

Off to the races

Wednesday Night at the Races holds first event of 2022.

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2-month-old infant dies after crash

Police sergeant made first court appearance Monday

By Teri Cadeau and Maria Lockwood
Superior Telegram

SUPERIOR — A 2-month-old infant has died following a fatal crash early July 15 in the 5200 block of East Second St. in Superior.

According to a report from the Hennepin County Medical Examiner, Elijah Michael Ojanen



Swanson

This is the second death that has resulted from the crash, as a man was pronounced dead at the scene. Other occupants of the vehicle included a woman and a 2-year-old child.

An off-duty Superior Police Department veteran, Gregory M. Swanson, 42, of Solon Springs, is currently facing one

count of homicide by intoxicated use of a vehicle resulting from the incident.

Swanson appeared in court Monday, July 18, for a bail hearing. The criminal complaint was filed minutes before the hearing started. Defense attorney Chris Gramstrup asked to adjourn Swanson's initial appearance until he had time to review the charge and speak with his client.

Cash bail of \$15,000 was set for Swanson, with the conditions that he have no contact with the victim's family or

occupants of the vehicle that was struck. He was ordered not to use or possess any alcohol and not operate a motor vehicle without a valid license or permit.

Wisconsin Assistant Attorney General Tara Jenswold, who is serving as special prosecutor for the case, told Douglas County Circuit Court Judge George Glonek she anticipated filing additional charges against Swanson once she is able to confirm the medical status of other occupants of the vehicle.

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A Wisconsin State Patrol officer takes photographs at the scene of an accident where a person was killed along East Second Street in Superior on July 15.

Superior to buy Carnegie Library

By Shelley Nelson
Superior Telegram

SUPERIOR — The city of Superior will purchase the Carnegie Library at 1204 Hammond Ave., for \$175,000.

After capping how much the city administration could pay for repairs and placing a requirement that the building be put up for sale in 18 months, the council split 7-3 at its meeting Tuesday, July 19, to approve purchasing the building from The Library Superior LLC, owned by Andy Osterlund.

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EVENING SOCIAL



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People listen to the sounds of Coop and the Kooks during the ice cream social at Fairlawn Mansion on Wednesday in Superior. Officials estimate that about 1,000 people attended this year's event.

Evers visits Tower Avenue businesses



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Wisconsin Gov. Tony Evers talks to Superior Mayor Jim Paine while having lunch at Superior Waffles on Tuesday, as state Sen. Janet Bewley and Superior City Councilor Tylor Elm listen.

By Shelley Nelson
Superior Telegram

SUPERIOR — Gov. Tony Evers got a chance to meet with local officials and business leaders Tuesday, July 19, during a trip to Superior.

After lunch at Superior Waffles, Evers made his way up and down Tower Avenue to see how small businesses in the city are faring after the COVID-19 pandemic. Stops included Blue Arrow Boutique, Cedar Barn, Framing by Sten-gl, Jamrock and Sweeden Sweets, where the governor was greeted by youth from the Boys & Girls Club.

Superior Waffles was among more than 5,200 businesses statewide to

receive a Main Street Bounceback Grant, and Sweeden Sweets received grants in phase one and two of the We're All In program.

The grants were designed to help small businesses impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, which hire about 52% of workers.

The pandemic made it difficult for a lot of people to make a living, Evers said, and the grant programs helped.

However, the governor said not all of the businesses he visited Tuesday were grant recipients.

"I've really seen how energetic and energized small businesses are

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