from being a captain for 3 years now, I am set to propel into success in college and beyond."



Clintonville loses at home against FVL

BY NICK GRIESBACH SPORTS REPORTER

CLINTONVILLE- Fox Valley Lutheran Foxes took control early against the Clintonville Truckers, winning 61-39 on Friday, Dec. 6.

The Foxes took the early lead, outscoring the Truckers 23-6 in the opening minutes of the first half. The Truckers would finish the second half down by a score of 41-16.

In the second half, the Truckers did outscore the Foxes 23-20, but it was not enough to make up for the onslaught that Fox Valley Lutheran put on them at the beginning of the contest.



Clintonville Truckers defense swarms Fox Valley Lutheran guard Eden Last. Nick Griesbach Photo

Brianna Dahlke led all scorers with 20 points and hauled in 13 rebounds for the Foxes, and her teammate Eden Last scored 17 points after connecting on four three-pointers.

Zoey Ferg led the Truckers with 10 points and seven rebounds.

Football comes full circle for Lane, Polasek

BY GREG SEUBERT CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Most people didn't realize it at the time. A recent college football game in Kentucky had a pair of connections to Iola-Scandinavia High School and its football program. Murray State University retired Austen Lane's jersey -No. 97 - Oct. 26 prior to the Racers' home game against North Dakota State.

Lane graduated from Iola-Scandinavia High School in 2010 while Tim Polasek, North Dakota State's firstyear head coach, graduated from I-S in 1998.

Lane played defensive lineman for the Racers from 2006-09 before the Jacksonville Jaguars selected him in the fifth round 2010 NFL Draft.

He started 40 of 43 games for the Jaguars from 2010-12 before spending time with the Kansas City Chiefs and Detroit Lions in 2013 and



Austen Lane and Tim Polasek get together for a photo in October after Murray State University retired Lane's No. 97 jersey before the Racers' football game with North Dakota State. Lane and Polasek graduated from Iola-Scandinavia High School. Lane went on to play in the NFL and Polasek is in his first season as North Dakota State's head coach. Photo Courtesy of Murray State University

the Chicago Bears in 2014.

Lane's accomplishments at Murray State, located in Murray, Kentucky, include school records in sacks (29) and tackles for loss (55). He announced his retirement from the NFL in 2015

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FROM PAGE 12 and is now a mixed martial arts (MMA) fighter.

Polasek played his college football at Concordia College in Mequon, where he played quarterback from 1998-2001.

He started his college coaching career in 2003 at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point as the passing game coordinator and quarterbacks, wide receivers and tight ends coach.

He added special teams coordinator responsibilities in 2004 and was the special teams coordinator and defensive backs coach in 2005.

Polasek left UW-Stevens Point in 2006 to join North Dakota State's coaching staff as a graduate assistant and served as the program's running backs coach from 2007-11. The Bison won a Division 1 national championship in 2012 with Polasek serving as the team's special teams coordinator, tight ends coach and fullbacks coach.

He joined Northern Illinois as the Huskies' tight ends and fullbacks coach in 2013, but returned to Fargo, North Dakota, the following year to take over as the team's offensive coordinator and running backs coach. He remained in Fargo until the end of the 2016 season after the Bison won two more national championships.

Polasek left Fargo a second time in 2017 to become the offensive line coach at Iowa, where he remained until 2020. He reunited with former North Dakota State coach Craig Bohl in 2021 as Wyoming's offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach.

He returned to Fargo a third time in December 2023 after being named North Dakota State's new coach.

The Bison shared this year's Missouri Val-Football ley Conference championship with South Dakota State and opened the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision playoffs on Dec. 7 with a 51-31 win over Abilene Christian. Secondseeded North Dakota State will now face No. 7 Mercer in a quarterfinal game on Saturday, Dec. 14.

Waupaca boys drop conference opener BY GREG SEUBERT game and faced an 8-0 deficit run made it a two-possession Adamczak and Harms lee

CONTRIBUTING WRITER

If there's a silver lining from the Waupaca boys' basketball team's North Eastern Conference opener, the Comets only have to face Ethan Cyra once more this season.

The Wrightstown senior scored a game-high, 32 points on Dec. 6 and helped lead the Tigers to a 52-43 win on the Comets' home court.

Waupaca trailed the entire

game and faced an 8-0 deficit in the opening minutes.

The Tigers led by as many as 14 points in the first half and held the Comets to a pair of baskets until the final minute. Aaron Wolff's three-pointer and a basket from Austin Adamczak cut the Tigers' lead to 22-11 at the break.

Cyra's three-pointer midway through the second half gave Wrightstown its biggest lead - 33-17 - before a 14-3 run made it a two-possession game. Ethan Harms' threepointer cut the Tigers' lead to 36-31 with 6:20 to go. Another three from Harms brought Waupaca to within five points with just under four minutes remaining. The Comets never got any closer down the stretch.

Cyra scored 12 of the Tigers' final 14 points as the Comets fell to 0-2 overall and 0-1 in conference play. Adamczak and Harms led the Comets with 17 and 10 points, respectively.

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Waupaca opened with five straight road games on Dec. 10 at Freedom. The Comets will then wrap up their December schedule by traveling to Denmark, Marinette, Oconto Falls and Winneconne. The Comets do not have another home game scheduled until Clintonville heads to Waupaca on Friday, Jan. 3.

Irish pull away in second half

BY GREG SEUBERT CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Freedom is expected to be a contender to win a North Eastern Conference girls' basketball championship this season.

If the team's performance against Waupaca is any indication, the Irish are headed in the right direction.

Freedom outscored the Comets 35-12 in the second half on Dec. 6 and cruised to a 68-34 win while improving to 5-0 on the season and 2-0 in conference play. Waupaca stayed within striking distance in the first half. The Comets trailed by as many as 19 points but closed the half with an 8-0 run and trailed 33-22 at the break.

The Comets never got any closer in the second half and the Irish added to their lead with 11-1 and 10-0 runs.

Rossi Wehmeyer and Hailey Bechard finished with double figures for the Comets with 12 and 10 points, respectively. At the same time, Taylor Kling chipped in with nine.

Freedom's Breana Dick-

rell scored all her game-high points on five three-pointers in the first half and Ava Calhoon and Abigail Cropsey added 11 each.

Waupaca fell to 0-4 overall and 0-2 in league play after opening the season with four straight home games.





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Little Chute wins low scoring game against New London

BY NICK GRIESBACH SPORTS REPORTER

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NEW LONDON - The Bulldogs were toppled in their home opener against the Little Chute Mustangs on Dec.5 by a score of 49-46.

Both teams struggled to score in the early part of the game. The Mustangs were up 13-6 in the first nine minutes of the contest.

The Bulldogs showed resilience as they stormed back to take a 22-21 lead at the end of the first half.

It was a tight score for the remainder of the second half, as the Mustangs pulled

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New London's Joseph Daly (24) looks to receive a pass against Little Chute on Dec. 5. Nick Griesbach Photo

away late in the game.

Joseph Daly was a large part of the Bulldogs, keepled all scorers with 15 points and contributed 12 rebounds for a double-

ing the game close as he double. 2024 Christmas Church **Service Directory** Emanuel Lutheran Church New London United Methodist Church New London, WI - WELS "For unto us a Child is born!" Tuesday, December 24th we will have 1 Christmas Eve Service at Christmas Eve: 12:00, 2:00 & 4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight: 6:00 & 8:00 p.m. 4:30 p.m. featuring our Praise Band. Wednesday, December 25th, Christmas Day No worship service. Christmas Day: 9:30 a.m. Join us for our Sunday Morning Traditional Service at 10:15 a.m. You can watch our church services for Sunday via "Livestream" on our Youtube channel "New London United Methodist Church." Our services are uploaded 200 E. Quincy St., New London, WI 54961 920-982-5444 • www.EmanuelNL.org to our website www.mynewlondonumc.org; and on our Facebook page New London United Methodist Church after each service

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Bears pull away in second half

BY GREG SEUBERT CONTRIBUTING WRITER

It took a while for the Bonduel girls' basketball team to get going in its Central Wisconsin Conference-East game with Weyauwega-Fremont.

Once the Bears found their rhythm, however, they were hard to stop.

Bonduel 19-12 at halftime on Dec. 3, but outscored the Warhawks by 20 points the rest of the way and returned home with a 55-28 win.

Cold shooting hurt

both teams in the first half, but Bonduel went to the locker room with a 19-12 lead.

Hannah Pantzlaff's three-pointer to open the second half cut the lead to four points, but Bonduel scored the next 10 points and added an 18-0 run later in the game to take control.

Pantzlaff and Olivia Witkowski led the Warhawks, both with eight points, while Bonduel's Audrey Weier led all players with 11.



Hannah Pantzlaff scored eight points for Weyauwega-Fremont Dec. 3 in a Central Wisconsin Conference-East matchup with Bonduel.

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