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Fifield first responder disciplined for comments made after June 26 lakes association meeting

Residents worry for their safety; public officials withhold information

By Trevor Greene
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

Pike Lake fire chief Warren Johnson said at Fifield's July 11 town board meeting he "imposed"

disciplinary action on one of the town's first responders, Mike Sloane, at a July 3 business meeting of the fire department. Johnson said at the town board meeting he wouldn't share what

the disciplinary action was the department took with regard to Sloane because it was decided in closed session at the fire department's meeting.

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Lac du Flambeau town board holds off on roadwork bid

Legal fees and other costs associated with road easement issue beginning to be a factor for the town

By Brian Jopek
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

A possible financial bind the town of Lac du Flambeau is in as a result of the ongoing, four-road easement situation between the town and the Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians had only been mentioned or alluded to over the course of the past several town board meetings. Last week, though, the "financial bind" was brought out in the open during the town board's July 12 meeting.

Two bids for work on Plummer Lake Road had been received from Pitlik and Wick, one of them, for \$175,250, already approved at a May town board meeting.

That bid was for about half of the road and the decision was made to seek a bid for the rest of the road and that bid, also from Pitlik and Wick at \$111,228.65, was opened at a town board meeting last month.

The second bid was on the agenda for the July 12 meeting and, as he's done previously when his employer, Pitlik and Wick, has been involved, town chairman Matt Gaulke recused himself from the meeting and left the room for the duration of the road discussion.

Town supervisors Gloria Cobb and Bob Hanson ultimately decided to "stay the course" with the Pitlik and Wick bid for the first section of Plummer Lake Road, town clerk Susan Schoonover telling them that contract was already signed and the money to pay for it coming from the town's share of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) money.

It was the second bid the discussion ended up centering around, Cobb and Hanson indicating a desire to get the entire project completed at the same time.

At the beginning of the discussion, Cobb summarized the bids to that point and Schoonover said there had been communication from Pitlik and Wick stating the company could get the entire project done this year.

"I guess the big question is do we have the money to pay it?" Hanson asked.

Schoonover said, regarding the second bid, the town didn't have money in its general fund and didn't have

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CIRCLES AT THE CIRCUS

Robert Hansen walks along with his 2-year-old daughter Sawyer while she takes a pony ride during intermission at the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus on Thursday, July 13, at Brandy Park in Arbor Vitae.

Boulder Junction electors authorize property purchase

By Brian Jopek
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

Electors in the town of Boulder Junction last week authorized the purchase by the town, the property the former Phillips 66 filling station sits on and a vacant lot near it.

The vote was 40 to 16 in favor of the purchase for \$97,500.

"At one time, the town owned both lots," town chairman Dennis Reuss told *The Lakeland Times*. "We used the one lot to store snow that was plowed off of town streets. We also used it for a parking area."

He said the interest in the property the former filling station sits on is to

demolish the building and "have real estate available for town use at some point."

"Some of the ideas that have come up for uses have included the possibility of a location for public restrooms," Reuss said. "The town has temporary, portable toilets for the public to use and they get a great deal of use. That and other ideas people might have for the property will be subjects we can and will discuss at town board meetings going forward."

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JUST LIKE SPIDERMAN

Five-year-old Kolton Robison gets his face painted like Spiderman during intermission at the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus on Thursday, July 13, at Brandy Park in Arbor Vitae.

GOVERNMENT MEETINGS

| Tuesday, July 18 | Wed., July 18 |
|---|--|
| VILAS COUNTY BOARD SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE- 9 a.m., Vilas County Courthouse Addition, conference room B. | LAC DU FLAMBEAU TOWN BOARD SPECIAL MEETING- 3 p.m., Lac du Flambeau Town Hall. |
| VILAS COUNTY BOARD HIGHWAY COMMITTEE- 9 a.m., Highway Department, 2104 N. Railroad St., conference room. | |
| MINOCQUA TOWN BOARD OF SUPERVISORS- 5 p.m., Minocqua Center, 3rd floor board room. | Thursday, July 20 |
| | ONEIDA COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE- 1 p.m., Oneida County Courthouse, county board room. |
| | ONEIDA COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT- 9 a.m., Oneida County Courthouse, second floor committee room 2. |

Applications being accepted to be on Oneida County RSVP advisory council

The Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) of Oneida County committee is accepting applications from interested Oneida County residents for a position on the RSVP advisory council. The RSVP advisory council will provide input and advice on volunteerism in Oneida County to the RSVP coordinator.

The RSVP advisory council will have seven members, one of whom will be an ADRC committee member.

Interested parties to fill the a vacancy should have knowledge of human and social needs in Oneida County; knowledge in the field of community service and volunteerism; and have an interest in and knowledge of the capability of older adults. Volunteers and organization representatives that have volunteers are encouraged to apply.

Interested Oneida County residents should contact the ADRC of Oneida County to receive an application. Applications are due back to the department on or before 4:30 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 20. The ADRC committee will review all applications and candidates will be selected to recommend to the county board for official appointment.

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Lake Tomahawk town board doesn't act on ATV/UTV request for Hwy. 47

Board approves request to open Hwy. D from Bluebird to Rainbow

By Trevor Greene
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

The Lake Tomahawk town board on July 12 decided not to act on a request by Lake Tomahawk ATV/UTV club president Tom Kettler to open Highway 47 up for all-terrain vehicle (ATV) and utility task vehicle (UTV) use through downtown.

The town board did, however, oblige to Kettler's request to open for use Highway D from Bluebird to Rainbow roads, still leaving closed from Bluebird Road to Hwy. 47.

Kettler said opening Hwy. 47 "would allow for a more safe accessible route for ATV/UTVs to all businesses especially Lakeland Lumber, Meat Market, Kreager Insurance and BP."

The board, though, expressed there is no need because all those businesses can be accessed from the surrounding town roads already opened for use.

Kettler indicated not having to cross Hwy. 47 and turning onto it instead would be safer.

"It's been three years since the town board has approved ATV/UTV access on our roads, there has been only a couple minor issues during this time they were quickly addressed and cor-

rected," Kettler said while reading from a statement he prepared prior to the meeting. "With the town ordinances in place, my continued efforts patrolling and support from our club with educating the public with Facebook maps and now our website, I truly believe the opening of Hwy. 47 in our town would only improve safety and not have a negative impact."

One resident asked the board if Wisconsin's Department of Transportation (DOT) would need to be part of the process if the board had wanted to approve opening Hwy. 47 for ATV/UTV use.

Town chairman George DeMet said the DOT wouldn't need to be involved because the speed limit for the portion of Hwy. 47 that runs through downtown has a speed limit of less than 35 miles per hour.

"My issues would be that Hwy. 47 being a two-lane highway with parking on either side, and we already have issues at the intersections ... adding more traffic, I don't know," DeMet said.

Kettler suggested the board consider opening up Hwy. 47 for a trial run of sorts.

"I really don't think it would do any kind of nega-

tive," he said. "I really don't. We've been on D both east and west."

Hwy. D is a "whole different situation," DeMet replied.

Town supervisor Stephanie Sowatzka asked if a trial period is possible.

DeMet said he wasn't sure, and town supervisor Lenore Lopez said she thinks once it's open for a trial period it would be hard to close it again if it didn't work out.

"It's gonna be very difficult to stop it if people start using it," DeMet said.

"It doesn't seem necessary to me," Lopez said.

"It doesn't seem compelling, I guess would be the word," DeMet said. "I'd like to sit on it for awhile anyhow and just kind of see how things go."

With regard to opening up Hwy. D from Bluebird Road to Rainbow Road, but still leaving closed ATV/UTV access from Bluebird Road to Hwy. 47, the town board will take steps to amend its ordinance to do so.

"Well the rest of D is open," DeMet said. "I wouldn't have as much problem with that one."

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Vilas forestry committee gives update on newly implemented park user fees

By Trevor Greene
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

Vilas County's assistant forest administrator Jerome Wotachek gave an update on the newly implemented park user fees at select county facilities during a July 11 forestry, recreation and land committee meeting.

The committee, during meetings at the end of last year and early this year, consulted with multiple businesses before deciding to go with the Milwaukee-based company Interstate Parking, owned by Lac du Flambeau resident Tony Janowiec to rollout an implementation plan.

The user fee program went into effect on June 15 and more information can be found at a link on the county's website under the forestry, recreation and land's department page.

Wotachek said his office at the courthouse in Eagle River has began registering individuals for user fee passes "who have trouble participating on site."

"But it's been going pretty good," Wotachek said. "It's pretty time-consuming. It's probably on average 10 people that stop by in a day asking about it or asking for help doing online registration."

The forestry department's administrative assistant Kelly Tyler confirmed for committee chair Holly Tomlanovich the user fee program has been a benefit to the county so far.

Wotachek added that there have been suggestions made by the public to modify the program.

Some of those suggestions include a request by the Headwaters Chapter of Muskies Inc. for its members to receive discounts; including user park passes with a Torch Lake Campground pass; and a discounted fee for veterans.

Muskies Inc. director Louie Dreger noted different donations and work the organization has done to help the county.

Vilas County veteran service officer Brian Thomas spoke on his office's behalf.

"I think at the beginning of this, we said this would be our trial year where we develop a list of situations," Tomlanovich said. "We've had some others (suggestions) besides these ... and probably at the end of the season we will do some adjustments."

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Minocqua plan commission OKs two-unit business condo permit application

By Brian Jopek
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

The Minocqua plan commission met briefly on July 11, approving the two action items on its agenda.

The first item was an administrative review permit application (ARP) for rental of house on Dragonfly Trail as a tourist rooming house for less than 30 days.

The other agenda item was with regard to two vacant, individual spaces in the former Hanson Hardware building near Save-More Grocery Store.

Currently, the Dollar Tree store is the sole occupant of the building and the applicant, Brad Allen, submitted an application for a two-unit business condominium.

The plan commission approved the application and it next goes to the Minocqua town board at its meeting tonight.

Allen told *The Lakeland Times* last week at the moment, he has no plans for the vacant space.

“I had a commercial real estate person suggest that I do that,” he said. “That’s really all there is to it.”

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Lac du Flambeau school board hires staff for 2023-24

By Brian Jopek
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

The Lac du Flambeau school board last week approved the hiring of a kindergarten teacher, special education teacher and a head volleyball coach.

There were also resignations, one from a

paraprofessional who will be a student teacher in the district beginning in the 2023-24 school year.

The other resignation was from a teacher who accepted a position at Lakeland Union High School (LUHS).

“Staying in the area but moving to LUHS,”

District superintendent Josh Ernst said.

As for the overall situation when it comes to candidates applying for teaching positions at LdF, he echoed other area public school district superintendents such as Arbor Vitae - Woodruff’s Jocelyn Hardy at a recent AV-

W school board meeting regarding the difficulty in finding teachers.

“I don’t think that problem’s going away,” Ernst said. “There’s just a shortage in staff in general, unfortunately.”

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Woodruff town board OKs road projects

Application, MOU for an ATV/UTV trail from Thrall Road to County Highway J forwarded to the DOT

By Brian Jopek
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

The Woodruff town board last week approved repaving bids from Pitlik and Wick for Bloomville Lane, Emerson Road and Glencoe Road.

The town’s base 2023 road budget is \$158,000, the three bids totalling \$138,732.

In addition to the base budget, the town is anticipating nearly \$167,000 in transportation aid and another \$24,750 as reimbursement from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation’s (DOT’s) Local Road Improvement Program for work last year on Einer Road.

“So we could potentially spend \$191,243.69 this year,” Woodruff

town clerk Julie Huotari said in an email to *The Lakeland Times*.

There were two chip sealing projects for Woodruff Road and Dolhun Road but town chairman Mike Timmons said after the meeting the Woodruff Road project “would be scratched for sure this year” and the town was still waiting for clarification on the bid information from Fahrner Asphalt and Pitlik and Wick.

Thrall Road

Timmons said he’d been approached by Woodruff resident Heidi Fink about the possibility of using the current snowmobile trail as part of a all terrain vehicle (ATV) and utility task vehicle (UTV) trail from Thrall Road to State Highway 47.

He indicated he’d contacted DOT officials and the feedback he’d received was if everything was in order, the project would be approved at the state level.

Timmons said the project, which requires a memorandum of understanding (MOU) between the town and the DOT, wouldn’t cost the town anything and town supervisor Corky Sheppard, the Lakeland ATV/UTV Club’s president, said the club had already made the decision to pay for a required asphalt crossing.

Sheppard abstained from the town board’s vote to move the MOU forward.

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HIS FIRST PARADE

Dakota Ress of Merrill watches St. Germain’s Independence Day parade with his year-and-a-half-old son, Lincoln. “It’s Lincoln’s first parade,” Ress said.

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enough ARPA money left after committing it to the other half of Plummer Lake Road in addition to other items the town board designated for ARPA funding.

“We’d have to take it out of reserve, which is about half the balance,” Schoonover said.

Cobb asked if that left the town’s reserve fund with enough to handle legal fees associated with the expired easement issue for Annie Sunn Lane, Center Sugarbush Lane, East Ross Allen Lake Lane and Elsie Lake Lane.

“Not comfortably,” Schoonover said to Cobb as she looked over figures in front of her. “By my forecasting, the legal (fees) are gonna be next quarter what they were this quarter. I’m not comfortable with going forward with that. I just don’t ... we don’t have enough wiggle room.”

She said she thought the cost to do the Plummer Lake Road project would “be much less since they (Pitlik and Wick) would already be onsite and it was, you know, a shorter distance.”

Cobb asked if the town had enough money to cover the first part of the Plummer Lake Road project and Schoonover said that was the case and she’d already subtracted the \$175,250 from the town’s ARPA account.

“What do you think?” Hanson asked Cobb. “Do we split it again? I hate to do that but ...”

“I hate to do it but I don’t wanna put us in a financial bind either,” Cobb said.

“We’re there already,” Hanson said.

“More of a financial bind,” Cobb said. “It’s a hundred grand.”

The two town supervisors were asked about putting off the Plummer Lake Road project until the easement issue with the tribe is resolved.

“There’s a problem, I think, with putting road repairs off too long because then the road really falls apart and it takes a lot more to fix it,” Hanson said. “I think what we need to do is try and find the ‘sweet spot’ here where we can do as much repair work as we can with the money we have to prevent the roads from totally disintegrating.”

He said he felt Plummer Lake Road “is a good candidate for that.”

“I don’t know what else to do,” Hanson said. “I know we’re short on money.”

He made the motion to stay with the bid from Pitlik and Wick for the \$175,250 the town and company already have a contract for and to put the other bid “on hold until we figure out whether or not we have the money for it.”

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Fifield

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Sloane, husband of Fifield town supervisor and Pike Lake Chain Lakes Association secretary Ann Sloane, is accused of confronting two residents after a June 26 lakes association listening session and meeting and indicating to them he may not respond if they report emergencies.

Sloane was apparently upset with both residents’ stances on four buoys the lakes association is looking to replace on Pike and Round lakes. The additional slow-no-wake buoys were placed on the lakes last boating season, but were placed illegally, though the Price County Sheriff’s Office still enforced them.

Since then, Ann Sloane has been accused by some residents of using her position in public office to place one of the illegal buoys near her lakefront property.

A separate incident

At the July 11 town board meeting during the public comment portion, and before Nate Ramker and Jason Morris gave their firsthand accounts of what Sloane said to them on June 26, resident Judy Talbott said an ambulance was called to her house on July 7 when she became unconscious.

Unfortunately, she said, that ambulance never arrived.

Talbott said luckily she regained consciousness and her friends, her husband and herself continued to wait for the ambulance for nearly an hour.

Eventually, though, she said her husband decided to drive her to the hospital himself. Talbott did note, how-

ever, there were fire trucks and first responders appearing to be at another emergency call on Turner Lake Road when her husband and her were on their way to a hospital in Minocqua.

“I’m just amazed that (not) one single person couldn’t go two miles to an emergency call and wait (for) someone to come, or maybe come, from a half-hour or more away,” she said. “It turned out, fortunately for me, that it wasn’t life threatening and I was OK. ... But it’s a big concern, I think, for people who live in my neighborhood waiting for an ambulance to come.”

Talbott said she wanted to share with the town board what happened so hopefully protocols can be changed and “something will be done so it never happens to anybody else.”

Town chairman Bill Felch said he requested and received a recording of both the July 7 emergency calls from the Price County Sheriff’s Office. He said he will be listening to it with first responders of the Pike Lake Fire Department.

“And once they hear it, I think we will be able to have a good explanation of what happened,” he said.

Talbott added she was also bothered that there was never any followup from first responders until she called emergency personnel herself two days later.

“How they handle their stuff out there, I have no control over it,” Felch told her. “This CD will hopefully change some things and make it so there’s some better communication all around.”

The Sloane incident

Morris was the first to share his June 26 encounter

with Sloane at the July 11 town board meeting. He read from a written document he prepared prior to the meeting.

First, Morris pointed out that the incident with Sloane was on the town board’s meeting agenda, and given Ann Sloane is Mike Sloane’s wife, he said he assumes she will recuse herself from that discussion; she didn’t.

Morris said there was a lot of opposition with regard to placing the four additional buoys on the lakes at the listening session and meeting.

“Emotions were fairly high based on how the buoys had been placed originally in the chain,” he said. “I thought Mike Ida did a good job keeping the meeting on task and emotions pretty well under control.”

After the meeting, Morris said he was standing outside talking with another resident when he heard loud voices coming from the fire department, where the listening session and meeting were held. He said he didn’t think much of it, but became more interested in what was happening when the verbal altercation between Ramker and Sloane grew louder.

“As I truly started to tune-in, I heard Mike say to Nate that as EMS maybe the next time there was a call to his house, he would go as fast or as slow as he wanted to,” Morris said. “Upon hearing this, I raised my voice to Mike and said that comment is completely unprofessional, and if you pardon my french, it was total bullshit. At that time, Mike turned to me and said he could say or do anything he wanted, and that I should keep in mind that he knows where I live as well, and he could respond as fast or (as)

slow as he wanted to if he responds at all.”

Sloane, Morris said, “stomped” towards him while speaking and it appeared as if he was going to confront him “physically.”

At that point, Morris said he walked away from Sloane to “disengage” from the situation.

He then questioned Sloane’s outburst on “something as minor as the placement of buoys” and continued to question Sloane’s position as a first responder with the town.

Morris also wondered if Sloane had ever “acted on this thinking in the past” and responded to emergency calls “as fast or slow as he wanted to” before.

“To me, this seems like a tremendous liability to the fire department and for the town as a whole to have an individual on the EMS team verbalize these thoughts,” he said. “At this point, if there were to be a delay in response to a situation, should we consider it a legitimate delay or is it him seeking revenge for comments made or a difference of opinion on something and him purposely dragging his feet?”

Morris indicated he feels Sloane is the outlier compared to the rest of the crew at the Pike Lake Fire Department. He said he understands how finding volunteers is hard, but still worries about Sloane.

“Based on this incident, I would hope that Mike’s punishment falls nothing short of removal from the EMS team,” he said. “Anything short of that I will forward on to the state fire commission for review.”

Morris added he would hope for an apology from Sloane too, though he’s not

really interested in “hearing it.”

“If he was truly sorry for his actions, I would expect him to show up at our house the next day and apologize,” he said. “Based on his comments that night, I know he knows where I live.”

Jennifer Morris, Jason’s wife, said she witnessed Sloane “storming at” her husband “with his fists clenched and face bright red.”

Morris also said she worries about Sloane acting on his comments because her 87-year-old diabetic father lives with her husband and her.

Can their household trust an EMS team that includes Sloane? she asked.

Morris reiterated her husband’s call for Sloane’s dismissal.

When Ramker spoke about his experience at the June 26 meeting, he said Sloane came up behind him and shoved him to get his attention.

He said he didn’t know who Sloane was at the time, but noted Sloane was “shaking” and his “face was red.”

“And he’s like ‘This is a safety issue!’ and I’m like ‘What’s a safety issue?’ because I had no idea what he was talking about,” Ramker said. “And he said ‘These buoys are a safety issue!’”

Ramker said Sloane told him he needs to witness for himself the people he sees operating their watercraft improperly at high speeds in close proximity to shorelines.

Everything Sloane said, according to Ramker, is already illegal.

He said Sloane told him no one enforces it though.

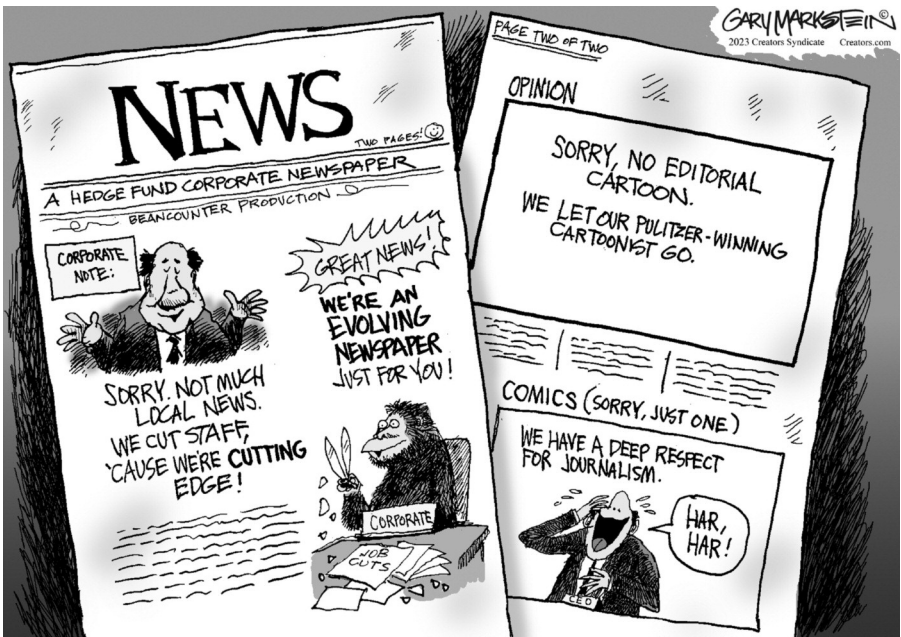
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Reader “flummoxed” and “confused” before coming to a “realization”

To the Editor:
Well, I was certainly flummoxed when I read Mr. Moore’s June 16 investigative article on Marshfield Clinic’s dire financial straits, as well as, the ensuant “Our View” piece. This was an in-depth, well-written, well-researched, article exhibiting no hidden agendas on the part of the reporter. At first, I thought it must have been written by a ghostwriter (or ChatGPT) not by Mr. Moore himself because it didn’t deal with his usual political twisted version of the facts, but actually evidenced true journalistic product. Then again I thought maybe Mr. Moore had a conversion such as the one St. Paul had when the Lord spoke to him on the way to Damascus. However, Mr. Moore did shine a light on Marshfield Clinic’s failings. When I see a medical commercial on TV saying to call your doctor, I laugh out loud. Contacting your doctor by phone is next to impossible, to use

the online messaging service is convenient, but good luck with receiving a reply in 24 hours, as for doctor’s appointments, plan on a three-to-four-month wait. Also, I’ve learned to wait for a mailed bill because their website billing is out of sync and you might end up paying a bill twice. It appears that Marshfield’s problems are of their own making.
But my pleasant surprise at a well-written article was short-lived because as evinced in subsequent articles and “Our View” pieces Mr. Moore has reverted to his old self. For instance, “Another study points to covid vaccine Myocarditis Association, [Editors note: published June 9] “Target stock plummets, stock downgraded amid LGBTQ+ turmoil,” and the “Our View,” “The Corporatist Society, not.” All making the most of supposition, liberal use of tenuous associations, while ignoring the maxim “correlation does not equal causation.” With the last “The Corporatist Society... “word salad,” being so convoluted as to thoroughly confuse the reader to ask themselves “What was the writer’s



point?” In perusing this “Miss-Mash” of back and forth where the writer seems to be arguing with himself, the reader comes to the realization that the writer appears to want to use all the current catch-phrases, buzzwords, and political witticism

simply to satisfy a certain group. Let’s not kid ourselves, “This is America, where the rich get richer and the poor go to jail”.
*John Kocovsky
Hazelhurst*

OPINIONS

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Lies, damned lies, and Ukraine

As the Russian war in Ukraine drags on, three phrases have become a constant political drumbeat: “fight for democracy”; “as long as it takes”; and “until Ukraine wins.” Each phrase is vague, bordering on incoherent; together, those phrases are leading the West down the primrose path to endless quagmire.
There are clear Western interests in Ukraine: prevention of Russian aggression across borders; degradation of the Russian military, so as to undercut future aggression; deterrence of China from taking similar action in Taiwan; and solidification of the European alliance against both Russia and China. The West has achieved virtually all of these goals: The chances that Kyiv falls to Moscow are now essentially zero.
Yet, the West, in maintaining that Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy must lead all negotiations, has now boxed itself in. It does so on the basis, first, of the “fight for democracy.” This is wrong on both practical and political levels. Practically, as mentioned, Ukrainian democracy is not likely to fall to Russia — and the greatest future threats to Ukrainian democracy will likely be internal corruption. Politically, no one believes that the West will maintain an open-ended war against Russia in order to preserve “democracy” — the West abandoned Afghanistan’s nascent democracy after a 20-year effort to the tender predations of the Taliban.
The West has also said that it will maintain the war “as long as necessary.” This, too, is a lie — and everyone, including Russia, knows it. After Iraq and Afghanistan, does anyone believe that the West will keep up funding to the tune of hundreds of billions of dollars?
Finally, the West says that Ukraine must “win.” But by most metrics, the West has *already* won. The West has little interest in toppling Putin — if, for example, the Wagner Group had taken over Russia, that would not have been a positive step in favor of world peace. And all of its original goals have been largely attained.
The question is what the West’s interest are *now*. The West knows, for example, that this war will not end with all Russian troops leaving historic Ukrainian territory. Ukraine will not wind up in control of

Crimea, or all of the Luhansk and Donetsk region; Ukraine’s vaunted counteroffensive has made less progress than originally projected, because aggressive war is more difficult than defensive war. Yet the West continues to maintain that any end to this conflict must be negotiated by Zelenskyy, who has said that the war will not end until all Ukrainian territory is liberated of Russian presence.
So, what would an end to the war look like? Everyone has known the answer to this question for over a year: Ukraine preserves her sovereignty, and is given Western guarantees of defense, including possible membership in NATO; Russian control of Crimea and parts of Donbas is confirmed. Such a deal, imposed from the outside, would also give Zelenskyy an off-ramp with his own people: He’d be able to blame the West for forcing him to give away territory, which would allow him to retain his leadership position.
But that would be “our” definition of winning, which President Joe Biden and other Western leaders have specifically forbidden. So, we’re now in the Catch-22 of saying that we’ll support Zelenskyy’s untenable “win everything” war and that we will also only admit Zelenskyy to NATO once the war has ended — creating an incentive for both Zelenskyy and Putin to continue the war. This is unnecessary. And it’s happening due to the cowardice of Biden and other Western leaders, who want to look like heroes while simultaneously putting Zelenskyy and the West in an unwinnable quagmire of a situation.
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Ben Shapiro
COLUMNIST

Claptrap: Israel has some nerve challenging Murder, Incorporated in Jenin

Webster’s Dictionary defines “sophomoric” as “overconfident of knowledge but poorly informed.” This fairly describes Israel’s bitter critics who, as always, denounced Israel’s most recent attempt to stop Palestinian Islamic Jihad and Hamas from murdering more of its civilians, at least for a couple of days or so.
The two heavily armed groups, recognized by the international community as Iranian-funded terrorist enterprises that have vowed to violently eliminate Israel, have carried out nearly 300 separate attacks on Israelis in the last 12 months alone. These have killed over 50 Israelis and injured hundreds more just since last July Fourth. One of the principal launching pads for these attacks is Jenin, located on the West Bank, which has become one large manufacturing facility for missiles and bombs, and a staging ground for the rocketing, shooting, bombing, stabbing and car-ramming of Israeli civilians, all intended to kill or, failing that, maim innocent souls.
One might imagine that it would be commonly understood that Israel cannot simply permit this to go on ad infinitum. But evidently there are those who do not in fact understand it. The Palestinian Authority, which professes to want an independent Palestinian state despite having repeatedly rejected one, is incapable of governing Jenin, which it nominally controls. Riven by clan warfare and rife with corruption, the Palestinian Authority is a hot mess.
That leaves Israel with two options. Option 1 is for it to do nothing to stop its civilians from being murdered at will. This is the option of choice of the terminally sophomoric, the Blame-Israel-No-Matter-What crowd, who constitute a booming if not wholly intelligible cottage industry. It is not, however, the ideal option for Israel, which, all things considered, would prefer not to have its civilians blown to bits, shot, stabbed or rammed to death.
That would appear to leave Option 2, which is to try to stop those committing murder from committing murder. This does seem like a no-brainer. But there is a certain set indisposed to use their heads when it comes to Israel. So, when Israeli troops finally entered the weapons factory that is Jenin last week to try to slow down Murder, Inc., the predictable crowd proclaimed the predictable things. Amidst all the idiocy it wasn’t easy to rank the most untethered comments, but the top prize surely went to the British Broadcasting Corporation anchor who al-



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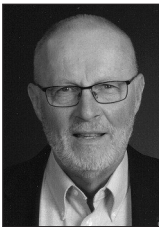
leged that “Israeli forces are happy to kill children.”
A close second was commentator Peter Beinart, whose take on Islamic Jihad and Hamas murdering innocents was that “The fundamental problem is that Palestinians lack the most basic rights.” No, it isn’t. It was Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas himself who explained Palestinian leadership’s rejection of a Palestinian state to The Washington Post thus: “In the West Bank we have a good reality. We are living a good life.” And the attacks by these groups have nothing to do with “rights.” They have to do with the express pledge to eradicate Israel, full stop. This makes Beinart something of a fraud-peddler, albeit with no shortage of customers.
The bronze went to Squad members Rep. Rashida Tlaib and Rep. Ilhan Omar, who called Israel’s efforts to protect its civilians a “pogrom.” Sure it is. The dismantling of missile factories, weapon storage depots and IEDs planted under civilian roads is a “pogrom.”
Now, Israel’s current coalition government is comprised of some miserable characters — autocrats, fanatics and charlatans. Their plan to jettison an independent judiciary deserves every bit of the opprobrium it has generated both within Israel and without.
But those who dismiss the self-defense-based entry into Jenin as the expression of right-wing ideology don’t know what they are talking about. It had the backing of the entire spectrum of Israeli society, which is plenty sick of seeing their grieving countrymen at funerals. It was, as opposition leader Yair Lapid put it, “a justified operation.”
Still, there are a whole lot of sophomores out there, with a whole lot of megaphones. You can only hope that at some point they will graduate to something a little bit fairer.
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OBITUARIES

Lawrence “Larry” Burr Caldwell

Lawrence (Larry) Burr Caldwell, 79, of Minocqua, passed away peacefully in his home on July 4, 2023.

Larry was born on October 9, 1943, in Berwyn, Ill., to William and Bette Caldwell. He graduated from Lyons Township High School in LaGrange, Ill., and went on to pursue a degree at the University of Illinois School of Pharmacy. He graduated in 1968 and married his wife Pam (Unger) of Wilmette, Ill., on Oct. 6 of that year.



Caldwell

While Larry had many interests, two in particular shaped the course of his life: his love of being on or near the water and his desire to help others through his work as a pharmacist. After five years in Riverside, Ill., the two interests came together in 1973 when he and Pam moved to Minocqua. Larry was hired on the spot by local pharmacist Joe Mastalski when he learned Larry had no interest in hunting. He and Joe later became partners in ownership of the Clinic Pharmacy at Lakeland Medical Associates. Larry retired from Marshfield Clinic in 2013 after 45 years in a profession he loved. He was a past board member of the Pharmacy Society of Wisconsin and a member of the American Pharmacist Association, was passionate about continuing education, and maintained his pharmacy license until his passing.

Larry enjoyed fifty years in the Northwoods raising a family, boating and skiing on Lake Shishebogama, cheering for the Chicago Bears, and serving the community in a variety of ways. He was a charter member of Ascension Lutheran Church, served as a local AODA board member, was active in the Shishebogama/Gunlock Lake Association, and was a member of the Restless Weasels of Lac du Flambeau. Larry was known by many as a kind, knowledgeable man who was generous with his time and focused on helping others. His family meant the world to him, and he will be greatly missed by the many loved ones, friends, and customers he helped over the years.

Larry is survived by his wife of 54 years, son Ben (Mindy) Caldwell of Madison, daughter Heather (Paul) Hesse of Neenah, granddaughter Ashlynn, grandson Boaz, brother Carl (Camille) Caldwell, sister Cathi (Rick) Scholl, sister-in-law Renee Caldwell, and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Bill Caldwell, and nephew Paul Caldwell.

A memorial service will be held at Ascension Lutheran Church in Minocqua on Monday, July 24, with visitation at 1 p.m. and service at 2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Larry’s name to Northwoods Wildlife Center, Lakeland Pantry, Wounded Warriors, or a charity of your choice. Bolger Funeral Home is assisting the family, www.bolgerfuneral.com for condolences.

William “Bill” L. Coulthurst

William “Bill” L. Coulthurst, 80, a resident of Woodruff, passed away on July 12, 2023, at Tomahawk Health Services. He was born April 26, 1943, in Stevens Point, to parents Raymond and Alice Coulthurst. He graduated from PJ Jacobs School and became a truck driver. He married the love of his life Suzanna Hall on December 9, 1967.



Coulthurst

Bill spent his time away from work enjoying his hobbies, which included showing horses, fishing, baking, gardening, and playing cards. He was preceded in death by his parents and siblings: Virgil, Donald, Richard, Margaret, Maurita, Geraldine, and Janice. Bill is survived by his wife: Suzanna; daughters: Chetek (Dennis) Wenker, Chantel (Guy) Schultz; grandchildren: Dane and Derek Schultz.

A celebration of life will be held at Noon on July 19, at Rock of Ages Lutheran Church in Minocqua. Visitation will begin at 11:30 a.m.

In lieu of flowers memorials can be made to North Wisconsin District Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod 3103 Seymour Lane, Wausau, WI 54401, dj@nwdlcms.org, 715-845-8241. Online condolences may be shared at www.nimsgernfuneral.com. Nimsger Funeral & Cremation Services is serving the family.

Chester John Dumask

Chester John Dumask of Presque Isle, joined his Lord Sunday, July 9, 2023 while in the care of Riverview Health Services in Tomahawk. He was 96 years old.

Trapper Chet, as he was known, was born April 18, 1927 to the late Raymond and Modesta “Manda” (Polezynska) Damask in Plover. Our last name was changed to Dumask after confusion with mail delivery as others changed to Domask while some kept Damask. After completing middle school at the Winegar School of Education in 1941, he also attended Winegar Junior High and later graduated from Marenisco High School, Marenisco, Mich. in 1947. During his school days, Dad was a well known basketball player renowned for his hanging jump shot. He then enlisted in the United States



Trapper Chet proudly displays his catch of beaver.

Navy as a signalman for the duration of the war (WWII). Chet was a proud veteran of our great nation and was the last surviving charter member of the Winegar American Legion Post 480 in Presque Isle, serving nearly 80 years.

After hitchhiking home from San Francisco when the war ended, Dad worked as a carpenter and a minnow catcher selling locally and to Hilger’s Bait. With his earnings as a single man working many jobs, he treated himself to a Model A Coupe with a rumble seat. Also after the Navy, he raced stock cars and snowmobiles in Michigan, becoming a crowd favorite, entertaining fans with his success and signing autographs. Chet also worked as a sawyer/logger and never missed an opportunity to leave the woods to catch brook trout during a thunderstorm. He also won numerous chain saw cutting competitions at the Fireman’s Picnic in Presque Isle.

On October 10, 1959, Chet married Arlyce Rae Winters, and together they raised three sons while running their business, Chet’s Hardware and Sports Center in Presque Isle, for many years. During his business years, Chet visited Alaska and test drove snowmobiles for Yamaha and attended many Evinrude outboard sessions helping to provide for their companies’ success. Yamaha wanted Dad to continue testing their product in Australia, but he turned them down saying “I want to go trap minnows instead.”

Chet worked late hours in the repair shop and could fix just about anything. After selling the store, Chet continued trapping minnows, fur and crayfish to provide for his family, and was a devoted outdoorsman enjoying fishing, hunting, gardening and making maple syrup. He always provided many varieties of wild game for cookouts and feeds and enjoyed taking his vegetables and produce to share with others at the legion post. He loved supporting and representing his community by playing a key role in the 4th of July fireworks, creating imaginative floats for the parades and selling maple syrup at his stand during the country fair. Chet also co-donated the building that currently houses the Presque Isle Heritage Museum Cottage in honor of his Mother, Manda.

He was well known and respected throughout the community, and his tough, strong work ethic shone through to those around him. Chet worked very hard to support his family in an effort to provide a legacy for his sons. He was a great friend to many and his smile and charm will be greatly missed for those who experienced it. He lived a very big, adventurous life; growing from a poor young boy working extremely hard in many adverse or dangerous conditions to a successful businessman and outdoor enthusiast with unequaled knowledge of the outdoors. He lived a bigger life than any of us could imagine and always had an amazing story to share; Chet and his stories will be greatly missed.

Chet is survived by his three sons, Mitch (Geri) Dumask of Stevens Point; Mark (Kim) Dumask of

Presque Isle; Marty (Mary) of Wausau. Four grandchildren, Andrew (Avery) Dumask, Michael Dumask, Kaitee Dumask, Mitchell Dumask II and many stepchildren and step-grandchildren. He is also survived by his best friend Duke, his golden retriever.

Chet was preceded in death by his parents, Manda and Raymond, along with his stepdad Hans Gunder Larson who helped raise him and his brother Lambert who served in the Navy with him. Stepgranddaughter Jullyn Inman and step-great grandson Trenton Inman.

For the beautiful care and love given to our Dad, we extend special thanks to Donna Jukich and the Presque Isle EMT department, Dr. Thomas and the Urology staff at the Marshfield Medical Center in Minocqua, Dr. Ewing and her staff at the Ironwood VA Medical Center, Marge Thoma for her meal delivery and care, Carl Wolter for his snowplowing assistance without hesitation. The senior meals lunch bunch, including Josie Blaisdale-Allen, Sue & Randy Domres, Larry and Colleen Gorilla, Kim Hiort and Carl Schoenecker through the Granary Restaurant in Boulder Junction and the Vilas County ADRC. Special thanks for Jessica Heikkinen and the staff at Riverview Health Care, along with Krueger Funeral Home in Tomahawk, and Nimsgern Funeral Home and Cremation in Woodruff. A very special thanks to Brittany Montgomery for her home health care over the years while caring for our Dad, through the VA and Avanti Health. Also his “adopted” son John Maclean and his outdoor adventure pal Richard Johnson for all of their friendship and support. Very special thanks also, to Sue and Randy Domres for their care of Duke. Each of you gave our Dad the care, love and kindness he deserved, and will never be forgotten.

A celebration of life will be held Saturday, July 29 at Evergreen Cemetery in Presque Isle at 10 a.m. with military honors, followed by a fellowship luncheon at the American Legion Post 480 in Presque Isle from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Post 480.

Online condolences may be shared at www.nimsgernfuneral.com. Nimsger Funeral & Cremation Services is serving the family.

Bettina McCleary

Bettina McCleary, 103, of Rhinelander, died on February 11, 2023. She was born on August 21, 1919. Survivors include her daughter Susan Brant and her son Boyd McCleary. Visitation for Bettina will be held on Friday, Aug. 28, from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m., with funeral services following at 11 a.m. at the St. Matthias Episcopal Church in Minocqua. You may access the full obituary at www.carlsonfh.com. The Carlson Funeral Home (715-369-1414) is serving the McCleary family.



McCleary

WWII aircraft at Land O’Lakes airport

An aviation veteran of World War II, the “Placid Lassie,” is once again scheduled to make an appearance at the airport in Land O’ Lakes for “Airport Days” on Friday, July 21 and Saturday, July 22.

Known as the Skytrain in United States Army Air Force use during the war, the twin-engine Douglas C-47 is a military version of the DC-3 airliners that used to fly in regularly to Land O’ Lakes.

“Placid Lassie” was built in 1943, assigned to the U.S. Army Air Force’s 74th Troop Carrier Squadron of 434th Troop Carrier Group and took part in several paratroop operations, including “Operation Overlord,” the Allied invasion of Europe on June 6, 1944 and “Operation Market Garden” in the Netherlands during September, 1944.

“Placid Lassie” was also among

U.S. aircraft to drop supplies to surrounded troops of the U.S. Army’s 101st Airborne Division in Bastogne, Belgium, during the “Battle of The Bulge” in December, 1944.

In 2019, “Placid Lassie” was the lead aircraft of the “D-Day Squadron” that flew across the North Atlantic from the United States for the 75th anniversary of the Allied invasion of Europe on June 6, 1944.

In that memorial flight, the plane dropped paratroopers over the original drop zones just as it did in 1944.

“Placid Lassie” will be on display at the airport and available for tours on Friday, July 21, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturday, July 22, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For more information about “Airport Days,” contact Barbara Nehring at 715-617-9735 email her at trading-postint@gmail.com.

Championship win in the Dome

Lakeland 14U softball beats Rhinelander in title game

Brett LaBore
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

It all came down to one game. The Lakeland 14U softball team hit the road for the championship game vs. Rhinelander inside the Hodag Dome.

Lakeland defeated Rhinelander 8-6 on Wednesday to win the 14U championship.

"It feels really good because this is our last rec game, and I've been doing it since U10 so it's been a really long time and last one is really meaningful to us," Zoe Baker said.

"Seeing as we're all going off to high school now, it's kind of our last hurrah with all these girls before we get split off into different teams," Leighton Wauters said. "It's really cool."

A wire-to-wire win, Lakeland struck first right away in the top of the first.

Malia Newport got the hitting started with a double down the left field line. Lani Frisch reached on a short-stop error. Wauters moved both runners up with a sacrifice bunt.

Savanah Kemnitz came up with timely hits all night. She had a two-run single to center that gave Lakeland a 2-0 lead. They didn't stop there.

Maddie Hohlweck singled to center to score Kemnitz.



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Lani Frisch tags out Rhinelander's Reese Retallick at second base in the seventh inning of the championship game Wednesday, July 12 at the Hodag Dome in Rhinelander. Catcher Zoe Baker threw out two runners in the inning.

Just like that, Lakeland led 3-0.

"It was vital. It was very important because we had previously been beat by this team, and we had a bunch of runs and then we lost to them," Wauters said. "We were trying to get our start and keep it all the way."

Rhineland put together their own inning against Lakeland starting pitcher Malia Newport. Cassidy Lindner drove home a run. Two batters later, Willow Mutter hit a sacrifice fly that scored Rhinelander their second run.

After one inning, Lake-

land led 3-2.

Rhineland starting pitcher Libbey Buchmann came back with a perfect second inning, striking out the side. Malia Newport also had a one-two-three inning.

"There's not really a game plan, we usually just use our wristband. It just kind of goes as it goes, it's pretty fun," Baker said about working with Malia. "I think she did really good. She's an amazing pitcher."

Moving to the third inning, the top of Lakeland's lineup proved to be potent again. Frisch doubled to center. Kemnitz came back

to the plate with two outs again. She reached second base with her second hit of the game. A run came across to score.

A quick inning by Malia Newport put the Thunderbirds back at the plate. Rhinelander was able to get a runner out at home plate for the first out. That didn't deter the Thunderbirds. Another two-out hit, this one by Malia Newport, gave Lakeland a 5-2 lead.

"We all came together. Obviously we're missing a couple people, but the one's we do have we all pulled together," Wauters said.

"Everybody did their part, it worked out."

Every time the Thunderbirds threatened to run away with it, the Hodags answered. A dropped third strike and overthrow by Baker gave the Hodags a runner in scoring position. An RBI bunt scored one run. With two runners on base, Malia Newport got the final out of the inning to limit the damage.

The top of the fifth saw another inning filled with runs. Hohlweck hit an RBI single to center to get Lakeland their run back.

Siraelyn Peterson had her first RBI of the game with a sacrifice bunt. Bella Batiste followed that up with an RBI single. Down several starters, everyone was contributing in Lakeland's championship win.

"It was huge. If they didn't, we wouldn't have been the winners because there was a lot of plays to each of those kids and bunts and plays in the field and they just got it done," coach Crystal Newport said. "They helped contribute a ton to our win tonight."

Lakeland took a commanding 8-3 lead.

A two-out error came back to bite the Thunderbirds in the bottom of the fifth. A double to right by Mutter plated Rhinelander their fourth run of the game. Malia Newport stranded a runner at third base.

"(Malia) came out and ready to play, she had some

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Wood Ducks snap six-game losing streak with win over Rhinelander

Brett LaBore
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

The Minocqua Wood Ducks got back in the win column, snapping a six-game losing streak in a pitcher's dual win over Rhinelander.

Before that game, the Wood Ducks fell 4-7 to Hayward on June 23. Minocqua responded on June 24 with a 2-1 win over Rhinelander.

Hayward

Hits were even at nine apiece. Austin Samanske led the way with three hits for the Wood Ducks, the most in the game. Bryce Meverden had two hits himself.

"It's always nice to pick-up a non-league game to get some guys some innings and see a

few more pitches," general manager Doug Etten said.

Down 1-0, the Wood Ducks scored twice in the top of the fourth to take a 2-1 lead.

The Hawks responded with four runs in the bottom of the fourth to re-take the lead at 5-2. They added another run in the fifth to make it 6-2.

"Of course, sometimes we just don't make a play and it causes things to snowball and that's what happened. We have a chance to get out of an inning where Hayward has second and third with no one out," Etten said. "We got two outs on a strikeout and a grounder, but then a little flare just took a funny turn and we dropped a ball that would've got us out of

the inning without any damage. Instead they scored four runs and it was the turning point in the game."

The Wood Ducks kept fighting. They pushed across two runs in the top of the sixth inning to make it a 6-4 game. In addition to his two hits, Meverden had two RBIs. Matt Vedder also had an RBI.

Keegan McJoynt pitched five innings for Minocqua as the starter. He had three strikeouts, most for the Wood Ducks. Bradley Stephens also pitched three innings of work.

"Keegan (McJoynt) has been looking for an opportunity to get a start so this was a perfect, low-stress atmosphere for him to get out and stretch his

arm," Etten said. "He threw really well, and really started to understand how simple it is sometimes to tone it back, throw strikes and just rely on your defense."

Rhineland

Runs were at a premium in Minocqua's close win vs. Rhinelander. Both teams scored all of their runs in the fourth inning.

Peter Aerts had a hit and an RBI for the Wood Ducks. Josh Randolph had two hits in the game as well. Wally Augustyn and Aerts scored the two runs for Minocqua.

The Wood Ducks totaled just four hits in the game compared to Rhinelander's eight.

"Offensively we still struggled as we struck

out 17 times in nine innings. We have to do better at putting balls in play, moving baserunners and putting some pressure on the defense," Etten said. "We are lucky our pitching was up to the task or that game wouldn't have come close to going our direction."

The pitching of Aerts and Nathan Hopkins made the difference in the Wood Ducks first win since May 21. Aerts went six innings with seven strikeouts.

"Just a super game for a spectator, especially if you're into a pitching dual," Etten said. "Peter and Nathan threw really well."

Hopkins pitched three innings with a 0.67 WHIP.

Rhineland's Joe Schneider pitched six innings with 12 strikeouts.

"We needed a win badly as we hadn't had one in league play since opening weekend," Etten said. "Josh Randolph had a great game for us both offensively and defensively. We knew this game was important to him being a Rhinelander grad, and he again showed why he's one of the key pieces of this lineup."

The Wood Ducks' current record sits at 2-8. For more coverage of the Wood Ducks, check out a future edition of the *Times*.

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Win

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great hits. She had pitched very well as the season went along. She just got better and better and was ready to lead her team to victory. I thought she did an amazing job. I'm super proud of her, and she never gives up," coach Newport said. "Pitchers — that's a hard role to stand up there and have all that pressure put on you. I'm super proud of her being a coach and her mom."

Similar to the second inning, both teams went one-two-three in the sixth to set up a wild seventh and final inning.

Kemnitz's fourth hit of the game was a lead-off single that got by

Rhinelanders center fielder. It rolled under the wall. Kemnitz stopped at second base. The Thunderbirds were poised to score more runs. However, Buchmann got the outs she needed and stranded two runners on base.

Malia Newport and the Thunderbirds needed just three outs up by four runs. The Hodags got a quick single to shallow center by Reese Retallick.

Then, Lakeland's defense rose to the occasion. On a stolen base attempt, Lakeland catcher Baker threw to shortstop Frisch to get the runner at second base.

The out proved costly to the Hodags in a number of ways. Just a few moments later, Nevaeh Anderson hit a home run that cleared the left field fence. Rhinelander



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The Thunderbirds celebrate their 14U championship after an 8-6 win over Rhinelander Wednesday, July 12 at the Hodag Dome in Rhinelander. The Thunderbirds led wire-to-wire to finish their season with a 12-1 record.

still trailed 8-5. Next up, Lindner walked.

Baker came up clutch again and threw out her second runner of the inning by getting Lindner out at second base on a stolen base attempt. The Hodags were down to their last out.

"Basically just get them out because outs are outs and you want to get them out," Baker said. "Throw downs to me are very important because I'm really hard on myself."

The game wasn't quite over yet. Three straight walks and an error plated the Hodags their sixth run of the game. All of a sudden, they had the tying run at second base and winning run at the plate.

Malia Newport summoned all of her strength to get the final batter to ground out and end the game. She went all seven innings, throwing 116 pitches to get the win. She allowed just one earned run and struck out five.

"We were all rooting for Malia, hoping for the best," Wauters said. "Sometimes — (Nevaeh) hit the home

run — you can't help it, but got to be happy for them and try your best to prevent runs by all means necessary."

This was the fourth straight championship win for coach Newport and her daughter, Malia.

"The first year I coached was 10U we won and then 12U we won," coach Newport said. "And then I jumped her up to 14U to be with all the eighth graders along with a few other kids and we won last year and we won this year so we've won four championships in a row."

The Thunderbirds' championship win gave them a final record of 12-1 on the season. They avenged their only loss of the season, which came to Rhinelander.

"It's the fourth one I've had in a row and it's possibly my last season coaching so it means a ton," coach Newport said.

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Maddie Hohlweck hits an RBI single in the fifth inning of an 8-6 win over Rhinelander Wednesday, July 12 at the Hodag Dome in Rhinelander.



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FIRST PLACE VICTORY

The Wisconsin Northerners 65 AAA Senior Softball team took first place in the Quad Cities Classic senior softball tournament, held in Rock Island, Ill. on June 22-23. In the seeding games, the Northerners had to face two 65 Major teams, Prime Time from DeKalb, Ill. and Midwest Prime 65 from Morris, Ill. They lost 13-18 to Prime Time and beat Midwest Prime 65, 14-12. This placed them in the number two seed position in the 65AAA double elimination tournament brackets. Coach Steve Favorite stated: "I was pleased to split with these two teams. At least we know we can compete at the higher skill level with 65 Major teams. Majors rarely make errors on defense and often hit very well including their home run limit of three per game." In the 65 AAA brackets, the two-seeded Northerners beat three-seeded Oshkosh Ambassadors 19-4. The Northerners then went on to beat Freestyle Promotion from Waukesha, twice 22-17 and 10-8 in the championship game. Coach Steve Favorite added: "In the championship game at the top of the seventh, we had consecutive clutch hits by Don Kleinei-der and Scott Mitchler to go up 10-8. Our pitcher John Ebann then closed it out in the bottom of the seventh inning. Overall, this tournament we played a little better on defense, and hit the ball well enough to win." The Northerners went 4-1, batted .577 as a team and hit seven home runs. The next tournament for the Wisconsin Northerners is July 27-28 in Milwaukee where is they will be competing in the Milwaukee Classic Wounded Warrior tournament. Pictured bottom row from left to right are Larry Lipcamon from Coralville, Iowa, Mike Ruzic from Lake Tomahawk, Charlie Milliren from Owen, John Stamp from Marcellus, Mich., player/coach-manager Favorite from Eagle River and Rollee Johnson from Waupaca; back row, John Ebann from Three Lakes, Clyde Beaird from Moline, Ill., Scott Naylor from Oconomowoc, Don Kleinei-der from Eagle River, Pat Cavanagh from Calamus, Iowa, Scott Mitchler from Kaukauna, Tod Niemuth from Rhinelander and Scott Sorensen from Oshkosh. Team members not available are Dennis Pelot from Wisconsin Rapids and Craig Mittelstaedt from Oshkosh.

7-ON-7 FINALE

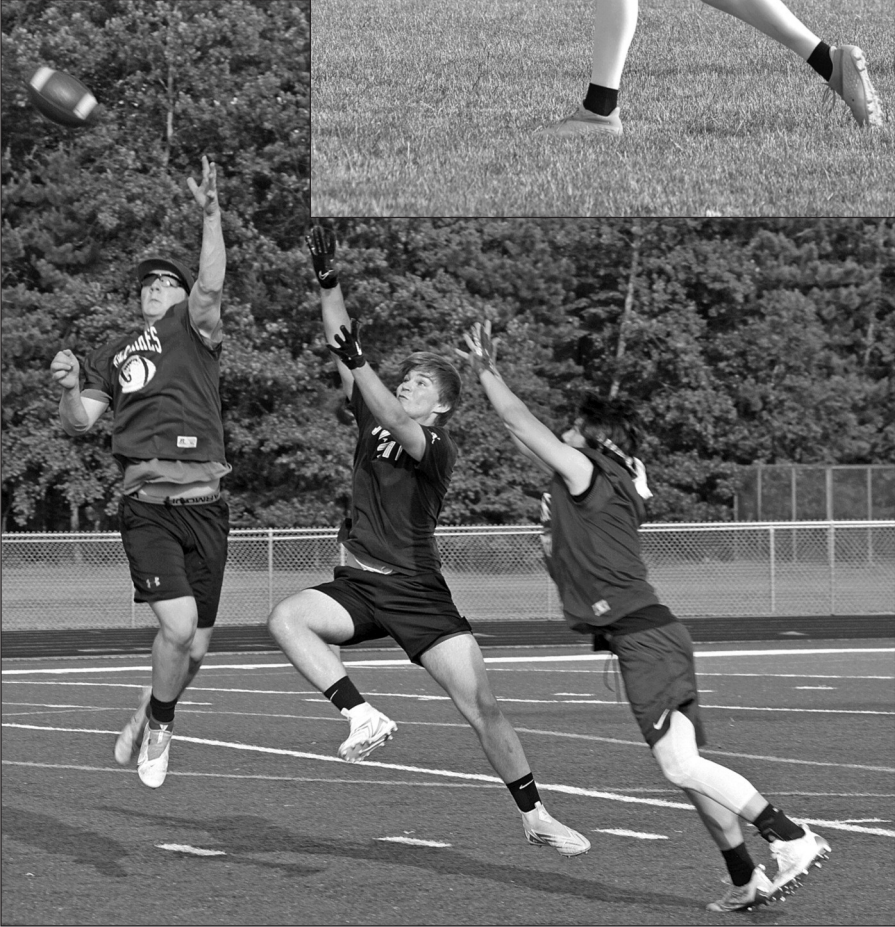
The Lakeland football team took part in the last 7-on-7 of the summer Thursday, July 13 at Mike Webster Stadium in Rhinelander. Lakeland played Rhinelander, Three Lakes and Northland Pines.

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Deklan McQuade fires a pass.



Zac Amershek gets ready to snap the ball.



Nate Ariola tracks the ball to try and make a catch.



Kort Meyer completes a pass to Merick Trotter.



Zane Amershek, center, goes through his stance after snapping the ball.



Leonard Chosa drops back to pass.



Noah Bruckner turns up the field after a catch.



Merick Trotter attempts to make a catch in the corner of the end zone.



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MOVING ON

Henry Koski qualified for the second round of Drive Chip & Putt with his second place overall finish Monday, July 10 at Merrill Golf Club. He also took second in driving and chipping. The next round takes place Sunday, Aug. 13 at SentryWorld Golf Course in Stevens Point.

Eighth annual Mercer Hall of Fame Banquet on Aug. 5

The eighth annual Mercer Hall of Fame Banquet sponsored by the Booster Athletic Club is open to the public on Saturday Aug. 5.

Cocktail hour is at 4:30 p.m. with dinner at 5 p.m. at Great Northern Hotel in Mercer. Inductees this year in-

clude coach Bob Schenk, Mary (Callies) Engler, Lexi Engler, Andy Roeder, Steph (Morzenti) Meyers and Missy (Gentile)-Hull.

Tickets must be purchased in advance by Friday, July 21 — \$20 for adults and \$10 for kids 12 and under.

Please call Adam Miller at 715-281-3734 or the school office at 715-476-2154 ext. 231 or email amiller@mercertigers.org.



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CAMP CONCLUSION

Campers, coaches and instructors took a photo at the 50-yard line at the conclusion of a youth football camp Tuesday, July 11 at IncredibleBank Field in Minocqua.

LOCAL SCOREBOARD

AUTO RACING

EAGLE RIVER SPEEDWAY

Results — Tuesday, July 11
B MODIFIEDS
Feature: 1, Dave Dishaw. 2, Jason Zdroik. 3, Dustin White. 4, Scott Swanson. 5, Judd Skubal. 6, Kory Joliff. 7, Ryan Brown. 8, Pete Paulus. 9, Josh Fleischmann. 10, Eric Mathieson. 11, Tad Schoonover. 12, Frank Gasperini. DNS — Jacob Kirtland.
Heat 1: 1, D.Dishaw. 2, Schoonover.
Heat 2: 1, Skubal. 2, Paulus
LATE MODELS
Feature: 1, Austin Zdroik. 2, Jason Zdroik. 3, Dustin White. 4, Josh Nevo-rask. 5, Peyton Towne.
Heat 1: 1, J.Zdroik. 2, A.Zdroik.
STREET STOCKS
Feature: 1, Hope Eisel. 2, Jason Eisel. 3, Emerson Manos. 4, Quentin Morris-son. 5, Jason Melton. 6, Ryan Schup-pler. 7, Colin Joliff. 8, Jeff Hartman. 9, Jon Peterson. 10, Cortney Pirus. 11,

Lucas Ruffle. 12, Kim Brown. 13, Blake Hartman.
Heat 1: 1, J.Eisel. 2, C.Joliff.
Heat 2: 1, H.Eisel. 2, Morrison.
STOCKS
Feature: 1, David Blackberg. 2, Ryan Glembin. 3, Ron Hanestad. 4, Kevin Bogdanovic. 5, Austin Zdroik. 6, Patrick Farley Jr. 7, Trentin Bell. 8, Jeff Zdroik. 9, Bruce Stanley.
Heat: 1, Blackberg. 2, Bogdanovic.
600 MICRO SPRINTS
Feature: 1, Tommie Jo Springer. 2, Chase Richer. 3, Hoyt Cournoyer. 4, Max Nowak. 5, Carson Artley. 6, Kae-den Bethel. 7, Dustin Kangas. 8, Colton Rein. DNS — Logan Julien.
Heat: 1, Springer. 2, C.Richer.
JUNIOR SPRINTS
Pro Feature: 1, Mason Meier. 2, Cooper Aho. 3, Bentley Richer. 4, Carter Aho. 5, Elijah Sharp-Nevoraski. 6, Katherine Towne
Semi-Pro Feature: 1, Lucas Zdroik. 2, Madisyn Dieringer. 3, Archer Peter. 4, Addison Dishaw.

Heat 1: 1, B.Richer. 2, Meier.
Heat 2: 1, A.Dishaw. 2, Peter.

BASEBALL

BABE RUTH BASEBALL

Prep League Standings as of Saturday, July 15

| Team | Ovr |
|-------------|-----|
| Tomahawk-2 | 9-0 |
| Rhineland | 8-3 |
| Tomahawk-1 | 5-3 |
| Eagle River | 5-7 |
| Phillips | 2-8 |
| Lakeland | 2-8 |
| Crandon | 1-4 |

Senior League Standings as of Saturday, July 15

| Team | Ovr |
|---------------|-----|
| Eagle River 2 | 6-1 |
| Crandon | 7-2 |
| Eagle River 1 | 3-4 |
| Eagle River 3 | 4-6 |
| Lakeland | 3-7 |

Rhineland
Thursday's Game
Rhineland at Prentice (NC), late
Monday's Game
Eagle River-1 at Rhineland, late

GOLF

PINEWOOD C.C.

Monday Eagle League
Monday, July 10

Low Gross
37 — Kyle Christian
38 — Jamie Stafford, Anthony Caroselli
39 — Bryan Kronberger
41 — Craig Nelson, Pat Cirilli
Low Net
33 — Jamie Stafford, Pat Cirilli
34 — Anthony Caroselli
35 — Craig Nelson
Birdies: Rich McCallister, Bryan Kron-berger.

Tuesday Men's League
Tuesday, July 11

Low Gross
38 — Tom Felch
39 — Ken Winnicki
41 — Tom Weimerskirsch
42 — Dave Mannikko
43 — Don Buss
Low Net
34 — Joe Hegge, Dave Mannikko
35 — Gary Poast, Randy Delap.
Birdies: Caleb Shefeland, Jesse Richter, Lee Richardson, Beecher Skinner, Perry Schuette, Dave Mein-ert.

Wednesday Hodag League

Tuesday, July 11

Low Gross
36 — Kyle Christian
38 — AJ Berrell
39 — Nick Schiefelbein
40 — Dan Lundberg
Low Net
34 — Nic Metropulos
36 — Pete Metropulos, AJ Berrell, Tom Pontbriand.
Birdies: Andy Berrell, Jimmy Kucz-

marski, Kyle Christian, Lee Richard-son, AJ Berrell, Nathan Waite.

Mixed Fun League

Thursday, July 11

Men's Low Gross
39 — Dave Karr
40 — Mike Karle
41 — Mike Fleury, Bob Loether
Women's Low Gross
40 — Paula Fleury
41 — Ricki Berrell
45 — Kim Karr
49 — Kathie Woodford
Men's Low Net
32 — Dave Karr, Mike Karle, Al Math-ews
37 — Scott Adams, Dick Arndt
Women's Low Net
33 — Paula Fleury, Val Mesun, Chris Flannery, Kathie Woodford, Deb Brossard
34 — Lynn Karle
Birdies: Ricki Berrell (1, 8), John Houghton (3), Andy Berrell (3), Mike Karle (5).

Committee established to rehab or replace Chief St. Germain statue

By Fred Williston

SPECIAL TO THE LAKELAND TIMES

During a town board meeting on July 10, supervisors in St. Germain appointed a new committee to oversee restoration or replacement of a local landmark, the statue of Chief St. Germain.

Within the last several months, the town board was alerted to the fact the fiberglass statue was developing visible cracks and its base may be structurally unsound, which could constitute a safety hazard.

The St. Germain Chamber of Commerce received one quote of \$27,000 to repair the statue and base, and the town board was given another quote of approximately \$40,000 to have a replica built and erected in its place. Shortly after finding out there was no cheap fix, the board voted to have the statue removed and put into storage until a plan could be developed and funds could be raised to either refurbish or replace it.

During last Monday’s meeting however, the board rescinded its earlier vote after hearing from Jack Peil, a non-voting advisory member of the new committee. Peil said he and Brad Waldmann (of Waldmann Construction in St. Germain) inspected the statue.

“Brad feels — and I feel — that at this point, it’s not in imminent danger or falling over,” he said. “Because there is a heavy metal strap that

goes underneath both feet, and it’s anchored to cables that go down into the masonry or cement that’s below it. There’s a piece of plywood (in the base) that’s degraded. And there’s some superficial cracks around the fiberglass body.”

Peil said “There’s checking on the surface, but there’s no cracks that go all the way through. And we think that it can be restored at a reasonable cost ... And I wouldn’t suggest moving it once and storing it, then moving it again. I would suggest that it just needs to be moved once for the restoration. Because the more movement, the more possibility of damage.”

Peil said Waldmann “Knows exactly how it was constructed, and there’s no way it’s going to tip over the way it is right now.”

The new committee will be chaired by Supervisor Kalisa Mortag, and its other voting members are Larry Chamberlain, Nancy Szott, Ellyn Dahnke, and Jacki Goebel.

The jobs of the committee will be to seek quotes for work to the base and statue, as well as for potential landscaping. Eventually, it will also be tasked with raising funds for the project.

Speaking with *The Lakeland Times* prior to the July 10 meeting, Town Board Chairman Tom Christensen said the town is willing to back the restoration or replacement efforts, but

“We don’t think it’s a reasonable expense for property taxpayers ... Maybe we (the town) will put some room tax money in or (money) from some other fund that we have that’s not generated by property tax dollars.”

During the meeting, Christensen said “Some of this looks like it’s going to fall into place pretty easily here, however, the fundraising part is wide open.” He cautioned the committee not to put the proverbial cart before the horse.

“Hopefully in the next couple of months, this is all over with. I think the community wants to get it done as soon as possible ... (The committee) will be raising money, so we want to be sure the fundraising is controlled and that we know where the money went,” he said.

Christensen elaborated “The question is if it turns out that it is — and I’m making numbers up here — \$10,000 to do it, and you’ve raised \$15,000, now what do we do with the other \$5,000 where people gave us money in order to rehab the Chief? ... My point was that the

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LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, ONEIDA COUNTY

Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)

Case No. 23PR52

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

Ruth E. Whiteside

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 02/14/1945, and date of death 06/07/2021, was domiciled in Oneida County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 4918 Smokey Ln., Hazelhurst, WI 54531.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is October 19, 2023.
5. A claim may be filed at the Oneida County Courthouse, 1 S. Oneida Ave., P.O. Box 400, Rhinelander, Wisconsin, Room A-318 (probate office).

/s/ Amy M. Franzen

Probate Registrar

June 28, 2023

Kathryn J. Rebek

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Woodruff, WI 54568

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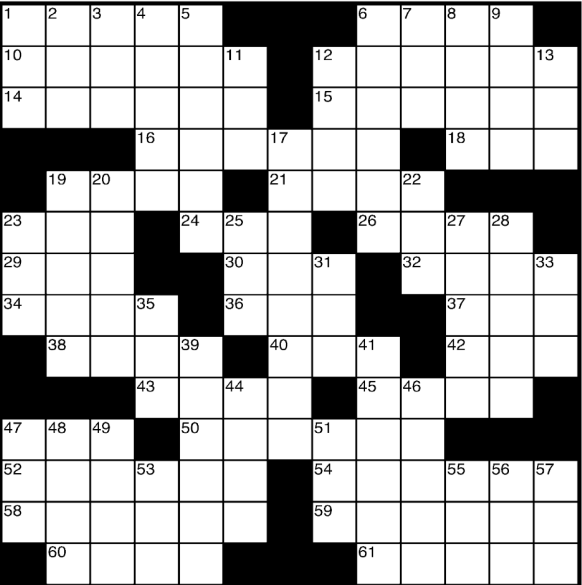
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Rehab

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fundraising shouldn't be the first thing that happens.” Earlier in discussions regarding the statue's future, the board expressed concerns it might be viewed as culturally insensitive and asked for input from the Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians. Prior to his appointment to the committee, Chamberlain contacted Teresa Mitchell at the George W. Brown, Jr. Ojibwe Museum and Cultural Center in Lac du Flambeau. He said Mitchell responded the band “would have no objections” to the existing statue being refurbished and maintained “in recognition of the St. Germain family’s historical significance to the area.” There was no such person as “Chief St. Germain,” but the St. Germain family has deep ties to the region. The town took its official name in 1930 after first being dubbed Farmington and later Lake-

wood. At the time, Big St. Germain Lake was the area’s biggest attraction. The lake was named after the St. Germain family, which was established in the Northwoods after a 17th-century French soldier named Jean Francios St. Germaine married a local Ojibwe woman. He was recalled by the French army, but opted to desert the military instead of his family. Their descendants include members of the Ojibwe Nation, and many still live nearby. The current statue is a replacement of the original, which was carved into timbers and wrapped with metal mesh and waterproof concrete by local artist Neal D.G. Long. There are no records of the statue’s original unveiling date, but most of those who have researched it agree it was erected after World War II and prior to the mid-1950s. When the timber-based construction of the original rotted beyond the point of repair, the current fiberglass statue took its place. Again,

there are no accurate records of the switch-out. Supervisor Ted Ritter said he moved to St. Germain in 1986 and the fiberglass replacement was already there. Committee-member Szott has lived in town all of her life and believes it dates back to the early 1970s. Speaking with *The Times*, Szott said the Chief’s status as a landmark is not an overstatement. “If you do a quick Google search, it’s on several sites to come and take pictures with him and to go out of your way to see him,” she said. The statue “Has roots, and it means a lot to people from the town, people who have moved to the town, and people who have been vacationing here for years. Families have taken three or four generations of pictures with him.” “The people on the committee want it done quickly because we don’t want to lose him,” Szott said. “We’re very interested in making sure that he’s still standing there for generations to come.”

Annual Fleazaar Wednesday, July 18

The huge annual Fleazaar sale is Wednesday, July 18, from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., rain or shine at Manitowish Waters Community Church on U.S. Highway 51 in Manitowish Waters. There will be amazing deals in many departments. Profits from this one-day sale benefit many non-profit organizations.



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Stable hand needed to help with barn & pasture work and care fore 16 horses. Also, opportunity to learn horsemanship. Full or part time. Horses arriving end of May! Must have experience with horses. Salary competitive. Minimum age 16 years. Resident Summer Girls Camp located in Minocqua, Wisconsin.

Please call Connie at 952-270-0579
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(www.redpinecamp.com)



JOB OPPORTUNITY!



Sailing Instructor needed to teach our Sailing program. Safety is our top priority so documented skills and lifeguard certification is preferred. Camp is located on Clear Lake and serves 136 girls ages 7-15 each summer.

PLEASE CALL
Camp Director Connie at 952-270-0579,
or email at rpc@redpinecamp.com.



The MAC is a first-class fitness center equipped with everything needed to get in and stay in shape. In addition to the indoor pool and equipment, we offer a variety of classes.

We're looking for friendly customer service professionals to join our team.

Open position: Front Desk Clerk

Responsibilities include welcoming and registering guests upon their arrival, answering phone calls and assisting guests. This position offers a great salary, paid time off and a free membership!

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RETAIL MANAGER NEEDED

One of the Northwood's most prestigious stores is looking for a passionate, energetic individual to oversee our retail operations. Help us showcase the Northwoods lifestyle with upscale twist. As Retail Manager of To The Nines and The Lake House you will work to oversee all retail operations. The ideal candidate will enjoy people and possess strong analytical and organizational skills.

This **FULL-TIME, YEAR-ROUND POSITION** offers a great salary, complete benefit package and generous PTO.

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The MAC in beautiful Manitowish Waters is looking for an experienced leader to oversee the operations of the Fitness Center to help ensure members and guests have an enjoyable visit. If you have a passion for health and fitness plus strong leadership skills, apply today!

The **Fitness Center Operations Manager** is a full-time, year-round position that offers a great salary, complete benefit package and generous paid time off.

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Tuesday's Lakeland Times — Noon Friday
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Phone 715-356-5236

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100. ANNOUNCEMENTS

140. MISCELLANEOUS

Gun Show July 30th
Manitowish Waters
Community Center 8 am - 3 pm. Admission \$5, Under 12 free. Lunch. More info call Bruce 715-476-0016

SCRAP METAL DRIVE:
Island City Masonic Lodge # 330 in Minocqua opens its scrap yard May 19th at 10 am. The yard will be open every Friday and Saturday from 10 am to 4 pm through August 5th. Located by Northwoods Zip Line off Adventure Lane, two miles south of Minocqua on Hwy 51. Accepting most forms of scrap metal: mowers, motors, grills, car batteries and parts, pipe, metal furniture, aluminum boats, wire, appliances, cars (by arrangement), and more. We do not accept electronics or tires. No drop offs outside of regular hours except by arrangement. Funds raised go to various community projects. For more information, call 715-614-2706.

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| 720 PARTS & ACCESSORIES | |
| 725 SUV'S | |
| 730 TRUCKS | |
| 740 VANS/BUSSES | |
| 750 VEHICLES/RECREATIONAL | |
| 752 ATVS | |
| 754 BOATS | |
| 756 CAMPERS/RVS | |
| 760 MOTORCYCLES | |
| 766 PWCS | |
| 780 SNOWMOBILES | |
| 788 TRAILERS, PARTS, & ACCESSORIES | |
| 790 WANTED | |
| 800 SERVICES | |
| 810 CHILD CARE | |
| 820 CONSTRUCTION/REMODELING | |
| 830 GENERAL | |
| 840 LANDSCAPING | |
| 860 SNOWPLOWING | |
| 900 SITUATION WANTED | |
| 930 WANTED TO BUY | |

200. BUSINESS/COMMERCIAL

220. BUSINESS FOR LEASE

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Great opportunity.
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250. EMPLOYMENT

252. EMPLOYMENT ADMINISTRATIVE

Automotive Parts counter/customer service writer and office help needed. \$17.00 to \$25.00 based on experience. We can train sharp candidates, but prior experience in an Auto parts store or repair shop would be best. Male & females are encouraged to apply. Paid holidays, Health Insurance payments, and Uniforms are available. A valid Driver's License is required. 715-892-1971 Minocqua WI

Front Desk Associate
Rynders Inc is looking for a front desk associate. We offer paid holidays, vacation time, retirement plan, health savings plan, dental, vision, and life insurance. Office experience required. Send resume and cover letter to:
Rynders, Inc
10322 Hwy 70
Minocqua, WI 54548
Or print an application online at rynders.com

Part-Time Bookkeeper
Rynders Inc is looking for a Part Time Bookkeeper. Bookkeeping experience required.
Send resume and cover letter to:
Rynders, Inc
10322 Hwy 70
Minocqua, WI 54548

260. EMPLOYMENT FOOD SERVICE

Cleaning person, bartenders and pin chasers wanted. Fun work environment! Apply in person at Island City Lanes Hwy 51 S, Minocqua. 715-356-7779

Ding-A-Ling is looking for bartender, chefs helper and waitress Wednesday thru Saturday 4 p.m. To 8:30ish. Call Betsy 715-476-2270

Guides Inn Boulder Junction is looking to hire a part time bartender. Competitive wages are offered. Please call 715-385-2233 and ask for Jesse. Thank you.

Help wanted: Full or part time cooks. Part time waitresses, dishwashers, bartenders, and servers. Very flexible, benefits available. Paying top wages! Apply in person at the
Black Bear Bar
Hwy 70 West, Minocqua or call 715-358-2116

Now hiring bar manager at Heart II in Arbor Vitae. Call Heather at 715-892-5707 for more info.

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262. EMPLOYMENT MISCELLANEOUS

Cut To Perfection Family Hair Care in St. Germain is currently looking for a stylist. Please contact Amanda @ 715.891.5161

Fun and fast paced downtown Minocqua Gift and Home Décor store looking to fill a year round daytime customer service position. We also have seasonal positions available. Please apply at A La Carte, Gaslight Square Mall. 715-356-5851

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Looking for person to edit hunting videos for a reasonable price. email info@revolutioninnovations.com

MotoMart is taking applications for part time cashiers. We offer a competitive starting wage at
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262. EMPLOYMENT MISCELLANEOUS

\$15.00, holiday pay, sick and vacation pay. Must be able to work weekends and holidays. Apply at www.work4moto.com @ 7510 Highway 51 South, Minocqua.



O'Reilly Auto Parts, Minocqua is hiring for a full-time counter position with benefits. If you have an excellent work ethic and great customer service skills, we would like to talk with you. Please stop in or apply at oreillyauto.com under "about us," "careers," retail counter sales.

Paginator / Layout / Graphic Designer

The Lakeland Times is now accepting resumes for an additional full-time or part-time experienced paginator / graphic designer to work in our production department. 2 years minimum experience with Macintosh Quark XPress, and adequate knowledge of Adobe Photoshop are required. Publishing, graphic design, marketing and/or customer service experience is a definite plus. The ideal candidate would also possess excellent organizational, communication and typing skills, efficiency, a positive attitude and the ability to pay close attention to detail in a fast - paced environment. Please send resume, samples and references to: Heather Holmes, General Manager, The Lakeland Times, P.O Box 790, Minocqua, WI 54548. Email: hholmes@lakelandtimes.com.

Part-time help needed for busy podiatry office. (2 to 3 days per week, no holidays or weekends) We will train the person hired for patient care and office responsibilities. Please send resume to PO Box 528, Woodruff, WI 54568

Rhinelander Flying Service is looking for a part time line crewman. Duties include fueling and towing aircraft, customer service, and janitorial duties. Stop in and fill out an application. 715-365-3456

Route Driver Needed

The Lakeland Times is looking for a part time Delivery Driver to drop papers at businesses on established delivery routes. Call Corey at 715-365-6397 or stop in to The Lakeland Times for an application. 510 Chippewa Street, Minocqua. Or, stop in at the Northwoods River News in the Trigs Riverwalk Centre, Rhinelander.

Service Tech/ Delivery Driver Immediate opening for our busy propane department. CLD and HAZMAT required. Competitive wages and benefit package offered. Please submit application or resume to john.stella@kristoil.com or go to kristoil.com to apply online.

262. EMPLOYMENT MISCELLANEOUS

Rynders, Inc. is seeking employees to fill Landscape Crew Member positions. Candidates should have landscape experience, valid driver's license, and experience in installation of retaining walls, paver patios, outdoor living areas, lawn seeding/ sod, decorative stone, mulch, and trees/shrubs. We offer 401K, Dental, Vision, HSA, Vacation and competitive wages. Please stop in to our office located at 10322 Hwy 70 Minocqua to complete an application. Or Email staff@rynders.com for an application package.

264. EMPLOYMENT TRADE/SKILL

Carpenters with log home experience helpful, \$30- \$50/ hour- painters experience \$20- \$35/ hour. Call Terry at: 715-617-0684 or 715-479-2047.

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300. FOR RENT

320. FOR RENT APARTMENTS

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Building amenities include: computer lab, library, beauty shop, exercise room, theatre & laundry rooms. Smoke/vape/flare-free.

Call Melissa at Rhinelander Housing Authority to apply 715-365-7979 x1. EOH

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3 bdrm 2 bath fully furnished home, all utilities included, air conditioning, heat, city sewer/ water, lawn care, snow plowing, garbage, and a boat slip on Lake Minocqua. \$2500 per month, one year lease. Must have references, 1st month and security deposit. No smoking. Available Aug 15th, 715.439.3381 email bohica_01@yahoo.com

350. FOR RENT- MISCELLANEOUS

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400. ITEMS FOR SALE

410. FOR SALE ANTIQUES

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440. FOR SALE HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

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460. FOR SALE FUEL / WOOD

FIREWOOD- LOGGERS
CORD, 12 cord minimum. 8 ft. logger cord. Maple/ Oak. Bruce or Monica 715-479-6309 or 715-891-2767



Loads of good clean mixed hardwood. End cuts. All block. From mill. Delivered to your door. Approx. 4 facecord. \$650 plus mileage. 920-205-4114

470. FOR SALE MISCELLANEOUS

2 new white acrylic bathtubs for sale. Corner 20" deep American Standard whirlpool tub with new Moen brass faucet and drain \$550. 5' X 21" deep drop in tub with new Moen faucet, drain, and shower fittings \$160. 715.436.0472

480. FOR SALE SPORTING GOODS

Winchester model 94, 32. special. Circa 1941. Must see! Call 715-360-6722

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490. FOR SALE
ITEMS UNDER \$50

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in the top tool bar.
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Wednesday Shopper
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500.
**GENERAL
SALES**

530.
ESTATE SALES

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HZ Moving Sale John Deere lawn tractor, Pontoon, 4' by 5' trailer, House Generator, much more! 6673 Sylvan Shore Dr. Hazelhurst, 8 – 4, Friday & Saturday 21 & 22

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540.
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RUMMAGE
SALES**

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LT.....Lake Tomahawk
MC.....McNaughton
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MW.....Manitowish Waters
NB.....Newbold
NK.....Nokomis
PF.....Park Falls
PI.....Presque Isle
PL.....Plum Lake
RH.....Rhineland
SA.....Sayner
SC.....Sugar Camp
SG.....St. Germain
TO.....Tomahawk
WB.....Woodboro
WD.....Woodruff
WN.....Winchester

540.
**GARAGE /
RUMMAGE
SALES**

AV Evergreen Estates Lot #20. Dishes, Pots & Pans, Furniture, 3 piece bedroom set. T.V. Stand, Wood bench, outside table & 2 chairs, X-mas items, Wolf items & much more. Inside sale ONLY must come to door. July 17 – 25th Every day 10 AM – 2 PM or call 715-358-9583 to schedule a time.

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550.
MISCELLANEOUS

Nicolet Welcome Service has a FREE welcome packet filled with gift certificates and information from Minocqua/Woodruff area businesses. For a friendly welcome, call Sue at 715-892-6181 or go to nicoletwelcome.com

600.
**REAL
ESTATE**

620. REAL ESTATE
ACREAGE /
LOTS

Patricia Lake Condo II single family lot for sale. Building site 80x100. Price reduced to \$15,000.00. Contact Peter at 262-893-4143.

640. REAL ESTATE
MOBILE HOMES


FOR SALE: Two Bedroom, 1 Bath 14 x 72 Mobile Home in nice park on lake. Front & Back Porch, Large sliding door in Master Bedroom on lake side, Cathedral Ceilings, and large Bay Window on front. Home is an Artcraft 1997 in excellent condition and is being sold furnished for \$49,900.00. Park approval and application are required. For more details, call 715-356-3600, email staff@rynders.com or stop at Rynders located at 10322 Hwy 70, Minocqua.

650. REAL ESTATE
FOR SALE

South of Minocqua (4997 County Rd Y) Lovely 3 bedroom home with appx. 13 acres, attached garage, an additional building and so much more! Nearby impressive Willow Flowage. Come and view.

700.
VEHICLES

730. VEHICLES
TRUCKS



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730. VEHICLES
TRUCKS

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**VEHICLES /
RECREATIONAL**

754. REC. VEHICLES
BOATS

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756. REC. VEHICLES
CAMPERs / RVS

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760. REC. VEHICLES
MOTORCYCLES

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788. REC. VEHICLES
TRAILERS /
PARTS &
ACCESSORIES

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800.
SERVICES

820. SERVICES
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830. SERVICES
GENERAL

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“Well I go ‘They’re not gonna enforce the buoys either, unfortunately,’” Ramker said. “He just went on to say that ‘Me and my wife (Ann Sloane) are obligated to get in the water if one of these people has an accident.’ I said ‘OK.’ And he goes ‘Oh no, well we’re obligated to get into the water, but it’s our discretion on how fast or how slow we go.’”

Ramker said he told Sloane that’s “on him and his conscious” if they didn’t respond to an emergency where they could have.

Sloane, he said, told him that he can go as slow or as fast to an emergency call as he wants three different times, and the third time was when Morris heard it.

He said he noticed Sloane “charge” Morris at one point, and heard him tell Morris, too, that he can respond to emergency calls as fast or as slow as he wants.

Ramker then pointed to Talbott’s recent experience of not having an ambulance respond to her call on July 7.

“And you know (with Mike Sloane’s comments) and if something serious would’ve happened, you’re (the town) opening yourself up for a huge lawsuit,” he said.

What happened to Sloane?

Chief Johnson started the discussion with regard to Sloane and the incident on

June 26.

He explained the process and procedures the department followed while holding its “department business meeting” on July 3.

While at least one resident called for town supervisor Ann Sloane to recuse herself from the meeting at that point, she declined to by remaining seated at the table with the rest of the board.

Johnson said an initial complaint was filed with the Pike Lake Fire Department and he proceeded to obtain four written email statements from those who were involved in the incident.

He said he interviewed Sloane and obtained a written copy of his version of the story.

“After careful review by myself and my department officers with all the information provided, I decided on a course of action that I pursued using the department’s policy and procedure manual,” he said, adding he then called and publicly posted the July 3 department business meeting. “After the meeting was called to order, a motion was made to move to a closed session per Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(b).”

Johnson said included in the closed session discussion were members of the Pike Lake Fire Department and Sloane.

He said they discussed the “gravity and seriousness of the allegations,” before he told Sloane how he

would be disciplined.

“And they (Sloane) accepted the consequences I imposed upon them,” Johnson said. “They signed an agreement as to my decision, witnessed by me, and a motion to return to open session was made and seconded. We returned to open session and a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the business meeting.”

Johnson confirmed for town chairman Felch that Sloane was the only person he interviewed face-to-face.

Felch said he feels Johnson should interview Ramker to get a better understanding of what happened. Johnson said Ramker’s email was lengthy, though it never mentioned Sloane pushing or shoving him.

Jason Morris asked the board if Johnson could interview him too. He said he also wanted the opportunity to tell his complete side of the story face-to-face.

Town supervisor John Smith said he feels that if there will be face-to-face interviews, than Johnson should speak to everyone involved.

Johnson agreed to the interviews and asked if a town board member could be present during all of them. Smith agreed to be the one to attend them.

Johnson also prepared a packet for each board member consisting of information regarding the investigation and the discipline “imposed” on Sloane.

When Felch asked board

members if they needed time to review the documents Johnson prepared, Ann Sloane indicated there was no reason to.

“Well the decision’s been made, hasn’t it?” she asked, and Felch said it has. “So there’s nothing (to say).”

Smith asked Johnson if anyone besides members of the fire department and town board knew what Sloane’s disciplinary decision included.

Johnson said no.

As members of the public pressed Johnson and the board to reveal what has been done, town clerk Kelly Kleinschmidt said it’s not being shared because, from her understanding, it occurred in a closed session meeting.

Johnson agreed with her.

“If it’s under closed session and it’s an employee issue, I believe it (can stay in) closed session,” Felch said.

“It’s not public record, but I can definitely contact the town’s attorney and double check with them,” Kleinschmidt said.

Even though a decision was already made at the fire department’s July 3 business meeting, Felch said there will be an update on the situation at the town board’s August meeting after Johnson holds face-to-face interviews with all involved.

Regarding the information Johnson provided to the town board at the July 11 meeting, *The Lakeland Times* filed a verbal and written open records re-

quest with Kleinschmidt on July 12.

As of press time Friday, July 14, Kleinschmidt didn’t supply the requested information, though she confirmed she received the request and will work to satisfy it.

One other comment

While there were others who spoke during the public comment portion of the meeting that aligned with Ramker’s and the Morriss’ opinion on the buoy situation, there was another person to comment with an alternative perspective.

Ron Ahles said he spoke in defense of the lakes association and town at the June 26 lakes association listening session and meeting.

He said, in his eyes, Ramker and Morris seemed like “they were going for a pound of flesh or something because those buoys were put in place.”

Ahles agreed the buoys being place illegally was a “terrible” thing, but said there was never any intention to place them illegally.

“When I got up and spoke every time, I felt like I was totally disrespected because I wasn’t in favor of their point of view,” he said. “I felt like a few of them were staring holes in the back of my head. That’s how angry they were. So it wasn’t just a one-sided thing.”

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