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Frederic business owners undeterred by construction



Road construction woes continue all summer long in Frederic. - Photo by Robert Tabern

A tour of Frederic business district shows town's resilience

By Neal Griffin | Reporter

FREDERIC - In the not-so-distant future, State Hwy. 35 is going to be ... well, it's going to be better. Some have said it will even be beautiful. Drivers are going to enjoy the benefit of a thoroughfare free of bumps and potholes. The time is coming when this new reality will break through, and the road running north and south through the entirety of Polk and Burnett counties will be the Autobahn of the Northwoods. But to borrow a line from a Facebook post from The Healing Room, a self-care therapeutic business in downtown Frederic, "The thing about breakthroughs is sometimes there's a lot of breaking before you get to through."

With Wisconsin Avenue (State Hwy. 35) shut down and torn up from one end of town to the other, local businesses are scrambling and strategizing for ways to remain open and accessible to their customers. And so it will remain until Labor Day.

On a recent walking tour of downtown Frederic, I found that business owners are resigned to the fact that this summer's retail traffic is going to be more like winter's. A stop by the Tin Shed Cafe, the cultural epicenter of Frederic, was a case in point.

It was a Saturday morning, and nearly

every table was occupied. The waitstaff was hustling, and the air buzzed with a dozen different conversations. Business as usual would be a reasonable assessment, but owner Connie Daeffler explained that was not the case. She said that although business was not terrible, she is trying not to compare it to last year. She knows it would be a significant drop-off.

The Blyton family has owned the Frederic Liquor Store located on the north end of town at 209 Wisconsin Ave. since March 2022. Brad Blyton reported that business is down significantly. Instead of the normal high volume of the summer months, this summer would be more like "three winters in a row."

But Blyton was quick to thank the locals for finding their way into the store. "We've got a great local customer following. During any slow season it's the locals that are going to keep you going."

Blyton thinks the most important issue now is to prepare for business after the project. When asked what that would look like, he said it's important to regain the customers that used to drive through town but are now taking other routes.

Probably no one is more professionally prepared to take the construction in stride than Jeanne Daniels, owner of The Healing Room, located at 205 Wisconsin Ave. N. Daniels has worked in the field of the healing arts for the body, mind and soul for 20 years. When asked how the

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INTER-COUNTY Leader NEWS BRIEFS

Suspect in custody after leading deputies on chase in Barron County

By Robert Tabern | Editor
BARRON COUNTY – One person is in custody after leading deputies on a chase in Barron County.

According to a press release from the Barron County Sheriff's Department, on Tuesday, June 3, the Barron County Sheriff's Department attempted to stop a vehicle on County Road M near U.S. Hwy. 8 for traffic and registration infractions. The vehicle continued northbound on County Road M, reaching speeds of around 70 mph.

According to the press release, the vehicle continued through Barron County and pulled into an address in Rusk County. Deputies attempted to perform

a PIT maneuver on the vehicle which was not successful. The vehicle continued into a field where it became stuck in some mud.

The driver, Jess Blake of Shell Lake, was taken into custody on the scene. Blake is being held at the Barron County Jail on suspicion of fleeing an officer, operating after revocation and felony bail jumping.



Jess Blake

Minnesota woman sentenced on felony drug charge in Washburn County

By Robert Tabern | Editor
SHELL LAKE – A 66-year-old woman from Hinckley, Minnesota, has been sentenced on a felony drug charge in Washburn County Circuit Court. Robin Irons received a five-year sentence, with two years of initial incarceration followed by three years of extended supervision. Back in August 2020, a Washburn County K-9 indicated illegal narcotics on a vehicle which Irons was in. Officers discovered over \$30,000 worth of meth-

amphetamine. She pled guilty to a felony charge of possession w/ intent amphetamine / methamphetamine / etc. (<=3g) in exchange for two other charges being dismissed.



Robin Irons

Grantsburg man pleads guilty to felony drug charge

By Robert Tabern | Editor
SIREN – A 63-year-old Grantsburg man has pleaded guilty to a felony drug charge. A jury trial was slated to begin on Monday, June 2, for Michael Denn, however, he reached a plea deal ahead of time with prosecutors. In January, the Burnett County Sheriff's Office received a tip that Denn allegedly conducted sales of methamphetamine at his home in the 21300 block of County Road M. Denn

agreed to plead guilty to a charge of possession w/ intent - amphetamine / methamphetamine (>10-50 g). He is scheduled to return to court in Siren on Aug. 11 to be sentenced.



Michael Denn

By Robert Tabern | Editor
BALSAM LAKE – A 23-year-old man from White Bear Lake, Minnesota, has been sentenced in Polk County Circuit Court on charges of sexual assault of a child. As part of a deal with prosecutors, Austin Lee Couch pleaded no contest to a felony charge of child enticement-sex-

ual contact and a misdemeanor charge of fourth-degree sexual assault. According to the criminal complaint, the alleged assaults between Couch and a child occurred in Dresser and Osceola and locations in St. Croix and Burnett counties. Couch received a stayed sentence and one year of probation.

Plea deal reached in child sex assault case

Former Grantsburg woman pleads not guilty to drug charges

By Robert Tabern | Editor
SIREN – A 51-year-old woman formerly of Grantsburg has pleaded not guilty to drug charges filed against her. Grantsburg Police located a drug lab in the former Red Stag Saloon, located at 101 W. Madison Ave. It was determined the lab was being used to manufacture a drug commonly known as DMT, a powerful restricted controlled substance and hallucinogen. Laura Chamberlin, who now lives in St. Croix Falls, is charged with felony counts of manufacture/deliver designer drug, maintain drug trafficking place and possession

of methamphetamine. Plus, a misdemeanor charge of possession of THC. Her not guilty plea entered with the court on Thursday, May 29, was for all charges. Chamberlin is due back in court on Thursday, June 26, for a status conference on the case.



Laura Chamberlin

Driver facing life-threatening injuries from Barron County crash

By Robert Tabern | Editor
BARRON COUNTY – A 26-year-old man from Cumberland sustained life-threatening injuries following a crash on County Hwy. P near 17th Avenue in Barron County. It happened around 5:45 p.m. on Sunday afternoon, June 8. A 2011 Chevy Silverado pickup truck driven by Oscar Ledesma was traveling north and crossed the centerline, side-swiping another a 2011 Ram 3500 pickup truck driven by Michael

Wallace. It then struck the trailer causing it to roll over, land on the roof, and begin to catch on fire. A Cumberland police officer was first to respond to the scene and pull Ledesma from the burning vehicle. He was airlifted to a hospital in the Twin Cities. Wallace was not injured. According to an initial release from the Wisconsin State Patrol, authorities are investigating if Ledesma's driving was impaired by alcohol.

Amery man pleads not guilty in domestic abuse, child abuse case

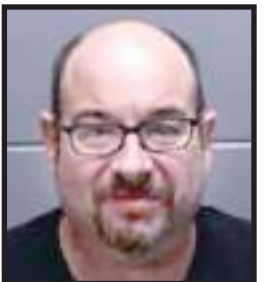
By Robert Tabern | Editor
AMERY – A 34-year-old Amery man has pleaded not guilty to domestic abuse and felony child abuse charges that were filed against him. Kyle Allan Phillips appeared in court last week for a hearing. In December, Amery Police responded to a call about suspected child abuse.

Phillips is accused of spanking the child, under the age of 10. Phillips is facing additional charges, alleging that he intimidated a victim and committed multiple violations of his bail. Phillips will appear back in court on July 28 for a status conference on the case.

Spooner man pleads not guilty in OWI case

By Robert Tabern | Editor
SHELL LAKE – A 55-year-old Spooner man has pleaded not guilty to his fifth OWI. Kenneth Charles Slininger appeared in court last week. According to a report from Spooner Police, Slininger was stopped back on April 7 and failed a field sobriety test, had a breath test result of nearly .40, and had THC edibles in his vehicle. Slininger is charged with a felony of operating while intoxicated - fifth offense. He also received a

citation for deviation from the designated lane. Slininger will be due back in court on Aug. 11 for a status conference on the case.



Kenneth Charles Slininger

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Life sentence ordered in Burnett County homicide case

By Robert Tabern | Editor

SIREN - A 37-year-old Grantsburg man was sentenced to life in prison for killing the mother of his child. David Edaburn, Jr. was charged with first-degree intentional homicide after the death of Brittany Hollan. Hollan was stabbed to death in 2023 in the Village of Siren. Investigators said she was partially decapitated. Hollan was 32 years old and left behind five children. Judge Daniel

Tolan sentenced Edaburn, Jr. to life without the eligibility of extended supervision in court last Thursday, June 5.



David Edaburn, Jr.

Man arrested for driving under the influence with three-year-old child in vehicle

By Robert Tabern | Editor

BURNETT COUNTY - The Wisconsin State Patrol arrested a 32-year-old man in Burnett County for driving under the influence with a 3-year-old child in the vehicle. Authorities stopped a vehicle on Saturday night, June 7, shortly before 9 p.m. at State Hwy. 35 and Industrial Avenue in Webster for illegal window tint. The driver was Kevin Cleo Salmela of Inver Grove Heights, Minnesota. The trooper observed evidence of marijuana

consumption and signs of impairment. A subsequent investigation, including field sobriety tests, showed that the male driver was operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of a controlled substance with a 3-year-old passenger. Salmela was charged with operating a motor vehicle with a restricted controlled substance in his blood and a minor passenger in the vehicle and possession of drug paraphernalia.

St. Croix Falls Historical Society holds annual meeting

By Robert Tabern | Editor

ST. CROIX FALLS - The St. Croix Falls Historical Society held their annual meeting at the WHAT Art Gallery, located at 101 N. Washington St. in St. Croix Falls, on the evening of Wednesday, June 4. It has been a recent tradition for the historical society to hold their annual meetings at a new business in the city, in hopes of attracting interest and potential new customers to shop local.

The evening kicked off at 5:30 p.m. with a social hour and a delicious spread of food provided by Fiddlehead Kitchen of Balsam Lake. At a little after 6 p.m., the board of directors and members of the society gathered for the annual meeting. Elections were held for president and treasurer, with incumbents Shaila Anderson-Johnson and Joel West, earning unanimous support for another term in office. Members also approved an amendment to the society's bylaws that brings the total board of directors from nine to seven. A presentation was made on the state of the society's financials. Everyone in attendance was given a recap on the variety of events the society provided during the course of the 2024-2025 fiscal year, including a presentation about the 80th Anniversary of D-Day by Marley Hoefs, a Halloween social, a presentation on Wisconsin lumberjacks by Bill Jamerson, and a traveling presentation at the St. Croix Falls High School graduation ceremony featuring historical yearbooks.

Anderson-Johnson said, "People really



Vicki Nelson and Jim Bodoh made a donation of three historical books on genealogy to the society.

liked the yearbooks and looking through them for their parents and old teachers. My mom's yearbook from 1965 was long lost in a house fire we had back 20 years ago. But the St. Croix Falls Historical Society's display featured her senior yearbook and she was able to look herself up and have a nice memory because of it."

Director Deanne Doty added, "We had a lot of changes at the historical society in the past year ... with almost a complete turnover in the makeup of our board. So ... there was a little bit of a learning curve on everyone's part. But we have returned to doing "The Antiquarian" newsletters every quarter and planning some special outreach events in the community for everyone to really



A generous supply of food was provided by Fiddlehead Kitchen of Balsam Lake.

enjoy."

Vice President Robert Tabern explained some of the projects that the historical society will be working on during the next year, including curators digitizing more of the historical society archives and making them available to the public.

The evening capped off with an in-depth presentation about the history of the WHAT Art Gallery. For more than 100 years, it was known as Clayton Hardware. Former owner Mark Sabel, who got involved with the business through his wife, spoke about many memories. One that stood out was trying to stock popular toys at the hardware store, including during the Cabbage Patch craze in the 1980s. Sabel said, "The distributors of the Cabbage Patch dolls sold to big companies like Walmart and Target, but they also made sure us 'little guys'



The 2025 St. Croix Falls Historical Society meeting was held at the new WHAT Art Gallery on State Hwy. 87 in St. Croix Falls. - Photos by Robert Tabern unless otherwise noted

had some too. I remember we got our hands on four dolls. We decided to have a drawing to see who would be able to buy one." He also talked about the original flooring in the store, which includes a Clayton Hardware sign.

The current owners, Beth West and A.J. Meadows, talked about the fun they had rehabilitating the building and turning it into their art studio and classroom. Meadows shared, "We are still working on some parts of the building. We hope to turn the upstairs into a residence where we can bring artists in from all over the country ... or the world ... to teach classes of varying kinds here in St. Croix Falls."

Membership in the St. Croix Falls Historical Society is open to all, and starts at just \$20. For more information, check out scfhistorical.org.



Mark Sabel talks about the history of the gallery, a building he ran as Clayton Hardware, for many decades.



The 2025-2026 St. Croix Falls Historical Society Board includes, (L to R): Treasurer Joel West, Vice President Robert Tabern, President Shaila Johnson, Director Sarah Mittelstadt, Director Deanne Doty and Secretary Jennifer Torgerson. - Photo provided

Wisconsin Elections Commission votes to let small communities hand count ballots

By Associated Press

MADISON - Wisconsin communities with fewer than 7,500 people can hand count ballots under a decision by the state elections commission.

However, under the Wisconsin Elections Commission decision, those communities and all other Wisconsin towns, villages and cities must still comply with federal law and provide at least one electronic voting machine at a polling location to accommodate voters with disabilities.

The commission's decision came in reaction to a complaint against the northwestern Wisconsin town of Thornapple, population about 700, over its decision to hand count ballots in the April 2024 presidential primary and the August state primary. The decision also comes

as a federal lawsuit over Thornapple's decision not to have an accessible voting machine continues.

A federal judge in October sided with the U.S. Department of Justice and ruled Thornapple was violating 2002's Help America Vote Act, or HAVA. The judge ordered the town to offer disabled people accessible voting machines. An appeal by the town is pending.

Under the commission's decision this week, communities with fewer than 7,500 people can choose to have no other electronic vote-casting or tabulating machines other than one for disabled voters.

Elections commission staff determined state law makes it optional for communities with fewer than 7,500 people to provide voting machines in every ward

in every election. The law says those communities may "adopt and purchase voting machines or electronic voting systems for use in any ward ... at any election."

Republican Commissioner Bob Spindell said the decision will give smaller communities more flexibility, especially in low-turnout local elections. But Democratic Commissioner Ann Jacobs, who cast the lone no vote, said she worried small communities could game the system by selling voting machines purchased with funding from a state grant and then keep the money.

The complaint against Thornapple was filed by the liberal law firm Law Forward on behalf of two Thornapple residents. A spokesperson for the law firm did not immediately return an email



The Wisconsin Elections Commission has voted to let small communities hand count ballots. - File photo by Robert Tabern

seeking comment. The commission's decision could be appealed to circuit court.

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road construction has impacted her business, she looked at the pile of dirt 15 feet high and the nearby crane outside her front door. She smiled and quipped that it's hard to offer hypnotherapy when the building is shaking.

Daniels has tried to stay informed on the day-to-day construction operation and gets most of her information by talking to other business owners. That was how she learned of an impending interruption in water service, which is absolutely vital to her business. She said, "The girlfriend of somebody on the crew told someone else that the water was going to get shut off. That's how we found out."

Now that the project is literally right outside her door, there have been some major interruptions to her business which requires a peaceful atmosphere. "We've had three days where it was reverberating so wildly in here that we had to close," Daniels said. "We kind of need a mood."

Daniels has been proactive in reaching out to her clients to tell them what side streets will be closed that day so she can provide alternative routes. She's confident her clients will be loyal and stick with her. Her retail sales are definitely down, which is no surprise, because those sales come from people walking by the store window.

Daniels took a deep breath, smiled and said, "As much as we know this is necessary and it's going to be lovely when it's all over ... Yeah ... It's been a hindrance."

Deb Route owns the One 10 Art Gallery along with her husband, Jack. She estimated that business is down about 40% from last summer and said that the dramatic drop is because most of her



Current road conditions in downtown Frederic have not deterred local businesses from remaining open. - Photos by Neal Griffin

customers are people driving or walking by. She and her husband are using the time to get a lot of other things done away from the business. "You gotta look at the bright side," she said.

The neighboring business to the gallery is Rose's Garden, another establishment largely dependent on curb appeal and passersby. When the construction began sooner than expected, owner Rose Houtari had already ordered flowers for Mother's Day. With the construction-reduction in business, she ended up having to discard dozens of roses that she is certain she would have sold if the front of her business was not cut off from pedestrian traffic.

Like other business owners, Houtari is looking forward to Labor Day, when the project is scheduled to be completed. She is already making plans for the next phase of her business, and she appreciates the loyalty of local customers who continue to come downtown.

One such resident is Jada Anderson,

who was doing her best to push a baby carriage through the dirt streets along with her out-of-town visitor, Kayla Freund. Anderson is a relative newcomer to Frederic, having moved here eight years ago when she married lifelong Frederic resident and local business owner Zach Anderson. Jada didn't know the details of the construction project other than it was a long-time coming and necessary. Even so, she has talked to several local business owners, and the impact has been significant. She says it's all the more reason to shop locally.

When asked if she is still able to get around downtown, Anderson laughed and said she was pushing through the streets as best she could. "Not sure we're supposed to, but we're doing it."

Later that night, the Friendly Tavern hosted a meat raffle put on by the Frederic Chamber of Commerce. Chamber President Erin Hornbeak said the money raised will be used to offset the cost of signs that promote the businesses most



Jada Anderson of Frederic and Kayla Freund of Milwaukee were all smiles after making their way across Wisconsin Avenue in downtown Frederic.

impacted by the road closure. There will be future meat raffles at Barrel House, and Sundown Saloon in Lewis.

Frederic Village Board President Amanda Blackmon said in an interview that it's great to know that the chamber is coming together to help local businesses. "That's the whole purpose of the chamber of commerce."

Blackmon also wanted to recognize the Frederic residents who have continued to support local businesses. "I've heard from many community members that the construction has actually caused them to be even more intentional about visiting our local businesses. It's nice to hear that community support and positive attitude despite this disruption."

Fortunately, Frederic is a small town. It's pretty easy to get around and meet people where they are, even if the road is a bit rough. Jada Anderson did it, and she was pushing a baby carriage.

Red Maple Eatery closes in Luck

Another restaurant gone

By Sarah Beth Radomsky | Reporter
LUCK – The Red Maple Eatery served its last customers on Tuesday, June 3, closing its doors after years as a local dining spot. Owners Kelly and Bill Anderson described the decision to close as difficult. The restaurant had been a gathering place for the community, including a group of women who met there regularly after losing their husbands.

Kelly Anderson, present on the final day, noted strong community support in recent weeks. The restaurant's interior decor, including a mural by Jessica Blechinger and Madelynn Becker, will be removed. Blechinger, an employee until the closure, helped create the mural during her junior year, depicting Luck's Winter Carnival and Main Street, and Anderson's Maple Syrup Farm, run by a cousin of the owners.



A sign on the door notified customers of the last day. - Photos by Sarah Beth Radomsky

No deal has been finalized for the property, though inquiries have been made, according to Kelly. Bill will take a position with the Department of Natural Resources as a park manager in Fergus Falls, Minnesota, returning to his previous career. The Andersons, who raised their family in the area, expressed gratitude for the community's support over the years.



(L to R): Employee and one of the mural artists Jessica Blechinger; restaurant owner Kelly Anderson; and employee Grace Nelson stand in front of the Red Maple Eatery mural that is an homage to the local area in Luck.

Multiple agencies respond to report of capsized boat

By Robert Tabern | Editor
TOWN OF FARMINGTON – Multiple agencies from Polk County and Minnesota's Washington County responded to the report of a capsized boat in the St. Croix River in the Town of Farmington. It happened Wednesday afternoon, June 4, around 2:30 p.m., about a mile and a half north of the Polk County Line.

Osceola Fire, National Park Service, Wisconsin DNR, and the Scandia, Minnesota Fire Department all responded to the report of a fully capsized fishing johnboat. A man, a woman, and their dog were reported to be floating on a log with just one life jacket. They were all able to make it to the shore with no reported injuries.

Stokely's Reunion set for Frederic during Family Days

Submitted by William Johnson
FREDERIC - A reunion of former Stokely's employees is set for Sunday, June 22, in Frederic. The event will be held at 1 p.m. in the Depot Square Shelter, next to the Soo Line Depot/Museum.

Sponsored in part by the Frederic Area Historical Society, everyone who was employed in some capacity by Stokely's is invited to share stories and the history of Frederic's largest employer during the canning factory's run in Frederic and Milltown. Maybe you have some photos to share? Many young people had their first summer job at Stokely's—learning the concepts of being to work on time, taking direction from supervisors, punching a time clock and other skills needed in their future work world. College students made enough money in the summer to get another year of education.

Many area people worked in some capacity for Stokely's, from the early season planting to driving the pickers, sorting on the line, cooking, warehouse stacking, truck loading and even renting land for growing the beans. It was full speed ahead from spring until the

steam whistle blew in the fall, signaling the end of the season. The Soo Line even had a spur track to Stokely's just to ship beans out of Frederic!

Attendees are asked to bring a non-perishable, possibly bean-related product to donate to the local food shelf. Plans are to have a potluck picnic with bean-related food items available.

For more information, please call the historical society at 715-327-4158.



A reunion of former Stokely's employees is set for Sunday, June 22, in Frederic. - Photos provided

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Response to story about 17th OWI

It's pretty sad when honest law-abiding citizens are forced to tolerate criminal activities of others. The article (Leader June 4 issue) of the Barron County man arrested for his 17th DWI should make everyone mad. I can't imagine how a person can be apprehended 17 times (plus who knows how many times he drove drunk and wasn't caught) endangering the lives of innocent people and still be free. Since he obviously can't behave himself, he should have lost his freedom permanently long ago. But with our revolving-door justice system, that obviously didn't happen, and probably won't.

Terry Quesnel
Clear Lake

The effects of halting the flow of money to USAID

The effects of abruptly halting the flow of money to USAID, about 1% of the U.S. budget, is expected to be catastrophic. According to OXFAM, a global

organization that works to alleviate poverty, "At least 23 million children stand to lose access to education, and as many as 95 million people would lose access to basic healthcare, potentially leading to more than 3 million preventable deaths per year."

It's fair to argue, though I will not, that our very wealthy country should not budget a whopping 1%, even if some of the richest people in the world are doing most of the talking.

The least they/we could have done would have been to reduce the money allocated over, say, five years, giving other countries the opportunity to increase their giving. Instead they/we were cruel and our country's reputation has been hurt badly.

Up until now, our country has been a good, dependable neighbor. But it seems as though cruelty and greed is becoming the new normal.

While cruel and greedy people consolidate power, feeding their insatiable egos like never before, those of us who prefer a legacy of generosity must get up our nerve and turn the tables.

Peter Truitt
Danbury

Medicaid, Death and the Tooth Fairy

Tom Tiffany was in the Leader recently shilling for Trump's "Big Beautiful Bill." Republicans think that tax cuts can be paid for by eliminating "fraud, waste and abuse" from our government agencies and programs. Their attempt to chisel almost a trillion dollars from Medicaid is intriguing.

The 2024 accounting for Medicaid showed 5.09% in "improper payments." Rather than fraud or abuse the agency says these were payments with "insufficient documentation" errors. The 5.09% doesn't square with the Republicans need to whack 25% of Medicaid's budget.

Rep. Tiffany says Medicaid is not being cut, it is being reformed to trim the number of enrollees thus reducing costs. Republicans say the system is overrun with shiftless folk who should be working, and too many immigrants. They're working to change eligibility rules although it appears some health care providers and administrators are more likely to abuse the system than enrollees.

Speaker Mike Johnson says loss of Medicaid might motivate people to "im-

prove their lives." Dr. Oz says people should "prove you matter" if you want health care. Republicans say loss of eligibility won't matter when everyone has a great new job with benefits in the coming Trump economic boom. And don't pay any attention to the Congressional Budget Office estimates of the budget bill's cost.

Here in Wisconsin, Medicaid/Badger-Care provides health care to 1.3 million people including 33% of children, 45% of the disabled, and 55% of those in nursing homes. How many Wisconsinites could be adversely affected by the "Big Beautiful Budget Cuts" is unknown, but for some, adversity is certain.

Rep. Joni Ernst told constituents angry over Medicaid cuts, "we're all going to die." True, but it shouldn't be because you were stripped of health care. In a sarcastic apology, Ernst said she thought her constituents understood the certainty of death, and was glad she didn't have to tell them the truth about the tooth fairy. Some people will put their faith in the "Big Bogus Bill." I'll put my faith in the tooth fairy.

Richard Mackie
Bone Lake

Polk County DA Kemp responds to ICE email

By Robert Tabern | Editor

BALSAM LAKE – On Monday, June 9, concerns began to surface over comments that Polk County District Attorney Jeffrey Kemp made concerning U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, or ICE.

Kemp was accused by Milwaukee radio personality Dan O'Donnell of "secretly discussing turning the county into a sanctuary county by refusing to cooperate with ICE detainer requests."

O'Donnell further stated, "In an email chain with Eric Bashirian, a close associate of Wisconsin Attorney General Josh Kaul, Kemp expresses a desire to 'assist in' ICE operations, which he erroneously claims are a 'violation of due process.' In response, (Rusk County District Attorney Jack) Cabranes wrote 'ICE will get no cooperation from my office so long as they continue these abusive tactics.'

Neither appears to have discussed this apparent policy change with any other leader in their respective counties; both are instead discussing a unilateral policy change that they are attempting to implement in secret."

On Tuesday, June 10, Kemp issued a lengthy statement that said, in part, "A recent social media post has raised concerns about an email I sent to a statewide listserv used by Wisconsin prosecutors

to share questions, resources, and legal insight. I want to address this directly and transparently. The email in question was part of a discussion prompted by another prosecutor asking if anyone had contact information for ICE. My response was as follows: 'So I have a question to all of you, considering the way these things have been going nationally, in what looks like a violation of due process. I will confess, I am not the smartest person in the room, but the way ICE is doing this—masked, no hearings, no warrants (I'm assuming, I could be wrong, I've not had this in my county yet)—are we obligated to assist in this? Because, frankly, my gut tells me this is wrong.'

Another District Attorney, from Rusk County, replied: 'You are not alone. The way this is going down is wrong and will eventually lead to violence. ICE will get no co-



Polk County District Attorney Jeffrey Kemp. – Photo provided

operation from my office so long as they continue these abusive tactics.'

That is the entirety of the exchange—two comments in a professional forum shared with 603 recipients across the state. There was no secret policy change or directive. In fact, my office has no formal policy on ICE at all. Immigration enforcement is a matter of federal law; as a District Attorney, I prosecute state cases. Immigration simply falls outside my jurisdiction.

Legal professionals often engage in open, honest discussions about complex or emerging issues. That's what this was. Attorneys are analytical by nature—we debate, we ask questions, we try to understand the legal and ethical implications of our work. This was a conversation among colleagues, nothing more.

Unfortunately, this discussion has been taken out of context to suggest something radical or inappropriate—particularly in light of my decision to run for re-election as an Independent. Let me be clear: the District Attorney's office is not a political office. I've said this many times. Prosecutors do not serve political parties; we serve the law and the public, regardless of affiliation.

My decision to run as an Independent reflects my commitment to neutrality



Milwaukee radio personality Dan O'Donnell.

and fairness in this role—not ideology. Many of my friends in the Polk County Republican Party know this about me, and they've heard me say it time and again.

My duty is to protect all members of our community, uphold the law, and ensure justice is served without bias or political influence. That's what I've done for the past eight years, and it's what I will continue to do."

Kemp ran in Polk County as a Republican in 2016 and 2020, but switched to Independent in his most recent run last year. Both Polk and Rusk are overwhelmingly Republican counties. President Trump won Polk County with 64.9% last November.

Missionary Christopher Boda speaks on Banjara Ministry at Faith Fellowship

By Sarah Beth Radomsky | Reporter

LÜCK – Faith Fellowship Church welcomed missionary Christopher Boda from Hyderabad, India, on the morning of Sunday, June 1, for a service highlighting his work with Banjara Tribal Ministries. Boda shared his 40-year mission to spread the gospel among the Banjara, a nomadic tribe facing persecution in India, captivating attendees with his testimony. Boda described the Banjara's struggles in India's caste-driven society. "My people are everywhere, every state ... almost 25% in every state," he said, noting India's 1.48 billion population. "India has two big problems: religion and caste. These two never die." He highlighted Christian persecution, stating, "Type in Google, persecution,

Christian persecution, country number one is India." Boda's slideshow showcased his village and orphanage in Hyderabad, where his ministry supports thousands.

Boda's testimony traced his journey from a starving Banjara child to a missionary. His family, enslaved by high-caste Hindus, sent him to a mis-



Worship music was performed by John and Linda Iwaszko, Steve Sylvestor and Lindsay Christiansen, who play monthly at the church.

sion boarding home. A near-fatal leg injury led to his conversion. "I cried, 'Lord,



Pastor Christopher Boda shares about various aspects of his life and ministry. - Photos by Sarah Beth Radomsky

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please help me. If you could help me, I want to be a missionary for my tribe people," he recalled. "God healed my leg." After escaping his village's violence, he began preaching, later marrying his wife, who converted after reading the New Testament. Banjara Tribal Ministries now oversees 105 churches and an orphanage. "This orphanage belongs to Wisconsin," Boda said, thanking local donors who funded it 23 years ago. His

nursing and Bible schools train pastors and nurses, with 40,000 Banjara believers reached. "Church means people," he emphasized, prioritizing souls over buildings.

Pastor Mettler, who met Boda 25 years ago through Diane Brask of Grantsburg, recalled their first connection. "I said, 'Come to my church,'" Mettler said. "We raised \$2,400 to build one building." His visit to Hyderabad was "the most mov-

ing thing I've ever done."

The service, led by Pastor Ken Mettler, featured worship music by John and Linda Iwaszko, Steve Sylvester and Lindsay Christiansen, who perform monthly. The service ended with Communion, led by Boda's prayer in Banjara and a potluck lunch. "There's enough for an army back there," Mettler said, inviting attendees to stay. A nursing home service at 5:30 p.m. and a movie at 6:30

p.m. followed.

Boda, in Wisconsin for a month, seeks new donors after India's government cut his funding. "I lost all my donors from 23 years back," he said, urging support for children or Bibles. "One lady sponsored me ... Now I am missionary," he said. You can contact Banjara Tribal Ministries or Pastor Mettler to support or invite Boda to speak.

'Garden of Dreams' blooms at 61st Annual Junior Miss Frederic Pageant

Submitted by Kelly Skow

FREDERIC – As summer approaches, the spotlight will shine brightly on a group of inspiring young girls taking center stage at the 61st Annual Junior Miss Frederic Pageant. This cherished community tradition, held as part of Frederic Family Days, will unfold under this year's enchanting theme, "Garden of Dreams," promising an evening filled with grace, creativity and hometown pride.

The event at Frederic Elementary School is scheduled for Saturday, June 21, at 7 p.m. and welcomes families and supporters to the Frederic community with affordable admission—just \$5 for adults, while students and children attend free. This accessible approach ensures a warm and inclusive atmosphere for all who wish to celebrate the ambitions of the contestants.

This year marks an exciting new chapter for the pageant, with Orianna Bowe and Kelly Skow stepping in as directors. Their passion for fostering self-expression, leadership and community involvement is reflected in the thoughtful format of the competition.

Contestants will be evaluated in multiple categories, including a formal interview, a written application, and a heartfelt essay addressing their motivations to become Junior Miss Frederic and their visions for positively impacting their hometown.

Additionally, the girls will showcase poise and confidence in an evening gown competition, followed by an on-



Junior Miss Frederic candidates, clockwise, starting at upper left: Zoey Borchardt, sponsored by Frederic Fuel; Avina Wojtowicz, sponsored by Benson Ace Hardware; Maple Popham, sponsored by Advantage Insulation Solutions; and Hadley Lundquist, sponsored by Kelly Lundquist with eXp Realty. — Photos provided

stage public speaking question designed to highlight their eloquence and ability to think on their feet. Judges will be looking for genuine sincerity, creativity and a strong commitment to community service throughout every aspect of the contest.

This year's Junior Miss Frederic con-

testants are: Zoey Borchardt, sponsored by Frederic Fuel; Hadley Lundquist, sponsored by Kelly Lundquist with eXp Realty; Maple Popham, sponsored by Advantage Insulation Solutions; and Avina Wojtowicz, sponsored by Benson Ace Hardware

Adding to the charm of the evening, the Little Miss Frederic contestants—current kindergarteners from Frederic—will also grace the stage. This year's Little Miss participants are Averie Tisdale, Penelope Marcyan and Chloe Lundquist.

As part of their involvement and commitment to the community, the Junior Miss contestants will be helping out at the Frederic Fire Department Pork Feed on Saturday, June 14, from noon to 2 p.m. This event offers another chance for the girls to engage with community members while demonstrating the spirit of service that the pageant encourages.

The pageant's success would not be possible without the generous backing of many local businesses. Their ongoing support reflects a shared commitment to nurturing community spirit and celebrating the next generation of leaders. Valued sponsors are Anderson Construction, Rose's Garden, Larsen Auto Center, Raska Portable Restrooms & Luxury Trailers, Daefler's Quality Meats, Inter-County Coop Publishing Association, Tin Shed Cafe,



Little Miss Frederic contestants, (L to R): Chloe Lundquist, Averie Tisdale and Penelope Marcyan.

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As Frederic Family Days draws near, the "Garden of Dreams" is ready to bloom. The community is invited to come together to cheer on these remarkable young girls as they showcase their talents, dreams and dedication to making Frederic a better place for all.

And don't miss a chance to say hello to the contestants on Friday evening before the fireworks! After their dress rehearsal, they'll be out and about in their Junior Miss Frederic contestant T-shirts, greeting community members and sharing in the celebration.

Amery VFW Post plans summer fundraisers for new facility

By Sarah Beth Radomsky | Reporter

AMERY – The Amery Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7929 is launching a series of summer fundraisers to support the construction of a new, debt-free facility located a mile north of Amery on Hwy. 46. The new 60-by-120-foot steel building and adjacent 30-by-56-foot pavilion will replace the current post at 730 Wisconsin Ave. N., which has served the community since being moved to the area from Joel, Wisconsin, in 1948, but lacks adequate parking and space. Post Commander Dave Porter announced that the VFW will hold meat raffles every Saturday at 5 p.m. at the current post, with each event lasting about an hour and featuring five rounds of raffles for meat packs and drink chips. Additionally, the

Post will host one major fundraiser each month at the new construction site in their pavilion, featuring live music, food, gun raffles, 50/50 drawings and more.

The first major fundraiser is set for Sunday, June 22, with a performance by Gravel Road. On July 20, Todd Michael Jameson, a musician from Champlin, Minnesota, will take the stage. Gypsy Wagyn is scheduled to perform on Aug. 17, followed by the Studebakers on Sept. 14 during the Amery Fall Festival, which includes a car show. "We're excited to bring the community together for these events while raising funds for our new facility," Porter said. "The pavilion allows people to see the progress on the new building and support our veterans."

The new facility, already under con-

struction with a shell in place, is a \$400,000 project funded entirely through donations and fundraising to avoid debt. Recent contributions have bolstered progress. The VFW aims to install in-floor heating and concrete this summer, with hopes of a spring 2026 opening, contingent on continued fundraising success. The new location will offer over 100 parking spaces, a full liquor license and space for community events like graduation parties and weddings, addressing limitations of the current post, which operates as a beer and wine bar due to licensing restrictions. The VFW plans to maintain limited hours for now, Thursday through Saturday, 4-10 p.m., at the current location until the move.

Beyond fundraising, the VFW re-

mains active in the community, providing military honors for 20-25 veteran funerals annually, participating in four local parades and hosting flag retirement ceremonies, with the next scheduled for Tuesday, June 17. The Post also supports education through a scholarship program, recently awarding three \$800 scholarships to graduating seniors, funded by Thursday night Bingo and meat raffles. "We're committed to serving our nearly 3,000 local veterans and the broader community," Porter said. "This new facility will help us welcome transitioning veterans and provide an affordable venue for community events."



Progress pictures from VFW Post 7929's new site. — Photos provided

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Polk-Burnett Electric Cooperative holds annual meeting and Member Appreciation Day

By Sophie Horgan | Reporter

CENTURIA – Polk-Burnett Electric Cooperative welcomed a grand turnout of around 700 members to its 87th Annual Meeting and Member Appreciation Day on Friday, June 6, at its headquarters in Centuria. The event blended business with family fun, featuring lunch and root beer floats, bouncy houses, giveaways and more. Prior to the meeting, attendees could enjoy booths from other local co-ops, a warm meal and the welcoming atmosphere that celebrated co-op membership and community engagement. The meeting recapped the year and put a positive, forward-looking focus on their key accomplishments, future investments and continuous commitment to their members.

Board President Ed Gullickson opened the meeting with an introduction at the members of their board and an overview of the cooperative's agenda. General Manager Steve Strohane and Finance Manager Heather Gerber shared highlights from the past year, covering reliability upgrades, financial performance and progress on renewable energy projects.

Reviewing the Numbers

For the end of 2024, Strohane was enthused to report a total of over 22,044 electric services, and 3,535 miles of power lines—roughly 2,000 underground and 1,500 overhead. While Polk-Burnett's average of 6.3 members per mile of line is greater than the typical Wisconsin co-op's 5 per mile, he noted that investor-owned utility companies—such as Xcel or Northwestern Wisconsin Electric—have much higher density of around 25 members per mile of power line.

System Investments Aim to Minimize Outages

In 2024, Polk-Burnett invested \$5.9 million in system upgrades and will increase that investment to \$6.1 million throughout 2025. Projects include converting 26 miles of overhead lines

to underground, replacing aging infrastructure and upgrading substation equipment. Strohane highlighted that proactive maintenance—like clearing brush and inspecting equipment—is key to minimizing outages. “Outages are going to happen, but we try to proactively look for problems through our inspection program,” emphasizing their commitment to forthright reliability and continuous improvement.

These investments are paying off: In 2024, co-op members experienced an average of just 50 minutes without power, excluding extreme weather events. Including such events, the average outage time was 95 minutes—down significantly from the four-hour averages seen in the 1990s.

Implementing New Technology

The co-op continues to implement automation technology to speed up outage restoration. One highlight was an upgrade project in Meenon, with similar work planned for the Balsam Lake, St. Croix Falls and Hertel areas in 2026, thanks to a \$160,000 Public Service Commission grant. New tools include real-time outage data, remote switch operation and increased load capacity.

Additionally, north of Somerset they are building a new substation—the first to join Polk-Burnett since 2001. This Cedar Lake Substation aims to support the growing need for efficient energy in the Somerset and Star Prairie areas, ultimately relieving the otherwise pressured Farmington Substation. Construction has begun on the \$2 million investment and is anticipated to be up and running later this year.

Solar Energy Projects Expand

Polk-Burnett's investment in utility-scale solar continues. In addition to their existing SunTuria and Georgetown arrays, two new projects are underway near Luck and Hertel. These small, local solar sites improve system reliability, lower costs and provide environmental benefits.

Member Satisfaction Continues to Rise

Polk-Burnett continues to earn high marks for member satisfaction, scoring an impressive 87 out of 100 on the American Customer Satisfaction Index (ACSI) in 2024. This score has steadily climbed from 83 in 2019, reflecting ongoing improvements in service, communication and reliability. For context, the national average for investor-owned utilities sits at 74 and mu-



An abundance of members stayed for the annual meeting at Polk-Burnett Electric's 87th Member Appreciation Day. - Photos by Sophie Horgan

nicipal utilities at 75. “The co-op exists to serve you,” said Strohane, “which is why our good score means so much to us.”

Financial Overview; Increasing Rates

Gerber reported that Polk-Burnett ended 2024 with \$112 million in electric assets. Electric operating revenue held steady at \$36 million, while margins dipped slightly to \$2 million, in part due to lower electricity sales during a mild start to the year.

To keep pace with inflation and increased costs of equipment and services, a 3% rate increase will take effect in July. Gerber explained that most residential members will see a \$3 increase per \$100 spent. She reaffirmed that, as a nonprofit cooperative, rates are designed to recover costs—not generate profits.

Members Benefit from Rebates and Capital Credits

The co-op returned \$1.65 million in capital credits to members who received electricity in 2001–2003 and 2021. It also distributed over \$200,000 in energy efficiency rebates in 2024 through its EnergySense program, helping members save more than 435,000 kilowatt-hours.

Community Support Remains Strong

Operation Round Up contributed \$70,694 to 70 local nonprofits in 2024. The co-op also awarded a record number of 101 scholarships—totaling \$151,500—to local students in the Class of 2025. That's a \$1,500 scholarship each, to help the children of Polk-Burnett members pursue further education. Notably, these scholarships are funded through unclaimed capital credits, not member rates.

The co-op also hosted electric vehicle



Youth enjoy inflatable entertainment.

(EV) safety trainings for first responders, including over 170 participants from Polk and Burnett counties in the past two years.

2025 Board Election Results

Members re-elected three incumbents to the board: Joe Metro—District 4, John Ukura—District 5, and Wilfred Owens—District 6. This year's election saw a participation rate of just over 15%, with 882 ballots cast by mail and online.

Wrap Up

As the meeting wrapped up, members were invited to take home a plant from the many laid out as decoration, as a token of appreciation. For the members who stayed through the whole meeting, they collected entry forms and drew names to award 10 members with \$50 of electric bill credits, noting that they would draw an additional 10 names the following week. With continued investment in reliability, clean energy and community support, Polk-Burnett emphasized that its mission remains clear: to deliver reliable electricity with efficiency and extraordinary service.



Other local cooperatives operate booths prior to the meeting.

St. Croix Falls Elementary named a 2023-24 Wisconsin School of Recognition

Submitted by Kirk Anderson

ST. CROIX FALLS – The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction has named St. Croix Falls Elementary a 2023–24 Wisconsin School of Recognition, an honor highlighting its dedication to student growth and achievement.

St. Croix Falls Elementary School received the award in the High Achieving School category. This distinction is based

on a rigorous set of criteria, including academic performance, measurable progress in student growth or graduation rates, and reducing achievement gaps—particularly among students from economically disadvantaged backgrounds.

“This award is a celebration of the consistent, intentional work our staff and students put in every single day,” said Rita Platt, principal of St. Croix Falls Elementary. “It's also a recognition

of the strong partnerships we have with families and our community. Together, we are making great things happen for kids.”

The Wisconsin Schools of Recognition program honors Title I schools that demonstrate success in educating all students, particularly those from low-income backgrounds. After a pause during the COVID-19 pandemic, the DPI resumed the awards for the 2023–24 school year to continue celebrating schools that make a lasting impact.

Craig Broeren, superintendent of the School District of St. Croix Falls, added, “This recognition is well-earned and reflects the incredible collaboration, commitment, and care at St. Croix Falls Elementary. It's wonderful to see the impact our educators are making—empowering every student to succeed.”

To learn more about the Schools of Recognition program and view a complete list of honorees, visit the DPI website, dpi.wi.gov/schools-of-recognition.



LEFT: St. Croix Falls Elementary School was named a 2023-24 Wisconsin School of Recognition. - Photo provided

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City of Trails Races support Ice Age Trail Alliance

By Sarah Beth Radomsky | Reporter

ST. CROIX FALLS – On June 7 St. Croix Falls hosted the 22nd annual City of Trails Races at Trap Rock Brewing Company. Raising funds for the Ice Age Trail Alliance and local wellness initiatives, the event drew about 100 participants, including 18 marathoners, to the rugged Ice Age National Scenic Trail and St. Croix National Scenic Riverway for five races: a 2K trail run/walk (ages 8-plus), 5K, 10K, half marathon and full marathon. Runners and hikers tackled challenging trails through the St. Croix Valley, starting and ending at Trap Rock. The full marathon, a 26.2-mile double loop, launched at 6:30 a.m., followed by the 13.1-mile half marathon at 7:30 a.m., the 2K and 10K hiker soft start at 8 a.m., and the 5K and 10K at 8:30 a.m. The free Little Hiker Hustle for ages 2-7 at 10:15 a.m. saw kids dashing across a grassy field, earning memorabilia.

“This is a best-kept secret. This is a fantastic race,” said an organizer. Trails

tested runners with rocks, roots and elevation changes, with minor route tweaks due to recent flooding. The 2K used dirt paths, while the 5K and 10K offered single-track trails and river valley views. Hydration stations supplied water, electrolytes and grapes. The prior year featured extremely wet conditions and mud, but clearer paths and amicable weather this year were enjoyed by racers. Among the marathon runners was Rowan Kennedy, a 14-year-old from the Twin Cities. With two years each of cross-country and track experience, his mother shared that he was likely the youngest marathoner present. This was his first marathon experience, after having completed a half marathon before.

Those registered by May 7 received performance T-shirts and swag bags. First-time half- and full-marathon finishers earned custom medals, while returning runners collected year-embellished emblems. The 2K awarded T-shirts and baby mammoth prizes to top male and



Marathon route. - Photos by Sarah Beth Radomsky

female finishers, with division awards for the top two in age groups: 11-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, and 70-

plus. Organizers are appreciative to Trap Rock Brewing, Snap Fitness St. Croix Falls and the City of St. Croix Falls.



Organizers assist a gentleman with his registration for the 5K race.



Runners warm up for the races next to the check-in sign outside of Trap Rock Brewery.



Those sponsoring the event were thanked as organizers explained the beginning portion of the race.



Runners for the marathon portion take off from the start line.

Balsam Lake Lodge celebrates five years

By Roz Lundquist | Reporter

BALSAM LAKE – Balsam Lake Lodge celebrated its fifth anniversary on Sunday, June 1, with a community party on the patio. The Balsam Lake Lodge’s owners and employees hosted the event to express their gratitude to everyone who has helped them thrive since their opening. With activities like bounce houses and face painting for the kids, along with free food samples, grilled goodies and commemorative T-shirts for the first 50 guests, this party had some-

thing for everyone.

Originally a large restaurant, the Balsam Lake Lodge reopened in 2020 with around 45% of it converted into hotel accommodations. The site now includes 10 hotel rooms, from king suites to two-level units designed for couple’s get-aways or family stays.

Whether it’s a weekend away from home, a Friday night dinner, or a place to host a wedding or reunion, the Balsam Lake Lodge can accommodate for a little bit of everything.



Attendees at the patio party lounged under umbrellas to celebrate Balsam Lake Lodge’s fifth anniversary. - Photo by Roz Lundquist

Donations swimming in for new Sturgeon Park and Welcome Center project

Submitted by Ed Dedman

WEBSTER – The Village of Webster and the Webster Area Chamber of Commerce are pleased to report that multiple donations are being received in support of the new Sturgeon Park project. Most recently, the project received a \$5,000 donation from General Manager Kim Flodin-Wambolt of Wayne’s Foods Plus, and several other donations have been received to date from the Yellow

Lakes and River Association, the Webster Lions Club, Polk-Burnett Electrical Cooperative, Boone Docks Marine and several private individual contributions.

The project was awarded a \$50,000 Vibrant Spaces Grant in April, which requires a 1:1 match of monetary contributions, so further donations from area businesses, organizations and individuals would be greatly appreciated.



The project received a \$5,000 donation from General Manager Kim Flodin-Wambolt of Wayne’s Foods Plus. - Photo provided

The path to a woman's history begins at her father's grave

NORTHERN EXPOSURE
by Haley Prochnow
Exploring the History of the St. Croix Valley and Beyond



When I need inspiration, I often take a walk in the St. Croix Falls Cemetery. It's peaceful there—tucked behind the old Soo Line Railroad trestle on Maple Drive, perched on a hill where the large pine trees make it feel timeless. At the top of the hill are some of the oldest gravestones in the cemetery, many of which date back to the mid-to-late 1800s. Last week, I noticed two large white stones standing, crooked side by side: the graves of Michael Field and his first wife, Ann Reynolds Field.

Their headstones are subtly ornamented, but what caught my eye were the inscriptions noting their places of birth—Michael in Palmyra, New York, in 1806, and Ann in Junius, New York, in 1810. That small detail led me to look deeper into their story. What I uncovered was a narrative not just about land and legacy, but about three remarkable sisters, shaped by their time yet quietly ahead of it.

Like many women in history, the life of Mary C. Field begins in the archives not with her own accomplishments, but with those of her father. In 1861, President Abraham Lincoln appointed Michael C. Field as the Registrar of the U.S. Government Land Office in St. Croix Falls—a federal role tasked with managing public lands, many of which were acquired through the forced displacement of Indigenous people. Michael served in that position for 25 years, becoming a prominent figure in the area. He and Ann had five children: Captain Silas Field, Norton Field, and three daughters—Fannie, Phebe and Mary.

Mary, the youngest, was born in 1848.

In the 1880 census, she and her sisters, Phebe and Fannie, are listed as living and working together in a house on Linden Street in Stillwater, Minnesota, where Phebe owned and operated a millinery shop. The three sisters' names appear multiple times in the Stillwater Gazette's society column, proving they were inseparable. But Mary's path took a turn toward the arts. In 1885, she was accepted into the Cooper Union School of Art in New York City, an institution known for offering rigorous, tuition-free education in the arts and sciences.

Mary excelled at Cooper. She won numerous awards for her painting and drawing artwork, and soon after graduation, she accepted a teaching role as a high school art teacher in Long Branch, New Jersey. Her career continued to flourish, and she eventually became the Superintendent of Art at the New Jersey Normal School in Trenton (now The College of New Jersey), overseeing the training of future art educators across the state.

At a time when most schools did not yet value the arts, Mary was a vocal advocate for their place in public education. She was among the first in the country to introduce color theory into elementary classrooms—recognizing, long before the research caught up, that younger children often have a stronger color sense than older students. She continued her own education throughout her life, studying in Paris, at New York University and Pratt Institute. In



Mary C. Field, circa 1899. - Photo provided

1908, at the height of her career, she was selected to represent the United States at an International Congress on Art Education in London.

But Mary's impact extended beyond the classroom. In 1897, she helped found The Contemporary, one of Trenton's earliest women's clubs. The group provided opportunities for women's education, social reform and civic engagement. It also became an important venue for discussions around women's suffrage and immigrant support. From 1916 to 1922, the club operated a settlement house to help new immigrants adjust to life in the United States. When it became clear that many immigrant women needed child care in order to work, the club pivoted to open a nursery school—long before early childhood education was widely recognized as essential.

Through it all, the three Field sisters

remained closely connected. They spent summers together in the St. Croix River Valley—at first arriving by steamship and later by train. During the school year, Phebe and Mary shared a red-brick, Victorian gingerbread-style duplex at 54 Carroll Avenue in Trenton, not far from the Normal School. Each half of the home was a mirror image of the other, complete with scalloped white trim and arched attic windows—Phebe on one side and Mary on the other. They also owned a beachside cottage in Point Pleasant, New Jersey, which eventually became their retirement home.

Of the three, only the eldest, Fannie, ever married—wedding her father's business partner, Joel F. Nason, who later served as a Wisconsin state senator. When he passed away in 1908, she rejoined her sisters to live with them in New Jersey.

Mary retired from her role at the Normal School in 1914, and the trio settled permanently at their seaside cottage. Fannie died in 1925, and Mary the following year from a "troubled and weak heart." Phebe, the last surviving sister, remained active in her community well into her 70s—traveling to Europe, participating in local choruses and social events—until her passing in 1934. In death, as in life, they remain together—buried beneath a shared gravestone at White Lawn Cemetery in Point Pleasant, New Jersey.

Their lives spanned a century of change, from settlement to the achievement of suffrage. And though Mary's name may not be widely known, her legacy lives on—in the lessons she taught, the art she inspired, and the quiet example she and her sisters set for a life filled with learning, community, and care.

Sometimes, all it takes to find a story like this is a walk through the cemetery.

Upcoming day trip with Luck Community Ed

Submitted by Marissa Bazey

LUCK – Join Luck Community Ed for "Grease" at Chanhassen Dinner Theatres on Wednesday, July 30. Greased-back hair and leather jackets, ponytails and poodle skirts, fast cars and rock'n'roll, "Grease" is back at Chanhassen Dinner Theatres! Experience the nostalgia of high school in the '50s—peer pressure, love and teenage life set against the campy backdrop of Rydell High! Discover the drama, comedy and pop-culture satire that has made "Grease" one of the most popular productions of all time! Don't forget the music, with songs like "Summer Nights," "We Go Together," "Beauty School Dropout," "Greased Lightnin'" and so many others, including the hits you love from the movie. Have fun as you groove and bop along!

The fee for this trip is \$119/person and includes transportation, a delicious lunch and the show. For more information or to register, contact Marissa Bazey, community ed director, at 715-472-3136 or marissab@lucksd.k12.wi.us. Additional details and an online registration form can be found on the school's web-



Luck Community Ed took a trip to see "Grease" at Chanhassen Dinner Theatre in April and is planning another trip for July 30. - Photo provided

site. The registration deadline is June 28 so be sure to sign up today!

Immanuel Lutheran celebrates 2025 grads



Immanuel Lutheran Church LCMS - Frederic, recently recognized their graduates. (L to R): Ava Basty, DCE Scott Petersen and Elija Doll. - Photo provided



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FRIDAY, JUNE 20

9 a.m.-5 p.m. **BOOK & BAKE SALE** - At the Frederic Public Library, 127 Oak St. W., 715-327-4979. Sponsored by Friends of the Library.
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 5 p.m..... **TALENT SHOW** - Frederic's Got Talent at Frederic Arts Center, 310 Lake Ave. Sign up to perform at the Frederic Elementary Office or contact Kelly Hopkins at HS.
 5-8 p.m. **FREDERIC ARTS OPEN HOUSE** - Fiber Makers Summer Flower exhibit, Stained & Fused Glass. 310 Lake Ave. S.
 6:30 p.m..... **THE SUMMER RAMBLERS BAND** - at Frederic Art's Bandshell, 310 Lake Ave. S.
 7 p.m.-Dusk **FREDERIC LION'S SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT** - Coon Lake Park, food booth & beer garden. Open ALL weekend. Lions will be taking donations for fireworks Fri. night.
 8 p.m..... **ZAKK GRANDAHL & THE UNDRIVEABLES** - Country music, in alley next to Friendly Tavern, 135 Oak St. W.
 Dusk..... **FIREWORKS** - At Coon Lake Park. Bring your chairs and blankets to enjoy the annual fantastic fireworks show. *Sponsored by: Subway, Frederic Design, Frederic Lions Club, Linda's Family Child Care, Daeffler's, One 10 Gallery, Larsen Auto, Sundown Saloon & Campground, Mud Hut Gifts & Crafts, Frederic Liquor, Tin Shed Cafe, Frederic Arts.*

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8 a.m..... **ALL DAY FREDERIC LIONS SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT** - Coon Lake Park. Serving Daeffler's brats, hot dogs and hamburgers. Beer tent.
 8 a.m.-5 p.m. **PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT** - At Frederic Pickleball Courts, \$40/team. Register by June 14, bit.ly/4cJjYsV.
 8 a.m..... **WORKOUT IN THE PARK** - At Coon Lake Park, bring a yoga mat and hand weights. Start the day off right with a fun, free workout in the fresh air.
 8-10 a.m. **PANCAKE BREAKFAST** - Pancakes, sausages and beverages. Freewill donation. Frederic Senior/Community Center parking lot, 109 Elm St. W.
 9 a.m.-3 p.m. **CRAFT AND VENDOR FAIR** - At Pavilion on Traffic Avenue, East of The Depot.
 9 a.m.-Gone **AMISH BAKE SALE** - Fundraiser for Coon Ridge School, at Coon Lake Park. Serving homemade pie and ice cream until gone.
 9:30-11 a.m. **KIDS FISHING CONTEST** - Sponsored by Gateway Bass Association. Ages 3-14, registration 9-9:30 a.m. Fishing from shore of Coon Lake.
 9 a.m.-5 p.m. **BOOK & BAKE SALE** - At the Frederic Public Library, 127 Oak St. W., 715-327-4979. Sponsored by Friends of the Library.
 9 a.m.-1 p.m. **CAR SHOW** - Grass lot next to Dollar General. Sponsored by Carquest and Raska Portable Toilet Rental. Registration begins at 8 a.m., no entry fee. Contact Lance at 715-327-8575 for more information.
 9 a.m.-Gone **DONUTS AND COFFEE** - At the Car Show. Brought to you by the Lewis VFW.
 10 a.m.-Gone **STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE** - At the Frederic Depot/Museum, 210 Oak St. W. Fundraiser for the Frederic Area Historical Society.
 10 a.m.- Noon..... **BINGO IN THE PARK** - Sponsored by Party for a Lifetime.
 10 a.m. -6 p.m..... **BOUNCE HOUSE** - At the park. Sponsored by SPARK - Supplying hoPe Around our Kids. We got your back Vikings!
 10 a.m.-8 p.m. **GOLDFISH GAME** - Buy a chance to win a goldfish. At Coon Lake Park.
 11 a.m.-7 p.m. **FACE PAINTING & FAIR HAIR** - At Coon Lake Park.
 Noon-12:30 p.m. ... **KIDDIE PARADE** - Theme - Parade of Professionals: Local business people in professions or career profession shout-outs! Registration open for anyone 12 & under. Line up at the flagpole near Lions' food stand at noon, judging at 12:15 p.m. Parade at Coon Lake Park softball field where kids will walk the bases. Prizes for participants. Call Lisa at Roots and Branches, 715-327-4207, for more information.

Noon-3 p.m. **FREDERIC ARTS OPEN HOUSE**- Fiber Makers Summer Flower exhibit, Stained & Fused Glass. 310 Lake Ave. S.
 Noon-2 p.m. **KIDS ART ACTIVITY** - At Frederic Arts Center, 310 Lake Ave. S.
 1 p.m..... **SAWDUST PILE FOR COINS** - At Coon Lake Park, Sponsored by Bremer Bank.
 1-3 p.m. **THE REUNION BAND** - At Frederic Arts' Bandshell, 310 Lake Ave. S. Sponsored by the Frederic Area Chamber of Commerce.
 6-9 p.m..... **COLDWATER CALLING BAND** - Ethan Bergstrom and his band, on the hill at the Barrel House, 3270 St. Rd. 35.
 7 p.m..... **61ST-ANNUAL QUEEN PAGEANT** - Theme - "Garden of Dreams." At Birch Street Elementary School, 305 Birch St. E. Adults \$5, Kids/Students Free. Jr. Miss Candidates Avina Wojtowicz, Maple Popham, Hadley Lundquist and Zoey Bochart, along with the Little Miss Candidates Chloe Lundquist, Averie Tisdale and Penelope Marcyan welcome you to attend.
 8 p.m..... **CORONATION STREET DANCE - ROUGH HOUSE** - Rock music. Downtown Frederic (Oak Street). Admission is FREE. No carry-ins. Food truck on the street. Sponsored by Friendly Tavern.

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

8 a.m.-5 p.m. **PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT** - At Frederic Pickleball Courts, \$40/team. Register by June 14, bit.ly/4cJjYsV.
 8 a.m..... **5K FUN RUN** - Starts & finishes at Community Pickleball Courts. 7-7:45 a.m. registration. Fee \$30. T-shirt guaranteed if registered by June 5. Proceeds go to the fireworks.
 8 a.m..... **FREDERIC LIONS SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT** - At Coon Lake Park, food stand and beer garden.
 8:30-10 a.m. **BIKE BLESSING** - At Frederic Senior/Community Center parking lot, 109 Elm St. W. 1-3 wheeled bikes: from pedal power to speed bikes to motorcycles of all sizes. Come be blessed for a safe riding season.
 10:30-11:30 a.m. ... **COMMUNITY CHURCH SERVICE** - At Frederic Arts Bandshell. Hosted by Pilgrim Lutheran Church. Offering goes to the Frederic Ministerium's scholarship. Bring your own chair. In case of rain, Pilgrim Lutheran Church will be used. All are welcome to this worship organized by the group of Frederic area churches!
 Noon-4 p.m. **GOLDFISH GAME** - Buy a chance to win a goldfish. At Coon Lake Park.
 Noon-3 p.m. **FREDERIC ARTS OPEN HOUSE**- Fiber Makers Summer Flower exhibit, Stained & Fused Glass. 310 Lake Ave. S.
 Noon-1:30 p.m. **QUEEN'S TEA** - At Birch Street Elementary, 305 Birch St. E. The 2024 Queen Hannah Scherff along with the 2025 court, invites visiting royalty to attend.
 12:30-3 p.m. **THE REUNION BAND** - At Frederic Arts Bandshell, 310 Lake Ave. S. Sponsored by the Frederic Area Chamber of Commerce.
 1 p.m..... **STOKELY'S REUNION** - For all past employees, at the Depot Square Shelter. Hosted by the Frederic Area Historical Society.
 1:30 p.m..... **FREDERIC FAMILY DAYS PARADE** - For parade registration & entry, email, fredericfamilydaysparade@gmail.com. Line up at Birch Street Elementary, go down Park, Hope, Elm, Lake to Coon Lake Park.
 3 p.m..... **DRAWING FOR FREDERIC AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 50/50 RAFFLE** - At Coon Lake Park. Winner will be contacted.

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LEADER SPORTS

St. Croix Falls' Lucy Braund breaks family's 100-meter dash record

By Sarah Beth Radomsky | Reporter
 ST. CROIX FALLS – Lucy Braund, a standout track athlete at St. Croix Falls High School, broke the school's 100-meter dash record with a time of 12.42 seconds at the sectional meet on May 30, surpassing her sister Jordan's 2019 mark of 12.47 seconds. The achievement, verified through Athletic.net, earned Lucy a spot in the WIAA State Track and Field Championships in La Crosse.

The Braund family has a rich track and field legacy. Lucy's mother, Tammi (Berg) Braund, set the 100-meter dash record in 1997 at 12.67 seconds, a mark that stood for 22 years until Jordan broke it. "Watching Lucy break the 100-meter dash record that Jordan and I both held was such a special moment for me as a mom!" Tammi said. "I'm so proud that it was another daughter that broke it, keeping it in the family."

Tammi shared that Lucy was previously in cross-country during middle school so could run longer distances. After that Lucy realized that she likes and excels at the shorter distances better. Lucy currently holds the school record for 100, 200, 4x100 and 4x200 and is thinking about aiming for the 400-meter dash record next year. "She ran an ex-

cellent last leg in the 4x400 relay catching up to and passing the other teams. We enjoyed watching that," said Tammi.

Lucy set her sights on the record when she began high school track. "We are a close family and supported her 100% to keep it in the family," Tammi said, noting that Lucy's youngest sister is already eyeing the record. The family's athletic roots run deep, with Tammi and her husband meeting as high school track athletes. "We always joked about having fast kids, but it's not a joke," Tammi added.

Lucy's strong season included wins at the Cumberland HON Pentangular on May 1, taking the 100-meter dash in 12.80 seconds and the 400-meter dash in



Lucy Braund's record-setting race was on Friday, May 30. - Photos provided



Lucy Braund's sister, Jordan Braund, performing at her record-breaking race in 2019.



In this photo from 1997, Tammi (Berg) Braund set the St. Croix Falls High School 100-meter dash record, later surpassed by her daughters Jordan and then Lucy, upholding the family's storied track legacy.

1:01.60. She also helped the 1,600-meter relay team, which included Anna Polak, Ilie Jensen, Olivia Shimon and Sam Miron, secure first place. "Lucy's progress has been wonderful, her coaches are the best!" Tammi said. "She broke the 200-meter dash record earlier and then focused on breaking Jordan's 100-meter record."

Beyond track, the Braund siblings excel in multiple sports, from state volleyball championships to national powerlifting

titles and standout performances in basketball and soccer. As Lucy prepares for state in the 100-meter dash and relays, Tammi shared her advice, saying "Every race is different. Different day, different weather and different atmosphere. Enjoy the experience, try your best, and above all run fast and have fun!" Tammi hopes Lucy reaches the finals and believes she can break her own record again. "I know she can, she just needs to push hard," she said. "We will be extremely proud of her successful season no matter what!"

Saints' girls team earns top-25 in state final

Above The Fold Media | For the Leader
 LA CROSSE – Advancing competitors in three events at last weekend's WIAA Division 2 state finals at University of Wisconsin-La Crosse led to a top-25 team finish for the St. Croix Falls girls track and field team.

Fourth-place finishes in the 100 and the 400 relay provided the Saints with 10 team points, putting them in a tie for 22nd overall while Freedom (40) won the state title.

Lucy Braund earned the fourth-place finish in the 100 in 12.43 seconds. She improved her time and finish from the preliminary round, where she was seventh in 12.67. In the final, she elevated to fourth .37 seconds behind Catholic Memorial's Analena Peterson, who won the

event in 12.06. Braund, Samantha Miron, Nevaeh Nwachukwu and Sophie Hala finished the 400 relay in 49.59 for the Saints' other fourth-place finish. They slightly improved their time of 49.73 seconds in the preliminary round and were .63 seconds behind the winning relay team from Cameron in the final.

St. Croix Falls just missed adding another team point in the 800 relay, which would have put it in a tie for 20th in the team standings. Braund, Miron, Nwachukwu and Olivia Shimon were ninth in 1:46.48; they were .36 seconds behind Viroqua for eighth. The Saints' quartet was eighth in the preliminary round at 1:46.12.



The St. Croix Falls girls track and field team competed in three events at the WIAA Division 2 state finals that led to a top-25 team finish. - Photo courtesy SCF Athletics

State send-off for St. Croix Falls track



The St. Croix Falls girls relay teams smile alongside their coaches during Thursday's community send-off. The 400-relay team—Sophie Hala, Samantha Miron, Nevaeh Nwachukwu, and Lucy Braund—broke the school record at the sectionals track meet in Durand with a time of 49.90 seconds. Olivia Shimon, Miron, Nwachukwu and Lucy Braund also broke the school record with their 800 relay, setting the new record at 1:45.61. Team alternates Morgan Appel and Anna Polak will join the team at state. State-bound in an individual event, Braund shattered the school record for the 100-meter dash with a new time of 12.42. - Photo by Roz Lundquist



Community members formed a celebratory tunnel to send the athletes to state track on Thursday, June 5. - Photo by Roz Lundquist

Otters claim top-20 in girls state final; Hetfeld top 5 in discus

Above The Fold Media | For the Leader
 LA CROSSE – A runner-up finish by its 800-relay team in last weekend's WIAA Division 3 state final at University of Wisconsin-La Crosse propelled the Frederic/Luck girls track and field team to a top-20 finish.

The Otters ended with 13 total team points, putting them 19th in the team standings while Cochrane-Fountain City (40) edged Lourdes Academy (39) for the team title; Webster (4) tied for 46th.

Amelia Kelch, Grace Erikson, Natalie Schommer and Maggie Wooten earned eight of Frederic/Luck's points with their runner-up finish in the 800 relay in 1 minute, 45.12 seconds, less than a second behind Kickapoo-La Farge, 1:44.44, for the win. The Otters' relay team improved upon their time of 1:45.39 in the preliminary round, which also landed them second.

The same four also finished fourth in the 400 relay at 50.0 while Kickapoo-La Farge also won this relay, in 48.9. Fred-

eric/Luck also was fourth in the preliminary but significantly improved upon its time of 50.61.

Avery Hetfeld accounted for Webster's team points with a fifth-place finish in the discus at 128 feet, 11 inches. Daelyn Rieck won the event for Colby at 133-4. The Tigers' two relay teams missed the top-eight finish to secure additional points. Maddie Behm, Natalie Pardun, Lizzy Treague and Brooke Wolf were 14th in the 3,200 relay at 10:14.65 and they were 18th in the 1,600 relay at 4:19.04.



The Frederic/Luck girls track and field team finished in the top-20 at the WIAA Division 3 state final. - Photo courtesy of Frederic/Luck Track and Field



Webster's Avery Hetfeld finished fifth in the discus at the WIAA Division 3 state final. - Photo courtesy of School District of Webster

Noelle Doornink barely missed giving Grantsburg a team point in the 400, placing ninth in 59.21; she also was 14th in the 200 preliminary in 26.18 and did not

advance to the final. Unity's Andrea Erickson tied for 10th in the high jump at 5-0.

LEADER SPORTS

Olson leads Lakeland West All-Conference

Above The Fold Media | *For the Leader*
GRANTSBURG – The Lakeland West’s top team officially has the conference’s top player.

In addition to winning the 2025 Lakeland West title, the Grantsburg softball team has nine players included in the season’s all-conference picks, one of whom was named the best player.

Junior Piper Olson garnered the votes to be the conference’s Player of the Year for her efforts on the mound and at the plate. She pitched 79 innings and totaled 106 strikeouts while allowing just 70 hits and she pitched two postseason com-

plete-game shutouts. She also averaged .485 at the plate with three home runs, 27 RBIs and 17 runs scored.

Olson is joined on the first team by seniors Whitney Myers and Ashlynn Lener, and juniors Kaylie Moore and Ruby Rengo.

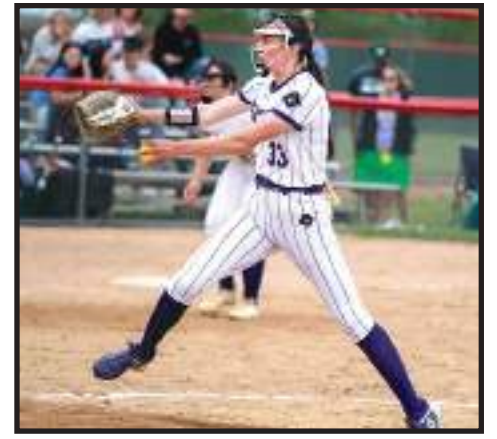
Sophomore Megan Peterson gives Unity a first-team selection after leading the Eagles with a .524 batting average and 10 RBIs with 12 runs scored.

Grantsburg has three players on the second team—junior Abby Rombach and sophomores Pressly Olson and Jaden Armato. Unity has two second-team

members—senior Ashley Johnson and junior Kyra Cox while freshman Lily Carter represents Frederic/Luck on the second team.

Honorable mentions include Unity’s junior Eloise Crowe and freshman Evelyn Fugate, Webster/Siren’s senior Taylor Winberg and junior Abbi Smith, Frederic/Luck’s sophomore Taylor Hansford and junior Molly Cook along with Grantsburg’s junior Kylie Hansen.

RIGHT: Grantsburg’s Piper Olson was voted the top player in the Lakeland West for 2025. – *Courtesy photo*



Saints softball team has five all-conference picks

Above The Fold Media | *For the Leader*
ST. CROIX FALLS – Five members of the St. Croix Falls softball team are included in the 2025 Heart O’ North All-Conference picks.

Faith Allram is a first-team pick in her sophomore season, pitching nearly 200 innings and totaling over 160 strikeouts. Allram pitched the complete-game postseason win over Cameron with six strikeouts. At the plate, she batted over .450 and scored 31 runs with 25 RBIs. Her totals included a game against Ashland when she had four hits and seven RBIs along with a team-high 16 stolen bases.

Claire Bradt is a second-team pick in her junior season, batting nearly .300 with 25 runs scored and seven games with multiple hits. Her defensive efforts included a game against Ladysmith with 12 putouts.

The Saints also have three honorable mentions—senior Emilie Glenna, and sophomores Catherine Williams and Jocelyn Shimon. Glenna batted .376 with 27 RBIs and 15 runs scored; Williams batted .333 with 23 runs scored and 14 RBIs while Shimon had 11 RBIs and seven runs scored.

Lakeland West All-Conference Softball Teams

First Team

Piper Olson	Grantsburg,
Player of the Year	
Whitney Myers	Grantsburg
Kaylie Moore	Grantsburg
Ruby Rengo	Grantsburg
Ashlynn Lener	Grantsburg
Megan Peterson	Unity
Grace Naessen	Shell Lake
Kierra Harrington	Shell Lake
Olivia Hinze	Clayton/
Turtle Lake	
Ella Robertson	Clayton/
Turtle Lake	

Second Team

Pressly Olson	Grantsburg
Jaden Armato	Grantsburg
Abby Rombach	Grantsburg
Ashley Johnson	Unity
Kyra Cox	Unity
Lily Carter	Frederic/Luck
Macy Melton	Shell Lake
Shaylee Anderson	Shell Lake
Jackalyn Heller	Clayton/
Turtle Lake	
Katelyn Papst	Clayton/
Turtle Lake	

Honorable Mention

Eloise Crowe	Unity
Evelyn Fugate	Unity
Taylor Winberg	Webster/Siren
Abbi Smith	Webster/Siren
Kylie Hansen	Grantsburg
Taylor Hansford	Frederic/Luck
Molly Cook	Frederic/Luck
Grace Hubbard	Clayton/
Turtle Lake	
Lily Anderson	Shell Lake

Heart O’ North All-Conference Softball Teams

First Team

Elle Peterson	Northwestern,
Player of the Year	
Faith Allram	St. Croix Falls
Kailynn Duncan	Barron
Emerson Krahenbuhl	Cameron
Brylee Vitz	Cameron
Morgan Monchilovich	
Cumberland	
Colby Sprenger	Hayward
Brooke Laier	Hayward
Emma Wennersten	Northwestern
Annalie Lindgren	Spooner
Devin Danielsen	Spooner

Second Team

Claire Bradt	St. Croix Falls
Maddie Kallsen	Barron
Riley Holdeman	Cameron
Rayna Schroeder	Cameron
Nikki Miller	Hayward
Leah Swan	Hayward
Greta Woelber	Hayward
Shelby Rozak	Ladysmith
Ashlyn Sutherland	Northwestern
Chloe Swonger	Spooner
Layla Thompson	Spooner

Honorable Mention

Emilie Glenna	St. Croix Falls
Jocelyn Shimon	St. Croix Falls
Catherine Williams	St. Croix Falls
Grace Dexter	Cameron
Katherine Carr	Chetek-
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Alexis Tomsovic	Chetek-
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Sydni Madison	Northwestern
Ava Thompson	Spooner

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Pirates stopped in sectional final

Softball Roundup

Above The Fold Media | *For the Leader*
CUMBERLAND – The Grantsburg softball team added a regional title to its list of accomplishments for the 2025 season but had its potential state-title run ended with a loss in the sectional final Thursday.

The Pirates claimed their regional title with a 7-0 win over Northwestern on June 3 but the 5-3 loss to Fall Creek prevented them from another trip to Madison.

Piper Olson pitched a complete-game

shutout for the Pirates in their win over Northwestern. They took a 1-0 lead in the first inning then put more distance between themselves and Northwestern starting in the third inning.

Ruby Rengo and Pressly Olson each had an RBI in the third inning to put Grantsburg up 3-0 and Whitney Myers had an RBI triple in the fourth inning before a costly Northwestern error led to two more runs and an eventual 6-0 Grantsburg lead.

Abby Rombach drove in the final Grantsburg run in the fifth inning as Piper Olson continued to hold Northwestern scoreless. She finished with 13

strikeouts.

Myers had two hits, three runs scored and an RBI; Jaden Armato and Kaylie Moore each had a hit and a run scored.

The Pirates were tied with Fall Creek heading into the seventh inning in Thursday’s sectional final but a three-run at-bat by Fall Creek provided the game-winning run.

Pressly Olson brought in the Pirates’ first run with a sacrifice bunt in the fourth inning, tying the game at 1-1 and she again tied the game, this time at 2-2 in the sixth inning, with a fielder’s choice.

But two hits, a walk and an error

helped Fall Creek reclaim the lead with a three-run at-bat in the seventh inning. The Pirates started a one-out rally in the bottom of the inning and brought one across with a fielder’s choice from Myers. But Fall Creek forced the third out before any additional runs could be scored.

Myers had two hits and an RBI; Piper Olson had two hits; Pressly Olson had two RBIs and Amber Rombach had a hit and a run scored.

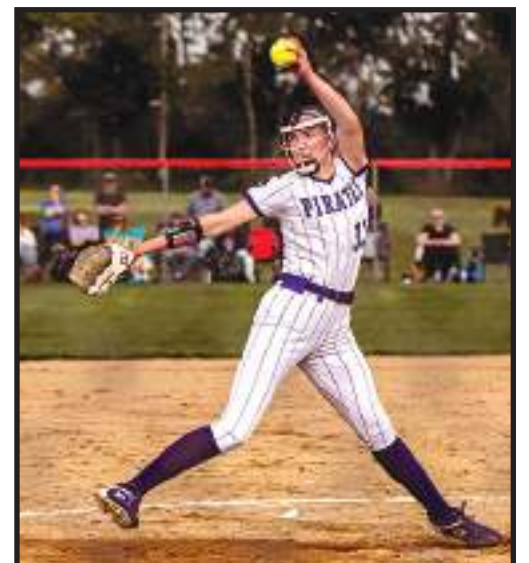
Piper Olson pitched the complete game, striking out five.



Grantsburg softball players receive a medal as the sectional runner-ups, honoring the end of an outstanding season. - *Photos by Sophie Horgan*



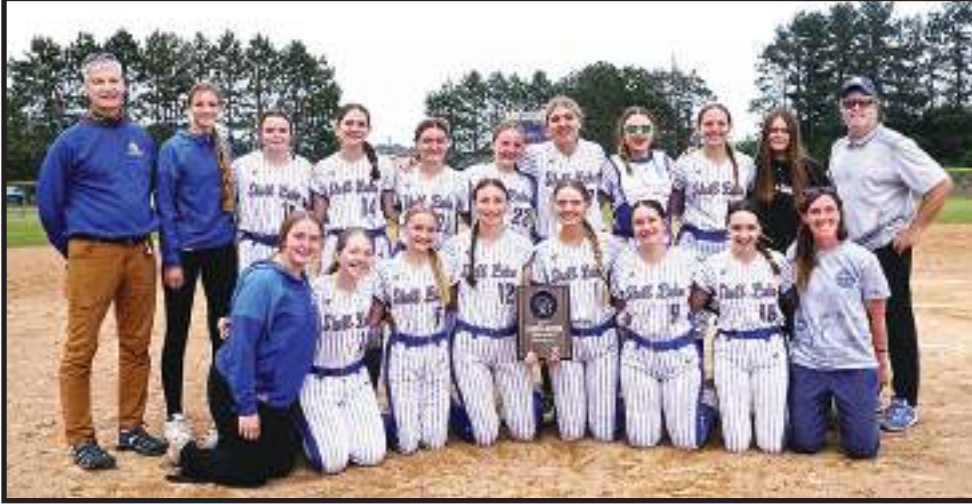
Pirate Whitney Myers rushes across home plate in the sectional final game against Fall Creek.



Grantsburg’s Piper Olson pitches in the final inning against Fall Creek.

LEADER SPORTS

Shell Lake softball claims Division 4 regional title



The Shell Lake softball team are the Division 4 Regional Champions for the third year in a row with their 9-2 win over Hurley on Thursday, May 29. They went on to beat Clayton/Turtle Lake but were defeated in the sectional final by McDonell Central Catholic. - Photo by Larry Samson

Regional runs end for Otters, Tigers and Pirates

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LUCK – An early lead didn't result in another regional win for the Luck/Frederic baseball team on June 3.

The Otters posted three runs in their first at-bat against Mellen but were outscored 8-2 over the remainder and took an 8-5 season-ending loss.

Blake Melin helped the Otters to their early advantage with a two-run double in their three-run opening inning and they held a 3-1 lead through three innings. However, Mellen capitalized on three singles and a key error in the fourth to score four runs and take a 5-3 lead and added three more runs in the fifth to go up 8-3.

Luck/Frederic added a run in the fifth and made a rally effort in the seventh inning, scoring another run but the potential rally was stopped before the lead

could be threatened.

Melin had two hits and two RBIs for the Otters; Aiden Johnson had a hit and scored three runs; Mason Carter had a hit and a run scored and Brandon Tyler had a hit and an RBI.

Riley Cummings pitched over three innings and had two strikeouts; Tyler pitched three innings and had three strikeouts.

Washburn 3, Webster 1

The Tigers were held scoreless for the first five innings on June 4 and despite holding Washburn to just three hits in the game, had their season ended.

Justice Gutting had two hits and an RBI for Webster; Ronald Hatch had two hits and a run scored.

Kenneth Schwendeman pitched six innings for the Tigers, striking out 10.

Fourteen area players in Lakeland West all-conference picks

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A total of 14 area baseball players are among the all-conference selections in the Lakeland West for 2025, including six who are first-team picks.

Conference champion Grantsburg has two first-team players—senior Dane Lozier and junior Brock Matheny. Both helped the Pirates enter the postseason with a 12-game win streak and a 12-0 overall record in conference play.

Four more area teams have a player in the first-team selections. Senior Landyn Randt batted .343 for Siren; junior Isaiah Fugate batted .491 and threw 38 strikeouts for Unity; sophomore Ronald Hatch batted .435 for Webster and pitched 44 strikeouts; and sophomore Aiden Johnson batted .369 for Luck/Frederic.

Grantsburg put three players on the second team— junior Caden Matheny, freshman Ryker Stelsel and sophomore Caleb Rombach; freshman Tate Johnson and sophomore Riley Cummings are second-team picks for Luck/Frederic and senior Sam Majeske gives Unity a second-team pick.

Honorable mentions include Webster's sophomore Jacob Fornengo and Luck/Frederic's senior Brandon Tyler.

Lakeland West All-Conference Baseball Teams

First Team	
Brock Naessen	Shell Lake,
Player of the Year	
Landyn Randt	Siren
Isaiah Fugate	Unity
Ronald Hatch	Webster
Aiden Johnson	Luck/Frederic
Dane Lozier	Grantsburg
Brock Matheny	Grantsburg
Dayne Mumm	Clayton/
Turtle Lake	
Castin Melton	Shell Lake
Isaac Crosby	Shell Lake
Second Team	
Caden Matheny	Grantsburg
Ryker Stelsel	Grantsburg
Caleb Rombach	Grantsburg
Sam Majeske	Unity
Tate Johnson	Luck/Frederic
Riley Cummings	Luck/Frederic
Brady Jobe	Clayton/
Turtle Lake	
Owen Anderson	Clayton/
Turtle Lake	
Peter Hampe	Shell Lake
Charlie Juza	Shell Lake
Honorable Mention	
Jacob Fornengo	Webster
Brandon Tyler	Luck/Frederic
Kyle Gleason	Shell Lake

Cameron 3, Grantsburg 1

One of the few teams to defeat Grantsburg during the regular season prevented the Pirates from possibly adding a regional title to their Lakeland West crown.

Cameron ended Grantsburg's season with a 3-1 win in regional play on June 3, after earning a 6-1 win over the Pirates in early April.

The Comets limited Grantsburg to four hits yet the game still went into extra innings with a 1-1 tie. Cameron

capitalized on two hits and two walks in the top of the eighth to score a pair of runs and though the Pirates brought the game-tying run to the plate twice in the bottom of the inning, they were unable to bring any runs across the plate.

Ryder Anderson drove in Brock Matheny for the Pirates' lone run; Caleb Rombach had two hits.

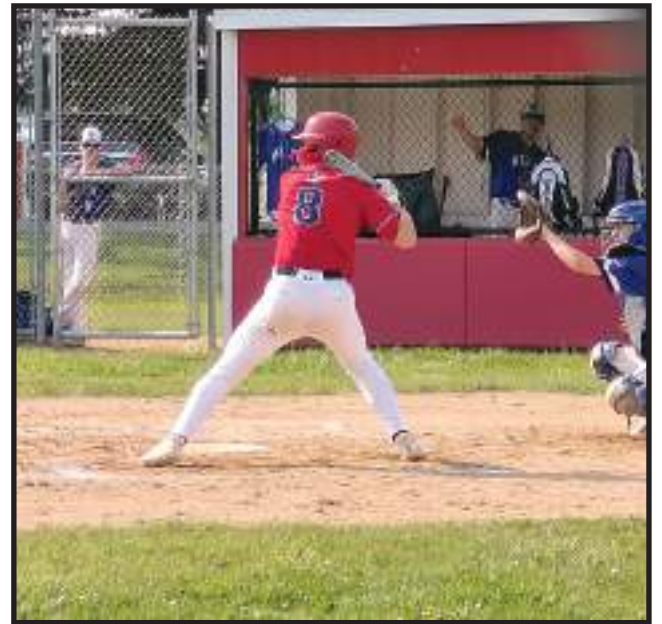
Rombach also pitched five innings and had five strikeouts; Levi Anderson pitched three innings and had three strikeouts.



Grantsburg's Ryker Stelsel steps up for the final at bat against the Cameron Comets. The Pirates had runners on first and second base. - Photos by Roz Lundquist unless otherwise noted



Pirate pitcher Levi Anderson threw the first three innings during the sectional game against the Cameron Comets before the game was suspended due to rain. The Pirates trailed 0-1 at the time.



Otter Mason Carter bunts the ball and beats the throw to first in the game against Mellen.



Otter Riley Cummings pitches the ball to a Mellen batter.



Saint Devin Richardson pitches in the regional playoff game against Rhinelander. - Photo by Sophie Horgan



The Saints bat in the sixth inning against Rhinelander. - Photo by Sophie Horgan

LEADER SPORTS

Merrida leads area boys at state final

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 LA CROSSE – Payton Merrida nearly returned to Unity as a state champion.

Merrida led the field in the 100 in the preliminary at last weekend's WIAA Division 3 boys state track and field state final at University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, finishing in 10.96 seconds. He nearly matched that time in the final with an effort of 11.12, though it landed him as the runner-up behind Paxton Kuehn, 10.99, of Shiocton. The finish still provided eight team points for Unity and gave him the best finish of all area competitors in the two-day event.

The Eagles ended with 16 team points, putting them in a tie for 17th overall while Marathon claimed the state title with 48.5 points.

Merrida also finished the 200 in 22.12 to place fifth while Oliver Gariepy added to Unity's total by placing sixth in the 3,200 at 9:36.07. The 3,200-relay team of Blake Patterson, Dominic Fox, Isaiah Morales and Gariepy scored a point with an eighth-place finish in 8:12.66.

Grantsburg had multiple close calls but just missed scoring any team points. The Pirates' 800-relay team of Chase Green, Reece Jensen, Daxter Schultz and Ian Burkman was ninth, just one position away from a team

point, in 1:31.99. They were seventh in the preliminary, despite not matching their time in the final, at 1:32.12.

Their 1,600-relay team of Green, Burkman, Dominick Spafford and Josh Hartke was 11th in the preliminary at 3:31.59 but did not advance to the final. Zach Carlson was 11th in the shot put at 49 feet, 4-3/4 inches while Burkman was 12th in the discus at 136-10; Jensen was 12th in the 100 at 11.37 and Hartke was 14th in the 1,600 at 4:33.38.

Webster also was near a team point with Ty Cook, Bryant McKinley, Noah Mangelsen and Jamison Mogen placing ninth in the 400 relay at 44.36 and the Tigers' 800-relay team of Eli Campion, McKinley, Mangelsen and Mogen were 12th in the preliminary round at 1:33.48.



Unity's Payton Merrida finished as runner-up in the 100 at the WIAA Division 3 state finals. – Photo courtesy Unity Eagles Athletics

Lucius named 2025 District 1 Athletic Director of the Year

Submitted by Spooner Area School District
 SPOONER – Spooner Area School District Athletic Director Matt Lucius has been named the 2025 District 1 Athletic Director of the Year by the Wisconsin Athletic Directors Association.

This award recognizes the outstanding achievement of athletic directors. Award recipients are recognized as educational leaders who maintain athletics as an integral part of the total educational program while making full use of school and community resources and involving as many students as possible.

Lucius has served as the SASD AD for 14 years. His dedicated service has resulted in exemplary athletic programs that are renowned in the Heart O' North Conference and across the state.

The district is proud of Lucius for his great accomplishments.



Matt Lucius

SPORTS SNAPSHOTS

By Sarah Beth Radomsky | Reporter

Thanks for checking out this week's Sports Snapshots section where we feature various sports photographs taken across the area in the past week or so. We certainly welcome our member readers to submit their own photos for consideration. Please

email them to us directly at editor@lakeland.ws, with the subject line "Sports Snapshots." Be sure to include your name and where your photo was taken. We are also looking for videos that you take that are no more than 20 seconds in length from local sporting events for posting on our website, leadericpa.com.



The Frederic/Luck track team's season was celebrated, with recognition for dedicated student-athletes, and thanks to both school districts and parents for their support. Best wishes were given to the team's seniors as they embark on their next chapter. - Photo courtesy of Frederic/Luck Track and Field



The Unity trap team celebrated a stellar season, placing fourth in their conference with 31 athletes, 10 of whom, including Alexis Molamphy, Tanner Freer, Liberty Freer, Austin Borresen, Alec Nagel, Ashton Nagel, Adian Nagel, Charlie Shalander, Caleb Johnson and Braden Vlasnik, qualified for the state trap tournament in Rome, Wis., on June 7. Standout conference rankings included Alexis Molamphy, sixth; Madison Anderson, 11th; Liberty Freer, 21st; and Alex Gariepy, 23rd, for girls, and Oliver Gariepy, 13th, and Taylor Gariepy, 19th, for boys. The season concluded with a family picnic, Annie Oakley competition, and open shooting, supported by the Balsam Lake Rod and Gun Club's generous donation of targets and range time. - Photo courtesy of Unity School District



Amery's Kelly Fern is the WIAA Division 2 State Champion in the pole vault competition. - Photo courtesy of School District of Amery



Amery's Macie Poe placed fifth in both the 1,600 and 3,200 at the WIAA Division 2 state track and field competition. - Photo courtesy of School District of Amery



Amery's Natasha Tiry placed fifth in the 800 at the WIAA Division 2 state track and field competition. - Photo courtesy of School District of Amery



Gratitude was given to PowerUp St. Croix Valley for sponsoring Family Open Gym on Sunday afternoons during the winter with Amery Community Education and providing exciting outdoor "movement" prizes, with congratulations to our lucky prize winners. - Photo courtesy of School District of Amery



Siren students enjoy a fun-filled "Y" day during the ABC countdown, playing yard games organized by Mrs. Bazey. - Photo courtesy of School District of Siren

Indianhead Credit Union holds ribbon cutting at new Grantsburg location

By Roz Lundquist | Reporter

GRANTSBURG – Indianhead Credit Union officially celebrated the grand opening of its new location in Grantsburg on Friday, June 6. After relocating from its downtown location, the Indianhead Credit Union opened its doors to customers at the new site in late Decem-

ber 2024. The updated Indianhead Credit Union facility now features a drive-up window and ATM, features convenient to the community. Though opened to the public several months ago, this celebration marks the completion of the final details and invites the community to see the new space.

The grand opening kicked off with a ribbon cutting featuring several key figures of the project—Indianhead Credit Union President Dale Gottschalk, Grantsburg Branch Manager Jackie Finch, Board Chair Mike Ostrenga, Grantsburg Chamber of Commerce President Pam Peterson, Dick Hartmann of the Burnett County Development Association, and ICU Board member Larry Avery.

After the ribbon-cutting ceremony, they held several raffles, including a



(L to R): Indianhead Credit Union President Dale Gottschalk, Grantsburg Branch Manager Jackie Finch, Board Chair Mike Ostrenga, Grantsburg Chamber of Commerce President Pam Peterson, Dick Hartmann of the Burnett County Development Association, and ICU Board member Larry Avery cut the ribbon at the grand opening. - Photos by Roz Lundquist

summer fun basket, a popcorn-movie basket and a grilling basket. The celebration continued with walking tacos and cake, welcoming all to celebrate the grand opening of Grantsburg's beautiful

Indianhead Credit Union while showing their continued investment in the Grantsburg community.



The Indianhead Credit Union had several raffles available to win on Friday, June 6.

Siren Village Board to recognize ball park founders

Rudy and Ruth Mothes to be memorialized

By Neal Griffin | Reporter

On May 29, the Siren Village Board voted to erect a plaque at the Siren Ball Park to recognize Rudy and Ruth Mothes, who were instrumental in the creation of the park which has served as a community sports complex for over 30 years. Rudy passed away in February 2024. Ruth passed away in 2020. Several board members and residents in attendance remembered the couple fondly and talked about the years they invested in making the park a reality. Village Clerk Ann Peterson, commented that Ruth had meticulously documented every stage of the parks development and the village maintains a set of 10 binders that begins with the first shovel of dirt being turned in 1992 and on through the years with highlights that include the first game played by the Siren High School Dragons, the development of youth leagues and the first night game after the installation of lights.

After a warm and heartfelt walk down memory lane, the vote to recognize the couple was unanimous.

In public comments, Wayne Koball addressed the board to ask that the village

board team up with Youth of Burnett County to update ordinances to prevent youth from vaping. Board President Steve Young welcomed the idea and invited Koball to attend the next public safety committee meeting and participate in writing an ordinance that would codify the prevention of vaping by minors.

Krista Mattson, American Legion Post 132, addressed the board to request the fee charged to use the pavilion be waived for the American Legion annual picnic to be held at Crooked Lake Park. Young said he would raise the issue at the next building and grounds committee meeting and a recommendation can be brought to the board.

There was discussion on an additional street for the detour routes that will be used for the pending department of transportation road construction project that is schedule to begin in 2026. The additional street requested for use by the Department of Transportation was Elizabeth Street. Pictures will be taken prior to the project and the DOT will be required to repair any damages incurred.

By unanimous vote the board agreed to install a drug drop-off box outside the police department window. The board also voted unanimously to not maintain a village Facebook page.

Kevin Duncan and Tim Michel addressed the board on their attempts to locate a permanent location for the Burnett Transfer Station which is currently located in the parking lot of the Lodge Center Ice Arena located at 24185 1st Ave. in Siren. Michel informed the board they are searching for an appropriate location where they could also make improvements. Several locations were discussed with the requirement that the property be zoned for commercial use. After the discussion, Young said any further discussion would be tabled until a specific location was proposed by the business.

John Magnuson, president of the Big Doctor Lake Association addressed the board to discuss the ongoing treatment of the phosphorus in the water that causes algae blooms. The association has received a grant from the state for \$275,000 to complete the second of three treatments. The association is responsible for 25% of the grant and Magnuson was requesting the village make whatever contribution possible.

For the benefit of new board members, Magnuson explained that although the issue is "up for debate" it is "generally believed" that the pollution to the water occurred over the many decades that the waste water treatment plant was on the



Rudy and Ruth Mothes, pictured standing at the Siren Ball Park, will soon be recognized by the village. - File photo

south side of Hwy. 70 and the village dispensed waste into a marsh that eventually seeped into the lake. This is the second of three treatments and for the first treatment the village contributed \$27,000 from the sewer fund. The issue will be taken to the finance committee for discussion and then back to the village board in June. Magnuson said in the meantime, the association will develop a fundraising strategy to cover part of the cost.

The next Siren Village Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 26, at 4:30 p.m. at the Siren Village Hall.

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OBITUARIES

Audrey J. Nelson

Audrey J. Nelson passed away peacefully on May 31, 2025, at Christian Community Homes of Osceola, Wisconsin. She was 90 years old. Audrey was born April 4, 1935, to Maynard and Alma (Peterson) Ekstrand in Dresser, Wisconsin. She was baptized and confirmed at the Osceola Methodist Church.



Audrey was raised on her parents' farm five miles east of Osceola. It was here she learned to respect and love nature and animals, especially her quarter horse Daisy. She attended school in Osceola and graduated in 1953. She moved to Minneapolis where she was employed at the Minneapolis Star & Tribune.

In 1956, Audrey married her high school sweetheart, Gordon Nelson, at West Immanuel Lutheran Church. They were married for 66 years. They moved to River Falls, Wisconsin, where Gordon enrolled at the University of Wisconsin. During this time Audrey worked at the 1st National Bank in River Falls and later at 3M in St. Paul. Upon Gordon's graduation they moved to Washburn, Wisconsin, where he taught school.

In 1963, they moved to Horse Creek where they took over as third generation owners of the Horse Creek Store. Audrey and Gordon worked side by side at the store for 35 years. Audrey loved what she did and treated her customers as friends. This is where they raised their three children: Lori, Susan and Todd. They retired in 1997 and moved to rural Dresser where they delighted in being surrounded by animals and nature.

Audrey was a member of West Immanuel Lutheran Church, where she found special meaning in her active role in stewardship including work with the WELCA, Altar Guild, Circle and youth mentorship. She was also the secretary/treasurer for Pleasant Prairie Cemetery in Osceola for many years. During retirement she volunteered at Osceola Medical Center and was a member of the Partners of OMC. She tried to live her life by following Matthew 25:37-40. Audrey was a compassionate person and will be remembered for her kind heart. Her greatest joys were her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and her husband's sense of humor. She was an avid reader, loved history and her travels throughout all 50 states and Europe.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Gordon Nelson; parents, Maynard and Alma Ekstrand; brother, Roger Ekstrand; brothers-in-law, Larry Nelson, John Nelson and Stuart Nelson, Jim Moeller; and sister-in-law, Ruth Nelson.

Left to mourn her passing are children, Lori Robinson, Susan (Jim) Hentges and Todd (Cindy) Nelson; grandchildren, Erica (Matt) Forsman, Paul (Ali) Hentges, Katelyn Hentges, Rachel Nelson, Alexa Hentges and Jack Nelson; great-grandchildren, Olivia and Henry Forsman and Miles Hentges; sisters-in-law, Darlene Ekstrand, Mary Nelson, Diane Moeller and Marilyn Nelson.

Special thanks to Christian Community Homes of Osceola and St. Croix Hospice for the loving care and support.

A memorial service will be held 11 a.m., Wednesday, June 25, 2025, at West Immanuel Lutheran Church. Visitation will be held from 4 to 7 p.m., Tuesday, June 24, at the Grandstrand Funeral Home and will continue for one hour prior to the service at the church on Wednesday. Arrangements are with the Grandstrand Funeral Home, Osceola. Condolences may be expressed online at grandstrandfh.com.



Pat Davis

Pat was born and raised in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and attended St. Charles Borromeo School and Edison High School. Pat retired as a personnel specialist with the U.S. Department of Agriculture.



Pat was preceded in death by husbands, Leo Burns and Wally Davis; parents, Andrew and Rose Anderson; brothers/in-laws, Donald, Jim, Hoyce, Nellie and Roger.

Pat is survived by sister, Joan; brothers, Jack (Phyllis) and Bill (LaRae); and many, many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews; as well as many good friends.

Pat spent most of her life "at the lake." First, at Lake Independence, then Eagle Lake, Lake Winnebago, and finally, Balsam Lake. She loved the sun, and the occasional dip to cool off, but not so much fishing. Pat loved parties and gatherings, especially those with family that involved competition (cards, horseshoes). She was an accomplished dancer and traveler.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church in Balsam Lake, Wisconsin, on Thursday, June 12, at 11 a.m., with visitation held one hour prior. Interment will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to St. Jude's Children's Hospital or Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church.

The Kolstad Family Funeral Home was entrusted with arrangements.

Debbie (Yunker) Slayton

Debbie (Yunker) Slayton was born in St. Paul, Minnesota, to Rolland and Louise Yunker on July 11, 1956. She passed away at her home, with family, on May 17, 2025. Debbie loved to fish, horses, bonfires and the Green Bay Packers. She will be missed by friends and family.



Debbie is survived by her husband, Jerry; mother, Louise; sister, Kathy; children, Bobbie Jo (Austin), Billy (Bobbi Jo) and Harry (Danica); stepdaughters, Brenda and Amber; 15 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her father, Rolland; son, Neil; uncle, Larry; and mother-in-law, Pearl.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Bone Lake, North Landing Lions Club Pavilion on Sunday, June 22, from 1 to 4 p.m. The address to the landing is 2453 Bone Lake Park Lane, Luck, Wisconsin.

Dwight Swanson

Dwight Swanson was born Sept. 28, 1942, in Polk County, Wisconsin, to Carl and Bernice Swanson. He grew up with five brothers on the family farm.



On Aug. 2, 1961, he married his high school sweetheart, Donna Berg. Together, they purchased Donna's family farm. They enjoyed traveling and snowmobiling locally and riding the trails at Yellowstone National Park.

Dwight loved restoring old tractors. After retirement from the farm, Dwight worked for the fertilizer plant in Milltown, Wisconsin.

Dwight is survived by his wife of 63 years, Donna Swanson; daughter, Karen and her husband, Brad Emerson; granddaughters, Tanya (Jason) Stokes, and Heather; four great-grandchildren, Rylee and Alysha, and Marcus and Elizabeth; five brothers, Charlie, Gerald, Russel, Lloyd and Curtis; and many nieces and nephews.

Dwight passed away on May 25, 2025, at the United Pioneer Home with his wife by his side. He was preceded in death by his parents.

A memorial service will be held privately at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, please send memorials to Laketown Lutheran Church, at PO Box 481, Cushing, WI 54006.

You are invited to leave condolences, memories and photos at rowefh.com. Arrangements are entrusted to Rowe Funeral Home in Luck, 715-472-2444, and the Northwest Wisconsin Cremation Center in Milltown, nwwcremationcenter.com.

Vance Johnson

Vance Johnson passed peacefully on Tuesday, May 20, 2025, at Dove Healthcare, St. Croix Falls, Wisconsin, at the age of 84. Vance was born to Lawrence and Florence Johnson in Frederic, Wisconsin, on June 20, 1940.



In his early years he attended Danbury Grade School and then graduated from Hinckley High School in 1959. He married in 1959, had two sons and later divorced.

Vance worked in the pulp wood business and then in construction, with increasing responsibilities operating heavy equipment. He worked with some of the best dragline operators, gaining experience laying pipe for city utilities, building roadbeds for interstate highways around the Twin Cities, and federal projects with the Army Corp of Engineers, building levees on the Mississippi River in Iowa.

Vance started his excavating business in the early 1970s and ran his business until 2020. Vance had a talented team of heavy equipment operators. In addition to excavating, he plowed snow for three townships and special projects like the new power system for the Town of Danbury.

In 1976 Vance and Diane (Djock) were married and enjoyed 46 years of marriage until Diane's passing in 2022. Over the years Vance and Diane wintered in Arizona. They enjoyed road trips, visiting family and friends, spending time with their dogs, hunting, fishing and snowmobiling. Vance loved Diane, family, friends and their pets, and will be greatly missed.

Vance was preceded in death by his wife, Diane (Djock); parents, Lawrence and Florence Johnson; sisters-in-law, Connie Hunt and MaryAnn Kranz; and brother-in-law, Ronnie Djock.

Vance is survived by sons, Greg (Jill) and Bryan; step-daughter, Rhonda Thomas; grandchild, Amanda (David) Chen; grandchildren, Abby Johnson and Angelique Johnson; step-grandchild, Ashley Karl; step-great-granddaughter, Olivia Phetteplace; and two great-grandchildren; sisters, Karen (Jim) Garrison, Carly (Peter) Peterson, Jan (Bob) Hahn and Lynn Johnson; brothers-in-law, Charlie Djock and Bruce (Linda) Djock; sister-in-law, Terri Ackland (Gene); and many nieces, nephews and friends.

The funeral services will be held at Siren Covenant Church, Siren, Wisconsin, on Saturday, June 28, with visitation at 10 a.m. and service at 11 a.m. Memorials preferred to Adoray Home Health and Hospice, and Dove Healthcare - St. Croix Falls, WI.

Obituaries can be emailed to:
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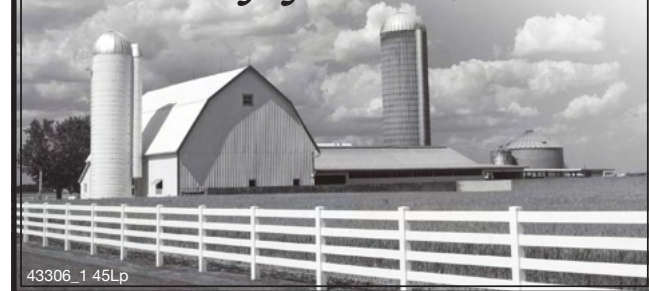
We wish to express our sincere thanks to everyone who has offered sympathy and support. We greatly appreciate the kindness received that will never be forgotten along with all the beautiful memories of a life well-lived.

We also want to send out a huge thank you to all the staff at the Luck United Pioneer Home for taking such good care of our dad and a special thanks for the additional care from Adoray Home Health and Hospice. We are very grateful for your kindness and compassion.

Special thanks to Father Gerald Harris for all his visits and prayers for Dad and his heartfelt message and celebration of Mass, Deacon Steve Maier for his assistance and prayers, and to the members of Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church for their hospitality and delicious luncheon.

And we want to give our deep appreciation to Rowe Funeral Home for their help and guidance with arrangements through this difficult time.

The Family of Charles J. Turner



OBITUARIES

Gary Joseph Blanski

Gary Joseph Blanski, age 82, of St. Croix Falls, Wisconsin, passed away on Friday, June 6, 2025.

Gary was born to Walter and Inez (Berry) Blanski on Oct. 22, 1942, in Minnesota. He joined the Army at age 17 and later received his GED. At the age of 20, Gary started working at NSP as a machinist and continued working there until his retirement at age 55. In 1964, Gary was united in marriage to Marjorie Swanson, and together they raised seven children.

Throughout his life, Gary enjoyed playing baseball, softball, golfing with his son Mark and bowling. Later in life, he picked up hobbies such as biking and running. Gary ran many marathons—including the Boston Marathon and even a 100K race in Duluth.

Gary was preceded in death by his parents; daughter, Debra Jensen; son, Howie; and brothers, Danny and Tommy. He is survived by his wife, Marge; children, Jim, Jody (Jeff) Vollrath, Wendy, Mark (Cecilia) and Rick; 18 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; brother, Mike; daughter-in-law, Jill; and son-in-law, Paul Jensen.

A graveside service with Military Honors will be held at 3 p.m. on Friday, June 20, at the East Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery in Amery, Wisconsin.

To sign an online guestbook, please visit williamson-white.com. Arrangements were made with the Williamson-White Funeral Home and Cremation Services in Amery.



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UNCLAIMED PROPERTY

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POLK COUNTY

LEGAL NOTICE: NAMES AND BUSINESSES APPEARING TO BE OWNERS OF ABANDONED PROPERTY

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BONDS

To the class of unknown U.S. savings bond owners: be advised that under Wisconsin law, all U.S. savings bonds when they, 1) have not been redeemed within 5 years of their maturity date or the date the bond stops earning interest; 2) have purchasers or owners with last-known addresses in the state of Wisconsin, according to the records of the U.S. Treasury Department; and 3) were issued during the following timeframes:

- 40-year Series E bonds issued on or before December 31, 1973
- 30-year Series E bonds issued on or before December 31, 1981
- Series EE bonds issued on or before December 31, 1983
- Series A, B, C, D, F, G, J and K bonds issued on or before January 1, 1959
- Series H bonds issued on or before before December 31, 1980
- Series HH bonds issued on or before before December 31, 1993

To claim or redeem a bond issued during the preceding timeframes, contact the U.S. Treasury Department. If a bond is not claimed or redeemed within one year of this notice, the state of Wisconsin will bring an action for a court order transferring ownership of the abandoned U.S. savings bonds to the state of Wisconsin (Unclaimed Property Section).

INDIVIDUAL UNCLAIMED PROPERTY

- 9474101 AARON NICOLE 3199 BENSON RD
- 9474101 AARON WILLIAM 3199 BENSON RD
- 8957449 ADKINS BRENNAN 231 S MAIN ST
- 9212524 AGNEW IRIS 1514 50TH ST
- 9223067 ALLEN SHAYNA 179 6TH ST NW B
- 8966696 ALTERMATT LINDA 2520 230TH AVE
- 8738327 ANDERAS ELIZABETH 1728 W CHURCH RD
- 9038329 ANDERSON ADAM 1347 55TH AVE
- 8682576 ANDERSON DALE 2697 120TH ST
- 8742019 ANDERSON DALE 2697 120TH ST
- 9171648 ANDERSON EDNA

- 240 SOUTH ST W APT 3
- 8862409 ANDERSON JESSICA 212 HARRIMAN AVE S
- 9328854 ANDERSON MORGAN 325 240TH ST
- 9079306 ANDERSON NATALIE 327 50TH AVE
- 8393792 ANDERSON TARA 577 US HWY 8
- 9002198 ANDERSON TRACY 701 KELLER AVE N
- 9174906 ARCHIBALD JOHNATHAN 1794 90TH AVE
- 7848406 ARENS SUMMER 1 JADEN DR
- 9221390 BACKES SCOTT 200 SEMINOLE AVE LOT 51
- 8761018 BAKER RICKY 313 ASH ST W
- 9065659 BALCOMBE JULIE 690 265TH AVE
- 8630524 BANITT RUTH 5731 FREMONT AVE N
- 9022251 BARTKEY BETHANY 109 HIALEAH ST
- 9022250 BARTKEY BETHANY 109 HIALEAH ST
- 9340650 BAUER MICHAEL 2194 239TH AVE
- 8852994 BEAVER JENNIFER 132 BELMONT ST
- 9267735 BECKER JEREMY 124 2ND ST W
- 9269221 BECKER KEVIN 1675 10TH ST
- 9269221 BECKER TAMMY 1675 10TH ST
- 9121871 BECKSTROM KEITH 2058 10TH AVE
- 9023178 BELICH MICHAEL 2202 BONE LAKE CT W
- 9358150 BELISLE CHANCE 1558 SUNSHINE ST
- 8872403 BELL FRANK 2267 20TH ST
- 8665674 BERGER ROBERT PO BOX 72 124 SARATOGA AVE
- 9260374 BERGLUND JEFFREY 1142 130TH ST
- 8553246 BERNEY LOUIS 1797 15TH AVE
- 9093190 BERTCH STEVEN CHRISTOPHER 105 2ND AVE N
- 9247608 BERTRAM EMELIA 168 COUNTY ROAD I
- 9247608 BERTRAM HARRY 168 COUNTY ROAD I
- 9023293 BETTERLEY MELANIE 204 BARRON AVE
- 9023294 BETTERLEY MELANIE 204 BARRON AVE
- 9023295 BETTERLEY MELANIE 204 BARRON AVE

- 9256003 MELANIE 204 BARRON AVE
- BHAMMILL SUZANNE 405 270TH AVE
- 9414027 BHAMMILL SUZANNE 405 270TH AVE
- 9439878 BHAMMILL SUZANNE 405 270TH AVE
- 9143563 BINAYSHII MISCO 2178 BLACK BEAR DR
- 8895022 BJERKE C 157 147TH ST
- 9056373 BLAIR JEAN 2677 240TH AVE
- 9053445 BLESII SUSAN 1315 WOODDALE CT
- 9296438 BLESII SUSAN 1315 WOODDALE CT
- 8682981 BLOMGREN BOB 318 2ND AVE SW
- 8597160 BOHAM MARLYSS 856 CAMERON BRIDGE DR
- 9248927 BOLAND DYLAN 2682 163RD ST
- 9026679 BONDEL JEAN 220 SCHOLL CT
- 9075165 BONT ANITA 224 N ADAMS ST
- 9379261 BOTTOLFSO LYNN 309 SOUTH AVE APT 4
- 8682576 BOWERS MONICA 2697 120TH ST
- 8742019 BOWERS MONICA 2697 120TH ST
- 9246899 BOWES PAUL 2448 195TH ST
- 9252058 BOWSER GLORIA ANN 105 ELIZABETH ST
- 9479502 BOYD CHAD 512 COTTONWOOD LN
- 9021345 BOYER DAVID 2548 93RD AVE
- 9021345 BOYER MARY 2548 93RD AVE
- 8732537 BRANCO MARK EST 530 COTTONWOOD LN
- 8517102 BRANES ROGER 2143 180TH AVE
- 8832699 BRETTNER JACKIE 1520 180TH ST
- 8924759 BRUBER RICHARD PO BOX 27
- 9307758 BRUMFIELD JOSHUA 125 EISENHOWER AVE LOT 12
- 9307759 BRUMFIELD JOSHUA 125 EISENHOWER AVE LOT 12
- 9307760 BRUMFIELD JOSHUA 125 EISENHOWER AVE LOT 12
- 9307758 BRUMFIELD PAULA 125 EISENHOWER AVE LOT 12
- 9307759 BRUMFIELD PAULA 125 EISENHOWER AVE LOT 12
- 9307760 BRUMFIELD PAULA 125 EISENHOWER AVE LOT 12
- 9322372 BUBLITZ TWYLA 1822 220TH ST
- 9234274 BUCK BENJAMIN 1107 255TH AVE
- 8748866 BUCK JOSEPH 608 225TH AVE APT 96
- 9215316 BUCKLEY KEARA 706 1ST ST
- 9215317 BUCKLEY KEARA 706 1ST ST
- 9204017 BUHR DOROTHY 312 AVE
- 9258484 BUHR WILLIAM 372 30TH AVE
- 8882423 BUNDY TIERRA 336 N WASHINGTON ST
- 9174945 BURCH JEFFREY 2099 STATE ROAD 87

- 9207892 BURKE JIROL 355 260TH AVE
- 8862910 BURKHUSE PAUL 124 280TH ST
- 9117076 BZDOK JAIME 317 WATER AVE
- 9117076 BZDOK JASON 317 WATER AVE
- 9136180 CADY KATHRYN 205 5TH AVENUE 4
- 9273432 CALHOUN JOSEPH 1719 230TH AVE
- 9273433 CALHOUN JOSEPH 1719 230TH AVE
- 9273432 CALHOUN TASHIA 1719 230TH AVE
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- 9132539 CAMPBELL CHASE 1809 94TH AVE
- 9083155 CAMPBELL CHASE 1809 94TH AVE
- 9250905 CAMPBELL CHASE 1809 94TH AVE
- 9410613 CAMPBELL KIMBERLY 1579 170TH ST
- 9225741 CAMPEAU MICHAEL RT 1 BOX 144
- 9193436 CANTIN KAYLA 105 MEADOW LARK LN
- 8897949 CARLSON ANDREW 311 SEMINOLE AVE
- 9259129 CARLSON LESLIE 804 190TH AVE
- 9340897 CARLSON ROBERT 1935 145TH ST
- 8643190 CARROLL THOMAS 1942 225TH ST
- 9261077 CARTER JAMES 1881 110TH AVE
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- 9544019 CERNOHOUS DUANE 2134 50TH AVE
- 9261092 CHADWICK JACOB 2486 89TH AVE
- 9173149 CHAPPELEAR COREY 2455 204TH ST
- 8892152 CHEGARIS MAXINE 205 5TH AVE APT 1
- 9109358 CHERNEY LINEA 11342 STATE ROAD 48
- 8612248 CHERRY ZACH 903 QUIST ST
- 8768435 CHEYEANN MICHAEL 2248 60TH ST
- 8961287 CHRISTENSEN RYAN 1050 195TH ST
- 8956798 CHRISTIANSON TODD 847 STATE ROAD 46
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- 8740726 CHRISTIE DANIEL 355 260TH AVE
- 9058577 CHRISTOFFERSEN NINA 1365 101ST ST
- 8692924 CLARK PHYLLIS E 346 COUNTY RD Q
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- 8586277 CLOUGH HAROLD 1618 162ND ST
- 9237309 CODDINGTON CARL PO BOX 394
- 9237309 CODDINGTON ERMA PO BOX 394
- 9111592 COEN JUNE 1654 270TH AVE
- 9232310 CONNER ROY 783 8 AND HALF ST
- 9121999 CONTRERAS MIGUEL 130 COTTAGE DR
- 9154069 CORDIE TAMARA 2474 RIVER RD UNIT N
- 8372416 CORRES GEOFFREY 279 PLYMOUTH ST
- 9454020 COTTERMAN GAIL 810 165TH AVE
- 9091507 CRAN HANNAH

- 1526 60TH ST
- 9223275 CRISWELL JEFFREY 2815 LARGON LAKE CT
- 9008125 CROWDER TERESA 517 N HAMILTON ST
- 8883513 CUMMINGS JEFFREY 834 300TH AVE
- 8561564 CURTIS JASMINE 271 BARBO LAKE RD APT 3
- 9063309 DALLAGER JAMES 2378 STATE ROAD 35
- 9223581 DE LA CRUZ ZACHARY 693 DERONDA ST
- 8882717 DEBOER IRIS 682 10TH AVE
- 9172150 DEFOE JACOB 872 250TH ST
- 8779136 DEMORETT ABBY 319 9TH AVE
- 9227251 DEROSIER TROY 527 STATE ROAD 35
- 9022560 DESMARAIS BERNIE T 738 218TH ST
- 9241670 DEUTSCHER KELLY PO BOX 510
- 9075389 DIELTZ SCOTT 504 RIVERSIDE BLVD
- 9308198 DILLMAN JILL 141 N MADISON ST
- 9107268 DITTBERNER JORDAN 108 CHIEFTAIN ST
- 9107270 DITTBERNER JORDAN 108 CHIEFTAIN ST
- 9349174 DOBIAS DELINA 420 HARRISON AVE S
- 9435051 DRAVES KASSANDRA 1001 188TH ST
- 9188758 DREWS JASMINE 156 130TH ST
- 8991109 DRONE SARA 207 2ND AVE NW
- 8937050 DUBOIS DONVIE PO BOX 94
- 9053086 DUNLAVY SARAH 1571 210TH ST
- 8715202 DYBVIK JACOB 2164 195TH AVE
- 9041418 DYRUD RYAN 2438 CHERRY DR
- 8779501 DZIEWECZYNSKI MICHAEL 1714 35TH AVE
- 9068597 EASLAND LYNN 731 N HAMLIN CORNER ST
- 8881915 EDWIN SUE 1111 4TH AVE
- 9106351 EHLERS JENNA 806 CHIEFTAIN ST
- 8885760 EINBERGER LOUISE 1583 150TH ST
- 9226190 EKLUND JERRY 851 KELLER AVE N
- 9344152 EKLUND JERRY 651 KELLER AVE N
- 9409026 EPPERSON THOMAS 975A COUNTY ROAD A
- 9247785 ERICKSON HEIDI PO BOX 393
- 9301007 ERICKSON LINDSEY 2798 200TH ST
- 9489050 ERICKSON MEGAN 401 SMITH AVE UNIT A
- 9247785 ERICKSON REX PO BOX 393
- 8914332 ESPESETH JACOB 473 115TH AVE
- 8678672 ESSLING JUDY 2612 234TH ST
- 9254267 EVERSON STACY 1977 35TH AVE
- 9092715 FALK JAMES PO BOX 756
- 9113513 FALK JAMES PO BOX 756
- 9171814 FALK JAMES PO BOX 756
- 9499003 FELLMAN NICHOLAS 127 MAPLE ST E
- 8583795 FENTON DERRECK 968 US HWY 8

- 8763726 FILIP KYLE 2626 68TH ST
- 8763726 FILIP MEGAN 2626 68TH ST
- 8828994 FORE FRANK 920 SUNFLOWER WAY
- 8828994 FORE PENNY 920 SUNFLOWER WAY
- 9233684 FOX JEROME IR TR 600 KREEKVIEW DR
- 9043569 FRANKLIN DANIEL EST PO BOX 206
- 8702299 FRATZKE JULIE 513 STATE ROAD 48
- 9212753 FREER CHERYL 1949 W BONE LAKE DR
- 9159504 FREISEIS JORIAN 218 N JEFFERSON ST APT 9
- 9002207 GAFFEY PATRICK 332 PETERSON DR
- 9260623 GALLAGHER MIKE 1242 LEELAND LN
- 9043583 GASTELUM ALEX 2378 170TH ST
- 9148762 GATES GERALD 423 8TH ST CT
- 9148762 GATES TIMOTHY 423 8TH ST CT
- 9126105 GEATER RALPH EST 507 SEMINOLE AVE
- 8693185 GEHRMAN SHIRLEY 348 HARRIMAN AVE S APT 18
- 9063991 GIBSON BROCK 174 310TH AVE
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- 8665674 GIBSON DEREK 124 SARATOGA AVE
- 8505556 GILLIS JAMES 44 155TH ST
- 8381205 GILLIS JAMES 44 155TH ST
- 8505556 GILLIS LAURA 44 155TH ST
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- 9281563 GOEBEL CLAYTON 605 200TH ST
- 8372416 GORRES ISAAC 279 PLYMOUTH ST
- 9404913 GORRES KIMBERLEY 721 PAR DR
- 8732380 GRAY MARGIE PO BOX 142
- 9371862 GREEN AMANDA 1078 110TH AVE
- 9404939 GREENBERG JONATHAN 125 S WEST AVE
- 9121848 GRIMM JOSH 1241 COREY CT
- 9242436 GRONLUND CHARLES 2662 220TH ST
- 9370530 GROSS JESSE 510 S 4TH ST
- 9116191 GRUBER DOUGLAS PO BOX 291
- 8788978 GRUND FAMILY TR 950 SUNFLOWER WAY
- 8747035 GULLICKSON CARRY JO 504 PINEWOOD ST
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LEGAL NOTICE: UNCLAIMED CHILD SUPPORT FUNDS

Pursant to the Wisconsin Unclaimed Property Act, Chapter 177, Wis. Stats., the Wisconsin Department of Revenue has received reports that indicate the following persons may be owners of unclaimed child support or related funds. A claim form can be obtained by any person possessing LEGAL interest in such support funds.

- ANDERSON ANDREW M PO BOX 283
- CASTANON JOEL T 425 FAIRWAY N LN
- GEHRMAN LANE D 316 SOUTH AVE

TO OBTAIN A CHILD SUPPORT CLAIM FORM CALL TOLL-FREE 1-800-991-5530 OR VISIT WWW.REVENUE.WI.GOV

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8811963 HEDERMAN JAMES 2225 FAIRGROUNDS RD	9409705 JEPSEN ROYCE 1771 230TH AVE	9272203 KOPP ROXANNE 330 SCHOLL ST	9002924 MADSEN SHIRLEY PO BOX 696	9064765 NELSON MICHAEL 1585 310TH AVE	9077468 RIEGEL JOANNA 1756 S BEAR LAKE LN # 8
8763732 HEGDAL HARLEN PO BOX 54	9252532 JEWELL TAYLOR 854 218TH ST	8397476 KRASON CHRISTINE 1010 340TH AVE	9292012 MARCELIN JEAN 350 75TH ST	9292637 NEUMANN DAVID 605 N CASCADE ST	9077468 RIEGEL JOANNA 1756 S BEAR LAKE LN # 8
9181486 HEGG SHERRY 241 HAMILTON AVE	9187456 JOHNSON AMANDA 624 HOMES CT	8397476 KRASON ERIK 1010 340TH AVE	9267546 MARGARET FREY EST 417 PINE CT	9332132 NEWELL ZACHARY 379 PETERSON DR APT 105	9077472 RIEGEL JOANNA 1756 S BEAR LAKE LN # 8
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9309815 HEINN KACEY 1031 110TH AVE	9292159 JOHNSON JEFFREY 2259A 60TH AVE	9259889 MARKEE LISA 1051 MAINS CROSSING AVE	9259889 MARKEE LISA 1051 MAINS CROSSING AVE	9228560 OLCHEFSKE AMY 923 GEIGER ST	9077478 RIEGEL JOANNA 1756 S BEAR LAKE LN # 8
9183584 HENDRICKSON BRENDAN 2343 60TH AVE	8836878 JOHNSON KAREN 1899 20TH ST	9048202 MARKS HEATHER 1030 RIVERPLACE DR	9048202 MARKS HEATHER 1030 RIVERPLACE DR	9336557 OLSON ALEX 1395 98TH ST	9077481 RIEGEL JOANNA 1756 S BEAR LAKE LN # 8
9183583 HENDRICKSON BRENDAN 2343 60TH AVE	9310561 JOHNSON MIKE 1348 160TH ST	8872455 MARSH PAUL 106 208TH ST	8872455 MARSH PAUL 106 208TH ST	9252165 OLSON WAYNE 994 HARMONY LN	9077484 RIEGEL JOANNA 1756 S BEAR LAKE LN # 8
9322367 HENNINGSGARD JACKSON 695 115TH ST	9059855 JOHNSON TAMMY 488 MINNEAPOLIS AVE S	9303239 MARTELL STEPHANIE 2287 57TH AVE	9303239 MARTELL STEPHANIE 2287 57TH AVE	9068531 OTTE 157 HYLAND ST	9077488 RIEGEL JOANNA 1756 S BEAR LAKE LN # 8
9097383 HERMANSEN AUDREY 2829 STATE ROAD 35	9059856 JOHNSON TAYLOR PO BOX 319	9071807 MARTIN ARTHUR 2940 150TH ST	9071807 MARTIN ARTHUR 2940 150TH ST	8980629 PAULHE ELAINA 606 BIG LAKE CT	9077492 RIEGEL JOANNA 1756 S BEAR LAKE LN # 8
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8800975 HIGH MICHAEL 2478 RIVER RD	9439878 JONES EDWARD 405 270TH AVE	9519122 MATTSON ADAM 1284 GREEN TREE DR	9233326 MATTSON DEBRA 1837 290TH AVE	9454020 PEARSON RICHARD 810 185TH AVE	9077497 RIEGEL JOANNA 1756 S BEAR LAKE LN # 8
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9147925 HOLDT MONICA 2120 190TH ST	9252058 JOSEPH BOWSER WILLIAM 105 ELIZABETH ST	9152238 LEEDY DON 1332 HUNGERFORD PT	8658317 MCGREAL LUCAS 2575 120TH ST	9057913 PETERSON JARED 909 1ST ST	9103268 ROBERTS CAYLIN 1287 65TH AVE
9147925 HOLDT RYAN 2120 190TH ST	9021733 KAHN JONATHAN 310 SOUTH AVE APT 6	8607290 LEGUIZAMON AL 217 STATE ROAD 35 S	8778937 MCILQUHAM RUSSEL LEE 219 140TH AVE	9134087 PETERSON KATHRYN 684 HERITAGE WAY	9316542 ROGERS KIMBERLY 853 138TH ST
9255934 HOLLER ROBERT PO BOX 123	9156826 KALLEVIG JOHN PO BOX 57	8733667 LEHMANN MAIA 821 S 7TH ST	8592649 MEANY MICEALA 1261 220TH AVE	9233053 PETERSON KENNETH 2121 150TH AVE	9316544 ROGERS KIMBERLY 853 138TH ST
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9066203 HTOO NAY 2265 75TH AVE	8815026 KATELHUT RON 2156 140TH ST	9256623 LEVRA NANCY 659 COUNTY LINE AVE	9277296 MILLER KENDRA 214 2ND AVE SW	9059584 PETERSON SHARON 1707 167TH ST	9354019 ROMERO RUIZ EUGENIO 2537 20TH AVE
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9255402 HUNTER LEVY 86 90TH AVE	9227526 KING DANIEL 2773 185TH ST	8936626 LINDAHL DAVID 2429 100TH AVE	9002945 MOFFITT NATASHA 501 SARATOGA AVE	9273852 POORE AMANDA 647 KELLER AVE N	9237061 RYAN KRISTINA 1821 PINE ISLAND PARK CT
9026762 HUTTEL GLORIA 220 SCHOLL CT	9227527 KING JESSICA 2773 185TH ST	8764582 LINDAHL JEROME 1941 230TH ST	8788100 MOLL MARY	9165402 POPULORUM TRACY PO BOX 461	9404913 S GLEN 721 PAR DR
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9330749 IHRKE ARLENE 1494 200TH AVE	9395377 KISSELL JAMES 2128 N TWIN LAKES ST	9559122 LOESCH ANTHONY 217 LAKEVIEW LN	9093348 MOORE BRENT PO BOX 443	8791278 RAMMER ANDREW 1954 35TH AVE	9484232 SARCHET DOUGLAS 2836A STATE HWY 35
9330748 IHRKE DONALD 1494 200TH AVE	9051343 KLEIS DAWN 3588 STATE ROAD 35	9262283 LOESCH ANTHONY 217 LAKEVIEW LN	8694890 MORROW TYLER 1828 93RD AVE	9266624 RASMUSSEN BRENT 455 200TH ST	9223484 SCHADOW AUNDRIA 408 SEMINOLE AVE
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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF BEER AND LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION

Notice is hereby given that the following applications have been received by the Town of St. Croix Falls, Polk County, WI, for renewal of beer and/or liquor licenses for the ensuing year ending June 30, 2026.

APG WI LLC, a limited liability company, dba BP #7842, Heidi-Marie Wilson, agent, for a Combination "Class A" beer and liquor license, NW 1/4 Section 35, 1960 U.S. Hwy. 8, St. Croix Falls, WI 54024.

PEERS BAR OF WI, LLC, a limited liability company, dba Peer's Bar, Corey L. Peer, agent, for a Combination "Class B" beer and liquor license, SE 1/4 Section 26, 1953 U.S. Hwy. 8, St. Croix Falls, WI 54024.

NOT JUSTA BAR & CAFE, INC., a corporation, dba Not Justa Bar & Cafe, Cole J. Bertram, agent, for a Combination "Class B" beer and liquor license, SE 1/4 Section 26, 1961 U.S. Hwy. 8, St. Croix Falls, WI 54024.

BIG ROCK CREEK, LLC, a limited liability company, dba Big Rock Creek, Joshua A. Hansen, agent, for a Combination "Class B" beer and liquor license, SE 1/4 Section 6, 1674 State Highway 87, St. Croix Falls, WI 54024.

CROSS COUNTRY ASSOCIATES INC., a corporation, dba Poco Loco Mexican Grill, Jordan A. Cross, agent, for a Class "B" beer license, SE 1/4 Section 28, 2109 U.S. Hwy. 8, St. Croix Falls, WI 54024.

Notice is further given that the above license applications will be acted upon at the regular Town Board meeting scheduled for Wednesday, June 18, 2025, 6 p.m., at the Town Hall.

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Janet Krueger, Town/Treasurer

POLK COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Thursday, June 19, 2025, at 9 a.m.
Millside Apartments, Osceola, WI

Agenda:

I. Call to Order. II. Minutes. III. Financial Reports. IV. Operations Report. V. Unfinished Business. VI. New Business. VII. Adjourn.

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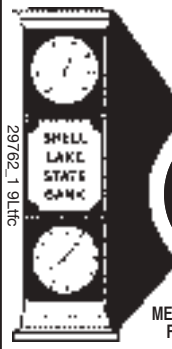
FREDERIC SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING NOTICE

Wednesday, June 18, 2025
6-12 District Boardroom

The Frederic School District Board of Education will conduct its regular board meeting on June 18, 2025, in the District Boardroom at 5:00 p.m.

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The most current agenda is available after 6/17/2025 on the Frederic School District website: www.fredericsd.org.



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9227094	765 138TH ST SCHLECHT WILLIAM 765 138TH ST	8983757	897 STATE ROAD 46 STAEBLER JON	9336577	PO BOX 303 TROFF RORY 291 155TH ST	9129127	611 HARRIMAN AVE S WETTIG DEAN EST 2119A STATE ROAD 46	6698401	265 GRIFFIN EAST ST AMERY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER 265 GRIFFIN EAST ST	9275459	1105 PINE ST NORTHWOODS RESTORATION INC 1279 300TH AVE
8720876	SCHLETT JOHN PO BOX 111	8923478	897 STATE ROAD 46 STAEBLER JON	8697818	TROSDAHL DAVID L 1776 200TH ST	9185845	2119A STATE ROAD 46	9138970	ATHLETEK SPORTS SAFETY GEAR LLC 1781 110TH ST	9057614	OSCEOLA CARE LLC 101 RIDGE RD
9260327	SCHMIDT ALLEN 130 ARLINGTON DR	9249797	897 STATE ROAD 46 STAEBLER JON	8744867	TROSDAHL DAVID L 1776 200TH ST	9010581	202 2ND AVE N APT 1 S	9122753	ATTRACT LLC 620 INDUSTRIAL PKWY	8721295	OSCEOLA MEDICAL CENTER PSA 2600 65TH AVE
9198766	SCHMIDT RYAN 818 340TH AVE	9021279	208 105TH ST STALHEIM LINDA	8917570	TROTTFETTER GARY 200 SEMINOLE AVE LOT 30	8909688	348 HARRIMAN AVE S APT 12	9122754	ATTRACT LLC 620 INDUSTRIAL PKWY	9345038	PET RELIEF LLC 225 5TH ST
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8718004	SCHROEDER TROY 2587 120TH ST	9189406	2228A 150TH AVE STEINRUECK SOPHIA	9087347	ULKU ANGELIKA 2851 COUNTY ROAD E	9143108	WILSON TIMOTHY 2605 STATE HWY 35	9086869	BEAN S COUNTRY GRIDDLE PO BOX 363	8671418	PIPE LAKE REPAIR 73 210TH AVE
8883269	SCHULER SCOTT 129 N BLANDING WOODS RD	8750991	402 COURTHOUSE AVE STEVENS HANNAH	9087347	ULKU CHRIS 2851 COUNTY ROAD E	9379513	WILSON TIMOTHY 2605 STATE HWY 35	9234253	BOBERG ARMS CORPORATION 142A BELMONT ST	8821608	RC SEAMLESS GUTTERS INC 1266 83RD AVE
9230352	SCOTT JAMES 1849 93RD AVE	8523992	352 HILLCREST DR SURA FAMILY TR UA DTD 2 12 93	9369051	VAALA MARGARET 2650 65TH AVE	9019508	WOLD DEAN 2039 85TH AVE	8920308	BRADWELL AUTO AND TRUCK REPAIR 2296 STATE HWY 35	9215133	RESTORATIONS PONY 2870 210TH ST
9434347	SHAFFER WILLIAM 119 10TH ST	8523991	352 HILLCREST DR SURA FAMILY TR UA DTD 2 12 93	9321968	VANDEBRAKE AMY 1070 145TH AVE	9429466	WOLFF ESTHER 403 2ND AVE APT 16	8863512	CROIX REGIONAL 235 E STATE ST	9150811	RX ASSURE LLC RX ASSURE LLC 402 ROCK RIDGE TRL
9305965	SHANNON TRAVIS 2185 140TH AVE	8523992	1770 65TH ST SURA GILDA	9336591	VANDERWYST JONATHAN 597 200TH AVE	9120755	WOOD RAYFORD 205 5TH AVE APT 4	9295194	CURTIS LLC PO BOX 247	8878527	SCENIC RIVER DENTAL LLC 117 N WASHINGTON ST
9063827	SHAW MAGNUSON 438 55TH ST	8523991	1770 65TH ST SURA GILDA	8656055	VELDHOUSE GREGORY 1679 65TH AVE	9120756	WOOD RAYFORD 205 5TH AVE APT 4	8756033	DIABETES FREE INC. 803 PROSPECT AVE	8626318	ST CROIX FALLS CINEMA LLC 104 CLARK RD
9484232	SHIPLEY DAVID 2636A STATE HWY 35	9278593	2744 140TH ST SUTTON JAMES	8656055	VELDHOUSE THERESA 1679 65TH AVE	9118576	WORTHINGTON THERESA PO BOX 252	9276043	GOLDEN GATE FREIGHT SYSTEMS 810 BIG LAKE CT	8775056	ST CROIX REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER 235 STATE STREET
9484232	SHIPLEY KATHERINE 2636A STATE HWY 35	9385689	309 SOUTH AVE SWANSON PATRICIA	8872498	VINCENT MICHAEL 4 CENTER VIEW PKWY	9004721	YETMAN COREY 1044 236TH ST	8750966	GRANDEMOORE HOMES 1240 KIMBALL AVE	9211858	ST CROIX VALLEY EMER MED 712 LINCOLN DR
9329257	SHORTLESS DALE EST 400 DERONDA ST	9278600	852 138TH ST SWANSON RONALD	8742140	VOSS LOIS 303 DAIRYLAND AVE	8840093	YORK SHERRI 1605 260TH AVE	9246183	HEALTHY AIR SOLUTIONS INC 2551 190TH ST	8740840	STUDIO A SALON SPA LLC PO BOX 568
8333202	SICARD MARCEL 2914 150TH ST	9008779	2136 50TH AVE SWANSON RONALD	9143411	WALBRIDGE GABRIEL 379 PETERSON DR APT 203	9283457	ZAHNOW GALE 1695 S BEAR LAKE LN	8697714	HEARTLAND EXTERIORS 1077 30TH ST	9207908	THINK INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL 500 SIMMON DR
8997351	SICARD MARCEL 2914 150TH ST	8638355	271 BARBO LAKE RD SWANSON JERRY	9330298	WEIDEMANN M JOANNE 1880 60TH AVE	8801893	ZELL CLINTON 448 STATE ROAD 35	9126145	HMR ENTERPRISES 1017 N CASCADE ST	9226763	TRUE QUALITY AUTO BODY 3206 STATE ROAD 35
9191437	SICARD MARCEL 2914 150TH ST	9021297	636 STATE ROAD 65 SWENSON JERRY	9216054	WELLE CORA 308 SOUTH AVE APT 3	8518581	ZEMKE ROBERT 126 S 3RD ST	8936974	INDIAN BAY BINGO PO BOX 492	8661826	UNITED SCIENCE CORP 931 PINE ST
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9332102	SICARD MARCEL 2914 150TH ST	9350979	SYLVESTER JOYCE 123 ARCH ST	8665907	WERY BARBRA 2637 110TH ST	8683782	ZIMMERMAN THOMAS 595 US HWY 8	9308447	MRL MANUFACTURING INC 465 GRIFFIN BLVD	8597351	VILLAGE OF FREDERIC PO BOX 567 110 OAK S
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9208407	SMITH SABRINA 379 PETERSON DR APT 103	9288594	TOLLEFSON ASHLEY 208 ALABAMA ST APT 6								
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2024 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT DATA CENTURIA WATERWORKS, PWS ID: 64903322

Este informe contiene información importante acerca de su agua potable. Haga que alguien lo traduzca para usted, o hable con alguien que lo entienda.
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Water System Information

If you would like to know more about the information contained in this report, please contact Anthony H. Weinzirl at 715-646-2300.

Opportunity For Input On Decisions Affecting Your Water Quality

If you would like to know more about the information contained in this report, please contact Anthony H. Weinzirl at 715-646-2300. Copies of this report will not be mailed, but copies are available during normal business hours at the Village Hall at 305 Wisconsin Ave. This report will also be posted on the Village of Centuria website at www.centuriavillage-wi.org. Opportunity for input on decisions affecting your water quality. The Water and Sewer Commission meets on the second Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. just prior to the regularly scheduled Village of Centuria monthly board meeting at the Village Hall in Centuria.

Health Information

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline (800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune systems disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline (800-426-4791).

Source(s) of Water

Source ID	Source	Depth (in feet)	Status
3	Groundwater	262	Active
4	Groundwater	244	Active

To obtain a summary of the source water assessment, please contact Anthony H. Weinzirl at 715-646-2300.

Educational Information

The sources of drinking water, both tap water and bottled water, include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

To order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which shall provide the same protection for public health.

Detected Contaminants

Your water was tested for many contaminants last year. We are allowed to monitor for some contaminants less frequently than once a year. The following tables list only those contaminants which were detected in your water. If a contaminant was detected last year, it will appear in the following tables without a sample date. If the contaminant was not monitored last year, but was detected within the last 5 years, it will appear in the tables below along with the sample date.

Disinfection Byproducts

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
HAA5 (ppb)	MRT-1	60	60	0	0		No	Byproduct of drinking water chlorination
TTHM (ppb)	MRT-1	80	0	1.0	1.0		No	Byproduct of drinking water chlorination

Inorganic Contaminants

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
ARSENIC (ppb)		10	n/a	1	0-1	6/14/2023	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.
BARIUM (ppm)		2	2	0.036	0.022-0.036	6/14/2023	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
FLUORIDE (ppm)		4	4	0.1	0.1	6/14/2023	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
NICKEL (ppb)		100		5.0000	1.2000-5.0000	6/14/2023	No	Nickel occurs naturally in soils, ground water and surface waters and is often used in electroplating, stainless steel and alloy products.
NITRATE (NO3-N) (ppm)		10	10	1.90	0.49-1.90		No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
SODIUM (ppm)		n/a	n/a	8.00	6.90-8.00	6/14/2023	No	n/a

Contaminant (units)	Action Level	MCLG	90th Percentile Level Found	Range	# Of Results	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
COPPER (ppm)	AL=1.3	1.3	0.1500	0.0100-0.3400	0 of 10 results were above the action level.	9/12/2023	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives.
LEAD (ppb)	AL=15	0	2.80	0.00-4.80	0 of 10 results were above the action level.	9/12/2023	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.

Definitions

Term	Definition
AL	Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
HA & HAL	HA: Health Advisory. An estimate of acceptable drinking water levels for a chemical substance based on health effects information. HAL: Health Advisory Level is a concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice. Health Advisories are determined by U.S. EPA.
HI	HI: Hazard Index: A Hazard Index is used to assess the potential health impacts associated with mixtures of contaminants. Hazard Index guidance for a class of contaminants or mixture of contaminants may be determined by the U.S. EPA or Wisconsin Department of Health Services. If a Health Index is exceeded a system may be required to post a public notice.
LEVEL 1 Assessment	A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine, if possible, why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.
LEVEL 2 Assessment	A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine, if possible, why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system, or both, on multiple occasions.
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
MCLG	Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
MFL	Million fibers per liter.
MRDL	Maximum residual disinfectant level: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
MRDLG	Maximum residual disinfectant level goal: The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
mrem/year	Millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body).
NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Units.
pCi/l	Picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity).
ppm	Parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/l).
ppb	Parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (ug/l).
ppt	Parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter.
ppq	Parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter.
PHGS	PHGS: Public Health Groundwater Standards are found in NR 140 Groundwater Quality. The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice.
RPHGS	RPHGS: Recommended Public Health Groundwater Standards: Groundwater standards proposed by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services. The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice.
SMCL	Secondary drinking water standards or Secondary Maximum Contaminant Levels for contaminants that affect taste, odor or appearance of the drinking water. The SMCLs do not represent health standards.
TCR	Total Coliform Rule.
TT	Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

PFAS Contaminants with a Recommended Health Advisory Level

Perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are a large group of human-made chemicals that have been used in industry and consumer products worldwide since the 1950s. The following table lists PFAS contaminants which were detected in your water and that have a Recommended Public Health Groundwater Standard (RPHGS) or Health Advisory Level (HAL). There are no violations for detections of contaminants that exceed the RPHGS or HAL. The RPHGS are levels at which concentrations of the contaminant present a health risk and are based on guidance provided by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services.

Note: The recommended health-based levels in the table below were in effect in 2024. These levels were revised by WDHS in 2025. They can be found here <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/water/gws.htm>.

Typical Source of Contaminant	Drinking water is one way that people can be exposed to PFAS. In Wisconsin, two thirds of people use groundwater as their drinking water source. PFAS can get in groundwater from places that make or use PFAS and release from consumer products in landfills.				
Contaminant (units)	Site	RPHGS or HAL (PPT)	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)
PFBS (ppt)		450000	0.58	0.55-0.58	6/14/2023

Radioactive Contaminants

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
RADIUM, (226 + 228) (pCi/l)		5	0	0.9	0.0-0.9	7/8/2020	No	Erosion of natural deposits
COMBINED URANIUM (ug/l)		30	0	0.8	0.4-0.8	7/8/2020	No	Erosion of natural deposits

Additional Health Information

Lead can cause serious health effects in people of all ages, especially pregnant people, infants (both formula-fed and breastfed), and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and parts used in service lines and in home plumbing. Centuria Waterworks is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes but cannot control the variety of materials used in the plumbing in your home. Because lead levels may vary over time, lead exposure is possible even when your tap sampling results do not detect lead at one point in time. You can help protect yourself and your family by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Using a filter, certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead, is effective in reducing lead exposures. Follow the instructions provided with the filter to ensure the filter is used properly. Use only cold water for drinking, cooking, and making baby formula. Boiling water does not remove lead from water. Before using tap water for drinking, cooking, or making baby formula, flush your pipes for several minutes. You can do this by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. If you have a lead service line or galvanized requiring replacement service line, you may need to flush your pipes for a longer period. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact Centuria Waterworks (Anthony H. Weinzirl at 715-646-2300). Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at <https://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Additional Information on Service Line Materials

We are required to develop an initial inventory of service lines connected to our distribution system by October 16, 2024 and to make the inventory publicly accessible. You can access the service line inventory here/by: The water service line inventory map along with the CCR are available on the Village of Centuria website, www.centuriavillage-wi.org.

LEGAL NOTICES

APPLICATION FOR LICENSE RENEWALS TOWN OF BALSAM LAKE

1494 150th Ave
Balsam Lake, WI 4810

The following have applied for retail alcohol license renewal and will be considered at the June 16, 2025, board meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Ted Hansen, Agent, 1483 Kennedy Mill Ave., Amery
Balsam Lake Rod and Gun Club, 1472 150th Street, Centuria
Class "B" Beer and "Class B" Liquor

Ronald Stager, Agent, 1766 US Hwy 8, St. Croix Falls
Deer Lake Sports, 1766 U.S. Hwy. 8, St. Croix Falls
Class "B" Beer

Ricky Glenna, Agent, 1333 120th Street, Amery
Glenna Family Farms, Inc., 1333 120th Street
Class "A" Beer & "Class A" Liquor

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(June 11, 18, 25)

STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
POLK COUNTY

Leslie Anderson, Plaintiff,
vs.

Kevin Austad, Defendant.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
Case No. 24-CV-323

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that virtue of a judgment of partition entered on March 7, 2025, in accordance with Wis. Stats. § 842.02 and Wis. Stats. § 842.17, the Sheriff will sell the described premises at public auction as follows:

TIME: July 15, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

TERMS: Pursuant to said judgment, 10% of the successful bid is due at the time of sale in cash, cashier's check or certified funds, payable to the clerk of courts (personal checks cannot and will not be accepted). The balance of the successful bid must be paid to the clerk of courts in cash, cashier's check or certified funds no later than ten days after the court's confirmation of the sale or else the 10% down payment is forfeited to the plaintiff. The property is sold "as is" and subject to all real estate taxes, special assessments, liens and encumbrances. Upon confirmation of the court, the buyer is to pay all applicable Wisconsin Real Estate Transfer Tax in addition to the purchase price.

PLACE: At the front entrance of the Polk County Justice Center, 1005 W. Main Street, Balsam Lake, WI 54810.

DESCRIPTION: A parcel of land being located in the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4 SE 1/4), Section 13, Township 35 North, Range 19 West, Town of Eureka, Polk County, Wisconsin, described as follows:

Commencing 25 1/2 rods North of the Southeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4 SE 1/4) of said Section 13, Township 35 North, Range 19 West; thence West 12 3/4 rods; thence North 12 3/4 rods; thence East 12 3/4 rods; thence South 12 3/4 rods to the place of beginning, containing one acre, more or less.

TAX KEY NO.: 020-01130-0000.
ADDRESS: 2111 State Highway 87, St. Croix Falls, Wisconsin.

Dated this 13th day of May, 2025.

Brent Waak, Polk County Sheriff
Benson Law Office, Ltd.
Attorney for Plaintiff
P.O. Box 370
Siren, WI 54872
715-349-5215

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NOTICE - TOWN OF WEST SWEDEN BOARD MEETING

The monthly meeting for the Town of West Sweden will be held on Tuesday, June 17, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. A complete agenda will be posted 24 hours prior to the meeting at the town hall and town website, townofwestsweden.com.

Phyllis Wilder, Clerk
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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Polk County Dept. of Administration is accepting applications to serve on the Aging Advisory Committee as a full-time member. To be eligible, an individual must be an elector of Polk County. To apply, please submit a letter of interest or complete an application found on the website to: Office of the County Administrator; Attn: Tammy Peterson, 100 Polk County Plaza, Suite 220; Balsam Lake, WI 54810; by June 27, 2025. Any questions, contact: Tammy Peterson, Dept. of Administration: 715-485-9212. 43225_1 45-46L WNAXLP

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE Rural Development

St. Croix Health – St. Croix Regional Medical Center: Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

AGENCY: Rural Development (RD), USDA

ACTION: Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that RD, as required by the National Environmental Policy Act, is issuing an environmental assessment (EA) in connection with possible impacts related to a project proposed by St. Croix Health, in St. Croix Falls, WI. This project seeks to construct a new regional medical center on approximately 112 acres east of St. Croix Falls in Polk County. The development would consist of a regional medical facility on existing cultivated cropland. However, the project would only disturb approximately 42-acres (project area) on the western portion of the site. St. Croix Health has applied to RD for funding of the proposal.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: To obtain copies of the EA, or for further information, contact: Scott A. Schatschneider, State Environmental Coordinator, 5417 Clem's Way, Stevens Point WI 54482, 715-899-0332, scott.schatschneider@usda.gov. The EA is also available for public review at the front desk of the St. Croix Falls City Hall, 710 Hwy. 35 South, St. Croix Falls, WI 54024.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: St. Croix Health proposes to construct a 130,000 s.f. up-to-date regional medical center. The medical center would include a clinic, emergency department with approximately 20-25 inpatient beds, labor and delivery area including four labor, delivery, recovery and postpartum rooms, imaging area, pharmacy, laboratory, surgery area and administrative offices. The project would also include stormwater ponds, landscaping, a helipad, parking spaces and drive lanes. The total footprint of the project area on the St. Croix Health site is approximately 42 acres in size and is located at the southeast corner of Hwy. 8 and 208th Street, St. Croix Falls, WI (Polk County) in Section 34 T34N R18W.

Braun Intertec, an environmental consultant, prepared an environmental assessment for RD that describes the project, assesses the proposed project's environmental impacts, and summarizes as applicable any mitigation measures used to minimize environmental effects.

RD has conducted an independent evaluation of the environmental assessment and believes that it accurately assesses the impacts of the proposed project. No significant impacts are expected as a result of the construction of the project.

Questions and comments should be sent to RD at the address provided. RD will accept questions and comments on the environmental assessment for 14 days from the date of publication of this notice.

Any final action by RD related to the proposed project will be subject to, and contingent upon, compliance with all relevant Federal environmental laws and regulations and completion of environmental review procedures as prescribed by 7 CFR Part 1970, Environmental Policies and Procedures.

A general location map of the proposal is shown below.

Dated: June 2, 2025



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Siren Police Department

Siren Police Department recorded the following incidents for the report period of June 3 to June 9: one alarm, one animal problem, three warrant/probation/arrests, one ATV accident/complaint, one drug complaint, one erratic driver, one harassment complaint, one juvenile problem, one report of property damage, one rescue, one search warrant, four suspicious persons/circumstances, one theft/shoplift, 13 traffic stops and two welfare/abuse/neglect checks.

APPLICATION FOR LICENSE

Notice of Application for Retail Class B License to sell intoxicating liquors and malt beverages. To the town board, Town of Clam Falls, Polk County, Wisconsin, the undersigned:

Reynaldo Gallardo of Gforce Investments, LLC. d.b.a. Sundown Saloon 3508 Highway 35 Frederic, WI 54837

Hereby makes application for Class B Malt Beverages and Intoxicating Liquor License to be used from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026, at the place of business located at 3508 Highway 35, Lewis, Polk County, Wisconsin.

Dated May 28, 2025
Jane Schmidt
Town Clerk
Town of Clam Falls

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(June 4, 11, 18)

STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
POLK COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF VIVIAN V. BRABY

Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No. 25 PR 46

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

- An application for informal administration was filed.
- The decedent, with date of birth September 26, 1939, and date of death January 18, 2025, was domiciled in Polk County, State of WI, with a mailing address of 545 US Highway 8, Amery, WI 54001.
- All interested persons waived notice.
- The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is September 12, 2025.
- A claim may be filed at the Polk County Courthouse, 100 Polk County Plaza, Balsam Lake, Wisconsin 54810, Room 500.
Date Signed: May 29, 2025.

Cheryl Winberg
Probate Registrar

Ryan M. Benson,
Benson Law Office, Ltd.
P.O. Box 370
Siren, WI 54872
715-349-5215
Bar No.: 1036463

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APPLICATION FOR LICENSE

Notice of Application for Retail Class B License to sell intoxicating liquors and malt beverages: To the town board, Town of Clam Falls, Polk County, Wisconsin, the undersigned:

Lewis Bar
Dennis Olson, Agent
3474 115th St.
Lewis, WI 54837

Hereby makes application for Class B Malt Beverages and Intoxicating Liquor License to be used from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026, at the place of business located at 3474 115th St., Lewis, Polk County, Wisconsin.

Dated May 28, 2025
Jane Schmidt, Clerk
Town of Clam Falls

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(May 28, June 4, 11)

STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
POLK COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DOROTHY C. DAHL

DOD: March 13, 2025

Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No. 25 PR 50

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

- An application for informal administration was filed.
- The decedent, with date of birth April 2, 1944, and date of death March 13, 2025, was domiciled in Polk County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 1316 N. Shore Drive, Luck, WI 54853.
- All interested persons waived notice.
- The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is September 5, 2025.
- A claim may be filed at the Polk County Courthouse, Balsam Lake, Wisconsin, Room 500.
Date Signed: May 22, 2025.

Cheryl Winberg
Probate Registrar

Brian D. Byrnes
Byrnes Law Office, LLC
123 Keller Avenue North
Amery, WI 54001
715-268-5000

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OFFICIAL NOTICE ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS POLK COUNTY LAND AND WATER RESOURCES DEPT.

NOTICE is hereby given by the Polk County Land and Water Resources Department, Polk County, Wisconsin, that it will receive sealed bids for the purpose of supplying equipment, materials, and services for the construction of a Prescribed Grazing System (NRCS 528).

Bid acceptance will begin on June 4, 2025. All bids will be received for the project until 3:00 p.m. local time on June 19, 2025, at the Polk County Land and Water Resources Department, 100 Polk County Plaza-Suite 120, Balsam Lake, WI 54810.

Bids will be opened at the Polk County Land and Water Resources Office in Room 120, on June 19, 2025, at 3:00 p.m. Bids must be sealed and date stamped by the soliciting purchasing agent on or before the date that the bid is due. Bids date stamped in another office will be rejected. If bids are mailed, it's very important to indicate on the exterior of the envelope that you are sending a sealed bid. Please indicate clearly on the outside of the sealed bid which project the bid is for.

Estimates of material quantities, installation specifications, and site showing information can be obtained by contacting Karsten Petersen by office phone at (715) 485-8638, cell phone at (715) 768-9526, or by email at karsten.petersen@polkcountywisc.gov.

The Polk County Land and Water Resources Department reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any technicality in any bid submitted.

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LEGAL NOTICES

Births

Born at Osceola Medical Center:

A girl, Scottie Sue Schettle, born June 7, 2025, to Allison and Adam Schettle, of Dresser. Scottie weighed 8 lbs. 15 oz.



2024 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT DATA ST. CROIX FALLS WATERWORKS, PWS ID: 64903432

Este informe contiene información importante acerca de su agua potable. Haga que alguien lo traduzca para usted, o hable con alguien que lo entienda.

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Water System Information

If you would like to know more about the information contained in this report, please contact Matt Larson at 715-483-1245.

Opportunity For Input On Decisions Affecting Your Water Quality

City Council meets on the second and last Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 710 Hwy. 35, St. Croix Falls, WI 54024.

Health Information

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline (800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune systems disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline (800-426-4791).

Source(s) of Water

Source ID	Source	Depth (in feet)	Status
3	Groundwater	220	Inactive as of 05/05/20
7	Groundwater	171	Active
9	Groundwater	275	Active
10	Groundwater		Active
11	Groundwater		Active

To obtain a summary of the source water assessment, please contact Matt Larson at 715-483-1245.

Educational Information

The sources of drinking water, both tap water and bottled water, include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production & mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which shall provide the same protection for public health.

Detected Contaminants

Your water was tested for many contaminants last year. We are allowed to monitor for some contaminants less frequently than once a year. The following tables list only those contaminants which were detected in your water. If a contaminant was detected last year, it will appear in the following tables without a sample date. If the contaminant was not monitored last year, but was detected within the last 5 years, it will appear in the tables below along with the sample date.

Disinfection Byproducts

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
HAA5 (ppb)	3 THHM HAA	60	60	1	1		No	Byproduct of drinking water chlorination.
TTHM (ppb)	3 THHM HAA	80	0	11.1	11.1		No	Byproduct of drinking water chlorination.

Inorganic Contaminants

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
BARIUM (ppm)		2	2	0.019	0.004-0.019	9/6/2023	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
CHROMIUM (ppb)		100	100	2	1-2	9/6/2023	No	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits.
FLUORIDE (ppm)		4	4	0.1	0.1-0.1	9/6/2023	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
NITRATE (NO3-N) (ppm)		10	10	3.20	1.20-3.20		No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
SODIUM (ppm)		n/a	n/a	12.00	3.8-12.00	9/6/2023	No	n/a

Contaminant (units)	Action Level	MCLG	90th Percentile Level Found	Range	# Of Results	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
COPPER (ppm)	AL=1.3	1.3	0.2600	0.0360-0.2800	0 of 10 results were above the action level.	9/12/2023	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives.
LEAD (ppb)	AL=15	0	4.70	0.26-26.00	1 of 10 results were above the action level.	9/12/2023	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.

Other Compliance

Lead Consumer Notice

During the year, we failed to provide lead results to persons served at the sites that were tested as required by the Lead and Copper Rule.

Uncorrected Significant Deficiencies

Deficiency Description & Progress to Date	Date System Notified	Scheduled Correction Date
Past inspection deficiencies have not been corrected as required.	4/30/2025	10/27/2025

Actions Taken

PW will continue to monitor.

Definitions

Term	Definition
AL	Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
HA & HAL	HA: Health Advisory. An estimate of acceptable drinking water levels for a chemical substance based on health effects information. HAL: Health Advisory Level is a concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice. Health Advisories are determined by U.S. EPA.
HI	HI: Hazard Index: A Hazard Index is used to assess the potential health impacts associated with mixtures of contaminants. Hazard Index guidance for a class of contaminants or mixture of contaminants may be determined by the U.S. EPA or Wisconsin Department of Health Services. If a Health Index is exceeded a system may be required to post a public notice.
LEVEL 1 Assessment	A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine, if possible, why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.
LEVEL 2 Assessment	A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine, if possible, why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system, or both, on multiple occasions.
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
MCLG	Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
MFL	Million fibers per liter.
MRDL	Maximum residual disinfectant level: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
MRDLG	Maximum residual disinfectant level goal: The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
mrem/year	Millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body).
NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Units.
pCi/l	Picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity).
ppm	Parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/l).
ppb	Parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (ug/l).
ppt	Parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter.
ppq	Parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter.
PHGS	PHGS: Public Health Groundwater Standards are found in NR 140 Groundwater Quality. The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice.
RPHGS	RPHGS: Recommended Public Health Groundwater Standards: Groundwater standards proposed by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services. The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice.
SMCL	Secondary drinking water standards or Secondary Maximum Contaminant Levels for contaminants that affect taste, odor or appearance of the drinking water. The SMCLs do not represent health standards.
TCR	Total Coliform Rule.
TT	Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

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PFBS (ppt)		450000	1.40	0.33-1.40	5/23/2023
PFHXS (ppt)		40	6.80	0.47-6.80	5/23/2023
PFOS (ppt)		20	0.39	0.00-0.39	5/23/2023
PFHXA (ppt)		150000	7.50	0.00-7.50	5/23/2023
PFOA AND PFOS TOTAL (ppt)		20	0.39	0.00-0.39	5/23/2023

Radioactive Contaminants

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
GROSS ALPHA, EXCL. R & U (pCi/l)		15	0	1.8	0.0-1.8	9/9/2020	No	Erosion of natural deposits
COMBINED URANIUM (ug/l)		30	0	0.5	0.3-0.5	9/9/2020	No	Erosion of natural deposits

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LEGAL NOTICES

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(June 11, 18, 25)
 STATE OF WISCONSIN
 CIRCUIT COURT
 POLK COUNTY
 IN THE MATTER OF THE
 ESTATE OF
 Marilyn G. Lacy
 d.o.d. October 23, 2024
 Notice Setting Time to Hear
 Application and Deadline for
 Filing Claims
 (Informal Administration)
 Case No. 25 PR 54

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth September 6, 1949, and date of death October 23, 2024 was domiciled in Polk County, State of WI, with a mailing address of 1618 168th Avenue, Centuria, Wisconsin 54824.
3. The application will be heard at the Polk County Courthouse, 1005 West Main Street, Balsam Lake, Wisconsin, Room 500, before Cheryl L. Winberg, Probate Registrar, on July 11, 2025 at 9:30 a.m.

You do not need to appear unless you object. The application may be granted if there is no objection.

4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is September 19, 2025.

5. A claim may be filed at the Polk County Courthouse, Balsam Lake, WI, Room 500.

6. This publication is notice to any persons whose names or address are unknown.

The names or addresses of the following interested persons (if any) are not known or reasonably ascertainable: Todd Lacy, Lucas Lacy and Jason Lacy.
 Date Signed: June 4, 2025.

Cheryl Winberg
 Probate Registrar
 Priscilla R. Dorn Cutler
 P.O. Box 835
 Osceola, WI 54020
 715-755-3161
 No. 1001618



EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY

All real estate advertising in this newspaper is subject to the Fair Housing Act which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin, or an intention to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination." Familial status includes children under the age of 18 living with parents or legal custodians; pregnant women and people securing custody of children under 18.

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(May 28, June 4, 11)
 STATE OF WISCONSIN
 CIRCUIT COURT
 POLK COUNTY
 IN THE MATTER OF THE
 ESTATE OF
 DYLAN T. SCHWERDTFEGER
 DOD: 05/05/2025

Notice to Creditors
 (Informal Administration)
 Case No. 25 PR 51

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth March 9, 2002, and date of death May 5, 2025, was domiciled in Polk County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 1329 U.S. Hwy. 8, Balsam Lake, WI 54001.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is September 5, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Polk County Courthouse, Balsam Lake, WI, Room 500.

DATE SIGNED: May 22, 2025
 AUTUMN L.N. LINDQUIST
 600 Third Street
 Hudson, WI 54016
 715-381-8270
 Bar No.: 1038383

(May 28, June 4, 11)
JOHNSON LEGAL SERVICES LLC; 5 in; 42893_1

(Informal Administration)
 Case No. 2024PR118

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth January 8, 1940, and date of death October 15, 2024, was domiciled in Polk County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 1913 180th St., Centuria, WI 54824.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is August 13, 2025.
5. A claim may be filed at the Polk County Courthouse, Balsam Lake, Wisconsin, Room 500.

Date Signed: May 21, 2025.
 Jeffery L. Anderson
 Circuit Court Judge

Peter M. Johnson, Attorney
 P.O. Box 487
 Milltown, WI 54858
 715-280-9700
 Bar No.: 1125147

(May 28, June 4, 11)
 STATE OF WISCONSIN
 CIRCUIT COURT
 POLK COUNTY
 Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a
 Quicken Loans f/k/a Quicken
 Loans Inc.

Plaintiff,
 v.
 Allison Pierce
 Defendant.

Case No. 2024CV000207

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of a judgment of foreclosure made in the above-entitled action on March 17, 2025, in the amount of \$109,088.77, I will sell at public auction, located in the front lobby of the Polk County Justice Center, 1005 W. Main Street, Balsam Lake, WI 54810, on June 24, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., all of the following described premises, to wit:
 Lot 2, Block 8, Original plat of the City of Amery, Polk County, Wisconsin.

STREET ADDRESS: 204
 Harriman Avenue S, Amery, WI
 54001-1236.

TAX KEY NO.: 201-00419-0000.

The property will be sold as is and subject to any and all real estate taxes, superior liens or other legal encumbrances.

TERMS OF SALE: Cash, cashier's check or certified funds, payable to the Clerk of Courts (10% down payment at sale, balance due within ten (10) days of Court approval; down payment to be forfeited if payment not received timely). Buyer must comply with minimum bidder qualifications as set forth in Wis. Stat. §846.155. Buyer to pay applicable Wisconsin Real Estate Transfer Tax in addition to the purchase price.

Brent Waak
 Sheriff of Polk County, Wisconsin
 Codilis, Moody & Circelli, P.C.
 Attorneys for Plaintiff
 414-775-7700
 50-24-00793

NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector.
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Webster Police Department

Webster Police Department recorded the following incidents for the report period of June 3 to June 9: one motor vehicle accident with property damage, two animal problems, seven background checks, one juvenile problem at school, one lost property report, one medical emergency, one suspicious person or circumstance, two traffic stops and one welfare/abuse/neglect check.

CITY OF ST. CROIX FALLS LIQUOR LICENSE NOTICE

Applications for liquor licenses have been received from the following businesses for the City of St. Croix Falls Common Council:

- Combination Class A Liquor and Class A Beer, off premises: Indianhead Oil, Circle K #2746192, Ricky Wiemer, agent, 202 S. Washington.
- Indianhead Oil, Circle K #2746419, Nicole Bowen, agent, 2091 Glacier Dr.
- Coborn's Marketplace Foods, Bailey Johnson, agent, 2191 U.S. Hwy. 8 (expanded to include parking lot).
- Walmart Stores East LP #2421, Stephani Henson, agent, 2212 Glacier Dr. (expanded to include parking lot).
- Kwik Trip 1137, Matthew Dear, agent, 2072 U.S. Highway 8.

Class B Beer, on & off premises:
 Sir Smoke A Lot BBQ LLC, Brian Anderson, agent, 510 S. Washington St.

Cross Country Associates, ZaZa's Brickfire Pizza & Kickin' Chicken, Jordan Cross, agent, 2071 Glacier Dr., Ste. 10.
 The Wilder, Inc., Be Wild Burgers, Kathy Lundmark, agent, 406 S. Washington St.

C'est Bon Mi, SC, Larry Tran, agent, 136 N. Washington St.

Class B Beer and Class C Wine, on & off premises:
 St. Croix Pickleball/St. Croix Racquet Club, David Libertini, agent, 1330 220th Street.

WHAT Art School, Elizabeth West, agent, 101 N. Washington St.

Combination Class B Liquor and Class B Beer, on & off premises:

- American Legion Post 143, Duane C. Chinander, agent, 807 Pine Street.
- Dalles House Restaurant & Lounge LLC, Sonya Fry, agent, 720 Hwy. 35 South.
- Nezben Inc., Loggers Bar & Grill, Dave Kremer, agent, 2071 Glacier Dr.
- S & T Crystal Tavern, Shawn Libersky, agent, 130 N. Washington St.
- St. Croix Tavern, Sandra D. Cross, agent, 110 S. Washington St.
- St. Croix Festival Theater, Sara Fielding, agent, 125 N. Washington St.
- 210 Civic LLC, The Historic Auditorium, Richard Vezina, agent, 210 N. Washington St.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for the Polk County Public Works Division, Atlas Feed Mill Dam Repair project will be accepted through Quest vBid electronic bid service or by submitting a paper copy at the office of Cedar Corporation, 2919 Schneider Avenue SE, Menomonie, WI 54751 by 2:00 p.m., local time, on June 19, 2025; and then publicly opened and read aloud via a Teams meeting.

The work, in general, will include: Concrete surface repair, training wall repair, inlet wing wall repair, temporary sheet pile, dewatering, salvage rail and reinstall, erosion control, and all incidental items necessary to complete the work as shown on the plans and specifications.

A pre-bid conference for the Project will be held on June 10, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.; meet at the Atlas County Park. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is encouraged but not required. Be advised that CTH B is currently under construction from STH 35 to CTH Z.

The proposals shall be submitted on the forms furnished with the specifications. Each proposal shall be accompanied by a certified check payable to the owner equal to five percent (5%) of the proposal or a bid bond of a bonding company duly authorized to do business in the State of Wisconsin in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the proposal. This proposal guarantee shall be subject to forfeiture as provided by law. When submitting an electronic bid, Bidder is required to deliver the original certified check or bid bond within 72 hours of bid opening to Cedar Corporation.

For this project, bids will be received and accepted via the online electronic bid service through QuestCDN vBid online bidding, or by sealed paper copy. Complete digital project bidding documents can be downloaded at www.cedarcorp.com or www.questcdn.com. Reference QuestCDN project number 9708298 for a nonrefundable charge of \$50. Contact QuestCDN Customer Support at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in membership registration, downloading digital project information, and vBid online bid submittal. Project bid documents must be downloaded from QuestCDN which will add your company to the Planholder List and allow access to vBid online bidding for the submittal of your bid. The QuestCDN website will be updated periodically with addenda, lists of registered plan holders, reports, and other information relevant to submitting a Bid for the Project. All official notifications, addenda, and other Bidding Documents will be offered only through the designated website. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the designated website.

This project is funded in part by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Municipal Dam Grant Program. Neither the State of Wisconsin nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees is or will be party to this invitation for bids or any resulting contract.

Proposals shall not be withdrawn for a period of 60 days after the date of opening. The Polk County Parks Department reserves the right to reject any or all of the proposals and to waive any informalities therein.

By Authority of: Rod Polk, Public Works Division Director

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(June 11, 18, 25)
 STATE OF WISCONSIN
 CIRCUIT COURT
 POLK COUNTY

Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, not in its individual capacity but solely as Certificate Trustee of Bosco Credit II Trust Series 2010-1

Plaintiff,
 vs.
 Donald Istel Jr., Lorry Istel, United States of America Internal Revenue Service, Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC, PYOD LLC, Midland Credit Management, INC, Midland Credit Management, Inc, JH Portfolio Debt Equities LLC, TD Bank USA, N.A. and DNF Associates, LLC
 Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
 Case No. 23-CV-000332

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure entered on April 8, 2024, in the amount of \$34,108.72 the Sheriff will sell the described premises at public auction as follows:

TIME: July 15, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

TERMS: Pursuant to said judgment, 10% of the successful bid must be paid to the sheriff at the sale in cash, cashier's check or certified funds, payable to the clerk of courts (personal checks cannot and will not be accepted). The balance of the successful bid must be paid to the clerk of courts in cash, cashier's check or certified funds no later than ten days after the court's confirmation of the sale or else the 10% down payment is forfeited to the plaintiff. The property is sold 'as is' and subject to all liens and encumbrances.

PLACE: Front entrance of the Polk County Justice Center, 1005 W. Main Street, Suite 900, Balsam Lake, WI 54810.

DESCRIPTION: Lot 1 of Certified Survey Map No. 3407 recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Polk County, Wisconsin, on June 28, 2001 in Volume 15 of Certified Survey Maps, at Page 174, as Document No. 615050, being a re-division of part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast (NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4) of Section Thirty-six (36), Township Thirty-two (32) North, Range Sixteen (16) West, Town of Black Brook, Polk County, Wisconsin.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 49 US Highway 63, Clear Lake, WI 54005-3910.

THAT UPON INFORMATION AND BELIEF, THE MORTGAGE HELD BY THE PLAINTIFF IS A JUNIOR AND SUBORDINATE MORTGAGE AGAINST THE PREMISES AND THE PLAINTIFF MAKES NO REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES REGARDING THE PRIORITY OF ITS MORTGAGE
 DATED: May 1, 2025.

Gray & Associates, L.L.P.
 Attorneys for Plaintiff
 16345 West Glendale Drive
 New Berlin, WI 53151-2841
 414-224-8404

Please go to www.gray-law.com to obtain the bid for this sale.

Gray & Associates, L.L.P. is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If you have previously received a discharge in a chapter 7 bankruptcy case, this communication should not be construed as an attempt to hold you personally liable for the debt.

(June 11, 18, 25)
 STATE OF WISCONSIN
 CIRCUIT COURT
 POLK COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE
 NAME CHANGE OF
 Blakeley Marie Sculley

By (Petitioner):
 Sarah Marie Lynch

By (Co-Petitioner):
 Jacob Charles Lynch

Notice of
 Name Change Hearing
 Case No. 25CV151

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
 A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:

From: Blakeley Marie Sculley
 To: Blakeley Marie Lynch
 Birth Certificate:
 Blakeley Marie Sculley

IT IS ORDERED:
 This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Polk County, State of Wisconsin: Jeffery Anderson, 1005 West Main St., Branch 2, Balsam Lake, WI 54810, July 18, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-485-9299, prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

NOTICE TO NEWSPAPER AND PETITIONER:

Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Inter-County Cooperative Publishing Association.

By the Court:
 Sharon Jorgenson
 Clerk of the Circuit Court
 June 5, 2025

(June 11, 18, 25)
 STATE OF WISCONSIN
 CIRCUIT COURT
 POLK COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE
 NAME CHANGE OF
 Jayce McCoy Sculley

By (Petitioner):
 Sarah Marie Lynch

By (Co-Petitioner):
 Jacob Charles Lynch

Notice of
 Name Change Hearing
 Case No. 25CV150

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
 A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:

From: Jayce McCoy Sculley
 To: Jayce McCoy Lynch
 Birth Certificate:
 Jayce McCoy Sculley

IT IS ORDERED:
 This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Polk County, State of Wisconsin: Jeffery Anderson, 1005 West Main St., Branch 2, Balsam Lake, WI 54810, July 18, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

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By the Court:
 Sharon Jorgenson
 Clerk of the Circuit Court
 June 5, 2025

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LEGAL NOTICES

Burnett County bookings

Burnett County Sheriff's Department booked the following people the week of June 3 to June 9:

- Deserae D. Thayer**, 29, probation violation.
- Bryce W. Duncan**, 30, disorderly conduct.
- Nicholas J. Bremer**, 42, probation violation.
- Mark W. Higgins**, 34, OWI, operating while revoked.
- Brandon E. Kohls**, 43, probation violation, possession of methamphetamine.
- Justin L. Starkey**, 34, writ from DOC/Prison.
- Shelby S. O'Brien**, 29, warrant offense.
- Bradley M. Belisle**, 47, possession of methamphetamine, possession of THC, possession of drug paraphernalia.
- Adam J. McAbee**, 45, contempt of court - punitive sanction.
- Kyle D. Rufsholm**, 37, maintain drug traffic place, possession of methamphetamine, possession of THC, possession of drug paraphernalia.
- Vada M. Moody**, 32, OWI, felony bail jumping, misdemeanor bail jumping.
- Charles J. Cadotte Jr.**, 47, possession of drug paraphernalia, misdemeanor bail jumping, possession of THC.
- Jeremy J. Peterson**, 39, possession of THC, possession of drug paraphernalia.
- Brandon R. Chapman**, 28, possession of methamphetamine, probation violation.
- Maurice P. Hernandez**, 34, misdemeanor bail jumping, violating temporary restraining order, disorderly conduct, domestic abuse enhancer.
- Kevin C. Salmela**, 32, possession of drug paraphernalia, operating vehicle with controlled substance.

Burnett County Circuit Court

Burnett County Circuit Court criminal and traffic dispositions recorded the following charges for the report date of June 10:

- David L. Edaburn Jr.**, 37, Grantsburg, first-degree intentional homicide, \$556, state prison, firearms/weapons restriction, other sentence.
- Justin A. Miller**, 39, Webster, refuse to take test for intoxication after arrest, DOT license revoked one year, ignition interlock device, alcohol assessment.
- Kelly K. Newbauer**, 54, Minneapolis, Minn., possession of THC, \$330.50.
- Grace A. Paulson**, 66, Trego, exceeding speed zones, \$175.30.
- Justin L. Starkey**, 34, Amery, prisoner throw/expel bodily substances, \$250, state prison, extended supervision; battery or threat to judge, prosecutor, or law enforcement officer, \$10,503.78, state prison, extended supervision.

Burnett County Dispatch

Burnett County Dispatch recorded the following incidents for the report period of June 3 to June 9: eight 911 hang-ups, one motor vehicle accident involving deer, three motor vehicle accidents with property damage, one motor vehicle accident with personal injury, nine alarms, 10 animal problems, two warrant/probation/arrests, one assault, 10 agency assists, three citizen assists, three ATV accidents/complaints, two boat accidents/complaints, seven civil/paper/court orders, one disabled vehicle, five disturbances, two drug complaints, seven erratic drivers, one structure/vehicle fire, three reports of fraud, four harassment complaints, two juvenile problems, two litter/pollution incidents, three lost property reports, six medical emergencies, one missing person, two noise complaints, two ordinance violations, nine paper service/writs, five property damage reports, one rescue, two search warrants, one sexual assault, 17 suspicious people/circumstances, seven theft/shoplifts, 19 traffic stops, five prisoner transports, three trespassing incidents and nine welfare/abuse/neglect checks.

Burnett County warrants

Burnett County Circuit Court issued the following warrants for the report date of June 9:

- Failure to appear:**
Jonathon C. Oiyotte, 46.

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APPLICATION FOR LICENSE

Notice of Application for retail Class B License to sell intoxicating liquors and malt beverages: To the town board, Town of Clam Falls, Polk County, Wisconsin. The undersigned:

Craig & Julie Bushweiler
Rippin Lips Bar and Grill
647 335th Avenue
Frederic, WI 54837

Hereby makes application for Class B Malt Beverages and Intoxicating Liquor License to be used from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026, at the place of business located at 647 335th Ave./Co. Rd. I, Clam Falls, Wisconsin 54837, Polk County, Wisconsin.

Dated May 28, 2025
Jane Schmidt, Clerk
Town of Clam Falls WNAJLP

APPLICATION FOR LICENSE

Notice of Application for retail Class B License to sell intoxicating liquors and malt beverages: To the town board, Town of Clam Falls, Polk County, Wisconsin. The undersigned:

Joseph & Angela Hagert
The Border
1161 Main Avenue
Frederic (Lewis), WI 54837

Hereby makes application for Class B Malt Beverages and Intoxicating Liquor License to be used from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026, at the place of business located at 1161 Main Avenue, Lewis, Polk County, Wisconsin.

Dated May 28, 2025
Jane Schmidt, Clerk
Town of Clam Falls
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Polk County bookings

Polk County Sheriff's Department booked the following people the week of June 3 to June 9:

- Eugene T. Roatch**, possession of methamphetamine.
- Tiffany M. Jerry**, possession of methamphetamine.
- Joshua D. Swanson**, disorderly conduct.
- Israel N. Muzquiz**, possession of methamphetamine.
- Tiffany F. Gregg**, OWI.
- Kelsey M. Back**, OWI.
- Candida A. Taylor**, warrant on failure to appear.
- Adrian N. Berrard**, felony bail jumping.

- Jennifer M. Hicks**, theft/possession of stolen property.
- Logan J. Hovick**, OWI.
- James A. Connor**, failure to pay.
- Nicholas L. Damsgard**, felony bail jumping.
- Elaine M. Wegscheid**, possession of methamphetamine.
- Jeffery B. Carlson**, OWI.
- Emily T.J. Shields**, probation hold.
- Leroy T. Parmeter**, possession of methamphetamine.
- Mark A. Holden**, OWI.
- Kevin F. Patton**, possession of methamphetamine.

- Scott M. Blahowski**, possession of methamphetamine.
- Brandon J. Major**, OWI.
- Joey D. Hagen**, probation hold.
- Calvin J. Ringing Shield Jr.**, felony bail jumping.
- Leigha M. Vansickle**, probation hold.
- Ronda R. Stewart**, probation hold.
- Jordan A. Schirmer**, warrant on failure to appear.
- Troy L. Cummings**, writ of habeas corpus.
- Rodney T. Lowe**, probation hold.
- Darren R. Olson**, writ of habeas corpus.
- John G. Moon**, probation hold.

CITY OF ST. CROIX FALLS - MINUTES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL MEETING JUNE 2, 2025, 7:00 P.M., IN PERSON AND VIA ZOOM CITY HALL, 710 HWY. 35, ST. CROIX FALLS, WI

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kirk Anderson called a regular meeting of the City of St. Croix Falls Common Council to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 2, 2025 at City Hall in person and via Zoom, pursuant to due notice. Roll call: Councilpersons Craig Lien, Shannon Donaghue, Dan Campbell, and Jeff Larcom were present in person. Also present in person: Administrator Ryan Heise and Clerk Sarah Jensen. All joined in the salute to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Lien moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of May 12, 2025, second by Donaghue, voice vote, all voted aye, motion passed.

REPORTS

Public Works Director Matt Larson was present via Zoom. Council reviewed PW Reports from March and April. In March, the full crew attended the annual MSHA safety refresher and Larson and Bryant attended the WRWA Annual Conference in Green Bay. Trees were cut in the ROW on Maple Drive, they prepped Block 39 for the parking lot, and worked with MSA and the DNR on switching to biannual dump monitoring. In April, they opened the Lions Park and Overlook restrooms for the season, prepared mowing equipment, cleaned and put away snow plowing equipment, and worked with the auditors on year-end items.

Library Director Su Leslie was present for the Library Report. Summer programming is kicking off at the SCF Elementary School in partnership with the Dresser Library on Monday afternoons. There will also be summer events on Saturdays beginning June 14. Preschool Story Time will continue on Wednesday mornings. Mini canvasses are available for patrons to paint and contribute to the library for an art show. They are participating in the MORE Passport program again to visit as many libraries as possible within the system. The Farmers Market has been successful so far this season.

Administrator Heise shared an Administration Update. A cyber security grant was submitted last week. The transition to working with Bitworks for IT services is going well. City audit work has commenced for 2024, with anticipated audit report to be delivered in July.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

General Fund: \$62,474.04, Library Fund: \$9,268.06, TIF District: \$3,500.00; Capital Projects Funds: \$350.00, Water Fund: \$7,117.99, Sewer Fund: \$5,889.30, Sewer Replacement Fund: \$8,197.00, Room Tax Committee Checking: \$3,850.00

Lien moved to approve claims, second by Larcom, roll call vote, Lien, Larcom, Campbell, and Donaghue voted aye, motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Consider Approval of Hazard Mitigation Plan

Lisa McMahon, Coordinator for Polk County Emergency Management, was present to share information regarding hazard mitigation planning in Polk County. The goal is to develop a set of actions designed to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people, businesses, infrastructure, and property from hazards and their effects. Polk County has updated and prepared the Polk County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan, 2025-30 to assess the magnitude of hazard risks and develop strategies for reducing and minimizing these risks. The plan meets the requirements of the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 and the applicable Code of Federal Regulations. The plan will also meet the prerequisite requirements that enable the City to apply for FEMA grants. Council reviewed Resolution 25-1 Approving an All Hazard Mitigation Plan for the City of Saint Croix Falls.

Lien moved to adopt Resolution 25-1 as written, providing an all hazard mitigation plan for the City, second by Donaghue, voice vote, all voted aye, motion carried.

Consider Conditional Use Permit to Convert a Single-family Home into a Duplex at 327 S. Adams Street

The City received an application from the owner of 327 S. Adams Street, Andrew Hegge, for a conditional use permit to convert his single-family home into an up/down duplex. The property is located in an R-1 Single-Family Residential District. The R-1 District generally permits single-family residences, but under the City's zoning ordinance, two-family dwellings may be permitted as a conditional use subject to review and approval by the Plan Commission and City Council. The applicant plans to live on the lower level and rent the upper level. A public hearing was held during the Plan Commission meeting on May 19, 2025. The Plan Commission recommended the approval of the CUP to convert the single-family home into a duplex and recommended that if the property ever sells, the new owner would need to reapply for a CUP, along with noting that all building permit and driveway permit requirements must be followed. It was noted that there is limited parking on Adams Street. Hegge shared that his intention is to have ample parking on his property, not utilizing street parking.

Lien moved to approve the CUP request from Andrew Hegge to convert his single-family home into a duplex at 327 S. Adams Street, second by Donaghue, voice vote, all voted aye, motion carried.

ried.

Consider Event Permit Application for Wannigan Days Street Closure for St. Croix Tavern

Sandy Cross with Saint Croix Tavern submitted an event permit application to close the portion of State Street from Washington Street to Adams Street during Wannigan Days on July 18 and 19 from 6:00 p.m to 2:30 a.m.

Donaghue moved to approve the event permit application for Wannigan Days street closure for Saint Croix Tavern, second by Lien, voice vote, all voted aye, motion carried.

Consider Appointment of Pam Stratmoen and Resignation of Debra Kravig on Plan Commission

Plan Commissioners Pam Stratmoen and Debra Kravig both have terms expiring. Commissioner Stratmoen has indicated she would like to continue serving and the Plan Commission recommended her re-appointment at their May 19 meeting. The new term would run from 2025-28. Commissioner Kravig stated she will not serve another term. The Plan Commission recommended that Council accept her resignation and thanked her for her service.

Campbell moved to approve the re-appointment of Pam Stratmoen to the Plan Commission with a term expiring in 2028 and accept the resignation of Debra Kravig, second by Larcom, voice vote, all voted aye, motion carried.

Consider Ordinance to Amend Membership of PAT Commission to Include 10th Ex Officio Member

At the request of former Councilman Warren White, the PAT Commission considered a proposal to expand its membership by adding one additional member. The current code defines the Commission as comprising nine members. During its April 10, 2025 meeting, the Commission deliberated on whether an additional member was necessary. The Commission approved the following motion for consideration by the Council: "Dave moved to ask the Council to amend the ordinance to appoint a 10th member – an at-large, ex officio member – to the Commission. Paul seconded the motion. Motion carried."

Lien moved to deny the request to amend the ordinance to appoint a 10th ex officio member to the PAT Commission, second by Donaghue, voice vote, all voted aye, motion carried.

Consider Bi-Annual Landfill Inspections from MSA

In August 2024, Council approved MSA task order #17 to do a Landfill Plan Modification to ask the DNR to allow us to switch to bi-annual monitoring of the groundwater around the landfill. During their review, the DNR noted the pile of dirt and determined it is a violation of the closure agreement from the early 1990's. In order for the DNR to approve the request for bi-annual monitoring, the dirt must be moved. The proposed solution is to move the dirt to the North end of the site. This has become Landfill Plan Modification MSA task order #18.

Lien moved to authorize staff to approve task order #18 from MSA Professional Services to work on Landfill Plan Modification for the amount of \$8,000, second by Donaghue, roll call vote, all voted aye, motion carried.

Consider Reopening of Line of Credit with First National Bank

Although the City recently completed \$1.9 million borrowing, timing mismatches between revenues and expenditures continue to present cash flow constraints. The City is actively working with Ehlers Financial Advisors and auditors CLA to address these issues. Staff recommends the reopening of a \$500,000 line of credit with First National Bank to support short-term cash flow management and cover upfront engineering and consulting expenses tied to the development of the City's Capital Improvement Plan.

Donaghue moved to authorize the reopening of a \$500,000 line of credit with First National Bank at current interest rate, unless the interest rate is lower with a three- or five-year loan, with interest charged only on utilized funds, second by Lien, roll call vote, Donaghue, Lien, Campbell, and Larcom voted aye, motion carried.

Consider Appointments to Committees, Boards and Commissions

None

Consider Entering Closed Session pursuant to State Statute 19.85(10)(e) relating to bargaining and the use of public funds related to 101 and 103 North Washington Street

Lien moved to enter Closed Session pursuant to State Statute 19.85(10)(e) relating to bargaining and the use of public funds related to 101 and 103 North Washington Street, second by Donaghue, roll call vote, Lien, Donaghue, Campbell, and Larcom voted aye, motion carried.

Convene in Open Session

Lien moved to reconvene in open session, second by Larcom, voice vote, all voted aye, motion carried.

Action from Closed Session, if Any

Discussion only. 43316_1 45L WNAJLP

ADJOURNMENT

Lien moved to adjourn, second by Donaghue, voice vote, all voted aye, motion passed at 9:07 p.m.

Kirk Anderson, Mayor

Sarah Jensen, City Clerk

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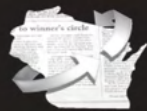
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NORTHERN CURRENTS

Stories from the Northwest Wisconsin Community

Fur trade history comes alive at Interstate Park

By Sarah Beth Radomsky | Reporter, with information from Greg Seitz
ST. CROIX FALLS – On June 7 Interstate Park transformed into an 18th-century fur trade camp as part of a free Wisconsin State Parks Weekend. Dr. Gene Tesdahl, a University of Wisconsin-Platteville history professor, and Isaac Walters, portraying North West Company traders from the 1790s, paddled a birchbark canoe to the Lake O' The Dalles beach, portaged, and set up camp to engage visitors with demonstrations of fur trade skills and culture.

trade and voyagers on the various bodies of waters. "The North West Company had several fur posts on and near the St. Croix," Tesdahl said. "Interstate Park is right in the thick of that." He highlighted nearby sites like the North West Company Fur Post on the Snake River near Pine City, and Forts Folle Avoine on the Yellow River near Danbury.

The reenactment showcased the era's challenges, including portages around the falls at St. Croix Falls and Taylors Falls, where traders carried goods and canoes on land in areas where normal boats would fail. Walters shared more about the birch bark canoe, noting its need to soak to remain pliable. Walters explained, "If you've ever worked with or seen birch bark, you know it's

very long lasting. It's pretty pliable and flexible. But when it's wet, especially, it tends to be more so. So when we're out and about in it, and things are bumping up against rocks or anything like that, it tends to flex and bend more instead of crack." During the presentation, items needed to repair the canoe were shared with attendees, and the process of patching bark pieces together with pine roots and sealing it with a concoction of pine tar, charcoal and bear fat was reviewed. With over 30 years of reenactment experience and 100 miles logged in birchbark canoes, Tesdahl and Walters spoke English, French and Ojibwe, emphasizing the vital role of Indigenous partnerships, particularly with the Ojibwe and Dakota, in the fur trade's success.

Tesdahl, who drove five hours from Platteville to Blair to join Walters, then on to the park, shared that he aims to bridge academia and living history. "It's a life goal to show reenactors that not all historians are snobby and to show historians that not all reenactors are hokey," he said. Walters, a seasoned reenactor from Blair, shared tales of past adventures, including a near-swamping incident on the Yellow River, which brought plenty of questions from observers as repairs were made to the boat by the two on the spot. The event offered an immersive look at the fur trade's role in shaping the St. Croix Valley, blending historical accuracy with engaging storytelling.



Dr. Gene Tesdahl, right, and Isaac Walters, left, reenacting 1790s North West Company traders, paddled a birchbark canoe to Lake O' The Dalles beach, singing as voyagers might have in the past to keep time with rowing. - Photos by Sarah Beth Radomsky



Showing off muskrat pelts, it was said that when beavers became scarce in the area due to the trade, it was the most popular fur.



Gene Tesdahl demonstrates the difference between a one-point blanket and two-point, noting the size and amount of marks on each. Blankets were initially woven in groups of two and then cut apart for those who were desiring only a one-point smaller-sized blanket. Outside of fur, textiles were one of the most sought-after items. These period accurate blankets were woven by a friend of Tesdahl.



A large crowd listens as the pair reenact what life was like during the fur trade era.



Gene Tesdahl enlists help from the crowd in using flint and steel to start a fire, showcasing the benefits of a more advanced and faster process for starting a fire.



Isaac Walters demonstrates the process of loading a rifle and the mechanical and chemical reactions that took place to fire a shot from the older guns.



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Dressing Up

My husband, Peter, doesn't believe me, but I didn't always dress up.

I would dress up for the holidays and for a special occasion, but the definition of "special" was fairly strict. It involved wearing nice shoes perhaps half a dozen times a year.

But I changed professions and identities a couple of times

and, somewhere in there, I discovered that I could wear a lot of clothes I never imagined I could wear. And then I met Peter.

This is the part Peter disputes. "You were always a fancy dresser!" he says.

And he's right; I've never had anything against dressing up. But I also never had many reasons to dress up until I met him. Peter appreciates it when I get dressed up.

"You can't be too dressed up," Peter will say. I'm not sure this is true, but I've decided to believe him.

And now that I'm older, I am having a lot more fun getting dressed up than I ever did when I was young. I think the expectations are different. When I was younger, I had this wrongheaded idea that there was a right way to dress up. I thought I would either hit the mark or miss. Now that I'm older, I realize there is no one keeping score—there are no points off for getting it wrong. The only thing that matters is if I feel happy in whatever I am wearing, and maybe, if I can spread a little of that happiness to others.

"That's a great dress!" Someone will holler on the street when I'm wearing something colorful and a little wild. I accept the compliment with a smile. "Terrific glasses!" someone else will say about my oversized blue shades.

It's fun to remind people that dressing up is a choice. No one has provided me with a uniform, and I am going to enjoy this freedom.

I'm thinking about this tonight because I'm going out to dinner with friends, and I've been planning what to wear. I had a fun, summery outfit all picked out that was a little flashy and perfect for a warm evening. But the evening had other plans, and it is going to be cold. I decided I was not going to let a little inclement weather spoil my plan to wear fun clothes.

And then I remembered the necklace.

I bought a crazy necklace in a park in Mexico. It was on a card table, being sold with a mishmash of other used jewelry. I have no idea where it came from—and I would love to know. It is large and asymmetrical and made of enormous, amber-colored crystals. It is not simply the gaudiest piece of jewelry I have ever owned—it is about 10 times gaudier than the gaudiest piece of jewelry I have ever worn.

And then I remembered the gold jacket. I actually own a gold fur jacket. It has been hiding in the back of the closet for five years. I thought it might make a good costume piece when I first was considering doing a show. It was used and very inexpensive and it has a lovely satin lining. And did I mention it was gold? And made of fake fur?

So, paired with a simple black dress, I think I have my evening's ensemble sorted out.

Peter thinks I have always been a person who goes out to dinner in giant fake jewels and a gold fur jacket. I could argue with him, but there's really no point because now he's right. I do.

Till next time,
Carrie

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The Postscript

It Was Grandma – Part 1

By Lillian Anderson

"What did you teach my little girl to do?" As I answered my phone, these were the words I heard from my son, Scott.

I'd spent time with Naomi, my 22-month-old granddaughter, the previous day. My time with Naomi had been fun, without any catastrophes. I wondered what my son was talking about. We'd played with her many toys, we'd stacked Duplo blocks really high, fed her doll with a bottle, then tucked her in bed, put animal and fish puzzles together. We read many books. On each page in one book was a small bird elusively hidden. The object of the story was to find and point out the bird. When Naomi found the bird, I told her what a smart girl she was followed by a "high five." Without any protest, Naomi ate all her lunch. We bowed our heads and prayed before eating. There's also a singing version. I wracked my brain to remember the correct words, but Naomi gave me a look that said, "that's not right, Grandma."

In thinking back to my day with Naomi, I wondered if I'd done or said anything that wasn't appropriate. When I needed to use the bathroom, I'd asked Naomi to come in with me to keep an eye on her. She also liked



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to flush the toilet. When I washed my hands, she wanted to do the same. Could it be that her parents disapproved that I brought her in the bathroom with me? I'd used the toilet in a very discreet and proper way.

I'd read somewhere that the first five years, especially the first three years, are so important in a child's development. Everything that a child touches, smells, tastes, sees, and hears helps to shape the child's brain for thinking, feeling, moving, and learning. They also need affection, attention, and approval as that impacts their social and emotional health. I hoped that my day with Naomi was influenced by my grandmotherly love and I'd had a positive impact on her day and her life.

I again pondered my son's question and asked, "I don't remember teaching her anything specifically."

Baby Food

The wetland just east of Lake Namakagon was still brown with last year's dried leaves and swollen with this year's melted snow as we drove home from a chilly hike in late April. Movement caught our eye, and we peered intently into the late afternoon sunshine. Two sandhill cranes, perfectly camouflaged in the warm browns of the marsh, stood on a spit of sedges and leatherleaf. Their red caps didn't stand out, but when their eyes caught the sun just right, they glowed orange.



A pair of sandhill cranes build a nest. - Photos by Emily Stone

As we watched, one crane and then the other dipped their head down into the thicket of plants, then tossed a twig or long leaf over their shoulder. Over and over they repeated this behavior while we snapped photos. At one point, one of the cranes folded up their stilt-like legs and nestled their belly into the vegetation, their long black beak, red cap and orange eyes just visible over a small channel of open water. Clearly, they were building a nest. Likely, the sitting bird was the female, helping to mold the pile of weeds into a cozy home.

Although the female shapes the nest and incubates the eggs overnight, the male helps to build the structure and splits incubation duties with her 50/50 during the day. Both parents lose belly feathers to form a brood patch where blood vessels just under bare skin share body heat with the eggs.

Although I often hear their rattling bugle calls echoing across the lake and through my open windows, having cranes nest where I could see them was a new treat. For a few weeks, every warm afternoon found me biking along that stretch of road with my camera at the ready. Each time, the evening sunlight spotlighted the face of a crane on the nest.

Then, I left for a conference in Cal-



EMILY STONE
Natural Connections

ifornia. When the weather and my schedule finally cooperated again, it had been exactly a month since the nest building. Although I scanned the wetland with high hopes, no cranes were visible. The typical incubation period for cranes is 28-30 days, so it was conceivable that the 1-3 eggs might have hatched. But although the chicks emerge with eyes open and can soon walk and run, there's little chance they could have already had the strength to travel to another wetland. And although they would have been too small for me to spot among the shrubs, their parents would surely have been visible.

The possible culprits are numerous. Many beings will eat an egg or a baby bird. Crows, ravens, raptors, foxes, coyotes, raccoons, mink and great horned owls are all potential predators if they can avoid the kicks and stabs of a defensive parent.



In defense of his nest, a red-winged blackbird attacks a sandhill crane.

A few days after biking past the empty wetland, I switched vehicles. Paddling through a wide, marshy section of the Namekagon River, we again spotted a pair of sandhill cranes. This time their rusty feathers stood out against the fresh green spikes of horse-tail. One stalked through shallow water with eyes focused downward, even dipping their head into the muck for something tasty.

The harsh cries of a red-winged blackbird brought our attention back to the other crane in the taller grass. The red and yellow epaulets on the blackbird's wings flashed brightly as he dive-bombed the crane and even landed on their broad brown back. The

"Mom, don't sound so apprehensive. It's kind of funny. When I came home from work, my wife asked me if I'd taught Naomi something new. I hadn't. We figured it must have been Grandma while babysitting." Scott explained that Naomi had bounced her rubber ball off the wall, laughing as she ran after the ball, then threw it again and again.

"Yes, I'm guilty." I'd told Naomi that when I was little, I didn't have many toys. My rubber ball was one of my favorites. Most of the time we played this game outside, bouncing the ball off the house or shed. To begin, we'd bounce the ball and clap our hands once before catching it, then two times before catching it again, and the third time we'd clap our hands behind our back, then we threw it under one leg. If we missed the ball, then it was the other person's turn. There were about ten different things we did. I'd not thought about that childhood game for many decades. It brought back fond memories. Now, I'd like to challenge my son to the bouncing ball game.

Author's Bio:

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wading crane returned, but there was little they could do except hunker down and point their beaks against the attacks of the smaller bird.

And could you blame him? This one male blackbird may have attracted as many as 15 females to build nests in his territory. While he doesn't help incubate the eggs like the male crane, he does spend more than a quarter of his daylight hours in territorial defense against his peers and potential predators. And the cranes were potential predators. Although they eat plenty of waste grain from farm fields during migration, throughout the breeding season they seek the protein of small mammals, frogs and baby birds. The blackbird was right to be leery.

These crane encounters drove home an ecological reality: One being's baby is often another's baby food. The abundance of summer is driven by this necessity. Tender young leaves become caterpillar food. Six thousand caterpillars—who are baby butterflies and moths—become a half-dozen chickadee chicks. Some of those chicks become red squirrel kittens. The squirrels become red fox kits, and so on. How does anything survive?

Red-winged blackbirds can have multiple broods with several eggs over the course of a summer. Even after feeding a few cranes, they are one of the most abundant native birds in North America. At best, a pair of cranes raise no more than one chick per summer, but may have 30 years or more together to produce two successful heirs and replace themselves. Even with some predation, their population is increasing slowly due to habitat protection. There is space enough for all of us.

In the end, we can't escape the fact that a bit (or a lot) of death goes into every life.

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to the Humane Society Thrift store. Even though a lot was sold, a lot was left. What a group effort the sale was.

There was a bit of serendipity to the day as well. Dixie was selling her beautiful necklaces next to me. She came over and said, "This is for you" and gave me a little jewelry bag. I was overwhelmed. We had never met, and a present, and no less, a blue enamel butterfly pin. And blue is my favorite color. Of course, I thanked her profusely as people don't usually come up to a person and give them a beautiful present.

So then she explained. She reads my column every week as a friend of hers also does. Her friend collects vintage jewelry. And in one of the collections she found the butterfly pin. But better than that, it is a rare vintage Lion pin. The butterfly has the lion insignia on its body. How perfect! So her friend remembered me being a Lion from my column and gave it to Dixie to give to me. Well God works in mysterious and wondrous way. I am so grateful to them.

Wonderful June

I haven't been swimming yet. We need some

warm nights to take the chill out of the lake, and the chill out of the ground. It seems like my vegetable garden is standing still. Yet those same summer days are having my peonies grow tall and my roses becoming dense bushes. Patience is a virtue.

June is Dairy Month

If you bank at our local Shell Lake State, mark on your calendar to stop in on Fridays for your banking. Because once again the tradition of Ice Cream Cone Friday for Dairy Month is happening. I forgot about this great customer appreciation event and just bopped into the bank on some business last Friday. Just what I needed on the busy day that we were setting up for the garage sale—an ice cream cone! We are fortunate to have such a community minded bank.

June

Farmers Market – Fridays, June 6–Sept. 26, 3-6 p.m., lot next to the bank.

Second Saturday Barn Dance – Saturday, June 14, 7-9 p.m., Lions Hall.

Community Vacation Bible School – June 16 thru 20, 9 a.m.-noon, Stone Lake Wesleyan Church.

Music Night – Saturday, June 21, 6-9 p.m., Lions Hall.

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Garage Sale Day

How could it be better? Sunshine, maps easily downloaded and great sales everywhere. We are grateful to all who donated to the Lions sale and to all the shoppers at the Lions sale. There were so many people, and it was so nice to see all the families and folks of Stone Lake again.

Lions John Rickert and Bob Deeg were the chefs of the day serving Joe Scaffidi's secret recipe pulled pork. The aroma made the hall smell wonderful. It was so good there were no leftovers. The Lions were grateful to the vendors who stayed and put away all 20 tables even though we were all tired. But they chose to stay and help. It meant a lot.

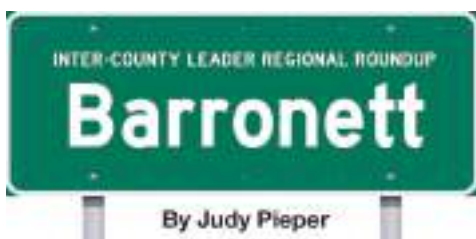
But back to Friday when we were all setting up. Kelly and Aralyn helped me. In two hours they had priced every Lion item (hundreds or maybe thousands or so it seemed) with grace and humor. Aralyn was also in charge of greeting the other vendors and helped with all the details.

Then on Sunday John R. came by early and stacked all the chairs and mopped the floor. Isn't the hall beautiful with the new lights and refinished floor? Sharon came in the afternoon and packed the unsold items into her vehicle to take

What a beautiful week! Can you imagine anyone wanting to live any place other than Barronett at this time of year? Pastor Todd always starts our Sundays by saying, "This is the day that the Lord has made," and sometimes I can't imagine that God would be sending us the cold, snow or rain, but this week I agree with him completely. It has been a joy to be outside, whether we are sitting enjoying a morning cup of coffee or working in the garden. I wish there was a place where the weather would stay like this year around.

The congregation of Barronett Lutheran was happy to welcome a visitor, Nancy Patraw, to our church on Sunday morning. Nancy was in the area visiting with her parents-in-law, Gordon and Jenny Patraw.

Duane and I stopped by the Red Brick Cafe for breakfast last Wednesday. We were very happy to be greeted by one of our favorite waitresses, Donna Ness. Marlo was busy cooking, so we didn't get a chance to chat with her, but we were



very happy with the food she sent out. If you haven't stopped by to welcome the new owner yet, I hope you can do it soon. The food and service are both great.

Tina Anderson and her cousin Kristin Thomas stopped for breakfast at the Red Brick on Sunday morning. Tina said that their food was delicious—the pancake was fluffy and the eggs were fried exactly the way they liked them. They had a very enjoyable breakfast and visit.

Lynn, Kane and Pierce Thon stopped by to visit early Saturday evening. The boys ran wild

in the yard, playing ball, tackling each other, playing hide-and-seek. They never get tired. Neither Lynn nor I felt like cooking, so she decided to treat us to takeout from Sal's on 63. The food was delicious (I can tell you without exaggerating that Suzy makes the best California burgers that I have ever eaten) and it was so much fun having the little boys at the house.

Oh, one other thing about the Thon boys. Pierce graduated from 4-K on Thursday, and is now officially ready to start kindergarten in the fall. He is very proud of being one of the big kids now.

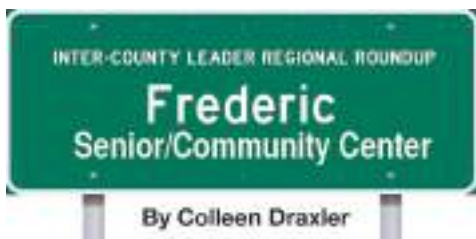
Oh, I almost forgot. Instead of having coffee hour after church on the second Sunday this month, we have decided to move it to the following Sunday, which is Father's Day. I will remind you of that again next week.

I'm going to go. I hope you have a wonderful week and are able to spend most of it outside. See you next week.

Join us for fun, food and prizes this Saturday, June 14, noon to 7 p.m. for the **Frederic Fire Department's Annual Pork Feed Fundraiser**. The Fire Hall will be filled with people and prizes. Support our firefighters by dining on a delicious pork sandwich with sides and dessert and buying chances to win great donated items.

Frederic Family Days Events. The senior/community center will be serving a **pancake breakfast** on Saturday, June 21, 8-10 a.m. Free-will donation. We practiced our pancake flipping skills last Tuesday at morning coffee. Pretty tasty. Then swing by the depot for their splendid **strawberry shortcake** fundraiser starting at 10 a.m. Trikes, bicycles, Spyders and motorcycles are invited for **A Blessing of the Bikes** on Sunday, June 22, at the center from 8:30 to 10 a.m. We are on the west side of Frederic on the detour.

Mondays - Exercise for Seniors, 9:30-10 a.m.



The cost is \$10 a month for two sessions a week. Sign up at the senior center.

The Frederic Scrabble Club meets from 1 to 3 p.m. for two games with two or three persons at each board. Happy 90th, Donna. Top scorers were Betts, Norm, Henrik and Pam. Betts started the day swapping vowels and playing a big bingo on her next turn. A good swap.

Tuesdays - Coffee time, 8-11 a.m. Every week a crew shows up for good eats, including pancakes, cheese and sausage, and dev-

iled eggs. Sue brought cookies to share. What games do you love to play? Childhood favorites like Snakes and Ladders and Clue; card games-500, Hearts, Old Maid and Cribbage; or Canasta, Caroms and Chess. Are you a sore loser?

Wednesdays - Exercise for Seniors, 9:30-10 a.m. Stop in the center and join for \$10 a month.

Thursdays - From noon to 3 p.m., the 500 Card Club gets together for a series of games each week. The winners were: 1. Brian, 2. Pat, 3. Pete, 4. Steve, 5. Bren Nel and 6. Wayne.

Sundays - Bingo will resume this fall.

Consider the Frederic Senior/Community Center for your next class, reunion or party. Leave a message at 715-327-8623, email fredericse-niorcenter@gmail.com, or visit on Facebook at Frederic Senior/Community Center. You're also welcome to stop by any Tuesday morning to chat with a board member.



Penny and Paul Anderson came to visit Penny's parents, Chuck and Dixie Andrea, on Tuesday.

Clam River Tuesday Club met June 3 at Lakeview Church. Sandy Benzer was the hostess.

Connie Quam's son Nick Johnson and his family from Colorado are visiting Connie and other family members and friends in this area for sev-

eral days. On Saturday Nick's family and Connie went to St. Louis Park, Minnesota. They attended a graduation party for Connie's grandson Matthew Plant.

Dixie and Chuck Andrea went to Amery Sunday. They enjoyed time at a birthday party for great-granddaughter Adelaide Korn. It was held in a park there.



Friday morning, a few gals and I representing the American Legion Auxiliary were serving donuts and coffee at the Grantsburg Drive-In in honor of June 6, which was D-Day and National Donut Day! I had the pleasure to chat with a couple of ladies who were traveling from Denmark and Iceland. We are grateful to Pam and Derry for opening their doors and supplying the donuts!

Big Gust made an appearance on Saturday. We are appreciative to the locals who helped the Grantsburg Area Historical Society by volunteering to get arrested by Big Gust and Judge Bean who held court and sentenced Buford and Tilly who robbed the Blueberry Special Train, bank robber Bob (Bill) and Gum Chewing Gertie. They were hauled off to the original Burnett County Jail to wait for someone to bail them out (or pay to keep them). A fun event to help fund our historical society. There were a great many events on the streets as well cars, cars and more cars, food and fun for all.

Don't forget the ADRC Nutrition Program here in Grantsburg. There are days we have about 20 diners or more, lots of laughs and fellowship. Come join us! All meal reservations are required to be at least 24 hours in advance. Please call Siren, 715-349-2154, for your requests.

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Coming events:

Pink Squirrel – June 18-22, 9 a.m.–6 p.m.
American Legion Monthly Dinner – Thursday, June 26, 4-7 p.m. or until gone.



Salmon on the Griddle

Seasoning Blend

- 2 teaspoons sea salt
- 1 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon paprika
- 1/2 teaspoon chili powder
- 1/4 teaspoon cumin
- 1/4 teaspoon dried dill weed
- 1/8 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/8 teaspoon onion powder

Other Ingredients

- 4 5-6 oz. salmon fillets
- 1 tablespoon avocado oil
- 3 tablespoons butter
- 2 tablespoons minced garlic
- Lemon slices

In a small bowl, mix together the seasoning ingredients. Sprinkle the seasoning mix on the flesh side of the fillets. Preheat griddle to 390–425 degrees. Add 1 tablespoon butter and the avocado oil to the griddle and spread around a bit. Place the salmon on the griddle, flesh side down. Cook for about 6-8 minutes. Flip the salmon over and cover with dome. Continue to cook covered for about 4-5 minutes until salmon is done to your liking.

While salmon is cooking, place 2 tablespoons of butter and the minced garlic on the griddle and stir around a bit to make a garlic butter to serve over salmon. Remove salmon and garlic butter from griddle and enjoy. Garnish with lemon slices as desired.

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70 years ago

Cpl. Clarence S. Kellberg, from Frederic, graduated from the Basic Airborne School at Fort Campbell, Kentucky.—Joan Rudisell, a senior at Siren High School, received a scholarship to Wisconsin State College, Whitewater.—The Siren prom royalty were King Lyle Root and Queen Audrey Carlson.—Charles Nyberg was selected to represent Siren High School at Badger Boys State.—Theo Hagberg and Noble Young broke ground for a Dairy Queen Drive-In on Wisconsin Avenue in Frederic.

50 years ago

Timothy D'Jock was valedictorian of the Siren High School graduating class, with Daniel Heath as salutatorian. The other honor students were Debra Schroeder, Mary Cycenas, Gretchen Bittner, Linda Andrewson and Pamela Sinding.—King Dayton Daniels and Queen Carey Schauers reigned over the Siren junior prom.—Sara Knuf, seventh-eighth grade, and Wally Nelson, fifth-sixth grade, were the winners of the poppy poster contest at Frederic.—James Joseph was born May 6 to Mr. and Mrs. Terrance McDonough, Milltown, and Jason Vern was born May 6 to Mr. and Mrs. Gary V. Lenz, Lewis.—Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Tschumperlin were the honored guests at the Frederic Nursing Home on the occasion of their 65th wedding anniversary.—Mrs. Felix Schmidt, Siren, won first place with her short story in a writing contest sponsored by the Madison Area Writers Workshop.

40 years ago

Rep. Dave Obey, speaking at an Outstanding Young Farmer dinner, said, "The (Reagan) administration's dairy plan is not just a threat to farmers. It will devastate small towns and rural communities that depend on dairying and turn them into relics of their former selves."—Myrtle Tromberg, who had been owner and operator of the Frederic Bakery for 53 years at that point, was named Frederic Citizen of the Year.—Rob Palmberg and Gene Cummings were the Frederic-area delegates for Badger Boys State.—Grace Lutheran Church, West Sweden, was filled with people to celebrate the 60th wedding anniversary of Eddie and Clara Johnson.—Michael John was born May 2 to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ennis, Frederic; and Reed Allen was born May 3 to Wendy and Lydell Larson, Frederic.—Siren student Sherill Blair, a junior, won a Bronze Palette Award from the Milwaukee Journal's annual calendar art competition.

20 years ago

Three teachers retired from the St. Croix Falls School District in May of 2005, Dorrie Raye, 26 years; Claudia Behne, 34 years, and Pam Measner, over 34 years.—Honorary co-chairs of the Luck Finish Line Walk were Sue Messar and Steve Pomerleau, and honorary co-chair of the Frederic Finish Line Walk was Connie McKenzie, with Elvira Schmidt, chair. Proceeds from the walks went to the American Cancer Society for research, education, advocacy and services.—Burnett County Sheriff's Department Officers of the Year were Deputy Glenn Gramer and administrative secretary Tammy Chell.—Gil Hoel, Grantsburg, and his dad, Jim Hoel, Evanston, Illinois, took a trip to London and Holland. Jim was a second lieutenant in the Army Air Corps during WWII, a navigator whose plane was shot down over Holland in 1943. Somehow the watch Jim was wearing, which was engraved with his name and address, led to them getting a letter from Peter Cooper, in England, whose neighbor had had the watch for many years. The pair visited the Imperial War Museum in London, the crash site where the plane was shot down, and the only American military cemetery in the Netherlands, at Margraten. They brought the watch home with them, and for Gil, a realization of his dad's incredible strength during the war, part of it spent as a prisoner of war.

Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday - 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Thursday - noon-8 p.m.; Friday - 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday - closed.

Sue Segelstrom Book Signing

Friday, June 20, noon-4 p.m.

Sue Segelstrom has a new book out and will be doing a book signing in the library.

Annual golf tournament

Thursday, June 19

It is a golf scramble! Four-person team cost is \$120 which includes the cart. Supper is included in the cost and refreshments are available for purchase at the clubhouse. Number of teams is limited to 18 so contact the library today to sign up, 715-463-2244.

New books coming in June: Adult: "The Bachelorette Party" by Camilla Sten, "Cry Havoc"

100 Women Who Care – Polk/Burnett

The library is grateful to 100 Women Who Care for awarding Larsen Family Public Library money for our Makerspace and Grow A Reader program! 100 Women Who Care - Polk/Burnett is a group of like-minded women in northwestern Wisconsin serving as a platform to empower local nonprofit groups. We look forward to sharing our progress!

Touch A Truck

Wednesday, June 18, 1-2:30 p.m.

Kickoff to our Summer Reading Program at the Webster Fairgrounds. Bring your kiddos out

Death Cafe, Thursday, June 12, 3 p.m.

A Death Cafe is a welcoming and casual space where people gather to have open and respectful conversations about death and dying. This is not a grief support group, counseling session, or a faith-based program but rather an opportunity to discuss a subject that is so fundamental to life yet frequently avoided in mainstream conversations. Come experience a Death Cafe and see how oddly refreshing it is. In the tradition of Death Cafes around the world, cake and tea will be served.

Mystery at the Library: A Movie Party

Friday, June 13, 3-5 p.m.

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CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa – Kirkwood Community College has released its dean's list for the spring 2025 semester. These students have achieved a 3.3 grade point average or higher after completing 12 or more credit hours at the college.

Congratulations to **Jacob Grams**, of Balsam Lake, for earning this distinction.

STEVENS POINT – The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point honored more than 2,400 undergraduate students for attaining high grade point averages during the spring semester of the 2024-2025 academic year.

Full-time undergraduates who earned grade points of 3.90 to 4.0 (4.0 equals straight A) are given the highest honors designation. High honor citations go to those with grade point averages from 3.75 to 3.89 and honor recognition is accorded to those with grade point averages from 3.50 to 3.74. Local students earning citations include:

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Lydia Goerdt, highest honors and **Keaton Tollakson**, honors.

12th Grade

A Honor Roll - Ethan Jensen, Clara Lundquist, Micah Rosenau, Anna Schmid.t

B Honor Roll- Lexi Brenizer, Shaedyn DeMoe, Elija Doll, Kyla Foltz, Lane Hopkins, Ryan Olson, Lucas Reuter, Natalie Schommer, Jerrika Shipley, Kylie Van Vleet, Logan Williamson.

11th Grade

A Honor Roll - Carson Anderson, Brett Bartlett, Cameron Chadwick, Emily Hill, Charley Jensen, Leif Lahti, Isaiah Moe, Frederick Nelson, Aneka Radomsky, Oliver Slather.

B Honor Roll- Abby Alden, Alex Chenal, Wyatt Jensen, James King, Hannah Scherff, Brenna Sirek, Maggie Wooten.

10th Grade

A Honor Roll - Kenna Chenal, Heather Cockerham, Riley Cummings, Gabby Denver-Deutsch, Jude Johnson, Lyda Ones, Hunter Root.

B Honor Roll- Royce Anderson, Taylor Hansford, Joy Hermann, Hanna Hofferber, Braden Nelson, Elijah Radomsky.

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by Jack Carr, "Don't Let Him In" by Lisa Jewell, "Kill Your Darlings" by Peter Swanson, "The River is Waiting" by Wally Lamb, "A Mother's Love" by Danielle Steel, and "With a Vengeance" by Riley Sagar. **Children/Youth:** "The Day the Crayons Made Friends" by Drew Daywalt, "The Backwards Alphabet Book" by Paul Friedrich, "When You Go To Dragon School" by Chelsea Campbell, and "This Book is Dangerous" by Ben Clanton. **Movies/Audiobooks:** "The Amateur," "Happy Valley Season 1," "Baby Einstein Season 3," "Thunderbolts," "Outlander Season 7," and "Insignificant Others" by Sarah Jio.

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to experience trucks, heavy equipment and such up close. This event is free and open to the public and does not require you to sign up for our Summer Reading Program. This year's theme is Color Our World. Register at Touch A Truck, on our website or stop in to the library and we will help you.

SHELL LAKE LIBRARY NEWS

tery to solve at the library! Join us for our first summer family movie! This not-so-scary movie will start with a party celebrating a special crime solving group's 56th birthday. We will be making puppy chow and have popcorn! Moviegoers are welcome to bring a water bottle. Stop in the library to learn the exact movie title.

LOCAL ACADEMIC NEWS

Balsam Lake

Emma Mullin, honors.

Luck

Reese Eichten, honors and **George Nielsen**, high honors.

St. Croix Falls

Collin Anderson, honors; **John Bateman**, high honors and **Samantha Volgren**, honors.

Unity

Rex Shipton, high honors.

LA CROSSE – Western Technical College is pleased to announce the names of the fall 2024 and spring 2025 graduates. Students from our



9th Grade

A Honor Roll - Julia Chadwick, Estelle Chenal, KaeAnn Gingras, Alexander King, Harriet Wiita.

B Honor Roll- Amelia Dagestad, Madison Frenetter, Zikani Gondwe, Gavin Johnson, Dane Leclair, Eddie Lundquist, Parker Nelson, Kaylyn Rommel, Tristen Rose, Trystan Wethern, Delanie Wooten.

8th Grade

A Honor Roll - Genevieve Ayd, Taylor Jensen, Silas Johnson, Kendra Lang, Laurel Moe, Marissa Owens, Palynn Phillips, Yasmin Ramirez Ramirez.

B Honor Roll- Ben Adams, Sawyer Dahl, Tim-

But make sure and come in and see what else we have that is new!

Book clubs

For more information about book clubs, please call the library at 715-463-2244.

First Tuesday Book Club: July 1, 6 p.m. Book title: "The Women" by Kristin Hannah. Books are available for check out at the library. We also have large print and audiobooks available for check out.

GAHS at the library, Mondays, 1-4 p.m.

The Grantsburg Area Historical Society is offering appointments for genealogical and local family history research in the Henry Peterson History Room. Appointments are required at this time. Please contact the library by phone to schedule an appointment, 715-463-2244.

Susan Segelstrom Book Signing Saturday, June 21, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Susan Segelstrom will be signing her new book "The Harvest – Cranberries and Vegetable Cash Crops in Burnett and Northern Polk Counties."

The Second Saturday Movie June 14, 3 p.m.

Webster Community Center, snacks provided.

Hours and Information:

Monday-Friday 9:30 a.m.–6 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m.–3 p.m. For more information, contact the library at 715-866-7697, websterlib.org. Online catalog: webster-northernwaters.na5.iivega.com

Junior Ranger Training Saturday, June 14, 10-11 a.m.

The National Park Service's Junior Ranger program encourages young people and their families to explore, learn and enjoy the national parks. This summer, you can become a junior ranger! The library is excited to team up with St. Croix National Scenic Riverway to host children and teens for a park ranger led series where participants will be engaged in hands-on activities in order to earn their own junior ranger badge! This is a three-part series and each is about an hour long. Come to one, two or all three!

local area include: **Dalton Schroeder**, of Shell Lake, sales management; and **Isabella Langer**, of St. Croix Falls, nursing assistant.

MILWAUKEE - Milwaukee School of Engineering congratulates students named to the spring semester 2025 dean's list.

Jerico Skluzacek, of Spooner, was named to the MSOE dean's list. Skluzacek is pursuing a Bachelor of Science in computer engineering.

Alexis Slater of Grantsburg was named to the MSOE dean's list. Slater is pursuing a Bachelor of Science in nursing.

ROCHESTER, Minn. – Each semester, University of Minnesota - Rochester recognizes students who have achieved high academic achievement through the chancellor's list. To be listed, a student must have earned a 3.666 GPA or higher and completed a minimum of 12 credits graded A-F. Congratulations to **Larissa Johnson**, of Luck, and **Parys Ouellette**, of Osceola, for being named to the chancellor's list.

ber Dodds, Oliver French, Camiee Frisbee, Bentley Gilpin, Kavin Harp, Riley Hochstetler, Bella King, Alayna Peterson, Ayla Peterson, Lillianna Rist, Payten Rose- Anderson, Avina Wojtowicz, Faith Wondra.

7th Grade

A Honor Roll - Samantha Alexander, Teagan Anderson, Warren Ayd, Willow Carlson, Amy Egeland, Tegan Lundberg, Mallory McKenzie, Emory Nelson, Jaylyn Peterson, Simon Radomsky.

B Honor Roll - Dillon Gingras, Alan Hill, Rylie Hopp, Zander Hulteen, Marek Johnson, Sierra Jones, Josephine Koldste, Daniela Ramirez-Ramirez, Shyloh Taylor, Charles Wooten.

6th Grade

A Honor Roll - Sullivan Anderson, Natalie Fredericks, Brielle Gross, Senica Hengst, Jackson Larson, Morgan Leclair, Hadley Lundquist, Zackery Lundquist, Elsie Miller, April Owens.

B Honor Roll - Morgan Adams, Zoey Borchardt, Tamina Brenholtz, Trigger Dodds, Heather Hill, Devon King, Ella Nelson, Brooklynn Nyman, Maple Popham, Emma Route.

Younger Frederic graduates celebrate milestones



ABOVE & RIGHT: Pre-K students received a certificate of completion and celebrated with a carnival after their graduation. - Photos by Sarah Beth Radomsky unless otherwise noted



ABOVE & RIGHT: For fifth-graders, there were a variety of achievements celebrated. Later in the day, the students took a trip to the 6-12 building to explore the campus in preparation for their new venture in the fall.



Eighth-graders transitioning into high school paused for a group photo, then enjoyed refreshments with friends and family in the commons area. - Photos courtesy of Frederic School District



Members of the kindergarten graduating class traveled to Coon Lake Park for a sunshine-filled celebration of their achievement. - Photos courtesy of Frederic School District

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- Small platforms
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- French painter
- Some are "of the Caribbean"
- Painful intestinal problem
- More irritated
- Prove yourself
- Catch
- Supplement with difficulty
- American automotive giant
- Form of "to be"
- Boxing's GOAT
- Peyton's little brother
- Eli's big brother
- Capable of producing
- Reproductive structures in fungi
- Allowed to go forward
- Smiles
- Arteries
- VVV
- Win a series without losing a game
- This (Spanish)
- Opposites of beginnings
- Germanic mythological god

CLUES DOWN

- Consisting of uncombined atoms
- Island country
- Heavenly body
- Caribbean island
- Copyread
- A place to eat
- Drops down
- Native group of Alaska
- Engage in
- "Desperate Housewives" lane
- Thyroid-stimulating hormone
- Foot (Latin)
- A place to bathe
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- Something one can strike
- Most glacial
- Ten less than one hundred
- Idle talker
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- Container for shipping

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GUESS WHO?

I am an actor born in Kentucky on June 9, 1963. I dreamed of being a musician and dropped out of school at 15 to perform with my band. In the 1980s, I rose to stardom on a popular TV show about undercover cops. But it was leading roles, many of them quirky characters, that solidified my fame.



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- LICORICE
- LOLLIPOP
- LOZENGE
- MARSHMALLOW
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- SWEETS
- SWEET TOOTH
- SYRUP
- TAFFY
- TURKISH DELIGHT

Grantsburg Area Historical Society opens 2025 season with museum tours

By Sarah Beth Radomsky | Reporter
GRANTSBURG – The Grantsburg Area Historical Society launched its 2025 season on Sunday, May 25, inviting visitors to explore the region’s history at its museum complex, located at the southwest corner of Wisconsin Avenue and Oak Street, one block west of South Pine Street. The former Norwegian Methodist Church, now a museum, displayed artifacts, including a vintage switchboard and period toys, showcasing Grantsburg’s past. Volunteer Colleen Monfre explained the switchboard’s operation,

noting how operators connected calls in the pre-rotary dial era. The original three-cell Burnett County Jail, with one cell door donated for World War II metal drives, provided a look at early law enforcement. Visitors also viewed historical photos and communication devices, from telegraphs to early computers, curated by volunteers like Monfre.

Guests could also tour a preserved blacksmith’s home, furnished to reflect early 1900s life, offering a glimpse into the era’s daily routines. “It’s a way to connect with how people lived here,”

volunteer Cena Christopherson said, explaining uses of various items such as an old ice box and a cream separator used for milk processing. The Emma Olson House, built in 1883 and donated to the society in 1989, featured a woodstove, treadle sewing machine and other period furnishings, illustrating 19th-century domestic life.

The nearby Reed Schoolhouse, at Hwy. 70 and Johnson Street on the Grantsburg Area School Campus, is open by appointment, offering a one-room school experience. The society, independent

since splitting from the Burnett County Historical Society decades ago, operates on donations, with free admission and suggested contributions. The museum is open Sundays from 1 to 4 p.m., Memorial Day through Labor Day, or by appointment. For details, contact grantsburgareahistoricalsociety@gmail.com.



Volunteer Colleen Monfre shares about the museum’s photography collection. - Photos by Sarah Beth Radomsky



Dolls on display in the vintage toy section.



A wooden rendition of early village life is on display.

Museum director brings Polk County’s hidden history to light

By Sophie Horgan | Reporter
BALSAM LAKE – History came alive at the Polk County Museum as current director and former archaeologist Brenna Weston gave an enlightening presentation on Tuesday, May 27, on the significance of archaeology in Polk County. Drawing from her extensive background in historical research and fieldwork across the Upper Midwest, Weston offered a thorough and engaging look into the curious, though often overlooked, archaeological heritage of the local region. The Polk County Historical Society’s “Speaker Series” features a wide range of interesting presentation topics from a variety of local figures or speakers, including Weston’s lesson on archeology, as it pertains to the local finds and history of the area.

The presentation delved into not just archaeology as a whole, but more so, all of the unknown wonders that make up the history of Polk County. Weston introduced her discussion with a more generalized lesson on archaeology itself, emphasizing the significance it holds in understanding past cultures and the importance of preserving and prioritizing

historical artifacts.

“I like to think of myself as a cultural dumpster diver,” Weston joked, describing the thrill of discovering and interpreting artifacts that can shed light on how people lived long ago. With a bit of humor to keep the discussion light, she clarified the commonly mistaken distinction between archaeology and paleontology, using Indiana Jones and Dr. Alan Grant as examples.

Among the highlights of her talk were local archaeological sites that reveal a deep and varied human past. Weston spoke about the Bison Site at Interstate Park, discovered in the 1930s, where chipped stone points and a copper pipe suggested human inhabitation dating back thousands of years. She also described a projectile point found near Lake Wapagasset, and the Nye site, where excavations revealed bones of an extinct species of bison—bison occidentalis. Being one of only three sites to produce a large number of this extinct species’ bones, it’s considered a rather striking discovery. “Sites like these,” Weston explained, “help us understand the long-standing relationship between



Polk County Museum director Brenna Weston discusses local archaeological history, drawing examples from all over the county. - Photo by Sophie Horgan

people and this landscape.”

Weston’s passion for historical archaeology also led the presentation to lesser-known, although equally interesting, local stories. She described the Geiger Brewing Company’s remains along Osceola’s trails and the 19th-century Clam Falls dam. Even everyday objects like an old Listerine bottle discovered in the museum’s very own backyard—which

was passed around the audience—tell a story.

More than merely a history lesson, Weston’s presentation was an intriguing encouragement to view these local regions not just as a place we live, but as a place layered with stories, shaped by thousands of years of human life that are simply waiting to be uncovered.

Badger Talks features Sissel Schroeder at Luck Library

By Roz Lundquist | Reporter
LUCK – Sissel Schroeder, an anthropology professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, visited the Luck Public Library on Wednesday, May 28, to share her research on dugout canoes in a lecture titled “From Wood to Watercraft: Dugout Canoes in Wisconsin.”

Schroeder is part of the Wisconsin Canoe Survey Project team, which began in 2018 as a student research project by Ryan Smazal. After his graduation, Schroeder and colleague Tamara Thomsen continued working on gathering data and studying canoes across the state. So far, the team has studied 79 out of the 115 dugout canoes reported in Wisconsin. These canoes range in age from 150 years old to almost 4,000 years old. Although the survey team is still building their knowledge and expanding research, their basic findings have stayed similar even as the sample size has grown.

Schroeder’s presentation is part of the



Sissel Schroeder shares her research on dugout canoes with interested attendees at the Luck Public Library on Wednesday, May 28, starting with an introduction to dugout canoes and the Wisconsin Canoe Survey Project. - Photo by Roz Lundquist

“Badger Talks” program, an outreach program from UW-Madison. With the tagline “Bringing the UW to you,” the program features hundreds of talks from professors across all disciplines, spreading their knowledge the state of Wisconsin.

Milltown Public Library offers watercolor class

By Sophie Horgan | Reporter
MILLTOWN – Open to all different levels, the Milltown Public Library held three watercolor painting classes the afternoons of May 28 and 29. Organized first for homeschoolers on Wednesday, Thursday offered two classes for adults. Artists in attendance were taught a few simple watercolor techniques, which

they got to apply as they completed a painting of their own. The classes were led by Kathleen Ziegenfuss, who volunteered to teach it. For more homeschooling opportunities, join the library on Wednesday, June 4, at 1 p.m. for a material and idea swap, or on Tuesday, June 24, at 2 p.m. for a hands-on STEM educational experience.



Volunteer Kathleen Ziegenfuss teaches watercolor painting to a full class at the Milltown Public Library. - Photo by Sophie Horgan

Nature Journaling Workshop launches series at Interstate State Park

By Sarah Beth Radomsky | Reporter
 ST. CROIX FALLS – The Ice Age Interpretive Center at Interstate State Park kicked off its nature journaling workshop series on Sunday, May 25. The two-hour event was led by park naturalist Maia Lieske. The event attracted participants of all ages who engaged in observation, sketching and reflective writing to connect with the park's natural environment.

Held amid Interstate State Park's glacial potholes and St. Croix River scenery, the workshop encouraged attendees to explore trails and document their observations in notebooks or sketchbooks, with some materials provided by the center. Participants were encouraged to

wear comfortable clothing and sturdy shoes for trail walks. One partner activity involved sketching objects and guessing each other's drawings, fostering interaction among attendees.

"Journaling encourages noticing details, like leaf shapes or bird calls, that enhance one's connection to nature," Lieske said. The event offered a structured opportunity to engage with the park's surroundings through creative expression.

The series continues with workshops on Saturday, June 21, focusing on the park's flora, and Saturday, July 19, exploring wildlife near the lake, both from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Each session will include activities to promote observation

and creativity. The workshops are free with park admission. Preregistration is recommended to ensure sufficient materials. Contact Maia Lieske at maia.lieske@wisconsin.gov to register. Attendees are encouraged to bring notebooks, pencils or sketchbooks, though some supplies will be available.



A wide variety of plant and animal materials were on display at the Ice Age Trail Interpretive Center. - Photo by Sarah Beth Radomsky

Wild rice pancake breakfast draws crowd at Forts Folle Avoine

By Sarah Beth Radomsky | Reporter
 DANBURY – Forts Folle Avoine Historical Park celebrated its opening weekend of the 2025 season with a wild rice pancake breakfast on Sunday, May 25, welcoming visitors to its 80-acre site along the Yellow River for a morning of food and historical immersion.

The event, held at the park's visitor center, offered a menu of wild rice pancakes, sausage, eggs and drinks, reflecting the region's cultural heritage. Attendees dined together before exploring the park's reconstructed North West and XY Company fur trading posts and Ojibwe Village, which depicts the 1802-1805 fur trade era. The park, managed by the Burnett County Historical Soci-

ety, also provided access to historical exhibits, archeological displays and a gift shop.

"The breakfast brings people together to experience our shared history," said park director Pam Wolf. Fifth-grader Luca Gleeson has been volunteering for the last two years in the kitchen with his father, Abe Gleeson, who shared that they often visit the park, and valued the community connection. "We try to get involved with as many activities and community events as we can. That's kind of how we started coming up here. And we love to learn the history of the area," Abe said.

The breakfast has become a beloved gathering, drawing families and his-

tory enthusiasts. It was estimated that the breakfast event began around 1989 or 1990. Forts Folle Avoine will host additional events, like the Fur Trade Rendezvous on July 23-27, among others, and will be featuring a similar breakfast on June 22, July 27 and Aug. 31.



Volunteers pause for a photo. Abe Gleeson is seen here with his son, Luca Gleeson, and Dick Schwab. - Photos by Sarah Beth Radomsky



Volunteers help in the kitchen during the event.



Guests make their way through the serving line.



Attendees enjoy pleasant weather for the event.

Sweet Rhubarb soaks up the spotlight in Frederic

By Roz Lundquist | Reporter
 FREDERIC – Not even rain could wash the smiles off the faces of the three musicians in Sweet Rhubarb. Despite overcast skies and less-than-ideal weather, the Frederic Arts Center's summer concert series kicked off on Thursday, May 29.

Sweet Rhubarb, a trio of female musicians from St. Paul, Minnesota, was the first band in the series. These three women—Ann Fate, Burna Krugler, and Priscilla Thomas—have been playing together since 2009. They play a mix of genres, identifying mostly with "eclectic folk," but also incorporate country, '80s pop and original music. Each member

takes turn for lead vocals while the other two join in with rhubarb-sweet harmonies, pluck along on a guitar or banjo, or keep beat with a tambourine. They play songs they love—and it shows.

For more of Sweet Rhubarb's music, check out their website or streaming on music platforms, their CD, "Earth 'Neath My Feet," or catch them live at Grantsburg's Music in the Park on Saturday, June 14.

In addition to music, A Wandering Fire Pizza served up their delicious wood-fired pizza to attendees. Proceeds from this summer's concert series will go toward the Arts Center's general fund.

Join the Frederic Arts Center and The

Summer Ramblers for the next concert in the series on Thursday, June 20.



People and pets alike huddle beneath umbrellas and tents while waiting for the rain to pass and the concert to begin.

Sweet Rhubarb to perform at Memory Lake Park

Submitted by Cilla Bauer

GRANTSBURG – Sweet Rhubarb will be featured at the first Music in the Park event at Memory Lake Park, Saturday, June 14.

With inspiration and influences from folk, pop, country, bluegrass, and "this 'n' that," Sweet Rhubarb brings an eclectic mix of songs written by others and well-crafted originals. Exquisite vocal harmonies are a hallmark of their performances, which are always fun, warm, engaging and inspiring. The St. Paul, Minnesota trio, who play guitar, bass, harmonica, percussion, and occasional banjo, have been delighting regional audiences since 2009.

The Grantsburg Music Festival Society invites everyone to a fun evening of entertainment by the lake. The music



Sweet Rhubarb will be featured at the first Music in the Park event at Memory Lake Park, Saturday, June 14. - Photo provided

starts at 6:30 p.m. Remember to bring your blankets and lawn chairs! Donations received from "passing the hat," during the performance will be greatly appreciated. Call 715-222-2195 for rain relocation updates. Rain location is the Grantsburg Senior Center.



Sweet Rhubarb delight their audience at Frederic Arts Center with beautiful harmonies and folk music on Thursday, May 29. (L to R): Ann Fate, Burna Krugler and Priscilla Thomas. - Photos by Roz Lundquist

Movie and music at the Barrel House

By Roz Lundquist | Reporter

FREDERIC – On Friday, May 30, That Dam Clam Jam Band moseyed over to the Barrel House for a lively evening performance on the patio. The group features Aimee Chenal on guitar, Greg Layne on bass, Tim Mohrlant on drums and Allen Parson on keyboard. Each member takes turns on lead vocals and supporting harmonies. Their set list contains a wide range of pop music—from the '40s to now—and includes original songs written by the band members.

In addition to the live music, the Barrel House screened a local film titled "Meat Raffle." According to the synopsis on the

meatrafflemovie.com website, the film is set in a small Wisconsin town where "a dark force has been running the show ... until three women decide to take matters into their own hands and show one cop that he's made the last 'mis steak' of his life."

The dark comedy is written, directed and produced by That Dam Clam Jam Band's very own Aimee Chenal. In addition, all the performing band members had acting roles in the film! To watch "Meat Raffle," stream on Amazon Prime or the meatrafflemovie.com and support this local creative venture.



After setting up on the patio, That Dam Clam Jam Band rocked the attendees at the Barrel House on Friday, May 30. - Photo by Roz Lundquist

Osceola kicks off the summer with community fun at Mill Pond Park

By Sophie Horgan | Reporter

OSCEOLA – With food, fun and all sorts of festivities taking over the sunny Mill Pond Park on Friday, May 30, Osceola celebrated the exciting start of summer. Surrounded by families, friends and neighbors, the community was determined to celebrate the season—rain or shine. The event was hosted by CedarBend Church, though made possible through partnerships with local businesses, and help from volunteers.

The festivities began at 5 p.m., and parking filled up in no time as guests quickly piled into the park. Between food trucks, face painting, photo ops, in-

flatables, or a film under the stars, there was a little something to offer for everyone. Bites to eat were available from a number of vendors, including Top Dog, The Looking Glass, Simply Cake Couture and Serranos. Minnesota State Fair popcorn, locally popped, was also offered at the event. Bouncy houses and face painting kept the kids entertained as they eagerly awaited the showing of "Moana 2" featured on the giant LED screen at 6 p.m. As the sky fell closer into dusk, the other activities slowed down and guests gathered around for the movie to end the night.



Kids enjoy a bouncy house at Mill Pond Park. - Photo by Sophie Horgan

Glory Bound performs gospel music at Skonewood Christian Retreat

First weekend for Sunday Musical Services

By Sarah Beth Radomsky | Reporter

CUSHING – Skonewood Christian Retreat Center welcomed the gospel music group Glory Bound on Sunday, June 1, for an evening of worship music that followed a community sing-along, drawing a diverse crowd of attendees. The event, part of Skonewood's regular Sunday Musical Services series, showcased Glory Bound's mission to share the message of Jesus' salvation through song. John Larson, who has managed Skonewood for five years alongside his wife, Jackie, announced that this would be their final summer at the retreat center. "This will be our last summer here, and I just want to tell you, you are just like a family to me," Larson said, expressing gratitude to the community. "The growth here alone, spiritually, it's just been wonderful for us."

Larson also shared insights from his recent mission trips to Guatemala with Hope for Home, a ministry supporting



The audience participates in a community sing-along to open the night. - Photos by Sarah Beth Radomsky

special needs children. "They take care of special needs children that families can't take care of," he said, describing their work in San Antonio, a village about 45 minutes from Antigua. "We go into the homes and just love on kids." Larson recounted a poignant moment from a past trip, reflecting on a conversation overheard at an airport. "A doctor said, 'We're going down there to do the real work. We're not the light bulb changers,'" he recalled. "God just explained it to me ... It's all about being



Glory Bound performs at the retreat center.

the light out there to the people you're serving. If you have no light, you have no hope."

Glory Bound's performance resonated with the audience, many of whom have attended their shows at Skonewood for years. "Glory Bound's been here quite a bit, once or twice a year," Larson noted. The group is scheduled to return on Sept. 1 as part of Skonewood's ongoing music series. A full schedule of events is available on the center's website under

the events section. Skonewood, established in 1978, continues to be a hub for spiritual and community gatherings, with plans underway to select a new caretaker couple to replace the Larsons in October. "They're looking at two different couples, but they want several to choose from," Larson said, explaining the open application process. For more information on Skonewood Christian Retreat Center, visit their website.

Johnson Family Farm hosts first pasture walk of season

Highlights silvopasture

By Sarah Beth Radomsky | Reporter

FREDERIC – On May 31, the Johnson Family Pastures Farm welcomed over 30 farmers and graziers for a pasture walk showcasing regenerative grazing and silvopasture. Hosted by Chris and Tamara Johnson on their 174-acre farm, the event was sponsored by the River Country Resource Conservation and Development Council Inc. The farm, featuring grass-fed beef and silvopastured goats, has evolved since 2017 from a nutrient-poor hayfield into a model of rotational grazing. Chris Johnson, a former grazing specialist now working as an aircraft mechanic, led the tour, detailing a 2023 timber harvest that transformed overstocked woods into silvopasture. The Johnsons worked to clear wood slash, burned piles, and seeded clover and orchard grass, creating a diverse forage mix under 30-50% canopy cover ideal for goats. "Silvopasture improves livestock comfort and forage productivity," Chris said.

Attendees, including graziers from Cumberland, Spooner, and Barron,

explored 11,000 feet of water lines, high-tensile fence and NRCS-funded infrastructure like a winter water source. Chris highlighted a variety of ventures at the farm, including land fertility gains from bale grazing in the early spring and past hog operations, the farm's shift from full-time direct-market sales, the use of a cow-calf model, and later goats, sharing that in the past there were also many egg-laying hens and duck and meat birds. He expressed openness to leasing the farm to a like-minded grazer sometime in the future.

Participants shared insights about 2025's slower spring grass growth, weed management and economic viability. The group networked, with newcomers sharing about goals such as learning fencing strategies, and veterans discussing paddock management. The event emphasized Northwest Wisconsin's grazing community, with a July 19 pasture walk planned at Mike Miles' Anathoth Community Farm. "Chris's experience shows what's possible with regenerative practices," said Lynn Johnson, a grazing consultant for the NW Wisconsin Graziers Network.



Lynn Johnson, a grazing consultant for the NW Wisconsin Graziers Network, opens the event with a welcome and invitation to those present to network with one another by sharing needs, ideas and items for sale. - Photos by Sarah Beth Radomsky



The large group begins a hike around the property.

Bone Lake Lutheran welcomes new members, gives away quilt



Bone Lake Lutheran Church has welcomed new members, Bob and Marie Booher. - Photos provided



The 2025 high school graduate, Julyann Linc, was presented her quilt on May 25 at Bone Lake Lutheran Church.

Festival Theatre presents 'Ms. Holmes & Ms. Watson, Apt. 2B'

Submitted by Lindsey Fry

ST. CROIX FALLS – Mystery, mayhem, and ... roommates? Festival Theatre brings a fresh, fast-paced take on the world's most famous detective duo with "Ms. Holmes & Ms. Watson, Apt. 2B" by Kate Hamill, running June 21–July 6, at The Historic Auditorium.

This witty and suspenseful reimagining introduces Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson as two eccentric female roommates navigating post-pandemic life while solving high-stakes mysteries.

Packed with brains, brawn and unexpected twists, the duo must tackle a case that hits close to home. A thrilling blend of razor-sharp wit, electrifying suspense and unexpected twists—this is Sherlock and Watson like you've never seen before!



Actors Kathryn Cesarz and Mary Margaret Hughes as Ms. Holmes and Ms. Watson. - Photo provided

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Haugaard's West Denmark Fiddle School to be held June 22-27

Submitted by Mark Pedersen

WEST DENMARK – A mixture of Scandinavian, Celtic and original music can be experienced at Harald Haugaard's West Denmark Fiddle School during the week of June 22-27. This is the 11th year of an event that started as a three-year experiment to see if Harald's fiddle school could be successful at West Denmark. West Denmark is located one mile west of Luck and is known for being an area where many Danish immigrants settled over a century ago. The fiddle school draws participants from all over the United States.

In 2015, master violinist and composer from Denmark Harald Haugaard, started a fiddle camp at West Denmark similar to his fiddle camp in Breklum, Germany. The intent is to bring people together with music in the folk school tradition. The instructors are Harald Haugaard and Sebastian Bloch Larsen from Denmark; Hanneke Cassel and Jenna Moynihan from the Boston, Massachusetts area; and Kevin Henderson from Shetland. These five amazing musicians and teachers will provide a unique opportunity for playing music, singing, dancing and making new friends. People of all ages from diverse cultures, countries and styles, are welcome to join and enjoy a common interest; a passion for learning, playing and sharing the joy of music.

The West Denmark Fiddle School is an annual event and offers classes for intermediate, advanced and super-advanced level fiddle players and an ensemble class to include cello, guitar, double bass, mandolin and other instruments. There will be an intensive daily timetable of instrumental lessons which will give participants an introduction to a wonderful repertoire of folk and origi-



Instructors Harald, Jenna, Hanneke, Sebastian and Kevin. - Photo provided

nal music based on Scandinavian and Anglo/Celtic music.

On Tuesday, June 24, the fiddle school will feature a concert, open to the public with all five instructors, which is a highlight of the school. This concert is held in the West Denmark church. There is an admission charge, and it is recommended that tickets be purchased in advance. Then on Thursday, June 26, there will be a concert with the instructors, along with the fiddle school participants, playing music that has been taught during the week. This concert will take place outside at the parish hall. Bring a picnic supper or we will have brats and hot dogs for sale. Since this concert is outside, bring a lawn chair and watch the website for changes due to weather concerns. There is no admission charge but please make a donation that will be used for scholarships and funding for the fiddle school.

For those who have an interest in participating in the fiddle school or attending either of the concerts, please go to wdfiddleschool.org for more information and updates.

Trap Rock Chapter traverses the Indian Creek segment of the Ice Age Trail

By Sophie Horgan | Reporter

INDIAN CREEK – In celebration of National Trails Day—which takes place on the first Saturday of June—the Trap Rock Chapter of the Ice Age Trail Alliance took a hike through the Indian Creek segment on the sunny afternoon of Sunday, June 1. Hikers met at the start of the trail at 1 p.m., where they began a 3.1-mile scenic hike. The trail showcased lovely views, surrounded by several creeks and fresh flowers, including spring ephemerals. The two hour trek ended on the nearby 30th Street.



The Trap Rock Chapter of the Ice Age Trail Alliance took on the Indian Creek segment on June 1, in an organized group hike to celebrate National Trails Day. - Photo by Sophie Horgan

River Trip Planning 101 with the Wild Rivers Conservancy

By Sophie Horgan | Reporter

ST. CROIX FALLS – With summer's outdoor adventures just around the corner, nature enthusiasts gathered on May 31 at the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway Visitor Center to attend an informative and engaging river trip planning presentation led by National Park Service Ranger Dan. The presentation—put on by the Wild Rivers Conservancy and the National Park Service—focused on exploring the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway, and offered listeners a deep dive into one of the region's most cherished natural resources—the 255-mile waterway that flows from Solon Springs all the way to its confluence with the Mississippi River. Ranger Dan guided the audience through everything from riverside hiking trails to camping logistics, historical highlights and conservation efforts. He noted that planning is the key to making the most of your time on the riverway, as he introduced maps, trail guides, and insider tips for navigating the river.

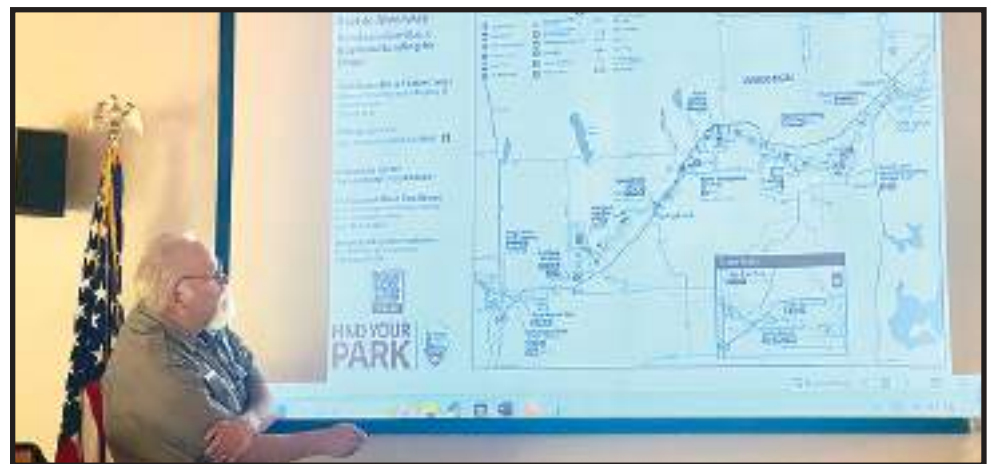
The presentation delved into the river's rich history, from its use by Indigenous people and logging companies, to its protection under the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968, which preserved the St. Croix for its natural and cultural sig-

nificance. And of course, he described the legendary 1886 log jam, which transformed the area into a local tourist attraction.

Using the National Park Service's Unigrid map design, Dan provided an overview of the riverway's 10 detailed river sections. Each map details river miles, campsites, hiking trailheads, portages and rapids classifications—valuable tools for both beginner paddlers or experienced campers. He gave thorough explanations of each section, demonstrating its importance in trip planning.

Dan highlighted the free, first-come, first-served campsites along the river, which include tent pads, fire rings and picnic tables. He also discussed a few nearby hiking opportunities across the Ice Age and North Country National Scenic Trails, as well as local trails like Trego Nature Trail.

With its dynamic history, diverse wildlife and beautifully scenic trails, the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway offers an unforgettable outdoor experience for adventurers of all kinds. As summer begins, Dan's timely presentation offered both inspiration and practical guidance for anyone looking to explore the St. Croix Riverway.



Ranger Dan demonstrates how to follow one of the many detailed sections of the riverway's lengthy map. - Photo by Sophie Horgan

Old Settlers Picnic planned for June 22 in Cushing

Submitted by Russ Hanson

CUSHING - Join us for the 87th Annual Old Settlers Picnic on Sunday, June 22, at the Cushing Community Center. Doors open at 11 a.m., with a potluck lunch at noon.

This cherished community tradition brings together friends, neighbors and generations of local families to reconnect, reminisce and celebrate the area's rich history. The event honors community elders, recognizing those over 80 years old, as well as couples who have been married 50 years or more, with special recognition for the oldest man and woman and the longest-married couple. And yes, there will be door prizes!

The Old Settlers Picnic began in 1939 as a midsummer reunion for the original

settlers along the St. Croix River—many of Swedish heritage—who brought with them a love of gathering in celebration of the season.

Whether you're a lifelong resident or new to the area, you're warmly invited to be part of this long-running tradition. Bring a dish to share, pull up a chair and enjoy an afternoon of community spirit at a picnic that's likely older than most attendees.

The event is proudly sponsored by the Sterling Eureka and Laketown Historical Society. Don't miss the chance to stop by the local museum, open during the picnic and on Mondays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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NOTICE OF EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
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Location: Grantsburg School District, Grantsburg, WI
Type: Full-Time, 220-Day Contract, Administrative Position
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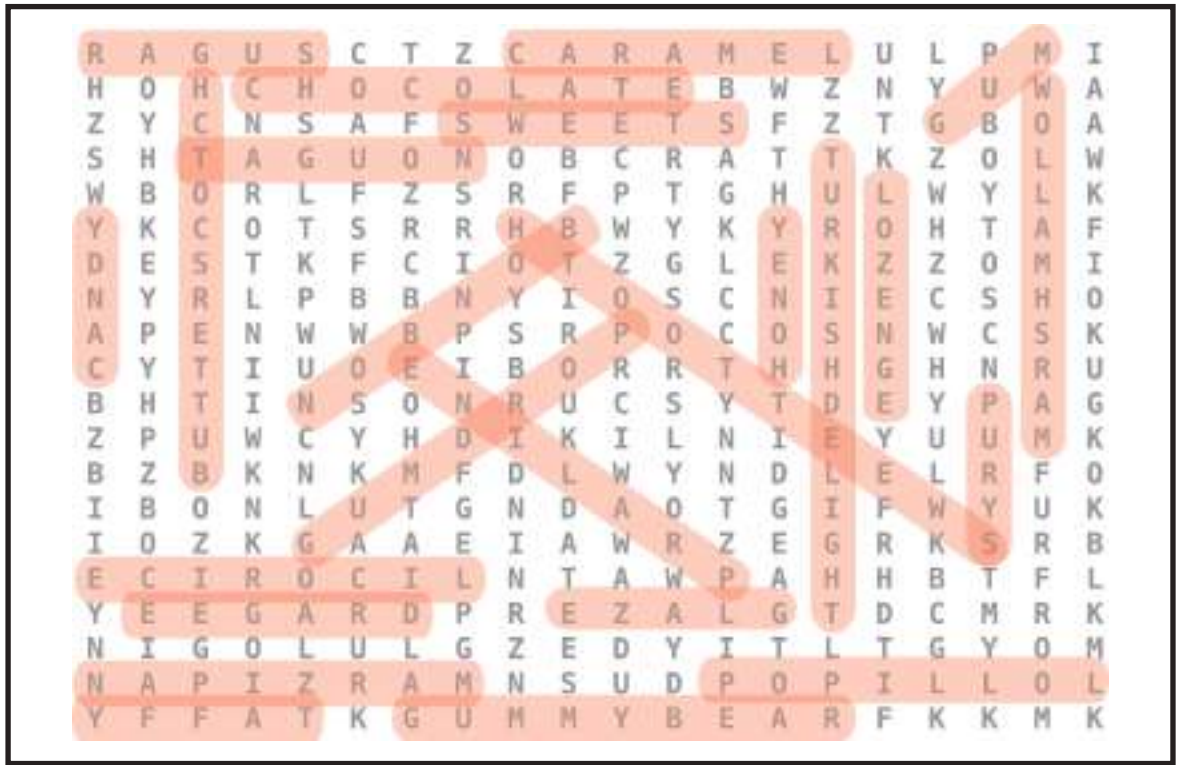
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Word Scramble Answer: TAFFY

Guess Who Answer: Johnny Depp

St. Croix Falls Menards location drop site for local food pantry

Submitted by Jeff Abbott

ST. CROIX FALLS - Your local Menards home improvement store, located at 1285 208th St. in St. Croix Falls, is now serving as a drop site for a local food pantry through the months of June and July. Menards is excited to participate in this wonderful opportunity while lending a helping hand to the community!

Menards offers a wide variety of non-perishable food items that can be donated to the food pantries, from boxes of cereal to cans of soup that can be found in the grocery department for immediate donation. There is a large collection box near the exit doors to place donations.



Your local Menards home improvement store, located at 1285 208th St. in St. Croix Falls, is now serving as a drop site for a local food pantry. - Photo provided

Hunt Hill Youth Day Camps open for registration

Submitted by Sally Bartz

SARONA - Youth summer day camps have been a long-standing tradition at Hunt Hill Nature Center! The day camps feature environmental-themed learning activities, games, swimming, and crafts in small, age-appropriate groups. Camps are interactive and led by a team of trained and enthusiastic educators.

This summer, youth day camps will be open to children age 7-12 with 20 camper spots available each day of camp. Day camp weeks will be from Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., with camper drop-off starting at 8:30 a.m. There will be five weeks of day camps with 20 individual days of

day camps of various themes. The dates are as follows, June 23-26, July 7-10, July 14-17, July 21-24 and Aug. 4-Aug. 7.

Registration is required. The day camp fee is \$45 per camper per day. If your family needs additional financial assistance to attend camp, there are camperships (scholarships) available. Please visit hunthill.org/day-camps for more information about our youth day camps.

Hunt Hill is a nonprofit nature preserve and learning center. You can find out more about Hunt Hill and its programs at hunthill.org or by calling 715-635-6543.

Frederic Family Days' Doubles Pickleball Tournament

Submitted by Sheila Beecroft

FREDERIC - A doubles pickleball tournament is planned for Frederic Family Days on June 21 and 22 at the pickleball courts behind the library on Hwy. 48. There is a \$40 entry fee per team. There are six divisions: men's doubles 2.5-3.0, men's doubles 3.0-3.5, women's doubles 2.5-3.0, women's doubles 3.0-3.5, mixed

doubles 2.5-3.0 and mixed doubles 3.0-3.5. There will be eight teams in each division. The tournament is sponsored by Frederic Community Ed., Frederic Community Pickleball Association and Frederic Chamber of Commerce. You can register at bit.ly/4cJjYsV by June 14. For registration questions, call Jim Cook, 952-200-2030.



Hunt Hill Youth Day Camps are open for registration. - Photo provided

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Big Gust Days held in Grantsburg

By Roz Lundquist | Reporter

GRANTSBURG – The Village of Grantsburg hosted Big Gust Days from Friday, June 6 through Sunday, June 8. Named after Anders Gustaf Anderson, or “Big Gust,” the town festival takes place the first weekend of June.

Big Gust was 7 feet 6 inches tall and Grantsburg’s village marshal, president of the fire department, town assessor and supervisor, and the unofficial lamp-lighter from the early 1900s until his death in 1926.

Big Gust Days has something for everyone. Highlights include 5K and 10K races, all-you-can-eat pancakes, and the 37th Annual Fiedler Car Show and Valve Cover races. The weekend also featured live music, a bubble party, and a bouncy house, ensuring fun for everyone.



Kids enjoy the bounce house at Big Gust Days in Grantsburg.



The Roberts Brothers perform at Brickfield Brewery.



Around 50 runners participated in the 5K and 10K “Gust Race” at the Burnett Medical Center. Proceeds go to the Youth of Burnett County Prevention Coalition. – Photos by Roz Lundquist

Osceola Rhubarb Fest brings community to Mill Pond Park

By Sarah Beth Radomsky | Reporter

OSCEOLA – On June 7 Mill Pond Park in downtown Osceola hosted the annual Rhubarb Fest. Organized by the Osceola PTA, Community Homestead and Osceola Lions Club, the six-hour event drew families and visitors to enjoy a craft fair, rhubarb-themed baked goods, food vendors, sidewalk sales and the beloved Lions Club rubber duck race. The streets

were full of cars, and local shops remained busy throughout the event. The craft fair featured 40 vendors, including Bear Made Crafts, Bella Josie Naturals, Jean Jensen Pottery, Meryl Kyro Arts, and The Nut Lady, showcasing handmade jewelry, pottery, pet treats, candles, maple syrup, jams, jellies and other homemade goods. Food trucks, such as Kate’s Coffee Coupe, Ike’s Thai Food, 4

Reasons Kettle Korn, and Pizza Karma offered a diverse range of flavors. A large rhubarb pie and bake sale proved a crowd favorite, while nearby businesses joined the festivities with sidewalk sales.

The Osceola Lions Club’s annual rubber duck race closed the event at 2 p.m., with thousands of ducks floating down Osceola Creek and over Cascade Falls. Lions’ member Neil Kline shared that the

duck race had been going on “a decade or more.” Ducks were sold for \$5 each or five for \$20, with prizes of \$1,000 for first place, \$250 for second and \$100 for two ducks stuck longest in the stream. Rhubarb Fest, originally launched to fund a new library, has grown into a much anticipated celebration of Osceola’s community spirit and love for rhubarb.



Members of the Osceola Lions Club sell tickets for their annual rubber duck race fundraiser. - Photos by Sarah Beth Radomsky



Forty vendors filled the park.



A variety of food trucks were present.

Stopin’ MS Car, Truck and Bike Show raises funds for National Multiple Sclerosis Society

By Sarah Beth Radomsky | Reporter

FREDERIC – On Saturday, May 31, the Barrel House hosted the Stopin’ MS Car, Truck and Bike Show, raising funds for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Organized by Anita Harr, who lives with multiple sclerosis, the event drew 34 registered vehicles and additional unregistered entries, with all proceeds benefiting MS research and support. The show, open to all vehicle types with

no classes, encouraged participants to “bring what you have” to support the cause. Attendees enjoyed a selection of craft vendors, with food and drinks provided by the Barrel House. A notable vendor was Kris Hobbs of Osceola, who offered paid photo opportunities with ball pythons Chevy, Pandora, and Naga, alongside an assortment of mostly snake-themed items. “The snakes are the main attraction,” Hobbs said, noting

their appeal in drawing crowds.

Harr, who also organizes an annual MS fundraiser in Amery at the Brow-Tine Restaurant and Event Center, emphasized raising awareness and funds for MS. “It’s about community and supporting a cause that impacts so many,” she said. The event, in its first year at the Barrel House, saw all ages enjoying the vehicles, from classic cars to modern trucks, with people’s choice voting con-

cluding near 3 p.m. The mild weather, with a light breeze, provided a perfect backdrop, avoiding the heat and bugs often plaguing outdoor events. Donations were welcomed throughout the day, boosting contributions to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Harr’s next fundraiser is set for Oct. 4 at the Brow-Tine, continuing her mission to support MS initiatives.



Organizer Anita Harr, right, at the registration booth. - Photos by Sarah Beth Radomsky



Owner Cole Gannon explains about the workings of the engine for his 1936 Ford Model 68 Coupe.



This booth belongs to Jellybeana’s Craft and Paint, one among several vendors in attendance.

SCHOOL SNAPSHOTS

By Sarah Beth Radomsky | Reporter

Thanks for checking out this week's School Snapshots section in the Inter-County Leader. Here we feature various school-related photographs taken across the area in the past week or so. We certainly welcome our member readers to submit their

own photos for consideration. Please email them to us at editor@lakeland.ws, with the subject line "School Snapshots." Be sure to include your name and where your photo was taken.



Webster Cub Club students celebrated the end of the school year with a fun-filled trip to Crooked Lake Park and sweet treats from Siren Dairy Queen. - Photo courtesy of School District of Webster



Siren celebrated their last day with a special send-off from staff as the buses rolled away. - Photo courtesy of School District of Siren



Frederic eighth-graders combined creativity and physics in science class, designing mini golf courses with the challenge of making a hole-in-one possible. - Photo courtesy of Frederic School District



Grantsburg High School choir and band students recently delivered a spectacular performance. - Photo courtesy of School District of Grantsburg



At Unity, royal creations abounded as second-graders crafted stunning origami crowns, celebrating Queen and King Day with creativity fit for royalty. - Photo courtesy of Unity School District



The elementary staff at Luck hosted a Kickoff to Summer family night, featuring games, food, a bike drawing, books and summer fun activities. - Photo courtesy of Luck Public Schools



Congratulations to Amery seventh-graders for their top one-minute keyboarding timings in Term 6: Karter Sain (77 wpm), Akina Holm (64 wpm), Maya Anderson (58 wpm), Rayna Haugen (56 wpm), Marley Sutter (47 wpm), Piper Jicinsky (46 wpm) and Michael Scheel (44 wpm). - Photo courtesy of School District of Amery



Little Saints Too Child Care Center celebrated their newly built raised flower beds, crafted by Mr. Chelberg's class, where children plan to plant and tend to vegetables, fruits and flowers this summer, fostering teamwork and a love for healthy foods. - Photo courtesy of St. Croix Falls School District

JUNE
THURSDAY/12

Frederic

• **500 Card Club** at the senior center, noon-3 p.m., 715-327-8623.

Siren

• **Music in the Park with Rex Cactus** at the Crooked Lake Park Bandshell, 6:30 p.m. Food and beverages available, burnettcountyfun.com/event/music-in-the-park-2/2025-07-17.

• **Lake Country Pedalers Tuesday Ride and Lunch, 9-12 mile bike ride** from Dairy Queen, 24165 State Rd. 35, 10:30 a.m., lakecountypedalers.com.

St. Croix Falls

• **Polk County Democrats monthly meeting** at the American Legion Hall, 6 p.m., polkcountywisconsin-democrats.org.

FRI.-SUN./13-15

Milltown

• **48th Annual Youth Slow-Pitch Milk Tournament** at Melgren Field. Trophies and milk each day, 715-553-0121 or 715-553-2821.

FRIDAY/13

Alpha

• **Dairy Day** at Burnett Dairy, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. **Samples, dairy booths, petting zoo, music, vendors, pedal tractor pull, food trucks,** 715-689-2468.

Falun

• **Free bread distribution** at Trinity Lutheran Church, 8 a.m.

• **Brat and Hot Dog Fundraiser** at Trinity Lutheran Church, 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. or until gone.

Luck

• **Mindfulness Session** at the library, 10 a.m., luckpubliclibrary.org.

• **Community of prayer for the nation** at Faith Fellowship Church, 7 p.m., 715-475-7666.

St. Croix Falls

• **Music on the Overlook with Patchouli** at Overlook Park on N. Washington St., 6:30 p.m., musicontheoverlook.com.

SATURDAY/14

Amery

• **Amery Women's Club Art and Craft Fair** at North Park, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., ameryartandcraftfair.com.

Frederic

• **Frederic Fire Department's Annual Pork Fundraiser** at the fire hall, noon-7 p.m. **Raffles.**

Luck

• **Luck FFA Alumni Tractor and Truck Pull** at the Luck Industrial Park. Trucks at 11 a.m., tractors at 4 p.m. Admission \$5, children 12 and under are free, 715-501-4402 or 715-491-9146.

Sarona

• **Monthly Little Explorers program** at Hunt Hill Nature Center for kids ages 3-6, 10-11:30 a.m. Registration required for child and accompanying adult. Limited to 35 attendees, hunthill.org/little-explorers/.

• **Children's First Aid class** at Hunt Hill Nature Center, noon-1 p.m. For ages 7-12. An EMT will coach children in basic first aid skills. Registration is \$5 and required by June 11, hunthill.org/event.

Siren

• **Lake Country Pedalers Mudhen Lake 11 mile bike ride** starting and ending at Daniels Town Hall, 9697 Daniels 70, 9 a.m. Join fellow riders and explore area trails, lakecountypedalers.com.

• **Free flying experience** for youth ages 8-17 with the Young Eagles program at the Burnett County Airport, 7-11:30 a.m. Registration required online, eaachapters.org/event-details/YE1227ILG.

Spooner

• **Tri-County Dairy Breakfast**, Spooner Fairgrounds, 6:30-10:30 a.m. Door prizes, barrel train ride, kid prizes, silent auction.

St. Croix Falls

• **Polk County Dairy Breakfast** at the Polk County Fairgrounds, 9 a.m.-noon. Adults \$8; Ages 4-12 \$5; 3 & under are free.

Webster

• **Second Saturday movie** at the community center, 3 p.m. Snacks provided. Register on the library website: websterlib.org.

• **Homemade Pie Sale** at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m., 715-866-7321.

SUNDAY/15

Cushing

• **Sunday Music** at Skonewood with **The Stringsmiths**, 6:30 p.m. Hymns at 6:15. Bring a chair, skonewood.com/sunday-music.

St. Croix Falls

• **Father's Day fun** at Interstate Park Ice Age Center, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Vehicle admission pass required.

• **Father's Day Breakfast** at the American Legion Post #143, 8-11 a.m., 715-483-3631.

MONDAY/16

Balsam Lake

• **Indianhead Barbershop Chorus meets** at the Justice Center for practice, 7 p.m., 715-475-7666.

• **Blood drive** at Georgetown Lutheran Church, noon-6 p.m. Make appt. to donate, redcrossblood.org, 800-733-2767.

Coming Events

SUBMIT YOUR COMING EVENTS ONLINE TO: www.leadericcpa.com/contact

We list cultural events, fundraisers, benefits, monthly meetings, free meals, and the like, for schools, nonprofit organizations, churches, libraries, community organizations, clubs, support groups, etc. We occasionally list events of community/family interest that are sponsored by a business. Events are listed as space permits and at the discretion of the editor. Please submit your event online, by phone or in person by 10 a.m. on Monday to get it listed in that Wednesday's paper.

"Thunder Pumper"

by Cole, age 12

The American Bittern is known for its unique loud call by the male, which has resulted in several nicknames. These are well-camouflaged, solitary birds that stand motionless amongst tall marsh vegetation or patiently stalk their prey.

In A New Light is a therapeutic nature photography program at Northwest Passage. It emphasizes skilled expressive arts training and nature immersion, ultimately empowering youth to define themselves by their strengths rather than their weaknesses.



Frederic

• **Exercise for Seniors** at the senior/community center, 9:30 a.m. \$10/month. Sign up: 715-327-8623.

• **Scrabble Club meets** at the senior center, 1-3 p.m., 715-790-8015.

Grantsburg

• **Soup & Soul** at the senior center, 6 p.m., 715-469-2767.

Luck

• **Special author talk** at the library with **Audrey Edmunds**, author of "It Happened to Audrey," a gripping memoir of wrongful conviction, endurance and the search for justice, 5:30 p.m., luckpubliclibrary.org.

Webster

• **AA meeting** at the senior center, 6 p.m.

• **Lions Club Bingo** at the community center, 7 p.m. Children must be accompanied by a guardian.

TUESDAY/17

Balsam Lake

• **Polk County Museum Speaker's Series continues with Russ Hanson**, speaking about **George Nelson's time in the Yukon Gold Rush** at the library, 1 p.m., balsamlakepubliclibrary.org.

Centuria

• **Recovering Together Cafe from the Mental Health Task Force of Polk County for those looking for support during recovery.** Held at Joy Lutheran Church the third Tuesday of each month, 5-7 p.m. Free childcare, a meal and \$20 gas card. Register by phone or email, 715-554-4397 or director@mentalhealthpolk.org.

Clam Falls

• **Coffee hour** at Clam Falls Lutheran Church, 9 a.m. Everyone welcome.

Cushing

• **Blood drive** at the community center, noon-6 p.m. Make appt. to donate, redcrossblood.org, 800-733-2767.

Danbury

• **Wellbriety Talking Circle** at Tribal Hall, 6 p.m., 715-244-4021.

Dresser

• **Caregiver support group** at Peace Lutheran Church, 2-3:30 p.m. Call 877-485-2372 to register.

Frederic

• **Coffee time** at the senior center, 8-11 a.m., 715-327-8623.

Grantsburg

• **GriefShare grief support group** at Trade River Ev. Free Church, 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday evenings thru June 17, 715-488-2296.

• **Little Wildlifers** at Crex Meadows, 2-3 p.m. **Join Crex wildlife educators for stories, songs, crafts and activities** chosen especially for children ages 3-6. Dress for the weather, crexmeadows.org/series/little-wildlifers-2.

Luck

• **TOPS meeting** at the senior center, 3:30-4:30 p.m., 952-406-1845.

• **Music in the Park with 'Bout Time** at the gazebo in Triangle Park, 6:30 p.m.

St. Croix Falls

• **Rummikub** at the senior center, 4 p.m., 906-396-2481.

WED.-SUN./18-21

Danbury

• **Reflections Of Our Past** at Forts Folle Avoine Historical Park. All of the buildings are open, several manned with interpreters, theforts.org/reflections-of-our-past.

WEDNESDAY/18

Frederic

• **Exercise for Seniors** at the senior/community center, 9:30 a.m. \$10/month. Sign up: 715-327-8623.

• **Story and Play Time** at the library, 10:30 a.m., fredericlibrary.org.

Siren

• **Blood drive** at Bethany Lutheran Church, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Make appt. to donate, redcrossblood.org, 800-733-2767.

St. Croix Falls

• **Mahjong** at the senior center, noon, 906-396-2481.

Webster

• **Touch-a-Truck kick-off event for the library's summer reading program**, 1-2:30 p.m. Kids can experience trucks and heavy equipment up close at the Webster Fairgrounds. Free and open to the public, summer reading participation is not required for this event. Register for summer reading on the website or stop by the library, websterlib.org/summer-reading.

THURS. & FRI./19 & 20

Frederic

• **Friends of the Library Book Sale** at the library, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

THURS.-SUN./19-22

Frederic

• **Family Days.**

THURSDAY/19

Balsam Lake

• **Polk County Beekeepers meeting** at the village hall, every third Thursday, Feb.-Oct., 6:30 p.m.

Cushing

• **Sterling Eureka and Laketown Historical Society monthly meeting** at Cushing Museum, 5:30 p.m., sites.google.com/view/selhs.

Frederic

• **500 Card Club** at the senior center, noon-3 p.m., 715-327-8623.

Grantsburg

• **Library annual golf tournament** at the Grantsburg Golf Course, 5:30 p.m. A scramble with four-person teams. Cost per team is \$120, includes cart, round and dinner. Call the library before June 10 to register, 715-463-2244.

Shell Lake

• **Blood drive** at Shell Lake Full Gospel Church, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Make appt. to donate, redcrossblood.org, 800-733-2767.

Siren

• **Music in the Park with Bill Bittner Memorial & Harmonic balance** at the Crooked Lake Park Bandshell, 6:30 p.m. Food and beverages available, burnettcountyfun.com/event/music-in-the-park-2/2025-07-17.

Webster

• **Burnett County Democrats monthly meeting** at Round-A-Bout Bar & Grill, 5 p.m., burnettcountydemocrats.org.

• **Yellow Lake food distribution** at Caring Hearts Thrift shop, 8:30 a.m. until gone.

FRIDAY/20

Balsam Lake

• **Sue Berg author visit** at the library, 5:30-7 p.m. **Discover the captivating world of her "Driftless Mystery" series, set right here in Wisconsin. Hear about her writing journey and get insights into her suspenseful tales.**

Falun

• **Free bread distribution** at Trinity Lutheran Church, 8 a.m.

• **Brat and Hot Dog Fundraiser** at Trinity Lutheran Church, 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. or until gone.

Frederic

• **Summer Ramblers** at Frederic Arts following talent show, part of Frederic Family Days, with food trucks in the park.

Grantsburg

• **Book Signing** at the library with author **Sue Segelstrom**, noon-4 p.m. Her new book is "The Harvest-Cranberries and Vegetable Cash Crops in Burnett and Northern Polk Counties," grantsburglibrary.org.

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• **Mindfulness Session** at the library, 10 a.m., luckpubliclibrary.org.

• **Community of prayer for the nation** at Faith Fellowship Church, 7 p.m., 715-475-7666.

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