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Nolan Skebba of Hortonville celebrates his Division 1 WIAA state title after a major decision victory in the 150-pound weight class at the Kohl Center in Madison on Saturday, March 1. Read the story on page 11. Submitted Photo

Missing man airlifted from crash

Other man found dead in watery ditch

STEVENS POINT – On Feb. 26, the Portage County Sheriff's Office received a report of a missing 75-year-old male from the Town of Sharon. The next day at 8:25 a.m., deputies found the missing man in

his crashed vehicle in the woods near Wilderness Drive, not far from his residence. The man had severe injuries and was transported to a hospital by Lifelink Med Flight. On Feb 26 at approximately 6:10 p.m., the Portage County Sheriff's Office received a report of an unconscious male lying in a water-filled ditch near a vehicle on private property

in the Town of Carson. Deputies and first responders tried first aid but later the man was pronounced dead at the scene. They determined the 68-year-old male drove his vehicle on a private road near the 1400 block of Elm Road North and got stuck in a ditch. He exited the vehicle, fell into the ditch and was later found by a family member.

School board sluggish on FFA deal

Planting crops on school land

BY BERT LEHMAN
STAFF REPORTER

CLINTONVILLE – For the second board meeting in a row, the Clintonville Board of Education didn't approve an agreement with the Clintonville FFA Alumni that would allow the FFA Alumni to plant crops on land owned by the Clintonville School District. The board initially discussed an agreement with the FFA Alumni at its Feb. 10 meeting. The board again discussed the agreement at its Feb. 24 meeting. The proposed agreement would allow the FFA Alumni to rent the property for \$1, and any profits from the sale of harvested crops would go to the school district's student activity account. While the board did not approve an agreement, it did direct school administration to continue to work with the district's legal representatives to refine the agricultural lease/memo of understanding with the Clintonville FFA Alumni

organization. The memo of understanding is to include two options for a dollar amount, and for the lease to include three- or five-year options. Discussion During the discussion on the agreement at the Feb. 24 meeting, Clintonville Superintendent Troy Kuhn told the board that the district's Land Use Committee recommended the land be used for educational purposes. The Clintonville FFA would take responsibility for planting and harvesting, in conjunction with the education. Board Treasurer Jason Moder said he wasn't against the FFA, but said the recommendation was for the land to be used for educational purposes for the district, but not specifically by the FFA. "Meaning that, just for example, if we took the county average, put that as a minimum rent for whoever is decided the person to be, that dollars get divided up for, not only the FFA, but also for the science classes," said Moder. "It's kind of the sole purpose of that property,

owned by the district, is for both." Kuhn clarified that any profits from the property would go into the district's student activity account, not the FFA account. Moder said he thinks there should be a minimum amount of funds placed in the district's activity account each year as part of the rent for the property. Huber said nothing is guaranteed in agriculture. "If you're doing this over a five-year lease, you will see over that five-year lease a very, I think, a better return than you would from a single renter," said Huber. Board secretary Laurie Vollrath told the board that the FFA Alumni was chosen as the renter because they would be giving up the profits from the crops grown on the land, but they have also financially supported the district's FFA chapter. Moder asked why other clubs, such as the Quarterback Club, don't have the opportunity to rent the property. Huber said because FFA CONTINUES ON PAGE 2



Former Waupaca High School athletic director Carl Eggebrecht (left) and retired Reedsburg Area High School athletic director Bryan Yager were inducted into the Wisconsin Athletic Directors Association Hall of Fame in November at the organization's annual conference in Wisconsin Dells. Submitted Photo

From Waupaca to Hall of Fame

Athletic director honored

BY GREG SEUBERT
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

EAGLE RIVER – Carl Eggebrecht had no idea what to expect when he and his family moved to Waupaca 40 years ago. He had spent the previous eight years as a social studies teacher and football, baseball and basketball coach at Rhinelander High School and headed south in 1985 to accept the position of Waupaca High School's athletic director and associate principal. It was a job he would hold until he retired 33 years later. During his time in Waupaca, Eggebrecht was an active member of the Wisconsin Athletic Directors Association, a statewide organization that inspires its members to lead in their school communities, promote education-based

athletics and provide professional growth opportunities. The association inducted Eggebrecht, along with retired Reedsburg Area High School athletic director Bryan Yager, into its Hall of Fame in November during WADA's annual conference in Wisconsin Dells. "I was notified by the retired athletic director at Wausau East (High School), who I had as an athlete when I was coaching in Rhinelander," said Eggebrecht, who now lives in Eagle River. "I thought he was kidding. You get pretty humbled about it because you start wondering, 'What caused you to deserve something like this?' I had excellent secretaries that did the work for the athletic programs and school. It wasn't just me. There were other people that made things happen." Eggebrecht helped get several sports programs off the ground during his time

in Waupaca, including boys' and girls' hockey and girls' golf. "When I got to Waupaca, I was transitioning from being a teacher into administration," he said. "There was a willingness for things to grow and get better. From a school standpoint, we had growth with a lot of positive feelings around the community." Eggebrecht said one of his major accomplishments in Waupaca was his role in opening a new high school in 2000. The school, at the intersection of State Highway 22 and King Road, included Comet field, an artificial turf football and soccer field; and new baseball and softball diamonds. Before the school opened, varsity, junior varsity and freshman football games were played at Haberkorn Eggebrecht CONTINUES ON PAGE 2

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none of those clubs have a group willing to plant crops on the land, or even asked the district if they could do that. He added that the FFA Alumni had originally contacted the district about planting on the property so

the property would not become infested with weeds.

“Since then, no one else has come forward as a booster club,” said Huber.

Moder said he was playing “devil’s advocate” with that scenario.

“I look at it this way, those other booster clubs, do an

extreme amount of things for the student body of the school,” said Moder. “That’s my only point there.”

Board member Glen Drew Lundt said some clubs, such as the soccer clubs and the swim team, have to pay to rent district facilities.

“I don’t know that getting into a deal with one club, when it’s not really been the precedent, how do we justify that to how these other clubs, we expect them to pay a fee to use certain things on the district property,” said Lundt.

Huber said the proposed

agreement with the FFA Alumni is different because the other clubs don’t give all the profits from their events to the district. They pay a fee, but keep the profits.

Board member Kris Strauman said the FFA Alumni is a longtime supporter of the district’s stu-

dents in agriculture science classes and FFA programs.

“Why are we putting roadblocks there,” said Strauman. “We need to support them.”

She added, “We’re not in this to make a profit off of the FFA, we’re in it to give education to the kids.”

EGGEBRECHT
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Field; baseball games were played at Lakemen Field; and softball games were played on a diamond next to Haberkorn Field.

“It was a big safety benefit rather than students having to transport themselves many times to practices,” Eggebrecht said. “It was all-inclusive.”

The Waupaca Ice & Expo Center, where the high school boys’ hockey teams and local youth hockey teams play

home games, was also built after Eggebrecht arrived in Waupaca.

“We had an outdoor (hockey) team for two or three years before the Expo was built,” he said. “Back in the ‘50s, they played by South Park. It was tough to get teams to come and play outdoors. Lakeland in Minocqua also had an outdoor rink for a few years when they were developing their program.”

The new high school had a big impact on the community with a field house that included two gyms, according to Eggebrecht.

“That attracted more youth programs and offering tournaments on weekends,” he said. “That just attracted more interest from kids wanting to be part of the high school program.”

A referendum to build the school passed on the first at-

tempt in the late 1990s. Although Waupaca School District taxpayers approved the project, the community stepped forward to help pay for amenities such as Comet Field.

“We had a lot of financial contributions from businesses and individuals to help support athletics,” Eggebrecht said.

Although he’s not working full-time anymore, Eggebrecht said the role of an athletic director has changed over the years. Several positions, including Waupaca’s, are now called activities director. In addition to overseeing athletics, they also schedule everything from prom to Madrigal dinners.

“It probably helps when you develop an activities director because you’re coordinating everything within the school district and even some

things outside the district,” Eggebrecht said. “We’d try to accommodate church activities going on and that type of thing. We’d keep Saturdays free for certain events that they may have.”

Eggebrecht also had to deal with rescheduled athletic competitions during the fall, winter and spring seasons. It’s easy to reschedule games and meets these days through emails and texts, but that wasn’t always the case.

“A lot of phone tag and phone calls,” Eggebrecht said. “At that time, athletic directors were more confined in their office to be able to communicate back and forth. Now, they’re out and about getting fields and courts ready and doing a lot of planning around the building.”

Eggebrecht may be retired, but he still works part-time at the Pines Community Wellness Center, a fitness facility at Northland Pines High School in Eagle River.

In some ways, it’s like he never left Waupaca, he said.

“Eagle River’s high school looks just like Waupaca High School,” he said. “The same contractor built it two years after Waupaca’s was built.”

Waupaca County Sheriff’s report

- Feb. 24 – An anonymous caller reported a post on Facebook advertising free kittens. The caller adopted one to find it sickly and noticed the other kittens were thin and bony and locked in a room with four full litter boxes.
- Feb. 24 – A Waupaca woman on Smith Street reported a male driver was slouched over the steering wheel of a dark-colored SUV for over an hour.
- Feb. 24 – Rawhide Youth Services reported a juvenile runaway.
- Feb. 24 – An unknown caller reported she thought a female was going to slit her wrists. The female sent images to a friend and the friend contacted the caller.
- Feb. 24 –A Fremont man on Pine Valley Lane reported he believed he was poisoned by his family. He requested a blood test.
- Feb. 25 –A Fremont man on Pine Valley Lane reported his wife was stalking him and she broke his furnace.
- Feb. 25 –A Weyauwega woman on Sumner Street reported another dog bit her dog and she had to pry open the jaws of the other dog.
- Feb. 25 – A female caller reported a package was stolen off her front porch.
- Feb. 25 –A Plover man reported he hit a dog with a rental car.
- Feb. 25 –ACR Repo reported they were repossessing a 2017 Nissan SUV and a 2015 GMC Sierra.
- Feb. 25 –A Clintonville woman on Neitzke Road reported her doorbell was going off for the past ten minutes. She checked outside and nobody was there.
- Feb. 26 – A New London man on Fairway Drive reported a man wearing a red hooded sweatshirt was shooting a long gun towards the golf course.
- Feb. 26 –A Big Falls woman reported a juvenile told her that another juvenile was vandalizing a bicycle at the park.
- Feb. 26 –A Manawa man reported he spotted a fire near Sturm Lake Road.
- Feb. 27 –A male caller reported that for the last four to five days from midnight to 5 a.m., someone is shining a flashlight into their van.
- Feb. 27 – The Wisconsin Veterans Home reported \$40 was taken from a resident.
- Feb. 27 –An Illinois man reported his pole barn was burglarized and a field mower, an irrigation pump and ice fishing gear were missing.
- Feb. 27 –A Fremont woman on County Trunk W reported she was missing some family photo albums.
- Feb. 27 –Rawhide Youth Services reported two juvenile runaways.
- Feb. 27 – An Iola man on County Trunk G reported his wife was physical with

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Waupaca NEWS



The Darting Needles Quilt Guild presented four Quilts of Valor to four members of the American Legion in King on Feb. 26. James Card Photo

Vets get metaphorical hug

Quilters honor those who served

BY JAMES CARD
EDITOR

KING – On Feb. 26, four veterans from the American Legion visited the Central Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery and went to the top of the hill to the committal shelter. The shelter serves as an all-season space for families and friends to gather when visiting the cemetery.

Willis Pope, Gary Lettau, Marvin Biadasz, and John Whitow were greeted by Kristine Van Eyck and Linda Pujo of the Darting Needles Quilt Guild in Appleton.

Van Eyck explained that Quilts of Valor is a nonprofit organization and their guild makes such quilts to their

standards. The Quilts of Valor Foundation’s mission is “to cover service members and veterans touched by war with comforting and healing quilts of valor.”

Not anyone can make a quilt and call it a Quilt of Valor. The standards are high: it must be 100% cotton fabric, must be large enough to cover an average-sized adult, and it must have a top, batting, and backing. It must be machine or hand quilted. A tied quilt is not acceptable. The double fold, also known as French Fold, binding is recommended.

These, along with many other technical standards and guidelines, make up a Quilt of Valor. On the quilt is a rectangular patch that lists the name of the veteran the quilt was awarded to, the date and place of the award

ceremony, and who pieced, quilted and bound the quilt (this can sometimes be three different people). There are also washing instructions.

Van Eyck presented each man a quilt and they opened each one to show the intricate patterns as each quilt was different.

“We don’t get too many World War II veterans anymore, but certainly Korea, Vietnam and a lot from more recent times, too,” said Van Eyck. “We’ve had over 400,000 quilts presented across the country to veterans. The quilt makers in our group are sisters, mothers, daughters or friends of people who have served and they want to express their gratitude for your service and this is the medium that we use. When you use it, think of it as a hug from these quilters.”



Musicians jam a Celtic ballad at HH Hinder. The brewery will host the 25th Irish Wake on Saturday, March 15. Submitted Photo

Irish Wake marks 25 years

The evolution of a March tradition

WAUPACA – The Waupaca Community Arts Board (WCAB) 25th Annual Irish Wake will be on Saturday, March 15, at HH Hinder Brewery, their new venue, The Eight10 Building, and Doc Kelly’s Irish Pub. “It’s hard to believe that we have been doing this event for 25 years,” said WCAB President Marci Reynolds. “It’s an event that started with friends and grew to take on a life of its own, creating a Waupaca tradition.”

Schedule

- 2 to 4:30 p.m.: John Laedtek and friends will start the day with traditional Irish music. They will be in the front of the HH Hinder taproom. Any musicians who have played Irish music are welcome to join them. Bring your instrument and your voice. Barb Laedtker and WCAB volunteers will be passing the Honor Roll book around for people to enter names, and folks will be encouraged to toss a memory or forgiveness into the coffin.
- 4:30: Procession to the building next door, The Eight10. This procession will include the musicians, a bagpiper, and volunteers to carry the coffin.

- 5 to 6 p.m.: Upon arrival at The Eight10, there will be Irish food for purchase by KRB Klingers while the bagpiper will play some tunes.
- 6:30 p.m. John Laedtker’s group and some more of the Irish Wake musicians will commence with some of the Irish Wake songs. Everyone is invited to sing along. The honor roll will also be read at this time.
- 7 p.m.: Flip O the Coin will play, creating an Irish Ceili, whereby everyone will have a chance to learn some Irish dance steps. There will be a caller who will lead the dance. John Laedtker’s group will go over to Doc Kelly’s Public House to share more music.

History

The Irish Wake began when Marcel Van Camp and friends decided to create a fun, wake-like event in Waupaca after attending the New London St. Patrick Day parade. They showed up at Weasel’s with a faux coffin and sang songs around it, toasting Marci’s grandma, who had recently passed away. It became an annual tradition that grew each year, with people joining in, including families honoring loved ones. Over time, the event adopted a “family-friendly pub crawl” slogan and included stops at different

pubs, singing, with a special focus on forgiving past slights, and memories of those passed on.

The event evolved as T-Dubs, Little Fat Gretchen, the Paca Pub and Simpson’s were added to the pub crawl. A key tradition was placing notes of remembrance or forgiveness into the coffin, making the event even more meaningful. An Honor Roll book listed names of those who passed, read out at each stop. The Wake continued to include music, poetry, and Gaelic songs, along with memorable moments unique to each year.

In 2020, Covid forced a cancellation, but a mini-version happened at 22 Lakes Brewery, and in 2021, the Wake was performed online with a bunch of the musicians who had been involved for many years. By 2022, the event returned with a live Irish session and Ceili dance at Danes Hall, marking a shift from the traditional pub crawl.

“It’s been an honor to see this event grow over the years,” said Reynolds. “We are proud that we have been able to retain the serious tone of love, forgiveness and remembrance amid the rowdy pub-crawl atmosphere that is just so much fun!” For more details go to www.waupacaarts.org.

PUBLISHER’S LETTER

A Moment In Time In Cartagena



Dear Reader,

Until recently, I had never been to Cartagena, Colombia. But when the opportunity arose for a short getaway with some old friends, I couldn’t resist.

Cartagena is a vast and vibrant city, but we focused our time in its historic district—the heart of its charm and beauty. There, we wandered cobblestone streets filled with pantomimes, women in brightly colored traditional dresses balancing baskets of fruit on their heads, and countless vendors offering souvenirs in the plaza. We explored the old fortress, visited the monastery perched high above the city, and soaked in the rich history surrounding us. Our home base was perfectly situated near Plaza de San Pedro, placing us right in the middle of the energy and magic of Cartagena.

One of the great joys of travel is meeting new people, and the locals of Cartagena welcomed us

with open arms. With a few Spanish speakers in our group—and occasional help from Duolingo on our phones—we struck up conversations that made the experience even more meaningful. We indulged in Colombia’s world-famous coffee, savoring the flavors offered by Juan Valdez and Alberto’s in just about every little café we encountered.

The highlight of our trip came on our final evening at La Vitrola, a restaurant as enchanting as the city itself. The food was spectacular, the live band filled the air with music, and the atmosphere was pure joy. One of our friends, having shown up in shorts, was graciously provided with a blanket to

meet the dress code—an unexpected but amusing moment. After dinner, we found ourselves outside, singing along with street musicians playing soulful Spanish songs of lost love, carried away by the music and the moment.

As I reflect on our time in Cartagena, I realize that no trip leaves you unchanged. We came home with new memories and strengthened friendships. Perhaps, in some small way, we left a piece of ourselves behind in that beautiful city. And maybe, just maybe, Cartagena carries a trace of us now too.

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Stevens Point NEWS



A rendering by Keller of what the new Stevens Point branch of Simplicity Credit Union will look like. Ground breaking will start in April. Submitted Image

Credit union builds new branch

STEVENS POINT – Simplicity Credit Union will be breaking ground on a new facility in the Portage County Business Park. Planning for the new location is underway with Keller, Inc., a design and general contractor located in central Wisconsin. The Simplicity Team plans for an official groundbreaking event early April 2025 and the new branch to open late fall of 2025.

The new Stevens Point branch will feature a larger lobby, dedicated meeting spaces for personalized financial consultations, and a 24/7 drive up for members.

“We’re looking forward to this new chapter,” said Rachel Jackson, Stevens Point Branch Manager.

“While we have loved our time at our current location, this new building will bring new opportunities to serve our members, friends, and neighbors.”

Headquartered in Marshfield, Simplicity CU currently serves more than 27,000 members from locations in Marshfield, Stevens Point, Neenah, Neillsville and online.

Ski hill closing

STEVENS POINT – Ryan Rose, the Parks Director of Portage County, announced on March 3 that due to deteriorating snow conditions, the ski hill at Standing Rocks will be closed for the year, starting the weekend of March 8.

Weight limits on county roads

STEVENS POINT – Starting on Friday, March 7, the Portage County Highway Department will be imposing seasonal weight restrictions on various county trunk highways. The weight restrictions are six tons gross load for single axle and ten tons gross load for each tandem axle (any two axles under eight feet apart). The maximum gross vehicle weight is 26 tons. Portage County Highway Department will begin installing signs along all posted roads beginning at 7:00 a.m. Enforcement will begin when signs are installed.

Seasonal weight restrictions are enforced annually in the spring during the time that the frost is coming out of the ground. This is necessary to protect the pavement which is susceptible to damage by heavy loads during this time of year.

Permits to exceed these limits may be granted based on the policy adopted by the Portage County Highway Committee. These weight restrictions are for county trunk highways only. Any weight restrictions on state, city, village, or town roads are handled by each individual entity.



Students at St. Paul Lutheran School collected a total of 923 boxes of cereal to support a local food pantry. Submitted Photo

Cereal numbers

Students rally for good cause

STEVENS POINT – Students at St. Paul Lutheran School spent the month of February collected a total of 923 boxes of cereal to support a local food pantry, easily beating their goal of 600 boxes. Their efforts were part of a statewide contest organized by Do Good Wisconsin, an initiative designed to encourage youth engagement in philanthropy and community service.

The school’s student council organized the cereal drive and they finished the campaign by unending a Cereal Box Domino Challenge on March 3. Students carefully arranged the boxes throughout the hallways knocked off a chain reaction with the cereal boxes falling over like a domino-style cascade.

Schools are competing against schools of similar size, with winners determined by two factors: the total number of cereal boxes collected and the creativity of their domino fall video. Schools across Wisconsin are submitting their videos to Do Good Wisconsin in time for National Cereal Day on March 7. Winners will be recognized with a special trophy presented by the organization at a later date.

St. Paul Lutheran School will donate 893 boxes of cereal to The Interfaith Food Pantry of Portage County and keep 30 boxes for St. Paul Lutheran’s food pantry, Cupboards for Christ. “Do Good Wisconsin’s mission is to foster a culture of kindness, giving, and philanthropy throughout Wisconsin,” said Eric Salzwedel, Executive Director and Co-Founder of the organization. “The Cereal Box Domino Challenge gives schools a chance to have fun, collaborate, and learn about philanthropy. We want students of every age to know that you’re never too young to have a positive influence on others.”

For more information about Do Good Wisconsin, its mission, upcoming events, or to view the Cereal Box Domino Challenge submission videos, visit www.dogoodwisconsin.com.

Local bridge action

STEVENS POINT – On Feb. 24, the social bridge winners at the Lincoln Center were Rose Marie Durst, Ruth Shipp, Mark Heimlich, and Jeanette Glisczynski. Call Rose Marie at 715-341-1654 by Wednesday, if you would like to play the following Monday.

On Feb. 27, the duplicate bridge winners at the Lincoln Center were Bob Alexejun and Gene Clark, Tom Rowe and Art Flashinski, and Jean Singh and Dan Stoil. New members are welcome.

On Feb. 28, the duplicate bridge winners at the Lincoln Center were Sandy Davis and Mary Jacobson, Mary Beth Anday and Polly Garbe, Nancy Quick and Gene Clark. If you are interested in playing duplicate bridge or taking a bridge class, call Sandy Davis at 715-252-3365.

Winners from the February 28 games include first-play winners Eric McVickar of Appleton and Robert Webster of Ripon, in first place. Terry and Janet Liska from Wautoma won second place. Third place was awarded to Ann Linden and Georgia Calvo from Waupaca.

The next duplicate bridge games in Waupaca will be held on Friday, March 14 at 9 a.m. in the Holly Historical Center. All area bridge teams are invited to attend.

SHERIFF’S REPORT

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him and pushing him. She also “busted the front door.”

- Feb. 27 – A New London man on Elm Street reported a female driver backed into his neighbor’s driveway and smashed into a trailer and some trees.
- Feb. 28 – Rawhide Youth Services reported a juvenile runaway.
- Feb. 28 – An Amherst woman on Yellow Brick Road reported the death of a male.
- Feb. 28 – A woman calling from the Econolodge in Waupaca reported she was arguing with her boyfriend and he left saying he was going to walk in front of a semi.
- Feb. 28 – Marion Body Works reported a fired employee was text messaging co-workers saying that he has a gun and was not afraid to use it and he specifically threatened a former supervisor.
- March 1 – A New London woman on Depot Road reported she was home alone and heard footsteps in the house. She locked herself into a room.
- March 1 – An anonymous caller reported an underage drinking party with a “bunch of kids walking in and out of the house and revving trucks in the driveway.”
- March 1 – Pine Manor Health Care in Embarrass reported allegations of sexual abuse between two residents.
- March 2 – An unknown caller reported a truck fell through the ice and was partly submerged. It was 300 yards offshore from Wolf River Drive. A person was standing next to the truck.
- March 2 – Kwik Trip on County Trunk QQ in Waupaca reported a male walked into the store and said that he didn’t know who he was and then he started tap dancing.
- There were 11 deer-related calls during this period. Twenty six controlled burns were called in. A New London woman reported her neighbor’s dog was chasing deer. A Weyauwega woman reported a dead horse had been lying on a property for “quite some time.” A Waupaca woman on McCrossen Road reported her neighbor’s dogs attacked her dogs while out for a walk. A Waupaca caller on Nelson Road reported five horses and a white sheep were running loose.

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Iola-Scandinavia NEWS



Cindy Schamber and, her daughter, Alyiah Weed are two of the new owners at Iola Coffee Co. in Iola. Emily Doud Photo

New coffee shop opens

BY EMILY DOUD
STAFF REPORTER

IOLA – The former Sweet Medicine Pharmacy on Main Street in Iola has been transformed into the village’s brand new coffee shop.

The building was purchased last March by Cindy Schamber and her family, with her husband Jeremy Zielke and her children Alyiah Weed and Alex Zielke, who immediately started working at renovating the former pharmacy.

After pulling out carpet and reflooring, adding a wall, custom woodwork, painting and updating the space, they were able to open up Jan. 31 as Iola Coffee Co.

“I can still see the blue stripe around the border and the gray walls and the blue carpet on the floor,” said Schamber. “We worked with a lot of amazing people to make this happen.”

Schamber said the goal of

opening a coffee shop has been one her and her family have had for a long time, as her and Alyiah often patronize coffee shops.

“Then this building came available,” said Schamber. “We watched it for a quite a while and then we were finally able to purchase this building and that’s how, as a family, we said, ‘Guess what? We’re opening a coffee shop.’”

Schamber said the main feature they were looking for in a potential coffee shop site was a drive-through window to add convenience to the customer experience.

As soon as you walk in to the shop there is a large mural of downtown Iola circa 1925, Schamber said they were able to get this mural thanks to the Iola Historical Society.

Schamber and her family were able to look through old pictures and pick one to enlarge to create what she called a conversational piece for the coffee shop.

Currently they are offering a full drink menu that includes lotus energy drinks, hot chocolate, boba tea, chai tea and lattes.

Schamber said they are hoping to get food in the shop as soon as they can, which will include paninis and wraps. Currently they are offering bakery items.

In addition to the drive-up window, they also have an open lobby to sit and eat and drink coffee, as well as online ordering to add to convenience.

“We’re just excited to be able to bring this to the community,” said Schamber. “The community has been very supportive.”

The Iola Coffee Shop is open Monday through Friday 6:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays from 8 a.m. to noon.

For more information you can find them on Facebook at Iola Coffee Co. or online at www.iolacoffee.com.

Two run for village president

BY EMILY DOUD
STAFF REPORTER

IOLA – Iola residents will be headed to the polls April 1 to vote for the Iola Village President, the only seat on the board that was challenged during the January caucus.

The two candidates are incumbent Jennifer Schustek and challenger is Mike Richberg.



Jennifer Schustek



Mike Richberg

Jennifer Schustek

Jennifer Schustek was elected to the Iola Village Board as President in April 2021.

Schustek said she was looking for a way to do her part for the community, and being that her children were out of the house and her husband had been a long time volunteer with Iola-Scandinavia sports she decided she wanted to run for a board position.

Schustek left briefly to attend college at the University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point, earning a degree in communications, with an emphasis on public relations and advertising.

After college, Schustek and her husband decided they wanted to return to Iola to raise a family.

“I’ve grown up in Iola, I know Iola, I’ve loved Iola, that’s why we moved back,” said Schustek.

With her grandmother owning Crystal Café, which came into the family in 1966, she was able to get to know the community.

Currently Schustek said she manages the Crystal Café, while her mother, Judy Bolier, is the current owner.

Her eldest daughter has also stepped into the café to continue in the family business as well as continuing the all female-owned legacy. Her youngest daughter is serving as a naval officer in the U.S. Navy.

Since becoming president of the village board she has coordinated work on the River Walk, the dog park, Chet Krause Legacy Park, as well as a new village sign at Hwy 161 and 49.

Schustek said she has been active in raising money for the American Legion, youth organizations as well as distributing food to families in need.

Some future projects she is hoping to accomplish if she is re-elected is continuing work on the River Walk trail by expanding the trail around Iola or building a trail to connect to Scandinavia, as well as a possible splash pad.

Schustek said she

is looking into the future and working on getting grants to help fund projects such as a kayak launch, more work on the Taylor Field boat landing, fixing up Taylor Field, working on playground equipment, possibly a shelter by the River Walk.

“These grants would open up a lot of money,” said Schustek. “We want to have all these amenities without the cost to the taxpayer [or] the village.”

Schustek said she is all about the community, saying her heart is in Iola.

“We’ve got our own police department, our fire department, our ambulance, we have the aquatic center, there’s so many things that this small town offers,” she said. “That’s why I think people love it here.”

Mike Richberg

Richberg moved to the Iola community with his wife in 2020, previous to that he lived in Illinois and was born in Syracuse, New York.

Richberg attended Cornell University, graduating with a degree in agriculture economics.

After college, Richberg said he served in the Army from 1983 to 1994, after which he worked in commercial finance for Wells Fargo where he retired from in 2021.

While living in Illinois they both decided that they wanted to move to Wisconsin, being they both worked remotely they were able to start looking for a new home prior to retirement.

“[My wife] found the house we live in, which had a huge bedroom upstairs, it doubled as our office space and it was perfect,” he said. “Ever since then it was perfect, we love living here.”

Since moving to Iola he has been an active mem-

ber of the American Legion and joined the Iola Fire Department in 2024.

Richberg said he decided to run for Village Board president because he was asked to; however, he said he had been considering it for the last couple of years.

“If you know me, when people ask for my help, I typically give it,” he said.

Richberg said if he wins the election he wants to focus on community engagement and getting people involved in the government.

“A lot of people don’t come to board meetings because they think they’re not being heard,” he said. “That’s one of the things I wanted to try to bring to the community, is be as open and transparent as possible.”

Richberg expressed an interest in building business in downtown and the workforce in the community if he should win the election.

“I’d like to see Iola become a community where people want to open a business, and grow the town a little bit, and utilize some of the resources we have here now,” said Richberg.

Richberg said his short term plans should he win be learning the new position, then learning what concerns need to be addressed immediately.

Richberg said he would like to make an immediate impact early by finding four to five issues he can address right away.

“I don’t want people to say ‘my voice isn’t heard, nobody cares,’” said Richberg. “This is only my opinion, but there appears to be a disconnect between the village board and the community in and of itself and what I want to do is get people involved again.”

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New London & Hortonville NEWS

Council cautious over Fed cuts

Library grant not guaranteed

BY BERT LEHMAN
STAFF REPORTER

NEW LONDON – The New London Common Council unanimously approved a grant agreement for the state of Wisconsin Flexible Facilities Program despite it including language indicating the \$3.9 million grant for the library renovation project is not guaranteed.

The approval came at a Feb. 27 joint meeting between the council and the New London Public Library & Museum Board. With the grant agreement, the city will proceed forward with the library renovation project.

Prior to the discussion, New London City Administrator Chad Hoerth reminded the council that in October, the city of New London was awarded a \$3.9 million Flexible Facilities Program Grant for the library renovation project. The grant was awarded through the Wisconsin Department of Administration (DOA).

“The council did vote to accept the grant, and authorize the mayor to execute the agreement and other documents for the grants,” said Hoerth.

Hoerth said the city received the grant agreement last week from the DOA, but an additional statement was added to the agreement that wasn’t in the draft agreement that the city received in December.

The additional statement in the agreement reads, “The funds awarded under this agreement are dependent on the availability from

the funding source, including federal funding sources. And termination of this agreement for lack of available funding shall be without penalty. The departments have no obligation to reimburse or compensate grantee for expenses due to award funds not being provided by those funding sources. Federal funds under this agreement provided by the U.S. Department of Treasury Capital Projects Fund Flexible Facilities Program and are subject to the continued availability of the funding from the U.S. Department of Treasury.”

After contacting a representative from the state of Wisconsin, Hoerth said no further information was available. Hoerth was able to confirm that the funds for the grant come from the United States Treasury Department, and not from the state of Wisconsin.

“Once we submit reimbursement requests for our project to the state, the state then sends reimbursement requests to the federal level, and it’s a pass-through program,” said Hoerth.

According to Hoerth, the representative told him that “despite the Trump Administration’s recent activities, the U.S. Treasury told the state to proceed with the program as planned.”

After doing some research, Hoerth said the U.S. Department of Treasury’s Capital Projects Fund is a \$10 billion fund that funds projects throughout the United States. He added that nothing related to the grant program refers to DEI, gender equity, or green energy.

“Any of those big items that are targets for the

Trump Administration right now,” said Hoerth. “Nothing in this grant, that I see, are those big items.”

He added, “You have thousands of these projects nationwide going on right now, if they cut the funding to this, you’re going to have a lot of upset states, and a lot of upset municipalities moving forward.”

Hoerth said he wanted to make sure the council was aware of the situation regarding the grant funding.

New London City Attorney Keith Steckbauer said the program supplying the grant for the library renovation project was not listed as a program the Trump Administration had tried to cut.

“I think it’s good for us that it’s (grant funding) from the Department of Treasury,” said Steckbauer. “To me, it looks like an abundance caution that the state is giving us.”

New London Mayor Mark Herter said he was recently in Washington D.C. representing the city of New London and New London Utilities, and he had the opportunity to speak with both Wisconsin senators about grant funding.

Herter said Senator Ron Johnson told him, “If your business plan is based off of federal money, change your business plan.”

Herter said Senator Tammy Baldwin didn’t understand what the grant process was, and wasn’t aware of the Flexible Facilities Grant. After Baldwin researched it more, she spoke with Herter about it.

Ald. John Hass asked what would happen if the city moved forward

with the library renovation project, but the grant funds were later not available.

Ald. BaLynda Croy echoed that question.

“I don’t want to see us turn down grant monies because of fear mongering, and that’s what I feel like is happening to this whole country right now,” Croy said. “That we would turn down \$4 million because we’re scared we might not get it in 12 months. Additionally, none of us want to see the library project not move forward. So, what’s the contingency plan if it’s not fear mongering?”

New London Finance Director Judy Radke said borrowing the money for the library renovation project would mean a lot of debt for the city.

“It would be detrimental to the city to take on that kind of debt overnight,” said Radke. “And it would definitely shut down most of what we’re moving forward on right now.”

Ald. David Dorsey asked if it was possible for the city to have a referendum to ask taxpayers to pay for the library renovation after the project was started and the city then found out the grant funds were not available.

Radke said that would be possible.

“I think the citizens would be more apt to understand we had the money, it got jerked away from us by the federal government, now this is what we need to do,” said Dorsey.

Croysaid she understands the concerns regarding the availability of the grant funds, but said, “It is time for this city to have this project completed.”

\$482,106 approved

Lots of equipment to replace

BY BERT LEHMAN
STAFF REPORTER

NEW LONDON – The New London Common Council approved an additional \$482,106 in capital projects and equipment purchases for 2025 at its Feb. 19 meeting.

The capital projects and equipment were discussed by the New London Capital Project and Equipment Committee at its meeting held Feb. 5. At that meeting, New London Finance Director Judy Radke told the committee that the 2025 city budget originally included \$500,000 for capital projects.

She said that at the December New London Capital Project and Equipment Committee meeting, the committee approved spending \$276,309. She added that the New London Finance Committee had approved moving \$325,000 from the general fund to the capital fund. This put the capital fund at \$548,191 available to spend on the city’s capital project list.

New London City Administrator Chad Hoerth said city administration was recommending approval of an additional \$482,106 of capital equipment and projects for 2025.

One of the equipment purchases would be a new plow truck at a cost of \$300,000. The new plow truck would replace a 2014 model the city has. The truck would be ordered this year, but may not be delivered until 2026.

Another purchase would be replacing the copier at the city’s swimming pool with a new copier. This would cost \$2,400.

Capital spending for the New London Public Works Department would include: street projects (\$50,000), sidewalk patching program (\$50,000), police de-

partment retaining wall replacement (\$35,000), city hall roof assessment (\$1,468), library/museum roof assessment (\$1,240), senior center roof assessment (\$587), and police department roof assessment (\$2,283).

Regarding the retaining wall at the police department, Hoerth said, “The retaining wall, it’s a brick retaining wall, and it’s falling apart. We need to get that replaced and fixed.”

Capital spending for the New London Parks and Recreation Department would include: camera updates at the Aquatic and Fitness Center (\$3,015), fitness room cardio equipment replacement (\$8,100), and bleacher upgrades at Pfeifer Park (\$20,000).

Hoerth said the city needs to regularly replace the equipment in the fitness room at the Aquatic and Fitness Center.

“There was a time where we would let this go for years and years,” said Hoerth. “I don’t know if anyone remembers, but there was a point in time we had all three treadmills at the pool go down because we weren’t replacing them over time. We heard about it. When all three treadmills went down, it was not fun. So, we definitely want to replace one or two pieces of equipment every year and just get a good rotation on the equipment replacement down at the pool.”

Other capital spending for the city would include: remote tablets, covers, and keyboards for a new time and attendance system for the municipal building (\$4,813) and rewiring a digital sign at the New London Public Museum (\$3,200).

Ald. Robert Besawasked if more equipment purchases or projects could be added to the list.

Hoerth said if all the above equipment and projects were approved, there would still be some funds left for unexpected equipment purchases and projects.

Wega-Fremont NEWS

Full ride for science whiz

FREMONT – Jon Friemark of Fremont was the winner of the annual Viterbo University Health Science Scholarship Competition on Feb. 14. He finished first out of 19 outstanding high school students to win a four-year, full-tuition scholarship to attend Viterbo University in La Crosse, Wisconsin. Friemark, a senior at Fox Valley Lutheran High School.



Jon Friemark (center) is pictured with Michael Alfieri, dean of the Viterbo College of Engineering, Letters, and Sciences (left) and Viterbo President Rick Trietley.

Submitted Photo

Two choppers for vehicle crash

WEYAUWEGA – One vehicle crashed on Pufahl Road north of Zabel Road on Wednesday, Feb. 26 at 9:02 p.m. A Theda Star helicopter took the driver to Saint Vincent’s Hospital

in Green Bay. An Eagle 3 helicopter took a passenger to ThedaCare Medical Center in Neenah. Another passenger was taken by ambulance to ThedaCare Medical Center in Wau-

paca and a one passenger walked away from the accident scene.

The Waupaca County Sheriff’s Office was assisted by the Weyauwega Police Department, the Wisconsin

State Patrol, the Weyauwega Fire Department, Gold Cross Ambulance Service and Fremont-Wolf River Ambulance. The crash remains under investigation.

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point, when there’s a decision to develop hydropower, the entity that is going to pursue a license for that hydropower and that development would begin the process and acquire a new license.”

Brandon Strehlow, a consultant with Cedar Corporation which is the city’s engineering firm, said they will be getting all of the quotes to City officials by March 14 for each of the above options, including a quote to remove the existing structure.

A plan will need to be chosen for the dam and submitted to the Joint Finance committee for the State of Wisconsin by the end of March to be considered for the 2026 budget.

The members of the Town of Little Wolf Board were present at this meeting, as they have been at several of the council meetings.

“The Town of Little Wolf has been adversely affected as well,” said Jackie Beyer, the Town of Little Wolf Clerk. “The Town is willing to assist in having the Mill Pond restored. We are interested in being included in the solution, and our priority is to make the affected residents whole.”

At a special meeting of the Little Wolf Town Board, held on Feb. 27, the town board approved a resolution to commit to the restoration of the Manawa Mill Pond, and authorize the chair to sign a forthcoming agreement with the city to help fund the project.

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Woman’s Club hosts Fashion Show

SHAWANO – The Shawano Woman’s Club will hold its 19th annual Fashion Show fundraiser at the Northwinds Banquet Hall at 1103 N. Main Street in Marion on Thursday, May 8.

Spring and summer clothing, footwear, and jewelry from Dreier Pharmacy Gift Shoppe, Ultimate Closet and Thornberry Cottage in downtown Shawano and B&H Fashionwear and Footwear from Clintonville will be modeled.

Proceeds from the event go towards scholarships for local students, the Shawano Historical Society, the Shawano County Library, Shawano County Veterans, and many other community organizations. We have a history of more than 100 years of supporting education and the basic needs of adults and children in our community.

The 2024 event raised more than \$15,000, thanks to the guests who purchased wine, swag bags, and raffle tickets for our popular gift baskets. A silent auction was also held. These events will be found at this year’s event.

Tickets are \$40. Call Sue at (715) 570-0531 to purchase them. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. There is a cash bar available, along with Wine Pull and swag bags sales, plus ticket sales for raffle baskets. Luncheon is at noon.

Contributions to the Fashion Show from local businesses and residents are appreciated. Call Judy at (715) 526-1968 to donate. Gift certificates/cards, in-kind donations or cash/check contributions are welcome. Donations are acknowledged at the Fashion Show, to mark our appreciation. April 15 is the last date to donate.

Information about the club can be found on the website. www.shawano-womansclub.com.

Miracle-Ear rental contract approved

BY BERT LEHMAN
STAFF REPORTER

CLINTONVILLE – The Clintonville Common Council approved a rental agreement with Midwest Hearing, LLC doing business as Miracle-Ear, so the company can use the lounge area at the Clintonville Community Center.

The council approved the agreement at its Feb. 11 meeting.

The agreement would be for the remaining months of 2025, for a total of \$5,200 in revenue for the city.

Finance Committee

The agreement was discussed at the Feb. 10 Clintonville Finance Committee meeting. At the meeting,

Justin Mc Auly, director of Public Works for the city of Clintonville, told the committee that Miracle-Ear is a hearing aid company that has been using the Clintonville Community Center for more than 15 years, usually using the lounge area.

“They are looking to expand to multiple days per week,” said Mc Auly.

He added that he heard that the Miracle-Ear office in Shawano was shut down due to mold in their facility.

“So, they’re looking at gradually adding more days to our facility,” said Mc Auly.

The agreement would be an annual rental agreement to use the community center.

Rep. Behnke at town hall

CLINTONVILLE – State Representative Elijah Behnke (R-Town of Chase) will hold a listening sessions in the 6th Assembly District on Saturday, March 8 from 2 to 3 p.m. at the Town of Matteson Hall on N10891 Jepson Road. He will hold another session earlier in the day in Pulaski.

Behnke will offer insights into the biennial budget process and the current legislative session. “Traveling throughout the district will provide an important opportunity to hear directly from constituents about their needs and interests,” said Behnke.

Camping approved for fur traders

Celebration at W.A. Olen Park

BY BERT LEHMAN
STAFF REPORTER

CLINTONVILLE – As part of the Clintonville Area Historical Society’s 50th Anniversary, a group of campers will be allowed to camp at W.A. Olen Park June 21 and 22.

The Clintonville Common Council approved the camping request when it met Feb. 11. The council also approved the use of in-ground fire pits by the campers at the park. The campers would camp near the open shelter and the tennis courts in the park.

The approvals were needed because city ordinances do not allow for camping or fire pits in the park.

“Our current ordinance doesn’t allow camping in the parks and in order for their event to run smoothly with the Fur Trader Rendezvous, it would be convenient for the group to be able to sleep in their campers near their encampment,” said Justin Mc Auly, director of Public Works for the city of Clintonville, in a Feb. 11 memo to the mayor of Clintonville and the council members.

For fire pits, the sod would be removed and set aside. A fire would then be built in the pit. Before the campers leave, they would replace the sod, so in a couple of weeks the area would look as it did before the camping.

“Both requests are normally granted to this group at other locations they travel to throughout the year,” said Mc Auly in the memo.

The Clintonville Historical Society is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. A full day of celebration will take place on June 22 at Pioneer Park where the Historical Society’s three historical buildings are located. Historical trolley tours are also planned.

Stories of survival

CLINTONVILLE – John Armbruster will be a guest speaker on Tuesday March 25 at 6 p.m. at the Clintonville Public Library. He is hosted by The Friends of the Library and the event is free and open to the public. Armbruster is the author of Tailspin, the true story of World War II tail gunner Gene Moran.

John Armbruster, a rookie social studies teacher overhears a conversation about a World War II tail gunner who survived a four-mile fall from the sky. It turns out the tail gunner, Gene Moran, lives just a few miles up the road. The teacher, John Armbruster, will have to wait sixteen years to hear this story. That’s nothing. Gene’s children waited six decades.

When the elderly Gene finally shares his saga, John has no idea of the wounds he’s reopening. Stories of burning bomber planes cartwheeling through the German sky and mortally wounded friends screaming for help are only the beginning. Gene reluctantly gives up memories of his transport on a hell ship and his six-hundred-mile forced march in 1945 as Central Europe becomes a continent of death.

As John records three years of interviews with Gene, his wife, Carmen, fights her own war against cancer. Carmen loses this battle. John must continue uncovering Gene’s story of survival and struggle as he himself confronts life as a grieving single father to two young sons.

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Obituary Notices

Leonard, Larry



Larry Lee Leonard, beloved husband, father, grandfather, and friend, passed away peacefully on March 1, 2025. Born on March 26, 1945, Larry grew up on the family farm north of Truman, Minnesota. Larry graduated from Truman High School in 1963 before pursuing his passion for agricultural mechanics at the Austin Area Vocational-Technical Institute in Austin, MN. On March 5, 1965, Larry married the love of his life, Marjorie Kaduce.

Together, they built a life filled with love, hard work, and devotion to their family and their Christian faith. They raised three sons, Timothy, Thomas, and Joey. Tragically, Timothy passed away in 2017, a loss that Larry carried with him but faced with resilience and strength.

Larry's career was deeply rooted in the farm equipment repair industry. After working as a farm tractor mechanic in Minnesota and Iowa, he moved his young family to Green Bay, Wisconsin, in 1973 to work as a Service Representative for International Harvester. In order to spend more time with his family and less time on the road, the family moved to Waupaca, WI, where Larry worked for an IH dealership before launching his own business, Larry's Farm Tractor Repair, in 1984. His reputation for honesty, skill, and commitment to helping farmers kept him busy until his retirement.

Upon retiring, Larry and Marjorie relocated to Mena, Arkansas in 2008 where they built a home on a beautiful piece of land adjoining the Ouachita National Forest. There, he enjoyed the peace of nature, working on tractors in his shop, and spending time with friends from their church family.

Larry was preceded in death by his parents, Wayne and Bernyce Leonard; his son, Timothy; his brother, Marlin "Dee" Leonard; and his sister-in-law, Donna Leonard.

He is survived by his loving wife, Marjorie; his sons, Thomas (Irene House) of Waupaca, WI, and Joey (Rachel) of Birchwood, WI; his cherished grandchildren: Karina (Ben Nuthals) Rasmussen of Green Bay, WI; Brittany (Race Miller) Leonard of Oshkosh, WI; Amanda (Ray) Marx of Onalaska, WI; Jacob (Tiffany Chater) Leonard of Honolulu, HI; and Benjamin Leonard of New Smyrna Beach, FL. He also leaves behind his adored great-grandchildren: Hailey, Aubrey, Alice, and Graham. Larry is also survived by his siblings, Suzanne (Hideo) Kawasumi of Tokyo, Japan; Nancy Harrison of Mankato, MN; and Dudley Leonard of Truman, MN; as well as his sister-in-law, Lucy Leonard of Sioux Falls, SD. Larry also leaves behind many brothers in law, sisters in law, nieces, nephews, extended family members, and friends who will cherish his memory.

A funeral service will be held on Friday, March 7, 2025 at 2:00 PM at the Zaharia Family Funeral Home in Truman, Minnesota. Interment will follow the service at the Antrim Public Cemetery in Lewisville, Minnesota under the direction of Zaharia Family Funeral Home in Truman, Minnesota. A visitation will be held two hours prior to the service.

Granado, Joyce



Joyce M. Granado, age 86 of Shawano, formerly of Bear Creek, passed away Wednesday, February 26, 2025 at Shawano Place.

Joyce Marilyn Knapp was born on February 28, 1938 in Bear Creek as the daughter of the late Oscar and Bertha (Witzke) Knapp. She graduated from Clintonville High School and was united in marriage to Edward Pahl in 1958. The couple had 3 children and later divorced. Joyce worked for a while at

Flanagan's in Bear Creek but spent most of her working years as a custodian for the Clintonville School District until her retirement. On May 5, 1979 Joyce was united in marriage to Jesus Granado at the Christus Lutheran Church in Clintonville where she was still a current member. Joyce was proud to have been selected as the Queen of Harvest Festival Days and looked forward to heading out to local establishments with Jesus where she made many friends over the years. Joyce loved to work in her garden and can the fruits of her labor. She also never turned away a stray pet as she was certainly a kindhearted soul with a house full of animals.

Survivors include:
Her Son: Richard (Jodee) Pahl.
Daughter: Cara (Sandy Suehring) Pahl.
Numerous grandchildren.
Sister: Shirley Higgins.
Sister-in-law: Deloras Knapp.
Also numerous other relatives and friends.

Joyce was preceded in death by her parents Oscar and Bertha Knapp, her husband Jesus Granado, ex-husband Edward Pahl, son Allen Pahl and another child in infancy, and by brothers Garland, Earl (Shirley), and Dan Knapp.

Joyce's funeral service were held Saturday, March 1, 2025 at 11am at Christus Lutheran Church in Clintonville with Rev. Brian Crocker officiating. Interment will take place at Graceland Cemetery in Clintonville in the spring. Visitation was held at the church on Saturday from 9am until the time of the service. In lieu of flowers memorials would be appreciated for Christus Lutheran Church or The Alzheimer's Association. Joyce's family would like to thank the wonderful, caring staff at Shawano Place and Moment's Hospice for all of their help over the past 3 years. The Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home & Crematory of Clintonville is assisting her family with the arrangements. www.eberhardtstevenson.com

Jorgensen, Dale



Dale Bruce Jorgensen, 72, died peacefully in his sleep at home in Florida on Feb. 19. He was born in Iola, Wisconsin to Jim Jorgensen and Eileen (Marquard) Jorgensen. After graduating from Waupaca High School, he went on the the University of Wisconsin Stevens Point, and achieved his Master's degree in Electrical Engineering from University of Southern California in 1978.

In 1971, Dale met Diane at the University of Stevens Point. Dale and Diane went on to have three children, Summer, Luis and Sandra.

Dale had been well, active and working. Work was a pleasure for Dale. He retired from intel Corp. in his 50s and then, returning from California to his home town of Waupaca, Wisconsin, he became part of a consultant group that served Pizza Ranch restaurants across several states. He was business savvy and a dedicated father, husband and friend. He cared for family and friends well and he demonstrated that in everything he did.

Dale used his success to help so many and it is impossible to list the countless people who were recipients of this generosity. Dale was quiet and never drew attention to himself. Without exaggeration, Dale's generosity extended even to the world stage and he had a heart for global missions. he demonstrated this in financial ways and also through his son Luis' involvement. only eternity will know how many people were truly affected by Dale's life.

One of his favorite things to do was taking pontoon rides on the Chain O' Lakes in Wisconsin.

The silver lining to Dale's death is that he was a born again believer in Jesus Christ and he is safely in the arms of His Savior now. We are absolutely certain that Dale heard those words "well done, good and faithful servant". In our minds he was taken too soon, but in God's mind it was just the right time.

We will miss Dale so much, we will think of him every time we walk into a Pizza Ranch restaurant or take a pontoon ride on the Chain O'Lakes in Waupaca.

Dale was predeceased by his parents and daughter Summer. he is survived by his wife Diane, sister Debbie, and Children Luis and Sandra.

Visitation will be held at Victory Church on March 22nd at 9:30 am with the service to follow. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Go Multiply, and organization that Dale felt close to.

Beery, Harvey "Jim" Roger



Jim R. Beery, age 95 of Clintonville, passed away on Friday morning, February 28, 2025 at Shawano Health Services.

Born Harvey "Jim" Roger Beery on Mary 12, 1929 in Shawano, WI, son to the late Ray & Mary (Biebelhausen) Beery. He enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1950 and was later honorably discharged in December of 1952. Jim was united in marriage to Elaine Walters in Dubuque, IA on

January 10, 1958. The couple moved to Clintonville in 1963 and Jim was employed in sales at the H. Phillips Co. in Wausau, WI for over 25 years. As a member of the Curling Club, Jim served on the board twice and enjoyed curling for many years. He also loved to spend time outdoors golfing, fishing and hunting. Traveling to Canada and North Dakota many times over the years for duck hunting was always something he enjoyed. As a member of American Legion Post #63, Jim, with his long-time friend, Jack McConly, was a staple on the grill for the Legion Steak Fries for over 25 years. Spending leisure time up at the cabin near Pickerel Lake with his family was a great opportunity to relax and catch up with loved ones.

Jim is survived by: Daughters: Mary (Darrell) Ruh, Bonnie (Dave) Ferg, & Cindy (Warren) Walotka. Grandchildren: Kelly (Jason) Ruh, Donny (Tammy) Ruh, Corey Ferg, & Shannon (Emily) Ferg. Seven great-grandchildren.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Elaine; sisters, Gladies (Irm) Schultz, Pearl (Leonard) Zaddock, Milly Beery, Evlyn (Lealand) Yaeger, Elaine (Bob) Hien, Arlyn (Scott) Jump; & a brother, Elmer (Alice) Beery.

A graveside committal will be held at 11 AM, Friday March 7, 2025 at St. Rose Cemetery, Clintonville. Military honors will be conducted by VFW Post #664, American Legion Post #63, and American Legion Auxiliary Unit #63, all of Clintonville.

The Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home & Crematory, Clintonville is assisting the Beery family. An online guest-book is available at eberhardtstevenson.com.

Knapp, Delores C.



Delores C. Knapp, age 90 of Clintonville, passed away on Saturday evening March 1, 2025 at her daughter's home in Oshkosh, WI.

Delores Clara Knapp was born April 14, 1934 in the Town of Belle Plaine, Shawano County, daughter to the late Edward & Edna (Westphal) Bartz. She attended Shawano schools and later was united in marriage to Garland Knapp on May 10, 1952 at Christus Lutheran Church, Clintonville, where she was a lifelong member. She lived and worked on the couple's dairy farm near Bear Creek for many years and later worked for Simmons in New London retiring in 1999. She then moved to Clintonville where she has lived since. Delores will be remembered for her work ethic, her creativity and the way she cared about others.

She is survived by her children: Tammy (Charles) Norton, Oshkosh & Dennis Knapp, Wild Rose; Grandchildren: Jake (Dawn) Southard, Dusty (Connie) Southard, Kimberly (Jon) Ostrowski, & Susan (Matt) Butkiewicz; Great-grandchildren: Marissa, Madison, Bradley, Lincoln, & Finn; Many nieces, nephew, and cousins.

Delores was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Garland; sister, Dorothy Bruette; and brother, William Bartz Sr.

A graveside committal with urn burial will be held 11 AM on Monday, March 10, 2025 at Graceland Cemetery, Clintonville with the Rev. Shelly Klemp officiating.

The family offers a special thank you to Pam & Duane Seelig.

The Eberhardt-Stevenson Funeral Home & Crematory, Clintonville is assisting the Knapp family.

An online guestbook is available at eberhardtstevenson.com.

Cody, Edward

Edward "John" J. Cody, age 91 of Clintonville, passed away on Tuesday, February 25, 2025.

Ellis, Shirley

Shirley A. Ellis, age 88 of Waupaca, passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday morning, February 26, 2025 at her home.

Pingel, Dianne

Dianne J. Pingel, age 82 of Wittenberg, formerly of Tigerton, passed away early Sunday morning March 2, 2025.

Anderson, Tina

Tina Marie Anderson (Lumby), age 43 of Dupont, passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday February 25, 2025.

Wendt, Karen



Karen Ardys Wendt, age 82, of Waupaca, WI, passed away on Saturday, February 22nd, 2025, as a result of an ongoing health issue. She was born August 30, 1942 in Mauston, WI to the late Ardys and Riley Robinson. She was a 1960 graduate of Mauston High School and a graduate of Madison Business College. She worked at WI Physicians Service in Madison for two years before marrying Andy Wendt and moving to Waupaca in 1964.

Karen and Andy were married in 1963 in Mauston, WI, and at the time of her death, they had been married for 62 years.

Karen is survived by her husband, Andy Wendt of Waupaca, WI; two daughters, Holly Wendt (John Dykhoff), Minneapolis, MN, and Kim Knutson, La Crosse, WI; two grandsons, Sam (Cara) Kinderman, Wauwatosa, WI, and Ross Kinderman, St. Paul, MN; and one great-grandson, Simon Kinderman. Karen was preceded in death by her parents and brother, Dave Robinson.

A Memorial Service will be held at 1:00 pm on Saturday, March 22, 2025 at Holly Funeral Home in Waupaca. Pastor Jeff Fletcher will officiate. Visitation will be held from 11:00 am until time of service at 1:00 pm at Holly's. Burial will be held at a later date at Lakeside Memorial Park in Waupaca.

Wopp, Diane Lea



Diane Lea Wopp, age 78, of Clintonville, formerly of Wittenberg, passed away March 1, 2025, at ThedaCare Medical Center in Shawano.

She was born on January 26, 1947, in Wausau, the daughter of Donald R. "Pete" Hanke and Doris Lorraine (Jensen) Hanke. She was a graduate of Wittenberg-Birmamwood High School. She married Dale Blum in 1966. They had two children. Diane and Dale went their separate ways after many

years of marriage. She later married Paul Wopp on March 20, 1999.

Diane worked as a line worker at S&E Enterprises window manufacturing company for many years, and later worked at North Star Mohican Casino Resort and Ho-Chunk Gaming, before retiring. She was a very enthusiastic Green Bay Packers fan and loved watching the Packers play. She enjoyed feeding and watching her birds outside her apartment window in Wittenberg. She loved collecting anything with owls on it. She was a Christian and a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Wittenberg for many years, and faithfully attended until her health no longer allowed. She was a loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, and friend.

Diane is survived by two children, son Richard (Rhonda) Blum of Thayer, Missouri, and daughter Juli (Burt) Brady of Tigerton; four grandchildren Jeremy (Brenda) Brady, Josh (Amanda) Brady, Garrett Blum and Abigail Blum; five great-grandchildren Jaelyn Brady, Jaxson Brady, Jessalyn Brady, Cal Christianson, and Haley Brady; two sisters Donna Zeinert and Doris (Ron) Matz; several nieces and nephews and many friends.

She is preceded in death by her parents, first husband Dale Blum, husband Paul Wopp, brother Daryl Hanke, and brother David Hanke.

A Funeral Service will be held at 11:00 am on Monday, March 10th, 2025, at St Paul Lutheran Church, Wittenberg. Rev. Matthew Christians will officiate. Burial will be in the parish cemetery. Visitation will be held on Monday, from 9:00 am until the time of service at the church.

Schmidt & Schulta Funeral Home, Wittenberg, is assisting the family with arrangements. Memories and messages of support may be shared at schmidtschulta.com.

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City of Clintonville Liquor License

Notice is hereby given that the following Class B Beer/Liquor license and Class B Reserve Liquor license applications have been filed with the Clerk for the licensing year March 19, 2025 – June 30, 2025:

The Vault: Clintonville LLC
Angela Sonnenberg, Agent
60 10th St
Clintonville, WI 54929
Veterans Memorial Post 63
Peter Bodoh, Agent
20 Memorial Circle
Clintonville, WI 54929
Peggy Johnson, City Clerk
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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL DIVISION WAUPACA COUNTY

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC Plaintiff,

vs. JAMES ANDERSON N7176 FITZGERALD RD NEW LONDON, WI 54961

SHELLY KRUEGER N7176 FITZGERALD RD NEW LONDON, WI 54961

UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JAMES ANDERSON N7176 FITZGERALD RD NEW LONDON, WI 54961

UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SHELLY KRUEGER N7176 FITZGERALD RD NEW LONDON, WI 54961

Defendants.

SUMMONS
Real Estate Mortgage Foreclosure Case No: 2024CV000319

Honorable Troy L. Nielsen Case Code No. 30404

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN To the following party named as defendant herein: SHELLY KRUEGER AND THE SPOUSE OF SHELLY KRUEGER.

You are hereby notified that the plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The Complaint, which is also served upon you, states the nature and basis of the legal action. Within forty 40 days after February 27, 2025, 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:

Waupaca County Circuit Clerk 811 Harding Street Waupaca, WI 54981

and to Sara Schmeling/Marinosci Law Group, P.C., plaintiff's attorney, whose address is:

MARINOSCI LAW GROUP, P.C. 16535 W. Bluemound Rd., Suite 333 Brookfield, WI 53005

Tel: (414) 831-9723 Fax: (920) 221-7719

E-mail: MLGWisconsin-ALL@mlg-defaultlaw.com

You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not provide a proper answer within 40 days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the complaint, and you may lose your right to object 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 in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

Dated this 18th day of February, 2025.

/s/ Sara Schmeling Sara Schmeling / MARINOSCI LAW GROUP, P.C.

State Bar No. 1086879 16535 W. Bluemound Rd., Suite 333 Brookfield, WI 53005

Telephone: 414-831-9723 Facsimile: 920-221-7719

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creditor's attorney and is attempting to collect a debt on its behalf. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT WAUPACA COUNTY

Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority Plaintiff,

vs. Garret Lutz, Jane Doe Lutz and Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
Case No. 24-CV-000222

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure entered on December 30, 2024 in the amount of \$119,889.17 the Sheriff will sell the described premises at public auction as follows:

TIME: April 1, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

TERMS: 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, 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 encumbrances.

PLACE: On the front steps of the Waupaca County Courthouse, City and County of Waupaca

DESCRIPTION: Part of Outlot 5 of President and Trustee's Plat to the Village of Iola, Waupaca County, Wisconsin, bounded by a line commencing at a point 6 rods West of the Southeast corner of said Outlot 5, thence West along street 6 rods, thence North 6 rods, thence East 6 rods, thence South 6 rods to place of beginning.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 360 W State St Iola, WI 54945-9648

DATED: January 30, 2025 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.

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CITY OF WAUPACA VOTING BY ABSENTEE BALLOT 2025 SPRING ELECTION TUESDAY APRIL 1, 2025

Any qualified elector who is unable or unwilling to appear at the polling place on Election Day may submit a request to vote an absentee ballot to their municipal clerk. A qualified elector is any U.S. citizen who:

- will be 18 years of age or older on Election Day.

- has resided in the ward or municipality where they wish to vote for at least 28 consecutive days before the election.

The elector must also be registered to vote to receive an absentee ballot. Proof of identification must be provided before an absentee ballot may be issued.

Making application to receive an absentee ballot by mail

Contact your municipal clerk and request that an application for an



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(920) 733-2938

Local Area Representative
Appleton Marble & Granite
800-472-5506

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absentee ballot be sent to you for the primary or election or both. You may make written application to your municipal clerk for an absentee ballot in person, by mail, by fax, by email or at [MyVote.wi.gov](#)

Your written request must include:

1. your voting address within the municipality where you wish to vote
2. the address where the absentee ballot should be sent, if different from the address above
3. your signature
4. a copy of your photo identification*

The deadline for making application to receive an absentee ballot by mail is:

5:00 p.m. on the fifth day before the election – Thursday March 27, 2025**

*Voters who are indefinitely confined due to age, illness, infirmity, or disability may not be required to provide photo ID. If this applies to you, contact the municipal clerk regarding deadlines for requesting and submitting an absentee ballot.

**Special absentee voting application provisions apply to electors who are indefinitely confined, in the military, hospitalized, or serving as a sequestered juror. If this applies to you, contact the municipal clerk regarding deadlines for requesting and submitting an absentee ballot.

Voting an absentee ballot in person
You may also request and vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office during the days and hours specified for casting an absentee ballot in person.

Barb Nowak, City Clerk
City of WAUPACA
111 S. Main Street
Waupaca, WI 54981
715-258-4411

In-Person Absentee Voting Hours:
March 18, 2025 – March 21, 2025, and March 24, 2025 – March 26, 2025, from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. and March 27, 2025 – March 28, 2025 from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

The first day to vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office is: Tuesday March 18, 2025 - 8:00 a.m.

The last day to vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office is: Friday March 28, 2025 - 5:00 p.m.

No in-person absentee voting may occur on the day before the election. The municipal clerk will deliver voted ballots returned on or before Election Day to the proper polling place or counting location before the polls close on April 1, 2025. Any ballots received after the polls close will not be counted.

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Your written request must include:

1. your voting address within the municipality where you wish to vote
2. the address where the absentee ballot should be sent, if different from the address above
3. your signature
4. a copy of your photo identification*

The deadline for making application to receive an absentee by mail is 5:00 p.m., on Thursday, March 27, 2025

*Voters who are indefinitely confined due to age, illness, infirmity, or disability may not be required to provide photo ID. If this applies to you, contact the municipal clerk regarding deadlines for requesting and submitting an absentee ballot.

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Voting an absentee ballot in person
You may also request and vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office or other specified location during the days and hours specified for casting an absentee ballot in person.

Peggy Johnson, Clerk-Treas.

City of Clintonville
50 Tenth Street
Clintonville, WI 54929
Phone: (715) 823-7600
Monday – Thursday: 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Friday: 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. (By appointment)

The first day to vote any absentee ballot in the clerk's office is Tuesday, March 18, 2025.

The last day to vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office is Friday, March 28, 2025.

No in-person absentee voting may occur on the day before the election. The municipal clerk will deliver voted ballots returned on or before Election Day to the proper polling place or counting location before the polls close on Tuesday, April 1, 2025. Any ballots received after the polls close will not be counted.

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You must make a request for an absentee ballot in writing.

Contact your municipal clerk and request that an application for an absentee ballot be sent to you for the primary or election or both. You may also submit a written request in the form of a letter. Your written request must list your voting address within the municipality where you wish to vote, the address where the absentee ballot should be sent, if different, and your signature. You may make application for an absentee ballot by mail, email or in person.

Making application to receive an absentee ballot by mail

The deadline for making application to receive an absentee ballot by mail is:

5:00PM on the fifth day before the election, March 27th, 2025.

Note: Special absentee voting application provisions apply to electors who are indefinitely confined to home or a care facility, in the military, hospitalized, or serving as a sequestered juror. If this applies to you, contact the municipal clerk regarding deadlines for requesting and submitting an absentee ballot.

Voting an absentee ballot in person
You mayalso request and vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office or other specified location during the days and hours specified for casting an absentee ballot in person.

DOUG HINES, CLERK
E3803 STATE ROAD 161,
DOUG, WI, 54945

PLEASE CALL 715-445-2478

The first day to vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office is:

TUESDAY, March 11th, 2025.

The last day to vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office:

5:00 PM FRIDAY, March 28th, 2025.

No in-person absentee voting may occur on the day before the election. The municipal clerk will deliver voted

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ballots returned on or before Election Day to the proper polling place or counting location before the polls close

April 1st, 2025. Any ballots received after the polls close will not be counted.

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Meetings and Public Hearings 7720

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ON
RE-ZONING PARCEL NUMBER: 33 12 77 112

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, March 18, 2025 at 7:03 p.m., a Public Hearing will be held by the New London Common Council on the re-zoning of parcel 33 12 77 112

That the following described property be re-zoned from PD Planned Development to B1 (Central Business District)

CSM 8133 (LOT 2, R14E PRT Description: Sec. 12, T22N, R14E PRT REEDER SMITHS ADD DAF LT2 CSM V35P33 #8133 & CORR #915000) | EX V289P547 V453P589

V567P655,673&674 V568P53 V966P970 .44A ML Deed of Record: 702593, 0.440 ACRES

Parcel Number: 33 12 77 112

This hearing will be held at 7:03 p.m. before the Common Council in the Council Chambers of the New London Municipal Building on Tuesday, March 18, 2025

Nicole Ryerson
City Clerk
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ON
RE-ZONING PARCEL NUMBER: 33 30 65 612

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, March 18, 2025 at 7:03 p.m., a Public Hearing will be held by the New London Common Council on the re-zoning of parcel 33 30 65 612

That the following described property be re-zoned from M (Manufacturing) to M-P (Manufacturing Park)

Sec. 31, T23N, R15E
LOT 3 CSM 8081

Parcel Number: 33 30 65 612

This hearing will be held at 7:03 p.m. before the Common Council in the Council Chambers of the New London Municipal Building on Tuesday, March 18, 2025

Nicole Ryerson
City Clerk
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ON
RE-ZONING PARCELS: 33 13 100 1 through 33 13 100 20

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, March 18, 2025 at 7:03 p.m., a Public Hearing will be held by the New London Common Council on the re-zoning of parcels 33 13 100 1 through 33 13 100 20

That the following described properties be re-zoned from R-1 (Single Family Residential) to R-2 (Single and Two Family Residential):

1831 Southland Lane: Parcel# 33-13-100-1

SEC13 T22N R14E LT 1 CELESTIAL HILLS SUB | V197P171 V262P230 V263P488 EX V263P489&490 EX V265P225 EX V296P9 EX V439P293 EX V446P259 EXV473P819&820 EX V103P105 EX V232P26,260,261&316 V264P406 .37A Deed of Record: 912905

1927 Southland Lane: Parcel# 33-13-100-2

SEC13 T22N R14E LT 2 CELESTIAL HILLS SUB | V197P171 V262P230 V263P488 EX V263P489&490 EX V265P225 EX V296P9 EX V439P293 EX V446P259 EXV473P819&820 EX V103P105 EX V232P26,260,261&316 V264P406 .45A Deed of Record: 912905

1921 Southland Lane: Parcel# 33-13-100-3

SEC13 T22N R14E LT 3 CELESTIAL HILLS SUB | V197P171 V262P230 V263P488 EX V263P489&490 EX V265P225 EX V296P9 EX V439P293 EX V446P259 EXV473P819&820 EX V103P105 EX V232P26,260,261&316 V264P406 .42A Deed of Record: 912905

1905 Southland Lane: Parcel# 33-13-100-4

SEC13 T22N R14E LT 4 CELESTIAL HILLS SUB | V197P171 V262P230 V263P488 EX V263P489&490 EX V265P225 EX V296P9 EX V439P293 EX V446P259 EXV473P819&820 EX V103P105 EX V232P26,260,261&316 V264P406 .34A Deed of Record: 912905

1901 Southland Lane: Parcel# 33-13-100-5

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1825 Southland Lane: Parcel# 33-13-100-8

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SEC13 T22N R14E LT11 CELESTIAL HILLS SUB | V197P171 V262P230 V263P488 EX V263P489&490 EX V265P225 EX V296P9 EX V439P293 EX V446P259 EXV473P819&820 EX V103P105 EX V232P26,260,261&316 V264P406 .44A Deed of Record: 912905

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attend, but are strongly encouraged to submit their comments to Adam Kuhn, Associate Planner/Zoning Administrator (akuhn@stevenspoint.com), prior to the meeting.
BY ORDER OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STEVENS POINT, WISCONSIN
Kari Yenter, City Clerk
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NOTICE to the Residents of the Town of Matteson

The Matteson Town Board will hold its Regular Monthly Meeting on
Monday–March 10, 2025
3:00 PM – N10891 Jepson Rd Clintonville, WI
(PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN TIME FOR THIS MEETING ONLY)
for the following agenda:
NOTE: See Town's posting for Official Notice and Action that May Be Taken
Agenda:
● Call to Order
● Recite Pledge of Allegiance
● Open Meeting Statement
● Approve Agenda
● Citizen Forum
● Approve Previous Meeting Minutes
● Treasurer's Report
● Clerk's Report
● Reminder of Annual Meeting on April 15, 2025 at 7 PM
● Reminder of Annual Audit on March 13, 2025 at 6 PM
● Set Date for Open Book/Board of Review
● Set Date for Annual Road Inspection
● Review & Payment of Bills
● Town Facilities and Grounds
● Reports:
a) Zoning
b) CAWS
c) Fire Department
d) Ambulance
e) Comprehensive Planning
f) County Board
g) Animal Control
h) Roads
● Motion to Adjourn
Michael Mehlerberg, Clerk
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The Town Board of the Town of Harrison will meet at the Northland Lutheran Church the second Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of transacting business that may come up. The meetings will be open to the public.
Fran Moen, Town Clerk
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Village of Iola Public Hearing

2025 Sewer Rate Fee Increase
A Public Hearing will be held by the Iola Village Board of Trustees on Tuesday, March 11th, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. at the Village Hall in the Community Room to consider the following:
Sewer rates will increase from \$127 to \$140 a quarter
Effective April 1, 2025.
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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12TH

Housing Authority of the County of Portage meeting: 4:00 p.m. at 1001 Maple Bluff Rd Ste 1, Stevens Point.
Housing Authority has scheduled its Board of Commissioner's meeting. For more information, including a complete agenda for the meeting, visit www.co.portage.wi.us.
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BOARD OF EDUCATION CLINTONVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT CLINTONVILLE, WISCONSIN 54929 MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION February 10, 2025
A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Clintonville Public School District was called to order on February 10, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the High School IMC by President Ben Huber.
Members Present: Ben Huber, Kris Strauman, Laurie Vollrath, Jason Moder, Mark Zachow, Glen Drew Lundt, and Clint Barkow.
Administration Present: Troy Kuhn
Also present: Michael Engel, Al Beyersdorf, Stacy Havlik, Mark Havlik, Christopher Hoffmann, John Heideman, Barry Bartz, Kris Doan, Theresa Huss, Patrick Huss, Paul Kirchner, Darrell Hansen, Jay De Dimmick, Doug Behnke, Marie Vandenberg, Gene Meyer, and Bob Burns.
OPEN MEETING STATEMENT: This February 10, 2025, meeting of the Clintonville Board of Education and all other meetings of the board are open to the public in compliance with state statute. Notice of the meeting has been sent to the media, and has been publicly posted, in an attempt to make the citizens of the district aware of the time, place and agenda of this meeting. Upon request to the District Administrator, submitted twenty-four (24) hours in advance, the District shall make reasonable accommodation including the provision of informational material in an alternative format for a disabled person to be able to attend this meeting.
APPROVE AGENDA: Moved by Laurie Vollrath, seconded by Kris Strauman to approve the agenda as printed. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance
READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Moved by Laurie Vollrath, seconded by Jason Moder to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 27, 2025 and the Special Meeting of February 3, 2025. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.
PUBLIC COMMENTS/ COMMUNICATIONS: Christopher Hoffmann and Barry Bartz addressed the Board of Education regarding the District's "Non-Discrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities" Policy. Patrick Huss introduced himself as a candidate for the school board primary election.
ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS Superintendent's Report: Troy Kuhn presented District updates to the Board of Education.
Support Staff Hire – Child Care Center
a. Jacquelyn Syring – Assistant Teacher, part-time, effective February 5, 2025.
Support Staff Hours Increase – Child Care Center
a. Angela Rhodes – Lead Teacher, from part-time to full-time, effective February 17, 2025.
Recognition
Natural World for Kids Fund within Clintonville Area Foundation Grant: The administration informed the Board of Education regarding a \$7,849.23 grant received from the Natural World for Kids Fund within the Clintonville Area Foundation, to provide environmental education support programs and projects that enhance the understanding of the natural world within the Clintonville Elementary and Middle Schools.
Other
District Pupil Count Enrollment Report: The administration presented enrollment information from the January 10th Second Friday Pupil Count.
School Board Members Concerns: Bob Burns from Renning, Lewis and Lacy answered questions and clarified information regarding some of the Board of Education policies such as Public Expression, Behavior, Communication, Code of Ethics, Board Member Anti-Harassment, and School Board Norms. Agricultural Lease Agreement: Moved by Glen Drew Lundt, seconded by Kris Strauman to table the draft Memorandum of Understanding for planting, farming, and harvesting crops on school owned property and bring back to the February 24th Board of Education Meeting. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.
POLICY
Title IX Update – Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities: Moved by Kris Strauman, seconded by Glen Drew Lundt to approve a first reading to rescind Policy #2264 (2024 version). Ayes and nays

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called, all voting aye. Motion carried.
Moved by Laurie Vollrath, seconded by Kris Strauman to approve revisions to Policy #2266 (2020 version), removing the recommended statement. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.
First Reading of Revisions to Policies: Moved by Kris Strauman, seconded by Laurie Vollrath to approve a first reading of revisions to the following Policies:
A. Policy #1130 – District Organization
B. Policy #1130 – Conflict of Interest
C. Policy #1241 – Non-Reemployment of the District Administrator
D. Policy #2210 – Curriculum Development
E. Policy #2270 – Religion in the Curriculum
F. Policy #2271.01 – Start College Now Program
G. Policy #2416 – Student Privacy and Parental Access to Information
H. Policy #2440.01 – Summer or Interim School Attendance
I. Policy #2464 – Programs for Gifted and Talented
J. Policy #3214 – Staff Gifts
K. Policy #3230 – Ethics and Conflict of Interest
L. Policy #3281 – Personal Property of Staff Members
M. Policy #4124 – Letter of Reasonable Assurance
N. Policy #4214 – Staff Gifts
O. Policy #4230 – Ethics and Conflict of Interest
P. Policy #5113 – Open Enrollment Program (Inter-District)
Q. Policy #5330 – Administration of Medication/Emergency Care
R. Policy #5341 – Emergency Medical Authorization (Rescind)
S. Policy #5512 – Use of Tobacco and Nicotine by Students
T. Policy #5611 – Due Process Rights (Rescind)
U. Policy #5710 – Student Complaints (Rescind)
V. Policy #6120 – Safety Deposit Box (Rescind)
W. Policy #6231 – Budget Implementation
X. Policy #6235 – Fund Balance
Y. Policy #6620 – Petty Cash
Z. Policy #7410 – Maintenance
AA. Policy #7430 – Safety Standards
BB. Policy #7440 – Facility Security
CC. Policy #7440.02 – Smart Monitoring Equipment
DD. Policy #7540.03 – Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety
EE. Policy #7540.04 – Staff Technology Acceptable Use and Safety
FF. Policy #7540.07 – District-Issued Student Email Account
GG. Policy #8120 - Volunteers
HH. Policy #8125 – Consultants
II. Policy #8305 – Information Security
JJ. Policy #8395 – Student Mental Health Services
KK. Policy #8531 – Free and Reduced-Priced Meals
LL. Policy #8600 – Transportation
Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.
Second Reading of Revisions to Policies: Moved by Laurie Vollrath seconded by Kris Strauman to approve a second reading of the following Policies:
A. Policy #3440 – Job-Related Expenses
B. Policy #4440 – Job-Related Expenses
C. Policy #6110 – Grant Funds
D. Policy #6111 – Internal Controls
E. Policy #6112 – Cash Management of Grants
F. Policy #6114 – Cost Principles – Spending Federal Funds
G. Policy #6325 – Procurement – Federal Grants/Funds
H. Policy #7310 – Disposition of Personal Property
I. Policy #7450 – Property Inventory
Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried.
ITEMS FOR FUTURE STRATEGIC DISCUSSION
A. Fund 80
B. Rec Center Gym
ANNOUNCEMENTS
February 13 Land Use Committee Meeting 6:00 p.m. High School IMC
February 18 School Board Primary Election
February 21 No School – Parent/Teacher Conferences 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
February 24 Board of Education Meeting 6:00 p.m. High School IMC
March 10 Board of Education Meeting 6:00 p.m. High School IMC
March 13 End of 3rd Quarter
March 14 No School – Teacher In-Service
ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Glen Drew Lundt, seconded by Jason Moder to adjourn. Ayes and nays called, all voting aye. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.
Laurie Vollrath, Board Clerk
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CITY OF WAUPACA ABRIDGED COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY HALL (with the option to attend virtually via video / teleconferencing) TUESDAY FEBRUARY 4, 2025 6:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER
Pursuant to regulations, the Common Council of the City of Waupaca met on the above date and time.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. CLERK TO READ OPEN MEETING STATEMENT
Barb Nowak, City Clerk stated this meeting and all meetings of the Common Council are open to the public. Proper notice has been posted and given to the Media, in accordance with Wisconsin State Statutes so that the citizens may be aware of the time, place, and agenda of this meeting.
4. ROLL CALL
Present: Mayor Brian Smith, Alderpersons Collin Dykstra, Paul Hagen, Eric Halverson, Dmitri Martin, Paul Mayou, Cory Nagel, Eric Olson, Scott Purchatzke and Henry Veleker
Absent: Dave Peterson
A quorum was declared.
Also Present: Aaron Jensen, City Administrator, Barb Nowak, City Clerk, Eric Bailey, Library Director, Stephanie Reif, Finance Director, Laura Colbert, Parks and Recreation Director, Pete Kraeger, Police Chief, Josh Werner, IT Community Media Director
5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA
All items listed below are considered routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Council member or City staff so requests it, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Regular Agenda. The items selected for the Consent Agenda are as follows: Regular and Special Meeting Minutes, Monthly Income Report for the Parks and Recreation Department, Airport Hangar Reports, Monthly Department Head Reports, Payrolls and Bills, Quarterly Weights and Measures Reports, Quarterly Room Tax Reports, Second Reading of Ordinances, if received a unanimous recommendation at the previous meeting, project invoices for projects previously approved by City Council, any low bid budgeted operating or capital expenditure under \$25,000 approved by the appropriate Board or Committee and any expenditure of non-city funds that received a unanimous recommendation.
A) MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/ANNUAL REPORTS:
• Waupaca Tax Monthly Operating Statistics - December
B) APPROVAL OF BILLS – CITY GENERAL, WATER, SEWER, AND SPECIAL FUNDS
C) MEETING MINUTES:
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
• Minutes of a Regular Meeting on

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January 7, 2025
WATER AND SEWER UTILITY BOARD
• Minutes of a Regular Meeting on January 7, 2025
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
• Minutes of a Regular Meeting on January 2, 2025
CITY PLAN COMMISSION
• Minutes of a PH and a Regular Meeting on December 4, 2024
POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION
• Minutes of a Regular Meeting on January 14, 2025
INLAND WATERS COMMITTEE
• Minutes of a Regular Meeting on January 15, 2025
AIRPORT BOARD
• Minutes of a Regular Meeting on January 22, 2025
WAUPACA HISTORICAL SOCIETY
• Minutes of a Regular Meeting on November 21, 2024
MOVED by Ald. Olson **SECONDED** by Ald. Martin, Council **APPROVES** of the Consent Agenda as printed.
9 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. **MOTION CARRIED ON A VOICE.**
6. REGULAR AGENDA
MOVED by Ald. Purchatzke, **SECONDED** by Ald. Dykstra, Council **APPROVES** of the Regular Agenda as printed. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent.
MOTION CARRIED ON A VOICE.
A. NON-AGENDA ITEMS:
1. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:
2. PUBLIC INPUT - Informational
B. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: none
C. NEW BUSINESS:
1. **City Wellness Program – Wellworks & Biometric Screening – Stephanie Reif, Finance Director**
MOVED by Ald. Olson, **SECONDED** by Ald. Dykstra, Council **APPROVES** the agreement (SOW) with ThedaCare at Work and the City of Waupaca to utilize their Wellness Program "Wellworks For You" which includes the onsite biometric screening. **ON A CALL OF THE ROLL** Ald. Mayou, Hagen, Veleker, Halverson, Dykstra, Martin, Nagel, Olson and Purchatzke voted aye, 0 nay, 1 absent. **MOTION CARRIED ON A ROLL CALL VOTE.**
2. **Proposal to enter into the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan Contract with East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission – Laura Colbert, Parks and Recreation Director**
MOVED by Ald. Hagen, **SECONDED** by Ald. Olson, Council **APPROVES** the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (COPR) contract of \$14,237.98 with ECWRPC and to pay for this using the unused Capital Funds from the 2024 Brainerd's Bridge Project **ON A CALL OF THE ROLL** Halverson, Dykstra, Mayou, Nagel Olson, Purchatzke, Hagen, Martin and Veleker voted aye, 0 nay, 1 absent. **MOTION CARRIED ON A ROLL CALL VOTE.**
3. **Proposed Contract with New Day Planning, LLC – Feasibility Assessment Agreement – Aaron Jensen, City Administrator**
MOVED by Ald. Hagen, **SECONDED** by Ald. Nagel, Council **APPROVES** the contract with New Day Planning, LLC for an amount not to exceed \$25,000, funded through the budgeted wages line item in the Community and Economic Development Department **ON A CALL OF THE ROLL** Ald. Hagen, Dykstra, Purchatzke, Halverson, Veleker, Martin, Mayou, Olson and Nagel voted aye, 0 nay, 1 absent. **MOTION CARRIED ON A ROLL CALL VOTE.**
4. **Resolution No. 1571 - A Resolution Approving the City of Waupaca's Participation in the Green Tier Legacy Communities Charter-Aaron Jensen, City Administrator**
MOVED by Ald. Dykstra, **SECONDED** by Ald. Martin, Council **APPROVES** Resolution No. 1571 – A Resolution Approving the City of Waupaca's Participation in the Green Tier Legacy Communities Charter **ON A CALL OF THE ROLL** Ald. Hagen, Halverson, Veleker, Mayou, Dykstra, Martin, Nagel, Olson and Purchatzke voted aye, 0 nay, 1 absent. **MOTION CARRIED ON A ROLL CALL VOTE.**
5. **License Report No. 1707 – Operator Licenses – Barb Nowak, City Clerk**
MOVED by Ald. Hagen, **SECONDED** by Ald. Olson, Council **APPROVES** License Report No. 1707 – Operator Licenses. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. **MOTION CARRIED ON A VOICE VOTE.**
D. ISSUES/PROJECT DISCUSSION (30 MINUTE MAXIMUM) – NO ACTION REQUIRED
E. COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE MAYOR
• Next Council Meeting moved to Wednesday February 19, 2025 – due to election
F. ADJOURNMENT
MOVED by Ald. Hagen, **SECONDED** by Ald. Olson, Council **ADJOURNS** until the next Regular Council Meeting on February 4, 2025, subject to call. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. **MOTION CARRIED ON A VOICE VOTE.**
MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:44 P.M.
Mayor Brian Smith
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REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2025 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, aye; Looker, aye; and Lauren Wisner, present.
Board members absent: None.
Meeting properly noticed: Yes.
Quorum: Yes.
Administration, present: Phillip Tubbs, Jodi Alix, Don Ryan.
Administration absent: None.
Supervisors present: Hope Steiger.
Others Present: Paul Krause, John Neuman, Michele Neuman, Andrea Munech, Brian Brewer w/ Baird.
COMMUNICATION AND VISITORS
VISITORS: None.
ADMINISTRATION
PHILLIP TUBBS
Mr. Tubbs discussed meeting in New London to meet with a couple of legislators with a new senator in area. He also noted that he met with the local law enforcement and the County to work on the reunification plan to finish up the Crisis Plan.
JODI ALIX
Mrs. Alix thanked Mrs. Poliak and Mr. Seibel for taking a few students to the leadership conference. She spoke about the afterwheel Services. She also noted that there will be a Spanish Community Resource Event on February 3rd and 4th.
DONALD RYAN
Mr. Ryan noted that curriculum assessment mid year and are seeing growth in reading and math. They are looking at data instructional improvements.
ALEXANDER MUIR
Mr. Muir gave a copy of a monthly recap to the board members. Food services had a deficit. He also noted that the Fremont Stem Academy and the Weyauwega Stem Academy budgets are now included in the board book. There was discussion on overdue lunch accounts.
OTHERS – Alex Beaudry w/ USI Insurance Services
Mr. Beaudry with USI Insurance Services spoke to the board to give an update on the insurance plan on how the health plan is working as well as a budget projection. He also updated on the Garner program and the district is on pace to save with Garner.
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Mr. Ehrenberg noted that he will be attending the FVTC which will be appointing a board member one week from tonight.
Mr. Looker talked about the fiscal budget and wanted to look at budget again because we are so cash strapped.
RECOGNITION AND SPECIAL GUESTS
None.
STUDENT SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVE – Lauren Wisner
Ms. Wisner noted that the Music department will be making pizzas for a fundraiser, JV Wrestling has a meet,

Minutes7725

FCCLA is hosting Regional Conference with 100 plus students and staff from surrounding schools that will be coming here to compete. Music Boosters will be having a spaghetti dinner at the Gerald Opera House.
CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS
Motion by Gerrits, seconded by Wagner, to approve the December monthly payments as printed.
Roll call vote: Kohl, aye; Loehrke, aye; Wagner, aye; Gorchals, aye; Looker, nay; Ehrenberg, aye; Gerrits aye.
Six(6) ayes (Kohl, Loehrke, Wagner, Gorchals, Ehrenberg, Gerrits).
One(1) nays (Looker).
Motion carried.
Motion by Wagner, seconded by Ehrenberg, to approve the December monthly cash receipts as printed.
Roll call vote: Ehrenberg, aye; Kohl, aye; Gerrits, aye; Wagner, aye; Gorchals, aye; Loehrke, aye; Looker, aye.
Seven (7) ayes.
Zero (0) nays.
Motion carried.
OLD BUSINESS
CHARTER SCHOOL UPDATE
Mr. Krause stated that postcards were sent out in a 25 mile radius approximately 12,000 for interest in the next school year. There will be an open house in March. The yurts are for sale and the money would be returned to DPI, Exploring option for actual building.
CONSENT AGENDA
Motion by Ehrenberg, seconded by Kohl, 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:
A. Committee of the Whole Meeting –1-13-25
B. Regular Board of Education Meeting –12-16-24
C. Hires–Paraprofessionals
NEW BUSINESS
BAIRD PRESENTATION (Discussion)
Brian Brewer from Baird gave a presentation for the board. There was discussion on the various funds for the district.
2025-2026 OPEN ENROLLMENT PROGRAMMING (ACTION)
Motion by Wagner, seconded by Kohl, to set the 2025-2026 special education open enrollment programming at zero for each grade level.
Seven (7) ayes.
Zero (0) nays.
Motion carried.
HOCKEY CO-OP AGREEMENT (ACTION)
Motion by Ehrenberg, seconded by Gerrits, to enter a cooperative agreement with the Oshkosh School District for high school hockey.
Seven (7) ayes.
Zero (0) nays.
Motion carried.
OPEN ENROLLMENT BUDGET AMOUNTS (ACTION)
Motion by Wagner, seconded by Kohl, to correct the open enrollment budget amounts from the annual meeting to the amounts that have been presented.
Seven (7) ayes.
Zero (0) nays.
Motion carried.
SOLAR PANEL CONTRACT (ACTION)
Motion by Gerrits, seconded by Gorchals, for the district of Weyauwega-Fremont to enter a contract with Northwind Solar to purchase a 19kw ground mount solar system.
Roll Call Vote:
Four(4) ayes (Gerrits, Wagner, Gorchals, Ehrenberg)
Three (3) nays (Loehrke, Kohl, Looker)
Motion carried.
CALENDAR & FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
Committee of the Whole 2-10-25
Scholarship Committee/Public – how it is selected
Admin. duties/payroll –paying outside – how close to doing duties in house
CLOSED SESSION
Motion by Ehrenberg, seconded by Gerrits, to adjourn to closed session at 8:57 p.m. pursuant to Section 19.85(1) (c). Wis. Stats., for the following purpose of considering the employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.
District Administrator – Phillip Tubbs
Roll Call Vote: Kohl, aye; Wagner, aye; Ehrenberg, aye; Loehrke, aye; Gorchals, aye; Looker aye; Gerrits aye/nay.
Seven (7) ayes.
Zero (0) nays.
Motion carried.
Motion by Gerrits, seconded by Gorchals, to adjourn closed session meeting at 9:56 p.m.
Seven (7) ayes.
Zero (0) nays.
Motion carried.
Motion by Ehrenberg, seconded by Looker, to reconvene into open session meeting at 9:57 p.m.
Seven (7) ayes.
Zero (0) nays.
Motion carried.
There was no action taken in closed session.
Motion to Gorchals, seconded by Kohl, to adjourn open session meeting at 9:57p.m.
Seven (7) ayes.
Zero (0) nays.
Motion carried.
Trisha Loehrke Clerk
The February Regular Board of Education Meeting will be held on February 24, 2025 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.wegafermont.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 Secretary
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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.
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Name Change7730

BY THE COURT
Hon. Raymond S. Huber 2/3/2025
Circuit Court Judge
STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF
Kyleen Jeanette Bremer
By (Petitioner) Kyleen Jeanette Bremer
Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing
Case No. 25CV38
NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: [First] Kyleen [Middle] Jeanette [Last] Bremmer
To: [First] Kyleen [Middle] Jeanette [Last] Bruss
Birth Certificate: [First] Kyleen [Middle] Jeanette [Last] Shields
IT IS ORDERED:
This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Waupaca County, State of Wisconsin:
Judge's Name Raymond S. Buber
Place Branch 3, 811 Harding ST.
Waupaca, WI 54981
Date 3-26-2025
Time 9:00 am
If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-255-6460 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.
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 the hearing in the Waupaca County Post, a newspaper published in Waupaca county, State of Wisconsin.
Publish Feb. 27, March 6 & 13, 2025
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Notice To Creditors7735

DATE SIGNED: February 10, 2025
Electronically signed by Angela Dahle
Probate Registrar
STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JACK R. GUNDERSON
Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No. 25-PR-14
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 4/25/1936 and date of death 1/26/2025, was domiciled in Waupaca County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 199 South Division Court, Waupaca, WI 54981.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is May 12, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Waupaca County Courthouse, 811 Harding Street, Waupaca, Wisconsin, Room Probate Office.
Form completed by:
Attorney Bruce J. Meagher
P.O. Box 335
Iola, WI 54945
Telephone 715-445-7000
Bar Number 1013332
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DATE SIGNED: February 14, 2025

Electronically signed by Angela Dahle
Probate Registrar
STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF PEGGY MARIE ZAEIMISCH
DOD 01/06/2025
Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No. 25PR9
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 10/24/1948 and date of death 01/06/2025, was domiciled in WAUPACA County, State of WI, with a mailing address of 57 TORREY ST, CLINTONVILLE, WI 54929.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is May 15, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the WAUPACA County Courthouse, 811 HARDING ST, WAUPACA, Wisconsin, Room Probate Office.
Form completed by:
Jeremy R. Dobbe
PO Box 5
New London, WI 54961
Telephone (920)779-4140
Bar Number 1059024
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DATE SIGNED: February 25, 2025

Electronically signed by Jessica Vandiver
Deputy Probate Registrar
STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Robert E. Ropel
Date of Death October 21, 2024
Amended
Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No. 24 PR 103
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth March 27, 1941 and date of death October 21, 2024, was domiciled in Waupaca County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of E496 Rustad Road, Iola, WI 54945.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is May 27, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Waupaca County Courthouse, 811 Harding Street, Waupaca, Wisconsin, Room Probate Office.
Form completed by:
Patrick T. Arendt, Noonan Arendt LLP
2740 Stanley Street, Suite B
Stevens Point, WI 54481
Telephone 715-344-9437
Bar Number 1045295
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DATE SIGNED: February 25, 2025

Electronically signed by Jessica Vandiver
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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GENE W. ANDERSON
Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No. 25PR17
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 12/20/1939 and date of death 1/26/2024, was domiciled in Waupaca County, State of WI, with a mailing address of N2343 Long Cover Dr., Waupaca, WI 54981.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is May 27, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Waupaca County Courthouse, Waupaca, Wisconsin, Room probate office.
Form completed by:
Attorney Kaye E. Anderson
112 S. Main St.
Waupaca, WI 54981
Telephone 715-258-9300
Bar Number 1020246
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DATE SIGNED: February 25, 2025

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, WAUPACA COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF VICTORIA HELEN MEROW
DOD 07/10/2024
Amended
Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No. 2024PR000105
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 08/06/1952 and date of death 07/10/2024, was domiciled in Waupaca County, State of WI, with a mailing address of F10542 Fly Inn Road, Clintonville, WI 54929.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is May 27, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Waupaca County Courthouse, 811 Harding Street, Waupaca, WI 54981, Wisconsin, Room Probate Office.
Form completed by:
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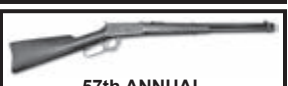
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Sports

Ten Warhawks compete at State

BY NICK GRIESBACH
SPORTS REPORTER

MADISON – In a year when the WIAA Individual Wrestling tournament set a new attendance record with a sold-out crowd at the Kohl Center, the Weyauwega-Fremont Warhawks set their own historic mark. The Warhawks sent 10 wrestlers to the individual tournament in Division 3, the highest number of participants for any team competing at state in 2025.

Sophomore Jaydon Le Noble made his second trip to state in the 106-lb division, and freshman Collin Hamm, who competed in the 150-lb division, reached their respective championship finals.

Le Noble entered the tournament as the top seed in his bracket. In his opening match, Le Noble made short work of Aquinas’ Lincoln Stanek, securing the win with a 17-1 technical fall. In Le Noble’s next contest he defeated fifth-seeded Mineral Point’s Memphis Burkhalter with a 13-6 decision.



Weyauwega-Fremont Warhawks send a state high 10 wrestlers to the WIAA Individual Wrestling tournament as they prepare for the WIAA Team tournament on March 8.

Clarice Case Photo

In the championship final, Le Noble took on fellow sophomore Reegan Roy from Wabeno/Laona/Three Lakes, who Le Noble had defeated at sectionals in a 4-1 decision earlier this season. In one of the most evenly matched championship finals in the state tournament, Roy took home first place after a 2-1 decision.

Hamm, seeded second in his weight class, dominated seventh-seeded junior Mathias

Kaiser from Stratford with a 21-5 technical fall in his first match. In his second match against sixth-seeded Trevor Paulson, Hamm won 8-3 to move on to the 150-lb division championship match.

In the first-place match, Hamm took on Auburndale senior Colton Weiler. Weiler got up big in period one, taking a 14-1 lead, and finished the match with a 17-1 technical fall, giving Hamm second place.

Hortonville’s Nolan Skebba takes home State Title

BY NICK GRIESBACH
SPORTS REPORTER

MADISON – The third trip to state was the charm for Nolan Skebba as he finished his senior year at Hortonville as the 2025 Division 1 150-lb state champion after taking a trip to compete in Madison the previous two seasons.

Skebba qualified for the 2023 WIAA state tournament as a sophomore at 120-lb and placed third in 2024 as a junior in the 132-lb division.

In his opening match, Skebba, the first seed in his bracket, took on the 16th-seeded freshman Mason Boulanger of Luxemburg-Casco.

In the opening period, Skebba went up 9-1 as he had two takedowns and a near fall. An escape by Boulanger gave him the lone point of the period. In the second period, Boulanger had a near fall of his own to net him four points, but a reversal by Skebba led to a pinfall victory.

Skebba faced eighth-seeded junior Gabe Metzler of Waukegan in his second match and won with a 10-0 major decision. A takedown by Skebba at 1:05 was the only points scored in the opening period. Two more takedowns and an escape in the following periods would lead Skebba to the

semifinal of his bracket.

Fox Valley Association rivals squared off in the semifinal as Skebba went toe-to-toe with Kaukauna senior Peyton Lee, who entered the bracket as a fourth seed. Skebba picked apart his opponent with a takedown in the opening period and an escape, reversal and near fall to Lee’s takedown to end the second period up 10-3. Another takedown in the final period gave Skebba the 13-3 victory.

One more opponent stood between Skebba and a state title as he took on second-seeded senior Eli Rabideau of Germantown. A takedown again gave Skebba an early advantage as he went up 3-0. In the second period, Skebba scored on an escape and his second takedown of the match to go up 7-0. In the final period of his wrestling career at Hortonville, Skebba went in for one more takedown to go 10-0 and be declared the

winner and 2025 Division 1 WIAA State champion by major decision.

Hortonville participants included 132-pound junior Cash Botting finished third, 106-pound sophomore Evan Lesselyong won two matches, senior Austin Mchugh participated at 215, junior Hannah Huza finished sixth in the Girls’ 126-lb division, junior Mackenzie Schiedermeyer won a match in the Girls 165-lb division.

WIAA Individual State Wrestling Results

BY NICK GRIESBACH
SPORTS REPORTER

MADISON – In the WIAA individual State Tournament, local wrestlers took to the mats in Madison, competing in different divisions, and there were several surprise finishes along the way.

The most surprising finish was New London’s 152-lb senior Hailie Krueger, who was in pursuit of her fourth state championship, lost in the semifinal match in her bracket and finished in third place.

Sophomore Preston Krueger outperformed his 10th seeding in the 215-lb bracket as he finished third place for the Bulldogs, de-



Hailie Krueger finishes her high school career with a third place finish.

Clarice Case photo

feating Nathaniel Grooms from Lake Country Lutheran by pinfall in the third-place match.

New London’s William Christopher also finished in an All-State placement at

sixth in the 132-lb bracket.

Clintonville senior Keela Deering took fifth in the Girl’s 235-lb division as she finished the season with All-State status.

Warhawks go 1-1 in state tournament

BY GREG SEUBERT
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

WEYAUWEGA – After facing a pair of familiar Central Wisconsin Conference-East opponents in the first two rounds of the WIAA state tournament, the season has ended for the Weyauwega-Fremont girls’ basketball team.

The Warhawks opened tournament play on Feb. 25 with a 50-37 home win over Iola-Scandinavia in a Division 4 regional quarterfinal, but their season ended three days later with a 60-42 loss to Bonduel on the Bears’ home court.



Iola-Scandinavia’s Kendra Petersen has the ball to herself Feb. 25 during the Thunderbirds’ 50-37 loss to Weyauwega-Fremont in the first round of the WIAA state tournament.

Greg Seubert Photo

Bonduel 60, W-F 42

BONDUEL – Bonduel advanced to a regional championship on March 1 after beating the Warhawks for the third time this season.

The second-seeded Bears led 27-17 at halftime but outscored seventh-seeded Weyauwega-Fremont 33-25 in the second half.

Olivia Witkowski scored a team-high 23 points in her final basketball game for the Warhawks.

Warhawks held the Thunderbirds to 13 points in the second half after winning both matchups during the regular season.

Witkowski had the hot hand for the Warhawks early, as she scored her team’s first eight points and scored 10 of her game-high 24 points in the first half.

The Thunderbirds trailed 31-24 at halftime and cut the lead to four early in

the second half on a three-pointer from Ava Printz, but didn’t get any closer.

Avery Samz also finished in double figures for the Warhawks with 10 points, while Mckenzie Boniowski and Printz led Iola-Scandinavia with 11 and nine, respectively.

Weyauwega-Fremont ended the season with an 11-14 record, while the Thunderbirds finished 9-14.

W-F 50, I-S 37

WEYAUWEGA – The

Clintonville’s Sam Wegener commits to UW-Whitewater

BY NICK GRIESBACH
SPORTS REPORTER

One of the most storied programs in college football just signed one of the best wide receivers in Wisconsin as the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater got a commitment from Clintonville’s Sam Wegener.

Wegener finished his senior season as the Trunkers’ all-time leader in receiving yards, as well as being an All-State selection twice and an All-Northwoods selection on the offensive side of the ball the last three seasons and two on the defensive side.

Sams’ top-tier athleticism and leaping ability are his calling card as he is able to use his 6 foot 4 inch frame and strong vertical jump to high point the football over defensive backs.

This season, Wegener was moved wherever he was needed, spending time at quarterback utilizing his athletic ability to generate offense, and moving around on the defensive side of the ball from defensive back, where he covered the opponents deep ball to edge rusher to chase down quarterbacks and ball carriers.

Sam has also been a standout on the basketball court and was weighing his future options for both sports in college, “ I can say, for football, it was easy for me to get in contact with the colleges because they came looking for me. Also, (Clintonville) Coach Nick Raasch pushed so hard to get me recruited. Basketball was harder than I expected it to be. A couple of decisions that made me choose UWW was first off, it is an amazing campus. Also, the football team and staff were very relatable to the program.”

Wegener on the emotions of his big decision,” I would say it was relieving and I was very excited about it. Getting to call Coach



Sam Wegener is the newest commit to Division III powerhouse UW-Whitewater Warhawks.

Pogue and then call my family members right after I committed to tell them. It was a special moment for me and I won't forget it. One thought that ran through my head was, is this the right time to do it? And I will say it was the right time.”

Sams’ goals at UW-Whitewater are towards his degree, first and foremost,” My goals are academics first, then sports and then hanging out with the new friends I will make. I will say not just for me, but my parents also are striving for me to do well academically before anything else. They have always pushed me to be the best in the classroom and then have pushed me hard in my sports to be the best I can be.

On the football field, Sam is excited about the possibilities of his new role, “The people and place felt like home and that is what in the end made me choose UWW. The coaches also made it really easy and explained to me what I will be in the offense for the team and how I will help.

Hortonville Girls knocked out of playoffs

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HORTONVILLE – Back-to-back days of games eventually took its toll on the shorthanded Hortonville Polar Bears girls basketball team as they got a win in the Regional on Friday, Feb. 28, but couldn't get the victory on Saturday, March 1.

Hortonville 54, Wisconsin Rapids 40

In the Regional, the Polar Bears jumped to an early 10-4 lead as Kardyn Pepler scored eight points. Pepler scored her 10th point. Making the score 19-12 in favor of Hortonville.

It was 26-17 in favor of the Polar Bears as they went into the locker room at halftime. Wisconsin Rapids took momentum in the second half as they tied the score 28-28.

The Polar Bears took back



Kardyn Pepler scores 14 points against Wisconsin Rapids in their Regional contest. Nick Griesbach Photo

the lead late in the second half, as they went on a 26-12 run to finish off Wisconsin Rapids. Pepler scored 14 points, and Julieyn Martin scored 15.

Appleton East 59, Hortonville 50

In their second straight home game in as many nights, the Polar Bears did

not have enough to defeat Fox Valley Association rival Appleton East.

Hortonville went into halftime with a 28-22 deficit. In the second half, Appleton East continued to keep up the pace. The Polar Bears were eliminated from the state playoffs.

Pepler scored a team-high 16 points, and Martin contributed 13.

Comets one and done in postseason

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An ankle injury to its leading scorer turned out to be bad news for the Waupaca girls' basketball team.

The Comets headed into the second half of their matchup with Fox Valley Lutheran with an 18-12 lead but ended up on the short end of a 39-30 final score on Feb. 28 in a WIAA Division 2 regional semifinal at Waupaca High School.

Hailey Bechard came into the game as Waupaca's leading scorer during the regular season but injured her ankle late in the first half and didn't make it on the court in the second half.

The Comets and Foxes headed into the postseason seeded fourth and fifth, respectively, in the Pulaski Sectional and split a pair of three-point games during the regular season in North Eastern Conference play. Both teams had a bye in the tournament's first



Waupaca's Alli Landre has the ball slip away under the basket in front of Fox Valley Lutheran's Anna Hess Feb. 28 in a WIAA Division 2 regional semifinal at Waupaca High School. Landre filled in for the injured Hailey Bechard in the second half, but the Comets dropped a 39-30 decision to the Foxes. Greg Seubert Photo

round and the Foxes advanced to a regional final March 1 against top-seeded Shawano.

The Comets couldn't make up for Bechard's loss, as the Foxes turned a seven-point deficit into a 30-22 lead midway through the second half.

Fox Valley Lutheran's Eden Last gave her team its largest lead - 34-25 - with a three-pointer. Waupaca cut the deficit to 36-30 on a pair of free

throws from Alli Landre with just over four minutes left in the game, but the Foxes scored their final five points from the free-throw line.

Taylor Kling led Waupaca with 12 points, while Last and Brianna Dahlke scored 13 and 10, respectively, for the Foxes.

Waupaca finished the season with an 11-14 record, including a 9-9 mark in conference play.



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