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## Vilas, Oneida counties awarded \$2.4 million in opioid settlement

By MICHELLE DREW  
EDITOR

Approximately \$2.4 million in funding is coming to Vilas and Oneida counties to help combat its ongoing and growing drug problem with the announcement of the first payment from the National Prescription Opiate Litigation (NPOL) settlement funds.

Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) announced recently that it has received the first payment of more than \$6 million from the NPOL settlement funds as part of the nearly \$31 million the state was awarded for the calendar year 2022. The payment is part of a nationwide agreement made with

three major pharmaceutical distributors and Johnson and Johnson to prevent, treat and support recovery from opioid use disorder.

Vilas County Finance Director Darcy Smith said that the county is slated to receive more than \$1 million which could be paid out over 10 years from one of the groups and 18 years from the other groups, although the county is researching securitization.

Smith added that the county will soon receive its first payment of close to \$50,000. The second payment should be around \$68,000 later this year or early 2023. Payments will likely vary each year with a consistent payment of \$47,499 from 2032 until 2038.

She explained that securitization would mean that instead of waiting 16 years to be paid in full and assuming the risk that the business could fold during that time, the county could sell their revenue stream and collect those funds in one lump sum at an earlier date.

Mike Fugle, department head of Corporation Counsel in Oneida County, said that no plans are yet in place for how the county will spend the approximately \$1.4 million in funding it is likely to receive, although the money is restricted and can only be spent in certain ways.

"This money has to be spent on opioid abatement. Prime candidates for the funding include Social Services,

The Human Service Center, and the sheriff's department," Fugle said.

Fugle added that the money from the NPOL settlement is divvied up based on population, and possibly takes the need of a specific county into consideration as well when deciding how much is awarded.

No disbursement has been received yet, but the Oneida County Board is looking into securitization of their funds as well.

"We are waiting to see how all this plays out," Fugle said.

### Growing problem

Opioid addiction is an ongoing problem in the North

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PRACTICE BURN — The plume of smoke from the Aug. 8 burn in Sugar Camp could be seen for miles along the Highway 17 corridor. More photos on pg. 2A. —Photo By Kerry Griebenow



SMILES GALORE — Although Saturday was a soggy day for attendees, the annual Vilas County Fair still brought entertainment

to many Thursday through Sunday at the fairgrounds in Eagle River. More photos on pg. 1B. —Staff Photo By SARA CARIAS

## Fath defeats Ritter for sheriff in primary

By SARA CARIAS  
ASST. EDITOR

Vilas County Sheriff Joe Fath defeated challenger Capt. Gerard Ritter by 182 votes for the Republican nomination in the Vilas County Sheriff primary race last Tuesday.

Fath carried 10 of 15 precincts in the county with votes coming in at 2,358-2,176 in his favor, according to county records.

Since no other candidates are running for sheriff, more than likely Fath will be re-elected for a third-elected term in November's general election.

"Your vote means a great deal to me," said Fath. "It shows me that you believe in what I stand for and that you support me in everything that I do. I thank you for your confidence in me and for electing me for this post."

According to Ritter, he



FATH

will not seek a recount and is pleased with how close the race was.

"I congratulated Sheriff Fath on his win at the sheriff's office first thing in the morn-

To FATH, Pg. 3A

## ERRA calls off Youth Days Auction after 60 years

By CHRIS OATMAN  
NEWS CORRESPONDENT

There will be no Eagle River Recreation Association (ERRA) Youth Days Auction this year for the first time in nearly 60 years.

The auction, which has traditionally been held on the third weekend in August, has been a major fundraiser for the association's youth hockey and figure skating programs, along with hockey and figure skating schools.

The 2021 auction raised more than \$15,000.

The ERRA made the decision to discontinue the auction at a board meeting earlier this year and announced via Facebook on Aug. 8 that

they were sad to note that the annual Youth Days Auction would be no more.

The post cited the burden the event put on the volunteer-run organizations became too much. The public also was asked not to drop any items on rink property, as the ERRA will have to pay to have it removed.

In the past, individuals donated large numbers of used but still usable items to be sold at the auction. They could either drop them off or call and have them picked up.

"The whole month of

To AUCTION, Pg. 8A

### It's muskie time!

## National championship this weekend

By MICHELLE DREW  
EDITOR

The National Championship Musky Open returns this weekend to the Vilas County Fairgrounds Aug. 19-21 for its 36th year.

The annual catch-and-release event, put on by the Eagle River Area Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Center along with Musky Clubs Alliance of Wisconsin Inc., draws hundreds of anglers to seven lake families each year to take part in the competition.

Recon is the sponsor for this year's event, and registered participants have the chance to take home a 2022 Model 895 DC Recon boat with a 115 Mercury outboard motor and trailer val-

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An estimated 1,00-plus anglers will try their luck on area lakes this weekend to take home

the winning title in the National Championship Musky Open. —STAFF PHOTO

# WEATHER CORNER

Note: Precipitation amounts are recorded at 8 a.m. for the previous 24 hours.

LAST SEVEN DAYS			ONE YEAR AGO				
	Hi	Lo	Prec.		Hi	Lo	Prec.
Tues., August 9	79	43	None	Mon., August 9	80	61	1.8"R
Wed., August 10	77	50	None	Tues., August 10	80	60	None
Thurs., August 11	73	44	None	Wed., August 11	79	56	.02"R
Fri., August 12	68	46	None	Thurs., August 12	77	47	.11"R
Sat., August 13	63	52	.78"R	Fri., August 13	69	44	.10"R
Sun., August 14	66	55	.04"R	Sat., August 14	75	39	None
Mon., August 15	73	52	None	Sun., August 15	81	57	None

**LAST YEAR** The average daily high at this time last year for the next seven days was 81, while the average overnight low was 52. There was rain on two days measuring .02 of an inch.

**COMPARISON** Days precipitation recorded since July 1, 2022, 23 days; 2021, 15 days. Average high of past 30 days, 2022, 76; 2021, 77. Average low of past 30 days, 2022, 52; 2021, 53.

**FOREST CONDITIONS** Vilas and Oneida County forest conditions are dry with little to no standing water on hiking trails. Conditions are solid for all recreational activities.

**STREAMS AND LAKES** Lakes and rivers are average temperatures for this time of year and seasonal fishing has been reported to be good.

**FIVE-DAY OUTLOOK**

- Wednesday:** Partly cloudy. High: 79° Low: 58°
- Thursday:** Scattered thunderstorms. High: 76° Low: 58°
- Friday:** Scattered thunderstorms possible. High: 73° Low: 59°
- Saturday:** A few thunderstorms possible. High: 73° Low: 55°
- Sunday:** Partly cloudy. High: 75° Low: 54°

(PORTIONS OF THE WEATHER CORNER ARE THROUGH THE COURTESY OF DARYL RUTKOWSKI, EAGLE RIVER AND NEWSWATCH 12 WEATHER.)

# NEWS



**FIRE PRACTICE** — Sugar Camp Fire Department did a practice burn just off Highway 17 Aug. 8 to help train new firefighters. Some scenes of the training included:  
**Above:** Firefighters pump water for the pool during the exercise.  
**Left:** New Sugar Camp firefighter Zoie McDonald gives a thumbs up after her first experience inside a burning structure during her training.  
**Below:** Sugar Camp Fire Department Chief Jason Goeldner (center) goes over what will happen during the practice burn.  
 —Photos By Kerry Griebenow



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## NEWS

## North Creek Loop Trail receives nearly \$8,000 from Coontail

**BOULDER JUNCTION** — The North Creek Trail Loop (NCTL) project, an extension of the Heart of Vilas County Paved Bike Trail, received a donation of \$7,878 from a matching campaign sponsored by Coontail.

From July 1-10, Coontail and Coontail Market accepted donations at the registers for the NCTL project with the promise that they would match those donations. Along with the matching funds provided from Coontail, the Boulder Junction community raised \$7,878 for the project.

According to Barb Konopacki, North Creek Loop Trail Committee, residents and visitors along the 3.3 miles of proposed trail adjacent to Highway H (including visitors to the 223 sites at Camp Holiday and 25 sites at Upper Gresham Lake State Forest Campground) currently have no safe access to bike, walk, or other non-motorized recreation into Boulder Junction or to the existing trail system east and west. Highway H is a two-lane county highway with narrow shoulders, and



Taking part in the \$7,878 check presentation are, from left, Anna Allen, Coontail Adventures store manager; Steve Coon, Coontail co-owner; NCTL committee

members Sue Fragassi, Jim Fragassi, Barb Konopacki, and Scott Rogers; Jim Galloway, Boulder Junction town supervisor; and Lisa Coon, Coontail co-owner.

—Contributed Photo

the curves are not safe for bicyclists, walkers or runners.

“Construction of the trail will resolve these safety issues as well as enhance access to the Boulder Junction community for residents and visitors,” Konopacki said. “Paving these 3.3 miles will complete a full 14-mile loop and provide another safe and scenic riding option for the many bicyclists who

visit the area to enjoy the Heart of Vilas County Trail system.”

Phase I of the trail was scheduled to begin this summer; however, trail clearing obstacles, a late spring, higher bid prices, and grant notification delays has meant that the project start date is yet to be determined, she noted.

“All monies raised for the project have been set

aside in designated accounts with the town of Boulder Junction and the Boulder Junction Community Foundation, a 501(c)(3) public charity that is managing the North Creek Loop Trail Fund during the fundraising phase,” Konopacki said.

To keep up to date on the progress of the North Creek Loop Trail fundraising and construction project, visit [northcreekloop.com](http://northcreekloop.com).

## Mary Roth Burns appointed judge in Oneida County

Mary Roth Burns was appointed last week to the Oneida County Circuit Court Branch 1 by Gov. Tony Evers.



BURNS

This will fill the vacancy created by Judge Patrick O'Melia's retirement. Burns will complete a term ending July 31, 2023.

“Mary Roth Burns is a well-respected attorney with a breadth of legal and professional experience,” said Evers. “Her dedication to the community and tireless commitment to the ideals of the law will make her an excellent judge for the people of Oneida County.”

Burns worked for the Wisconsin State Public Defender's Office from 2008 until August 2021. She then opened her own law practice in Rhinelander, representing clients in criminal and family matters.

She also has extensive experience working with the Vilas County Lac du Flambeau Healing to Wellness Court and has been working to implement a treatment court in Oneida County.

“As the local attorney manager, I was honored to work with Mary Roth Burns for 11 years at the State Public

Defender's Office in Rhinelander and am thrilled that she will continue to serve our community in her new role as Oneida County judge,” said Attorney Courtney Jolin. “Mary is an excellent attorney — she has a strong work ethic and a caring heart. Her years of diverse experiences, long-term ties to the area, and her commitment to public service will guide her well on the bench.”

Burns lives in Rhinelander and is a graduate of UW-Madison, New York University, and the UW Law School.

She raised her family in Rhinelander, as well as served on the boards of the Northern Arts Council and ArtStart, and volunteered for many local organizations.

“I am honored to accept the appointment to the Oneida County Circuit Court and I appreciate the confidence in me shown by Gov. Evers and the governor's Judicial Selection Advisory Committee,” said Burns. “I am committed to following Judge O'Melia's example by resolving cases fairly and efficiently, while treating all parties respectfully and maintaining public safety.

“I look forward to continuing my positive working relationship with courthouse personnel, attorneys, and law enforcement. I look forward to becoming the first female judge in the history of Oneida County.”

## Pines approves new gender statement

BY KEN ANDERSON  
NEWS CORRESPONDENT

Concern over students who identify differently was addressed by the Northland Pines Policy Committee last week and what changes, if any, would be sent to the board of education.

Several motions were debated, with one for keeping the current language which was defeated and a second to send a new statement to the full board that was approved.

The proposed new wording reads, “Some individuals identify with a different gender than was assigned to them at birth and some indi-

viduals have different sexual orientation. These individuals exist within our society, community and schools. We will not discuss these topics as a class but if you are in need of resources or support, please make your request using the survey.”

District Administrator Scott Foster expressed concerns over mental-health issues with students who may identify differently.

“Our proposed statement recognizes that we respect everyone and there are students and parents who identify differently and we have to recognize that,” Foster said.

Questions by the committee included whether or not

to allow these discussions in health class as a discussion, or not to discuss it in class but instead contact with outside professionals.

“There is never a bad time for a student to ask for help and this would give them an opportunity,” Foster said. “We are trying to prepare students for life. We make no recommendations, students and families make their own decisions and we're not telling people to change their opinion.”

Foster strongly stated the district has to respect everyone and “there are people who think this way and we have to recognize that.”

Policy member Jennifer

Payne indicated “we need to recognize differences.”

The first motion was by board member Marcia Kittleson to not add any statement but to leave the language as is, meaning it wouldn't be discussed in class if students brought up the topics, and they would need to discuss it with their parents at home. Her motion lost on a 1-2 vote.

A second motion was made by board member Jennifer Payne to recommend to the full board to approve the second new wording statement, which passed 2-1.

This will now be placed on the agenda for the full board to consider at its Aug. 22 regular board meeting.

## Local bar aims to take ‘shot ski’ title Saturday

BY MICHELLE DREW  
EDITOR

Eagle River could make history as a world-record holder for the longest “shot ski” after an attempt by a local bar this Saturday.

Shotskis® Bar and live music venue will attempt to break the current world record for the World's Longest Shot Ski® Saturday, Aug. 20, at 4 p.m. The current record is officially held by Breckenridge, Colo.

Owners Rick and Jaime Riemer have been planning the event for five years, and in March received approval from the Eagle River City Council to hold the event on a half-mile stretch of Wall Street in Eagle River. It will consist of 1,400 people simultaneously taking a shot of Fireball whiskey, compliments of the bar.

Those who would like to be a part of this historical event may register online ahead of time to save their spot, but will then have to register in person to sign a waiver and provide a valid ID. Participants will line up at 3:15 p.m. and the shot will be taken at 4 p.m.

The record attempt will start on White Pine Drive between Lucy's Lunchbox and Shotski's, and the road will be closed to Yeti's drive thru restaurant. Both entrances to Yeti's will be open to the public.

The event will be recognized and verified by the World Record Academy, a local certified public account-

tant and a local legal metrology specialist to confirm the new world record.

Jaime Riemer said that more than 1,300 people have already reserved a spot and that the event is capped at a total of 1,400 people.

Riemer said that the record they are going for is for the longest recorded shot ski not the number of people,

## Fath: FROM PAGE 1A

ing following the election,” said Ritter. “I greatly appreciate everyone who supported me and worked hard with my campaign. I will continue to work with and serve the community of Vilas County, and I will definitely be running again in the next Vilas County Sheriff election.”

In other races, Vilas County electors, as well as other U.S. Congressional District 7 voters chose U.S. Rep. Tom Tiffany over challenger David Kunelius II for the Republican ticket. Tiffany won 80,504-12,450 and will battle Democrat nominee Richard Dick Ausman for the congressional seat.

Republican nominee Tim Michels will oppose Gov. Tony Evers for governor. Michels also received the majority vote from Vilas electors.

The race for Lt. Governor in November will see Republican nominee Roger Roth battle Democrat candidate Sara Rodriguez.

although if a full 1,400 people are there to take the shot they could sign up for a second world record of the most participants.

Registration is open now at [shotskisbar.com](http://shotskisbar.com), and also will be open the day of the event. There is no cost to participate. During registration, Shotskis and partners will offer food, beer, 50-50 raffles, carnival

games and prizes.

In addition to the record attempt, two benefit concerts are planned this weekend with all proceeds being directly donated to nine different organizations in Eagle River. To purchase tickets or register for these events, visit [shotskisbar.com](http://shotskisbar.com) or call (715) 337-2484. Tickets also will be available at the door the day of the event.



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# OBITUARIES

## Leo Joseph Horant III

On Monday, Aug. 8, 2022, Leo Joseph Horant III, age 46, loving dad, son, brother, uncle, and friend died peacefully at home in Conover, Wis.



HORANT

Leo was born on May 8, 1976, in Davenport, Iowa, to Leo and Mary Kay (O'Neill) Horant.

He graduated from Northland Pines High School in 1994. He received his associates degree from Moraine Park Technical College in Fond du Lac, Wis. Leo worked for the family business as a landscaper for many years and began working for Vilas County as a corrections officer at the beginning of 2022.

He has two daughters, Zoe and Elliot; and two sons, Leo IV and Henry.

Leo enjoyed being on the boat and playing hockey. The ice rink was his second home. He was on the Chain Skimmers water ski team, played hockey for NPHS, coached youth hockey and was a NPHS hockey coach for several years.

Leo was known for his quick wit and his contagious smile. He was kind and friendly to everyone he met.

Leo was preceded in death by his grandparents; his uncle, Tim; and his aunt, Kathy.

He is survived by his four children, Zoe, Leo, Elliot and Henry; his parents, Leo and Mary Kay; his sister, Kari Anne (Geoff) VeZain; his brothers, Scott (Beth) Horant, and Gregory (Claire) Horant; his godparents, Gerhard and Rosalie Schiffmann; four nieces; a nephew; several cousins; his girlfriend, Brienne Hartman; and his ex-wife, Charlotte Horant.

"Find out what makes you kinder, what opens you up and brings out the most loving, generous, and unafraid version of you—and go after those things as if nothing else matters. Because, actually, nothing else does." — Nick Offerman

Visitation was held on Friday, Aug. 12, 2022, at Gaffney-Busha Funeral Home in Eagle River, Wis., at 10 a.m. followed by a memorial service at noon.

Memorials are appreciated and may be sent to the funeral home at: P.O. Box 698, Eagle River, WI 54521.

Arrangements by Gaffney-Busha Funeral Home, Eagle River. Online condolences may be expressed at [gaffney-busha.com](http://gaffney-busha.com).

PAID OBITUARY 5244

## Robert Gene Ginnow

Robert Gene Ginnow, age 86, a resident of Eagle River, Wis., passed away at the Aspirus Eagle River Hospital on Friday, Aug. 12, 2022, surrounded by his family.



GINNOW

Robert was born on Sept. 17, 1935, in Pueblo, Colo.

His family moved to Neenah, Wis., where he graduated from high school, met his loving wife, Beverly, and raised his family.

He graduated from Milwaukee School of Engineering with a degree in mechanical engineering. He worked at Kimberly-Clark in Neenah until he retired to Eagle River.

During his retirement Bob enjoyed playing dart ball and various woodworking projects, which included much of the construction of their home on Anvil Lake.

He was a charter member of Peace Lutheran Church in Neenah, and a

current member of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Eagle River.

Bob is survived by his wife of 63 years, Beverly Ginnow of Eagle River; son, Greg (Rene) Ginnow; daughter, Sherri (Don) Johnston; grandchildren, Ben Ginnow, Corynn Ginnow, Josh (Mary) Johnston, and Jake (Annie) Johnston; and great-grandchildren, Jax and Griffin Johnston.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, Fred and Helen Ginnow.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 20, 2022, at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Eagle River. Burial at Oak Hill Cemetery in Neenah will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers the family would appreciate memorials to Our Savior Lutheran Church or the charity of your choice.

Arrangements by Gaffney-Busha Funeral Home, Eagle River. Online condolences may be expressed at [gaffney-busha.com](http://gaffney-busha.com).

PAID OBITUARY 08251

## Roberta F. Burton

Roberta F. Burton died Wednesday, Aug. 10, 2022. She was 87.

She was born May 30, 1935, in Chicago, Ill. to Max and Frances Fischer.

In 1957, she married Calvin A. "Cal" Burton, a local Eagle River attorney. Together they raised four children.

Mrs. Burton enjoyed gardening, swimming, sewing and raising her children.

She had a college degree in physical education and was a substitute teacher at the high school in Eagle River. She also did secretarial work for Cal at

his office on Division Street.

Mrs. Burton was preceded in death by her husband in 2016.

She is survived by her identical twin sister, Barbara (Ken) Piggott; four children, Darlene (Phil) Vosen, Jim (Carolyn) Burton, Karen (Dave) Reeder and Chris (Cheryl) Burton; nine grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

A private gathering of family and friends will be held in Menomonee Falls, where she lived in an independent/assisted memory-care facility since 2019.

## Scott W. Kviz Jr.

Scott W. Kviz Jr., a resident of Eagle River, died Sunday Aug. 7, 2022. He was 36.



KVIZ

He was born April 28, 1986, in Oak Park, Ill., to Scott and Robin Kviz.

Mr. Kviz served in the U.S. Marine Corps during Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan.

He worked at the Sayner

Pub and Northwoods Pets in Rhinelander.

He enjoyed raising lizards, snakes and dogs.

Mr. Kviz was preceded in death by one son, Richard Walter Kviz; his mother; and one grandfather, Richard Kviz.

He is survived by his father, Scott (Marsha) Kviz Sr.; grandmother, Joyce Kviz; and four brothers, Vance, Troy, Damon and J.J.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Gaffney-Busha Funeral Home in Eagle River is serving the family.

## David J. "Dave" McMaster

David J. "Dave," "DJ," "Rocket," "KC9ZJO" McMaster died Tuesday, Aug. 9, 2022, in Eagle River after a six-year battle with cancer.



McMASTER

He was 79.

He was born April 10, 1943, in Beloit to John and Helen (née Koopman) McMaster.

The family relocated to Rockton, Ill. where he graduated from Hononegah High School in 1961.

After spending time in Illinois, Wisconsin and Arizona, Mr. McMaster spent his last

22 years in Eagle River.

He worked as an automotive mechanic, machinist, electrical system designer, as well as a brakeman, conductor, and engineer for the Milwaukee Road railroad in the 1970s and '80s and maintained a lifelong love of railroads.

He served in volunteer emergency services, fire and rescue, search and rescue, and as a sheriff's deputy.

In his 60s, McMaster learned and became a well-known source for computer systems, repairs, assistance, and maintenance in the Eagle River area.

He started in amateur (ham) radio as a child, and it became his passion the last 10 years of his life where he formed many close friendships with other enthusiasts across the North Woods, the Upper Peninsula of Mich., and the country.

Mr. McMaster was preceded in death by his parents; and third wife Deb "Star."

He is survived by five children, Dennis, Bryan, David E., Brenda, and David D.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Gaffney-Busha Funeral Home is serving the family.

## Mary Lucile "Mary Lou" Lenz

Mary Lucile "Mary Lou" Lenz (née Pohlman) of Mokena, Ill., died Sunday, Aug. 7, 2022. She was 84.



LENZ

She enjoyed gardening at her home and spending time sitting on the shoreline and feeding ducks at her family cottage near Conover.

Mrs. Lenz was preceded in death by her husband, Kenneth C. Lenz.

She is survived by six children, Kenneth Jr. (Debby), Michael (Natalie), David (Joanne), Cheryl (Joe) Onesto, Daniel (Colleen), and Kevin (Michiko); siblings Jo Ann Pohlman, Ken Pohlman and Jim Pohlman; 12 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews and extended family.

Services were held Aug. 12 in New Lenox, Ill. and she was buried at Bethania Cemetery in Justice, Ill.

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## Joyce Ludtke

Joyce Ludtke died Sunday, Aug. 14, 2022. She was 82.

A full obituary will appear in a future edition.

Gaffney-Busha Funeral Home in Eagle River is serving the family.

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# NEWS

# POLICE REPORT



**ROAD WORK** — Major road construction projects continue in downtown Three Lakes, with crews replacing storm sewer inlets, and curb and gutters in preparation for the repaving of Highway 45 through the downtown area yet this summer and fall. Next year,

the town plans to replace all of the sidewalks in the downtown area, making this a long, two-year process for retail and professional businesses, as well as tourists.

—Photo By Kerry Griebenow

## Vilas County Court report

# Phelps man, 59, pleads not guilty to false imprisonment charges

A 59-year-old Phelps man pleaded not guilty Aug. 15 during an arraignment hearing in Vilas County Circuit Court on charges of false imprisonment and intentionally pointing a firearm at a person.

The criminal complaint alleges that on July 26, Richard J. Pierquet threatened his wife with a firearm and tried to lock her in a bedroom by “screwing the door shut.”

The alleged victim told law enforcement that the defendant produced a semi-automatic pistol from the storage pocket on the side of the recliner, pointed it at her and stated, “Next time we get in a fight, I am going to (expletive) shoot you,” the complaint reads.

The woman went on to explain that later, when the defendant had left, she removed the handgun from the pocket on the recliner and hid it in her bedroom closet underneath some clothes.

According to the complaint: When it came time to retire for the evening, she went into her bedroom and locked the door. Later she was awakened by the sound of an electric drill. She heard the defendant on the other side of the door saying: “If you’re going to lock it, I’ll lock you in there myself.”

When she discovered the door would not open, she called her son who then called police. She stated she was trapped in the bedroom for 10 to 15 minutes. She said her husband unscrewed the door before police arrived, and left the residence.

According to the complaint, officers observed a metal door hinge attached to the wooden frame of the bedroom door with a screw, and a screw hole on the door. They also noted that a cordless drill was found on the table next to the recliner and a loaded 9mm semi-automatic pistol was located under some clothes in a bedroom closet.

Investigating officers located Pierquet on scene and he denied threatening his wife with the handgun, and denied knowing anything about the guns. He told officers he “locked” the bedroom door from the outside using the hinge and the screws because his wife “wanted to be locked in there,” the complaint reads. He added that he had his wife locked in the bedroom for approximately 10 minutes.

In Vilas County, bond was continued and he is next scheduled for judicial pretrial Nov. 15 at 11 a.m. Both charges carry a domestic abuse modifier.

Law enforcement noted

the complaint that Pierquet is a convicted felon, having been convicted July 26, 2010, in Michigan’s 41st Circuit Court of third offense operating while intoxicated (OWI).

James B. Armstrong, 34, of Lac du Flambeau, appeared for preliminary hearings in two separate cases Aug. 11. He pleaded not guilty to two felony charges of possession of methamphetamine and one misdemeanor charge of possession of drug paraphernalia. The court found probable cause and bound him over for arraignment on information. Bond was continued and he is scheduled for judicial pretrial in both cases Nov. 8 at 10 a.m. The charges are related to alleged incidents Nov. 21 and Dec. 22, 2021.

Jesse J. Armstrong, 24, of Lac du Flambeau, appeared for an adjourned initial appearance Aug. 8 on felony battery or threat to a judge, prosecutor or law enforcement officer and felony bail jumping. He is scheduled for a preliminary hearing Sept. 19 at 2:30 pm. The charge is related to an alleged incident July 6.

Isaac W. Greyhair, 43, of Lac du Flambeau, pleaded not guilty at a preliminary hearing Aug. 10 to a felony bail jumping charge. The court found probable cause and bound

him over for arraignment on information. Bond was continued and he is scheduled for a pretrial conference Aug. 30 at 11 a.m. The charge is related to an alleged incident June 20.

Harvey L. Larson, 31, of Lac du Flambeau, appeared for a bail/bond hearing Aug. 10 on three separate cases involving five felonies and four misdemeanors. He is charged with a felony charge of substantial battery with intent to cause bodily harm, four felony bail jumping charges, misdemeanor battery, two misdemeanor charges of disorderly conduct and a misdemeanor OWI. All charges carry a domestic abuse modifier except the OWI. The judge set a \$2,000 signature bond with conditions.

Larson is next scheduled for preliminary hearing Aug. 31 at 8:30 a.m. The charges are related to alleged incidents Nov. 21, 2020, March 2 and July 13, 2021.

Curtis M. Wolfe, 34, of Lac du Flambeau, appeared for a final scheduling conference Aug. 12 related to a felony bail jumping charge and misdemeanor charge of possession of drug paraphernalia. A plea/sentencing hearing is scheduled Sept. 7 at 11 a.m. The charges are related to an alleged incident May 19.

### Vilas County Sheriff

Vilas County Sheriff’s dispatchers last week reported at least 39 911 hangups, seven car vs. deer accidents, one accident with property damage, one request for agency assistance, six burglar alarms, two fire alarms, six ambulance requests, seven animal problems, one ATV accident with injury, four ATV complaints, one boating violation, two watercraft accidents, one burglary, two reports of child abuse, 12 requests to assist citizens, one citizen/officer complaint, three citizen problems, one report of criminal damage to property, one dead body, one disorderly conduct, two deer in the road, six disturbances, two domestic violence complaints, three drug problems, two emergency detentions, one report of family trouble, one vehicle fire, three reports of found property, two frauds, one no burn permit, one illegal dumping, one restraining violation, one problem in the jail, one jail medical incident, three juvenile problems, seven reports of lost property, one lock out, three reports of lost property, one noise complaint, one operating while intoxicated (OWI), two protection orders, two vacation checks, three requests for officer assistance, one lewd and lascivious, one call to remove subject, one suicide attempt, eight reports of suspicious circumstances, three thefts, nine reports of hazardous conditions, 13 traffic violations, one road rage, three trespasses to property and five welfare checks.

There were at least 51 informational or procedural entries.

In the past week, one or more persons were booked at Vilas County Jail for the following offenses: operating after revocation; OWI; violation of domestic abuse injunction; bail jumping; dis-

orderly conduct; possession of drugs; manufacturing or delivering of drugs; possession of drug paraphernalia; and probation violation.

### Eagle River Police

Among the calls received by Vilas County dispatchers were at least 51 calls for the Eagle River Police. These included two alarms, seven requests for ambulance, three animal problems, one bail jumping, one citizen dispute, five requests to assist citizens, five alcohol or drug problems, one dead body, three disorderly conducts, one escort, one fire, one lost or found property, one loitering, one parking problem, one probation or parole violation, six suspicious circumstances, one traffic accident, two traffic offenses, three thefts and two welfare checks.

Two people were taken into custody and booked into Vilas County Jail.

### Three Lakes Police

The Three Lakes Police Department reported at least four 911 hang ups, one request for ambulance, two animal problems, one request for citizen assist, 32 business checks, two extra patrol requests, one report of harassment, one welfare check, two neighbor complaints, one noise complaint, one suspicious circumstance, one theft, two traffic stops, two reports of trespassing and one vehicle in ditch.



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## OWI-related crashes killed 240 people last year

Someone is killed or injured in an impaired driving crash every two hours, according to the Department of Transportation (DOT).

According to Wisconsin State Patrol (WSP) Superintendent Tim Carnahan, thousands of drivers get behind the wheel while drunk or high every year, regardless of it being illegal, dangerous and potentially deadly.

“Drive sober every trip behind the wheel,” is WSP’s Law of the Month and aims to remind drivers of the harmful consequences of driving while under the influence.

“Impaired driving doesn’t just impact the person who chooses to get behind the wheel,” said Carnahan. “One slip up while driving can take the life of an innocent motorist on the road.”

Last year, alcohol-related crashes killed 166 people and 74 others died in crashes involving drugs, according to DOT officials.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), alcohol steadily decreases a person’s ability to drive safely, with even a small amount and can cause a decline in vision, multitasking, coordination and response.

It is illegal in every state to drive with a blood alcohol content (BAC) of 0.08 or higher. Drivers with a BAC of 0.08 are about four times more likely to crash than drivers with a BAC of zero and 12 times more likely to crash when the BAC is at 0.15, according to the NHTSA.

To raise awareness of the risks of impaired driving, WSP will join law enforcement agencies across the nation for the annual Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over campaign. It will run through Sept. 5.

Impaired driving is dangerous and prevalent year-round but can be particularly deadly as people celebrate the

final weeks of summer and the Labor Day holiday, said Carnahan.

“Our officers will work together across the state with zero tolerance for alcohol or drug-impaired driving on Wisconsin roads,” Carnahan said. “We need each driver to take responsibility for their actions. Protect yourself, your passengers and other travelers by getting a safe ride home.”

WSP and DOT provide the following tips to drivers:

- If you plan to celebrate, identify a sober designated driver, or find a safe alternative way home. Never allow someone who is impaired to get behind the wheel.
- Protect yourself and your passengers every time you travel. Buckle up, phone down. Watch your speed and eliminate distractions.
- If you suspect a driver is impaired, call 911. Provide as much detail as possible on the driver, vehicle and location.
- Download the free Drive

Sober mobile app from the website. It includes a “find a ride” feature to help locate mass transit and taxi services.

• Some bars and restaurants have programs to provide patrons a safe ride home.

For more information, visit [wisconsindot.gov](http://wisconsindot.gov).

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## NEWS



**NATH PARTNERSHIP** — Chad Swanson, American Family Insurance agent in Rhineland, recently partnered with Northwoods Alliance for Temporary Housing (NATH)—Frederick Place to help the organization secure a \$5,000 grant from American Family Insurance Dreams Foun-

datation. Tammy Modic, NATH executive director (left), said this is the second year that NATH has been awarded the grant which will be used for the operations of Frederick Place and will help cover the cost of one resident for approximately 90 days.  
—Contributed Photo

# Opioid: Drug court coming

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Woods, with more than half of the current inmates in Vilas County Jail there on drug-related charges, and nearly 30% on alcohol-related charges, according to Jail Administrator William Weiss.

"There are individuals

brought to jail that may not have drug-related charges, however, drug usage is the underlying reason that they came to jail," Weiss explained. "An example of that might be a probation hold. Of the 72 individuals in jail on Aug. 4, 21 were alcohol related, 45 were drug related and eight had nothing to do with drugs or alcohol."

That means that as of earlier this month, 62.5% of the total jail population was there on drug-related charges, and Weiss indicated that drug-related charges and convictions are growing.

But steps are being taken to curb the issue.

"The Vilas County Jail has been awarded the SOR grant (state opioid response grant) for the last three years," Weiss said. "We have a successful recovery program established in the jail at this time."

He added that a couple of program facilitators are working to start a sober house in Vilas County, and Judge Martha Milanowski has begun efforts to establish a diversion and drug treatment court for Vilas County.

But opioid and other drug issues spread beyond just the jail. Kate Gardner, director of Vilas County Social Services, said that 90% to 95% of the county's children who are in foster care are related to parental drug use.

She added that nothing has been finalized yet, but Social Services has already begun working with the sheriff and court system to establish a drug treatment court, and the departments will dovetail around that. She also said that some of the funding may be used to help those recovering from drug abuse or drug-related incarceration to find housing.

**Funding usage**

NPOL funds are limited as to how they can be spent, and some allowable uses of settlement payments include:

- Treatment: Treat opioid use disorder, support people in treatment and recovery, provide connections to care, address the needs of criminal justice-involved persons, and address the needs of pregnant or parenting women and their families, including babies with neonatal abstinence syndrome;
- Prevention: Prevent over-prescribing and ensure appropriate prescribing and dispensing of opioids, prevent misuse of opioids, and prevent overdose deaths and other harms (harm reduction); and
- Other Strategies: First responders, training, research, and justice, planning and coordination.

"The settlement funds will go a long way toward enhancing our efforts to help people with opioid use disorder and prevent future misuse, overdoses and deaths," said DHS Secretary-designee Karen Timberlake. "We have been committed to continuous col-

laboration as we have planned for these funds to arrive. Our proposed investments have been informed by recommendations from the public, advocates, providers, first responders, and other partners, to avoid a 'one-size fits all approach' to addressing the state's opioid crisis."

DHS proposes to invest settlement funds in a variety of strategies, including making immediate investments in harm reduction; investing in harm reduction by increasing the availability of Narcan and fentanyl test strips around the state, and making investments in new and updated treatment facilities.

Strategies also include funding for tribal nations to address the dramatic increase in opioid overdose deaths, enhancing data collection and surveillance, and funding for family support centers to provide information, education, and healthy coping skills, while building resiliency, for family and friends of a person with substance use disorder

These different strategies will be carried out in phases that will correspond to the specific payments Wisconsin will receive this year, with the entire amount for each payment allocated in the plan.

"By holding accountable those who contributed to and profited off the opioid crisis, Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ), the country, and county and local governments have secured substantial recoveries to help fight the epidemic," said Attorney General Josh Kaul.

The DOJ announced Feb. 25 final approval of the opioid agreement with three major pharmaceutical distributors, Cardinal, McKesson, and AmerisourceBergen and Johnson and Johnson. Payments from the distributors will continue for 18 years, while payments from Johnson and Johnson will continue for nine years.

DHS receives 30% of the total allotment of NPOL funds while counties and municipalities that participated in the litigation receive the other 70%.

The state was notified July 12 that Wisconsin would receive payments from these settlements in calendar year 2022, and the initial payment of \$6 million was received earlier this month. It is expected the remaining \$25 million will be paid later this calendar year.

Wisconsin's opioid crisis began in the late 1990s and has been evolving since, with an almost 900% increase in opioid overdose deaths between 1999 and 2018. Opioid overdose deaths decreased by 10% in 2018, but increased significantly in 2020 to a record high of 1,227.

The Covid pandemic, a rapid increase in the amount of synthetic opioids, and rise in the use of multiple drugs are believed to be responsible for the increase in overdose deaths.

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## NEWS



EYE ON EYE — Carl Ruedebusch, founder of the Eye On Entrepreneurs Network in Vilas County, presents a \$1,000 check to Scott Samuels of the Wounded Warriors organization while Barry

MacLeane looks on. The donation helps sponsor 10 veterans' participation in the early fall Musky Chal-Lunge event in Eagle River. —Contributed Photo

## Staffing issues affect after-hours vet care

BY CHRIS OATMAN  
NEWS CORRESPONDENT

The lack of after-hours, on-site emergency veterinary care in the North Woods came under the spotlight recently when a woman went on Facebook to relate how she sought care on a Saturday for her 9-year-old golden retriever that had suffered a seizure and died while the woman tried to get help.

She had some difficulty contacting the PAW Health Network in the town of Kronenwetter, near Mosinee, which offers 24-7 emergency service, but is almost 100 miles from Eagle River.

Katie Hom is a doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) at the Eagle River Animal Hospital.

"Every decision we made to pull back on our emergency services was a long discussion," Hom said. "We knew pets were going to go without needed services in a timely manner. We don't want to do that but, at the same time, we're human and there's just so much we can contribute to those things."

"Most urban veterinarians stopped providing emergency care a long time ago and they refer after-hours care to their regional emergency services."

Hom noted that the pandemic contributed greatly to a supply and demand problem.

"People came up here to get away from the congestion of the cities and the Covid exposure when they were subjected to isolation," she said. "So we understand they adopted more pets to bring into their lives and they want a higher level of care for them. But there was nothing in place to support that surge."

Hom is not aware that there has been any real change in the number of veterinarians in the North Woods for quite some time.

"So, now that you have to wait two months for a wellness visit has nothing to do with there being fewer veterinarians here than five years ago," Hom said.

"It's staffing that's the issue. In our clinic, we've been trying to hire someone for the

last two years. I think we had one applicant, and that was from Nigeria," she said.

Looking ahead, the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA), quoting a study by Mars Veterinary Health, stated, "Even with the new veterinary graduates expected over the next 10 years, a shortage of 15,000 veterinarians will likely still exist by 2030."

"It would take more than 30 years of graduates to meet the 10-year industry need for credentialed veterinary technicians," the study said.

Hom said that she supports students coming in for summer jobs, and the clinic relies on that as much as it can, sometimes with positive results later on.

"One of them who started working at the clinic came back years later with her DVM degree and she (Dr. Mary Camp) is an amazing asset to our clinic," Hom said.

Obtaining a DVM degree requires a minimum of three years of undergraduate study and then four years in veterinary school. In-state tuition and fees for veterinary school are estimated to cost between \$28,000 and \$54,000 yearly.

"None of this is for the money," Hom said. "There are long hours, but we do it because of the pets. And we're doing the best we can, but there is still a limit to that."

Hom encourages pet owners to continue to have open and friendly discussions with her veterinary care team in order to find better answers.

For more information on the significant challenges facing veterinary medicine in the United States, visit avma.com.

Local veterinary clinics include Eagle River Animal Hospital and Dr. John's Dog and Cat Repair, both in Eagle River. Northwoods Animal Hospital has locations in Eagle River, Minocqua and Manitowish Waters, and has partnered with GuardianVets to provide after-hours veterinary phone support by calling (715) 356-3269.

## St. Germain Town Board provides updates on fiber-optic installation

BY JACKI GOEBEL  
ST. GERMAIN CORRESPONDENT

The fiber-optic internet update was the highlight topic at the St. Germain Town Board meeting held Aug. 8.

The board had contracted with ChoiceTel of Eagle River to install fiber-optic cable to properties within the town to provide high-speed internet.

ChoiceTel started its construction by burying cable at the intersection of highways 70 and 155, then traveled south along the east side of Highway 70. To date, the construction has reached South Bay Road, and plans are to complete the southeast corner of St. Germain and the east side of Highway 70 to the downtown area by the end of the year.

Charter/Spectrum obtained a federal grant to install fiber-optic cable in

portions of northern Wisconsin towns. Charter/Spectrum has decided to contribute its own money in order to ensure that properties within those towns are covered.

Charter/Spectrum began burying cable this spring west of town on Highway 70. They intend to have completed installations along Juve Road, Birchwood Drive, Four Corner Lane, North Lost Lake Drive and Found Lake Road by the end of the year.

The project is scheduled to be finished within three years. Both companies plan on covering all properties in the St. Germain area, giving households a choice of high-speed internet providers based on their personal needs.

The board also discussed purchasing electronic equipment this year to be used next year to provide internet services in the community

park. The project will consist of eight tower structures with antenna heads from the town shop to the old and new pavilion sites.

## Other business

Construction of a maintenance shed at Fern Ridge parking area also was a topic at the meeting. The shed would be funded by a grant from the St. Germain Chamber of Commerce and community development reserves.

The board called for a special electors meeting to obtain approval of electors for the shed project. The meeting will be held Thursday, Aug. 25 at 7 p.m. Qualified voters must attend in person to have their vote counted.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony was scheduled Aug. 13 at the Fern Ridge Trail parking area on Forest Lane. A new kiosk with maps and new trail

markers were added to make the trail more user-friendly.

The board approved the purchase of a groomer for the fat tire bike trails. The twin-track SnowDog groomer can also be used to groom hiking and snowshoe trails.

In the Cemetery Sexton's report, discussion included purchasing a metal detector to aid in locating headstones.

Vilas County Land & Water Department presented a PowerPoint on stream crossing inventories. Area stream culverts are inspected and logged to manage flow, velocity and damage.

The town and Whitetail Country Club LLC have reassigned the pro shop lease contract until April 2023.

The next town board meeting will take place Thursday, Aug. 25 at 6:30 p.m. with the special electors' meeting at 7 p.m.

## Open: Volunteers needed in beer tent

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ued at more than \$50,000.

Other prizes have been supplied by Fittante Taxidermy, Diawa, H30 Polarized, H2O Tackle, Musky Bumper, Safari Tackle Company, Sportsman's Repair Shop, Enticer Tackle, Suick Lure Company, General Beer of the Northwoods, Waterworks Specialist, Days Inn of Eagle River and Z Leaders Fishing Rigs.

According to Kim Emerson, executive director at the Eagle River Area Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Center, nearly 900 people have already registered and there are usually 250 to 300 more who sign up at the event.

The tournament is headquartered at the Vilas County Fairgrounds, located on Highway 70 West just blocks from downtown Eagle River. It is a total catch and release tournament that provides great family fun for all ages and skill levels, Emerson said.

Food will be provided by the Greater Eagle River Tennis Association and available for purchase throughout the weekend at tournament headquarters from 5 to 9 p.m. Thursday and Saturday, and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The on-site entry fee is \$80 per person and can be done at the fairgrounds starting Thursday, Aug. 18, from 5 to 9 p.m., with a briefing from 7 to 9 p.m. Seminars also are scheduled at 6:30 p.m.

Emerson reminds participants that all contestants must register in person, receive all tournament information, and attend a briefing before fishing by Saturday

morning at 6:30 a.m.

## Schedule of events

From 6 to 6:30 a.m. on Friday, registration will be open along with a briefing at 6:30 a.m. Optional fishing hours will take place from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m., and a second registration will be offered from 5 to 8 p.m. with a second briefing at 7 p.m.

On Saturday morning, registration will be open from 6 to 6:30 a.m. with a briefing at 6:30 a.m. Fishing hours run from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Emerson noted that fish verification slips for fish caught and released on Friday and/or Saturday must be turned in on Saturday evening at tournament headquarters between 6 and 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday fish not turned in on Saturday evening will not be scored, she added.

Door prizes will be drawn starting at 6 p.m., and winners must be present to claim their prizes.

On Sunday, fishing hours will be from 6 to 11 a.m. All fish verification slips must be turned into headquarters by 12:30 p.m. Those turned in after the deadline will not be scored.

Tournament results will be announced starting at 1:30 p.m., along with door prizes and the grand drawing for the Recon boat prize. Winners must be present to win for all prize drawings, and food will be available from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Trophies will be awarded for the winners of each division. Winners are determined by a point basis by length in inches, and anglers may be eligible for more than one division.

Divisions include Most Points Accumulated, with trophies for first through sixth places; Largest Muskie registered for each lake family; a Husband/Wife trophy; a Youth trophy for youths ages 8 to 15; and Largest Fish, which will go to the largest registered fish during the tournament. The winner in that category will receive a graphite replica mount.

Gus Mantley of Eagle River took second place last year in the Most Points Accumulated category with a score of 83.5.

"We are promoting the Husband/Wife division this year and have 50 to 60 teams," Emerson said. "We also have a really good youth turnout with an average of 30 to 40 youths."

She added there will be a drawing for a brand new pole for youths this year as well.

## Volunteers needed

The Eagle River chamber is still in need of a few volunteers for Friday and Saturday night and Sunday afternoon. Volunteers are needed in the beer tent for sales Friday and Saturday nights from 4:30 to 9 p.m., and Sunday from 10:45 a.m. to 3 p.m.

To help in the beer tent on any of these days, contact Michelle Williams at the chamber office at (715) 479-6400 or events@eagleriver.org.

For more information on the upcoming tournament or other Eagle River area events, visit eagleriver.org or call the chamber at the number above.

"It's going to be a great tournament," Emerson said. "Remember, a portion of the proceeds always goes for fish stocking and habitat improvement."

## PUBLIC NOTICE

(Three Weeks, 8/17-8/31/22)  
STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CIRCUIT COURT VILAS COUNTY  
Case No. 2022CV000068  
Honorable Martha J. Milanowski  
Branch 1  
Code No. 30405

ANN L. MILNE REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST  
DATED 11/30/2007  
78-507 Puulki Road  
Kailua-Kona, HI 96740,

Plaintiff,

vs. WALTER W. EILER and FLORENCE EILER,  
their heirs and assigns,  
and

Any person claiming ownership to the property located at the following legal description:  
All that part of Government Lot Four (4), Section Eleven (11), Township Forty-Three (43) North, Range Six (6) East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, Township of Presque Isle, Vilas County, Wisconsin, LYING SOUTH of that parcel described in Document No. 584099 and LYING WEST of that parcel described in Document No. 555680,  
Defendants.

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN  
To each person named above as a defendant:  
You are hereby notified that the plaintiff

named above have filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you.

Within forty (40) days from the date after the first date of publication, you must respond with a written demand for a copy of the complaint. The demand must be sent or delivered to the court whose address is: VILAS COUNTY CLERK OF COURT, VILAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 330 COURT STREET, EAGLE RIVER, WISCONSIN 54521 and to TIMOTHY B. MELMS, plaintiff's attorney, whose address is HOGAN & MELMS, 7520 HWY 51 S., SUITE A, MINOCQUA, WI 54548. You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not demand a copy of the complaint within forty (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 to anything that is or may be incorrect in the complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided as 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 1st day of August, 2022.

/s/ Timothy B. Melms, State Bar No. 1021201  
HOGAN & MELMS  
7520 Hwy 51 S., Suite A  
Minocqua, WI 54548  
(715) 365-1008

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## NOTICE

VACANCY - VILAS COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
District #14 - Town of Conover, Ward 1 and Town of Lincoln, Ward 1

The Vilas County Board Chairman is accepting applications for an individual to be appointed to fill the unexpired term of Vilas County Supervisor, District #14, comprised of the Town of Conover, Ward 1 and Town of Lincoln, Ward 1. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. §59.10(3)(e) applicants for this appointment must be a qualified elector and a resident of District #14 for at least 28 days to be eligible to fill this vacancy. Applicants for this position should send a letter expressing interest in the position and a resume to:

Chairman Jerry Burkett  
Vilas County Board of Supervisors  
District #14 Applications  
330 Court Street  
Eagle River, WI 54521

Applications postmarked later than Friday, September 2, 2022, will not be considered. Appointment of any applicant by the Vilas County Board Chairman is subject to Vilas County Board ratification.

Kimberly A. Oikowski  
Vilas County Clerk

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## NEWS

# Lincoln Supervisor Brian Uttech declares resignation

BY MICHAEL ANDERSON  
NEWS CORRESPONDENT

Supervisor Bill Hassey began the town of Lincoln board meeting last Tuesday by reading a resignation letter from Supervisor Brian Uttech.

Uttech explained he has increasing family health-care requirements and will no longer be able to devote the time required to perform his duties as a town supervisor. His resignation was effective July 31. He further stated in his letter that it was an honor to serve the citizens of the town of Lincoln.

Lincoln will honor his service at a later date with a gift and a small ceremony. Uttech served as a Lincoln town supervisor for 17 years.

Supervisor Kim Simac addressed a concern with the Eagle River Recreation Association's (ERRA) beer license.

"The ERRA's liquor license is in question of how it is being used," she said, explaining that the beer and wine license is issued to the ERRA, but the Eagle River Falcons Hockey Club is using the beer license to sell beer at its events.

"It's not right what is going on, we need to flush it out and fix it" said Simac.

She said the Falcons hockey team and the new Windigo hockey team both have in their contract that the ERRA must have a license to sell beer during their games. Unfortunately, the ERRA can not let another entity use it's license.

Simac explained that the ERRA needs to be the entity that buys the beer, sells the beer with licensed bartenders, and collects and accounts for the income from the beer.

"All the funds need to go to the ERRA and that is not happening," she said.

Simac further explained

that the Falcons separated from the ERRA in 2019 and formed a non-stock corporation, and expressed concern that the Falcons, as a private corporation, are using the ERRA's beer license, which could create additional problems because the ERRA is a nonprofit organization.

Simac said she doesn't believe anyone should be hiding from the facts, she simply believes the town board should invite the ERRA to their next board meeting to find out what is going on and fix the problem if one exists.

The rest of the town board agreed that the concern should be addressed and they will place it on the agenda for next month's meeting.

Hassey also addressed speeding concerns from town citizens. He explained the first step to take for a speeding concern is to call the sheriff's department, but he did ask the board to look at changing speed limits on some town roads.

"A lot of people don't realize that an unmarked town road is a 55 mph speed limit," said Hassey.

He explained that as the town grows, there is more housing with more people on the roads. He feels there are areas of the town where the board should consider posting the speed limit at 35 mph.

The town board also opened bids for a crack fill and chip sealing project on Illinois Road. They approved a bid from Pitlik and Wick for the project.

The next regular Lincoln Town Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 13, at 6:30 p.m. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.



The St. Germain ATV Club held its fourth meat raffle fundraiser Aug. 6 at Sportsman's Chalet in Eagle River. Funds raised will be used for trail maintenance and upkeep. Pictured is a group of women from across the state that came to support

the ATV club. In the winter, they visited as "Women on Snow." For the fundraiser, they returned as women looking to get "dirty" on the ATV trails.

—Photos By Wally Geist

## ATV club holds meat raffle fundraiser

BY JACKI GOEBEL  
ST. GERMAIN CORRESPONDENT

ST. GERMAIN — For the fourth year, dozens of St. Germain ATV Club supporters attended the annual meat raffle fundraiser held Aug. 6 at Sportsmen's Chalet.

The event included a 50-50 raffle that raised \$3,200 while the meat raffle proceeds have yet to be determined.

According to club President Gary Penner, funds raised from the event will be used for trail maintenance and upkeep.

The event was hosted by Sportsmen's owners Gary and Laurel Frank. The meat raffle portion of the day consisted of the sale of raffle tickets for steaks, ribs, turkeys and seafood.

Additionally, the club recently received a \$30,000 grant from the St. Germain Chamber of Commerce for maintenance and equipment such as a tractor, drags, chainsaws and other tools.

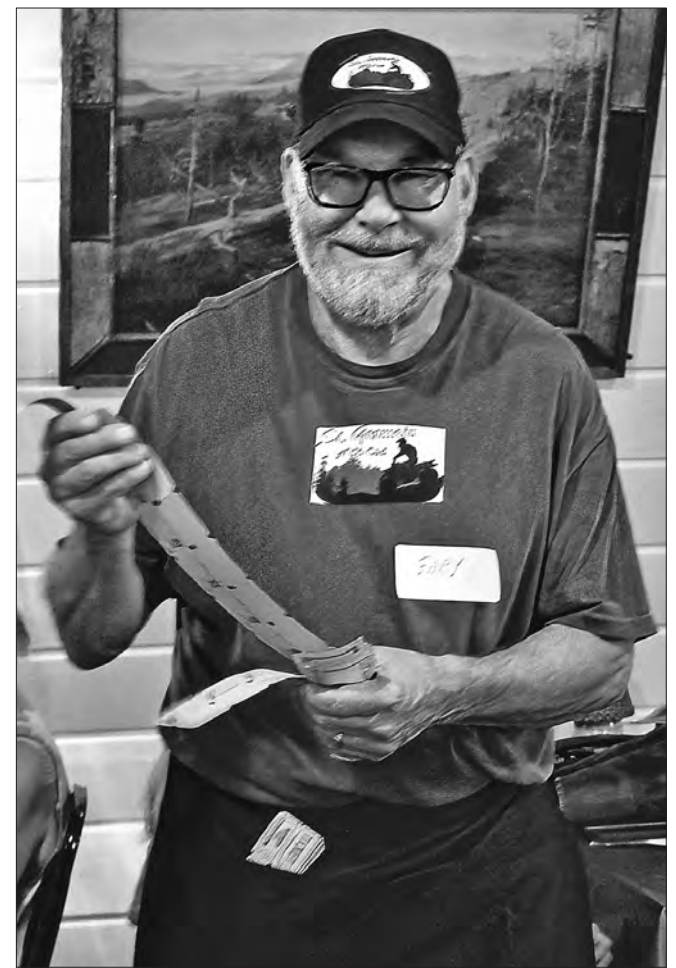
Club officials released a trail building FAQ sheet which spoke of upcoming

goals the club has as well as costs associated with building a new trail.

Goals mentioned included the construction of trails to allow access to businesses that are off-route, and a trail that would include a bridge connecting Zeman Road and Honey Bear restaurant. The club hopes to complete these projects in one to three years, he added.

According to the document, trail construction can cost \$100,000 or more depending on the length and the services needed to design and build the trail. These services include engineering studies, tree removal and base preparation. Signage, fencing and possible legal fees for easements are other costs that may be incurred.

The St. Germain ATV Club maintains 147 miles of trails, routes and troutes (hybrid trail with ATV and motor vehicles) in Vilas County and relies on membership fees, fundraising and grants to maintain and build trails. The club's membership currently consists of 142 general members and 76 business members.



St. Germain ATV Club President Gary Penner sells raffle tickets at the club's annual meat raffle. Proceeds from the 50-50 drawing totaled \$3,200.

### NOTICE

State of Wisconsin, City of Eagle River is accepting bids for roof replacement of the Eagle River Golf Course Clubhouse, located at 457 McKinley Blvd., Eagle River, Wisconsin. The City is accepting competitive bids for both/either architectural shingles or galvanized G-90 steel to replace the existing shingle roof. Bids for both are highly encouraged so the City can make the best choice for roofing material to meet our needs.

In letting contract by bidding, City of Eagle River requires and will provide the following:

- Bids must be submitted on Bid Submittal Form, See Section 00200.
- The bidding will be based on sealed competitive bids.
- The contract shall be awarded to the lowest qualified bidder pending background check.
- The bid shall contain list of subcontractors and description of work class to be performed by each.
- Proof of business license and workers comp. insurance are required to be submitted with all bids.
- Specifications for bids may be picked up at the City of Eagle River City Hall, City Administrator's Office, between the hours of 8:00-4:00, Monday-Friday or are available on the City Website.
- City of Eagle is a not-for-profit organization and holds a Wisconsin Certificate of Exempt Status (CES) number. As of January 2016, building materials that become part of a qualifying nonprofit facility, provides an exemption from sales and use tax sold to a contractor. City of Eagle River expects to have the contractor purchase materials while being able to take advantage of their tax-exempt status. See General Conditions for more detail.
- A site visit prior to bidding can be arranged by contacting Robin Ginner, City. Ph 715-479-8682 ext. 277, Cell 715-525-2666, e-mail: [rginner@eagleriverwi.gov](mailto:rginner@eagleriverwi.gov).

Bids will be received at the Eagle River City Hall until 12:00 p.m. Central time, on September 1, 2022 at which time and place said bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids received after the deadline will be rejected and returned unopened.

Bids must be typed or printed in ink. Bids submitted as a result of this invitation must include the bidders Response Schedule and be returned in a sealed envelope or container marked "Sealed Bid - 2022 Eagle River Golf Course Roof Replacement" on the outside of the envelope or container. No bid will be considered, unless so received.

City of Eagle River  
Attn: Robin Ginner, City Administrator  
525 E. Maple Street, PO Box 1269  
Eagle River, WI 54521

The City of Eagle River reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, in whole or in part, or make any other decision considered to be in the best interest of the City.

## Dragon Boat Festival planned Saturday

The Minocqua Dragon Boat Festival is set to take place on Saturday, Aug. 20, at Torpy Park in Minocqua.

The festival is one of the largest team-race events in the North Woods. In addition to racing on Lake Minocqua, there will be the St. Germain PrimeTimers Food Court, Rotary Dragon's Breath Beer Tent and music throughout the day.

This is a free, family event that has drawn thousands since it began in 2016.

Over 100 participating teams have paddled from across 13 states and Canada ranging in age from 14 to 86.

A youth division for ages 12 to 18 also has been created for this year.

This year, the festival aims to grow the Breast Cancer Survivors division. Nationally, the number of survivor teams continues to grow every year. The Minocqua Dragon Boat Festival has had at least one survivor team participate each year and this year. Members of these teams share not only the experience, but the physical benefits of paddling a dragon boat, while creating a community of support with fellow survivors.

This year, all proceeds will go toward state-of-the-art hospital projects including a new service line for oncology chemotherapy infusions at Howard Young Medical Center.

The project will be matched by Aspirus, doubling the

impact of every dollar raised. Aspirus Health is a nonprofit, community-directed health-care system that has been identified by IBM Watson Health as a Top 15 Health System for four consecutive years.

Since it started in 2016, the festival has raised over \$750,000 to benefit Howard Young Medical Center, Aspirus Eagle River Hospital, the Aspirus Tick-Borne Illness Center and Autism Services.

No paddling experience is necessary to participate and all equipment is provided.

Teams need to supply 16 to 20 paddlers, at least half must

be women, and one drummer, with no prior drumming experience necessary. Teams will have a practice session the night before the event and will race a minimum of two times on race day on a 300m race-course.

Registration includes a boat, personal flotation devices, paddles, and a steersperson/coach.

Team fees may be reduced or eliminated through the Paddlers Pledge program.

For more information, to participate or to volunteer during the event, visit [minocquadragonboat.com](http://minocquadragonboat.com).

## Auction: FROM PAGE 1A

August, board members would be assigned evenings for pickups and they would drive their own vehicles," said current ERRA Secretary Jessica Adamovich.

"Then on auction weekend, you need lots of hands on deck managing each of the auction stations and keeping things organized. It was the same board members who were there all weekend and, for a long time now, the volunteers have been less and less each year," she said.

Adamovich noted that everything that was left over on Sunday then had to be removed and taken to the dump where the bill would in the thousands of dollars.

Despite the growing struggles with making the Youth Days Auction happen, there was concern about losing the significant revenue support

for ERRA programs. But a new association event has brought in a significant amount of money.

"We were pleasantly surprised that the first 'Bourbon and Beer' event, which we piloted in 2019, netted \$20,000," Adamovich said. "And I remembered thinking that it could replace the auction and it doesn't require nearly the amount of volunteer hours."

Adamovich added that this year's Bourbon and Beer event, held July 28 at Eagle Waters Resort, raised \$60,000 in one evening — enough to pay for the cooling tower at the Dome.

Adamovich said the ERRA is hoping to start to capitalize on more "fun" events that the public will like and will raise money without creating as much work for everyone.



### SOCCER REFEREES NEEDED

Headwaters Youth Soccer Association (HYSA) is looking for community members to become certified referees to officiate youth soccer matches on Saturdays during August and September. All matches are held at Oldenburg Sports Park in Eagle River.

HYSA is a non-profit, volunteer run organization. However, referees can earn up to \$105.00 on a single game date. Anyone 13 years and older is eligible to certify. Community minded adults of all ages are especially welcome, even if you are not familiar with the sport.

For more information please contact David Chamberlain at (715) 307-4489 or click the **2022 New Referee Certification** link at [www.northwoodssoccer.org](http://www.northwoodssoccer.org) for complete registration information.

The online self study portion needs to be completed prior to a live virtual class held on August 21st, 27th or 28th.



# OUTDOORS

## Swim jigs work in the weeds of summer

**IT TOOK** an overcast, windy day in August to create the kind of conditions that get the big northern pike stirred up and on the move, so I spent the last hour at work plotting strategy on what lake and what shoreline would be best to hit.

Most anglers know that the wind-blown shorelines often produce the best fishing results, bringing in food and reducing light penetration that can deter fish from chasing baits.

When late summer brings the heaviest weed cover of the season, making it more difficult to get any kind of bait in front of shallow-water gamefish such as northern pike and largemouth bass, the weedless swim jig is worth a try.

Spinner baits and topwater baits can work as well, but there's just something about a slow-moving weedless jig with a skirt and long rubber tail that makes it easier for fish to track down and hit in heavy vegetation.

Swim jigs are nothing more than a monster weedless jig in the quarter-ounce to 3/8ths-ounce range, making them easy to toss with casting equipment. Add some braided line and a steel leader, and you've got a great tool for catching big late-summer pike.

The target area held tall cabbage



Skirted, weedless swim jigs with a large rubber tail are great for attracting northern pike.

weeds with pockets of heavier vegetation, some deep weed edges and a couple of deep holes that were free of visible weeds. It's the kind of cov-

**In the Outdoors**  
By Kurt Krueger



er pike use to set up ambushes on unsuspecting baitfish.

The depth finder read nine feet of water, not far from the outside weed edge, when the first northern slammed a blue and pink swim jig sporting a six-inch black rubber tail. It was game on.

That first fish measured 27 inches, a beauty of a northern, girthy and fat after spending three months dining on young-of-the-year minnows and other baitfish.

As it turned out there was more than one nice northern hanging in this location, and the second strike resulted in a 29-inch northern thrashing in the net.

**Did I mention I love to set the hook?**

If you want a great fight, late summer is prime time. Bass and northers and just about every fish here is at its peak for health, strength and speed during the warmest month of the year.

The next fish to slam my swim jig didn't plow its head down into the weeds. Instead, it immediately soared to the surface and jumped, letting me know right off that the fight was on with a big largemouth bass.

There was no hurried-up retrieval of this fish, like you see in the bass tournaments on the tube. The fiesta fish took line and taxed the muscles for a couple of minutes.

In the end, it was a 22-inch largemouth that weighed just over

five pounds. I snapped a photo and quickly got it back in the water, making sure it would live to fight another day.

I've wasted a lot of hours trying to get decent-sized northern pike and bass to hit in sunny or calm conditions, often getting skunked. And then I return to the same locations with the right weather to discover the fish were there.

Swim jigs are versatile because they can be retrieved at different depths and speeds. It pays to pause the retrieve from time to time, often triggering a strike from a northern that's following but not hitting.

They can be counted down into dark pockets where the vegetation is lower, or run along the outside edge of thick weeds.

We generally use blue grub tails when targeting bass and black tails when going after northers, but every lake is different depending on water clarity.

You'll need a supply of these six-inch tails because there's always some smaller northers and bass grabbing short and tearing them off the jig.

I'm generally using 20 to 30-pound braided line on a bass-sized casting reel. And because I like catching and eating those toothy northers, a steel leader comes in handy to prevent bite-offs.

We've come a long way in the leader material category from the days when seven-strand wire was popular, but it often kinked badly on the first fish caught. Now they make leaders that don't kink after numerous fights.

You're not going to catch as many bass and walleyes using steel leaders, but don't say never. I've caught both in heavy weeds where the reaction bite is so quick they don't have time to see what's ahead of the bait.

Three dandy northers were gracing the live well when the boat



The scribbler holds a couple of dandy northern pike that slammed swim jigs in the heavy cabbage weeds of August. —Photos By The Author

finally headed for the landing at dusk. Swim jigs don't work well in extremely low-light conditions near dusk. That's when you get out the spinner baits with shiny, noisy blades.

If you're still trying to filet northers with the five-piece method, it's time to get online and watch a video on the Canadian filet meth-

od. You'll not only learn how to remove all of the Y-bones, but you'll end up with two nice filets instead of five chunks.

Swim jigs work best in those shallow, weedy lakes with an average depth of less than 10 feet.

**Don't delay. August is prime time and we're already half-way through the month.**

## DNR awaiting final numbers following 2022 walleye spearing

BY DOUG ETTEN  
SPORTS EDITOR

Preliminary numbers from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) show seven Wisconsin Native American tribes together speared a total of 30,082 walleyes across the Ceded Territory this spring.

These numbers are still considered preliminary, and though they likely won't change according to DNR Communications Director Sarah Hoye, approved and final totals will be sent to the department.

Hoye said those total were to be sent by July 15 by the Great Lakes Indian Fish & Wildlife Commission (GLIFWC), however as of Thursday last week they still had not received them.

"Staff are working to see if there is an anticipated timeline to receive that info," said Hoye. The preliminary numbers show that spearing totals were down this season compared to 2021 when Tribes harvested 33,507 walleyes from 138 lakes within the ceded territory.

Overall numbers of walleye harvested by tribal spears have been up and down since 2017 when a record 38,991 were taken. In 2018 there were 28,857 walleye speared in what was another late spring. In 2019 that number was 35,549. A five-year average going back to 2017 shows 34,440 walleyes harvested per year (172,201 total since 2017).

Five lake systems in particular accounted for nearly 37% of the overall harvest for the ceded territory led by the

Chippewa Flowage (2,363) in Sawyer County. Following that lake was the Turtle Flambeau Flowage in Iron County where 2,283 walleyes were speared.

Looking at the top-25 overall lakes that saw the most walleyes speared, seven of them were in Vilas County which topped the list overall with 9,384 walleye speared from lakes inside their county. The North and South Twin Lake system in Conover and Phelps saw 1,160 walleyes speared, all by the Mole Lake Band.

Other lakes in Vilas County that ranked high included Kentucky Lake (640), Big Muskellunge Lake (545), North and South Trout Lake (539), Big Arbor Vitae Lake (477), Star Lake (464) and Island

Lake (458) and Big Lake (325) on the Cisco Chain of Lakes.

Behind Twin lakes in Vilas County which was the third highest in the Ceded Territory was the Willow Flowage in Oneida County where 1,177 walleyes were speared. Namekagon Lake in Bayfield County rounded out the top five overall with a total of 1,122 walleyes speared.

In total there were 4,918 walleye speared in Oneida County. That number was across 29 different lakes. Behind the Willow Flowage there were 784 walleye speared from Pelican Lake. A total of 534 fish were taken from Squirrel Lake which was 121 fish over what legal-

ly could have been taken in accordance with safe harvest numbers.

Neither the Wisconsin DNR nor GLIFWC have released publicly what, if any, punishment was handed down regarding the over harvest though according to rules in the Voigt agreement it should shut down any tribal harvest on that body of water for the next three years.

"Incidents where declarations are exceeded are reviewed by both fisheries and law enforcement," said Hoye.

A full list of lakes across the ceded territory including all spearing activity for 2022 can be found online at [vnewsreview.com](http://vnewsreview.com) in the Outdoors section.

## Snapshot Day to focus on invasives

Local residents in Lincoln, Oneida and Vilas counties are invited to join a network of over 20 conservation organizations and help prevent the spread of invasive species across Wisconsin.

On Saturday, Aug. 20, volunteers across the state will participate in a search for aquatic invasive species (AIS).

This hands-on effort, known as Snapshot Day, relies on participants to monitor streams, lakes and wetlands at designated sites for signs of non-native plants and animals that pose risks to Wisconsin waterways and wildlife.

Coordinated in partnership by UW-Madison Division of Extension, River Alliance of Wisconsin and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Snapshot Day is entering its ninth year.

Local volunteer opportunities are available and no experience is necessary, training is provided the day of the event.

This event is free and recommended for ages eight and older, minors must be accompanied by an adult.

The Oneida County Land & Water Conservation Department AIS Team and Lincoln County Land Service AIS Team are co-hosting a Snapshot Day Event.

Participants will meet at 8:30 a.m. at Wayside Park located at the intersection of Highway 8 and Highway A in Tomahawk. Teams will head to nearby lakes and rivers to search the shorelines for previously undocumented AIS, collect suspected AIS and return to Wayside Park to review findings and share their experiences.

There are 24 designated monitoring sites located within Oneida and Lincoln County Townships.

Vilas County will host two Snapshot Day events.

In Conover, the Vilas County Land and Water Conservation Department's Snapshot Day training will be held at 8:30 a.m. at the Open-Air Pavilion at Conover Town Park. After training, participants will search for AIS at either Torch Lake or Star Lake.

The Manitowish Waters event will begin at the North Lakeland Discovery Center (NLDC). Participants will be meeting at 8:30 a.m. at the Rest Lake boat launch on Rest Lake Park Road, off Highway W and across from the NLDC entrance. Participants will split into groups and monitor several nearby lakes.

## Take a Hike!

By Stephanie Dye



### Horse Race Rapids

Difficulty: Easy to Moderate

Length: 1 mile, in and out

Beautiful rock formations surround several fast-moving rapids on the Paint River.

Located just east of Crystal Falls, Mich., Horse Race Rapids is roughly a little over an hour from the heart of Eagle River.

Leaving Eagle River on Highway 70 East, follow the highway 29 miles until you reach the stop sign at the intersection with Highway 139. Turn right and follow the road approximately 3 miles where you will take a left and continue to follow Highway 70 East toward Florence.

After 20 miles you will reach the next intersection with Highway 2 where you will take a left. Follow Highway 2 for 8 miles until you reach Airport Rd. on the right. Turn onto Airport Rd. and continue, staying to the right when reaching the fork, until the road dead ends at the trail head.

The start of the trail is located to the right of the parking lot and begins with a stairway and steep incline down to the water. There are several small trails for adventurous hikers of which to take advantage, but be aware that most of these require steady footing and have several roots and loose areas of ground on them.

When reaching the river, there is a small rock bluff on which hikers can view the main section of rapids. The trail leads both up river and down river from this point.

Up river there are several spots to pause and view different sections of rapids. When taking this trail, you may choose an upper trail that gives beautiful views of the river or a small trail on the rocks that line the river edge for a closer and more adventurous view.

The down-river trail goes to the right, where the rapids quickly dissipate, but the river and rock formations still boast beautiful views.

All hikers should use caution and their best judgment when utilizing unmarked and off-the-map trails.

This spot is a quick hike (30-60 minutes) for individuals or families and has perfect spots along the rocks for a quick snack or picnic lunch!

Enjoy the warmer temperatures while we have them.

See you on the trails!

# OUTDOORS



Tom Mahachek (driving the boat) herded the injured loon toward the shoreline while James Verch (left) and Tom Horness combined their efforts utilizing muskie nets to capture the loon. — Contributed Photos

## Loon rescue is a combined effort

BY STEPHANIE DYE  
LIFESTYLE EDITOR

Hearing and seeing loons on lakes in the North Woods is a common occurrence for residents and visitors. However, having the opportunity to have an intimate and up-close experience with a loon is rare.

Tom Horness, who was visiting his family cottage on Big Fork Lake, near Three Lakes was fortunate to have such an experience recently.

While down by the shoreline, Horness noticed a loon that was staying approximately 15 feet from the shore for an extended amount of time. The loon was acting particularly odd, stretching its left wing and not swimming away when there were humans so close. After closer observation, he noticed that there was a bright green object stuck to the side of the loon, fishing line extending from the loon's mouth to the left wing and the bird had bands on his legs.

"I called the Three Lakes Police Department who directed me to a local animal rescue facility, Wild Instincts in Rhinelander," said Horness. "They advised me to carefully net the loon if possible and safely contain it for transport."

That's when the adventure began. Horness, with the help of his neighbors Richard and James Verch and Tom Mahachek, began the rescue attempt.

The individuals gathered their fishing nets and went to work. On first attempt of approaching the loon, it dove down away from the net and surfaced approxi-

mately 30 feet out. The crew all boarded a pontoon boat and began herding it closer to shore.

Eventually, Horness and Verch were able to use two nets and enclose the loon within them. They transferred the loon to the enclosed bed of the truck where it was safely transported to the facility.

After arriving at Wild Instincts, Horness recounted the details to the facility caregivers and the loon was taken into quarantine and examined to determine treatment and care.

Before Horness could make it home from dropping the loon off, he received a text from caregivers that an x-ray revealed three hooks in its stomach and they would be keeping the bird until these were dissolving.

"The male loon arrived with a three-hook setup line swallowed internally and the fishing line was exiting throughout his mouth and wrapped around his left wing," said Mark Nanoit, director of rehabilitation and owner of Wild Instincts. "We removed the line, confirmed there was no risk of lead poisoning from a sinker or jig head and began care for the bird."

Wild birds swallowing hooks is not an uncommon occurrence, according to rehab specialists at Wild Instincts. Wild fowl, like the loon, are capable of dissolving hooks with their stomach acid, as the acid is strong enough to dissolve fish bones that they regularly ingest as part of their diet.

The next morning, Horness called for an update on the loon. The center reported that it was doing well,



Horness holds the netted loon before transporting the bird to Wild Instincts rehabilitation center in Rhinelander.

eating minnows, was of good weight and there was no concern of damage or visible blood in the loon's stool.

Horness, that evening, had researched that loons were the type of bird that mates for life. He knew, from being at the cottage several times during the summer, that there had been two pair of loons on the lake and requested that the loon be released again in the same area so that it could return to his mate.

Nanoit agreed this would be the best option and after the loon was rehabilitated and cleared to be released, he would contact Horness.

Average time for rehabil-

itation for a medical situation like this is two to three weeks. Horness was happy to receive a call less than a week later, as the loon was doing so well that Wild Instincts was confident that it was ready to be released.

Caregivers from the organization met with Horness and the group brought the loon to the shore of the lake. After being released into the water, the loon spent a few moments orientating himself and swam away.

"This definitely was an effort of many to help this loon," said Horness. "I'm happy that he is home and has the opportunity to spend his life with his mate."

## Ducks Unlimited plans fundraiser for next month

The Headwaters Chapter of Ducks Unlimited (DU) in Eagle River will host its annual fundraising banquet Thursday, Sept. 15, at 5:30 p.m. at Eagle Waters Resort.

Proceeds from the event will help further conservation efforts in Wisconsin.

According to Headwaters Chapter Chairman Jim Kauzlaric, last year DU completed 49 projects and protected 6,152 acres of habitat in Wisconsin, investing \$4.1 million. The projects directly benefit not only waterfowl but thousands of other species of wildlife. These projects also have immense benefits to people by providing clean water, flood storage, and significant economic impacts to local communities.

"The work we do is large scale, and every acre is designed to leave a legacy where future generations will always be able to enjoy wild places," said Kauzlaric.

"Our efforts are not possible without the support of our volunteers and members that attend our banquets."

For more information or to purchase tickets, visit [widucks.org](http://widucks.org).

### About DU

Ducks Unlimited Inc. is the world's largest nonprofit organization dedicated to conserving North America's continually disappearing waterfowl habitats.

Established in 1937, Ducks Unlimited has conserved more than 15 million acres thanks to contributions from more than a million supporters across the continent.

Guided by science and dedicated to program efficiency, DU works toward the vision of wetlands sufficient to fill the skies with waterfowl today, tomorrow and forever.

For more information, visit [it.ducks.org](http://it.ducks.org).

## Wilderness navigation topic for Aug. 20 adventure program

Trees For Tomorrow will be holding a Nature Adventures Wilderness Navigation program Saturday, Aug. 20, from 1 to 4 p.m.

Participants will learn introductory map and compass reading and apply those new skills to completing an orienteering course. Traveling to each marked tree on the course, students collect words to unscramble a sentence that's the course motto.

Compasses will be provided for use during the program, and participants are

encouraged to wear closed-toed shoes and bring bug repellent.

Nature adventure programs will run an average of 3 hours and are offered on the third Saturday of each month with seasonally-appropriate topics.

Activities are family friendly and all participants under 18 years must be accompanied by a paying adult. Cost per person is \$15.

For more information, visit [treesfortomorrow.com](http://treesfortomorrow.com) or call (715) 479-6456.

## Lake biology program slated in St. Germain

The St. Germain Fish and Wildlife Club will host local author Ted Rulseh Thursday, Aug. 25, at 7 p.m. at the St. Germain Community Center.

He will speak on the biology, chemistry and physics of lake life with a program entitled "What Makes a Lake Tick."

Rulseh, an advocate for lake protection, resides on Birch Lake in Oneida County. He is a graduate of the Wisconsin Lake Leaders

Institute and a board member of the Oneida County Lakes and Rivers Association.

He also is the author of "A Lakeside Companion," and the soon-to-be released book "Ripple Effects: How We're Loving Our Lakes to Death."

The program is free and open to the public.

The community center is located at 545 Highway 155 in St. Germain.

For more information, contact Bob Schell at (715) 542-2321.

## RESULTS

### THREE LAKES WEDNESDAY NIGHT MUSKIE LEAGUE Results as of 8/10/22 STANDINGS

Tavern on the Loop No. 1.....	420
Spirit View Lakeside.....	349
Big Stone Golf Course.....	327
Highway 32 South.....	215
Scotty's Bait & Tackle.....	198
Hideaway.....	150
Pine Isle.....	122
American Legion.....	79
Tavern on the Loop No. 2.....	39
Caught and released: Peter Blicharz 34.5".	

### MONDAY NIGHT MUSKY LEAGUE Results as of 8/8/22 STANDINGS

Berklee's Destroyers.....	673
R&M Musky Shop.....	558
Sweetwater.....	524
Great Escape I.....	419
Sand Lake Pub.....	401
Sportsmen's Chalet.....	270
Shotskis.....	186
Great Escape II.....	181
Mud Creek Saloon.....	136
Eagle Waters.....	134
Uncle Kent's.....	119
Twelve Pines.....	76
Top three: Matt Raley 43.5", Bill Viekrandt 41.25", Clint Nagy 39.5".	
Top gun: Jared Adamovich 231.	
Big fish of the year: Rob Rottier 49".	

## Hunter safety courses announced for this fall

The Oneida County Sheriff's Office and the School District of Rhinelander Community Education Program are co-sponsoring two Department of Natural Resources (DNR) certified hunter safety courses scheduled for September and November.

All classes will be held at the Oneida County Sheriff's office located at 2000 E. Winnebago St. in Rhinelander.

Course objectives include the reduction of the potential for accidents, injuries, and fatalities; reducing the potential for conflict between participants, landowners, and other resource users; and promoting safe, responsible and ethical use of the environment and our resources.

The ideal class age range is

12 and older, but all ages are welcome. The fee for the class is \$10 per person and should be paid with cash or check at the first class.

The instructor will be Michael Baran from the Oneida County Sheriff's Office.

Students are required to obtain a DNR customer ID number for this class. If the student does not already have one, contact the DNR at 1-(888) 936-7463 prior to registering.

Registration is required and space is limited. Registration online at [rhinelander.k12.wi.us](http://rhinelander.k12.wi.us).

For more information or questions, contact Mike Cheslock at (715) 365-9745 or [cheslmik@rhinelander.k12.wi.us](mailto:cheslmik@rhinelander.k12.wi.us).



BIG SMALLIE — Tim Cross caught and released this 21-inch Smallmouth Bass while fishing a North Woods lake recently. — Contributed Photo

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# Sports

## Eagles host Merrill Friday

# Pines to open football season with new coach, full schedule

By GARY RIDDERBUSCH  
NEWS CORRESPONDENT

The Northland Pines football team will try to return to “normalcy” during the 2022 season, but that will have to happen with a new coach and a complete season in a new football-only conference.

The Eagles will open the season against Merrill in a nonconference game this Friday, Aug. 19, in Eagle River, with the kickoff set for 7 p.m. It’s also the annual Hall of Fame Game at Northland Pines (see related story).

Steve Graf, who coached at Pines in 2008, takes over the Eagles’ football program this fall. He will be the third coach at Pines in three years following two shortened seasons.

Last year, Kevin Gundy replaced A.J. Zayia as the Eagles head coach, but Gundy and Pines athletic director Josh Tilley decided to shut down the season after a 53-0 loss to Wittenberg-Birnamwood in the first game of the campaign.

A lack of varsity-level players and several injuries to key players ended the season early for the Eagles, though Pines did play a junior varsity schedule allowing some juniors, sophomores and freshmen to get playing time.

In 2019, the Eagles played a Covid-shortened season, finishing with a 3-3 overall record. It was the last season for Zayia, who resigned for family reasons after leading the Eagles to three straight playoff appearances. It also was the Eagles’ first season in the new Northwoods Football Conference after playing an independent schedule for two seasons and several seasons in the West-PAC conference in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

Now it will be up to Graf and nine seniors to rebuild the Eagles’ football program, which includes a roster of about 28 players.

“It’s going to be tough because Pines really hasn’t had a complete season since



STEVE GRAFF



Seniors on the Northland Pines 2022 football team include, front row from left, Owen Will, C.J. Lederer, Anthony Weeks and Sam Brae-

ger; and back row, Miles McCanles, Austin Samanske, Dominic Dahlquist, John Rajek and Michael Warwick.

2018 when they were 5-5,” said Graf. “We are really starting with the basics and rebuilding not just a team, but an entire program.”

Graf has been around football for a long time, coaching at the high school and college levels for more than three decades.

He coached at Granada Hills High School in California in 1976; California Lutheran University from 1981-’83; Eastern New Mexico University in 1984; West Texas State University (now A&M) from 1985-’87 and was head coach from 1988-’90; Mount Senario College from 1992-’98; San Jose State from 1999-2000; then head coach at Pines in 2008 while he was athletic director at the Conserve School; head coach at Cranbrook High School in Michigan from 2010-’13 and 2020; and assistant coach at Cranbrook from 2014-’19 and 2021.

While Graf says the Eagles are behind after last year’s early exit to the season, he noted the JV team did play last year.

“Some of those players are ready to step up to varsity and make key contributions,” said Graf.

Some of the key returning players this fall include seniors Miles McCanles at defensive end and tight end, Austin Samanske at center and defensive end, Dom Dahlquist at linebacker and guard, and Owen Will at quarterback and defensive back. Other seniors on the team include C.J. Lederer, Anthony Weeks, Sam Braeger, John Rajek and Michael Warwick.

“Our team strength will be our interior line,” said Graf



Northland Pines quarterback Owen Will rolls out to pass during a practice last week. —Photos By Gary Ridderbusch

after watching the Eagles during several weeks of practice. “On the other hand, we have to continued to develop our skill positions.”

Graf said the Eagles will run a multiple offense, utilizing multiple formations.

“On the other side, we will field a defense that allows our players to play fast,” he said.

Helping Graf develop the Eagles on both sides of the ball will be assistant coaches Rich Kerner (quarterbacks and defensive backs), Matt Huebner (offensive and defensive line), Travis Mangene (defensive backs and tight ends), and Troy Schallinske (running backs and linebackers).

Graf said special teams always play a role in any game, so that also is getting

extra time in practice.

“Special teams must be more than lip service. We have spent time developing our special teams and will get our groups shored up this week for the opener,” he said.

Because Graf is new to the football scene at Pines, he admits he knows little about the opponents they will face.

Following the Merrill contest, Pines will play at West Iron County, Mich., in another nonconference game Aug. 26.

The Eagles will then start play in the new Northwoods Football Conference Sept. 2 at Tomahawk. Other teams in the football-only conference include Oconto Falls, Coleman, Clintonville, Crandon, Crivitz and Menominee Indian.

## Sports Sidelines

By Doug Etten



## WIAA holds first meeting of ‘22-’23

Karl Morrin, district administrator in the Florence School District, presided Aug. 12 over the first meeting of the 2022-’23 Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA) board of control.

The board conducted its annual officer elections. Paul Pedersen, president at Regis High School, will serve as the president-elect, and Jill Stobber, athletics and activities administrator at Waterford High School, was elected to the role of treasurer. In addition, Cory Hinkel, district administrator of the Luck School District; Dennis Birr, superintendent in the Fall River School District; and Dan Retzki, director of athletics & activities and associate principal at Green Bay Preble High School, were introduced as new members of the board.

The board reviewed and approved a football-only fast track realignment request from Milwaukee Public Schools, which required unanimous support of all conference schools. The action moves the Washington/Fuller Collegiate co-op from the Richardson Division of the league to the Blackburn Division, and it moves Milwaukee Reagan to the Richardson Division from the Blackburn Division beginning this fall.

Among the reports presented by the executive staff to the board, the State Boys Golf Championships will again be held at The Meadow Valley Course at Blackwolf Run in Kohler next spring. In addition, the State Girls and State Boys Swimming & Diving Championships will continue to be held at Waukesha South High School in 2022-’23.

Other board action items approved were appointments to the 2022-’23 Coaches Advisory Committee, the extension of the COVID-19 tournament substitution policy, the 2022-23 Media Policies Reference Guide and the annual renewal of the Association’s membership in the National Federation of State High School Associations.

Results of a special election conducted for positions on the advisory council were presented to the board. Andrea Sheridan, district administrator at Athens, was elected as a small-school representative. Kent Kind-schy, district administrator at Turtle Lake, was also voted in as a small-school representative. Another special election will be held for the gender and minority at-large representatives on the Advisory Council. The deadline for declaring candidacy for these two positions is Monday, Aug. 22.

Among the other topics discussed were the agenda for the 2022 area meetings in September, development of the 2022-’23 operational budget, a review of the New AD Workshop and a report on the recent competitive balance ad hoc committee deliberations.

The Board also received liaison reports from Paul Manriquez of the Department of Public Instruction, John Ashley of the Wisconsin Association of School Boards and Shawn Groshek of the Wisconsin Athletic Directors Association.

## Girls hockey team to host home game in Ironwood

By CHRIS OATMAN  
NEWS CORRESPONDENT

Northland Pines High School has worked out details to host a home girls hockey game in Ironwood, Mich. this coming season.

The movement of a home game is something that Pines Athletic Director Josh Tilley says was in the works for a few years after the school district began a cooperative agreement with the school district to the north.

“We have three girls from the Ironwood area who have been playing for Pines the last three years,” said Tilley. “They’ve come to each practice and all our home games at the Dome.”

Tilley said the timing of the event works well in that all three of them will be bringing a close to their careers as Pines skaters. The players attend Hurley, Ironwood and Wakefield-Marenisco school districts.

“They will be seniors this season and we wanted to show their communities how much we appreciate what they have done by having them play in the area where they live,” he said. “Now more of their friends and family, like their grandparents who may have

never seen them play, can be there.”

The game will be one of importance also as it matches up Pines and first-year head coach Andrea Sergent with former Great Northern Conference rival, Medford.

“Medford was gracious enough to agree to move the location from the Dome to Ironwood,” said Tilley. “They also agreed to let us change the date from a Tuesday to a Friday (to help with travel). Everything fell into place, and I’m sure the girls are going to be super excited to play on a more local ground for them.”

Tilley also noted the cooperation of the Pat O’Donnell Civic Center in Ironwood, Mich., where the Northland Pines versus Medford game will be played.

The girls hockey season will get underway the last weekend of November when the team heads south to the Mullett Ice Center for a tournament with Cedarburg, Arrowhead and Brookfield Central. The team opens their home schedule Dec. 2 when they welcome the Chippewa Falls co-op to the Dome for a 5 p.m. contest.

## Pines hall of fame to induct five Friday

By GARY RIDDERBUSCH  
NEWS CORRESPONDENT

The Eagle River/Northland Pines Athletic Hall of Fame will induct three brothers who impacted hockey and waterskiing in northern Wisconsin, and two community members who supported Northland Pines athletics in a special ceremony this Friday, Aug. 19.

The athletes and coaches to be inducted at the 20th annual induction banquet

include brothers Jack Stoskopf Sr., a 1978 Pines graduate; Mike Stoskopf, a 1980 Pines graduate; and Jeff Stoskopf, a 1981 Pines graduate.

The two Northland Pines athletic supporters who will be inducted in the hall’s citation category include Richard “Rick” Caudill, a long-time bus driver and “voice of the Eagles,” and Darlene “Dar” Kadulski, who helped develop the volleyball program at Pines and was a long-time scorekeeper at basketball games.

The hall of fame committee invites friends, classmates,

teammates and family members of all inductees to the hall of fame induction ceremony this Friday in the high school auditorium beginning at 4:30 p.m. The inductees also will be introduced at halftime of the football game between Northland Pines and Merrill starting at 7 p.m. A reception, open to the public, will be held at the Eagle River Golf Course following the game.

The Eagle River/Northland Pines Athletic Hall of Fame seeks donations to cover expenses of the ceremony and hall of fame plaques

which are on display in the hallway adjacent to the field house. Sponsorship fees are \$100 for corporations and \$25 for individuals. All corporate sponsors will be recognized at the ceremony and in the program. For more information, contact Larry Snedden Jr. at (715) 362-2630.

The hall of fame committee also offers several scholarships to graduating Northland Pines seniors each spring, funds which are generated through donations from former hall of fame inductees.

# SPORTS

## Aho leaps Zdroik to take second round of Triple Crown Challenge

Jesse Aho of Twin Lakes, Mich., stormed through the pack from his No. 8 starting spot and passed leader Jason Zdroik with six laps remaining to claim Round II of the B-Mod Triple Crown Challenge series at Eagle River Speedway last Tuesday night.

The contest went green-to-checked without a yellow. When Zdroik drew the number one starting spot many in the stands assumed the race was all but over. But Aho had other ideas. Riding the high side Aho motored his way up to fourth by lap five and wrestled the third spot away from Bruce Belland three circuits later.

Aho then squeezed past Mickey Nossier for second a few laps later and set his sights on Zdroik, storming by on lap 14 and cruising to victory.

"These Triple Crown races always seem tough and we always start deep in the field," Aho said in victory lane. "It felt good to get this one."

Zdroik finished second, followed by Belland, Nossier and Dave Dishaw.

Zdroik scored some redemption later in the night by winning the Late Model feature.

In Stock Car action, defending track champion David Blackberg snatched the lead from fellow hometown driver Jonathon Miller on lap six and cruised to victory in the division's 15-lap feature while the "Mayor of Sugar Camp", Jason Eisel, scored the Street Stock feature win.

Young Trevor Schumann of Tomahawk won the Pure Stock feature.

Boulder Junction's Mya Towne got the clean sweep in



Flagman and announcer Lou Deditz gets a word with feature winner Jesse Aho during the racing action Aug. 9 at the Eagle River Speedway. —Photo by Jack Flint

the 600 Micro class by winning both the heat and the feature race. The 300 Micro features were captured by Twin Lakes, Mich., driver Cooper Aho and Ontonagon, Mich., racer Addison Dishaw.

Racing is scheduled for Tuesday night with the first green flag set for 7:30 p.m. Fans are encouraged to please check the track's website Facebook page or you can email patzdroik@yahoo.com or call (715) 891-1870.

### Race Summary

**B Mod:** Jesse Aho, Twin Lakes, Mich.; Jason Zdroik, Eagle River; Bruce Belland, Eagle River; Mickey Nossier, Phillips; Dave Dishaw, Ontonagon, Mich.; Frank Gasperini, Iron Mountain, Mich.; Austin Zdroik, Eagle River; Beetle Bailey, Argonne;

Scott Swanson, Wausau; Tad Schoonover, Eagle River; Dan Melton, Rhinelander; Dustin White, Eagle River.

**Late Models:** Jason Zdroik; Eric Pember, Pittsville; Danny Zelten, Clearwater; Aaron Revisit, Shawano; Mya Towne, Boulder Junction.

**Stock:** David Blackberg, Eagle River; Jonathon Miller, Eagle River; Ryan Glembin, Eagle River; Kevin Bogdonovic, Wausau; Ryan Brown, Eagle River; Trentin Bell, Three Lakes; Bruce Stanley, Merrill; Jeff Zdroik, Eagle River; Matt Cleary, Lac Du Flambeau.

**Unified Street Stock:** Jason Eisel, Sugar Camp; Logan Verhagen, Kaukauna; Breydon Peterson, Eagle River; Emerson Manos, Ontonagon, Mich.; Todd Dishaw,

Ontonagon, Mich.; Kim Brown, Eagle River; Jason Melton, Rhinelander; Blake Hartman, Conover; Joe Leveille, Eagle River.

**Pure Stock:** Trevor Schumann, Tomahawk; Jason Melton, Rhinelander; Brent Mindock, Prentice; Steve Pohl, Manitowish Waters; Bobby Hommerding, Merrill; Isabelle Valeria, Eagle River; Kyle Finke, Dorchester; Teagan Melton, Rhinelander; Evan Call, Aniwa; Jon Peterson, Eagle River.

**600 Micro Sprint:** Mya Towne, Boulder Junction; Russell Klein, Eagle River; Andy Fink, Minocqua; Hoyt Cournoyer, Pittsville; Cole Stella, Minocqua; Colton Rein, Kewaskum; Dustin Kangas, Phelps; Carson Artley, Escanaba, Mich.; Katherine Towne, Boulder Junction; Michael Hicks, Eagle River.

**Junior Sprint:** First, Cooper Aho, Twin Lakes, Mich.; Carter Aho, Twin Lakes, Mich.; Elijah Sharp-Nevo-raski, Minocqua; Katherine Towne, Boulder Junction; second, Addison Dishaw, Ontonagon, Mich.; Mason Meier, Eagle River; Blake Joslin, Rhinelander; Kaylynn Klein, Sugar Camp; Archer Peter, Manitowish Waters; Lucas Zdroik, Eagle River.

## Pines sets \$550,000 goal to light all athletics fields

By CHRIS OATMAN  
NEWS CORRESPONDENT

The Northland Pines School District has set a goal to raise \$550,000 to fund a permanent lighting project at its baseball, softball and soccer complexes located directly behind the high school in Eagle River.

According to the school district, the need for lights has increased in recent years as the district hopes to be able to continue hosting postseason events and allow reschedules to take place later in the day.

"There's been a need of lights for many, many years, and it comes down to our kids being able to play and not being restricted by the sun," stated Northland Pines Activities Director Josh Tilley. "The WIAA (Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association) says we have to play at 1, 4 or 7 p.m."

As is the case with many northern Wisconsin schools, geography and natural lighting are not in their favor in both the fall and spring months.

"The late start doesn't work because it will become too dark to play," said Tilley. "The other two start times put us in a bind because, even for home games, kids have to leave school early. Having lights at the fields would also give community members

more opportunities to attend the games."

The fields, which are also used for Babe Ruth and Legion baseball and the U12 and U14 softball teams, are an asset to the district and those teams that play during the non-school months of summer.

Tilley said they are doing their best to get things in line so when the funding becomes available they are ready to move.

"We are working with the local public service to get all the electrical boxes in a central location," said Tilley. "When we have enough money to get the poles and lights put in at the fields, they will be able to tie-in to that location. We are committed to making sure this is ready when the time comes."

Before anything goes into the ground the district acknowledged that there is a significant amount of fundraising to be done.

"We do have some local companies that are very willing to help," said Tilley. "And hopefully we'll have many other people who see this is something that we're trying to do for our student-athletes, and they will jump on board."

The district had released a statement saying they feel the significance and positive impact of lighting the fields "will be a legacy for Northland Pines students and the community for generations to come."

The district is currently collecting donations and sponsorships that would allow for individual name, family's name or business to have their names on the sponsor list. Donors will receive recognition from the district according to the level of their donation. They are also able to be left anonymously.

Individuals or businesses that would like to donate to the whole project, or to one specific field, can contact District Administrator Scott Foster at (715) 479-6487 or sfoster@npsd.k12.wi.us.

For questions about the fundraiser or lighting project contact Tilley at (715) 479-4473, ext. 4.

## Bowling group plans meeting Aug. 24

The Thursday Sportsmen's Mens Bowling League will hold their annual pre-season meeting for prospective teams and players Wednesday, Aug. 24, at 7 p.m. at Eagle Lanes in Eagle River.

The meeting will include a brief overview of the season, dates, rules and other information. Those interested in taking part, as well as team captains or representatives, should attend.

For information about the league or questions about the meeting call David Sadenwasser at (715) 891-4942.

## RESULTS

### HEADWATERS HORSESHOE LEAGUE

Results of 8/11/22  
Results: Sportsmen's Chalet 5, Eagle Lanes 4; Mike and Brandi's 8, Club 45 1; Buckshots II 6, Uncle Kent's II 3; Shotskis 9, Uncle Kent's I 0.

Top ringers: Mary Simac 19, Rick Garrett and Bill Pabst 14.

Six-packs: Mary Simac 5, Mike Kubiaczyk and Susie Erickson 3.

A DIVISION	W	L
Buckshots I.....	89	19
Mike and Brandi's.....	85	23
Sportsmen's Chalet.....	81	27
Eagle Lanes.....	78	30
Club 45.....	56	52

### B DIVISION

W	L
Shotskis.....	65.5 51.5
Buckshots II.....	48.5 68.5
Uncle Kent's II.....	42 75
Uncle Kent's I.....	40 77
Dublin's.....	23 85
Sweetwater.....	4 104

### ST. GERMAIN WOMEN'S GOLF LEAGUE

Results of 8/3/22  
Game: Match  
Low gross: Jan Bergeron 45.  
Low net (scorecard playoff): Bev Reuter 36.  
Closest to the pin, hole No. 6: Jean Reuter.  
Longest putt, hole No. 1: Lynn Surr.

### ST. GERMAIN MEN'S GOLF LEAGUE

Results of 8/4/22  
Event: High-low net  
First place: Jim Vinci, Bill Hawes, Carl Gretenhardt and Pat Ford 145.  
Second: Dave Brown, Greg Hanson, Ron Drake and Jim Bergeron 146.  
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## VILAS COUNTY FAIR



**FUN AT THE FAIR** — The Vilas County Fair offered something for everyone at the fairgrounds in Eagle River last weekend despite rain Saturday and cool temperatures Sunday. Rides, children's games, live entertainment and more were part of the four-day event, along with food offerings including ears of sweet corn, deep fried everything and giant lemonades. Although the children's games were rained out Saturday, they went off Sunday with youths competing in watermelon-eating contests, gunny sack races and more.  
—Staff Photos By MICHELLE DREW



## Madtown Mannish Boys coming to Three Lakes

The Madtown Mannish Boys, a band from Madison, will be performing at the Three Lakes Center for the Arts (TLCFA) Saturday, Aug. 20, at 7:30 p.m.

The band has become a favorite across generations, motivating dancers with music rooted in the 60s and 70s, while keeping the blues tradition alive, said TLCFA event organizers.

Influenced by Chicago-style blues bands like Muddy Waters and Jr. Wells, they also include soulful bal-

lads, like those by Otis Redding and Sam Cooke.

The band won the Madison Magazine's "Best of Madison Award" and were finalists for the Madison Area Music Awards in 2020.

Wine, beer, soda and concessions will be available for purchase.

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for children under 13 and may be purchased online at [tlcfa.org](http://tlcfa.org), at the door, or reserved at (715) 546-2299.

For more information, visit [tlcfa.org](http://tlcfa.org).

## Vendors sought for annual Phelps Scarecrow Fest

The 13th annual Phelps Scarecrow Fest is seeking vendors for its arts and crafts show.

Held in downtown Phelps, the festival will take place Saturday, Sept. 17, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Cost per booth is \$25 each for a 12-foot by 12-foot space.

Applications are available at [phelpsscscrowfest.org](http://phelpsscscrowfest.org) and should be mailed to the

Phelps Woman's Club, P.O. Box 225, Phelps, WI 54554.

Application deadline is Thursday, Sept. 1; after that date booth fees will be raised to \$50.

Spaces are available for free for children age 18 and younger.

For more information, contact Sharon Gifford at (715) 617-0308 or [gifford.se3@gmail.com](mailto:gifford.se3@gmail.com).

## Eagle River Car and Truck Show to be held Aug. 27

The Eagle River Car and Truck Show is set for Saturday, Aug. 27, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in downtown Eagle River.

Classics, muscles, and vintage vehicles will be lined up for viewing on Wall Street. The event is free to attend for the public.

Trophies will be awarded to show participants in various categories, including the People's Choice Award.

Food, drinks and music will be available throughout the day.

Car and truck enthusiasts that would like to show a car or truck at this event, contact Terry Lyon at (920) 246-0116.

For more information, contact the Eagle River Area Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Center at 1-(800) 359-6315 or visit [eagleriver.org](http://eagleriver.org).

## Not that you asked, but...

By Eric Johnson



### Field of dreams

**"Any game becomes important when you know and love the players."**

—"Shoeless" Joe Jackson "Field of Dreams"

With sports, fantasy, drama film "Field of Dreams" rounding out my favorite trio of silver screen go-to baseball movies — after comedy-drama "A League of Their Own," a fictionalized 1992 account of the real-life Rockford Peaches of the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League; and the Milwaukee County Stadium-filmed '89 comedy "Major League" — I have to admit I was drawn into last Thursday's small-screen drama on Fox that played out between the Chicago Cubs and Cincinnati Reds in the second annual Major League Baseball (MLB) at Field of Dreams; a spectacle at the famed silver-screen cornfield ballpark in Dyersville, Iowa.

But while the Field of Dreams game counts in the 2022 standings, I couldn't help but feel like I was watching a movie; from the stalks of corn in the 8,000-seat pop-up stadium's outfield to the historically authentic throwback uniforms to the jaunty retro sportswriters attire of announcers Joe Davis and John Smoltz.

My feelings weren't altogether surprising. After all, MLB is a business and nostalgia sells. The 6 million viewers tuning in to the inaugural MLB at Field of Dreams game last year clocking in on the radar gun as the most-watched regular-season game on any TV network in 16 years. As the old saying goes "follow the money."

Taking a "Shoeless" Jackson page from author W.P. Kinsella's magic realist '82 novel that inspired the '89 film — famously headlined by Kevin Costner, James Earl Jones, Ray Liotta, Amy Madigan and Burt Lancaster — for me the real "Field of Dreams" is where "you know and love the players."

For much of the 2022 baseball season, I've had a literal front row seat on the authentic "Field of Dreams" action 13.08 miles south of the Cheddar Curtain at Rivets Stadium in suburban Loves Park, Ill., home to the Rockford Rivets of the Rochester, Minn.-based North-

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# LIFESTYLE

## Johnson: Rivets founded in 2015

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woods League. The 23-team collegiate, summer, wooden-bat baseball league, spanning seven Midwestern states and Ontario, includes Wisconsin's Fond du Lac Dock Spiders, Eau Claire Express, Green Bay Rockers, Kenosha Kingfish, La Crosse Loggers, Lakeshore Chinooks of metro Milwaukee, Madison Mallards, Wausau Woodchucks and Wisconsin Rapids Rafters.

Founded in 2015, the Rivets are the only Illinois team in the league, which drew 994,732 fans in 2021; by far the most of any summer collegiate baseball league in North America.

Since the league's founding in '92, more than 280 Northwoods League alumni have realized their baseball dreams and advanced to MLB, most notably three-time All-Star and 2016 Roberto Clemente Award winner Curtis Granderson; three-time Cy Young Award winner and World Series Champion Max Scherzer; two-time World Series champions Ben Zobrist and Brandon Crawford; and World Series Champion Chris Sale.

Still, the odds of making it to the major leagues are long. For those that advance to pro-level Minor League Baseball — 209 teams in 19 leagues spanning 44 states and four Canadian provinces — only 10% will ever make it to MLB.

Among those currently chasing the dream is Arkansas-born pitcher Jordan Wicks, who played for the Rivets in 2020 with a 0.45 earned run average. The Chicago Cubs first-round draft pick and 21st player selected overall in the 2021 MLB draft, Wicks is cur-



Up close and personal, baseball takes on a new dimension in the collegiate, wooden-bat summer Northwoods League, seen here at Rivets Stadium in Loves Park, Ill., home to the Rockford Rivets. The team's May 30 to Aug. 13 schedule included games against Green Bay, Kenosha, Madison and Wisconsin Rapids. —Photo By Eric Johnson



**STREET FAIR** — Sayner's seventh annual street fair brought shoppers and vendors from all over the state and featured music, food, craft and art items, and more.

**Above:** Breck Inman of Minocqua offered hand-crafted bowls, candlesticks and other items at his kiosk. Inman's business is WoodZ Art.

**Right:** Angie Krueger of Shawano showcased purses she created and crafted, one of which was purchased by shopper Marion Janssen (left). Krueger's business name is Angie K's Traveling Purse Boutique.

—Photos By Wally Geist



rently pitching AA ball for the Cubs' Southern League affiliate Tennessee Smokies in Knoxville, Tenn.

All players in the Northwoods League — the land of between-inning dizzy bat races on the field and pizza box shuffle promotions atop the dugout — must have National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) eligibility remaining in order to participate. The league is amateur and players are not paid in order to maintain their college eligibility. Most families of seasonal adoptive parents and siblings found enthusiastically cheering on from the stands house, feed and provide players with a "home away from home" during the mid-June to late-August season.

Players, freshman to seniors, come from all over the country such as Ohio, Georgia, Pennsylvania, Tennessee and Florida, but sometimes, also hail from closer to home.

Rivets pitcher Maguire Delagrave, a UW-Parkside redshirt freshman, hails from Racine; while pitcher Tucker Shalley, a Parkland College sophomore, calls Ozaukee County home in Grafton. Freshman outfielder Joseph Stagowski of Schaumburg, Ill., and sophomore pitcher Aaron Monti of Roscoe, Ill., between Beloit and Rockford, attend NCAA Division III Rockford University. Infielder Justin Kerestes, a redshirt freshman at Gannon University, lives minutes away from the stadium in Loves Park.

From my \$12 front-row box seat next to the Rivets' home dugout along the 3,279-seat stadium's shady third-base line, sometimes in attendance for fun and sometimes professionally with a lanyard press pass taking action pics of the visiting Kingfish for the Kenosha News, baseball begins to take on a whole new and more authentic dimension.

Such as the dugout banter, on-field chatter, vocal disagreements with the umpires, and cheers from the surrogate 'rents, and adoptive brothers and sisters; watching the collegiate ballplayers chat with and high-five the Rivets' eager younger fans between innings, often jersey-clad area Little Leaguers with dreams of their own; the informal open-door press box; and \$5 brats and authentic Cleveland stadium mustard, a nostalgic fanboy fave condiment from my years in northern Ohio writing in Toledo and Ashtabula.

On a couple occasions, I've had some idle chats with head coach J.T. Scara while he's on the dugout steps, channeling his inner Lou Brown from "Major League." *"Forget about the curveball, Ricky. Throw 'im the heater."*

It's commonplace to have home and visiting players clacking their way through the stadium concourse in their cleats, often chatting with fans.

Experiences I've never had in a lifetime attending games at Milwaukee County Stadium or Miller Park, the renamed American Family Field such as imagine Rowdy Tellez clacking through the concourse in his cleats during the game, chatting it up with fans or idly shooting the breeze with manager Craig Counsell during the game; imagine Omar Narvaez making small talk and high-fiving a gaggle of eager, earnest T-ballers through the backstop netting between innings. I can't either.

But here in the Northwoods League, places like Rivets Stadium really are the embodiment of the cinematic and literary "Field of Dreams" magic come to life; places where you really get to know and love the players.

*"If you build it, they will come,"* about a thousand of us on any given game night. Eric Johnson can be reached at [eric@fynorthwoods.com](mailto:eric@fynorthwoods.com).

# CASH FOR KIDS 2022

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The Nicolet College Foundation recently presented the 2022 Friends and Partners Award to George Rouman of Rouman Amusement Co. for his long-standing efforts to advance higher education in the North Woods. Pictured are, left to right, Heather Schallock, executive director of the Nicolet College Foundation;

Ellen Mathein, Nicolet dean of Business and Entrepreneurship; Rouman; John Schiek, Nicolet Foundation president; Kate Ferrel, Nicolet College president; and Al Javoroski, Nicolet vice president of Academic Affairs.

—Contributed Photo

## Rouman honored by Nicolet College

Citing his long-standing commitment to advancing higher education and skills training in the North Woods, the Nicolet College Foundation has awarded its 2022 Friends and Partners Award to George Rouman of Rouman Amusement Company.

"Without question George has been a tremendous partner for Nicolet College," said Nicolet Dean of Business and Entrepreneurship Ellen Mathein. "Over the years he has taken numerous Nico-

let student interns under his wing, giving these students the invaluable experience and opportunity to take what they've learned in the classroom and apply it in a real-world business setting. He clearly has a real passion for teaching and sharing his vast business knowledge."

Rouman also has served as chairperson of Nicolet's Business Advisory Committee for several years, which advises the college on evolving changes in the business community.

"As a successful business owner, he is on the front lines of the business landscape in the North Woods," said Nicolet College President Kate Ferrel. "He shares that firsthand insight with our instructional staff who can then address the changing skill sets that are taught in our classrooms. This dynamic helps both our graduates and local businesses to be successful."

Along with owning Rouman Cinema in Rhinelander,

he also operates the Fun Factory Sweet Shoppe in Rhinelander.

"This is an incredible honor and I'm humbled to receive this level of recognition from Nicolet College," Rouman said. "Nicolet is an indispensable resource and cornerstone for workforce skills training in the North Woods and it has been an amazing experience for me to work with the college to keep the region growing and thriving."

## Pines releases lunch program details

The Northland Pines School District has announced its policy for children unable to pay the full price of meals served under the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program or milk served as Snack Milk under the Wisconsin School Day Milk Program.

Each school office and the central office has a copy of the policy and income eligibility, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

Household size and income criteria will be used for determining eligibility. Children from families whose annual income is at or below those levels are eligible for free and reduced price meals or free milk if a split-session student does not have access

to the school lunch or breakfast service.

Application forms are now available online through the Parent Portal. An email notice announcing the applications was sent to parents or guardians on Aug. 11. To apply for free or reduced price meals or free milk, households must fill out the application and return it to the school, unless notified at the start of the school year that children are eligible through direct certification. Direct certification letters were mailed this month.

Additional copies of the applications are available at the office in each school. The information provided on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and may be verified

at any time during the school year by agency or other program officials. Applications may be submitted at any time during the year.

Under the provisions of the free and reduced-price meal and free-milk policy, the Food Service Director will review applications and determine eligibility. If a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size changes, the family should contact the school. Such changes may make the household eligible for reduced price meals or free meals or free milk if the household income falls at or below the levels shown above, and they may reapply at that time.

Children formally placed in foster care are also eligible for free meal benefits. Foster

children may be certified as eligible without a household application. Households with foster children and non-foster children may choose to include the foster child as a household member, as well as any personal income available to the foster child, on the same application that includes their non-foster children.

The information provided by the household on the application is confidential. Public Law 103-448 limits the release of student free and reduced price school meal eligibility status to persons directly connected with the administration and enforcement of federal or state educational programs. Consent of the parent/guardian is needed for other purposes such as waiver of text book fees.

## Packers to recognize Special Olympics

The Green Bay Packers announced that they will recognize Special Olympics Wisconsin as the nonprofit honoree for the Packers Give Back Game on Friday, Aug. 19.

The preseason matchup between Green Bay and New Orleans will mark the second annual Packers Give Back Game, which supports a benefiting charity from Wisconsin by highlighting its work and amplifying its message before and during the game.

Hundreds of Special Olympics Wisconsin athletes and their loved ones will receive a free bus ride to the game, as well as food and beverage gift cards, and will be able to cheer on the team in a designated Special Olympics Wisconsin area in the north end zone.

Prior to kickoff, several Special Olympics athletes will take the field to recite the Athlete Oath, along with a Special Olympics torch.

At halftime, the Special Olympics Unified Flag Football Teams will take part in a flag football game on Lambeau Field.

"We're pleased to have Special Olympics Wisconsin athletes and volunteers join us for the Packers Give Back Game," said Packers President/CEO

Mark Murphy. "Regardless of an athlete's ability, being involved in sports and being included as part of a team can be life changing for countless individuals. We're proud to honor Special Olympics Wisconsin for their work in bringing visibility to the principles of diversity, equity and inclusion on and off the playing field in Wisconsin."

The Packers recently joined Special Olympics Wisconsin in collaboration with the Milwaukee Bucks, Milwaukee Brewers and Milwaukee Admirals for the OUR TEAM initiative to celebrate inclusion across sports.

The initiative is designed to showcase the programming Special Olympics Wisconsin currently makes available to statewide athletes with intellectual disabilities and, through awareness and fundraising efforts associated with the new initiative, celebrate athletes of all abilities in all sports in communities across Wisconsin.

OUR TEAM is in coordination with the 50th Anniversary of Special Olympics Wisconsin, and with the community's support, Special Olympics Wisconsin is on a trajectory to grow engagement and funding with all communities it serves.

"When we announced the OUR TEAM partnership in April, we knew it would be game-changing not only for the athletes of Special Olympics Wisconsin but for all athletes of all abilities in Wisconsin," said Special Olympics Wisconsin President/CEO Chad Hershner. "The Green Bay Packers have proven their commitment to

this first-of-its-kind initiative, beginning with naming Packers lineman Elgton Jenkins as their player ambassador and now through the Give Back Game. Alongside our athletes, we look forward to celebrating sports, inclusion, and Packers football on Aug. 19."

For more information, visit [specialolympicswisconsin.org](http://specialolympicswisconsin.org).

## Nicolet College Foundation offers scholarship opportunity

Students planning to attend Nicolet College during the Spring and Summer Terms of 2023 are encouraged to apply for a scholarship from the Nicolet College Foundation to help cover college costs.

"Even with Nicolet being one of the most affordable colleges in the state, paying for tuition and books can still be a challenge for many," said Heather Schallock, foundation executive director. "And that's where scholarships come in. They've made college possible for countless individuals over the years and have opened the door to the education they need to get ahead in life."

Scholarships range from \$500 to \$2,500. The funds are available for both new and returning Nicolet students to help pay for tuition and books.

Both part-time and full-time students with a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or higher are eligible to receive scholarships.

The application period will run from Sept. 1-30 to cover costs for Spring and Summer Terms 2023.

The online application is available at [nicoletcollege.academicworks.com](http://nicoletcollege.academicworks.com).

For more information, contact (715) 365-4518, ext. 4518 or email [hschallock@nicoletcollege.edu](mailto:hschallock@nicoletcollege.edu).

## Herb Kohl scholarship applications available

Online applications for the 2023 Herb Kohl Educational Foundation Excellence Scholarship may now be submitted through Nov. 8.

A total of 100 students will be chosen to receive \$10,000 scholarships throughout the state.

Applicants must be residents of Wisconsin who will graduate from a Wisconsin high school in 2023, and plan to continue their education at a college, university or vocational/technical school. Students will be evaluated on academic achievement, leadership, service, and school and community activities.

Completed online applications are due on Nov. 8

at 5 p.m. Students may visit [kohleducation.org](http://kohleducation.org) to learn more and apply.

Selection of recipients will be made by a state-level panel composed of representatives from the Wisconsin Newspaper Association Foundation, Cooperative Educational Service Agencies, Wisconsin Homeschooling Parents Association, several education-related associations, and community representatives.

Since the program was established in 1990, the Herb Kohl Foundation has awarded 3,200 Excellence scholarships to graduating high school students throughout the state for a total of \$12.2 million.

## Academic success program offered at Nicolet College

Individuals thinking about starting or returning to college or looking to brush up on their academic skills before enrolling, is invited to contact the Academic Success program at Nicolet College for free services to prepare individuals for college classes.

"It can be challenging and even intimidating for people to enroll in college because they wonder if they can successfully handle the coursework," said Lisa Young, director of the Academic Success program at Nicolet. "That's perfectly understandable and even common. Our instructors have many years of experience helping students get up to speed academically, and are happy to work with individuals on a one-on-one basis so they get the exact skills they need to be successful."

Instruction is available in a variety of areas including reading, writing, math, and computer skills.

Once students enroll in credit classes, the Academic Success program also has a team of instructors who are right in the classrooms to provide immediate academic assistance, the moment it is needed.

"And one of the best parts is all of these services are provided for free," Young explained. "Students do not pay a dime."

Along with college preparation services, the Academic Success program also prepares students to earn their GED or HSED, explore different careers and the skills necessary for each, to select a career that is right for them, and help individuals learn to speak English if it is not their native language.

Other services include help with time management and financial literacy.

For more information, contact (715) 365-4455 or email [atacademicsuccess@nicoletcollege.edu](mailto:atacademicsuccess@nicoletcollege.edu).

## School of the Arts returns next month to the North

Nicolet College will host School of the Arts (SOTA) Sept. 15-18.

Building on the 50-year SOTA tradition, ArtStart and Nicolet College are teaming up to bring an array of workshops, demonstrations and special events that coincide with the Project North Festival in downtown Rhinelander.

"Everyone had a hard time missing out on their favorite events and programs throughout Covid," said Community Development Director Melinda Childs. "While people were creative in their own homes, there is something

about coming together as a creative community that feeds us. Learning and creating art together is a special thing."

"We are so excited to be hosting School of the Arts with Nicolet College and in conjunction with Project North," said Childs. "There is a great lineup of classes, opportunities to meet artists from across the region, and with Project North in the evenings, the weekend will be filled with opportunities to connect, create, and be inspired."

For more information or to register, visit [artstartrhinelander.org](http://artstartrhinelander.org).

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# LIFESTYLE

# BACKWARD GLANCES

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**NEW LIONS CLUB MEMBERS** — The Eagle River Lions Club has inducted its latest new members. Above, Lisa Lang Faust (right) was sponsored by Josie Silber, pictured with Eagle River Lions Club President Nic

Weight. Below, Roberta Dollhopf was sponsored by Lions Club member Vickie Penkert. At the ceremony were, from left, Dollhopf, Penkert and Weight. —Contributed Photos



## Food for Kidz seeking volunteers

In response to growing food prices, the Lions District 27C2, in collaboration with Food for Kidz, is holding a food packaging event Oct. 22, at Lakeland Union High School to help families in local communities provide meals for their families.

The organization is seeking volunteers and all proceeds will go to the purchase of nutritional bulk food items.

Last year, the Lions District 27C2, raised over \$20,000 which enabled them to package 150,000 meals supporting eight food

pantries and the Ascension Lutheran Church backpack program.

This year, the club's goal is to package 200,000 meals in the four hours.

"We are asking churches, service organization, businesses, youth groups, individuals, and Lions Club members to join us to fight hunger in our community and around the world," said Lions Club District 27C2, Hunger Committee Chair,

Laura Bertch.

Fundraising has already begun and will continue until Oct. 1, and the community is encouraged to donate time or make a monetary donation.

To sign up to volunteer, call Meghan Anderson at (715) 614-3816 or Laura Bertch at (715) 892-1204.

Monetary donations can be made payable to Food for Kidz and mailed, c/o Boulder Junction Lions Club, Attn: Laura Bertch, P.O. Box 61, Boulder Junction, WI 54512.

## Easy Eagles to meet Aug. 24

The Easy Eagles will meet Wednesday, Aug. 24, at noon at Chef Rene's, at the Eagle River Inn, located at 5260 Highway 70 W.

Doors open for members and visitors at 11:30 a.m.

The Easy Eagles is a group of predominantly retired men who meet twice a month on

Wednesdays to socialize and share lunch. A speaker leads each luncheon to share timely and noncontroversial subjects.

Other upcoming meetings will be held Sept. 7 and 21.

For more information, call Mike Erstad at (414) 840-3338.

## BIRTHS

Matt and Sarah Outman of Land O' Lakes announce the birth of their daughter, Olivia Ray, born Thursday, July 21, 2022, at Marshfield Medical Center-Minocqua in Minocqua.

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Damon Laking and Beata Rybka Laking of Eagle River announce the birth of their son, Florian Stanislaw Laking, born Wednesday, Aug. 3, 2022, at Marshfield Medical Center-Minocqua in Minocqua.

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Michael Keating and Erica Kevilus, both of Eagle River, announce the birth of their daughter, Kaitlyn Louise Keating, born Thursday, Aug. 4, 2022, at Marshfield Medical Center-Minocqua in Minocqua.

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Brandon and Taylor Baseman of Three Lakes announce

the birth of their daughter, Saylor Julie, born Wednesday, Aug. 10, 2022, at Marshfield Medical Center-Minocqua in Minocqua.

### BADGER BRIDGE IN EAGLE RIVER

Results of 8/8/22

North-South, first place, Anne Boyer and Parke Boyer; second, Dian Taylor and Bill Taylor; third, Dan Del Ponte and Max Hurd; fourth, Mary-Jo Berner and Dick Nelson.

East-West, first place, Jerry Baerenwald and Bob Dow; second, Dorothy Hospodar and Susan Mommaerts; third, Shele Fawcett and Marie Andersen; fourth, Andrea Mathews and Bob Imes.

Bridge is played Mondays at Kalmar Community Center, located at 1013 N. Railroad St. in Eagle River and is open to the public. For information, call Bob Dow, director, at (414) 758-6411.

### One Year Ago - 2021

The Eagle River Artarama committee presented a bronze sculpture of a child reading a book by Gary Lee Price to the Walter E. Olson Memorial Library in Eagle River . . . The Edward U. Demmer Memorial Library in Three Lakes celebrated its 50th anniversary . . . The 58th annual Eagle River Recreation Association's (ERRA) Youth Days Auction was held in Eagle River and raised about \$15,000.

### 10 Years Ago - 2012

A lawsuit over rules was filed in an effort to stop the wolf hunting and trapping season that was scheduled to begin that fall . . . Three Lakes took center stage on Discover Wisconsin TV in an episode titled "Three Lakes: The Jewel of the Nicolet" . . . Three Lakes High School senior Austin Wierschke claimed the title for the second straight year and claiming his second \$50,000 prize.

### 20 Years Ago - 2002

Vilas County's forestry committee gave preliminary approval to an ATV route from Conover to Land O' Lakes to provide access to a trail system in Michigan's Upper Peninsula . . . The Eagle River Chain of Lakes Association met at Kalmar Senior Center and formally put in place its nearly 200 new members.

### 30 Years Ago - 1992

Electors approved an additional \$60,000 levy to the Northland Pines School District budget to upgrade the at-risk program. . . Total rainfall for the Wisconsin River Valley was 33% below average for the third con-



In 1992, the Vilas County Fair was held in Eagle River under mostly sunny skies. Pictured are three children experiencing the ferris wheel for the first time.

—News-Review Archive

secutive month.

### 40 Years Ago - 1982

The first full-time president of the Green Bay Packers, Judge Robert Parins, was guest speaker at the ERRA benefit . . . It was announced that Highway 70 West in Eagle River would be expanded into a four-lane highway.

### 50 Years Ago - 1972

New bells were installed at St. Theresa Catholic Church in Three Lakes . . . Pam Nelson was crowned Conover's blueberry queen.

### 60 Years Ago - 1962

Jeanette Yadro of Eagle River won the grand prize in the guernsey division with her champion cow at the Vilas County Fair, which attracted about 18,000 spectators and exhibitors . . . The Eagle River Hospital Auxiliary donated \$1,450 to the Eagle River Hospital over the course of four months.

### 70 Years Ago - 1952

Rumors of polio outbreaks at youth camps in the Headwaters country

caused considerable concern, however, the story was exaggerated as there was only one polio case at one camp . . . Arthur Godfrey, star of radio and TV, made a visit to King's Gateway in Land O' Lakes.

### 80 Years Ago - 1942

Abbot and Costello visited the North Woods, staying at King's Gateway Hotel in Land O' Lakes . . . After hours of debate, the Conservation Commission in Land O' Lakes decided that deer hunters would have to wear visible tags.

### 90 Years Ago - 1932

Sayner residents turned out in full force to locate Mrs. Merman Engelbrecht, who wandered away into the woods and did not return home . . . Bears were damaging summer homes in the Land O' Lakes area.

### 100 Years Ago - 1922

Bricklaying was started on the First National Bank building . . . The new residence of G.F. Sanborn on Main Street, adjoining the J.H. Kuehne residence, was nearing completion.

## Art in the Library exhibit featured in Boulder Junction

The August Art in the Library exhibit featuring the Lakeland Art League Member's Exhibit will have artwork on display at the Boulder Junction Public Library located at 5392 Park Street during regular business hours.

This exhibit will showcase varying levels of expertise and a mix of mediums.

Boulder Junction artist Mindy Schnell will be judging the event.

Monetary awards will be given for first, second and third places. There also will be two honorable mentions and a people's choice award.

The reception is free and open to the public, providing attendees the opportunity to

view the artwork and meet many of the artists.

Light refreshments will be served.

For questions about the Art in the Library exhibits, the application process or the artwork policy email the library at info@boulderjunction.wislib.org or call (715) 385-2050.

## Doll club to hold August meeting

The Enchanted Doll Club of The Northwoods will meet Thursday, Aug. 18, at 1 p.m. at the Kalmar Senior Center in Eagle River.

The topic of the meeting will be "Fifty Years of Vintage Wedding Paper Dolls" from the 1940s to the 1990s.

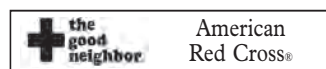
The program will be presented by doll club member Sally Young of Arbor Vitae. Young has an extensive collection of uncut wedding paper dolls featuring unique bride and groom paper doll fashions from over a 50 year period.

The public and new members are welcome to attend.

For more information, call Sally Young at (715) 356-9399.

## ON CAMPUS

STEVENS POINT — Rachel Milkey of Eagle River graduated from UW-Stevens Point with a Bachelor of Science in nursing.



## Brat fry to benefit Kalmar

Senior Eagle River Volunteer Enterprises Inc. (SERVE) will be sponsoring a brat fry to be held Saturday, Aug. 20, from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Kalmar Community Center in Eagle River.

Brats, hot dogs and beverages will be available.

Doug "Wolfman" Knapp will be providing music.

All proceeds will go for paving the parking lot at the Kalmar Community Center.

For more information, call (715) 337-2510.

## Genealogical society resumes in-person meetings at library

The Eagle River Genealogical Society has resumed meeting in person.

The meetings are held at the Walter E. Olson Memorial Library in Eagle River the third Thursday monthly.

The August meeting will be Thursday, Aug. 18, from 2 to 4 p.m. These meetings are open to people of all skill levels interested in genealogy.

For more information, call Barb at (708) 805-3374.

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**SNOWMO FUNDRAISER** — Land O' Lakes Frosty Snowmobile Club raised \$4,300 at its annual brat and burger fry fundraiser Aug. 6, outside Land O' Lakes Recreation. A large number of volunteers were on hand to facilitate the event. Proceeds raised

will go toward the club's costs associated with maintaining the snowmobile trails in Land O' Lakes. A Traeger Pro Series Smoker raffle prize went to lucky winner Jack Sarama of Land O' Lakes. —Photo By Bob Hughes

## Celebration to honor Nehrings set Aug. 20

A group of community leaders will host a party in honor of Harold and Barbara Nehring, Saturday, Aug. 20, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Gateway Lodge.

The public is invited to this free event which will include refreshments, such as wine and appetizers, and a performance by the Northwoods Singers.

"It is truly fitting that we recognize Harold and Barbara," said Ivan Ivancevich, event organizer. "The love they have shared and sacrifices they have made for the community over the decades must not go uncelebrated."

In 1964, the Nehrings purchased the Trading Post Internationale in Land O' Lakes from Harold's aunt, Cele Best. The store has offered area residents and visitors unique apparel, artifacts, antiques and native crafts for decades.

Each year Harold and Barbara made an annual trek to the American southwest in order to bring artisanal crafts and jewelry to the North Woods.

The couple has been an important part of the civic health of the community, said

Ivancevich.

The Nehrings were actively involved in the establishment and support of organizations in the North Woods such as the Northwoods Singers, Artistree Gallery, Land O' Lakes Area Artisans, Headwaters Art League, and The Land O' Lakes Historical Society & Northern Waters Museum. Additionally, they have been active in St. Albert's Church, as well as other civic matters in the area.

"When times got tough in our community, Harold and Barb were the glue that held it together and inspired others not to give up," said Jack LaChance, a local attorney and member of one of the area's original families.

Those interested in donating toward the cost of the event, may mail a check payable to Lynn Richie, c/o Ivan Ivancevich, P.O. Box 37, Watersmeet, MI 49969.

The Gateway Lodge is located at 4103 County Road B in Land O' Lakes.

For more information, contact Ivancevich at (317) 727-4016 or ivansusancaleb@gmail.com.



**Land O' Lakes Public Library**  
P.O. Box 450 715-547-6006

The Land O' Lakes Library has two large rooms available, both equipped with internet and one with access to a food preparation area, for clubs or groups to use for a meeting or event. Call the library for more information or to reserve a time slot.

Lego® hour will meet Wednesday, Aug. 17, from 3 to 4 p.m. All ages are encouraged to join, and all supplies are provided.

Every Wednesday is popcorn day when patrons may stop by for hot, fresh, mov-

ie-style popcorn.

Movie Monday will be held Aug. 22 at 10:30 a.m. for a showing of "Peter Rabbit 2," complete with movie popcorn. A caregiver of babysitting age or older must remain on premises, but are welcome to enjoy the library.

The last summer story time gathering will be Tuesday, Aug. 23, at 10:30 a.m. Check the library's calendar for the school-year schedule in September.

Mahjong will be played Tuesdays at 1 p.m. in the community room. Beginning and experienced players are welcome. Instruction and loaner Mahjong tile sets are available and instructional books are available for check out.

New in adult audiobooks includes "Local Gone Missing" by Fiona Barton, "The

Big Dark Sky" by Dean Koontz, "Remarkably Bright Creatures" by Shelby Van Pelt, "Tracy Flick Can't Win" by Tom Perrotta, "Robert B. Parker's Revenge Tour" by Mike Lupica, "The 6:20 Man" by David Baldacci and "The Survivors" by Jane Harper.

Wi-Fi is available at all times in the building and parking lot with no password required. Meeting spaces and private workspaces also are available to reserve during normal business hours.

The library is open Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Wednesdays, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For more information, call (715) 547-6006, visit landolakeslibrary.org, or stop in at 4242 Highway B.

## THREE LAKES

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**FEATURED ARTIST** — Featured artist Linda Woiak from Three Lakes, right, shows some of her unique and whimsical pottery to guests at a Meet The Artist reception at the Three Lakes

Center for the Arts recently. Woiak will be the featured artist at the center for the month of August.

—Photo By Kerry Griegenow

## One Voice UP to perform Thursday

The Car Park Music Series continues Thursday, Aug. 18, with One Voice UP to perform from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

The last concert of the series will take place Thursday, Aug. 25, with Bret & Frisk performing folk and

rock music.

The concerts are free and feature local and regional musicians. Food and drinks will be available for purchase from Dublin's Paddy Wagon and The RBA Food Truck beginning at 4:30 p.m.

The music series is hosted by Land O' Lakes Arts, and will be held at the Snowflake Ice Rink building located at 6492 Town Hall Road in Land O' Lakes.

For more information, visit lolaartsvi.com.

### Town of Land O' Lakes Board of Adjustment

**Public Hearing Notice**

**Date:** Monday August 29, 2022

**Time:** 4:00 p.m.

**Location:** Land O' Lakes Town Hall  
4331 County Road B  
Land O' Lakes WI 54540

**Public Hearing Description**

An application for a variance to the Ordinance Regulating Construction, Subdivision, and Land Use in the Town of Land O' Lakes minimum 15' side lot line requirement was submitted by Patrick & Patricia Pomasi. The property is located in the SE1/4 NW1/4, Section 2, Town 42N, Range 9E, Town of Land O' Lakes, Vilas County, Wisconsin, 6323 CTH S, computer parcel # 12-643.

An on-site inspection may be conducted at the Board of Adjustment's discretion, with the public hearing to follow at the Land O' Lakes Town Hall meeting room.

A copy of the variance application is on file at the Town Clerk's office.

Dated: August 2, 2022

**Lynn Jolin,**  
Town Clerk  
Town of Land O' Lakes

If you have special needs or require special accommodations, please call (715) 547-3255 or write: PO Box 660, Land O' Lakes WI 54540

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### Land O' Lakes Senior Dining

Love of Life Café  
Gateway Lodge  
Serving at 11:30 a.m.  
Sponsored by ADRC of Vilas County

Participants who have not been fully vaccinated will be asked to wear a face mask. Carry-out meals will be available. Call Anna Moore at (715) 547-6076 to reserve your meal. Donations are accepted. No one will be denied service because of inability to contribute. All meals served with coffee, fat-free milk, butter and margarine. Lighter substitute of grilled-chicken salad available.

**TUES., AUG. 23**

Broiled cod  
Potato salad  
Rye bread  
Baked beans  
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Storybook Gardens is a collection of stories and mini gardens for reading, playing and exploring downtown Three Lakes. Each location includes a book, activity and paper punch to mark which gardens have been completed. —Photos By Kerry Griegenow

## Storybook Gardens project expands throughout downtown Three Lakes

BY KERRY GRIEBENOW  
THREE LAKES CORRESPONDENT

Following their retirement, school teachers Beth Jacobson and Mari Lynn Garbowicz had a vision and strong desire to continue to promote literacy and at the same time promote the many attributes of the downtown Three Lakes area.

Their vision, which began pre-pandemic, has developed into the 12-space Storybook Gardens of Three Lakes.

Storybook Gardens is a collection of stories and mini-gardens for reading, playing and exploring downtown Three Lakes.

“Mari Lynn and I are both very community-oriented, and wanted to get families and kids involved in coming to Three Lakes to promote the town and also the Edward U. Demmer Memorial Library with their summer reading program,” said Jacobson. “We wanted folks to walk all over town to see what Three Lakes has to offer, what’s here, what they might enjoy doing in Three Lakes.”

Each space, or garden, has a Book House that contains a themed book and related activity associated with that theme in which families can participate.

Participants read the book

and complete the activity at each space and use a paper punch located at the garden to punch their Storybook Gardens map. Participants are challenged to complete all 12 garden activities and return their punched map to the Demmer library for a special surprise.

A map of garden locations throughout the downtown area is provided at each location or Demmer library.

The first six of the garden locations were completed in 2021, with another six book houses placed this summer, with an additional four or five gardens and book houses planned for next year.

Jacobson stated this has been very well received by the entire downtown community, with many local merchants sponsoring a garden space outside their business and taking care of the themed activity at their location.

Sitting benches and book houses are supplied at each location, and Three Lakes Lions Club member Ken Huebner has built each of the book houses for the project.

Much of the financial support for Storybook Gardens has come from the local parent teacher organization and Three Lakes Library Foundation, while Three Lakes junior high school art students have decorated each of the unique book houses.

Jacobson pointed out

these book houses are different from the more familiar neighborhood free library houses where books may be taken or exchanged. Books at each of the Storybook Gardens book houses are to remain at the site of the garden for others to use on site.

“This really has become a community effort with the businesses sponsoring

spaces, and it’s really a fun activity for kids and families, and to help visitors learn more about the downtown Three Lakes area,” said Jacobson.

More about Storybook Gardens of Three Lakes can be found at the Facebook page Storybook Gardens of Three Lakes or at the Demmer library.



Each space, or garden, has a “Book House” that contains a themed book and related activity. Lions club member Ken Huebner built and donated the houses.

## Genealogical society sets Aug. 22 meeting

The Three Lakes Genealogical Society (TLGS) will meet Monday, Aug. 22, at 1 p.m. in the lower level of the Edward U. Demmer Memorial Library in Three Lakes.

The programs for this meeting will include the recently released 1950 Federal Census, led by Les Anderson, and a presentation of the Shotbox, an all-in-one portable light studio, led by Nancy and Robert Bailey.

Anyone interested in genealogy, discovering family roots or learning about family history is welcome to attend all meetings.

The meeting also can be viewed on bluejeans.com,

courtesy of the Demmer library. To attend the meeting virtually, email demmer@demmerlibrary.org.

For more information on the program, call Nancy at (715) 479-8971.

A TLGS member also is available every Thursday from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Local History Room within the library to help investigate family history. The public is welcome.

Additionally, TLGS’s Book Club is recommending “The All-Girl Filling Station’s Last Reunion” by Fannie Flagg, which is available from the Demmer library or through interlibrary loan.

## Women’s club to host meeting, shopping day

The Three Lakes Women’s Club will hold its August meeting and annual Shop Three Lakes Day today, Wednesday, Aug. 17. The meeting will take place at 9:30 a.m. at Three Lakes Center for the Arts.

“This is an opportunity for members to bring a friend and spend the day in downtown Three Lakes,” said publicity chair Collette Sorgel.

There will be 26 businesses participating in the event, including Three Lakes Historical Museum, The Supply Station, the Fiber Arts Studio, Three Lakes American Legion, Oneida Village Pop-up/Spirit Shack, Sorgel Fine Arts, Black Forest, St. Theresa’s Thrift Shop, Golden Pear Design/Interior, Woodland Hair by Cher, Three Lakes Town Market, Serge’s Day-Break Diner, Three Lakes Cheese Haus, Scottie’s Bait & Tackle, Shell Convenience Store, Lick-a-Dee Splitz, Three Lakes Center for the Arts, Mid Chimes Bookshop, Diversions, DeJa Brew, Little

Dipper, Northland Clothing Company, Three Lakes Pharmacy, Fika, Superior Street Wellness, and Mugs & Co.

Many of the merchants will offer specials throughout the day. Coupon sheets will be handed out at the meeting and be available after 10 a.m. at Diversions, Sorgel Fine Arts, and the Three Lakes Chamber of Commerce.

The Oneida Village will have a Pop-up Flea and Craft Market from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Anyone who would like to be a vendor may sign up for a free space by contacting Sorgel at (608) 516-1831.

### Three Lakes Senior Citizen Nutrition Menu

Reservations and cancellations must be made 24 hours in advance. Phone Diana Kern, site manager, at (715) 546-2959 or (715) 891-2413. Delicious Meals by Lynn’s Catering. Suggested donation for age 60-plus is \$3.50 for on-site dining and \$4.25 for Meals on Wheels. Required payment of \$8.15 if younger than age 60. Chef salad available upon request when reservation is made.

#### THURS., AUG. 18

Hamburger stroganoff  
Mashed potatoes  
Broccoli salad  
Whole-wheat bread  
Strawberries

#### MON., AUG. 22

Hamburger  
Potato salad  
Baked beans  
Fig bars

#### TUES., AUG. 23

Cabbage roll with tomato sauce  
Country-trio vegetable blend  
Rye bread  
Cinnamon applesauce  
Spice cake

#### WED., AUG. 24

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## NOTICE

**TOWN OF PLUM LAKE - VILAS COUNTY  
STATE OF WISCONSIN  
BOARD OF REVIEW 2022  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 30, 2022, FROM 3 P.M. TO 5 P.M.**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Board of Review shall hold its first full session on date and time stated above, at the Town of Plum Lake, 8755 Lake Street, Sayner, WI 54560.

Please be advised of the following requirements to appear before the Board of Review and procedural requirements if appearing before the Board:

1. No person shall be allowed to appear before the Board of Review, to testify to the Board by telephone, or to contest the amount of any assessment of real or personal property if the person has refused a reasonable written request by certified mail of the assessor to view such property.

2. After the first meeting of the Board of Review and before the Board's final adjournment, no person who is scheduled to appear before the Board of Review may contact or provide information to a member of the Board about the person's objection, except at a session of the Board.

3. The Board of Review may not hear an objection to the amount or valuation of property unless, at least 48 hours before the Board's first scheduled meeting, the objector provides to the Board's clerk written or oral notice of an intent to file an objection, except that upon a showing of good cause and the submission of a written objection, the Board shall waive that requirement during the first two (2) hours of the Board's first scheduled meeting, and the Board may waive that requirement up to the end of the 5th day of the session or up to the end of the final day of the session if the session is less than five (5) days with proof of extraordinary circumstances for failure to meet the 48 hour notice requirement and failure to appear before the Board of Review during the first two (2) hours of the first scheduled meeting.

4. Objections to the amount or valuation of the property shall first be made in writing and filed with the clerk of the Board of Review within the first two (2) hours of the Board's first scheduled meeting, except that, upon evidence of extraordinary circumstances, the Board may waive that requirement up to the end of the 5th day of the session or up to the end of the final day of the session if the session is less than five (5) days. The Board may require objections to the amount or valuation of property to be submitted on forms approved by the Department of Revenue, and the Board shall require that any forms include stated valuations of the property in question. Persons who own land and improvements to that land may object to aggregate valuation of that land and improvements to that land, but no person who owns land and improvements to that land may object only to the valuation of that land or only to the valuation of improvements to that land. No person may be allowed in any action or proceedings to question the amount or valuation of property unless the written objection has been filed and that person in good faith presented evidence to the Board in support of the objections and made full disclosure before the Board, under oath, of all of that person's property liable to assessment in the district and the value of that property. The requirement that objections be in writing may be waived by express action of the Board.

5. When appearing before the Board of Review, the objecting person shall specify, in writing, the person's estimate of the value of the land and of the improvements that are subject of the person's objection and specify the information that the person used to arrive at that estimate.

6. No person may appear before the Board of Review, testify to the Board or by telephone, object to a valuation if that valuation was made by the assessor or the objector using the income method, unless the person supplies the assessor all the information about income and expenses, as specified in the assessor's manual under s 73.03(2a) WI Statutes, that the assessor requests. The Town of Plum Lake has an ordinance for the confidentiality of information about income and expenses that is provided to the assessor under this paragraph that provides exceptions for persons using information in the discharge of duties imposed by law or the duties of their office or by order of a court. The information that is provided under this paragraph, unless a court determined that it is inaccurate, is not subject to the right of inspection and copying under s 19.35(1) of WI Statutes.

7. The Board shall hear upon oath, by telephone, all ill or disabled persons who present to the Board a letter from a physician, surgeon or osteopath that confirms their illness and disability. No other person may testify by telephone unless the Board in its discretion, has determined to grant a property owner's or their representative's request to testify under oath by telephone or written statement.

8. No person may appear before the Board of Review, testify to the Board by telephone or contest the amount of any assessment unless, at least 48 hours before the first meeting of the Board, or at least 48 hours before the objection is heard if the objection is allowed under s 70.47(3)(a) WI Statutes, that person provides to the clerk of the Board of Review notice as to whether the person will ask for the removal of a member of the Board of Review and, if so, which member, and provides a reasonable estimate of the length of time the hearing will take.

Notice is hereby given on August 9, 2022.  
Debra A. Brown - Interim Clerk for the Town of Plum Lake  
(715) 542-4530 [office@townofplumlake.com](mailto:office@townofplumlake.com)

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St. Germain's Community United Church of Christ Thrift Shop recently donated \$1,560 to Lakeland Retirement Foundation as part of the shop's monthly counter jar donation program. The donation will go toward a new senior center called Generations.

Taking part in the check presentation are, from left, Rick Edwardson, foundation vice president; Cookie Lough, foundation board member; Ellyn Dahnke, thrift shop director; and Jon Rechkemmer, foundation treasurer. —Photo By Wally Geist

## Thrift shop donates over \$1,500 to senior citizen building project

A check for \$1,560 was donated to The Lakeland Retirement Foundation Aug. 10 thanks to customer donations at a thrift shop in St. Germain.

St. Germain Community United Church of Christ Thrift Shop Director Ellyn Dahnke presented the donation to foundation's Vice President Jon Rechkemmer, Treasurer Rick Edwardson and board member Cookie Lough.

According to the foundation representatives, the donation will be go toward a new senior center building project called "Generations — A Community Gathering Place."

The retirement foundation lost its building in Woodruff to a fire in May 2015. The building housed its main meeting place, offices, a kitchen and other possessions.

The organization hasn't been able to replace the multi-faceted building, but has maintained an office and some meeting space at Lakeside Plaza in Woodruff. Despite those challenges, the limited space has worked to meet various needs of senior citizens in the area, said Edwardson.

Once the building project is completed, the organization plans to move its operations from the plaza into the new building, which will better serve the needs of seniors to include socializing, exercising, veterans services and more.

The funds donated from the thrift shop are a combination of customer monetary gifts placed in the thrift shop's checkout counter jar and the matching of those funds from thrift store proceeds.

According to Dahnke, the thrift shop has seen a dramatic increase in counter jar donations the last several months, and said they will continue to match the donations placed in the jar.

The thrift shop is currently accepting counter donations for the Vilas County Historical Museum in Sayner.

St. Germain's thrift shop has a selection of cookware, appliances, sporting goods,

tools, clothing, antiques and furniture.

The shop is located in the strip mall adjacent to Camp's at the intersection of Highway 70 and 155. Hours of operation are Mondays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Wednesdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., closed Tuesdays and Sundays.

For additional information on the foundation, visit [lakeandretirement.org](http://lakeandretirement.org).

### St. Germain Senior Meals

St. Germain  
Community Center  
Serving at 10:30 a.m.  
Sponsored by ADRC of Vilas County

Carry-out and home-delivered meals only. Call Nancy Moser at (715) 617-2795 to reserve your meal. Donations are accepted. No one will be denied service because of inability to contribute. All meals served with whole-grain bread or roll, butter or margarine, coffee and low-fat milk. Lighter substitute of grilled-chicken salad or healthy salad available.

**WED., AUG. 24**

Crab pasta salad  
Tomato wedges  
Peaches  
Lemon bar

**THURS., AUG. 25**

Chicken breast w/mushroom  
and bacon sauce  
Wild rice blend

Pickled beets  
Biscuit  
Banana

**FRI., AUG. 26**

Beef chop suey  
Whole-grain rice  
Asian-blend vegetables  
Mandarin oranges  
Oatmeal raisin cookie

### Town of St. Germain Public Notice Electors Meeting

An Electors Meeting has been called by the St. Germain Town Board, during a duly notice meeting of the Town Board, on August 8, 2022, to be held at the St. Germain Community Center, August 25, 2022, at 7:00 p.m., for the purpose of granting the Town Board the authority to purchase a maintenance shed, pursuant to §60.10 (2) (f) Wis. Stats. The Town Non-motorized Trails Committee has sufficient funds from sources other than property taxes to purchase a small storage shed needed at the Fern Ridge Recreation Area for safe and organized keeping of a growing accumulation of trails maintenance tools and equipment. The Town Board needs approval of the majority of electors in attendance at a special elector meeting in order to purchase the shed. The purchase will not raise the current property tax levy.

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### NOTICE OF INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS CONCERNING NEW OR REVISED ORDINANCES, TOWN OF ST. GERMAIN

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Town of St. Germain Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing regarding proposed changes to two ordinances at 6:00 p.m., Monday, August 25, 2022, at the St. Germain Community Center. Proposed revisions to the Town's Code of Ordinances include:

**Chapter 1 - Zoning**

Page 3: Definition - Basement  
Page 4: Definition - Crawl space  
Page 7: Definition - Self-storage Rental Units  
Page 18: 1.307(A) & (B)  
Page 19: 1.308(A) & (B)  
Page 24: 1.310(D)  
Page 36: 1.402(A) & (C)  
Page 37: 1.404(C)  
Page 69: 1.608(A)  
Page 72: Fees

**Chapter 3, Mobile Homes & Manufactured Housing**  
Pages 1 & 2: 3.01 & 3.02

The proposed revisions can be viewed in the office of the Town Clerk or accessed on the town's website through a link on the home page at [townofstgermain.org](http://townofstgermain.org).

The public hearing will be accessible via Zoom meeting ID 853 3972 5282 and passcode 969970.

In lieu of attending live or virtually, persons wishing to submit written comments to the Town Clerk may do so by letter to P.O. Box 7, St. Germain, WI 54558 or by email to [Vogel@stg.town](mailto:Vogel@stg.town). Written comments must be received by the Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 24 to be considered at the public hearing.

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### NOTICE

**2022 ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE TOWN OF PLUM LAKE IS AVAILABLE FOR EXAMINATION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE 2022 ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE TOWN OF PLUM LAKE IS OPEN FOR INSPECTION BEGINNING AUGUST 13, 2022, FROM 10:00 A.M. UNTIL 3 P.M. MONDAY THRU FRIDAY AT THE PLUM LAKE TOWN HALL, 8755 LAKE STREET, SAYNER WI 54560.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT DEBRA A. BROWN, INTERIM CLERK, TOWN OF PLUM LAKE, 8655 LAKE STREET, SAYNER WI 54560. PHONE: (715) 542-4531 OR CONTACT **JON PALM, ASSESSOR FOR THE TOWN OF PLUM LAKE AT (715) 828-4937.**

Debra A. Brown  
Interim Clerk - Town of Plum Lake

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE TOWN OF ST. GERMAIN  
PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR  
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT REQUESTS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Zoning Committee of the Town of St. Germain will conduct public hearings on Tuesday, August 23, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. in the St. Germain Community Center pursuant to Section 1.606(b) of Chapter 1 - Zoning, Town of St. Germain Code of Ordinances, to consider a Conditional Use Permit application to construct an accessory building exceeding 1,500 square feet, submitted by:

Frank Reinhardt  
Vilas County land parcel 24-938-17  
1821 Forest Drive, St. Germain

The Zoning Committee will deliberate the disposition of the CUP application following the public hearing. Public observation and participation will be enabled virtually via Zoom using meeting ID 875 7292 8713 and passcode 581560. In lieu of attending live or virtually, persons wishing to submit written comments to the Town Clerk may do so by letter to P.O. Box 7, St. Germain, WI 54558 or by email to [Vogel@stg.town](mailto:Vogel@stg.town). Written comments must be received by the Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, August 22 to be considered by the Zoning Committee at the public hearing.

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### NOTICE

**2022 ASSESSMENT ROLL OPEN BOOK FOR THE TOWN OF PLUM LAKE**

THE ASSESSOR FOR THE TOWN OF PLUM LAKE WILL HOLD THE 2022 OPEN BOOK FOR THE 2022 ASSESSMENT ROLL ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 2022 FROM 11:00 A.M. TO 1 P.M. AT THE PLUM LAKE TOWN HALL, 8755 LAKE STREET, SAYNER, WI 54560.

Debra A. Brown  
Interim Clerk - Town of Plum Lake

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**SHARON GIFFORD**  
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2462 ST. LOUIS RD.,  
PHELPS, WI 54554



The band Juke Dawgs performed in front of a large crowd at last week's Music on the Lake concert in downtown Phelps. The last concert of the summer music series takes place Wednesday Aug. 24, at 6 p.m. with Unity the Band on stage. —Photo By Sharon Gifford

## Final Music on the Lake concert set

The final concert in the Music on the Lake series will be held Wednesday, Aug. 24, at 6 p.m. at Lakefront Pines Park in downtown Phelps. Unity the Band will take the stage for the last summer concert in the chamber's sponsored series.

Last week, Juke Dawgs performed in front of a large crowd off the shore of North Twin Lake. Food and drink will be available for purchase from Phelps Fire Department, Dublin's Paddy Wagon, The RBA Food Truck, and

Phelps-Land O' Lakes Lions Club. The summer music series was sponsored by Phelps Chamber of Commerce. The park is located at 2288 Highway 17 in Phelps. For more information, visit [phelpswi.us](http://phelpswi.us).



**ELEANOR ELLIS PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
PHELPS, WI 54554

The Eleanor Ellis Public Library is now offering a free, one-day Family Plus Membership pass to the Northwoods Children's Museum in Eagle River. The pass is good for six patrons plus four guests. Interested persons may call the library to reserve the pass. The Next Chapter Book Club will meet Wednesday, Aug. 17, at 6 p.m. to discuss "Educated; A Memoir" by Tara Westover. New members are welcome. If needed, call

the library to reserve a copy of the book. Writer's Group will meet on a new date, Tuesday, Aug. 30, at 6 p.m. to encourage and inspire one another. This group is for adults only and meets monthly. Call the library for details. Complimentary monthly issues of "BookPage; Monthly Magazine for Book Lovers," are available at the library. BookPage is a recommendation guide for new books and includes author interviews and special features. Contact the library for a copy. Patrons who are within the Phelps township (or close proximity) and cannot get out to the library, may contact the library about its Homebound

Delivery/Pickup service. Call the library during business hours to request materials and schedule a drop off or pickup time. If a patron is located outside the township, call the library for options. Library hours are Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Wednesdays, 2 to 6 p.m.; and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Services available by calling the library include, no-contact pickup at all times via the outdoor locker system; Wi-Fi and digital at all hours; and Princh cloud-based, wireless printing. For more information, call (715) 545-2887, stop in at 4495 Town Hall Road or visit [phelpspubliclibrary.org](http://phelpspubliclibrary.org).

**JACKI HILDEBRANDT**  
conoverjacki@gmail.com

**CONOVER**

P.O. BOX 117  
CONOVER, WI 54519



**SNO-MO FUNDRAISERS** — Local businesses recently held two fundraisers and raised over \$5,000 for the Conover Sno-Buddies Snowmobile Club. Proceeds from both events will go toward trail grooming and equipment maintenance.

**Above:** Lanny's Fireside held a pig roast buffet Aug. 7 with over 120 people in attendance. Taking part in the check presentation, from left, Randy Remblake, club president receives a check for \$2,364 from Lanny Studdard of Lanny's Fireside. **Right:** Jensen-Akins Hardware and Appliance hosted a brat fry and bake sale July 16. John and Judi Akins present a check for \$1,947 to Remblake (right). —Photos By Jacki Hildebrandt



**Correction**  
It was incorrectly printed in last week's paper the individual race winners in this year's Twin Triathlon. The correct information is as follows: Tim Webber, first-place winner; Bill Janz, second-place; and Jonathan Seaman, third-place.

**Golden Years Café**  
Northern Exposure Restaurant  
Serving at noon  
Sponsored by ADRC of Vilas County

Participants who have not been fully vaccinated will be asked to wear a face mask. Carry-out meals will be available. Call Judi Heikkinen at (715) 547-3697 to reserve your meal. Donations are accepted. No one will be denied service because of inability to contribute. All meals served with fat-free milk and whole-grain rolls or bread with margarine. Lighter substitute of healthy salad available.

<b>MON., AUG. 22</b> Lasagna with meat sauce Salad with tomato Garlic bread Fruit Cupcake	American fries Peas Fruit
<b>WED., AUG. 24</b> Open-face turkey sandwich	<b>FRI., AUG. 26</b> Baked chicken Mashed potatoes with gravy Mixed vegetables Strawberry shortcake

**North & South Twin Lakes Protection and Rehabilitation District ANNUAL MEETING**  
Saturday, September 3, 2022  
10:00 a.m., Phelps School  
4451 Old School Road, Phelps, WI 54554  
WNAXLP

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF THE ELECTORS OF THE TOWN OF PHELPS, VILAS COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

NOTICE is hereby given that a special Town Meeting of the Town Electors of the Town of Phelps will be held at the Phelps School Commons, 4451 Old School Road, at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 23, 2022. A special Town Meeting of the Electors is held pursuant to Sec. 60.10(2) of the Wis. Statutes, called by the Town Board for the following purpose:

1. To Hold separate Advisory Votes on two specific questions relating to the proposed Phelps Master Plan, questions being:
 

**Question #1 shall be:** Do you support increasing the Town of Phelps Budget by approximately \$255,000.00 per year, starting in 2023, to properly maintain the Town's infrastructure and roads

**Question #2 shall be:** Do you approve the Town of Phelps moving forward with the new Community Center project and thus allow the Town to begin fundraising and grant investigations, with a maximum budget expense increase capped at \$200,000.00 annually, beginning no sooner than the 2024 tax levy

Dated this 3rd day of August, 2022.

/s/ Sheryl J Ward  
Clerk-Treasurer, Town of Phelps  
WNAXLP 5205

## PUBLIC NOTICES

(Three Weeks, 8/10-8/24/22)  
STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CIRCUIT COURT VILAS COUNTY  
— PROBATE —  
Order Setting Time to Hear Petition for Administration and Deadline for Filing Claims  
(Formal Administration)  
Case No. 22PR59  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF IMANTS AUZINS DOD: 07/26/2022  
A Petition for Formal Administration was filed.  
THE COURT FINDS:  
The decedent, with date of birth 04/23/1941 and date of death 07/26/2022, was domiciled in Vilas County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of PO Box 183, Conover, WI 54519.  
THE COURT ORDERS:  
1. The Petition be heard at the Vilas County Courthouse, 330 Court St., Eagle River, Wisconsin, Branch 2, before Circuit Court Judge Daniel L. Overbey, on 9/1/2022 at 9:00 AM.  
2. You do not need to appear unless you object. The petition may be granted if there is no objection.  
3. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is November 18, 2022.  
4. A claim may be filed at the Vilas County Courthouse, 330 Court Street, Eagle River, Wisconsin, Office of Register in Probate.  
5. Publication of this notice is notice to any persons whose names or addresses are unknown.  
If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-479-3632 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.  
BY THE COURT:  
/s/ Dawn Halverson  
Circuit Court Commissioner  
August 4, 2022  
Attorney Steven C. Garbowicz  
221 S First St., PO Box 639  
Eagle River, WI 54521  
715.479.6444  
Bar Number 1018485  
5229

— PROBATE —  
Amended Order Setting Time to Hear Petition for Administration and Deadline for Filing Claims  
(Formal Administration)  
Case No. 22PR62  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THEODORE A. DAHLSTROM JR. DOD: 12/30/2021  
A Petition for Formal Administration was filed.  
THE COURT FINDS:  
The decedent, with date of birth 03/25/1939 and date of death 12/30/2021, was domiciled in Lake County, State of Illinois, with a mailing address of 33220 Lakeshore Drive, Wildwood, IL 60030.  
THE COURT ORDERS:  
1. The Petition be heard at the Vilas County Courthouse, 330 Court Street, Eagle River, Wisconsin, Branch 2, before Circuit Court Judge Daniel L. Overbey, on 9/1/2022 at 9:15 AM.  
2. You do not need to appear unless you object. The petition may be granted if there is no objection.  
3. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is November 18, 2022.  
4. A claim may be filed at the Vilas County Courthouse, 330 Court Street, Eagle River, Wisconsin, Office of Register in Probate.  
5. Publication of this notice is notice to any persons whose names or addresses are unknown.  
If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-479-3632 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.  
BY THE COURT:  
/s/ Dawn Halverson  
Circuit Court Commissioner  
August 5, 2022  
Attorney Steven C. Garbowicz  
221 S First St., PO Box 639  
Eagle River, WI 54521  
715.479.6444  
Bar Number 1018485  
5230

Case No. 22PR56  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF PATRICIA A. VAN ACKER DATE OF DEATH: 7-9-2022  
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:  
1. An application for informal administration was filed.  
2. The decedent, with date of birth 9-21-1943 and date of death 7-9-2022, was domiciled in Vilas County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 2139 ANDERSON RD ST. GERMAIN, WI 54558.  
3. All interested persons waived notice.  
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is November 11, 2022.  
5. A claim may be filed at the Vilas County Courthouse, EAGLE RIVER, Wisconsin, Probate Office.  
/s/ Dawn Halverson  
Probate Registrar  
July 29, 2022  
JOHN C. HOULIHAN  
HOULIHAN LAW FIRM, S.C.  
P.O. BOX 630  
MINOCQUA, WI 54548  
715-356-1422  
Bar Number 1016296  
5224  
(Three Weeks, 8/3-8/17/22)  
STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CIRCUIT COURT VILAS COUNTY  
— PROBATE —  
Notice to Creditors  
(Informal Administration)  
Case No. 22-PR-53  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF EDWARD L. NUMRICH DATE OF DEATH: June 11, 2022  
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:  
1. An application for informal administration was filed.  
2. The decedent, with date of birth June 8, 1931 and date of death June 11, 2022, was domiciled in Vilas County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 1049 Walnut St., Eagle River, WI.  
3. All interested persons waived notice.  
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is November 4, 2022.  
5. A claim may be filed at the Vilas County Courthouse, 330 E. Court St. Eagle River, Wisconsin, Probate Office.  
/s/ Dawn Halverson  
Probate Registrar  
July 27, 2022  
John M. Loomis  
PO Box 1802 Eagle River, WI 54521-1802  
719-660-0682  
Bar Number 1014890  
5206  
(Three Weeks, 8/10-8/24/22)  
STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CIRCUIT COURT VILAS COUNTY  
— PROBATE —  
Amended Notice to Creditors  
(Informal Administration)  
Case No. 22 PR 49  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BENJAMIN CHARLES ROEMER  
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:  
1. An application for informal administration was filed.  
2. The decedent, with date of birth 09/28/1922 and date of death 10/07/2020, was domiciled in Vilas County, State of WI, with a mailing address of PO Box 1000, Manitowish Waters, WI 54545.  
3. All interested persons waived notice.  
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is November 11, 2022.  
5. A claim may be filed at the Vilas County Courthouse, 330 Court St, Eagle River, Wisconsin, Probate Office.  
/s/ Dawn Halverson  
Probate Registrar  
August 3, 2022  
Atty Daniel W. Johns Jr  
PO Box 443  
Manitowish Waters, WI 54545  
262-853-6200  
Bar Number 1033980  
5165  
(Three Weeks, 8/10-8/24/22)  
STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CIRCUIT COURT VILAS COUNTY  
— PROBATE —  
Notice to Creditors  
(Informal Administration)

715-842-2291  
Bar Number 1057278  
5227  
(Three Weeks, 8/17-8/31/22)  
STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CIRCUIT COURT VILAS COUNTY  
— PROBATE —  
Order Setting Time to Hear Petition for Administration and Deadline for Filing Claims  
(Formal Administration)  
Case No. 22PR53  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANN C. HANKE DOD: 08/03/2022  
A Petition for Formal Administration was filed.  
THE COURT FINDS:  
The decedent, with date of birth 04/17/1928 and date of death 08/03/2022, was domiciled in Vilas County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of PO Box 1026, Eagle River, WI 54521.  
THE COURT ORDERS:  
1. The Petition be heard at the Vilas County Courthouse, 330 Court Street, Eagle River, Wisconsin, Branch 2, before Circuit Court Judge Honorable Daniel L. Overbey, on September 1, 2022 at 9:30 AM.  
2. You do not need to appear unless you object. The petition may be granted if there is no objection.  
3. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is November 18, 2022.  
4. A claim may be filed at the Vilas County Courthouse, 330 Court Street, Eagle River, Wisconsin, Office of Register in Probate.  
5. Heirship will be determined at the hearing on petition for final judgment.  
6. Publication of this notice is notice to any persons whose names or addresses are unknown.  
If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-479-3632 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.  
BY THE COURT:  
/s/ Dawn Halverson  
Circuit Court Commissioner  
August 11, 2022  
Attorney Steven C. Garbowicz  
221 S First St., PO Box 639  
Eagle River, WI 54521  
715.479.6444  
Bar Number 1018485  
5243  
(Three Weeks, 8/10-8/24/22)  
STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CIRCUIT COURT VILAS COUNTY  
— PROBATE —  
Notice to Creditors  
(Informal Administration)  
Case No. 22PR58  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM STOCKESON COMSTOCK DECEASED  
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:  
1. An application for informal administration was filed.  
2. The decedent, with date of birth Jan. 15, 1930 and date of death Feb 1, 2018, was domiciled in Missoula County, State of Montana, with a mailing address of 1824 River Road.  
3. All interested persons waived notice.  
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is Nov. 11, 2022.  
5. A claim may be filed at the Vilas County Courthouse, Eagle River, Wisconsin, Probate Branch.  
/s/ Dawn Halverson  
Probate Registrar  
8/1/2022

(Three Weeks, 8/10-8/24/22)  
STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CIRCUIT COURT VILAS COUNTY  
— PROBATE —  
Notice to Creditors  
(Informal Administration)  
Case No. 22PR54  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DEBRA A. KOGLE DATE OF DEATH: 6-5-2022  
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:  
1. An application for informal administration was filed.  
2. The decedent, with date of birth 3-7-1953 and date of death 6-5-2022, was domiciled in Vilas County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 1264 ARROW-HEAD DR ARBOR VITAE, WI 54568.  
3. All interested persons waived notice.  
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is November 11, 2022.  
5. A claim may be filed at the Vilas County Courthouse, EAGLE RIVER, Wisconsin, Probate Branch.  
/s/ Dawn Halverson  
Probate Registrar  
August 3, 2022  
JOHN C. HOULIHAN  
HOULIHAN LAW FIRM, S.C.  
P.O. BOX 630  
MINOCQUA, WI 54548  
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5223  
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STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CIRCUIT COURT VILAS COUNTY  
— PROBATE —  
Notice to Creditors  
(Informal Administration)  
Case No. 22PR57  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DELPHINE G. BOTHNER DOD: 01/26/2022  
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:  
1. An application for informal administration was filed.  
2. The decedent, with date of birth 08/30/1919 and date of death 01/26/2021, was domiciled in Vilas County, State of WI, with a mailing address of 2332 North Railroad St., Eagle River, WI 54521.  
3. All interested persons waived notice.  
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is November 11, 2022.  
5. A claim may be filed at the Vilas County Courthouse, Eagle River, Wisconsin, Probate Branch.  
/s/ Dawn Halverson  
Probate Registrar  
August 2, 2022  
Robyn J. De Vos  
531 Washington Street  
P.O. Box 1184  
Wausau, WI 54402-1184

(Three Weeks, 8/10-8/24/22)  
STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CIRCUIT COURT VILAS COUNTY  
— PROBATE —  
Notice to Creditors  
(Informal Administration)  
Case No. 22PR57  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DELPHINE G. BOTHNER DOD: 01/26/2022  
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:  
1. An application for informal administration was filed.  
2. The decedent, with date of birth 08/30/1919 and date of death 01/26/2021, was domiciled in Vilas County, State of WI, with a mailing address of 2332 North Railroad St., Eagle River, WI 54521.  
3. All interested persons waived notice.  
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is November 11, 2022.  
5. A claim may be filed at the Vilas County Courthouse, Eagle River, Wisconsin, Probate Branch.  
/s/ Dawn Halverson  
Probate Registrar  
August 2, 2022  
Judith Comstock Bakel  
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CARY IL 60013  
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# EDITORIAL

## OPINION/COMMENTARY



JUDGED WISCONSIN'S  
WEEKLY NEWSPAPER  
OF THE YEAR



### Our View

#### Opioid settlement funds will finally help the victims

The opioid epidemic that killed thousands and destroyed the lives of many more in Wisconsin will now be mitigated with funds from a \$26 billion global settlement from lawsuit proceeds involving drug distributors and manufacturers.

The settlement requires that 85% of funds be allocated to programs that will help address the ongoing opioid crisis through treatment, education and prevention efforts.

Officials in Vilas and Oneida counties are expecting to get more than \$2.4 million in funding over a 10-year period to combat its ongoing and growing drug problem.

The settlement for payments was made with three major pharmaceutical distributors, Cardinal, McKesson and AmerisourceBergen, along with one manufacturer, Johnson and Johnson. Litigation continues in state and federal courts around the country against other companies in the opioid supply chain.

Civil litigation trials in Ohio and West Virginia involved more than 3,300 communities across the United States holding drug manufacturers, distributors and pharmacy chains accountable amid the worsening opioid epidemic.

Wisconsin's opioid crisis began in the late 1990s and has been evolving since, with an almost 900% increase in opioid overdose deaths between 1999 and 2018.

We've got community leaders and hundreds of hard-working attorneys to thank for pursuing financial relief from the companies that made billions of dollars while fueling an addiction crisis that nobody could stop.

Now these settlement funds can be invested in harm reduction strategies and new and updated treatment facilities to get families the support they need to help the victims, family and friends of people with an opioid substance abuse disorder.

It's too little too late for the families who lost love ones to the epidemic, yet there are still millions who need assistance in hopes they can escape the devastating grip that these drugs possess.

An estimated 95% of foster care children in Vilas County are related to parental drug use.

#### Behind the editorial 'we'

Members of the Vilas County News-Review editorial board include Publisher Kurt Krueger, News Editor Michelle Drew and reporter Doug Etten.

WE MAY STAND on opposite sides of the partisan divide, but we should all believe it is better to search for solutions together than to remain divided. I'll listen to reason from both sides, but it's been in short supply for decades.

There are a number of positions the Republicans have taken and there are just as many positions the Democrats advocate that make no sense to me. Both parties have desecrated democracy, so what am I supposed to do?

I've had friends ask me how I can defend some of the things Republicans have done. I readily admit that I can't. I ask them how they can defend some of the crazy actions Democrats stand for and endorse. Most stubbornly agree they are not in lockstep with their liberal and progressive agendas either.

It's true that politics can be full of surprises. Adversity is almost always the result of

**People Make the Difference**

By Byron McNutt

unpredictable events. When did Americans lose the ability and willingness to work things out without all the animosity and vitriol?

Who could have foreseen the Covid pandemic, Russian aggression in Ukraine, whammy of 10% inflation, southern-border invasion crisis, economic and social unrest? Elected officials are constantly walking a tightrope dealing with abortion/reproductive rights; climate change issues; voting fairness and integrity; student loan forgiveness; gun, and law and order rights; and the Donald Trump love-hate relationship.

I believe there are representatives on both sides

of the divide who want to find a way forward, but they know they will be punished by their respective tribes if they appear weak. That needs to change. We must reward those men and women who do what's right.

The political infighting is not unique to the United States. The United Kingdom is working to replace Prime Minister Boris Johnson and Italian Prime Minister Mario Draghi was forced to resign. France's Emmanuel Macron and Germany's Olaf Scholz better watch their backs.

The discord in America is not all President Joe Biden's fault. Americans are divided by urban and rural, the

east-west coasts and fly-over states, by assimilating minorities and income-wealth inequality. Nearly every part of our lives are being disrupted.

It was the Democrats liberal agenda that gave us Trump as president then, it was Trump's obnoxious behavior that elected Biden. Voters didn't necessarily want Biden to be president; they just didn't want four more years of Trump. Polls show that voters do not want a Biden-Trump rematch in 2024.

I'm sure it would be a radical act to speak of our political class with gratitude and magnanimity rather than bitterness and resentment. Our leaders have adopted the monetary policy of we will borrow whatever amount of money necessary to pay just the interest on the \$31 trillion national debt that we acknowledge we can never

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#### The dog days of summer

While the Eagle River Chain of Lakes is a popular outing for people, pets also can enjoy an afternoon boat ride on the water. Max, companion to Anthony Gifford of Glendale, enjoyed the tail end of the dog days of summer last week during a visit up north. With school starting up soon, area lakes will see less traffic in the coming weeks. —Photo By Sharon Gifford

**Cal Thomas**

#### History not boring from McCullough

I HATED COLLEGE history. The textbooks were mostly about dead white men, Abigail Adams excepted. The lectures were boring. I didn't see how any of it related to my young life and future plans.

Historian David McCullough, who died at age 89, helped change my attitude toward history and its contemporary relevance. At a time when some are trying to tear history down by renaming highways and removing statues of slave owners, McCullough built history up.

He was fond of saying of those he wrote about "If they're not forgotten, they're not gone."

Whether it was his book "1776," described by Amazon as "(It) tells the intensely human story of those who marched with Gen. George Washington in the year of the Declaration of Independence, when the whole American cause was riding on their success, without which all hope for independence would have been dashed and the noble ideals of the Declaration would have amounted to little more than words on paper."

Or "Truman," which provides "a deeply moving look at an extraordinary, singular American," or "John Adams," which was made into a film series on HBO or my personal favorite "The Wright Brothers," an American story if ever there was one about two brothers who owned a bicycle shop, built and were the first to successfully fly an airplane. They had no help from the U.S. government and received financing from France, until Washington saw it work and then, belatedly came aboard. Some things never change.

McCullough didn't just recall history. In a sense he revived history and our interest in it.

President George H.W.

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### We are 'waterfowlers'

IN MY MIND a lake always lies quietly in a shroud of fog, the early riser's cheek kissed by the cool wetness. Cattails stand silently in the "breeze-less" air of dawn.

The calm waters are beginning to mirror the shoreline trees and the puffy clouds overhead, all of which are becoming more visible by the moment.

Not only in my mind, but in reality on this morning there are two of us standing at the water's edge on a beautiful August morning; just me and a 5-year-old yellow lab who can't understand why he can't just go tearing hell for leather into that sea of calm in front of us.

More than once, I have to tell him to have patience, wait in silence for a few moments; a wait during which he and I may drink in the loveliness of such a beautiful place and morning.

No other humans intrude upon our place along the

**Trails & Tales**  
By Will Maines

shore, nor do they intrude on our minds as each of us holds close our own thoughts.

We have heard a loon tuning up for a virtuoso performance with a perfunctory yodel or two, and there are some tiny "splish splashes" from near our feet as frogs, unhappy with our intrusion, leap from their grassy perches on shore into the crystal-clear shallows.

We are here waiting silently, watching intently, even though it is yet only halfway through August; more than a month before we will come here on some serious business. That being the business of matching wits, skills and true aim at ducks boring full

blast through and past our tiny portion of this hidden wild duck haven.

After a minute or two of standing like still sentinels, we hear light splashing 40 yards to our left and we make out a small swaying v-shaped trail in the water; a trail left by a wood duck drake wrapped in a royal coat of color.

Peeping from his left alerts us and soon, we see a hen of the same species letting her partner know there is something near that is causing her to be in a state that is at least moderately anxious.

A shuffle of my four-legged partner's feet puts her into full four-alarm mode and an instant later, both woodies erupt into the air, beating a hasty retreat from a pair of fools they will not suffer lightly.

Standing there in the early-dawn light, I realize that no matter how many times

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**ATV/UTV trails not eco-friendly**

Letter to the Editor:

The final subcommittee meeting for the Forestry, Recreation and Land Committee was held July 26.

For six months, this subcommittee, formed at the January 2022 Vilas County Board meeting, insisted that four towns, Boulder Junction, Plum Lake, Manitowish Waters, and Winchester, build ATV/UTV trails. The four town board chairmen, invited to participate, told the committee chair at the first meeting that they stood with the majority of their residents who had voted, several times, to reject these machines.

Having failed to convince the four towns to add trails, at the last meeting, Chairman Holly Tomlanovich suggested that private land owners might agree to ATV/UTV trails on their property. In my experience, snowmobiles hold contracts with private land owners for reasons that do not apply to ATV/UTV owners. A large number of residents leave in winter and are not bothered by snowmobiles crossing their land. ATV/UTVs are present in summer when windows are open and people are enjoying their yards. Most do not want the noise and dust from an ATV trail.

The subcommittee chair appears to feel that all forms of outdoor recreation are compatible. Two scientific studies clearly illustrate that motorized and non-motorized users are not. One study is the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) 2015 Wisconsin Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP). Another is "Trails and Their Gateway Communities," a case study of the Gandy

Dancer trail in N.E. Wisconsin.

According to this study, the non-motorized group wants to feel in touch with nature, be safe and enjoy healthy exercise by walking or riding a bicycle. The ATV/UTV groups were oblivious to the fact that their machines dominate the trail, making it impossible for others to enjoy their sport.

Every county in the northern half of Wisconsin provides extensive ATV/UTV trails and routes. In 2004, Vilas was the only county without ATV/UTVs and the residents voted 63% to 37% to keep Vilas a sanctuary for the non-motorized. As always, Vilas continued to rank between 10th or 12th in Wisconsin in tourist dollar revenue.

In truth, the most underserved group is the non-motorized, who represent 75% to 80% of outdoor recreation users, according to SCORP. These people cannot enjoy the outdoors when ATVs are present.

In 2008 the Natural Resources Board (NRB) refused to allow a 60-mile ATV trail to be built through the Northern Highland American Legion State Forest (NHAL). This trail was designed by 16 stakeholders facilitated by the DNR. The NRB agreed with hundreds of letters they received from people all over Wisconsin who wanted only eco-friendly users in their forests.

Out of 14 towns in Vilas County, nine now have opened their roads to ATV/UTV traffic. Let the remaining five towns follow the majority wishes of their people and remain free of ATVs.  
 Sue Drum  
 Presque Isle

**Maines FROM PAGE 10B**

I approach this place or one like it, I will love where I am more than ever. My canine companion seems to be saying the same thing as his tongue lolls crazily and drool hangs loosely from his gums.

As the sun begins its inexorable rise to the top of its zenith we stand there, remaining quiet, at least I remain that way. I sense that my companion is fast losing patience with me. Admiring an August sunrise may be much loved by a human, but he is looking long and hard at a duck-shaped retrieving dummy held in my hand.

Drool turns to slobber, eyes get bigger and brighter by the second, and his rearing up, agitated appearance and reproachful look at me convinces me that it is time to give him his due.

As far as my old arm can launch it, the dummy is heaved outward. With a loud splat, it lands 30 yards from shore. Ignoring my command to wait, the canine half of our partnership is steaming full blast to claim his prize.

He paddles furiously out and back, and as is his usual wont, surrenders the dummy, but not before drenching his master with huge shakes of his 85-pound body. The scene will be re-enacted sev-

eral times before the master's arm wears out. The canine is not especially pleased with that turn of events as he is hardly warmed up, but when turned loose to charge through a half-mile of woods that will take them back to a waiting pickup truck, he forgives his master for his shortcomings.

The master, yours truly, does not make the charge back as exuberantly as his young partner, but in his own way, he is equally as excited about their morning adventure.

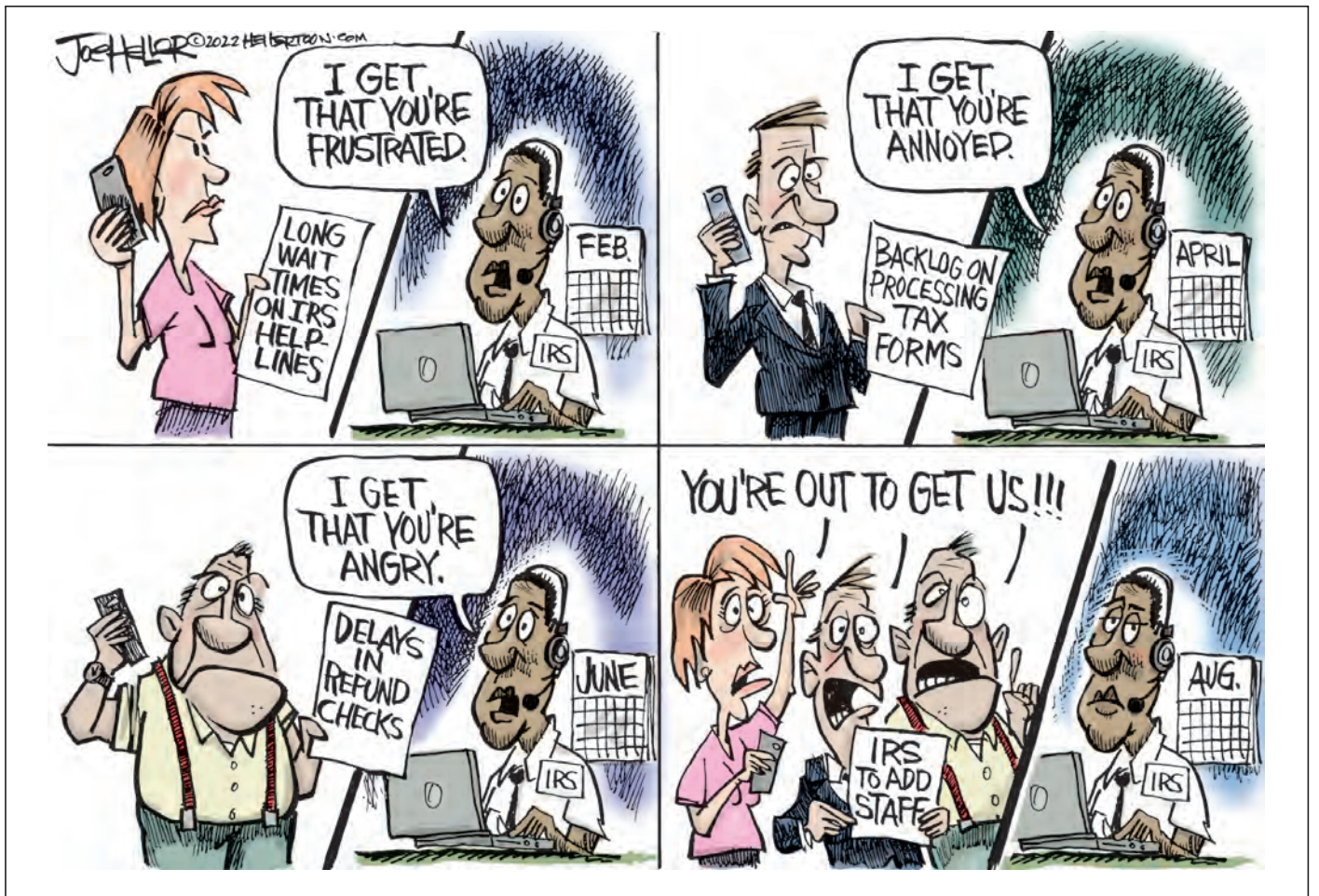
The canine and I know the time for waiting with real purpose along that small body of water will arrive in a matter of some weeks, which we also know will seem to

take forever to unfold.

The next time we go to this special place, we will be taking a handful of duck decoys with us. I'll be carrying a well-worn shotgun and a canvas bag holding a few dozen shot shells. That bag also will be holding the hope of both of us that there will be ducks to add to the load of shells in it at the end of our outing.

We are "waterfowlers," he and I. Neither one of us really excels at our appointed tasks and he often disregards with great disdain the orders of his master.

But together we love what we are doing this August morning and every morning of the autumn when we share with a world full of ducks.



**Electors urged to contact supervisors ahead of ATV vote**

Dear Editor:

I am very concerned that the debate over allowing access to ATVs on county roads in towns that have said "no" to them has lost its way.

In the past, the ATV community would present their case for ATVs in a town, and if successful, the town board then opened their roads to ATV traffic. The town board would then request the county board to open the county roads in town. It was democracy in action. There are now hundreds of miles of routes and trails in the county. I understood and respected the process.

Recently this process changed when the arguments for opening roads to ATVs

in Manitowish Waters, Boulder Junction, Winchester and Plum Lake were defeated, via surveys and referendums, by a clear majority of people. Many reasons were cited.

These towns have decided on a different economic model to promote tourism. While this model includes many kinds of motorized recreation (e.g. snowmobiles and boats) and a range of quiet sport activities (e.g. biking, hiking) it doesn't include ATVs.

The ATV people were not able to convince the majority of people in these towns their use was compatible with any other use. Having lost their bid for ATV access in these towns, the ATV community appears to have decided that democracy has somehow abandoned them. Interestingly, democracy worked in the towns which have allowed them access. So now their strategy seems to have turned to abandoning democracy.

A movement to undermine the previous ATV decision-making process sprang up in several towns. People ran for office to gain power to force their own personal agendas, and once elected, used that power to try and subvert the will of the majority. This strategy sadly worked

in Presque Isle where two of three supervisors defiantly abandoned democracy and overturned an ordinance banning ATVs that was supported by the clear majority.

Winchester supervisors tried the same strategy but were voted out of office by an angry electorate. The lesson there: don't abandon democracy right before an election.

Majority opposition to ATVs also angered some supervisors on the county board and a resulting amendment was swiftly passed to the county's Chapter 26 Ordinance for Motorized Vehicles in September 2022 to include a clause that allowed any individual, bypassing any input from a town, to make a direct request for opening county roads anywhere to ATVs.

Individuals immediately made requests to open the county roads in these four towns, and despite very clear opposition from both town officials and citizens at the county committee level, these requests were recommended for a full county board vote in January 2022. Due to public outcry, enough supervisors rejected the unprecedented idea of forcing the county's will over a town's and the motions were tabled for six

months (the Boulder Junction motion failed procedurally).

An ATV sub-committee met monthly in the interim. They were tasked with finding a "compromise," an aggressive request given these towns had already said no. It was apparent in these meetings that the "compromise" meant we had to abandon the idea of democracy; and the town leaders simply would not do it. Predictably, nothing was accomplished. Kudos to our town officials for acting admirably and with dignity in their unwillingness to abandon democracy.

And yet here we are again. Aug. 23, the full county board has been asked to vote on allowing the county to open county roads to ATVs in Manitowish Waters, Winchester and Plum Lake (a Boulder Junction motion is not on this agenda).

Call or write your county supervisors. Urge them to continue to reject the idea of abandoning democracy. Ask them to vote these motions down and fix the provision in Chapter 26 that gives more power to a single individual than an entire town. The will of the majority must prevail.

Bob Kovar  
 Manitowish Waters

**McNutt FROM PAGE 10B**

pay back.

Americans are frustrated. Nothing is sacred. Author Joseph Epstein recently wrote "People are sick of the idea that to be woke we must redress injustices of the past by canceling our heroes such as Christopher Columbus, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, James Madison and Abraham Lincoln."

Those historic figures held

views or acted in a manner incongruent with the moral standards of today's self-righteous. What makes their political views not merely correct, but deeply, morally righteous? They come across more like snobs, he said.

Many people I talk to can't see a civil end to the problems we face. Is there no middle ground? Can we start by canceling our heroes such as Christopher Columbus, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, James Madison and Abraham Lincoln? Or is it already too late?

**WHAT OTHERS SAY**

**Strengthening student mental-health**

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS-REVIEW

Office of Children's Mental Health Director Linda Hall announced the publication of a new fact sheet "Strengthening Student Mental Health," and what students, parents, schools and policymakers can do to make a difference.

Fostering positive mental-health in students can improve their overall health and improve student learning, attendance and engagement. Positive mental-health also reduces bullying, risky behaviors, substance abuse, school violence and involvement in the juvenile justice system.

**Highlights**

Positive, not punitive, school culture that supports belonging is key to positive student mental-health and reduced symptoms of depression.

Students who feel con-

nected to at least one person at school have significantly better mental-health than those who lack a connection to school.

Sufficient sleep and developmentally appropriate school start times contribute to improved mental health, performance and reduced car crashes.

Wisconsin schools investing in comprehensive school mental-health systems offer a continuum of services to all students that contribute to positive mental-health.

A growing number of peer-led youth groups are vital to providing youth voice and serve an important role given the shortage of mental-health professionals in schools.

**What we can do**

Students can build positive relationships among friends and peers. Also advocate for student mental-health in schools or on

campuses.

Parents can encourage students to participate in a sport, club or school activity to foster connections to schools. And ensure children get sufficient sleep every night.

Schools can build a positive, welcoming and inclusive school culture. Focus on bullying prevention as a central feature of the safety plan. Implement universal mental-health screening of all students. And start school after 8:30 a.m. for middle school and high school students.

Policymakers can support increased, stable funding of comprehensive school-based mental-health services. Prioritize and fund the recruitment and retention of school mental-health professionals. And require mental-health literacy and suicide prevention education for students and school staff.

**Thomas FROM PAGE 10B**

Bush welcomed historians to the White House for a series of talks on American presidents. I attended one at which McCullough spoke.

His subject was Andrew Jackson. McCullough described the "open house" following Jackson's inauguration March 4, 1829, at which 20,000 people attended. The event became so rowdy, Jackson climbed out a window to escape the mob.

McCullough had the audience laughing as if he were a comedian. In his books, he draws in the reader as if to

say "This is important to you and your country; learn from it." His research and writing style make us feel we are there witnessing the events he describes, not like some other historians who make one feel they are "looking through a glass darkly."

Other historians, including Stephen Ambrose, Doris Kearns Goodwin and Douglas Brinkley, among several moderns who also deserve credit for rewriting history in a readable and compelling way, share in the credit for making history relevant again. But for me, McCullough, a two-time Pulitzer Prize winner, is the tops.

As George Santayana

famously said "Those who do not learn history are doomed to repeat it." Times change, but human nature never changes. McCullough has shown why the lessons of history remain important, especially for those determined not to repeat history's mistakes and to learn from its successes.

Fortunately, his works are so good they will be read and should be by generations yet to come.

Readers may email Cal Thomas at [caeditors@tribpub.com](mailto:caeditors@tribpub.com). His new book is "America's Expiration Date: The Fall of Empires and Superpowers and the Future of the United States."



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