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on the cover Avery Burris, age 8, settles into the custom derby-mobile that she'd ride to victory in the Fall Fest Derby, claiming the first-place trophy Oct. 17 during Sister Bay's 75th Fall Fest. See details in Community. Photo by Rachel Lukas.



What's happening around Door this week?
Check it: this issue's calendar of events.

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A film crew shot footage in a pasture near Townline Road and County T, northeast of Valmy, on Oct. 19. Filming also took place in this barn at the same site. Photo by Rachel Lukas.

Movie Being Filmed in Door County

Emmy-winning actor Craig T. Nelson appears in some scenes

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While peak fall colors attracted tourists to popular spots this past week, it was pastures and cattle farms that brought a Childe film-production crew to

rural portions of Door County, partially blocking a less-traveled section of Townline Road Tuesday morning as it began shooting scenes and B-roll at locations throughout Door County.

Producers for the independent feature film *God Loves the Green Bay Packers* said their director and actor Craig T. Nelson are trying to keep things low key, but the production's not top secret either.

The film-information site IMDb said the drama was

inspired by the writings of Wendell Berry and carries this plotline: "A young, struggling musician living with her grandparents on a dying family farm must attempt a Hail Mary play to save their life's work and the legacy of four generations."

In addition, Green Bay Community Church put out a call on its website for extras for the movie that "celebrates everyday saints, the natural world and a community of grace." The film extras were needed for a church scene in

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STURGEON BAY

City Eager to Sell House on Newly Acquired Property

Incentives finalized for housing develop

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The City of Sturgeon Bay purchased the 19-acre Zak property at 1317 Shiloh Road for \$580,000 at the end of July to allow for expansion of the Sturgeon Bay Industrial Park.

"The purchase of this is important because we've run out of space in the industrial park," said Mayor David Ward.

Also located on the property is a well-cared-for home, cottage and several outbuildings, including a former dairy barn in good condition, all on private water and septic.

"A lot of the purchase price had to do with the value of that home," said Marty Olejniczak, Sturgeon Bay's community development director, "so to recoup some of the investment seems to be a good plan, and develop the rest of the property for future industrial-park needs."

To recoup some of the investment and help a little with the single-family-housing shortage, the Sturgeon Bay Finance Committee recommended the city share the listing with the Door County Economic Development Corporation and Destination Sturgeon Bay for two weeks, and if a "committed cash offer is not received," to obtain an assessment and list the property with a real estate agent.

The council unanimously accepted that recommendation Tuesday evening.

The "ideal purchaser," according to Josh VanLieshout, city administrator, "would be a manufacturer or other business who will be tolerant of future development or perhaps who can use the home as a means of providing transitional housing for professionals moving to Sturgeon Bay."

Everything along both Neenah Avenue and Shiloh Road in Sturgeon Bay is zoned industrial. The city has tried unsuccessfully to buy the 18-acre Munch family property south of East Deck Street and north of the former Zak property.

"We'd love to acquire that," Olejniczak said Wednesday morning.

Absent the acquisition, the city jumped the private properties to Jib Street. As a result, there's a northern part of the industrial park with tenants such as Hatco and N.E.W. Industries, and a side south of the private properties with tenants such as Wire Tech and Key Industrial Plastics.

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Packers' AJ Dillon Wants Key to the County

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First he tweeted about his love of the AC Tap's chicken wings. Then he posted a video to Twitter of his time on stage with Unity at Husby's Garage Bar. And in July, he told reporters he hoped to become mayor of Door County one day.

By the time training camp had ended, second-year Green Bay Packers running back AJ Dillon had become an unofficial ambassador for the Door peninsula, sporting T-shirts from local restaurants on his way to practice and during press conferences.

So how does a 23-year-old budding NFL star whose only previous knowledge of Wisconsin was that the Badgers play here find himself enamored with Door County?

"My now-fiancée actually introduced me to Door County," Dillon said. "Her family has a place in Egg Harbor. We went up there last summer, and I really enjoyed it, and this year we've consistently gone up there and had great memories."

A small-town vacation destination isn't what a lot of young athletes are looking for when they hit the big time, but Dillon said he feels at home in northeastern Wisconsin.

Hear more of the conversation with Packers running back AJ Dillon on the Door County Pulse Podcast.

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AJ "The Sauce" Dillon @ajdillon7

Welcome Home!

(AC TAP, best garlic parm wings in America)



Green Bay Packers running back AJ Dillon has posted often about his love for all things Door County.