

The Sackett Lake County Park got a major upgrade Electric Cooperative, Taylor County Sportsmans

with the installation of a large pirate-ship themed climber addition to the playground. The project was led by Kate Metz and Kathy Hemer who raised \$40,000 for the project which included the ships, benches and other improvements. Project sponsors included the Taylor County Powerline Fund,

Aspirus Foundation, Nestle

Club, Taylor Credit Union and the Medford Kiwanis Club. They were helped by lake property owners Bob Whetstone, Dan and Peg Pichler, and Bob and Linda Henry. The ship was constructed in Millersburg, Ohio and purchased through Martin Sauder in Boyd.



'Hillbilly Racing' coming to county fair

Taylor County Fair Board announces line-up of 2023 grandstand, midway events

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crowd favorites as well as some new attractions on tap for the 2023 Taylor County Fair July 27-30 at the Taylor County Fairgrounds in Medford.

Fair board president Kim Wilson said board members and other volunteers are hard at work getting ready for this year's fair. The theme for the 2023 Fair is "Things Are Cookin' at the Taylor

County Fair."

In addition to the carnival ride, gallery of food vendors, animal shows and static displays, the fair will feature entertainment each day.

On Thursday, July 27, the Wisconsin Horse Pullers Association will be back in the horse arena for a free show.

Getting it done

County eyes using one time grant funds to cover major long-term projects

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Taylor County is looking to tap into one-time federal grant funds to cover the cost of long term buildings and grounds projects.

At the county buildings and grounds committee meeting, committee members approved a plan to use up to \$90,000 in federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to replace the roof and make necessary repairs to the dairy barn at the Taylor County Fairgrounds. The funding request will go to the county's finance and personnel committee for review and potential approval.

According to county finance director Larry Brandl, because it is under \$100,000 it does not need to go to the full county board. The county has about \$140,000 remaining in federal ARPA funds.

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Smokey Bear will soon have a new home as the fire danger sign is relocated to near the county highway shop on Hwy 13

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