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Two Wisconsin traditions at the heart of newly-released Anders Lindwall film

BY KRIS LEONHARDT
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

NORTHEAST WISCONSIN – Two Wisconsin traditions are at the heart of an Anders Lindwall film that premiered in Green Bay on Jan. 3 at Lambeau Field — the Green Bay Packers and farming.

While Packers' history can be traced back to the early 1900s, the farming industry dates back to the 1830s European immigrants who wished to feed their families and earn a decent income, and existed even before that, with the Native Americans crops of corn, squash and beans.

It is estimated that about 5,000 farms a year were founded in Wisconsin during the 1840s.

Most of these farms were passed through multiple generations; however, today only half of the farms that were operating in 1950 still exist today, as large scale farming takes over the landscape.

"Green and Gold is our heartfelt tribute to rural America's strength and perseverance. The film highlights the stories of hardworking



Director Anders Lindwall, right, on the set of *Green and Gold* with actor Craig T. Nelson.

Submitted photo

farmers confronting growing challenges in today's economy. Inspired by our roots and our grandfather, a dairy farmer, my brother Davin Lindwall and I sought to tell an authentic story that honors rural America's farming community's

grit, goodness and unbreakable bond," Director Anders Lindwall said in a director's statement.

The movie portrays actor Craig T. Nelson as "Buck" — a Wisconsin dairy farmer.

"With mounting debt and the

land his family has cultivated for four generations at risk, Buck refuses to give up his legacy without a fight. Buck's granddaughter (Madison Lawlor) works alongside him but dreams of a career in music. Her aspirations are fanned by

an emerging friendship with a famous musician (Brandon Sklenar), but chasing her dreams might take her far from the farm. With time running out, Buck places a daring Super Bowl bet on his beloved

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Area hospitals announce New Year babies



On Jan. 1 at 12:23 a.m., HSHS St. Vincent Hospital in Green Bay welcomed Emery, top, weighing 7 pounds and 6 ounces and measuring 20.5 inches long. She joins her mom and dad, Whitney and Matt, and her big brother, Knox, who live in Green Bay.



Aurora BayCare Medical Center also welcomed Jamison Michael Bohl, bottom, at 1:29 p.m. weighing 6 pounds and 8 ounces and measuring 19 inches. He joins mom and dad, Megan Godby-Bohl and Jake Bohl in Green Bay. Submitted photos

City to host in-person chat room

BY STAR-NEWS STAFF

ALGOMA – In an effort to encourage transparency, the Algoma City Council will begin hosting a city chat room.

"I want to start a city chat room — a real chat room, in person," Algoma Mayor Steve Lautenbach said during the Jan. 6 council meeting. "It is open to anybody who can come."

"It is more because of the people who think that we are maybe not as transparent as we could be. There is a lot going on...hopefully, we can get the communication thing going."

"It's not a meeting; we don't all have to show up at the same time. You can come at 2 p.m., at 3 p.m., at 4 p.m. If they all ask the same question, we will answer it five times. Just to try to get some communication going in a neutral place, which is why we picked the youth center. Maybe it will change — maybe the players will change, maybe the times will change."



The first chat room will be held Jan. 30 at 2 p.m. at the youth center at 620 Lake St., Algoma. File photo

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is scheduled for Monday, Feb. 3, at the city hall council chambers at 416 Fremont St., Algoma.

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Pickleball, a rapidly growing sport



School Scoop

BY JESSE BRINKMANN
ALGOMA SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

Winter in Wisconsin often brings cold, gloomy days that make it hard to stay active. The Algoma Area Education Foundation, in partnership with Algoma Venture Academy, is offering a fun and exciting way to get moving and support a great cause through its inaugural Pickleball Fundraiser Tournament on Feb. 8 at the Algoma Area High School Wellness Center and Gym.

Pickleball, a rapidly growing sport across the country, is a mix of tennis, badminton and ping-pong, played with a paddle and a perforated ball. It's easy to learn, making it a fantastic option for players of all ages and skill levels. Pickleball's combination of physical activity and social interaction makes it an excellent way to stay active in the winter months, with less impact on joints than

other sports like tennis, providing a great low-impact workout for the body and mind. After a widely popular 2024 tournament, the Algoma Venture Academy has decided to bring it back for 2025. The tournament will have three time slots and will feature up to 96 participants competing in a round-robin format. This ensures that all participants — whether beginners or experienced players — get plenty of opportunities to play, enjoy friendly competition and meet new people. The event will take place across six nets, set up in the main and auxiliary gyms, creating a lively

atmosphere. "Pickleball is not only a fun way to stay active, but it also supports a great cause," said Mandy Froehlich, director of innovation and philanthropy for the Algoma Area Education Foundation. "Funds raised will help send Algoma Venture Academy students on their educational trip to Costa Rica, providing them with a hands-on learning experience that will benefit them for years to come." The Algoma Area Education Foundation is committed to enhancing educational opportunities for students in the Algoma community. By providing scholarships, funding for educational programs and fostering community



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partnerships, the foundation plays a crucial role in supporting student success and enriching the local learning environment. The foundation focuses on ensuring students in Algoma have access to the resources and experiences they need to thrive, both academically and personally. Whether you're a

seasoned pickleball player or new to the sport, the Algoma Pickleball tournament is a great way to stay active while supporting the local community.

Registration is open now at bit.ly/algomapickleball-tournament or by contacting the Algoma High School at (920) 487-7001, Ext. 2303.

DEPUTY CLERK/TREASURER/UTILITY CLERK

The Village of Luxemburg is seeking applicants for the appointed position of Deputy Clerk/Treasurer/Utility Clerk starting March 1, 2025.

This position provides statutory support and assistance to the Clerk/Treasurer, the candidate must have data entry computer skills, knowledge of Excel and Word. Bookkeeping practices, election and Municipal experience. Candidates should be self-starter, cool under pressure, maintain confidentiality, possess good organizational skills and be able to multi-task. Must work well with the public and have good communication skills. Starting hourly rate of pay will be determined based upon candidate's qualifications. Approximately 24-40 hours per week.

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Sheriff's Corner

BY MATTHEW JOSKI
KEWAUNEE COUNTY SHERIFF



With all of the Christmas excitement behind us, I wanted to take just a moment to share

the outcome of our 2024 season of giving. Just as in the past, this year's Kewaunee County

Kettle Campaign was a testimony to the generosity of our communities.

Over all, we received \$28,485.10 donations between Nov. 23 and Dec. 24.

This was slightly down from last year when we received \$29,729.14, but still a huge increase over years previous.

This is an amazing testament to the commitment and dedication of all of those who took the time to ring bells, as well as the generosity of those who gave what they could throughout the giving season.

Leading the giving this year was the Kewaunee sites with a total of \$10,948.39 followed by Luxemburg at \$10,272.68 and Algoma at \$7,245.36.

These donations are a total of both what was received in the kettles as well as donation checks received throughout the 2024 season.

A relatively new addition to our campaign has been the counter top kettles at area businesses.

Each year they tend to draw a bit more attention as

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Cornhole Tournament



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On behalf of the clients and volunteers of Marv's Bin Food Pantry (aka Luxemburg-Casco Food Pantry), we want to thank everyone who donated food or money during the past year of 2024. This pantry exists because of the generosity of the people, businesses and organizations of the L-C community and we are deeply grateful for your continuing support.



Our thanks and gratitude to the following:

Holy Trinity Parish & school, St. Mary's Parish & school, Nicolet National Bank Foundation, Nicolet National Bank - Luxemburg, Bill & Gail Hanamann, Allan Dorner, LCPL Dean Opicka Memorial Fund, Mike & Terry Mahlik, Dennis & Marlene Malcore, St. Joseph, St. Killian, St. Thomas Parishes, L-C Boy Scouts, Luxemburg Sportsmen Club, Dennis & Sue Meziva, Bill Bushner & Eugenia Gigot, Better Life - Pilsen, Sue Colle, Ralph Kline American Legion & Auxiliary, Gerald & Arletta Bertrand, L-C National Honor Society, Kewaunee County Public Health, Luxemburg Lions, Casco Lions, Jack & Diane Salentine, Mary Wilde, Kewaunee Young People's Theater, Diane Dorner, Judy Karas, Patti Reinhart, L-C FFA, St. John's Congregation - Luxemburg, St. Mary's Christian Mothers, Michelle Delebreaux, Dan Kratz, Chris Selner, L-C Leo Club, Dan & Cheryl Bouche, Dave & Linda Hoffman, Don & Joyce Pritzl, St. Joseph COF - Court 2080-Pilsen, Mark Wessely, Dennis & Jen Rank, Grace Lutheran Church, Thrivent Financial, Dave Selner Golf Outing, George & Fran Stahl, Casco Fire Dept., Edith Lauscher, Carl & Sherrie Hedstrom, Bill & Pam Kinnard, Forest Construction, Ray & Sharon Davister, Kewaunee Cty. Dairy Promotion, Catholic Order of Foresters-Kelly Pinchart, Joe & Gail Dellemann, Bob Vandrisse, Bill & Cheryl Bellin, Jill Jeanquart, Sue and Larry Ingebretsen, Paulie's Chop Shop, Salmon's Meats, Otto's Meats, Luxemburg Village Santa Visit, and many anonymous donations. If I missed anyone, I sincerely apologize but it was unintentional and know that your donation was deeply appreciated. A very special thank-you to my volunteers who are essential to keeping this pantry opened and stocked. **Ann, Karen, Dottie, Terrie, Josh, Eric, Katie, & Sandy, as well as the grandchildren** - thank you for the time, effort, and input which is appreciated so much. A special thank-you to **Javier** for volunteering to act as our interpreter - you are God-sent!

The pantry is available to anyone living within the Luxemburg Casco School District. We are opened the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of each month from 5 to 7 p.m. and the 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month from 9 to 11 a.m. We are located in the basement of Holy Trinity Church in Casco. Drive-thru pickup is available by calling Ann (920-660-9321) or Jackie (920-536-0163). You will be asked to register the first time you use the pantry.

All information is confidential. Contact Jackie with any questions,
920-536-0163.

Lambeau: Reliving the Glory Years

BY KRIS LEONHARDT
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Continued from previous edition

“Many times during my athletic and coaching career, I’ve been asked what has been my greatest thrill,” Curly Lambeau told a capacity crowd at the Green Bay Elks Club while being enshrined into the Wisconsin Athletic Hall of Fame in November 1962. “But I will have to say that this is my greatest thrill.”

Whatever animosity had plagued the city’s relationship with Lambeau, and vice versa, had seemingly been lost in the thrill of that evening.

“I’m happy to see the Packers where they are today,” Lambeau stated to the audience.

“I want to compliment Vince (Lombardi),” added the former coach who had secured six Packers titles. “Nobody has ever worked harder.

“And Vince, I hope you win seven championships before you quit coaching.”

His 1963 induction as a charter member of the Pro Football Hall of Fame likely trumped the feeling of that night and Lambeau was surely on top of the world, feeling as though he had recaptured the respect of his beloved city and professional football.

And always the showman, Lambeau remained on the move in his later years.

“One of the more improbable ‘twisters’ in the Palm Springs resort area is Green Bay Packers pioneer Curly Lambeau,” wrote Post Crescent Sports Editor John Paustian wrote that year. “The bouncing Belgian, who is now 64, really moves, according to Los Angeles sports columnist Bed Furillo.”

“When it comes to exercise, twisting is better for me than golf,” said Lambeau.

Lambeau continued an active lifestyle until his death at the age of 67.

“You knew somehow that he wouldn’t go quietly,” wrote Lee Rimmel of Curly’s death on June 1, 1965.

“A man of vast energy, invincible confidence and

bland, mesmeric charm. [Lambeau] had, above all things, a flair for the dramatic — even in his death.

“It was in keeping with his style — and Curly always had style, even as a struggling young haberdashery salesman in the early and hectic ‘20s — to make a spectacular exit.

“Always a man of action, the indestructible Belgian — or so he seemed — was on the move almost to the minute he left this mortal soil...”

Mary Jane Van Duyse was engaged to Lambeau when he had a heart attack on the front lawn of her family’s home in Sturgeon Bay.

“(Curly) was going to take me out to dinner that night. It was going to be a late dinner,” Mary Jane told Packers Historian Cliff Christl.

“My dad was mowing the lawn, and Curly got out of the car and started mowing.

“I was upstairs getting dressed. I came down the stairs and heard my mother yelling, ‘Curly.’ He had

fallen into my dad’s arms and so I ran out the door.

“My mother called (for an ambulance), and they came right away. One of the young fellas who was there, I just saw the other day and asked him if that would have happened today could they have brought Curly back to life? He said, ‘With our equipment now, he probably would have.’ It was such a shock.

“The doctor came and said he couldn’t do anything. He said, ‘He’s gone, Mary. He’s gone.’”

Lambeau’s funeral was held June 5 — four days after his death.

“George Halas was there. I went down with my father and brother. And they put us in one of the first cars in the funeral procession. The first car was his sister and maybe his brother. I’m not sure, but we were right up in the front.” Mary Jane recalled.

“Johnny Blood was there. Curly had introduced me to Johnny Blood, and he sat with me part of the time. He



Msgr. John Gehl conducted final rites at Lambeau’s funeral at Allouez Cemetery. Neville Public Museum of Brown County photos

was so nice; I felt so bad.

“I was having a dance recital in Sturgeon Bay that same week and I had my show named, ‘Wedding in June.’ When it happened, I thought, ‘How ironic?’ It was really sad.

“(Curly) told me he didn’t feel well for quite a while. Then he went to the doctor

and had a physical, and they told him there was nothing wrong with him. But he said, ‘My stomach just doesn’t feel good.’ I never thought he was that sick.”

The National Football League flag in Canton, Ohio, was flown at half mast in recognition of the first

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Mayor Don Tilleman presents copies of city council records for the renaming to Curly’s son, Don Lambeau, during a Packers-St. Louis game exhibition game.

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OBITUARIES



Dawn J. Kieckbusch January 2, 1934 – January 5, 2025
Dawn J. Kieckbusch, 91, Kewaunee, passed away on January 5, 2025. She was born on the family farm on January 2, 1934, to the late Henry and Vianas (Schmiling) Jacobs. She graduated from Algoma High School in 1951. She married Russell Kieckbusch on June 28, 1951, at Grace Lutheran Church in Green Bay. Together they enlarged their family with four sons. He preceded her in death on

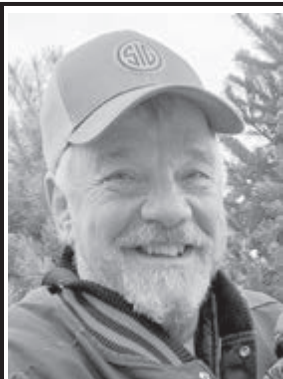
July 27, 1966.

Dawn is survived by her children, Bruce (Donna) Kieckbusch, and their children, Amy (Niki) Kieckbusch, Jody (Jose) Garcia, Tammy (Tim) Hagenow, and Kristy (Todd) Wichlacz; Scott (Sue) Kieckbusch and their children Tonya (Scott) Fenendael, Curt Kieckbusch, and Craig (Maria) Kieckbusch; Todd (Special Friend, Leanne) Kieckbusch, and his stepson Matt; and Chad (Penny) Kieckbusch, and their daughter Miranda; She is further survived by her sister Kay Baker; nineteen great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Russell; her parents Henry and Vianas Jacobs; Father-in-law and Mother-in-law Edwin and Irene Kieckbusch; her sisters June (Lynn) Bauman, Howie (Marilyn) Nell; and brother-in-law Arlis Baker.

Visitation will take place at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Kewaunee on Monday, January 13, 2025, from 10:00am – 11:00 am. Funeral Service to follow at 11:00am with Pastor Matthew Sprunger officiating. The burial will take place at a later date.

Kinnard Funeral & Cremation Services – Kewaunee is assisting the family. Online condolence messages may be shared at www.KinnardFCS.com.



It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of **Brian George Dorner**, age 65, who passed away late Tuesday night, December 31, 2024, at home in the presence of family. Brian was a loving husband, dedicated father, proud Papa B, and cherished friend to many. Brian was born on September 12, 1959, to the late Robert and Elaine (Kust) Dorner. He was a 1977 graduate of Luxemburg-Casco High School. Brian married the former Kim Van Pay on August 22, 1992, at St.

Thomas the Apostle Church in Sugarbush. He was a man of strong faith, work ethic, and dedication. He worked on the Dorner Family Farm before going to work for Stahl Construction/Dorner-Stahl Inc./Dorner Inc. where he spent over 46 years in sewer and water construction as a foreman/excavator operator. Brian previously owned Green Bay Billiards from 1983-1986.

Brian was an avid muskie fisherman, bow and gun hunter, archery shooter, and pool player. He loved spending time with his grandkids and was known as Papa B. Brian was also a lifetime member of Titledown Muskies Inc. and Wisconsin Bowhunters Association.

He is survived by his wife of 32 years, Kim; their children, Mallory (Josh) Mertens and Courtney Dorner; grandchildren, Lance (4 yrs), Liviana (14 months), and Logan (2 months) Mertens. He is also survived by his siblings: Joyce McCall; Steve Dorner; Lloyd Dorner; Robert Jr. "Bobby" (Louann) Dorner; Keith (fiancé, Dawn Krause) Dorner; Barry (fiancé, Lisa Cochran) Dorner; Wesley (Brenda) Dorner; Kay (special friend, Lindsey Donald) Dorner, and Bruce (fiancé, Laurie Espy) Dorner. Brian is also survived by his father and mother-in-law, Gerald "Jerry" and Dorothy Van Pay; brother-in-law, Kipp Van Pay; brother-in-law, Kris (Trish) Van Pay and sister-in-law, Kelly (Kerry) De Grave; many nieces and nephews.

Brian was preceded in death by his sister-in-law, Mary Dorner; brother-in-law, Forrest McCall and the family dog Cinnamon (16.5 yrs).

Friends may call at St. John Lutheran Church, 700 Heritage Rd, Luxemburg, on Wednesday, January 8, from 3:00-7:30 pm. A prayer service will close the evening at 7:30. Visitation will continue on Thursday at the church from 9:00-10:45 am. Funeral service 11:00 am Thursday at the church with Rev. Carl Brewer officiating. Online condolences may be sent to Brian's family at www.prokowall.com.

Brian will be deeply missed by his family, friends, and all who had the privilege of knowing him. His Family would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Pastor Carl Brewer.



Jamie J. Thayse December 20, 1971 – January 3, 2025
James "Jamie" J. Thayse, 53, Casco, passed away unexpectedly on Friday, January 3, 2025. He was born on December 20, 1971, to Gary and Sharon (Gilson) Thayse in Green Bay.

In his younger years, Jamie worked side by side with his family on the farm. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, ATVs and snowmobiling. He bowled and shot pool for Joe Rouer's, and he enjoyed playing softball with his high school buddies. As his children, Maddy and Max, began participating in sports, Jamie could often be found on the sidelines cheering them on. He was very proud of their athletic accomplishments.

Jamie started his career with J. Jadin Inc. Afterwards, he was a proud 34-year employee of the Kewaunee County Highway Department where he was a skilled heavy equipment operator and forged many strong friendships with his co-workers. He will be deeply missed by the "Hillside Shop" and his co-workers.

Jamie is survived by his children, Madysen (Trevor) LeRoy, and Maxwell Thayse, both of Green Bay; his father, Gary Thayse, Casco; his siblings, Lori (Mike) Hucek, Luxemburg, Todd (Deb) Thayse, and Greg (Cheryl) Thayse, both of Forestville, and Kim (Gary) Gomand, New Franken; the mother of his children, Melissa Olmsted; He is further survived by nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Jamie was preceded in death by his mother Sharon Thayse; and his grandparents and godparents. Visitation will take place Friday, January 10, 2025, from 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm at Kinnard Funeral Home – Casco followed by a prayer service at 7:00 pm. Visitation will continue Saturday, January 11, 2025, from 9:00 am – 10:30 am at St. Peters Church in Lincoln. Funeral Service will follow at 11:00 am with Fr. Rex Palaya officiating. Burial will be at St. Hubert's Cemetery – Rosiere.

Kinnard Funeral & Cremation Services is assisting the family. Online condolence messages may be shared at KinnardFCS.com. The family would like to express their thanks to the Door County Paramedics.



Judith "Judy" Marie Robinson, 84, of Algoma, passed away suddenly Thursday, January 2, 2025 at Bellin Hospital, Green Bay. Judy was born on December 28, 1940 in the Town of Union to the late Lawrence and Viola (Baudhuin) Chaudoir. Judy spent her early years as one of nine siblings on the Chaudoir family farm. They thought of her as their second "Mom" as she cared for them while her parents tended to the farming chores. She was a 1958 graduate of Brussels High School.

After graduation, Judy attended the local Teachers College in Algoma for a brief time leaving to pursue a secretarial position at the Raton Church Furniture Mfg. Company. It was there that Judy met the love of her life and the man she would marry. Judy married John "Roger" Robinson at St. Mary's of the Snow Catholic Church in Namur on Memorial Day, May 30, 1960. After marriage, Judy left the workforce to start a family. When her three children were older, she took care of the children of many friends and family in her home, including her own grandchildren and great grandchildren, who affectionately referred to her as Grandma Gigi. For a time, she assisted Roger (The Mayor of Chaudoir's Dock and known perch slayer) in the operation of the Chaudoir's Dock Bait Shop. She also briefly worked at Screen Graphics, Algoma. Together, they spent the better part of 62 years with Roger passing May 6, 2022. Judy spent the last few years of her life at Sycamore Lodge, Algoma, enjoying reading, watching the Packers and Brewers, and perfecting her word puzzle and jigsaw puzzle skills. Family members were fortunate to be able to attend a special party for Judy on the occasion of her 84th birthday on Saturday, December 28, 2024.

Judy is survived by her son John Lawrence, two daughters, Lynn (Gary) Clark, Barbara (Steve) Bathke, three grandchildren, Jessica (Martin) Flores, Katie (Jeremy) Roman, Robert (Maggie) Clark, five great grandchildren, Ethan Purdy and Rosalynn Flores, Johnathan Roman, and Elijah and Emma Rae Clark. She is also survived by a very special family friend and honorary daughter Peggy (Mark) Klapperich and their extended family. Additionally, she is survived by seven siblings, Larry (Debby) Chaudoir, Barb (Dan) Van De Hay, Gary (Patty) Chaudoir, Ted (Dee) Chaudoir, Mary (Steve) Krieger, Bill (Cheryl) Chaudoir and Terry (Linda) Chaudoir. She is also survived by sister-in-law Judy Chaudoir, sister-in-law Sandy Robinson, brother-in-law Nick Wasilkoff as well as many cousins, nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Roger, brother Tom Chaudoir, brother-in-law Bob Robinson, brother-in-law Harvey Massert, brother-in-law Jim Fenske, sister-in-law Pat Fenske and sister-in-law Peggy Wasilkoff. There will be a public visitation for Judy Friday, January 17th at the Schinderle Funeral Home, Algoma, beginning at 4:00 PM until time of service at 7:00 PM with Deacon Ken Kinsterter officiating. In lieu of plants or flowers, please consider making a donation to the charity of your choice in honor of Judy.

A special thank you to the staff and management and residents of Sycamore Lodge and all family and friends whose kindness and care was much appreciated by Judy during her stay there.

Express your sympathy, memories and pictures on Judy's tribute page at www.schinderlefuneralhome.com.

PUBLISHER'S LETTER

Finding The Perfect Someone

Dear Reader,

Life's treasures aren't measured in material possessions like a sleek car or a spacious mansion. You could have all of these things, but without someone to share them with, what do they really mean? Isn't life truly about finding that perfect someone—a person who turns the ordinary into extraordinary?



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PATRICK J. WOOD

Publisher

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

SHERIFF

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well as donations.

These are some impressive numbers when you consider that most of these donations are mostly small amounts as people come and go from the Kettle sites.

It is important to note that these funds stay here in Kewaunee County to help those around us who find themselves in short term need.

These needs could be due to a sudden loss of employment, or an unexpected medical bill.

In these instances, the resources are sent directly to the vendor so that there is no doubt that the money is going towards its intended purpose.

I have the unique privilege of being the voucher

writer for the Salvation Army here in Kewaunee County, which allows me to meet with and assist our neighbors throughout the year for needs such as utilities, rent, lodging, food, clothing and fuel.

While I may be the person filling out the voucher for them, I know that I am merely a representative of our community and all of its amazing generosity.

I am grateful for this role I play in changing people's lives for the better, and I would encourage anyone who has an interest to please join our county unit of the Salvation Army.

We meet on a quarterly basis and are always looking for fresh insight and perspective on how we can better serve our community. Please give me a call if you are interested.

FILM

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Green Bay Packers, risking it all to save everything he holds dear," a film synopsis stated.

Nelson's film career spans over five decades, both on-screen and off.

The film's crew said that on the second day of filming the movie, Nelson pulled Anders, the film's director, aside and "inquired about the lack of a second camera."

After Anders explained that the project was a low-budget, independent film, Nelson responded, "Get yourself a camera and take it out of my rate."

"This story felt personal to me, I felt a real connection to it because the Nelson family farm has been a working farm in South Dakota since the Civil War, and my wife's family were also farmers. *Green and Gold* captures the tenacity of small-town farmers and the strength of family and community. I was honored to play Buck and highlight the dreams defining many lives in America's heartland," Nelson said.

Nelson said that at the heart of it is a compelling story about the disappearing dairy heartland.

"The conglomerates are pretty much taking over the small, family farm and that's what this story is about. You do something you love and you get swallowed up by it," he said.

The screenplay was written by Steven Shafer, Michael Graf, Missy Mareau Garcia and Anders, and produced by Anders' brother, Davin Lindwall, and Aaron Boyd.

"Growing up just north of Green Bay as the grandson of a dairy farmer and die-hard Packers fans, my brother Davin and I poured our hearts into this film. It's our tribute to small-town communities and the values they stand for," Anders stated.

Green and Gold is in Green Bay area theaters, after being launched Friday, Jan. 3 at Lambeau Field.

The following Sunday, Nelson was on the field where he performed the National Anthem before the Packers-Bears final regular-season matchup.



In Loving Memory of **Robby Rohr**, who passed away January 16, 2009.

Loved and missed by Mom, Dad, Ryan, Stacie, Aiden, Trevor, Tiffany, Kinsley, other relatives and friends.

DATCP seeks Alice in Dairyland applicants

BY STAR-NEWS STAFF

KEWAUNEE COUNTY – The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) is seeking individuals with a passion for agriculture to apply for the 78th Alice in Dairyland.

“As one of the most widely recognized marketing communications professionals in Wisconsin agriculture, Alice in Dairyland travels extensively, promoting Wisconsin’s agricultural industry and its impact on the state economy. In this highly visible and fast-paced position, Alice in Dairyland serves as a full-time spokesperson; cultivates relationships with television, radio, and print media outlets throughout the state; writes and delivers speeches at events; and uses social media to tell the stories of Wisconsin agriculture,” a DATCP release stated.



Heinzel

“Additional duties include developing and executing marketing plans, delivering classroom presentations, and networking with industry professionals. Alice must also learn and retain information about the diversity of Wisconsin agriculture and be able to tailor that information to educate both urban and rural audiences.”

“The Alice in Dairyland program may have started as a beauty pageant following World War II, but the role is now about so much more than wearing a tiara—it’s about being a

voice for Wisconsin’s agriculture, sharing the stories of our agriculturalists, and inspiring the next generation to continue the legacy,” said 77th Alice in Dairyland Halei Heinzel. “I am excited to work with the top candidates throughout the next several months as we lead up to the 78th Alice in Dairyland Finals.”

“Alice in Dairyland applicants should have an interest in Wisconsin agriculture, public speaking experience, and at least three years of experience, education, or training in communications, marketing, education, or public relations. Applicants must also be female, Wisconsin residents, and at least 21 years old,” the release added.

“This one-year, full-time contractual position starts

July 7, 2025. The chosen candidate will travel solo extensively throughout the state and be required to have weekly in-person office time at DATCP’s Madison office. The annual salary for Alice in Dairyland is \$45,000 and includes holiday, vacation, and sick leave, and use of a vehicle while on official business. “Reimbursement is provided for an individual health insurance premium up to \$450 a month and professional travel expenses.”

To apply, provide a cover letter, completed application form, resume and contact information for three professional references to DATCPAlice@wisconsin.gov by 4:30 p.m. on Jan. 31.

Application materials are available on the Alice in Dairyland website.



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UW-Whitewater announces dean's list

The following students were named to the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Dean's List for the 2024 fall semester: Myron Babler, Kristen Ledvina, Isabella Otradovec and Jacob Vanden Avond of Luxemburg and Claire Kohnle and Steven Ledvina of Kewaunee.

These students have demonstrated their academic abilities by receiving a grade point average of 3.4 or above in a single semester.

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LAMBEAU
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could not approach the benefits that Curly Lambeau has provided Green Bay." Lambeau's estate was split between his son, Donald; his five grandchildren; his brother, Oliver; and his sister, Beatrice. Shortly after his death, a grassroots effort sprung up to rename the new City Stadium, which opened in 1957, in Lambeau's honor. While the Green Bay City Council passed a resolution to pay tribute to Lambeau, they were not quite sold on the renaming concept. In July, the city council

created a seven-member citizen council to study a recommendation to construct a museum/memorial next to City Stadium in honor of Lambeau. The citizens council returned with a unanimous recommendation to rename the stadium in Lambeau's honor, and eventually it was supported by the Packers executive committee and the Stadium Commission. On Aug. 3, after eight weeks of skirting the issue, the Green Bay City Council unanimously voted to dedicate the stadium to Curly, as Lambeau Field. On Sept. 11, 1965, before a Packers-St. Louis Cardinals exhibition game crowd of 50,000 people, the stadium was renamed and dedicated in honor of Lambeau. The formal rededication was brief, performed by then Green Bay Mayor Donald Tilleman.

"I would be less than candid if I did not say that I am deeply moved by this occasion," Curly's son, Don, told those in attendance. "It has often been said that my father was without sentiment, but those of you who knew him intimately, either as neighbor or friend or business associate, know that he too could not have stood here tonight without having been deeply touched." While Curly was rebuked for his imperfections and indiscretions, he was at heart an imperfect human with a zest for life. However, Earl Louis Lambeau's passion for football will long be memorialized in one of the country's most well-known football shrines in a city that never forgot him.

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• District – Meets Expectations (63.1)
• Algoma Elementary School – Meets Expectations (62.2)
• Algoma Middle/High School – Meets Expectations (63.5)
• Algoma Venture Academy – Meets Expectations (62.4)
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• Algoma Elementary School (grades 3K-6)
• Algoma Middle/High School (grades 7-12)
• Algoma Venture Academy (public charter school for grades 7-12)
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• 504 Plans for qualifying students
• Private school parental choice options
• Algoma open enrollment policy
• Home-based educational options
• English Learner services
• Gifted and Talented services
• Title 1 reading services
• Tiered math and literacy interventions
• Algoma Venture Academy (AVA) – public charter school for grades 7-12
• Pathfinder (credit recovery for grades 9-12)
• Rural Virtual Academy (RVA) services
• Career & Technical Education (CTE) programs in middle & high school
• Academic and Career Planning in grades K-12
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Algoma School District's Notice of Educational Options & State Report Card Accountability

We are excited to share that our students in the Algoma School District continue to excel in many areas. We have seen more students take part in dual credit courses offered through NWTC and UW-Green Bay (saving families in tuition costs), student participation in Youth Apprenticeship programs has nearly doubled, and we continue to offer more extracurricular opportunities for students to participate in after school. As a learning community, we are continually looking to seek new ways to

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Algoma WNAAXLP CLAIMS DEADLINE NOTICE IN THE MATTER OF MARY E. STEWART.
This Estate does not require Probate. The decedent, Mary E. Stewart, with date of birth November 1, 1953 and date of death October 6, 2024, was domiciled in Kewaunee County, State of Wisconsin, with mailing address of 403 Navarino Street, Algoma, WI 54201. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is April 20, 2025, which is 120 days from the first publication in this newspaper. A claim may be filed at: Keith F. Stewart, III. Address: 5116 W Wrightwood Avenue Chicago, IL 60639 Publish 01.04.25, 01.11.25 & 01.18.25 WNAXLP

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For a full job description please go to the LC School Website <https://www.luxcasco.k12.wi.us>

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Early Ad Deadlines
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BASKETBALL
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Boys schedule following coverage

Jan. 10: Sturgeon Bay at Algoma, Kewaunee at Sevastopol
Jan. 13: L-C at Freedom
Jan. 14: Southern Door at Kewaunee
Jan. 16: NEWCHAA at Algoma
Jan. 17: L-C at Waupaca, Shiocton at Kewaunee

Girls schedule following coverage

Jan. 10: Waupaca at L-C
Jan. 11: Kewaunee at Algoma
Jan. 13: Mishicot at Algoma
Jan. 14: Freedom at L-C, Kewaunee at Southern Door
Jan. 16: L-C at Marinette
Jan. 17: NEW at Algoma, Kewaunee at Gibraltar

Packerland Boys Basketball Standings as of Jan. 3

Kewaunee 4-0
Southern Door 4-0
Algoma 3-1
Sturgeon Bay 2-2
Gibraltar 2-2
Oconto 2-3
Peshtigo 1-3
Sevastopol 0-3
NEW/Providence 0-4
Packerland Girls

Packerland Girls Basketball Standings as of Jan. 7

Algoma 7-0
Kewaunee 6-0
Oconto 4-2
Sevastopol 4-2
Peshtigo 4-3
NEW/Providence 2-5
Southern Door 1-3
Sturgeon Bay 1-7
Gibraltar 0-7

Conditions improving for ice anglers

It's still not safe everywhere, but an extended stretch of cold air is firming up the ice on Green Bay and inland waters.

Anglers should use extra caution on rivers and offshore areas on Green Bay, where currents and strong winds had plenty of open water and/or thin spots earlier this week.

The best ice was found on smaller inland lakes and protected bays, harbors and nearshore areas on Green Bay.

Panfish, bass, pike and walleyes were being targeted on inland lakes, while rivers were giving up mixed bags of everything from panfish to whitefish, northern pike, walleye and trout.

Yellow perch, pike, walleyes and whitefish were being hooked on Green Bay, often in less than 10 feet of water while ice fishers wait for offshore areas to firm up.

Shove ice and slush were common on the east shore after a steady diet of strong northwest winds.

The long-term forecast is for temperatures in the teens and 20s, meaning ice will continue to build.

Anglers who haven't been out should check at bait shops for the latest ice condition reports, including areas to avoid



In the Outdoors

BY KEVIN NAZE
OUTDOORS COLUMNIST

or spots that are foot traffic only.

North Shore Bait Company owner Paul Lukas of Oconto is concerned that some fishermen have been keeping too many large perch the past couple years.

"I'd like to see more of those 13- to 15-inch-plus perch released," Lukas said. "They're not good table fare anyway (compared to the smaller ones)."

He said he's seen a few customers coming in for bait twice a day, increasing concerns about double-dipping on the bay's 15-perch daily bag.

"There's a lack of oversight, not enough wardens," said Lukas. "That's both for sport and commercial anglers. I'm a lot about conservation and preservation, yet I'm contributing by selling bait. I've lost some customers by letting them know my personal feelings, but it really bothers me."

Lukas believes perch fishing is getting better because the walleye population is down, both from anglers catching and keeping so many for the past decade, and an increasing

number of white pelicans scooping up spawning walleyes in the shallows each spring.

"We used to see maybe 20 pelicans in a year," Lucas said. "Now there are hundreds here, and even more (on the Fox River at DePere)."

Bear harvest up

The five-week black bear harvest of 4,285 last fall was a big increase over the below-average take of 2,922 in 2023.

A massive acorn crop and other natural foods last year meant fewer bears coming to baits.

That left more around this year competing for less natural food.

Statewide, hunter success was about 37%, up from the five-year average of 31%.

Rates varied from a high of 71% in Zone A to less than 10 percent in Zones E and F, the latter which are marginal bear habitat at best.

Nearly 57% of the harvest came in the first five days of the season, with more than 1,000 registered opening day.

The harvest topped 1,200



Backyard bird feeders can add some color to winter. These American goldfinches were enjoying sunflower "hearts" — seeds with the outer husks removed mechanically — on a window feeder.
Kevin Naze photo

in Zone A and was just under that in Zone D, while Zone B saw about 900 and Zone C about 800 taken.

There were 145 bear registered in Zone E, and 32 in Zone F.

The state bear population is estimated at around 23,000.

With more than 130,000 people applying, some of the most popular zones with have waits of a decade or more.

Weekly water levels

As of Jan. 3, Lake Michigan water levels had dropped eight inches in the past year, including two inches since early December.

Levels were four inches below the 100-year average, and 41 inches below the record January high, in 2020.

Still, lake levels were about 26 inches above the record monthly low, set in 2013.

Walleye meeting

The first in a series of fisheries meetings this winter, "Walleye Management in Florence and Forest Counties," will be held from 6-8 p.m. Jan. 14 in Florence.

There's a virtual option via Microsoft Teams; Meeting ID: 266 652 329 238; Passcode: mJ7Ar9S9.

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Kewaunee girls, boys playing for top spot

BY KEVIN NAZE
 CONTRIBUTING WRITER

KEWAUNEE COUNTY – Kewaunee’s varsity basketball teams are both shooting to remain unbeaten in the Packerland Conference.

The Storm girls (6-0, 9-1) travel to Algoma (7-0, 8-3) in a much-anticipated Saturday afternoon battle for first place, while the Kewaunee boys (4-0, 5-3) host Southern Door (4-0, 6-2) Tuesday night.

Coach Matt Bosdeck’s Kewaunee boys’ losses were by a single point in overtime to Wrightstown in the season opener, by 21 at Bonduel a week later and by two to Manitowoc Lutheran Dec. 17.

Meanwhile, the Eagles — fresh off a 63-52 win over previously-unbeaten Packerland foe Algoma last Friday — lost to a pair of Div. 2 teams, Seymour (by 10) in mid-December, and Mosinee (by 8) two weeks ago.

On the girls’ side, the only loss for Coach Lynn Geier’s unranked Storm came Dec. 7 (58-48) to unbeaten Manitowoc Lutheran, the state’s third-ranked Div. 4 team.

Algoma’s losses were to Bonduel, Freedom and Brillion.

What will a win or a loss due to each team’s confidence, season and legacy?

It’s only one game — they’ll play each other

again later this winter — but at minimum, the victors will be the sole occupants in their respective Packerland driver’s seat for now.

Eagles at Wolves

In a battle of Packerland unbeaten at Algoma, the hosts led 9-0 four minutes into the game after a three-pointer and slashing drive by Braeden Leist and buckets in the paint by Parker Lischka and Carson Leist.

The Wolves led by as many as 11, at 17-6, after a “3” from Charlie Prokash and a short banker from Cody Kirchman midway through the first half.

But the Eagles finished with a 17-2 run, then started the second half with a 9-0 run that made it 32-19 not even three minutes in.

“We started well,” said Algoma coach Eric Schneider. “Sometimes shots fall, sometimes they don’t. But we have to take care of the basketball, and we didn’t do that in stretches tonight. We turned it over too many times for points.”

Drew Daoust had a slow start, but once he got rolling the points came quickly.

The two-time Packerland Player of the Year had 19 in the second half, and 28 on the night. Caden Pierre added 18, including the team’s first nine points on three of his four triples.

Lauden Berg had 12 points.

Chase Romdenne led



Southern Door seniors Drew Daoust (left) and Caden Pierre sandwiched Algoma junior Parker Lischka in the Eagles’ 63-52 win last week. Lischka was held to seven points, 10 below his season average.

Kevin Naze photos

the Wolves with 17 points, including five 3s — four of them in the second half.

Braeden Leist added 12.

“We showed we can play with them,” Schneider said. “We’ll see them again, and we’ll give ‘em a battle.”

Girls highlights

On Dec. 30, Kewaunee stifled visiting Wrightstown, 45-19.

Three nights later, the host Storm led 45-12 at the half and finished off the state’s 10th-ranked Div. 5 team, Sheboygan Lutheran, 77-38. Jade Kroll, Breana Riha, Gabby Stangel and Lexie Hanrahan combined for 55 points and six three-pointers in that one.

On Tuesday, Kewaunee beat Sturgeon Bay at home, 69-34. Kroll had 23 points

and Stangel 17 to lead the way.

That same night, Algoma got 19 from Jadyn Nellis, 12 from Sierra Slaby, 11 from Claire Gerdman, 10 from Brooke Mattson and 9 from Therese Gerdman in a 78-31 win at Gibraltar.

Also Tuesday, L-C lost a tough one on the road to Wrightstown, 43-41. The Spartans trailed 28-13 at the half.

Sienna Blohowiak had 12 of her 18 points after the break, and Brianna Bray 9 (three 3s) to close the gap.

Four nights earlier, Blohowiak and Bray combined for 17 in a 40-31 loss at home against Denmark.

Kewaunee boys busy

The Storm boys won at Brillion 51-49 Dec. 30 and at



Kewaunee’s 6-foot-4 freshman, Dane Harrell, scored 18 points in Tuesday’s non-conference win at Luxemburg-Casco.

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Senior Avery Jerabek and freshman Dane Harrell each had 13 points, and freshman Diesel Bosdeck added 11 against the Lions.

Connor Kilgore scored 20, Bosdeck 15 (including three “3s”), Evan Maccoux 12 and Jerabek 10 vs. the Bulldogs.

On Tuesday night, Kewaunee got 18 from Harrell, 16 from Kilgore and 12 (four 3s) from Cooper Kolmorgen in a 74-51 win at Luxemburg-Casco.

The Spartans also lost at

Seymour Dec. 30, 79-38, and at home against Denmark Jan. 3, 60-57. They hosted Wrightstown Jan. 9.

Algoma split a pair of road non-conference games earlier this week. The Wolves got 16 points from Lischka, 10 from Prokash and 9 each from Romdenne and Braeden Leist in a 69-61 loss to Denmark Monday.

Lischka had 19, Romdenne 13 and Leist 10 in a 69-38 win over Clintonville Tuesday.

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PRESENTS Senior Spotlight

Baleigh Saxby, KEWAUNEE HIGH SCHOOL

Sports: Volleyball and softball

Parents’ names: Kristi and Dominic Saxby

Siblings: Dylan, Amber and Justice

Position or events: Volleyball- setter, softball- catcher

Instagram: @baleighsaxby

Career Highlight: Having a .551 batting average my junior season.

At what age did you start playing your main sport?

I started playing softball when I was eight or nine.

Who introduced you to the sport?

My parents and sister played it, so I was always around it and watching it.

Has this always been your favorite sport?

Yes, once I started playing it, I never stopped loving it.

How has the balance between academics and athletics changed for you from freshman to senior year?

It definitely got more difficult as I got older, but you learn as you get older how to balance it easier. Using the work time we are given is super important for

getting all my schoolwork done. My parents engraved it into my mind that school came first, so keeping my grades up is one of my top priorities.

What is your favorite part about this sport?

The support from my family, coaches and my amazing teammates.

What about it has caused you to stick with it for this long?

Seeing how my skills improved throughout the years, and I would not have been able to stay with it this long if I didn’t have the great family that I do.

Is there a professional athlete you look up to? If so, why?

They aren’t professional, but my siblings were good athletes and I learned most of my skills from them.

What would you say is your biggest asset on the court/field?

My leadership, you can’t win a game alone, so keeping my team motivated and focused is something I make sure happens.

What has been your most memorable experience in high school sports so far?

Having my whole family at the game I hit my first homerun at our home field.

How does it feel as a senior, to look back throughout high school and see your growth (as a person and athlete)?

My mentality has changed drastically throughout my four years of highschool. As an athlete, having a positive mentality is half the game. As a person, having a good mindset makes life just overall more enjoyable.

Do you have any pre-match rituals/ routines/superstitions?

Yes, I pray beforehand and before a softball game, my left sock has to go on before the right one.

Do you take any extra steps to prepare for a big match/game/meet, outside of regular practices?

Before a big softball game, I call my brother, Dylan, he is one of my biggest supporters and he knows just what to say before a big game.

Any memorable coaches or teammates you’d like to shout out?

Any coach that I’ve ever had the opportunity to play for, and any teammate I have gotten to share the court/field with. I wouldn’t be the player I am without any one of them.



Any hobbies outside of sports?

I love to read and I love to be around my family.

Favorite song?

“Picture” by Kid Rock and Cheryl Crow.

Sports drinks like Gatorade and Powerade or water?

A pregame yellow Gatorade, then water during the game.

Future Plans? (college, major, career, etc.)

The University of Minnesota- Twin Cities, majoring in Animal Science with an emphasis in Pre-Veterinary Science.

“Spotlights” are selected by the coaches and/or athletic directors from Algoma, Kewaunee and Luxemburg-Casco high schools, except in extremely special circumstances.