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## DNR official cautions towns about enhanced wake regulations

Local enforcement could cross constitutional limits

By Richard Moore  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

Multiple towns across Wisconsin are passing ordinances regulating artificial enhanced wakes on state waters, but many of them lack any evidentiary mechanism, and last week a state Department of Natural Resources (DNR) administrative warden cautioned that towns could

be headed for troubled legal waters of their own if they resort to ad hoc or citizen enforcement.

Some towns have talked about forming citizens' committees to have citizens stop boats they suspect of using tools to enhance wakes, or urging citizens to take photos or videos of boats they suspect of breaking a town ordinance and sending that "evidence" to the town

chairman or other appropriate officials to write a ticket.

Going that route could pose big legal problems for any town that does so, Darren Kuhn, DNR boating law administrator, told *The Lakeland Times* last week. Kuhn said towns could safely enter into enforcement agreements with law en-

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CONTRIBUTED PHOTOGRAPH

Joshua Fennell

## The memorial mission of the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency

DPAA chief researcher Joshua Fennell a keynote speaker at the Northwoods National Cemetery on Memorial Day

By Brian Jopek  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

On Saturday, Oct. 13, 2018, the remains of U.S. Army Private John Cummings, 22 years old at the time he was killed in action in Europe on Dec. 31, 1944, was buried with full military honors next to his parents in Hazelhurst's Lakeside Garden of Sleep Cemetery.

John Cummings, as it turned out, was an uncle of Minocqua town chairman Mark Hartzheim, who for several years had looked into what happened to his uncle John, and another uncle, Paul Hartzheim,

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## LdF tribal, community leader Betty Jo Graveen dies

Betty Jo Graveen, a long-time community leader in the Lac du Flambeau community, died on May 18.

She was 84.

Graveen contributed to the community in several ways, including her role in establishing the Head Start Program. She also served as an aide at Lac du Flambeau grade school, where she was a member of the school board.

She served on the tribal council of the Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians and later on the Vilas County board's tribal concerns committee.

A full obituary for Betty Jo Graveen appears on page 6 in today's edition of *The Lakeland Times*.



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## FLAGS OF HONOR

Steve Shaker places American flags at veterans graves on Sunday, May 19, at Evergreen Cemetery in Woodruff.

## Ever hear the story of the 102-pound musky netted in Lake Minocqua more than 100 years ago?

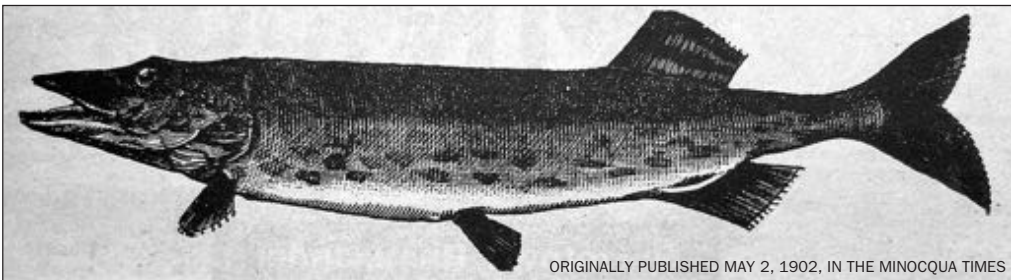
Beware! These waters are infested with musky

By Trevor Greene  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

People have heard of Jaws, the shark that terrorized the waters of the Jersey Shore and said to be over 25 feet in length. Or there's the Loch Ness monster, a legendary creature from Scotland said to have bit a swimmer in 565 AD and believed to be over 20 feet as well. But has anyone ever heard of the 102-pound musky referred to as the "Loch Ness monster of the North?"

Apparently, the 102-pound musky was actually seen right here on Minocqua Lake.

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### LARGEST MUSKALLONGE EVER CAPTURED!

Supt. Nevin of the State Fish Hatchery Commissioners, who has been taking muskellonge spawn at the Tomahawk and Minocqua lakes this past month, informed us that E. D. Kennedy and himself captured the two largest muskellonge ever taken in these waters. The largest one was caught in Minocqua lake, and weighed 102 pounds, the other being taken in Tomahawk lake and weighed 80 pounds. After the spawn was taken from these monsters they were turned back into their native waters, where they await the sportsman to try and land them. Mr. Nevin has taken muskellonge spawn at this place the past four years, and says that in seining this season they have caught more small muskallonge than ever before, which goes to show that they are increasing. He also informs us that they have about 25,000,000 pike fry ready for distribution and 2,000,000 muskellonge fry, which will be planted in the lakes of Vilas, Oneida and Forest counties. The State Fish Hatchery Commissioners are expected here Saturday to look over the hatchery at this place and to lay out improvements to be done.

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# REMEMBERING THOSE WHO SERVED

Gary Kraus places American flags at veterans graves on Sunday, May 19, at Evergreen Cemetery in Woodruff.

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## Memorial Day ceremonies and services

### Saturday, May 25

**HARSHAW: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 11:30 a.m., Union Grove Cemetery. Lunch served afterward at the Cassian town hall.

### Sunday, May 26

**ST. GERMAIN: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 1 p.m., Veterans Memorial Wall.

### Monday, May 27

**ARBOR VITAE: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 8 a.m., C.W. Caywood Memorial Shooting Range.

**ARBOR VITAE: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 9 a.m., South Farming Road Cemetery.

**BOULDER JUNCTION: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 11 a.m., Veterans Memorial Triangle.

**BOULDER JUNCTION: ME-**

**MORIAL DAY SERVICE-** Noon, Cemetery of The Pines

**HARSHAW: MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY-** 2:30 p.m., Northwoods National Cemetery.

**HAZELHURST: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 11:30, Whispering Pines Cemetery on Furman Road.

**HAZELHURST: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** Noon, Lakeside Garden of Sleep Cemetery.

**LAKE TOMAHAWK: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 11 a.m. Wilderness Rest Cemetery. The public is invited for a ceremony presented by the Colin F. Shultz American Legion Post 318 Honor Guard. Bring a chair.

**MANITOWISH WATERS: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 11:30 a.m., Pine Lawn Cemetery. In the event of rain, the ceremony will

take place at the community center.

**MERCER: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 10 a.m., Mercer Cemetery on Beachwood Drive.

**MINOCQUA: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 10 a.m., Veterans Park, downtown Minocqua.

**MINOCQUA: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 11 a.m., Minocqua Memorial Cemetery on Blue Lake Road.

**NEWBOLD MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES:** 8 a.m., Newbold Cemetery.

**PRESQUE ISLE: MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE-** 11 a.m. Presque Isle Cemetery.

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**RHINELANDER MEMORIAL**

**DAY SERVICE-**8:30 a.m., Northland Memorial Park.

**RHINELANDER MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 9 a.m.,

Forest Home Cemetery

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tivity of Our Lord Cemetery.

**RHINELANDER MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 10:30

a.m., John and Dori Brown Performing Arts Center (Rhinelanders High School)

**SAYNER: MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY-** 9 a.m., Sayner Cemetery. The American Legion will conduct a ceremony.

**WINCHESTER: MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE-** 10:30 a.m. Winchester Cemetery.

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# LUHS has 25 resignations and retirements, Smudde says available housing an issue

## Administration gets go-ahead to hire additional assistant principal in place of dean of students

By Trevor Greene  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

Lakeland Union High School’s (LUHS) board of education on Monday approved 15 resignations and four retirements.

At the board’s committee of the whole meeting on May 13, district administrator Bob Smudde noted there was a total of 25 combined resignations and retirements.

As of right now, Smudde told *The Lakeland Times* after the meeting, there are no more retirements or resignations he’s aware of and the process to start filling those positions has begun.

Hiring is one of the top priorities of the district’s administration, he said.

LUHS principal Levi Massey at Monday’s meeting mentioned the resignation of assistant principal Hope Cameron.

Cameron served as assistant principal for one year and it was said she resigned largely due to the lengthy commute. Smudde said she lives in the Wausau area and took a position

in a school district closer to home.

But location is a reason others resigned as well, Smudde told the *Times*, especially when it comes to staff members lower on the pay scale.

“If they’re not local already, it’s very hard for them to get local,” he said. “At least four of our teaching staff have left because of that reason ... so location is the big thing, no housing is a huge thing and some of it is (some) just earned their time. We have an older staff and we still have a bubble of people that can retire.”

Smudde said it’s not necessarily competitive among other area school districts. It would be more competitive, he said, if LUHS had a housing market.

Smudde expressed confidence the district would secure its desired staff if the housing was there because LUHS pays well.

He mentioned how compared to other districts in the state, LUHS is in the 84 percentile on average for what it pays.

“That puts you in the market for pretty much anybody,” he said.

“And, you know, we’re not in an urban area where that market of housing is there so the problem I have is our average starter home is (\$350,000) or more and it’s not a starter home. There is no apartment complexes where a starting couple can make out with one kid. There isn’t a \$150,000 house with two bedrooms that somebody could get. They just, they don’t exist. Not on a middle income.”

Smudde said he doesn’t think the current infrastructure of the area is there to support additional housing right now.

He highlighted the town board’s recent efforts in tackling the area’s housing and labor issues.

“We’re gonna need to do things differently if we’re gonna grow and if we’re not gonna grow here, somebody else is gonna take it,” Smudde said, adding he thinks if other area district’s start developing at a faster rate than Minocqua, the workforce issues the Lakeland area is dealing with will only be intensified. “And it’s just gonna be a matter of time

when whoever comes first to the table, I think, is gonna have the opportunity to grow their community.”

The area’s seasonal workforce will do OK, he said, but without a reasonable housing market, the area’s year-round workforce will struggle.

Smudde said filling certain teaching positions is important because it determines what classes are offered. If a certain position isn’t filled, students may not be able to take all the classes they want.

At the moment, he said, there are five job openings listed.

If people in the community have a desire to help the district in any way, Smudde said LUHS is always looking for substitute teachers.

“But the other part is if someone is interested in becoming a teacher, they should be able to give us a call here and we can point them in the right direction,” he said. “We have a couple people ... ask that question (about getting a teaching license) ... it is worth the phone call because you’d be surprised what people can

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# Minocqua Antique and Classic Boat Show looking to make a splash for 33rd year

What's become a staple event will be held June 14-15

By Trevor Greene  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

The shores near Torpy Park will be overrun with an impressive display of antique, classic and newer wooden boats on Friday, June 14, and Saturday, June 15, when the Minocqua Antique and Classic Boat Show occurs for its 33rd year.

In 1991, Gordon Moore organized the first Minocqua Antique and Classic Boat Show. Those who helped Moore were friends of his that all shared a passion for old school watercraft.

The Let's Minocqua Visitors Bureau became involved in the show around the mid-1990s and helped with its continued growth.

The visitors bureau getting involved also added a philanthropic angle. The earlier boat shows raised money for multiple sclerosis and, most recently, money was raised for new piers at Torpy Park. Local businesses and organizations that sponsored the event



TREVOR GREENE/LAKELAND TIMES

James Smith and friends make their way through the parade in a 1953 Chris Craft Holiday during the antique and classic boat parade at halftime of the Min-Aqua Bats Water Ski Show on Friday, June 16, 2023 in Minocqua.

helped raise \$50,000 for the piers to be purchased and owned by the town.

From what started as a show consisting of about 25 to 30 locally owned boats, now sees over 80 different boats brought from all over.

Marc Toigo, lead organizer of the boat show, said the event has broken a record each of the last four years for the number of boats displayed.

Toigo said the event takes an “enormous amount of work if you want to do it right” and jokingly said he became the organizer by being “elected by default” after many of the original boat show organizers got older and stopped.

The antique and classic boat show

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# Boat Show

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isn't just for boat enthusiasts or historians. Toigo said in his mind, the best part about the show is that it's truly become an event for the whole family to enjoy.

"Especially now that we're at Torpy Park," he said. "Torpy Park is all open. The swimming beach is open, the (playground) is open ... and it's a Minocqua staple."

Every year, Toigo said, people will tell him why the boat show means so much to them and, in



TREVOR GREENE/LAKELAND TIMES

Mike Wanda Hornstein polishes the windshield of just one of his boats on display during the antique and classic boat show at Torpy Park on Friday, June 16, 2023 in Minocqua.

some instances, how it turned into family traditions to attend.

"I don't get paid any money for this," he said. "This is all about the community and Minocqua and the history ... most of these boats, they're nostalgic ... people come and look at the boats and they say 'My dad used to have one of these' in 1971 or 1958. So, that's the joy of it. These antique boats are labors of love. And for the community, that's a good (thing)."

Toigo agreed that Minocqua is the perfect setting for a boat show. He said in the past the Minocqua Antique and Classic Boat Show was the largest boat show in Wisconsin.

"We're one of the premiere antique boat shows in the whole country," Toigo said.

**Additional event details**

Music, food and drinks will be available both days with the help of the Minocqua Lions Club.

June 14 will feature a traditional shore lunch fish fry. After the show concludes around 7 p.m. on that Friday, people can make their way over the Aqua Bowl and see the antique and classic boats in action during a boat parade during the Min-Aqua Bats water ski show intermission.

The show on June 15 will go a little bit longer, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.



TREVOR GREENE/LAKELAND TIMES

Kelly and Fitz Anderson check out a one-of-a-kind fishing rig on display during the antique and classic boat show at Torpy Park on Friday, June 16, 2023 in Minocqua.

Live music at the boat show will feature Melissa Childers on the first day and Tuck Pence and Double Barrel on the second day.

There are multiple awards boat owners can win that are voted on by the show's participants. One award that the public decides who the winner is has recently been named the "Gordon Moore People's Choice" award.

For questions or to register a boat, Toigo can be reached at 715-892-4873 or MinocquaMarc@Duck.com. The Minocqua Boat Show Facebook page and [www.MinocquaBoatShow.com](http://www.MinocquaBoatShow.com) are additional resources for more information as well.

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# OBITUARIES

## Betty Jo Graveen

Betty Jo Graveen (née Beson), 84, of Lac du Flambeau, peacefully departed this life on May 18, 2024, from her home while surrounded by her loving family.

Throughout her remarkable life, Betty was a beacon of service and dedication to her community. She held various roles, each marked by her unwavering commitment and compassion. Betty began her career as a dental assistant with the Indian Health Service. She was instrumental in the establishment of the Head Start Program in the community. She later worked at the Lac du Flambeau grade school, where she served as an aide. She touched the lives of countless students with her kindness and care.

Her service extended beyond the school walls. Betty was deeply involved in the governance of her community, serving on the Lac du Flambeau Tribal Council and contributing to the justice systems of both Lac du Flambeau and Vilas County. She played a pivotal role in the Wellness Court, striving to create a healthier and more just environment for all.

For an astounding 45 years, Betty dedicated herself to the Lac du Flambeau food distribution program, where she served as director. Her leadership ensured that countless families had access to essential resources, including through partnerships with organizations like the Salvation Army.

Betty’s commitment to education and empowerment led her to serve on the Lac du Flambeau Tribal Education Committee, the Lac du Flambeau Public School Board, and the Nicolet College Board where she worked tirelessly to promote access to higher education and vocational training for her community. Her advocacy and leadership on the board reflected her unwavering belief in the power of education to transform lives.

Beyond her professional accomplishments, Betty will be remembered for her boundless generosity, her infectious sense of humor, and her unwavering love for her family. She was a devoted mother to her children Karlene, Marlene (Terry), Tony (Fern), Clarence (Chrissie), Kevin, Joe (Robin), David (Melissa), and Jason. She was a beloved sister, grandmother, great-grandmother, great-great-grandmother and auntie to many. Betty is survived by her sister, Bonnie (Beson) LeSieur and preceded in death by her father, Henry Beson; mother, Marcella (Engel) Beson; and brothers, Robert (Bobby) Beson and William (Buzz) Beson.

Betty Jo Graveen leaves behind a legacy of service and compassion that will continue to inspire all who knew her. Her kindness, her strength, and her indomitable spirit will be dearly missed by her family, friends, and community.

Visitation will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, May 22, at Bolger Funeral Home — Woodruff Chapel. A funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. on Thursday, May 23, at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church in Lac du Flambeau, followed by interment in Memorial Cemetery, Lac du Flambeau.

Bolger Cremation & Funeral Services is assisting the family, bolgerfuneral.com.

## Jane Ellen Spoerke

Jane Ellen Spoerke, 50 of Arbor Vitae, passed away on September 15, 2023 after a lifelong battle with diabetes. Jane’s family will be having a memorial picnic lunch at Crystal Lake Pavilion in Sayner, on Saturday, June 1 at 11 a.m.

Online condolences and complete obituary at nimsgernfuneral.com

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to Catkins Animal Rescue in Park Falls. Nimsgern Funeral & Cremation Services is serving the family.

## Jerome R. Ravey

Jerome R. Ravey, 81, of Minocqua, joined his Lord and Savior on Saturday, May 18, 2024, after fighting several illnesses. Born to Melvin E. and Adela M. (Behm) Ravey on November 21, 1942, in Waupaca, Jerry was a man of deep faith, creative talent and unwavering dedication to those he cherished.

After Jerry graduated from Waupaca High School, he bravely served our country as a United States Marine from 1960-1970, including service in Vietnam and Guam. He also served four additional years in the U.S Army Reserve. While in Guam, Jerry received a meritorious honor for his part in saving victims of a plane crash. This fall Jerry and his son, Tim, were looking forward to taking the Never Forgotten Honor Flight together.

After his time in the service, he worked at a variety of jobs but spent many years working in the janitorial business, including owning and operating Duraclean Master Cleaners. Jerry was a very talented carpenter and found happiness working in his shop building and creating.

Jerry found timeless love with Penny Pinkowsky-Thompson, whom he married on June 19, 1993, at Mt. Olive Church in Schofield. Their union was a testament to the resilience of love and the strength of their commitment to one another.

Jerry was the proud father of Timothy (Tracy) Ravey, Debra (Andee) Ravey, and Jodi (Kay) Ravey. He was also blessed with two stepsons, Eric (Kelly) Thompson and Adam (Leshia) Thompson. Together with Penny, they expanded their family through the loving adoption of Shawn, Lane, and Tilesa Ravey. Each of his children held a special place in his heart. Jerry’s legacy includes five grandchildren, Saisha, Stephanie, Aaron, Adeline, and Evelyn, and three great-grandchildren, Kira, Keaton, and Luka. He is also survived by his brother, Melvin Ravey, Jr., sisters Judy Strasser and Jane Bowker, and sisters-in-law Joy Sorenson and Wendy Treptow. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Kenneth Ravey, sister Beverly Cartwright, and sister-in-law Tena Pinkowsky.

A service to celebrate Jerry’s life will be held at Calvary Lutheran Church in Minocqua on Tuesday, June 4, at 11:30 a.m. with Pastor Maxine Gray officiating. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until time of the service. Interment will be at Northwoods National Cemetery on July 3, at 11 a.m. In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations be made in his honor to Calvary Lutheran Church or The Never Forgotten Honor Flight. Jerry will be deeply missed but forever remembered by those who had the privilege of knowing him. His spirit of faith, love and kindness will live on in the hearts of all he touched.

Online condolences may be shared at [www.nimsgernfuneral.com](http://www.nimsgernfuneral.com). Nimsgern Funeral & Cremation Services is serving the family.

## William “Bill” G. Horner

William “Bill” G. Horner, 87, found eternal peace on May 19, 2024. Loving husband of the late Ruth (nee Neitzel) for almost 64 years. Beloved dad of Jane Horner and Carol (Patrick) Seitz. Proud papa of Sean and Sofia Seitz. Further survived by other relatives and friends.

Visitation for Bill will be held on Saturday, June 8, at the Schmidt & Bartelt Funeral Home in Menomonee Falls from noon until the time of the memorial service at 2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials to the Winchester Public Library are appreciated.

Bill was an avid lover of the outdoors, spending time at he and Ruth’s home in Northern Wisconsin hunting and fishing. He enjoyed spending time with family and friends. He enjoyed a simple but genuine life.



Ravey



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# BLINKER BLUNDER

There were no injuries as the result of a two-vehicle collision on State Highway 47 and the intersection of County Highway D in Lake Tomahawk on May 6. According to the accident report filed by the Oneida County Sheriff’s Office, a 2013 Chevrolet Express full-size van owned by the Oneida Vilas Transit Commission and driven by Brian Moore, 59, Rhinelander, was southbound on Hwy. 47 when a 2005 Chevrolet Suburban driven by MacCoy Holmquist, 18, Lake Tomahawk pulled out in front of the van. Holmquist was eastbound on Hwy. D, at a stop sign and told law enforcement he thought Moore had his right turn signal on which was not the case and the collision occurred when Holmquist pulled his Suburban from the stop sign in front of the van.

# AREA EVENTS CALENDAR

Want to submit an event to the calendar? Email [editor@lakelandtimes.com](mailto:editor@lakelandtimes.com)

## Friday, May 24

**MINOCQUA: DOLL OR BEAR TEA PARTY-** 4 to 5 p.m., Minocqua Public Library. Bring your favorite doll or stuffed animal for a special craft, plus hor d’oeuvres and tea! Info: visit [minocquapubliclibrary.org](http://minocquapubliclibrary.org).

**WOODRUFF: VFW POST 7898 POPPY DRIVE-** 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Ace Hardware.

**MINOCQUA: VFW POST 7898 POPPY DRIVE-** 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Trig’s Supermarket.

**MINOCQUA: TEMPLE GRANDIN-** 6 to 8 p.m., The Campanile Center for the Arts. Dr. Grandin became a prominent author and speaker on both autism and animal behavior. Today she is a professor of Animal Science at Colorado State University. HBO made an Emmy Award winning movie about her life and she was inducted into the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2016. Purchase tickets online, in advance in person or by calling. Info: visit [www.campanilecenter.org](http://www.campanilecenter.org) or call 715-356-9700.

**MINOCQUA: FARMERS MARKET-** 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., 408 E. Chicago Street. The Minocqua Farmers Market is a vibrant market where area farmers, producers, crafters, artisans, and non-profit groups come together to offer a variety of agricultural and related products directly to the public. The market connects the community with area food growers and producers, and provides education and inspiration for growing and eating healthy, for a healthier lifestyle.

**MANITOWISH WATERS: KICK OFF TO SUMMER-** 10 a.m., WinMan Trails. Fun filled weekend to celebrate the start of summer! Live music, beer specials, amazing food, and plenty of staff and volunteers to answer questions about the upcoming season. 2022 Olympian Kevin Bolger will be joining us. Info: call 646-543-8784, visit [winmantrails.com](http://winmantrails.com).

**MANITOWISH WATERS: MUSIC IN THE PARK-** 4 to 6 p.m., Koller Park. The Liz Mathias Band. Free, family friendly venue, feel free to bring your family, a blanket or lawn chairs, food and beverages of your choice. You may come by car, bike, or boat. Limited dock space is available, but feel free to anchor off shore and listen to the music. Info: visit [www.mwmusicinthepark.com](http://www.mwmusicinthepark.com).

**PRESQUE ISLE: TUNES ON THE WATER-** 4 p.m., Pipke Park. Great food even better live music. Bring a chair, blanket, or find a seat at a picnic table. Info: call 715-892-9811.

**SAYNER: BLOOD DRIVE-** Noon to 4 p.m., Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church. Reservations are appreciated, call to reserve your spot. Info: call 715-542-4049 or 800-280-4102.

**MANITOWISH WATERS: PIE AND**

**BRAT SALE-** Pie sale, 8 a.m., brat sale, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., In front of the Village Market downtown. The Manitowish Waters Women’s Service League will again be selling their popular homemade freshly baked pies. They sell quickly, be sure to come early for best selection. New this year will be savory pies, think shepherd’s pie, quiche and more! Brats and hot dogs will be sold in the same location just after the pie sale until 2 p.m. or sold out.

## Saturday, May 25

**MANITOWISH WATERS: FLEAZAAR DONATIONS-** 9 a.m. to noon. Manitowish Waters Community Church. Info: [mwcpcc.org](http://mwcpcc.org).

**MANITOWISH WATERS: WHEELS, WINGS, AND WATERCRAFT SHOW-** 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Manitowish Waters Community Center. Entry displays include classic cars and trucks, motorcycles, vintage boats and airplanes. There will be a pancake breakfast from 8 to 11 a.m. We will also have live broadcasts, food concessions, cash bar, bounce house and more. Info: visit [manitowishwaters.org/wheels-wings-watercraft-show](http://manitowishwaters.org/wheels-wings-watercraft-show), call 715-543-8488.

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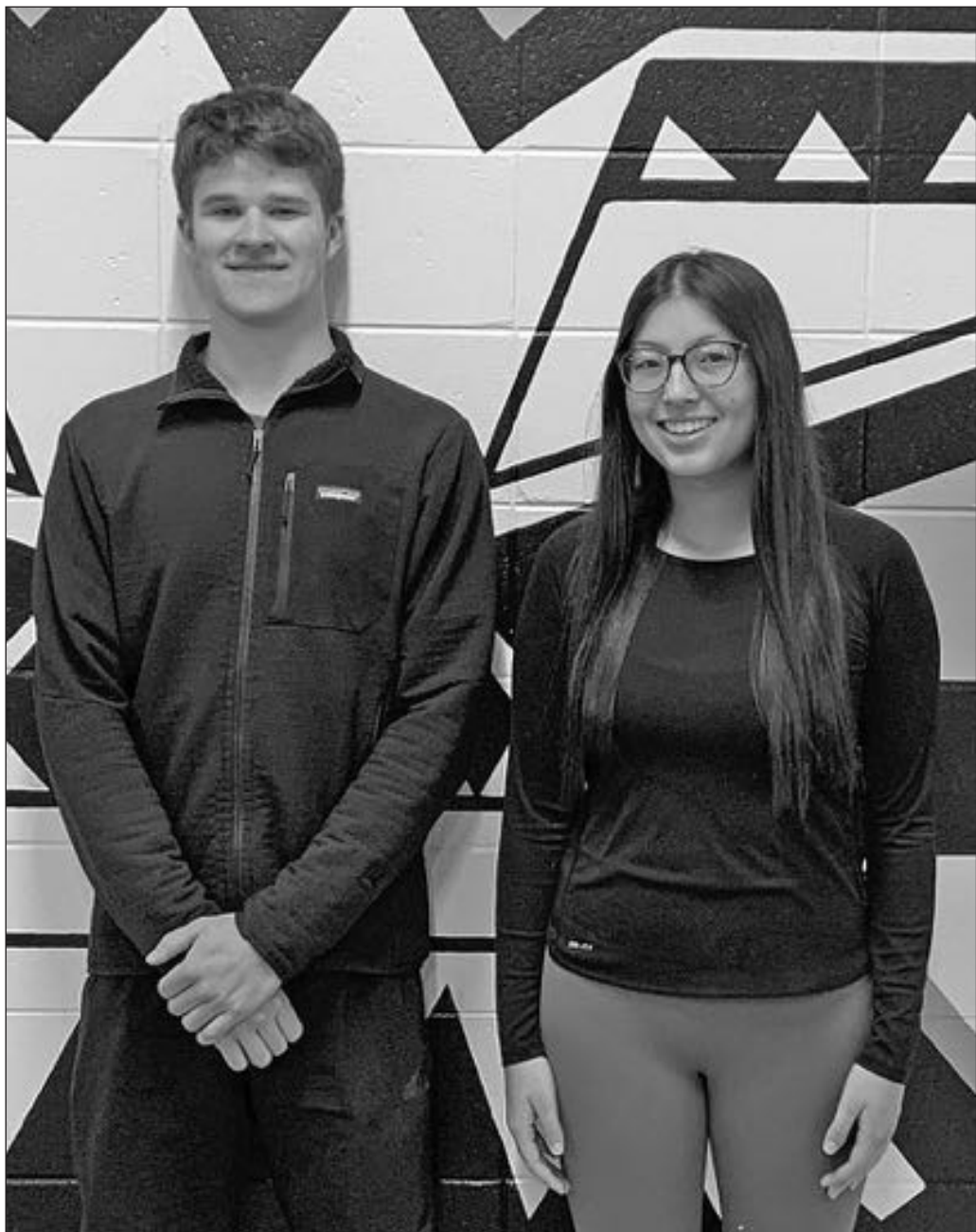
**PRESQUE ISLE: LIONS 45TH ANNUAL LOBSTERFEST-** 4 to 9 p.m., American Legion Post 480. Price \$40-60. Carryout available. Reservation deadline May 3. Info: contact Lion members or call Rich at 715-686-2073.

## Sunday, May 26

**ST. GERMAIN: CLASSIC SLED ROUND UP-** 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., St. Germain Community Park. The Snowmobile Hall of Fame hosts the 20th annual Classic Sled Round Up. The event will include vintage displays and a swap meet. Info: visit [www.snowmobilehalloffame.com](http://www.snowmobilehalloffame.com).

**EAGLE RIVER: 9TH ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY ARTS AND CRAFT SHOW-** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., downtown. Kick-off the summer season and shop our “Northwoods” themed arts and crafts sale, along with many handmade items in conjunction with sidewalk sales in





# LUHS NAMES VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN FOR CLASS OF '24

Maye MacLean, right, was named valedictorian and Timothy Seidl was named salutatorian of Lakeland Union High School's class of 2024.

CONTRIBUTED PHOTOGRAPH

## Events

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downtown Eagle River. Music, food and beverages will be available for purchase. Info: visit [www.eagleriver.org](http://www.eagleriver.org).  
**EAGLE RIVER: FARMERS MARKET-** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Hwy. 45 north of bridge. Homegrown and homemade farm and artisan market with over 50

vendors. Live entertainment and food trucks. Info: call 715-477-0645.  
**MANITOWISH WATERS: KICK OFF TO SUMMER-** 10 a.m., WinMan Trails. Fun filled weekend to celebrate the start of summer! Live music, beer specials, amazing food, and plenty of staff and volunteers to answer questions about the upcoming season. 2022 Olympian Kevin Bolger will be joining us. Info: call 646-543-8784, visit win-

mantrails.com.

### Monday, May 27

**MINOCQUA: PASTIME CLUB-** 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Ascension Lutheran Church. Pastime Club is a non-profit, social model adult day program serving Oneida, Vilas, and Lincoln counties. Info: call Rebecca Johnson at 608-881-2117 or email [pastimes2007@yahoo.com](mailto:pastimes2007@yahoo.com).  
**ST. GERMAIN: FLEA MARKET-** 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., St. Germain Community Park. Rain or shine, one of the largest flea markets in the Northwoods. Thousands of visitors come to find arts & crafts, treasures new and used. Presented by the St. Germain Volunteer Fire Department Association.

### Tuesday, May 28

**RHINELANDER: RE-TALE SHOP-** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., 25 E Rives Street, next to the Public Library. Used

books, CDs, audio books, DVDs, vintage collectible books, puzzles and games. Volunteer run by the Friends of the Rhinelander Library. All proceeds benefit the Library.

**CONOVER: CHAIN SKIMMERS WATER SKI SHOW-** 7 p.m., Lake Pleasant. Watch skilled water skiers perform tricks, jumps and flips. Info: call 715-547-6156, email [chainskimmers@gmail.com](mailto:chainskimmers@gmail.com).

### Wed., May 29

**RHINELANDER: WEDNESDAY FLEA MARKET-** 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., weather permitting, Rhinelander Ice Arena. Flea market and crafts. Info: call Gary at 715-493-0975.

### Thursday, May 30

**MINOCQUA: PASTIME CLUB-** 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Ascension Lutheran Church. Pastime Club is a

non-profit, social model adult day program serving Oneida, Vilas, and Lincoln counties. Info: call Rebecca Johnson at 608-881-2117 or email [pastimes2007@yahoo.com](mailto:pastimes2007@yahoo.com).

**WOODRUFF: TOPS CLUB-** Thursdays; weigh-in is from 9:30 to 10 a.m., with the meeting following from 10 to 11 a.m. Lakeside Plaza. TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) is a nonprofit, noncommercial network of weight-loss support groups and wellness education organization. Info: [www.tops.org](http://www.tops.org) or call Chris at 715-356-6559.  
**CONOVER: CHAIN SKIMMERS WATER SKI SHOW-** 7 p.m., Lake Pleasant. Watch skilled water skiers perform tricks, jumps and flips. Info: call 715-547-6156, email [chainskimmers@gmail.com](mailto:chainskimmers@gmail.com).

### Friday, May 31

**SUGAR CAMP: LIONS ALL**

**YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY-** 5 to 7 p.m., Sugar Camp Town Hall. Dinner includes fish, hash browns, coleslaw, rye bread, coffee, and/or milk. Beer and soda available for purchase. Tickets \$15 for adults, \$10 children under 12, toddlers are free. Proceeds benefit Lion's projects.

**MINOCQUA: FARMERS MARKET-** 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., 408 E. Chicago Street. The Minocqua Farmers Market is a vibrant market where area farmers, producers, crafters, artisans, and non-profit groups come together to offer a variety of agricultural and related products directly to the public. The market connects the community with area food growers and producers, and provides education and inspiration for growing and eating healthy, for a healthier lifestyle.

## Real Life

With Pastor Steve

*Are we there yet?*  
– statement made by almost every kid at some point in their life

Ok... how many of your kids have ever said that? How many of you have ever said that? How many of you still say that!

Sometimes we are so eager (or so bored), that the question is asked before we're barely on the road or on the journey. Sometimes we misread signs and make the wrong assumption that we are closer than we really are. Other times, we may have an unclear picture of what "there" really is. Either way, one thing is certain... we don't enjoy the journey along the way.

It's not surprising that the disciples of Jesus, about 40 days after the resurrection asked him... "Are we there yet? Is it finally time... now... for you to restore the kingdom to Israel?" It's what they had been waiting for. That's what they assumed all these signs were pointing toward. That's what they thought the goal of this "road trip", this journey had always been. The response by Jesus was classic. In summary it was "no, but that was never the end goal anyway... it's much bigger. And the journey... is actually part of the goal. Know Me now, follow Me now, enjoy the journey, and invite people to join you!" So whether it's a road trip, or the big picture of life, don't be in a hurry. You have a purpose right now, so enjoy the journey!

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~ Pastor Steve Rowe  
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# Come one, come all, ye Posers and Hypocrites

(Yes, Dan Hess, we mean you)

Hear ye! Hear ye! Tonight at the town hall, come watch the posers and the hypocrites try to bamboozle us all!

They might as well print fliers for the town criers to distribute as they hawk their snake oil to gullible town boards close and far, luring the innocents into a civil liability slaughterhouse that is coming as sure as the next winter.

We're talking about those on local town boards and those carousing around the countryside like The Travelers, urging town boards to enact enhanced wake regulations that are, in most cases, simply unenforceable.

Readers can read the details in the article in this edition, but in short, the carnival barkers are trying to assure town boards and local citizens that they can easily form vigilante citizens groups to, among other things, stop boats they suspect of violating enhanced wake ordinances, or take photos or videos with their cameras and, like magic, prosecute them for illegally using their boats to create excessive wakes.

The problem is, as the article explains, a photograph alone contains no actual evidence of illegal use of ballasts or fins, and citizens are in deep trouble — even those on volunteer committees sanctioned by towns — if they begin to stop and harass boats on lakes. They have no constitutional right to make such contact, as the DNR acknowledges in today's story.

That is why the DNR boating law administrator, Darren Kuhn, sounded an alarm. And here's another thought for you all: When lawsuits are brought for violating other boaters' rights — and they are surely coming if town boards continue to buy into the con game — it won't be just the towns who are sued; town officials and citizens will be sued individually for their conduct.

And rightly so.

So, just who are these posers and hypocrites who are taking their citizens and towns down the primrose path? Well, they are many, but today we will feature four prominent hucksters from our own area: Newbold town chairman Dan Hess, Lake Tomahawk town chairman George DeMet and town supervisor Lenore Lopez, and former Exxon — yes, that Exxon — corporate hack Richard Phillips.

Let's start with Hess. For years he served as Oneida County's chief deputy. Then he retired, and has become Oneida County's Chief Poser. Congratulations on your promotion — or demotion, as the case may be. In conversations with us, he prattles on and on about the science, though to our knowledge the science is debatable and, more than that, deliberation over competing studies is necessary to determine what is reasonable regulation of use and what is not.

No such deliberation has occurred, not in Newbold and not anywhere else in Oneida County. Sure, Hess talks a lot about education, but he backhandedly serves up the possibility of tickets if citizens don't cower to what he and his crowd want.

This is classic police state mentality coming from the former chief deputy.

You do what I want—or else. No deliberation on the science, no talking with other side. We will “educate” you or you will deal with the “law” as we cram it down your throat.

What Hess is not telling everybody is, he is wearing a nice new Emperor's suit. In other words, he is naked as can be with his enforcement malarkey. As our story explains, a town chairman could issue a ticket, but that would be a dangerous move indeed because what would that citation be based on?

That is to say, sheriff Grady Hartman says his department will not enforce the ordinance. Likewise the DNR can't enforce a local ordinance, and the town has no police department.

So who is going to gather the evidence? The answer is, no one, at least not legally. A photo or video alone won't stand up in court, and just try having citizens stop boats to inspect their ballasts.

See you in court, big time.

The thing is, as a former chief deputy, Hess surely knows all this. That's why he's a Poser. He knows he has nothing to enforce the ordinance with, that it's all a dog-and-pony show. We have no clue why he wants to pander to a minuscule and radical posse of citizens in the Northwoods, but that's where he has unfortunately ended up.

Let's move on to the former Exxon corporate attorney, Richard Phillips. There he was, over in Lake Tomahawk, not just telling people to go out and take pictures of boats they suspect are in violation, and not just telling them inaccurately that those photos would hold up in court, but telling those hanging on his words that this advice about taking photos was coming from the DNR.

As the DNR boating law administrator says in today's article, that's not true. In fact, it's just the opposite: A photo alone won't do anybody any good; even for law enforcement, it's just a starting point, and the DNR wants everyone to know that.

To make all these matters worse, it is rich that a former Exxon goon would come down here after an illustrious career helping Exxon pollute the earth. To put this association in perspective, let's not forget that Exxon was one of the giant corporations that tried to swoop in and plunder northern Wisconsin with the rightly doomed Crandon mine.

Now we have no clue whether Phillips's fingerprints were anywhere on that mining project, but it doesn't matter. That he could have survived so long as an attorney for such a dishonorable globalist company should tell us all we need to know about him.

Now he comes here — he's not from here, just so we all get that straight — and, because he doesn't personally like wake boats, wants to tell us all how to live our lives. Just like Exxon wanted to tell us how to live our lives all those years ago.

Richard Phillips apparently had no moral qualms working for a corporation that wanted to poison our wa-

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## Backlash: America cools on crazy

The morning after the 1972 election in which Richard Nixon defeated liberal Democrat George McGovern by 23 points, New Yorker film critic Pauline Kael wandered glumly around the magazine's Manhattan office. “I don't know how this could have happened,” Kael muttered. “Not one person I know voted for him.”

Polls continue to show President Joe Biden, by all objective criteria a highly successful president, trailing former President Donald Trump, about whom it must be said that — well, where does one start? Millions wonder, and reasonably so: How could this happen?

A new book by former New York Times reporter Nellie Bowles, “Morning After the Revolution: Dispatches From the Wrong Side of History,” may provide clues. By turns wickedly funny and deeply painful, Bowles tackles the absurdity, and the vapidness, of what passes for hyper-progressive gospel and the way in which, as with the undue deference

given by the citizens of Oz to their Wizard, the media, academics and some Democrats have either swallowed absurdity whole or are too intimidated to even hint otherwise.

At the Times, where Bowles was a superstar, predictable political “takes” were strictly enforced from on high, and challenging those takes was strictly verboten. “It was a little confusing to do reporting for a place that was so sure everyone was good except, of course, conservatives, who were very, very bad, and whose politics only came from hate,” Bowles writes about The

Paper Of Record. “Asking for coherence is white supremacy. I figured it out.”

One issue at a time, Bowles examines positions on which one hoping to be in progressives' favor must either repeat party lines or silently accept them — or be branded a fascist or — much worse! — a “liberal.” One dare not risk this, because it amounts to social death. Skepticism equals

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Jeff Robbins  
COLUMNIST

## Scaremongers

Have you heard about the “bee-pocalypse?” My new video explains. Honeybees are dying!

It's another environmental crisis we're supposed to worry about.

The media call it “bee-pocalypse” and “bee-mageddon!”

A YouTube video with 15 million views says bee-mageddon “could lead to millions of people starving!”

Even Fox News shrieked, “Do you like to eat?” The disappearance of honeybees could have a drastic impact on our nation's food supply!”

It's nonsense. Now, it's true that, about 20 years ago, many American bees did die.

Beekeepers opened hives and found their bees gone. Scientists called it “colony collapse disorder.” No one knows what caused it. After the initial dramatic reports, it's steadily diminished.

But media hysteria hasn't. Beekeepers adjusted to colony collapse. They divided remaining colonies to make new hives. Bee numbers increased by millions.

“We're not in any way facing an apocalypse,” says Science journalist Jon Entine. “Things have never been better in terms of the numbers of bees.”

Entine runs the Genetic Literacy Project, which challenges scientific misinformation.

I remind him that the media continue to run scare stories.

“Bees are dying at an alarming rate,” says NBC.

CNN headlines: “Bee Population is Dying ... the food we eat is at risk.”

It's so stupid. “They could have just Googled bee population and they would've seen them going up?” I ask.

“Absolutely,” responds Entine, “it's farcical.”

In 2013, Time Magazine's cover predicted “A World Without Bees”!

“I don't remember seeing Time apologize,” I tell Entine.

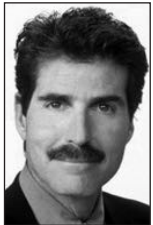
“Time has not even written a new article that puts this in science perspective,” he responds. Nor did The New York Times magazine correct its cover story on “The Insect Apocalypse.” They just “skipped on to another ‘crisis.’”

“There's always a scare,” I point out.

“Catastrophe, exaggeration,” he says, “That gets the clicks.”

Entine complains that the media rarely interview serious scientists for

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# LUHS students engage in advocacy project

## Teachers: Students wrote about issues that genuinely interest them

By Trevor Greene  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

Some Lakeland Union High School students who took civics this year with teachers Jeremy Seehafer and Matt Roeder wrote letters to the editor.

It's part of an advocacy project and students were to engage in some sort of issue by writing letters stating their position. This year,

there was especially an emphasis on local issues.

There were a number of issues students wrote about and letters were not only sent to *The Lakeland Times*, but also LUHS administrators, local government officials, politicians and more.

"The topics were 100 percent open to things they were genuinely interested in," Seehafer said. "And it's the most engaged by far we've seen

these kids on anything. I mean they were truly, truly excited."

"And I think the big thing for us is we didn't go through and tell them what topics they could or couldn't choose," Roeder said. "We talked about trying to, sort of in line with decorum, kind of bring up these advocacy topics and to make sure they did it in a way as well researched as they could. ... But, I think the idea for us was to get the

kids engaged in the process. And we hoped that that was kind of the way that it would be received as well, is that through that engagement, we open the doors for them to engage further politically without sort of squashing them because they didn't know everything about public policy yet."

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# STUDENT LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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### New truancy proposal aims to address high absence rates

**To the Editor:**

The school absences at LUHS have been terrible and mostly all of Wisconsin's schools are suffering this since Covid 19, so I wanted to see how they plan to fix that and it seems they will in another way. The legislation has approved to all schools a new proposal to truancy that is strict about absence. Last year Wisconsin students nearly missed a month of school, the absence rate is at 91% and that doesn't seem bad but it is not great either.

Wisconsin schools absences haven't been good since 2020, and it has been getting out of control. My original idea was to figure out how Lakeland Union High School would fix the absences but the more research I did the more I found out it wasn't just LUHS.

How the absences in Wisconsin would be fixed is usually giving them a warning about truancy and then they would have to go to court to pay a fine but that doesn't seem to work. But this might start fixing this issue, it's still gonna be truancy but I assume that you would still have to pay a fine but the change is your child will be held back a grade if they miss more than 30 days, and this change will start school year 2025-2026.

I think this change is necessary because students need an education and it's free so why not just go to school, you get to see your friends during lunch or free time. But the downside about this change is that it could still fail but let's just hope for the best about this change.

Ben Waide

### Student safety concerns

**To the Editor:**

While Lakeland Union High School administration is so focused on students getting the WiFi, they are putting student's use of drugs and vapes on the back burner. Before the school year started, the administration had told students they would start cracking down on students and start giving out proper punishments. As a student at Lakeland, I don't see a lot of that happening. The school's number one priority should be student safety. Just today, I walked into a restroom to see a group of students vaping out in the open. I walked out so I wouldn't get in trouble if they were to get caught. Even if a student had stayed in the restroom, they would have also gotten in trouble for even being associated with that restroom. Learning opportunities would be taken away and possibly a suspension for something they had nothing to do with. Students who don't participate in vaping or smoking,

should not have to feel like they cannot use the restroom throughout the day.

Moving on, the students at this school are not treated equally by administrators either. Punishments seem to be greater for students who don't participate in extracurricular activities. A couple of years ago, a student had a gun on school property and was given a six-month sports suspension because administrators knew he was an "avid hunter." Also a couple of years ago, a student who did not play sports, was caught with a gun on school grounds with no ammunition and got expelled for the situation. That student was also a hunter. Student safety was not thought about in those days.

What if the student, who received a sports suspension, had a different mindset that day? Students should be treated equally and fairly, even if they are not involved in an extracurricular activity.

Next, if a student needed to talk to an administrator about an issue, administration talks over the students. This has happened to me and many other students in the building. Administration does not listen to students how they need to be heard. To resolve issues that students have, if they listen, they tell you to take it a day at a time and see how it all works out. Even if it directly affects the student's safety.

With all this being said, I hope that in the future, administrators will start focusing on the safety of students. Students should get treated the same no matter what they are involved in and not involved in. School is a place students should be able to feel safe and heard without being talked over. Student safety is extremely important and administrators should take steps to ensure safety to all students no matter the circumstances.

Alaina Michalski

### Rural Wisconsin faces affordable internet access challenges

**To the Editor:**

The Internet should be accessible and affordable in rural areas of Wisconsin. Adequate internet and broadband isn't available to 22% percent of rural population, taken from a 2023 Federal Communications Commission report, and can cause problems with being able to access work, educational sites/schooling, websites that hold personal information or used to contact services, etc. And these rural areas are in counties such as Ashland, Iron, Sawyer, Langlade, Taylor, Chippewa, etc. Information taken from Public Service Commission of Wisconsin Broadband Map.

A program that helped with this issue was the ACP or Affordable Communication Program, which

was a part of the 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Act, and was scheduled to end Feb. 7, 2024. And that people should be expecting to be phased out of the program due to Congress ending funding for it. This program is a big part of making accessible and affordable high-speed internet in rural areas possible. It made internet and broadband affordable and gave discounts on internet bills to households that met the requirements to be enrolled. The discounts were \$30, \$75 for tribal households, and helped with people being able to pay their internet bills. Over 420,000 rural households were enrolled in the program, and over 23 million households nationwide. A way to extend funding for the program is to reach out to your state governor or a senator and ask for them to promote extended funding for it.

Access to high-speed internet is also affected by the cable internet not being available in some rural areas. This leads to people having to resort to satellite which is slower by around 20 times.

But a downside for running cable through rural areas is that it's expensive, which the price to run it can range anywhere from \$40,000 to \$80,000 to run a mile of fiber optic cable. Many providers and companies would think the investment for it wouldn't be profitable or useful to run it through rural areas.

But high-speed internet gives people a lot of access to information, communication, etc. So households in rural areas that don't have it would have a harder time with doing normal tasks that require internet access. In rural areas and towns, small businesses also would need to have some sort of broadband and internet access when it comes to processing payments other than cash. It gives more choice and variety when it comes to access and saves much more time. For these areas it's hard for the households to be able to catch up with all of the growing uses and needs that come with having to access the internet. So maybe providers and companies could consider making the investment to reach out to these rural areas or try and have Congress extend funding for ACP so then households that are enrolled can keep having affordable internet.

Hunter Beltz

### Balancing food franchises and local businesses

**To the Editor:**

I am writing to express my concern about the current balance between food franchises and locally-owned businesses in Wisconsin. While I appreciate the charm and uniqueness that local restaurants bring to our communities, I believe there is an increasing need for more diverse options of places to

eat, specifically for an increase in franchises. The balance is necessary for economic growth, providing employment opportunities, and offering consumers a broader range of dining options.

Wisconsin has always been celebrated for its local businesses, each with its character and connection to the community. However, as the demand for variety and convenience grows, it's crucial to understand that a healthy mix of food franchises can complement the local scene. In the words of renowned chef, Anthony Bourdain, "The fast-food industry, even in tough economic times, remains resistant to change. It serves an important social function, and we need to find a way to make healthier food available to everyone." By this he is saying that larger and more known brand names can contrast with the local businesses, enhancing their uniqueness.

While local businesses contribute to the unique identity of our state, the integration of well-known food franchises can attract a broader audience and bring in high revenue. As economist Milton Friedman once stated, "Competition is a way to make people work harder, to make people work smarter, to make the weak fail, to make the inefficient be driven out of the market." A healthy competition between local establishments and food franchises can lead to innovation, improved services, and overall economic benefits for the state.

In conclusion, finding the right balance between local businesses and food franchises is essential for the continued growth and expansion of Wisconsin. A blend of local charm and the reliability of food franchises can create an effective and thriving environment that benefits everyone.

Eric J. Thoma

### Student advocates for free school lunches amid debt concerns

**To the Editor:**

I am a student at LUHS who eats lunch every day. I am writing this letter because myself and other students are concerned about being in debt due to eating food. In 2020 school lunches became free, allowing every student to eat more nutritious meals every day. More recently, in the state of Wisconsin school lunch is no longer free. California, Colorado, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, New Mexico, and Vermont all still provide free lunches for all students. I think Wisconsin should do the same.

I think Wisconsin should do the same because even the students who do not qualify for free lunch, also struggle paying the fee. 68.8 percent of surveyed schools had unpaid stu-

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dent meal debt and the average meal debt per child is \$180.6, yearly. This shows students are struggling with paying for food. Having food is a basic human right. We as students are legally forced to be at school so I feel we should be fed without having to worry about not being able to graduate due to lunch debt. In Wisconsin 197,290 students are not food secure and the school lunch debt is \$35,630,574. Why do we place limits on who can get free food at school when we place no such limits on who can get an education? A solution would be for all students to have free food along with the free education they get.

It is just me and my mom and we struggle to pay the debt. I have been negative more than positive this year and I am negative \$70 right now. I have a fear that I won't be able to graduate because of school lunch. I want all school lunches to be free for students. I am asking for your support on this subject. I want you to take a stand as well as I. thank you for your time.

Beckett Redifer

Student advocates for universal healthcare

To the Editor:

I am writing to express my strong belief that it is time for the United States to adopt a system of universal, free healthcare. The current healthcare system in our country is deeply flawed, leaving millions of Americans without access to the medical care they need and driving many families into financial ruin due to exorbitant medical bills.

Healthcare should be a fundamental right, not a privilege reserved for those who can afford it. No one should have to choose between putting food on the table and seeking medical treatment for themselves or their loved ones. Yet, this is the reality for far too many people in the U.S. today.

A universal healthcare system would ensure that every citizen has access to the medical care they need, regardless of their income or employment status. It would eliminate the financial barriers that prevent people from seeking preventive care and early treatment, ultimately lead-

ing to better health outcomes for everyone.

Furthermore, a free healthcare system would alleviate the burden on businesses, which currently bear the brunt of providing healthcare coverage for their employees. By removing this financial burden, businesses could focus on growing their operations and creating more jobs, thus stimulating economic growth.

Contrary to what some may argue, implementing free healthcare does not mean sacrificing quality or innovation. Many countries around the world, including Canada, the United Kingdom, and Australia, have successfully implemented universal healthcare systems that provide high-quality care to their citizens while controlling costs.

In addition to providing better access to healthcare for all Americans, a free healthcare system would also save money in the long run by reducing administrative costs and preventing costly medical emergencies that result from untreated conditions.

It's time for the U.S. to join the ranks of other developed nations and prioritize the health and well-being of its citizens by implementing a universal, free healthcare system. It is not only a moral imperative but also a practical solution to the healthcare crisis facing our country.

Carter McCray

Student advocates for lower property taxes

To the Editor:

I am 17 years old and I live in the Minocqua area. The purpose of this letter is to advocate for lowering the property tax in the oneida county area. I am addressing this because homeowners pay tens of thousands of dollars more every single year than most other states in the United States.

This particular problem is important to me because I feel that people should be able to live here without having to worry about not having enough money to stay there and having to constantly compare other taxes with other states. One of the reasons why residential taxes are higher in Wisconsin is due to the greater reliance on the local government. This means that there are not many other options when it comes to taxes in Wisconsin other than property taxes. The taxes are assessed

on the value of your home in Wisconsin. This average rate is about 1.61 percent of the assessed value of the home. Unlike other taxes, property taxes are paid all at once, which is another reason why it is so unpopular. Although this is true, Wisconsin is the eighth highest state when it comes to property taxes. At nearly \$11 billion, this is the largest state-local tax, this is also the second largest tax after federal tax.

The highest county in Wisconsin is Milwaukee county. Milwaukee is in this county. The reason why this county's property taxes are so high is because it is the biggest county population wise.

The property taxes in Wisconsin are way too high and need to be lowered. By reading these examples or instances of high taxes, I hope that this will be changed so that homeowners can enjoy staying here and that it allows us to grow the population and love for this beautiful, well taken care of state, we call Wisconsin.

Sawyer Brown

Road conditions: A bumpy ride for citizens and economy

To the Editor:

I am a student at LUHS and our class is researching issues that we can advocate for. I choose to talk about Wisconsin road conditions. I am interested in this topic since every time I drive from where I live I have to travel down a very bumpy old road. This is a common issue in the Lakeland area, These roads are littered with potholes and cracks. Each of the towns can only repave or repair the roads so fast and it's a problem. This issue is statewide and there is not an easy way to solve it.

Transportation is one of Wisconsin's main economic sources next to farming and manufacturing. Recently a study showed that Wisconsin's roads are the third worst in the nation. This is not good because transportation is so important to Wisconsin's economy and our roads are in bad condition. The whole state could lose money from this. Wisconsin has recognized this and has dedicated money from the budget to help fix major highways and commonly traveled routes. This money will not be enough to repave every road, and just improving main roads will not help the rest of Wisconsin. There

have been different ways that have been proposed to increase the budget for road work. Two of these ways are having a higher gas tax, and making vehicles subject to property tax. On paper people may think this is good but in the long run it will make the people angry if they are taxed too much. Also this would not be that effective since it does not generate enough money for a lot of roads to be repaired and the people would wonder where their money is going. So just like any other issue it's a double-edged sword.

You may be wondering how this relates to Lakeland and what it will do for our area. First improving the roads would be wonderful for our town since there are many old decaying roads. Improving the mainly traveled roads would improve transportation and our tourism. Fixing these roads may not be easy or cheap but it can impact the area. Taxing the people to pay for this will make them angry and be wondering where the money went. There is no easy answer since raising the taxes will not always work. The answer may not be a straight solution but this needs to be brought to attention. At this point, people in the Northwoods would be grateful for any road improvements. I am sure citizens want to see these road conditions improve and no one would be against it. So as a community we can stand together and find a strong way to a solution.

Cade Schultz

Student advocates for compassion in coverage of fatal accidents

To the Editor:

I am reaching out in regards to the news article covering a fatal traffic accident. I understand it isn't your intention to make others feel uncomfortable, but including a photograph of vehicles involved in a fatal car accident in a news release isn't the best idea. It is extremely disrespectful to the drivers of the vehicles, and in this case the family and friends of the victim. This isn't the first time that *The Lakeland Times* has included a photograph of vehicles involved in fatal car accidents, and I'm sure it won't be the last. I don't know any of the people who were involved in this specific car accident,

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heresy, and heresy makes the heretic "One Of Them." One does not want to be One Of Them.

Which brings us back to Biden. He is decidedly not crazy, but he has crazies in his party, and they are not only crazy but often loudly crazy. Biden's challenge is keeping the crazies from being so crazy that, while he appeals to America's political and geographic heartland, they end up electing Donald Trump.

Over the last month Americans have watched knots of students screaming "From the river to the sea!" who can't name the river, can't name the sea, can't tell you the first thing about Hamas, can't tell you much about Israel and couldn't care less about what they can't tell you. They just know that donning masks and keffiyehs and chanting "Intifada Revolution!" places them on the fashionable, "progressive" side of things.

They're not wrong. But while they recite the risible line that Israel is committing "genocide," they have lined up behind Hamas, a genocidal enterprise whose express goal happens to be genocide and which was attempting genocide when it massacred 1,200 Israelis on Oct. 7. Channeling the late Barry Goldwater's proclamation that "Extremism in the pursuit of liberty is no vice," their de facto mantra is "Genocide of Jews is no problem."

It's no shocker to learn that Americans don't look favorably at the intimidation, the bullying or the destruction of property that has taken place on campuses, or the fecklessness of college presidents who have indulged it. Students' "demands," issued on an "or else" basis, do not go down easy outside of Democratic Socialists of America confabs. A Fox News survey released last week that had Biden and Trump tied found that the anti-Israel protests were twice as likely to make Americans less sympathetic to Palestinians as

more sympathetic, with 60% opposing them.

Bowles argues that there's a backlash brewing against the craziness and the rhetoric on the far left. It may have already brewed. It's unfair to hold the craziness and the rhetoric against the president. It's not his, and it's not him. But Trump will hang it around his neck like an albatross every chance he gets. With six months left until Election Day, he'll have plenty of chances.

Jeff Robbins, a former assistant United States attorney and United States delegate to the United Nations Human Rights Council in Geneva, was chief counsel for the minority of the United States Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations. An attorney specializing in the First Amendment, he is a longtime columnist for the Boston Herald, writing on politics, national security, human rights and the Mideast.

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its scare stories.

"They have the Environmental Working Group or Pesticide Action Network framing these issues ... Hysteria generates donations. The oxygen for these organizations is money." Sadly, "Many of these (environment) groups harm people."

How? By convincing gullible politicians to ban fertilizers and new pesticides even though the new chemicals are usually safer.

For example, even with worldwide honeybee populations at record highs, the European Union prohibited the use of neonicotinoids, a common insecticide, out of fear they might kill bees.

That means farmers use older, more dangerous chemicals that actually do kill bees.

But why use these chemicals at all? I push back at Entine, "'Natural' food advocates say: 'Organic! You don't have to have chemicals! Buy organic and you don't get them!'"

Entine laughs and says, "They use chemicals extensively! It's not like organic farmers can

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but I do know someone who was affected by a post published by the *Times* a few years back. A photograph of a fatal car accident was included, and that is how my family friend found out her brother had died. Put yourself in her shoes and ask yourself, how would I feel? I understand that this specific release was posted well after the accident, giving time for family and friends to be notified. But, a Facebook post was made by the *Times* including the photo a few hours after the accident which isn't right. I personally think the photos shouldn't be taken in the first place, but I know that there are no laws being violated. The purpose of this letter is to bring awareness to the friends and family of the victim. I hope the photographer, and the other reporters from the *Times* understand my point of view and make the proper changes.

Adam Vapnar

### Wisconsin faces urgent teacher shortage crisis

#### To the Editor:

I am writing this letter to you to express my concern to people about the teacher shortage in Wisconsin. I am passionate about this topic because my mom is a teacher and I also want to become a teacher after high school. The teacher shortage in Wisconsin is a critical issue that needs urgent attention, and we must find effective ways to address it to ensure that our children receive a high-quality education. This topic is important to the community because not only does it affect the children it also affects the future generations. One piece of evidence that the teacher shortage in Wisconsin is not getting better is "In the last 15 years, the teacher

turnover rate across Wisconsin was 11.8 percent, according to the Wisconsin Policy Forum. It jumped to 15.8 percent for the 2022-23 school year." This quote shows how bad the teacher shortage is and how recently this topic became such a big deal. There are college students becoming teachers but, the amount that gets the licenses doesn't stick around very long. As the quote states, "There are more than enough new teachers to replenish the supply of those who retire, but they aren't sticking around for long. Only two-thirds of new teachers are still teaching in Wisconsin after their first five years." This needs to change for the better in the future.

Teachers don't get paid nearly enough for what they have to do daily. For example, one administrator states, "You're not just a teacher, you also have to act as a nurse, as a psychologist." The amount of teachers who are applying has decreased too. "It used to be that we'd have 75 applicants for an elementary teacher position," Severson said. "Now, we're lucky if we get eight to 10." One solution the government has done is to issue emergency teacher licenses. Like for instance, "In 2020-21, the state issued more than 3,600 emergency teaching licenses. The vast majority were for one-year licenses, which increased 30% from the year before." This will not fix it completely we need something more.

The people in our community must help speak up about this issue. As one principal states, "It's so vital for the health of our communities, and the state as a whole, to provide our kids with a high-quality public education," Kotenberg added. "Recruiting and retaining highly-skilled teachers need to be a top priority. School districts are doing everything they can, but society as a whole needs to support them as well." Let's bring awareness to this topic not just for the children but for the future generations.

Stevie Jurries

### Student advocates for invasive species awareness

#### To the Editor:

I am a junior at Lakeland Union High School. I am writing this letter to advocate for advertising for better cleaning and destroying of invasive species in our local lakes. This issue is very important to me because over the past few years, the issue of invasive species (specifically Eurasian watermilfoil) has increased dramatically causing my family to not want to use Lake Minocqua or any other lakes on the chain. My family doesn't like to use the chain anymore because the milfoil gets stuck in the motors of our boats and damages them. Some of my favorite memories as a child were going out on my boat on the chain and enjoying the beauty it had to offer with my friends and family. I hope someday the lakes will be clean enough to where I can enjoy them again.

There are over 15,000 lakes in the state of Wisconsin. These invasive species starting to get in these lakes pose a great threat to ecosystems, economy, and recreation. Eurasian watermilfoil inhabits 800 of these lakes. This plant forms large floating mats of vegetation that impedes native plant growth and boating. This species spreads by accidental transport on boats and equipment. This is why it is extremely important to check your boat for clinging mud or plants to make sure that this problem can stop increasing like it has been dramatically over the past few years.

According to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, some ways that we can prevent this is by draining all water from our boats, motors, and all equipment after using boats, never moving water away from a waterbody, and dispose of unwanted bait in the trash. Another way we can get rid of this problem is by conducting

more boater-safety courses so that people can be more informed or involved in fixing this issue and they can start taking these precautions in order to save the ecosystem. In this boater-safety course, we can also inform people where these invasive species may be located in lakes so that they can avoid spreading it to other parts of the lake. We should also have people who inspect boats and trailers for clinging plants and species so that they won't spread to other lakes.

A great way of removing these invasive species from our lakes is to use machines that physically take these plants out of the water and cut them so that they can't continue to grow. The only problem is that when removing these plants, they drop seeds that cause them to spread more. We could also kill them with chemicals which could be beneficial, but it could also be damaging to humans or the animals that live in our lakes. I am aware that there are some efforts going out to tackle this problem, but we as a community need more to be done to fix this problem because it is growing rapidly.

What I am asking out of you, is that we can better advertise this problem in the newspaper so that people can become more aware of this issue that is growing in our community. We can advertise these practices I've listed so that the amount of species we are putting in our lakes can go down and we can just focus on disposing of it. I also am advocating that we can start a fundraiser so that we can raise money for better machines to dispose of these species. I ask that you join me in this stance on this problem and advertise it so we can make our lakes cleaner for our community, so that families can enjoy the beauty Wisconsin has to offer and have great memories like I once did for many generations to come!

Thankyou for reading this!

Ellie Warren

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sprinkle organic fairy dust to get rid of insects and weeds." Instead, they use "natural" chemicals "like copper sulfate," he says, "one of the most toxic chemicals in the world!" Sri Lanka's president listened to activists and banned chemical fertilizers. Suddenly, farms produced much less food. Prices rose 80%. Sri Lankans invaded the presidential mansion and the president fled his country. The new government re-legalized chemical fertilizers. Only then could the crisis end. "This attack on industrial chemicals," says Entine, "is really a way for the environmental industry, industry is what it is, to go after what they call big (agriculture), big corporations. It's an anti-capitalist movement." The anti-capitalists oppose genetically modified organisms (GMOs). They've persuaded most European countries to basically ban GMO crops. But genetic modification

allows farmers to grow more food on less land. It creates plants resistant to disease and insects. That allows farmers to use fewer pesticides. That's good for everyone, especially poor people. In Bangladesh, scientists invented a GMO eggplant. "It decreased use of chemicals by 85%," says Entine. "Allowing women and children who do most of the farming to live a much more viable life. We have to be smart about these things!" "We're not being smart," I note. "No," he says, "We're following an outdated 40-year-old environmental script that doesn't work in this technologically innovative world. ... They hurt the very people they claim to help." Modern chemicals and GMOs make our food cheaper and safer. Deceitful money-hungry environmental groups won't acknowledge that. Every Tuesday at JohnStossel.com, Stossel posts a new video about the battle between government and freedom. COPYRIGHT 2024 BY JFS PRODUCTIONS INC.

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ters, but he is offended by those who like to have recreation on clean waters. And mind you, he's not for reasonable regulation to prevent irresponsible excessive wakes, he's for prohibition, and he's willing to use government to get his way. Just like Exxon. The acorn doesn't fall far from the tree. What a hypocrite. Last but not least, there's Lopez and DeMet. These two were so eager to ram an ordinance down the throats of Lake Tomahawk residents that they were allegedly willing to break the open meetings law to do it. We say allegedly because there's no conviction yet but Oneida County district attorney Jillian Pfeifer has filed a verified complaint (our complaint, for the record) and summons with the court, and is prosecuting the alleged offense, which involves our belief they attended as a quorum a presentation promoting — wait for it — enhanced wake ordinances. In other words, DeMet and Lopez want us all to obey an ordinance on their waters when they themselves couldn't be bothered with obeying the law when pursuing the enact-

ment of that very ordinance. They are hypocrites, too, and it's a horse race between them and Phillips over who takes home the trophy for biggest Hypocrite of the Northwoods. At least they aren't posers, like Hess. At the end of the day, these posers and hypocrites either don't understand the consequences of their actions, or are using an agenda by design. The goal, of course, is to outlaw all wake surfing, whether it is responsible or not, and to ultimately outlaw all recreation on state waters. It's a foot in the door. Remember this has long been a state goal — that's why for years decks on boathouse roofs were banned, as were such things as floats and chairs on docks. These "environmentalists" want to kill tourism and make life miserable for all. How sad that local officials are being so badly duped, especially those with law enforcement backgrounds who should know better. Hopefully voters will know better the next time around. The posers and the hypocrites like to say that the Public Trust Doctrine doesn't prevent enhanced wake ordinances, and that's true as far as it goes. But unreasonable ordinances that seek to outlaw such recreation on its face deprives other citizens of their

public trust rights, as well as of equal protection, and those who challenge their ordinances will prevail in court, where they will soon have their day. And the Public Trust Doctrine and equal protection doesn't even begin to address Fourth Amendment issues if citizens are goaded into vigilantism on northern lakes. The other consequence of their actions is the compromise of public safety. The kind of citizen and photographic patrols being advocated are going to lead inevitably to confrontations on our waters, needlessly so. Making contact with boats puts all boaters in harm's way, and, as the DNR warden stated, cannot stand. The real solution, as sheriff Grady Hartman has suggested, is a state statute where reasonable regulations can be deliberated and enacted. Recreational wake surfing needs to be protected, as do the rights of those who might be harmed by irresponsible wake surfing. But that is as it is for all recreation; the solution is not a ban. Reasonable state regulations can also ensure consistency and put an end to the local posers and hypocrites caravanning around the Northwoods. They could still go to Madison to hector lawmakers there, but at least that crowd would deserve it.



# Redman Gelinas Eye Care welcomes new doctor

Drs. Redman, Gelinas, and Kovacs are pleased to announce Ed Bustamante, M.D. as the newest member of their expanding eye care team. Dr. Bustamante is a comprehensive ophthalmologist who will be specializing in cataract surgery. He will see patients from their three clinic offices in Woodruff, Eagle River, and Park Falls starting on July 1.

Dr. Bustamante received his medical degree from Northwestern University and completed his ophthalmology residency at the University of South Florida. He then practiced for several years in Florida and most recently in Oregon.

Dr. Bustamante brings years of training and experience to the Northwoods providing the latest technology and techniques in the field of ophthalmology and cataract surgery. This expertise includes the use of multifocal and toric lens implants, MIGS for patients with glaucoma, various lasers used in eye care, and advanced treatments for dry eyes.

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# May is lyme disease awareness month

## Aspirus Tick Borne Illness Center helps patients affected

By Beckie Gaskill  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

May is Lyme Disease Awareness Month. Lyme disease is a tick borne illness for which the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) estimates 476,000 people are treated each year, which likely includes patients who are treated as suspected Lyme infection who may or may not actually have Lyme disease. In 2022, there were over 63,000 cases reported to the CDC by state health departments.

Places such as the Northwoods are home to ticks, which do not die off in the winter. Especially with mild winters such as the last one, tick season is year round, but spring and summer bring more people outside, ticks flourish, and the two are almost sure to meet.

The Aspirus Tick Borne Illness Center in Minocqua alone has treated close to 5,000 patients since their doors opened in September of 2019.

Originally, the Tick Center was owned by Open Medicine Institute from California. It was started by the Howard Young Foundation and Dr. Andreas Kogelnik, according to Ashley Johnson, NP. The Howard Young Foundation has been helping the community advance healthcare through the support of charitable gifts since 1984. Dr. Kogelnik's progressive knowledge in treatment for and research regarding lyme disease allowed the Tick Center to provide hope and healing for its new patients. In September of 2020 the Tick Borne Illness Center joined with Ascension Health and in August of 2021 the center became a part of Aspirus Health.

"The Howard Young Foundation's donors have played an integral part in keeping the center open for patients in need," Johnson said. "Their ongoing efforts to

support for the center have enabled the center's providers to continue to diagnose and treat patients who are suffering from short- and long-term debilitating symptoms of tick borne illness."

Dr. Samuel Shor, a renowned physician hired by the center in 2020, provided an exceptionally high level of care to the center's patients, and also served as the cornerstone mentor for Johnson. He has over 30 years in practice treating patients with Lyme disease. Shor is still working with the center on a consulting basis. Jeff and Jillian Waite, whose daughter tragically passed from Lyme disease, have also been an integral part of the center coming to be, Johnson said.

Dr. James Thatcher will be starting at the center in June of this year. Johnson said the center was excited to see Dr. Thatcher come onboard. He will be working at the center with patients and conducting continued research about lyme disease and treatments. Office manager Kathy McCaughn and CMA Morgan Setzer, who are also integral parts of the center's operation, are excited to see Dr. Thatcher's addition to the team as well.

**Cases increasing**

"The center had a 27 percent increase in patients visits for the same period of time in 2024 vs 2023. This includes all types of patient visits including tick bites, acute Lyme and chronic patients," Johnson said. "Seventy-five percent of our patient visits include those undergoing treatment for chronic Lyme disease." The center treats patients from as far away as California and Tennessee, and they also treat patients from all of the surrounding states. In 2023, the center saw 1,408 patients. This year from January to April, the center has already seen 453 patients.

The number of cases of lyme disease are increasing every year, Johnson said. With the warming

climate, ticks have more food available, meaning they have more chances to eat and breed. With winters like the last one, this will definitely mean more ticks this year.

One of the problems with lyme disease is that it can be easily misdiagnosed. Also, the test can have false negative results. Johnson said, just as with any other medical issue, patients should be sure to advocate for themselves, especially if they have recently removed a tick or have suspicions that they may have Lyme disease, even after a negative test result. Testing early on in the disease process is not completely reliable, so patients should advocate for treatment. The longer Lyme disease is left untreated, the harder it is to manage. For that reason it is important for patients to get treated sooner rather than later.

**Symptoms**

Acute lyme disease presents three to 30 days after a tick bite. This may be some type of a rash, including the "bullseye" sort of rash. However, it may be a different type of rash, according to Johnson, and will not always present the same. Other symptoms may include fever, headache, joint pain, fatigue or muscle pain. Anything out of the ordinary a person experiences after removing a tick should be reported to a medical professional. Even if a person has not removed a tick, if these symptoms present themselves during tick season, which is any time there is no snow on the ground, these symptoms should be reported.

**Avoiding ticks**

Johnson said clothing choices are important when going outside. Wearing long pants tucked inside of boots is recommended. This will keep ticks from getting to a person's skin and will give them a longer time to spot and re-

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# Ticks

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move a tick before it becomes attached.

DEET bug spray is effective at repelling ticks. Also, permethrin can be sprayed onto clothing to repel ticks. Permethrin should never be applied directly to skin, however. There is clothing on the market today that comes treated with permethrin already, such as some hunting clothing. Home made tick repellents are not recommended.

Once people come back inside, they should take off their clothes and throw them in the dryer, Johnson said. Heat will kill ticks. Water will not.

Daily tick checks are also a good idea. Anywhere ticks could find a dark and cozy spot are places to check. Armpits, behind the knees, the groin area, belt line and hair line are all places ticks can hide.

Pets should be checked as well. Long haired pets should be brushed often and inspected for ticks. Ticks from pets can easily find their way to a human, especially if the pet sleeps in the same bed with a member of the family. Tick repellents for dogs and cats are also a good idea, Johnson said.

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# Pioneering the treatment of tick-borne illness

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“I couldn’t even drive myself to my first appointment,” Grace Thompson recalled. “I met Kathy and Ashley and for the first time, someone understood how sick I was. They made me feel like I was their only patient. I cried with relief when I left my first appointment.”

When former Howard Young Foundation (HYF) board member and donor, Jon Dobbs, first suggested a Northwoods tick-borne illness center, many patients in our endemic region were going undiagnosed and untreated. The CDC ranks Wisconsin 4th nationally for reported cases of Lyme disease. “Accredited hospitals can treat Lyme disease and therefore are considered a “treatment center.” To create a center that would differentiate HYMC, the driving factor was to treat patients with a more comprehensive, research-based approach” said Dobbs. “By combining diagnosis, treatment, follow-up and research, the Tick-Borne Illness Center would draw patients from around the country and bolster the recruitment of physicians practicing in this field.”

It was the perfect time to act and be at the forefront of this growing field of medicine so those affected get the best diagnosis and treatment available right here in the Northwoods. With the support of the Foundation Board, the Women’s Legacy Council, the Waite-Kane Foundation, our hospitals, and our donors, HYF took on this leading-edge campaign and raised \$3.2 million in just one year. Everyone knew someone who was suffering from a tick-borne illness and wanted to help. In September of 2019, the first ever Tick-Borne Illness Center in the Midwest opened its doors within HYMC and began seeing patients. Over 4,500 patient visits have occurred in the last four years. Over 75% of those visits were chronic cases, which means that patients have experienced symptoms for six months or more. The Center is leading the way and giving hope and healing to so many.

“It has been amazing to see the center grow and to reflect on all of the patients’ lives we have changed together as a team,” said Ashley Johnson, NP-BC. “We have grown from a private clinic to being a part of a major health system. As a result, we now receive referrals from providers within and outside the As-

pirus system. To have the support of a major healthcare system and be allowed to treat our patients the way we do is unheard of in the Lyme community. We truly are pioneering the treatment of Lyme Disease.”

Most patients with a tick-borne illness face a long journey to get answers, visits to numerous doctors, extensive testing, and large amounts of skepticism. But at the Aspirus Tick-Borne Illness Center, staff provide patients reassurance, hope and healing so they can regain their health and return to living their lives to the fullest.

“I am inspired by my patients. And I feel blessed to have the opportunity to be an active part of their journey towards healing,” Ashley stated.

“I would personally like to thank Erin, the entire HYF Board of Directors, and all other Foundation members for the opportunity to be involved with the Tick-Borne Illness Center,” Kathy McCaughn said. “It has changed my life to meet all the people helped by the Center’s staff. Thank you. You are each a 21st century Dr. Kate!”

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- ▶ Use tick protection for your pets, like chewable tablets, topical applications and tick collars.
- ▶ If you find a tick embedded in your skin, carefully grasp with tweezers close to the skin and pull it straight out. Put antiseptic on your skin, disinfect the tweezers and wash your hands to reduce the risk of spreading bacteria from the tick.



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# MOVIE REVIEW



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## ‘Arthur the King’ Long live the king

Jake Schexnaydre  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

Directed by Simon Cellan Jones and written by Michael Brandt, “Arthur the King” was re-released by Lionsgate on March 15. It is based on the book “Arthur - The Dog Who Crossed the Jungle to Find a Home” by Mikael Lindnord. The film features a cast of Mark Wahlberg, Simu Liu, Juliet Rylance, Nathalie Emmanuel, and a cameo from Bear Grylls.

“Arthur the King” follows the true story of an athlete named Michael Light who assembles a team to take part in an adventure race in the Dominican Republic (DR) in 2018 after being disgraced during a race in Costa Rica three years earlier. While in his DR race, he finds an abandoned and abused dog who guides him and his team. During the trek, he is given the name Arthur, after the team notes how he ravenously eats meatballs “like a king.”

In terms of structure, the plot moves at a decent pace. It feels like each scene lasts for as long as it needs to, and it is willing to move on. Many of the scenes are suspenseful, they follow both the team and Arthur as they navigate their way through the country. One scene, where one of the team members gets stuck on a zipline above a deep chasm, had me hooked. As they both dangled on that line, I kept wondering how they both were going to get out safely. The same can be said for the many scenes where Arthur has to struggle to stay alive, whether he tries to swim across a lake or has to endure his injuries and malnutrition. Overall, the plot does a great job of establishing stakes and figuring out ways to cleverly overcome them.

The characters in this film are distinct in their own ways. Michael is portrayed as a brash but determined athlete who gradually displays his compassion towards Arthur, as well as his teammates, as the story progresses. Mark Wahlberg deserves a special nod for personifying Lindnord with his invested performance. Of course, Arthur (real name, Ukai) is the real star of the show. Whenever he’s on screen, he manages to make the most of his performance. You can tell that he has been trained well enough by a professional animal trainer to properly emote in every scene.

Leo (Simu Liu) is portrayed as an athlete who is constantly on social media while promoting various brands. Initially, I didn’t really invest in him, since he does oust his team captain on social media, but once he loses his phone he starts to come around for his peers. Olivia (Emmanuel) is a rock climber who joins the race in honor of her cancer-stricken father. I could relate to her as she keeps her loved ones in her heart and mind as she goes through the race. I even like how she most kept her cool as she was hanging on while she was stuck during the zipline scene. As a whole, the actors brought their unique charm to the characters being portrayed, and I can commend them for that.

“Arthur the King” is a captivating and suspenseful film that honors a powerful true story of a duo between a man and a dog. It made nearly \$34 million at the box office, and it currently has a 69 percent on Rotten Tomatoes. The plot and acting are well-crafted, but they were both in service in making Lindnord’s story come to life. If you’re looking for a gripping story of a man and his dog, then give this film a watch.

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# Year three stocking efforts on Minocqua chain a success for Walleyes for Tomorrow

By Trevor Greene  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

The Walleyes for Tomorrow Headwaters Chapter's efforts on the Minocqua chain this year were successful. The volunteer-based group was able to stock the chain with the most fry yet, as it's estimated 3.5 to 3.9 million just hatched fish were released into the waters.

Walleyes for Tomorrow volunteer Bailey Strasburg said the year started slow.

This is the third year the chain has been stocked by Walleyes for Tomorrow. It typically takes about a month from April to May. Walleye are collected with nets to start to gather eggs from the females and milk from the males.

Volunteers then fertilize the eggs themselves and monitor them until they hatch into fry in a makeshift fish hatchery dubbed the Walleye Wagon.

This year was slow, Strasburg said, because it took a little while longer for the female fish to come into the spawning beds.

There were more males this year too, she said. "It ended up being really, really good," Strasburg said.

She added those helping with the Minocqua chain weren't necessarily Walleyes for Tomorrow members, but volunteers just "really wanting to see the walleye population flourish again."

According to Strasburg, there were 23 volunteers who helped during the collection period, which is the eight days prior to the egg monitoring process.

"Some people did the full eight days, some people were only able to commit to a day or two, but most people did five to six days," Strasburg said. "The other cool thing is we had a lot of

kids show up. ... We ran kids through the trailer and showed them and explained to them the whole process. So being on shore like that, you really got to show people and tell them what it's all about and how it works."

Walleyes for Tomorrow member Kurt Justice said the last two years 2.3 and 3.1 million fry were

stocked respectively. The increase this year, he said, can be attributed to the process being better understood and more male walleyes available to fertilize more eggs.

"Every year we've done better," Justice said. "This is probably the best year we had. The numbers were better. We didn't have as much problems with fungus that we had in the past, but we did have some problems."

Regardless, he said he thought the group did well this year.

"We had some new volunteers help out, which really helped a lot, and the thing is, only time will tell," Justice said. "Now the one thing I did hear, is that from our first wagon two years ago, (the Department of Natural Resources) found two walleyes, young of the year, they haven't had much success finding any, and the two they found came from our hatchery. ... So I'm encouraged by that, not very much because we want to see bigger return, but I think there's more out there than what we are seeing and I think if we continue the process with the help of the public we can help get this rolling. And hopefully get to a point where we're seeing natural reproduction because that's our number one goal on the chain."

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"This is probably the best year we had."  
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# Oneida County board taps Hartman for administrative coordinator

## Supervisors also approve positions for new Human Services Department

By Richard Moore  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

Oneida County has a new administrative coordinator, and it is one of the county's own elected officials, Tracy Hartman, who is also the county clerk.

The vote by the full county board to ratify the recommendation of the county's executive committee on Tuesday was 20-0, with one abstention by supervisor Kristopher Hanus.

Hartman already voluntarily performed some of the coordinator's tasks, and, as the county clerk, will be ready to step into the role at full speed, given her familiarity with the county's day-to-day operations.

The part-time position is expected to take between 10 and 20 hours per week. For her added responsibilities, Hartman will receive a monthly stipend of \$2,500 from May through the end of this year. The stipend for the position will be revisited during the 2025 budget process.

Hartman's selection brings to a close a saga stretching back to last year when the county hired a consultant to assess the county's organizational structure. Coming out of that assessment, county board chairman Scott Holewinski advocated for a full-time coordinator position to manage, or coordinate, the county's day-to-day affairs.

That vision was never realistically in play, as Holewinski subsequently acknowledged. Supervisor Billy Fried, the chairman of the county's new executive committee, had his own idea, which was to tweak the existing model — Human Resources director Lisa Charbarneau held the title, which was effectively in-name-only — by actually empowering the position, giving the position the authority to carry out a coordinator's responsibilities, which was deemed lacking.

That position held sway among supervisors on the county's new executive committee for a while, but Holewinski offered a plan B — a "hybrid" part-time paid administrative coordinator with defined responsibilities — which carried the day.

The position will be evaluated after six months.

**Human Services Department**

In other matters, the board voted to create 51 new positions for 2025, 50 of them in the new county Department of Human Services to provide mandated services that the soon-to-be defunct Human Service Center (HSC) has provided.

Oneida County is creating the regular full-time and part-time positions needed to maintain those services to residents of Oneida, Vilas and Forest counties.

So far, no funding has been attached to the positions, and the creation of the positions this week did not include any funding. The county hopes to soon offer employment for the positions to current HSC staff, but first the county must consider an employee benefit conversion proposal,

which will include the estimated financial liability to Oneida County to incorporate current HSC benefits, as well as the source of funding for the benefit conversion.

According to social services director Mary Rideout, the new Department of Human Services takes social services programs and community programs — the latter the HSC suite of services — and puts them in a single county department.

"That's the most common structure of social and human services in the state of Wisconsin," Rideout told the board this week. "And that's what we're moving to. So part of getting there is to bring those employees at the Human Service Center on as county employees in 2025. In order for us to begin making the job offers to the folks at the Human Service Center, I need these positions created because we didn't have these positions."

The resolution before the board had no funding attached to it, Rideout reiterated.

"It's just I need the positions created and then the next step, if you approve the positions, will be to look at benefit conversions," she said. "The benefit packages that we offer in the two different departments are similar but not the same."

What's more, Rideout said, the Human Service Center is still on a 37.5-hour work week.

"Of course we're 40 [hours], so that's a change," she said. "Our health insurance is different. They would come over to our health insurance. They still have vacation, holiday pay, and sick leave. We have PTO (Paid

Time Off). So we need to figure out if they have banks left at the Human Service Center and what that looks like when they become Oneida County employees. So that's the conversion that'll be going to the executive committee this week with the initial draft to get their feedback."

Rideout said there were still some outstanding things to work out, but, once they are, the county can set about filling the positions.

"Then Labor Relations would be able to begin making offers of employment to staff at the Human Service Center," she said. "That gives them some assurance that there's a job after December 31 for them. And certainly we want to maintain as many of those employees as we can because they know their programs, they know the services, they know the clients. So that's something that is a priority for us and we're trying to get that done as quickly as we can."

Of course, Rideout underscored, all employment with Oneida County is contingent upon the budget being approved in November.

"So that will have to be part of the employment offer just as it is for all of us that are employed, that we have to have a budget to pay for staff," she said.

Rideout said there could still be some changes in the number of positions and in specific jobs.

"There's some upper management positions that I think we're going to have to get some county board feedback on how you want the structure of the Human Services Department to

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# Minocqua town board goes with August referendum reduction

## Resolution passed to ask voters for \$750,000 instead of \$950,000

By Brian Jopek  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

The Minocqua town board Tuesday voted to pass a resolution to set the dollar amount of an August referendum at \$750,000.

That means voters will be asked whether or not the town will be allowed to exceed the annual mill levy by \$750,000.

The town board had, at its May 7 meeting, voted 4-1 for a resolution setting the amount for the August referendum at \$950,000, the same amount voters turned down by 12 votes during an April 2 referendum.

The dissenting vote at the May 7 town board meeting was from town supervisor Sue Heil, who indicated people she'd talked to felt if the amount was lower, they would have voted for it on April 2.

At the beginning of Tuesday's discussion, town chairman Mark Hartzheim said the item was on the agenda at the request of town supervisor Brian Fricke who "has asked if we could reconsider" and Hartzheim said he'd also checked with attorneys at the Wisconsin Towns Association into whether or not the town board could take action at this stage

to change the amount and was told it could if that was ultimately decided.

"Even after the great article in *The Lakeland Times* about this discussion the last time, I thought I'd bring it back again," Fricke said. "After the last vote, I was up all night. We had a lot of discussion."

He mentioned discussions he's had with people since the May 7 meeting, that the \$750,000 figure has come up several times and people have said "It's better than nothing" and at the same time, told the rest of the town board "we need the money."

"Yes, we do need to go through and do some cuts," Fricke said. "We need tighter tracking of our spending ... so, I guess I would like to reconsider the amount of \$950,000 and bring it back to the \$750,000 number and during the budget cycle, we really sharpen our pen."

"We have to listen to the people and the people that voted no," Heil said. "A bunch of people that I talked to, if we could reduce it down to a little more feasible number, will vote for it. So, I'm listening to them ... I would like to see it at \$750,000."

Procedurally, the town board first took action on a motion from Fricke and second from Heil to rescind the previous decision at the May 7 meeting to go with the \$950,000.

Fricke then made a motion to set the August referendum amount at \$750,000 which was also seconded by Heil and passed unanimously.

Town officials, in the time leading up to the April 2 referendum, said the property tax impact on a \$300,000 home would be \$150.

Wednesday, Hartzheim told the *Times* if the August referendum for \$750,000 passes, the property tax impact for that same \$300,000 home would be \$118.

He said a referendum has been put in front of Minocqua voters twice in just over a year now, for \$400,000 in 2023 when it failed by nine votes and \$950,000 on April 2 of this year when it failed by 12 votes.

"If we put it back in front of them four months later, at an identical referendum, I think the message the public will see is the town board isn't listening," he said. "I think there was a message sent in the close but failed vote that there's a

strong understanding of the need but there's a discomfort level with the amount. Presenting the exact thing verbatim is not going to be well received."

Hartzheim acknowledged in addition to asking for the reduced amount, other ways will need to be found by the town board to address the town's budgetary needs moving forward.

"Budget cuts and increases in fees and so forth to make up that \$200,000," he said. "I think we need to get the message and do something. Be respectful of the voters and their voice and at the same time, not undermining the town's ability to fund the things that need to be done."

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## Hartman

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look," she said.

The move from a 37.5-hour work week to a 40-hour work week could also impact the number of positions, Rideout said.

"With some of the vacant positions, I want to wait before we create those because we may

not need them, and those job duties can be absorbed somewhere else because of those additional hours," she said.

Rideout cautioned that the transition to the new department would have ramifications in other departments as well.

"The other thing to be aware is that this change will impact [the labor relations department]," she said.

"We're building a lot more positions, at least 50. So it'll impact that department. It may impact ITS [information technology], and finance and buildings and grounds as well. So that's something that we're evaluating internally."

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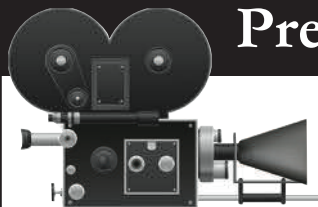
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# St. Germain lakes committee considers wake-boat ordinance

**By Fred Williston**  
SPECIAL TO THE LAKELAND TIMES

During a meeting of the St. Germain lakes committee on Thursday, May 16, committee member Bob Schell presented a draft ordinance to the body for its consideration. The ordinance — should it be adopted — would prohibit boats from using ballast or fins to create enhanced waves and wakes on lakes within the town.

The discussion followed a two-hour presentation on May 15 to the Sayner/St. Germain Fish and Wildlife Club by retired Presque Isle attorney Richard Phillips.

“Richard really knows his stuff,” Schell told the lakes committee. Referring to the Phillips’ presentation, he said “It’s unfortunate, because I was expecting more people. There were 40-some. We were expecting more than that. Nobody from the town board showed up. I was hoping some of them would, because it’s becoming far and far more important.”

“I think most of you have been reading the papers,” Schell said. “Winchester adopted its wake ordinance in March. Newbold just adopted theirs last Thursday night. Lake Tomahawk and Cloverland have both submitted draft ordinances to the DNR. Lake Tomahawk will adopt theirs by mid-June. Several other Vilas towns are doing it, and I understand the Tribe has totally outlawed it, and they put in

some tough enforcement. They said — I think — that they’re going to impound vehicles and stuff like that as fines. They’re not going to mess around.”

“So, it’s coming folks,” he said. “And that’s what this committee has been talking about for three years. We were waiting for the groundswell to hit. Well, it’s hitting; right now. And it’s something we should talk about.”

“Number one, the boats aren’t banned,” Schell explained, describing a legal technicality. He said what would be banned would be “the act of creating a big wake. You can’t ban a boat from a lake because of the Public Trust Doctrine. But what you’re doing is putting in ordinances to prevent enhanced wake. In other words, somebody can have a wake-boat out there without a ballast in it. They can probably water-ski behind it. As long as they’re not performing the enhanced-wake function, they’ll be legal.”

“But once they start moving that stern down and putting ballast in their tanks,” he said, “it’ll be illegal.”

“Some of the justification of keeping them off the lakes is acquired from the literature from the boat manufacturers,” Schell said. “When they put out their brochures to sell their boats — and these boats are \$200,000! A cheap one is a hundred-

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# NAMI announces new program supporting mental health

## May is Mental Health Awareness Month

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in this new program. NAMI Do-It-Your-Way program encourages mental health supporters to turn what they love into a fundraising initiative for NAMI Northern Lakes, a local non-profit mental health organization. Participants decide what they want to do — a birthday fundraiser, an athletic event or a hobby like baking, crafting, or knitting — and design their own fundraising campaign on behalf of NAMI. Popular campaigns include streaming/gaming fundraisers, me-



morial tributes to honor loved ones and events such as dinner parties, golf outings or fashion shows. “NAMI Do-It-Your-Way offers our community a uniquely powerful chance to support people with mental health conditions and May is the perfect time to get behind this cause,” said Kristin Bonamo. “We believe the most authentic way to fundraise is to do it your way. This initiative provides an opportunity to do what you love for a cause you believe in — in this case, a shared vision of mental health for all.”

This empowering fundraising program is hosted by NAMI Northern Lakes simultaneously with NAMI National and 58 other NAMI state organizations and NAMI affiliates across the country. To learn more or join NAMI Do-It-Your-Way, visit [www.doityourway.nami.org](http://www.doityourway.nami.org). There is no registration fee, but fundraising is encouraged. One hundred percent of funds raised stay local, supporting NAMI Northern Lakes free mental health programs and resources. NAMI Northern Lakes, located in Rhinelander, is part of the nation’s largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for the millions of Americans affected by mental illness.



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# Minocqua Farmers Market's new home

Westfahl: 'It was a crap shoot at the beginning but we made it work'

By Brian Jopek  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

In November, 2019, the town of Minocqua received authorization to purchase the property next to the Minocqua police department on East Chicago Avenue, the former home of Andrew Organiscak, who died the previous September.

After the vote, during subsequent meetings, the town board talked about possibilities for the lot's use but no real plan was developed. Eventually, the town reached agreement with the Let's Minocqua Visitors Bureau to have the vacant site be the new home for the Minocqua Farmer's Market, which had been, for the previous three years, at

the visitors bureau office on U.S. Highway 51 on Minocqua's south side. Prior to that, the market was conducted for years at the Minocqua Park Complex on State Highway 70 on the town's west side. 2023 was to be the inaugural year for the farmer's market at the East Chicago site but there were issues,

such as new grass growing in which the chamber was responsible for, that canceled the 2023 season at the new location. On May 17, 2024, the Minocqua Farmer's Market debuted for the season at the East Chicago location with a public parking lot next door to the west and north. "It's up and running," Let's Minocqua president and chief executive of operations Krystal Westfahl said of the farmer's market. "The grass actually grew." She said "it'll take a little time" for people to get used to the new location. "Usually, the first couple of markets, there's not a ton of reception because it's so early but I think it's gonna work out real good," she said. "From the just-being-able-to-park-anywhere perspective." Westfahl said parking was the biggest issue the visitors bureau faced, having the farmers market on the grounds of its office and be-



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The Minocqua farmers market opened for business at its new location on the corner of Chippewa Street and East Chicago Avenue on Friday, May 17, in Minocqua.

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# Farm

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fore the chamber and the town reached agreement on the East Chicago location, moving the farmers market back to the Minocqua Park Complex was briefly considered.

“They (the farmers) said ‘Our profits are way higher here,’” Westfahl said of the Hwy. 51 location at the bureau office. “So, we got the (East Chicago) property offered to us by the town so we jointly reached a property management agreement. We helped support the grass seeding and whatever else they did there. We split the cost to make it work.”

Let’s Minocqua’s managing director Barb Wagoner said 15 farmers “set up shop” at the new location on May 17.

“That’s really good for the first market,” she said. “A lot of different vegetables aren’t ready right away so as time goes on, we’re probably going to have 10 more vendors who will probably be there.”

“It was a crap shoot at the beginning but we made it work,” Westfahl said.

Brian Jopek may be reached via email at [bjopek@lakelandtimes.com](mailto:bjopek@lakelandtimes.com).



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Krystal Schumacher, left, and her daughter-in-law Alicia Schumacher talk to Sara Cavanaugh about olive oil on opening day of the farmers market at its new location, the corner of Chippewa Street and East Chicago Avenue, on Friday, May 17, in Minocqua.

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This program features the BJ Library reading program, games and activities.

Featured activities are: July 17 – cooking camp; July 24 – sports camp; July 31 – nature camp. Lunch is provided. Registration is due by June 26. There is no cost to the families for this program as it's being sponsored by the

Community Church of Boulder Junction.

Youth aged 11 to 16 are invited to participate in summer program activities on Wednesdays, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., June 19 to July 17. This program will include a wide variety of activities and interests: Kickball, swimming, biking, games and more.

Bring a sack lunch and be ready for a great day! Registration is required by June 8. There is no cost to the families for this program as it's being sponsored by the Community Church of Boulder Junction.

As a reminder, both youth programs are free and registration is required by contacting the Community Church at 715-385-2146. More details will be provided upon registration.

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The Manitowish Waters Women's Service League will again sell our popular homemade freshly baked pies on Friday, May 24, at 8 a.m. in front of the Village Market in downtown Manitowish Waters. They sell quickly, usually by 9 or 9:30 a.m., so come early for the best selection!

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# Northwoods Unitarian Universalist Fellowship hosting pie and ice cream social June 2

A pie and ice cream social will be held Sunday, June 2, at 11:15 a.m. at the Northwoods Unitarian Universalist Fellowship located at 8625 Peggy’s Lane in Woodruff.

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# Jopek Stetson awarded to newly enlisted cavalry soldiers in honor of Ryan Jopek

Specialist Marlee Strysek gets the Jopek Stetson for ‘selfless dedication’ and ‘willingness to go above and beyond’

By Trevor Greene  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

The Jopek Stetson is an award given annually to a newly enlisted member of the Wisconsin Army National Guard’s 105th Cavalry Regiment. It’s named after Sgt. Ryan Jopek of Merrill, who was deployed to south-west Asia in 2005 and died in combat on Aug 1, 2006, near Tikrit, Iraq. Ryan Jopek enlisted in the Army National Guard and was assigned as

a cavalry scout to the 105th Cavalry when he was still attending Merrill High School in 2003. In joining the Army National Guard, he took after his father Brian Jopek, a reporter for *The Lakeland Times*, retired staff sergeant and a War on Ter-ror combat veteran as well. For Ryan’s deployment, the 105th was sent to southwest Asia as part of the 32nd Brigade Com-bat Team’s Second Battalion, 127th Infantry Regiment and tasked with

conducting convoy security opera-tions into Iraq from a base on the Kuwait/Iraq border. This year, the Jopek Stetson, which was created in 2017, was awarded to specialist Marlee Strysek. The traditions of United States cavalry soldiers run deep and the history of the cavalry goes all the way back to 1776. According to the U.S. Army, the role of the cavalry has always been reconnaissance, security and mounted assault.

A stetson is a black circle-brimmed hat worn traditionally by cavalry soldiers, as well as strap-ping spurs on their heels. Both are worn for formal cavalry events. Sgt. 1st Class Anthony Reinhart said Strysek was honored with the Jopek Stetson for her “unwavering determi-nation” and setting an example for other soldiers, among other things. He said members of the 105th Cav-

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# Musky

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A fish that big almost certainly spooked kids swimming for years to come after the story of it was first told in the pages of what was then “The Minocqua Times” in 1902.

Those who said they netted the 102-pounder said they also netted an 80-pounder at the same time on Tomahawk Lake.

“Supt. Nevin of the State Fish Hatchery Commissioners, who has been taking muskallonge spawn at the Tomahawk and Minocqua lakes the past month, informs us that E.D. Kennedy and himself captured the two largest muskallonge ever taken in these waters,” according to that story first published on May 2, 1902.

“The largest one was caught in Minocqua lake and weighed 102 pounds, the other being taken in Tomahawk lake and weighed 80 pounds. After the spawn was taken from these monsters, they were turned back into their native waters, where they await the sportsman to try and land them.”

In 1974, Jim Kennedy, the son of E.D. Kennedy, told *The Lakeland Times* maybe the story was true, however, “the whiskey flowed quite freely in those days.”

**‘Sometimes our imaginations get the best of us’**

Department of Natural Resources

(DNR) fish biologist Jordan Weeks is considered one of the state’s lead experts on musky. Some even call him the “musky whisperer.”

He said he doesn’t think musky as big as the 102-pounder are in existence today.

“Based on the scientific information we have on muskies right now, the largest individuals are somewhere in that 60- to 63-inch maybe and maybe that same weight, 60 to maybe 65 pounds,” Weeks said.

“Those are like the largest individuals that we have recorded at least that I’m aware of. I wasn’t obviously around at the time that article was written.”

He said he doesn’t think it’s possible a musky as big as the 102-pounder ever even existed.

Weeks said records show “extremely large muskellunge in many different parts of the country,” but the story told by Nevin and Kennedy is likely myth.

“I’m not calling anybody a liar, but there may have been some exaggeration back in the day,” he said. “You know, it could have been a great tourism boost too.”

Weeks said “for years” when he first started his career with the DNR, he was told of a story about a 100-pounder electroshocked in Lake Wissota over in Chippewa County.

“But the more I talked to folks, no one actually put their hands on the fish, they just saw a large fish in the water as they were working,” he said. “Sometimes our imaginations

get the best of us.”

One of the largest musky Weeks said he’s ever seen with his own two eyes came from Trout Lake and came in “just a bit over 50 inches.” There was another one “about the same caliber,” he said, from the Wisconsin River near Wausau.

Generally speaking to musky fishing in the Dairyland State, Wisconsin is top-notch.

Weeks said the state of musky fishing in Wisconsin, based on DNR data and metrics, has “never been better.”

Compared to the rest of the country, he said, Wisconsin provides anglers with good odds to land the “fish of 10,000 casts.”

“We may not have the largest inland fish, but we certainly have the most opportunity and the most unique opportunities for quality fish anywhere in the musky range,” Weeks said. “We have almost 700 musky waters ... (and) in the U.S. we lead ... in numbers of musky waters and diversity of musky waters for sure.”

### Local guides weigh-in

Local guide Kurt Justice told the *Times* on Monday he hates to be the “bah humbug” and doesn’t believe a fish like that exists anymore.

He agreed the whiskey probably tasted better in those days and added maybe “the yard sticks were shorter.”

Justice said the biggest musky he’s ever seen was a 57-incher and the biggest one he knows of that has come from the waters of the Minoc-

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ORIGINALLY PUBLISHED AUG. 16, 1956, IN THE LAKELAND TIMES

Ray Kennedy, a well-known guide, landed a 50-pound, 54-and-a-half-inch musky on Lake Minocqua Aug. 6, 1956. This was the largest musky caught on record from the chain at the time. Kurt Justice said this is the biggest musky he knows of from Lake Minocqua and the mount is on display in his sports shop.

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# Lakeland golf regional champions again

Matt Haggart wins individual regional title with even par 72

Brett LaBore  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

Adverse weather conditions popped up again on the golf course. For the Thunderbirds, it didn't bother them, proceeding to win their sixth straight regional championship.

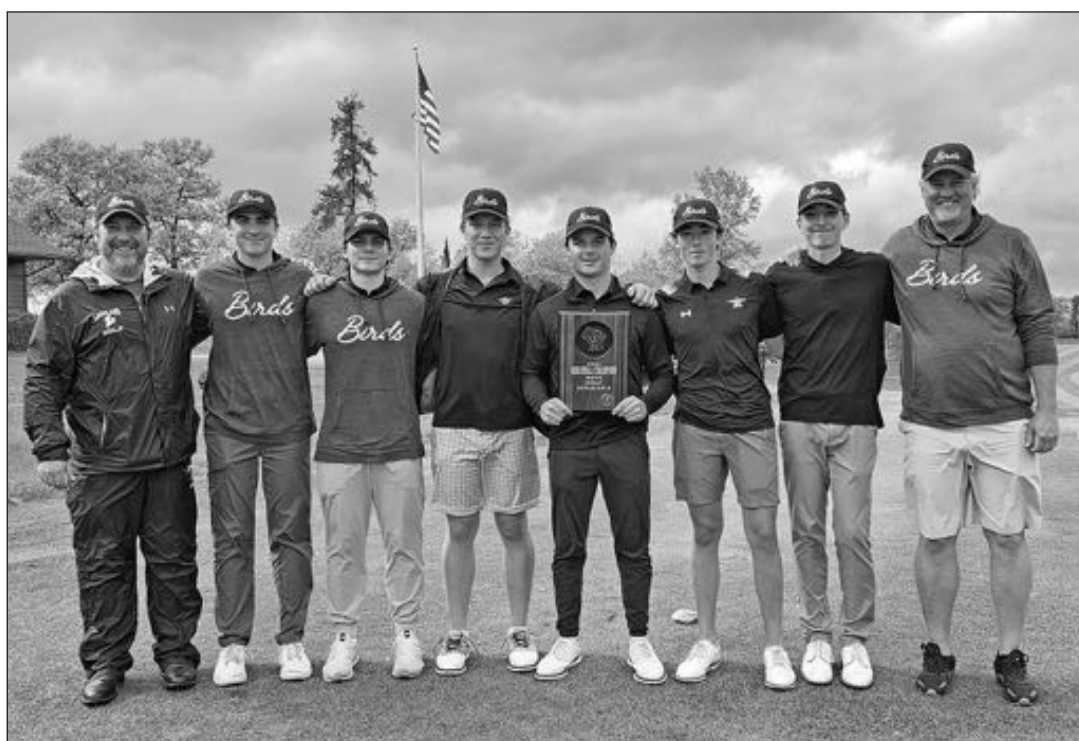
The Thunderbirds won a WIAA Division 2 regional meet Tuesday at Hidden Greens North Golf Course in Solon Springs. Lakeland shot a 307 as a team, besting second place Rice Lake by 24 strokes. The top four individual scores counted towards each team's score.

"Great way for our seniors to kick off this postseason and gives us great momentum," coach Scott Howard said. "The day couldn't have went any better for us today."

The top four teams advanced to the sectional meet. Joining Lakeland was Rice Lake, Hayward and Northland Pines.

Weather delayed Lakeland's start and affected play.

"The conditions there were really, really tough out there," Howard said. "We had the final wave of tee times, last ones out. We were the No. 1 seed in the regional. We got there, and they were in a weather delay — put things 40 minutes behind. Weather was a factor right from the beginning. Several holes on the



CONTRIBUTED PHOTOGRAPH

Team pictured, from left, are coach Scott Howard, Davis Kock, Lawson Bain, Jack Rubo, Matt Haggart, Gray Wagner, Jeremy Hensen and assistant coach Peter Nomm celebrate a regional championship after a WIAA Division 2 meet Tuesday, May 21 at Hidden Greens North Golf Course in Solon Springs. The Thunderbirds shot a 307 as a team.

back nine were played in rain — pouring rain, steady rain. It was a nasty day, really, really tough conditions."

Lakeland had previously played at Hidden Greens North a week prior in an invite. That experience of seeing the course payed dividends on Tuesday.

"Guys knew their sight lines and what to hit off a tee in some regards," Howard said. "That being said, we did hit different clubs. Overall weather conditions with the wind and temperatures we found ourselves hitting different clubs. It was definitely good playing an invite there. Je-

remy (Hensen), Davis (Kock) had never played there before. Always a benefit to get rounds on the course and get familiar with a lot of different things."

Playing in rough weather was nothing new to the Thunderbirds.

"We've played in a lot of those types of conditions for years, especially this year," Howard said. "Our guys did a phenomenal job adjusting to it. As a staff, (we said) par out there was 80-81. And you can see the rest of the field, other teams' scores, what they shot. A lot of that is because of the result of the weather. Really proud of our guys. Every-

body handled the conditions great. (We) didn't have guys complaining about the weather. Everybody played well."

When the Thunderbirds finally got on the course, they saw all five of their players in the top 10.

"When that happens, you have a chance to really do some special things, and we did that — regional champions," Howard said.

Not only did the Thunderbirds win the regional championship as a team, they also had an individual champion.

Matt Haggart became an individual regional champion for the first time. He shot an even par 72 to lead

all players. There were a total of 50 players in the meet.

After a rocky start, Haggart started to find his rhythm. He recorded a 'three' holes 12-15 that led to his one-under 35 on the back nine. He also birdied the eighth hole.

"Matt was two-over par early in his round. Third hole through 16 he was four-under par in those conditions," Howard said. "Really solid golf by Matt — unbelievable in those type of conditions to shoot that low. Again, it just shows that experience of being a senior, being in that mode before, playing in those conditions. Matt really had great vibes from that golf course."

Jack Rubo finished second with a two-over 74. He shot a 37 on both the front and back nine scoring a 'three' on holes four, eight, 10 and 14.

"Jack played well out there," Howard said. "He was solid all day, didn't let the conditions get to him. (Jack and Matt) adjust on the fly. Patience and experience pays dividends having seniors been through that before."

Jeremy Hensen finished sixth on the individual leaderboard with a 79. He had a string of pars on the back nine which led to his 37.

"Really impressive play in those conditions," Howard said. "It shows where he's at, a lot more comfortable in these situations and really helped our team score. He had to manufacture and en-

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# LUHS track and field advances athletes to next round

Owen Clark, Ethan Gonzalez, girls' 4x800, boys' 4x400 win regional titles

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Lakeland's track and field teams had several regional champions when they competed in a regional meet on Monday at Rice Lake High School.

The Lakeland boys finished fourth out of nine teams with 88 points at a WIAA Division 2 regional meet. The Lakeland girls placed seventh with 51 points. The top four in each event moved on

to the sectional meet.

Nine Thunderbirds in four events took home a regional championship which included two relay teams. There was a total of 18 personal records (PRs).

First, the Lakeland girls' 4x800-meter relay team of Sherri Handeland, Ada Ernst, Stella Meza and Kieran Petrie won with a time of 10:00.97 in a close contest. Hayward crossed the finish line in 10:01.49. The Thunderbirds beat their seed time by over 12 seconds.

"Kieran got us out to a good start with the lead on the opening leg," distance coach Gordy Hartzheim said. "Ada went out a little too fast on the first lap. Ada lost the lead, and Sherri got it back.

Stella was the anchor today, and she pushed by Hayward who ran a very fast split. Stella ran under 2:30 for the first time with a 2:28 split which was awesome."

Owen Clark won three events the week prior at the Great Northern Conference Meet. He went 2-for-2 with two wins in two events.

The goal was to advance to sectionals. Clark first won the 1,600-meter run with a time of 4:43.27. He cruised to victory in the 3,200-meter run at 10:01.87, the penultimate event of the night.

"We had Owen back off and just make sure he advanced," Hartzheim said. "He ran a triple at the conference meet and had

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Maccy Holmquist goes through his triple jump motion during a WIAA Division 2 regional meet Monday, May 20 at Dairy State Bank Stadium in Rice Lake. Holmquist finished second with a mark of 40-3.

to work to break two records so this meet he got a bit of a break."

Ethan Gonzalez shined again in the 400-meter dash. He took home the regional crown with a time of 51.28.

Later on, Gonzalez was part of another regional championship with the boys' 4x400-meter relay. Tyson Redman, Erik Anderson, Talon Haling and Gonzalez ended the meet with a win and time of 3:29.12. They

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# Dominic Gironella, Mika Rempp punch their tickets to sectional meet

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The Lakeland boys' tennis team advanced two to the next round after their subsectional meet on Tuesday.

The Thunderbirds finished tied for third out of eight teams with 12 points at a WIAA Division 2 subsectional meet in Eau Claire hosted by Altoona. Dominic Gironella, No. 1 singles, and Mika Rempp, No. 3 singles, punched their tickets to the sectional meet.

"We had some success and some that didn't quite work out," coach Ted Dasler said. "I felt they all gave great effort and were focused as a team."

Gironella needed to win just one match to advance at No. 1 singles. He played a familiar opponent in Ashland's Harry Diesburg. Gironella won 6-2, 6-1 to make it to the sectional meet for a third straight season.

"Dominic frustrated his opponent, and it was a relatively short match," Dasler said.

At No. 3 singles, Rempp needed two wins. He got a forfeit victory in his round one matchup. Moving to the semifinals, Rempp beat Cale Schulz of Medford 6-1, 6-3.

"At first Mika was trying for a bit too much in my opinion," Dasler said. "After a shot that barely missed wide of the court Mika commented, 'If I had made that shot it would have been my best shot ever.' Mika is very coachable. He listens and tries to employ suggested tips and strategies. Often they open up another way of playing points."

There were plenty of close matches throughout the day that involved Lakeland players.

August Callender, No. 4 singles, played in a tiebreaker against Medford's Jude Stark. After falling behind 4-6 after one set, August Callender won 6-3 in set two. In the tiebreaker, Stark won 10-6 to advance to the semifinals.

"August has worked diligently to improve his mental toughness,"

Dasler said. "The match tiebreaker ended on an unfortunate misunderstanding. August hollered out something as his opponent served. If there is a disagreement, you must stop the point and not swing at it. The rule states that when receiving if you play the ball — swing at it or return it — the assumption is that you were ready. While that was a tough way to lose a match, August has grown in confidence and is continually seeking improvement."

Like No. 1 singles, No. 1 doubles only had to win one match. Yaroslav Myshchyshyn/Gage Bowe played many points in their match against Pacelli's Marcus Lansing/Hunter Wrezinski.

Myshchyshyn and Bowe won the first set in close fashion at 7-6. Then, Lansing/Wrezinski returned the favor with a 7-6 win themselves. It would all come down to the tiebreaker.

"(Yaroslav/Gage) seemed in control but somehow went into a

shell at the end," Dasler said. "Anger and tension lead to frustration. Before the match tiebreak, we talked about physical contact — fist bump or high five, and they said, 'We do that.'"

Lansing/Wrezinski got the momentum and never looked back with a 10-1 win in the tiebreaker over Myshchyshyn/Bowe.

"I saw racquets clash as a high five, not physical contact," Dasler said about Yaroslav and Gage. "Doubles players have an opportunity to support each other and just the act of physical contact reinforces that, 'We are in this together.' Both players must be willing to accept support from their partner and recognize when their partner needs encouragement."

Jack Stepec cruised to a win in the first round at No. 2 singles. He beat Mason Lechner of Black River Falls 6-0, 6-0.

In the semifinals, Stepec managed to win just one game. Altoona's Trenton Navarre won 6-1, 6-0 to advance.

"Yes, Jack cruised in

the first match," Dasler said. "He had some success in the second but couldn't get in any kind of groove in the second match."

Carson Tegland/Angus Callender took care of business at No. 2 doubles to win their first match 6-1, 6-2 over Black River Falls' Wipamakere Snake/Tavaris Rave.

Nash Cullinan/Jack Schroeder of Regis awaited Lakeland's duo. Tegland/Angus Callender won four games, but fell 2-6, 2-6 to Cullinan/Jack Schroeder.

"Carson and Angus cruised and were relaxed and confident in the first match," Dasler said. "They were tentative and deflated in the second, but Regis was a very good team."

Of the three tiebreakers that Lakeland saw on Tuesday, the only win went to No. 3 doubles Tyler Wallace/Sawyer Brown. They won set one over Ashland's Ryan O'Bey/Aidan Ellet-Cardinal 6-2. Ashland came back to win the second set at 6-4.

Even though O'Bey/Ellet-Cardinal had the momentum, Wallace/Brown found a way to win the match. Wallace/Brown got the points they needed to win the tiebreaker at 10-7.

"Tyler and Sawyer had beaten the Ashland duo twice," Dasler said. "It's sometimes tough to beat a team three times, but they held on to win."

Wallace/Brown took on a duo from Regis in the semifinals. Pablo Gonzalez/Noah Laber won 6-2, 6-0 to end Wallace/Brown's day.

Gironella and Rempp competed in a WIAA Division 2 sectional meet in Eau Claire on Thursday. Coverage of this meet will be in the Tuesday, May 28 edition of the *Times*. If anyone advanced, the individual state tournament takes place Thursday, May 30 through Saturday, June 1 at Nielsen Stadium in Madison.

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# Shootout success

## Lady Thunderbirds beat Rhinelander in penalty kicks

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A few years ago, penalty kick shootouts provided the Lakeland girls' soccer team with a path to state. On Tuesday, it helped them finish unbeaten in conference play.

The Thunderbirds tied Rhinelander (11-2-4, 6-1-1-2 GNC) 1-1 in Minocqua. Lakeland won the penalty kick shootout 3-2 to finish the conference season 9-0-1-0.

"This has been an exciting year," coach Stephanie Hartzheim said. "We have had many challenges that have come our way, but we have been able to work together to overcome these challenges. These wins help us build our team to mentally prepare them for the play-offs."

"It feels amazing," Ava Evenhouse said. "We worked super hard for it. Every practice is intense, every game's intense. We treat it as if we're at state. We put in a lot of work for this."

Before the storms hit, the Thunderbirds and Hodags met up at IncredibleBank Field to wrap up the conference season. Earlier in the year, Lakeland beat Rhinelander 1-0 on April 30.

"I think it's a wonderful way to end our conference season," Elsa Shockley said. "I think it really shows all of our hard work that we put



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The Thunderbirds celebrate their 3-2 penalty kick shootout win over Rhinelander Tuesday, May 21 at IncredibleBank Field in Minocqua. Team pictured, from left, are Charley Cleveland, Landry Lenz, Elsa Shockley, Cale Quade, Jenna Klappa, Bryn Warchol, Laura Navarrete, Tayiah Bauman, goalie coach Jeff Fricke, Lexi Gindorff and Josie Wentland.

into this year and kind of wraps it all up. Our girls worked really hard together, and we really feel like a team this year more than anything so we're leaving it all out there."

A total of two goals were scored. Both teams had opportunities to put the ball in the back of the net.

The first threat of the game was made by Lakeland. Taylor Heleniak's shot led to a Lakeland corner kick in the third minute.

Rhinelander had three straight corner kick attempts in the seventh minute. A Hodag shot was saved by Evenhouse.

The Hodags also got shots by Ella Miljevich and Sophia Miljevich early on. One was shot high and another out of bounds.

In the 15th minute, Rhinelander's Emma Chiamulera was given a yellow card after a foul. Josie Wentland took advantage of the set piece.

Wentland scored from the 15-yard line for the game's first goal. She sailed it over the head of Rhinelander goalie Mya Krouze.

"Josie has the ability to take longer shots on goal with her power," Hartzheim said. "She always has had a great free kick from outside

the box. She did a great job using her skills to get us a goal."

Lakeland led 1-0 at 14:16. Looking for a response, Morgan Van Zile ran free down the field. Her shot was off target. Later on, Lindsey Hoerchler had a good look for the Hodags. She fired a shot with pace, saved by Evenhouse.

The 36th minute saw a Sophia Miljevich free kick. Evenhouse saved the ball in mid-air to keep the score at 1-0.

Evenhouse was busy on Tuesday. She totaled 11 saves in a variety of different ways. She beat a

Rhinelander player to the spot with a sliding save in the 37th minute.

Before the half ended, Wentland took a few more shots. The game went to halftime with Lakeland out in front 1-0.

Shockley talked about her role in Lakeland's offense this year.

"I think I really just kind of help with getting that ball centered so people with a heavier boot like Josie can really get that into the back of the net, and we have higher chances that way," she said. "So I'm really just



# Mercer girls’ track wins individual conference, regional championships

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The Mercer track and field teams rose to the occasion with several conference and regional champions over the last two weeks.

The Mercer girls finished fifth out of 10 teams with 81 points at the Northern Lights Conference Championship Tuesday, May 14 at Ashland High School. The Mercer boys finished ninth out of nine teams with six points.

Then on Monday, the Mercer girls finished sixth out of 13 teams with 63.5 points at a WIAA Division 3 meet at Phillips High School. The Mercer boys finished 12th out of 12 teams with a point.

**Conference**

“The girls met all of the goals set for them,” coach Robyn Schoeneman said. “We usually like to finish in the top three, but the other schools really have much more depth than we do. Scoring 81 points as a group of eight is outstanding.”

The Tigers won two events in Ashland. The girls’ 4x200-meter relay took first by nearly five seconds. Jenny Klopatek, Kaylee Powers, Rylinn Rossi and Ona Ruiz ran a time of 2:01.09 to become conference champions.

“Our 4x200 has been very solid all season,” coach Schoeneman said. “Ona Ruiz, Kaylee Powers, Jenny Klopatek, and Rylinn Rossi have devoted a lot of time to hand-offs and learning how to run the event. We knew we were favored, and it was just a matter of us being able to just do what we were capable of. The girls earned it.”

Ruiz continued to impress in the triple jump. She took home the conference crown

with a mark of 33-8.5, a new conference record. The win gave the Tigers 10 team points.

“Ona just started triple jumping about a month ago. She is just a natural. She has strong legs and has good spring,” coach Schoeneman said. “Not only did she win conference, she broke a conference record set in 1991. She is still learning and gets better every day. If we only had more time with her.”

Other Tigers had top performances including two runner-up finishes by Eiley Schoeneman in the throwing events. She totaled 16 individual points.

Eiley Schoeneman finished behind Drummond’s Nora Skoraczewski both times. Eiley Schoeneman threw a 33-10.75 in the shot put. Skoraczewski’s top throw came to 38-2.

In the discus, Eiley Schoeneman’s best throw came to 117-3, almost 27 feet better than third place. Skoraczewski won the event with a mark of 137-5.

“Nora is a solid thrower and should do very well in the postseason. Eiley has learned that it is important to focus on what she can control, and she did that,” coach Schoeneman said. “She has been very consistent in the discus, and that will hopefully serve her well as we hit regionals.”

Ruiz picked up eight more individual points with a second-place finish in the 200-meter dash. She crossed the finish line in 28.59 seconds. Hurley’s Jaana Aukee won the race with a time of 28.09. Rossi scored three points for Mercer with a sixth-place finish and time of 31.59.

The Mercer girls’ 4x100 relay team of Rossi, Ryley Saarnio, Klopatek and Ruiz ended up in third with a

time of 57.93. That scored the Tigers six more points.

“Our 4x100 ran a decent race and could have had a personal record (PR), but we faltered on a hand-off,” coach Schoeneman said. “They are a good group that I think can get through to sectionals. The relay is the same as the 4x200 with the exception of Kaylee Powers. Ryley Saarnio runs in that spot and does a fantastic job.”

Powers finished fourth in the 400-meter dash with a time of 1:09.69 for five team points. She also gained three points for Mercer by taking sixth in the long jump (13-3.5).

Anya Brandenburg finished fourth in the shot put with a throw of 28-8 for five team points.

Klopatek scored four points in the discus. She placed fifth with a mark of 71-2. Amber Eith scored two points in the discus with a throw of 67-7 for seventh place.

“Amber Eith and Jenny Klopatek both had good days in the discus. Anya Brandenburg and Amber threw solid in the shot put,” coach Schoeneman said. “We rely on our throws to get a good amount of points, and they came through.”

Luis Segura-Martell scored two points, seventh place, with a time of 1:03.83 in the 400 for the Mercer boys. Later, he finished sixth in the 3,200-meter run with a time of 12:13.81. He gained five of Mercer’s six team points.

Dylan Eith achieved Mercer’s other point with an eighth-place finish in the 300 hurdles and time of 52.82.

“We have competed with an extra small group of boys this year,” coach Schoeneman said. “Dylan Eith and Luis Segura-

Martell were both solid in their events. Luis had a great day in the long jump, 3,200 and 400. Dylan ... gave the hurdles a try for the first time and came away with a point. “

**Regionals**

The top four in each event punched their ticket to the sectional meet. The Tigers looked to get as many qualifiers as they could. A total of six Tigers moved on with two regional championship.

The Tigers won the 4x200-meter relay once again. Ruiz, Powers, Klopatek and Rossi ran a time of 1:57.07 winning by two-plus seconds over Phillips. Mercer beat their seed time by two-plus seconds.

“The girls’ relay just gets better and better,” coach Schoeneman said. “They are running strong, and their hand-offs are flawless.”

Ruiz won an individual regional title in the triple jump. She won with a mark of 33-7.25. It wasn’t better than her conference mark, but it was more than enough to win and move onto the sectional meet.

“Ona is a natural. She has great spring and speed,” coach Schoeneman said. “She has only been doing it about six weeks. I just wish we had more time.”

The girls’ throwing events played out similar to what they did at the conference meet. Eiley Schoeneman advanced in both the shot put and discus, finishing second to Skoraczewski in both. Eiley Schoeneman had a mark of 113-4 in the discus and 32-1 in the shot put.

“Eiley’s goal was to make it to sectionals, but also perform well in both events as to get a good seed spot at Cameron,” coach Schoeneman said.

In the 200, Ruiz was

seeded to qualify for sectionals. She finished third to advance and ran a time of 28.71, 0.02 seconds behind Jessica Morrone of Phillips.

Brandenburg placed fourth in the shot put with her top throw coming in at 30-8.5 to earn the last qualifying spot.

Powers ran a time of 1:07.11 in the 400-meter dash for fourth place. Powers beat her seed time by almost a full second and earned the final spot to the sectional meet.

“Kaylee has been a nice surprise in the 400,” coach Schoeneman said. “She is knocking time off every meet. She sure has that competitive drive that is needed for success. She is gritty and determined.”

The Tigers’ 4x100 relay moved on. Ruiz, Saarnio, Klopatek and Rossi ran a time of 56.33 that put them fourth place. They beat their seed time by 0.55 seconds.

“The girls’ 4x100 did advance to Cameron, running another PR,” coach Schoeneman said. “That relay is also running strong, and I hope to see another PR on Thursday.”

Dylan Eith took eighth in the boys’ 800-meter run. He ran a time of 2:28.47.

“We had a computer issue with the seed time for Dylan,” coach Schoeneman said. “He ran a good race, and despite the seed issue, he was in the appropriate heat based on his past performances.”

Mercer competed in a WIAA Division 3 sectional meet in Cameron on Thursday. If anyone advanced, the state meet takes place Friday, May 31 through Saturday, June 1 at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse.

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# Thunderbird baseball victorious in final game of regular season

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A comeback win ended the Lakeland baseball team’s regular season with momentum on Monday in Minocqua.

The Thunderbirds beat non-conference Chequamegon 7-5.

“There were two goals in this game. First and foremost, the goal was to compete for a win,” coach Steve Anderson said. “The secondary goal was for us to stay loose and get as many guys some playing time as possible so that we are fresh and dialed in for our playoff game on Thursday. I think we achieved both of these goals.”

Lakeland used five different pitchers en route to the win, starting with Drew Warren. He struck out

three batters in two shutout innings. He also picked off a runner at first base in the second inning.

“The pitching plan was to get each guy that has pitched for us a little bit this year an inning or two, just to stay loose and ready to go, which is how we ended up pitching five guys,” Anderson said.

The top of Lakeland’s lineup got the bats going in the first inning. Danny Gahler and Landon Herrick reached with singles. Warren helped his own cause with a sacrifice fly to right field for a run. With a runner in scoring position, Jorden Trombello scored one with a groundout to shortstop.

After one inning, Lakeland led 2-0.

The Thunderbirds increased their lead in

the second inning, using the basepaths to their advantage.

Cooper Johnson first reached on an error, making his way to second base. He advanced to third on a balk before scoring on a wild pitch. Lakeland didn’t get a hit in the inning. Nonetheless, they added a run and led 3-0.

Gahler relieved Warren on the mound. A 4-6-3 double play was turned behind him as part of a shutout third inning.

Chequamegon scored a run in the fourth inning. Nate Ariola was Lakeland’s new pitcher. A double to center field gave the Screaming Eagles a run as they chipped into Lakeland’s lead. Ariola stranded two runners on base.

The Screaming Eagles added another run

in the fifth inning. Jayden Chapman gave the Thunderbirds an inning. Like Lakeland, Chequamegon scored without a hit in the inning. A walk, steal, wild pitch and eventual RBI groundout plated a run. Lakeland still led 3-2.

Mitch Fulton took the ball in the sixth inning. Chequamegon scored two runs to take a 4-3 lead, their third straight inning scoring a run.

A walk and a single put Chequamegon in business. A groundout moved both runners up a base. Then, a one-out throwing error by Logan Gray gave the Screaming Eagles two runs.

The Thunderbirds got their lead back in the bottom of the sixth. Gahler doubled and stole third base. Herrick walked, as did

Trombello. With the bases loaded, Ariola singled to right field to score one. Ben Peterson moved everyone up a base with an RBI walk to give Lakeland the lead back at 5-4.

“We had some timely baserunning that helped us out, but what helped us the most was our patience at the plate in the bottom of the sixth,” Anderson said.

Lakeland scored two more runs with two outs. Fulton got hit by a pitch to score one. Then, Gray walked in a run. The Thunderbirds scored four runs and batted around.

Chequamegon scored for a fourth straight inning in the seventh, but it wasn’t enough to tie or take the lead. Fulton closed the game out to earn the win.

Lakeland (9-10, 6-6

GNC) played eighth-seeded Rice Lake (5-15, 2-12 Big Rivers Conference) on the road in a Division 2 regional quarterfinal game on Thursday. Coverage of this game will be in the Tuesday, May 28 edition of the *Times*. The winner of this game will play top-seeded Medford on Tuesday, May 28 at 5 p.m. in Medford.

“We are incredibly excited to head to Rice Lake on Thursday,” Anderson said. “They are a good team that plays in a strong conference, but I know that we can beat them, and if we can play our game to the best of our ability, we will do that. We are pumped for playoff time.”

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# Golf

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gineer — it’s great to see Jeremy doing that. He keeps getting better and better in areas. He’s really coming into his own, and he’s really helping our team,

he really does.” Davis Kock’s score ended up counting towards Lakeland’s overall score. He finished in seventh place with an 82. He had the best score for all underclassmen. He birdied the fifth hole and shot a 39 on the

front nine. “Good, solid day. He finished with a double (bogey) on his last hole,” Howard said. “Back nine put together a string of good holes, had some birdie putts, some tap-in pars. He had a couple of three-putts that

cost him a little bit.” Gray Wagner tied for 10th, shooting an 84. He shot a 42 on both front and back nine. He recorded a ‘three’ on holes four, eight, 12 and 14. “A couple bad holes, little things here and there,” Howard said.

“Overall, (he) played well. I really feel that the weather was a factor — par 80 or 81 out there.” Up next, the Thunderbirds take part in a WIAA Division 2 sectional meet with a trip to state on the line. The meet takes place

Tuesday, May 28 at Turtleback Golf Course in Rice Lake. Tee times are to be determined. *Brett LaBore may be reached at [brett@lakelandtimes.com](mailto:brett@lakelandtimes.com) or [sports@lakelandtimes.com](mailto:sports@lakelandtimes.com).*

# Track

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were eight-plus seconds faster than their seed time. It was the first time that the four of them ran together in the 4x400.

“Having Erik back puts the 4x400 on another level,” Hartzheim said. “The boys ran a very strong relay.” “I’m excited to see where they’re seeded at sectionals,” coach Stephanie Strasburg said.

Several other Thunderbirds punched their tickets to the sectional meet. One of the big surprises of the night came from Maccoy Holmquist. He took second in the triple jump with a mark of 40-3 in just his third meet taking part in the event. Coach Strasburg sees a lot of potential from him.

“I’ve been wanting (him) to do a field event like this because I knew he had potential,” she said. “The potential in him is huge yet.”

Haling ended up qualifying in two individual events. He finished second in the 300-meter hurdles with a new PR. He ran a time of 40.93.

“Talon looked really well. A little bit of stuttering, trying to focus him on quickness and form,” coach Strasburg said.

Earlier in the meet, Hal-ing took second in the 100-meter dash finals with a time of 11.25, a new PR.

“He’s seeded eighth for sectionals so this definitely is going to be a tough race for him coming up,” coach Strasburg said. “Mentally I think he’s definitely preparing himself, and I think he’ll meet the challenge so we’ll see what everybody’s bringing to that meet. He’s looking really well.”

In the 200-meter dash,



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James Gaulke jumps over the hurdle in the 110-meter hurdle race during a WIAA Division 2 regional meet Monday, May 20 at Dairy State Bank Stadium in Rice Lake.

Petrie finished as the runner-up with another PR. She sprinted halfway around the track in 26.63 seconds.

“Looked like she had a nice race,” coach Strasburg said. “Heavy competition around 26-25, even 24-second mark, for state.”

Petrie also advanced individually in the 400. She finished third with a time of 1:00.26, beating her seed time by almost a full second.

“(She) looked like she had a really nice race,” coach Strasburg said. “She’s typically I think just about every meet in every event all season she’s having a nice PR. She’s chipping away at these times. I’m excited to see how far she can go in this.”

An injury to Anderson

forced him to miss the end of the regular season. Anderson had a successful return. In addition to the 4x400, he qualified individually in the 400 with a time of 53.26, beating his seed time by over a second. His time put him third in the competition.

“Erik and Ethan both came back (from) a decent injury,” coach Strasburg said. “Erik rested a little bit longer, yesterday first meet back. Their hamstrings are a little sore, but they were feeling pretty good. Erik’s time is the best he’s had this year.”

Levi Reimer took third in the 1,600 with a time of 4:45.31 to move on.

“Levi was able to advance in the 1,600 with a strong finish in his race,” Hartzheim said. “He was battling it out with four other guys for second place, behind Owen, and ended up third.”

There were Thunderbirds who came close to advancing to the sectional meet.

Norah Strasburg placed fifth by the slimmest of margins. She had a time of 17.23 in the 100-meter hurdles, a PR. Northwestern’s Addison Hanson had the final qualifying time at 17.17.

“During the finals, (Norah) had a girl next to her on her left that ended up wacking her really good in the arm,” coach Strasburg said. “I’m really sad for her, but she did get a PR in that heat.”

Micah Wright came up a few feet short of going to the sectional meet in the discus. Her top throw of 99-10 (PR) put her fifth. Ashland’s Lahaela Mika placed fourth with a mark of 101-9. “In the second flight,



Sherri Handeland takes part in the 4x800-meter relay during a WIAA Division 2 regional meet Monday, May 20 at Dairy State Bank Stadium in Rice Lake. Handeland and teammates Kieran Petrie, Ada Ernst and Stella Meza won the regional championship with a time of 10:00.97.

Micah was the first to throw, and she worked her way up to just missing the hundred-foot mark,” throwing coach Greg Eichelkraut said. “This put a lot of pressure on the other competitors. Micah was in position for fourth place until two girls managed to just squeak by ... on their last throw.”

Handeland, Meza and Ernst all ran in the 800-meter run. Handeland finished sixth (2:32.38), Meza seventh (2:33.21) and Ernst eighth (2:35.25). Ernst beat her seed time by over three seconds.

“I knew it was going to be difficult in the 800 but not impossible,” Hartzheim said. “I thought if one of them had a breakout race, they could advance.”

Ati Gyuro finished sixth in the 1,600 with a time of 4:58.15.

Leonard Chosa had the top marks for the Lakeland boys in the shot put and discus, missing out on qualifying for sectionals.

Chosa finished sixth in the discus with a mark of 122-2 and 15th in the shot put at 38-10.

“Leonard had a solid ... performance in the shot put,” Eichelkraut said. “In the discus, Leonard had probably the best night of us throwing ... consistently above 118 feet.”

Mckaelynn Schettino ran a PR in the 300 hurdles that placed her seventh. She crossed the finish line in 52.79 seconds, bettering her seed time by almost two seconds. She also ran in the 4x400-meter relay.

“Awesome job. I’m so proud of her,” coach Strasburg said. “She’s ran a couple of 400s which I think is helping her with the endurance.”

Marshall Holmquist finished seventh in the triple jump with a mark of 37-8.5.

Hannah Fieweger ended up sixth in the shot put with a mark of 31 feet, a new PR. She also picked up a PR in the discus at 96-10 for eighth place.

“The girls either had personal records or season so they were competing at their best,” Eichelkraut said. “Hannah was able to get up into finals and also moved up in the rankings to sixth place. She had nothing to lose in finals so we let her throw as hard as she could which risks losing good technique. She held together very strong on her attempts.”

Brooke Crandall had a new PR in the discus at 96-8. She ended her day by running in the 4x400.

“I’ve been saying all season that we have competed well and last night was no exception,” Eichelkraut said. “Our girls’ discus shined brightly last night. Brooke led off the event with the seven-foot PR, and we were confident that was going to get her into finals. Hannah followed up with a five-foot PR, and now we were looking at two girls in finals.”

Monday marked the end of the season for Lakeland’s throwers. Eichelkraut was excited about how the re-



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Madeline Peterson runs her leg of the 4x400-meter relay during a WIAA Division 2 regional meet Monday, May 20 at Dairy State Bank Stadium in Rice Lake.



# Track

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gional meet went, signaling a bright future. “Overall, that was one of the strongest showing we’ve had in the program since about 10 years ago as far as depth and quality performances,” Eichelkraut said. “Before the meet, we weren’t seeded very

well looking to maybe get a few points in the boys’ discus if things held together well and pick up a couple other people to just make finals. But as I indicated, our throwers competed very well, and we managed to get five people in the finals and for them scoring. It was extremely satisfying to see them throw their best in the biggest meet of their

career. This is a strong foundation for next year and gives us a lot of incentive to continue working during the summer and off-season.” Lucas Koplin threw both shot put and discus together for the first time this season. Returning from an injury last week, he finished 11th in the discus with a mark of 109-4 and 19th in the shot

put with a mark of 34 feet. “We started off with some solid performances in the shot put,” Eichelkraut said. “We welcomed Lucas Koplin back from his dislocated knee and gave him a chance to throw.” “I know he’s bummed he didn’t get a little better or didn’t advance, didn’t have more meets as a sen-

ior,” coach Strasburg said. “I get it, I feel so bad. However, he’s just had a fantastic outlook on everything, just a positive role model.” Justin Funmaker (2:13.45) and Charlie Ernst (2:19.05) had PRs in the 800. The Thunderbirds competed in a Division 2 sectional meet at Colby High School on Thursday. Coverage of

this meet will be in the Tuesday, May 28 edition of the *Times*. If anyone advanced, the state meet takes place Friday, May 31 through Saturday, June 1 at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse. *Brett LaBore may be reached at [brett@lakelandtimes.com](mailto:brett@lakelandtimes.com) or [sports@lakelandtimes.com](mailto:sports@lakelandtimes.com).*

# Shootout

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kind of a helpful passer in that situation. I try to move it up as best I can but moving it to players that are a little bit more experienced is definitely beneficial for our team too.”

Rhinelanders kept the pressure on Lakeland offensively. A ball sent up the field forced Evenhouse to sprint to the top of the box for a diving save before Rhinelanders could get a foot on it.

Lakeland’s defense rose to the occasion. Charley Cleveland, Landry Lenz, Cale Quade and Molly Jorgensen formed Lakeland’s back line once again. Lenz thwarted a run by Sophia Miljevich by blocking her shot attempt in the 55th minute.

A loose ball in the box gave Rhinelanders a chance at the tying goal in the 58th minute. A corner kick went over the head of Evenhouse. Both teams looked to get a foot on it. In the end, it was Lakeland who cleared the ball out.

A yellow card preceded another goal, this one by Rhinelanders. Lenz fouled a Rhinelanders player on the attack, leading to a free kick. Lenz was given a yellow card.

At first, it looked like a Sophia Miljevich free kick was saved by Evenhouse. However, the center referee hadn’t blown his whistle, giving Sophia Miljevich a second attempt — she took advantage.

“The assistant ref said that the center ref did not blow his whistle, and she already kicked the ball,” Hartzheim said. “This was not an advantage to us as she got a free extra ball.”

Sophia Miljevich scored the equalizing goal on the free kick at 59:48. She shot it into the upper left of the net over the arm of Evenhouse. The game was tied at 1-1.

Rhinelanders’ goal was the first given up by Lakeland since April 23 against Northland Pines. It snapped a streak of nine straight shutouts by the Thunderbirds.

The Hodags seized the momentum after the goal. They had another corner kick opportunity. Yet again, Evenhouse aggressively made the save, punching the ball out.

“Definitely right away we weren’t calm at all,” Evenhouse said after Rhinelanders’ goal. “But then we relaxed, started to find feet and were playing more as a team. For a split minute we were not playing as a team, but then we found each other and were using each other and talking better and that helped us not let another ball in the net.”

Hoerchler’s shot went high and out of bounds in the 73rd minute. The Hodags totaled 15 shots, nine on target.

“We definitely pushed our defense more, and we were highly more defensive, and I think that we knew who the shooter was, and we knew how they’d shoot, and what they’d shoot, and we kind of just blocked, stepped in front of it, stepped up. We got it done,” Rylie Wise said.

Lakeland’s offense didn’t put a lot of pressure on the Hodags in the second half. The Thunderbirds contributed 10 shots, seven on goal.

The game ended in a tie after 80 minutes. The last time that Lakeland tied a conference opponent came April 23, 2019 vs. Medford (1-1).

Per Great Northern Conference rules, a penalty kick shootout takes place after a tie game. There is no overtime.

Rhinelanders had been no strangers to penalty kicks this season. It was their third of the conference season. For the Thunderbirds, Tuesday was their first official shootout since the sectional final against Rice Lake on June 11, 2022.

In addition, Lakeland’s conference win streak of games in regulation ended at 25.

Lakeland took the first shot of the shootout. They started with Wentland, who had been a perfect 6-for-6 in attempts this season. Krouze saved Wentland’s attempt with a dive.

Sophia Miljevich had the first attempt for Rhinelanders. She buried her shot to give Rhinelanders a 1-0 advantage.

Next, Quade was called upon in the shootout. She connected to get Lakeland on the board. Rhinelanders’ Vivian Lamers also made her shot. The Hodags were up 2-1.

“We have been working on the penalty kicks (PKs) at practice,” Hartzheim said. “We picked some of the



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Ava Evenhouse makes a save during a penalty kick shootout against Rhinelanders Tuesday, May 21 at IncredibleBank Field in Minocqua. The save clinched Lakeland the shootout victory.

stronger players to go up to the line that we thought would be able to handle the pressure.”

Wise took a turn in the shootout. Again, Krouze made the save for Rhinelanders.

“It’s really important,” Wise said. “We get to practice shooting for potential playoff games which is nice because I think we can make it pretty far this year. I mean, prior when we went to state, it was basically all shootout-based so to know that practice and to feel what it feels like is a great experience for us to be successful.”

Ella Miljevich had a chance to put Rhinelanders up 3-1 in the shootout. That’s when things started to change. Evenhouse gave the Thunderbirds a spark with her first save of the shootout.

“Mentally I just said, ‘Just one stop. Stop the ball at least one time’ and then after I made that first one, I was more confident, and then I was like, ‘OK now two. Let’s do it,’” Evenhouse said.

Bobbi Lee capitalized on the momentum by making Lakeland’s fourth attempt to tie the shootout at 2-2.

“We need to feel the pressure. We have practiced them since the beginning of the year, but it is not the same as in the game,” Hartzheim said. “The ability to go up to the line with many people staring at you is hard and these girls have to be mentally strong to take a PK.”

Rhinelanders still had an advantage with two more attempts left. Leah Jamison was up next for the Hodags. Her shot was off target, missing right. The shootout was tied at two apiece after four attempts.

It was Lenz’s turn in the shootout. Her shot found a way into the net for Lakeland’s first lead of the shootout. The Thunderbirds had made three of their last four attempts.

“It’s a very intense ending to a game especially after your 80 minutes of playing super hard, but I think our practice has paid off, and we ended up with a win in the end which was super nice, it’s exciting,” Shockley said.

The shootout came down to one kick. Rhinelanders’



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Players pictured, from left, Molly Jorgensen, Cale Quade, Jenna Klappa, Josie Wentland, Bobbi Lee and Landry Lenz come together to celebrate Wentland’s goal in the first half against Rhinelanders Tuesday, May 21 at IncredibleBank Field in Minocqua.



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Emma Chiamulera needed to make her attempt to extend the shootout.

Evenhouse came up with the save to win the penalty kick shootout for the Thunderbirds.

“Ava is one of a kind. She works hard at practice, which shows in the games,” Hartzheim said. “She has

been more confident with her decision making, which has helped us defensively. She has been practicing PKs at practice with our team. but it is not the same as in a game. She had a big save with the last PK to give us the win.”

“I didn’t know if it was the game winner or not, but then I heard the refs talking on the side to each other saying, ‘This is the one,’ so I was like, ‘Alright, this is busi-

ness,” Evenhouse said. “I just relaxed into the pressure and just asked God for that peace, and He provides me with it and that wisdom to watch the other player and read her very well so I thank God.”

The Thunderbirds have remained unbeaten over their last 26 conference games. Their last loss came April 28, 2022 at Rhinelander.

“It means a lot as a senior,” Wise said. “We’ve been bat-

tling this battle for many years now, and the rivalry is just higher than ever so beating them and being undefeated conference champs again is a crazy experience, and I’m happy to be there for it.”

Over the last two conference seasons, the Thunderbirds have scored 60 goals and given up just three.

Lakeland played non-conference Merrill on Thursday, the final game of the regular

season. Coverage of this game will be in the Tuesday, May 28 edition of the *Times*.

Up next, the Thunderbirds (11-3-2, 9-0-1-0 GNC) open playoffs as the two seed in a regional semifinal game against Mosinee, the seven seed, on Thursday, May 30. The game begins at 5 p.m. in Minocqua.

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## Meet Kevin Bolger at WinMan on Sunday

WinMan welcomes 2022 Winter Olympian Kevin Bolger for an exciting event on Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

Bolger will be sharing his remarkable journey to earning a spot on the 2022 U.S. Olympic Nordic ski team. But that’s not all — he’ll also

be discussing the vital role places like WinMan play in developing a well-rounded athlete.

“Nordic skiing isn’t just a seasonal sport — it’s a year-round lifestyle, and WinMan provides an outlet for this,” Bolger said. “Being able to come home in

any season and know that I have a resource like WinMan to use is huge — from skiing to mountain biking. I’m able to come home and not miss a step in my training goals because of this awesome place.”

Currently a member of Team Birkie, Bolger

is training for the 2024-25 season. He will be discussing his involvement with Team Birkie and the efforts underway to continue to grow and support Nordic skiing in the region.

After his presentation, stick around for a meet and greet and auto-

graphs.

“If you have a passion for Nordic skiing or simply love to hear inspiring stories of perseverance and achievement, this event is tailor-made for you,” Isaac Cowart, Executive Director of WinMan Trails said.

The event is located at

WinMan Trails, 6870 Hwy W, Winchester, WI 54557.

Don’t miss this chance to meet Bolger and hear his incredible story at WinMan Trails. For more information, contact Isaac Cowart at [Info@WinManTrails.com](mailto:Info@WinManTrails.com).

## Lakeland Youth Football Program registration open through Sunday

The Lakeland Youth Football Program has opened registration for the 2024 football season for boys who will be entering fifth and sixth grades next fall. Cost of registration is \$120 plus applicable processing fees. Link to register players is located on

the Lakeland Youth Football Facebook page or via direct sign-up at <https://lakelandyouthfootball.sportngin.com/register/form/538642329>.

The Lakeland youth program is a full contact tackle program. The goal at this age level is to properly intro-

duce and teach the fundamentals of full contact tackle football while fostering an environment of respect and camaraderie amongst teammates.

Shoulder pads, game pants, jerseys and helmets will be provided for players

(cleats/mouthguards responsibility of each family). Practice will be held at Brandy Park Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Season typically runs from beginning of August through October with majority of games held on Saturday mornings and

occasionally during the week.

Registration will remain open through Sunday. Any questions or concerns can be directed to Matt Karch at 715-630-5474 or via email at [Matthew\\_Karch@hotmail.com](mailto:Matthew_Karch@hotmail.com).

## LOCAL SCOREBOARD

### BASEBALL

#### PREP BASEBALL

GNC Standings as of Tuesday, May 21		
Team	GNC	Ovr
x-Mosinee	12-0	20-4
Medford	10-2	21-3
Antigo	6-6	9-8
Lakeland	6-6	9-10
Tomahawk	4-8	5-15
Northland Pines	3-9	11-14
Rhineland	1-11	1-18

*x-Clinched GNC title*  
**Monday's Games**  
Wausau East 9, Antigo 2 (NC)  
Northland Pines 5, Ironwood, Mich. 1 (NC)  
Lakeland 7, Chequamegon 5 (NC)  
Marshfield 1, Medford 0 (NC)  
Stratford 10, Mosinee 0 (NC)  
Rhineland at Ashland (NC), ccd.  
Tomahawk at Tigerton (NC), ccd.

**Tuesday's Games**  
Mosinee 7, Ashwaubenon 6 (NC)  
Marathon at Rhinelander (NC), ccd.  
**Thursday's Games**  
Mosinee at Hudson (NC), late  
Pittsville at Medford (NC), late

*WIAA Division 2 Regional Quarterfinals*  
Rhineland at Ashland, late  
Lakeland at Rice Lake, late  
Northland Pines at Merrill, late  
Antigo at Shawano, late  
*WIAA Division 2 Regional Quarterfinals*  
Tomahawk at Coleman, late  
**Tuesday, May 28**  
*WIAA Division 3 Regional Semifinals*  
Lakeland-Rice Lake winner at Medford, 5 p.m.  
Oconto Falls-Freedom winner at Mosinee, 5 p.m.

**Chequamegon at Lakeland**  
**Monday, May 20**  
Chequamegon 000 112 1 — 5 4 2  
Lakeland 210 004 0 — 7 4 1

CHEQUAMEGON	LAKELAND
ab r h bi	ab r h bi
Phelps ss	3 2 1 0
Ghr ss,p,ss	4 2 2 0
Scmdt p,cf	4 0 0 1
Hrrick lf,cf	2 2 1 0
Purdy lf,2b	4 0 0 1
Wrnn p,1b	3 0 0 1
Niehoff 1b	1 1 0 0
Trmblo dh	2 1 0 1
-Cebery	0 0 0 0
Arla rf,p,rf	2 1 1 1
lBgrd 3b	3 2 1 0
Ptrsn 1b,lf	2 0 0 1
Poetzl 2b,p	3 0 2 1
Jhnsn 2b,rf	1 1 0 0
JBrgrd cf,lf	1 0 0 2
-Cpmn rf,p	1 0 0 0
Wartwg dh	3 0 0 0
-Chrtnsn	1 0 0 0
Bshmn rf	2 0 0 0
Fultn 3b,p	2 0 0 1
Gy cf,ss,2b	2 0 0 1
CR: Brmer	0 0 0 0

Totals	24	5	4	5	Totals	22	7	4	6
Chequamegon	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO			
Schmidt, L	5.2	4	7	5	3	6			
Poetzl	0.1	0	0	0	1	1			
Lakeland	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO			
Warren	2	1	0	0	2	3			
Gahler	1	0	0	0	1	0			
Ariola	1	1	1	1	2	1			
Chapman	1	0	1	1	1	2			
Fulton, W	2	2	3	0	1	0			

**DP:** Lakeland 1. **LOB:** Chequamegon 5, Lakeland 3. **2B:** C. Poetzl. L. Gahler. **SB:** C. Phelps, Cebery. L. Gahler, Herrick 2.

### BABE RUTH BASEBALL

Northwoods Babe Ruth League as of Tuesday, May 21

#### PREP LEAGUE

Team	W-L
Eagle River	1-0
Phillips	0-0
Rhineland	0-0
Tomahawk	0-0
Lakeland	0-1
<b>Monday's Game</b>	
Eagle River 10, Lakeland 3	
<b>Wednesday's Games</b>	
Phillips at Lakeland, late	
Eagle River at Tomahawk, late	
<b>Wednesday, May 29</b>	
Rhineland at Eagle River, 6 p.m.	
Phillips at Tomahawk, 6 p.m.	

### GOLF

#### PREP GOLF

GNC Standings as of Tuesday, May 21  
Team Standings

Team	Points
x-Lakeland	49
Mosinee	40
Rhineland	31.5
Northland Pines	31.5
Medford	21
Tomahawk	15
Antigo	8

*x-Clinched GNC title*

#### Individual Standings

FIRST TEAM	Pos.	Player	Team	Pts.
1	Jack Rubo	Lak	66	
2	Connor Lingen	Med	57	
3	Jett Walters	Mos	44.5	
	Matt Haggart	Lak	44.5	
5	Gray Wagner	Lak	32	

SECOND TEAM	Pos.	Player	Team	Pts.
6	Sam Schoppe	Rhi	28	
7	Ryder Will	NP	26	
8	Riley Viergutz	Med	17	
9	Alex Steppke	Mos	14	
10	Jeremy Hensen	Lak	12	

#### HONORABLE MENTION

Pos.	Player	Team	Pts.
11	Brody Kowieski	Rhi	8.75
12	Samuel Shrock	NP	7.75
13	Anderson Kietly	NP	4.75
14	Austin Lamer	Tom	4.5
	Ean Perry	Ant	4.5

#### ALSO RECEIVING POINTS

Pos.	Player	Team	Pts.
16	Blake Petroff	Rhi	4
17	Davis Kock	Lak	3.75
18	Andrew Carlson	Mos	3.5
19	Braiden Hoehn	Mos	1.5
20	Sawyer Hanna	Tom	1

#### WIAA D2 Regionals

Tuesday, May 21

**Hidden Greens North G.C. — Par 72**

*\* Denotes sectional qualifiers*

**Team Scores:** 1, Lakeland\*, 307. 2, Rice Lake\*, 331. 3, Hayward\*, 345. 4, Northland Pines\*, 346. 5, Northwestern, 347. 6, Antigo, 360. 7, Tomahawk, 361. 8, Ashland, 363. 9, Spooner, 397. 10, Barron, 428.

**Individuals:** 1, Matt Haggart, Lak, 72. 2, Jack Rubo, Lak, 74. 3, Ean Perry\*, Ant, 76. 4 (tie), Lawson Burkhardt\*, North; Kellen Marsh, RL, 78 ... 14, Sawyer Hanna\*, Tom, 85. 17 (tie), Cooper DeBrynn\*, Ash, 87.\*\*\*

*\*\*DeBrynn won playoff tiebreaker*

**LAKELAND (307):** 1, Haggart, 72. 2, Rubo, 74. 6, Jeremy Hensen, 79. 7, Davis Kock, 82. 10, Gray Wagner, 84.

### SOCCER

#### PREP GIRLS' SOCCER

GNC Standings as of Tuesday, May 21		
Great Northern	Pts.	W-L-T
x-Lakeland	29	9-0-1-0
Rhineland	22	6-1-1-2
N'land Pines	14	4-3-0-2
Medford	13	3-5-2-0
Mosinee	9	3-6-0-0
Antigo	0	0-10-0-0

*x-Clinched GNC title*  
**Tuesday's Games**  
Medford 8, Antigo 0  
Lakeland 1, Rhinelander 1  
*Lakeland wins PKs, 3-2*  
Mosinee at Northland Pines, ppd.

**Thursday's Games**  
Mosinee at Northland Pines, late  
Northland Pines at Barron (NC), ccd.  
Antigo at Shawano (NC), late  
Lakeland at Merrill (NC), late

**Tuesday, May 28**  
*WIAA Division 3 Regional Quarterfinals*  
Antigo at Amherst, 7 p.m.

#### Rhineland at Lakeland

**Tuesday, May 21**  
Rhineland 0 1 — 1  
Lakeland 1 0 — 1  
*Lakeland wins PK shootout, 3-2*

**First Half:** 1, Lak, Josie Wentland (free kick),14:16.

**Second Half:** 2, Rhi, Sophie Miljevich (free kick),59:48.

**Penalty Kicks:** Rhinelander — S.Miljevich G, Vivian Lamers G, Ella Miljevich NG, Leah Jamison NG, Emma Chiamulera NG. Lakeland — Wentland NG, Cale Quade G, Rylie Wise NG, Bobbi Lee G, Landry Lenz G.

TEAM STATS	Rhi	Lak
Shots (On Goal)	15 (9)	10 (7)
Fouls	4	6
Offsides	0	1
Yellow Cards	1	1
Corner Kicks	6	1

### SOFTBALL

#### PREP SOFTBALL

GNC Standings as of Tuesday, May 21		
Team	GNC	Ovr
x-Mosinee	12-0	24-1
Antigo	8-4	13-6
Lakeland	8-4	14-8
Medford	8-4	13-11
Tomahawk	4-8	11-13
Northland Pines	1-11	5-17
Rhineland	1-11	1-16

*x-Clinched GNC title*

#### Tuesday's Games

*WIAA Division 2 Regional Semifinals*  
Shawano 4, Medford 3  
Waupaca at Mosinee, ppd.  
Lakeland at Antigo, ppd.

*WIAA Division 3 Regional Semifinals*  
Tomahawk at Weyauwega-Fremont, ppd.

#### Wednesday's Games

*WIAA Division 2 Regional Semifinals*  
Waupaca at Mosinee, late  
Lakeland at Antigo, late  
*WIAA Division 3 Regional Semifinals*  
Tomahawk at Weyauwega-Fremont, late

**Thursday's Game**

#### WIAA Division 2 Regional Finals

Lakeland-Antigo winner at New London, late

#### Tuesday, May 28

*WIAA Division 2 Sectional Semifinals*  
Teams/Time TBD

### TENNIS

#### PREP BOYS' TENNIS

GNC Standings as of Tuesday, May 21		
Team	W-L	Dual Meet Pts
x-Rhineland	5-0	29-6 36 94
Lakeland	4-1	26-9 29 81
Medford	3-2	20-15 19 59
Ashland	2-3	16-18 12 44
Antigo	1-4	9-24 7 25
Pacelli	0-5	3-30 2 8

#### Monday's Match

*WIAA Division 1 Subsectionals*  
Rhineland 3rd/7, at Rhinelander

#### Tuesday's Match

*WIAA Division 2 Subsectionals*  
Lakeland T-3rd, Medford T-3rd, Pacelli T-5th, Antigo T-7th, Ashland T-7th/8, at Altoona

#### Wednesday's Match

*WIAA Division 1 Sectionals*  
Rhineland at Eau Claire Memorial, late

#### Thursday's Match

*WIAA Division 2 Sectionals*  
Antigo, Ashland, Lakeland, Medford, Pacelli at Eau Claire Regis, late

#### WIAA D2 Subsectionals

**John & Fay Menard YMCA Tennis Center, Eau Claire**

**Tuesday, May 21**

**Team Scores:** 1, Altoona, 24 points. 2, Regis, 22. 3 (tie), Medford; Lakeland, 12. 5 (tie), Black River Falls; Pacelli, 2. 7 (tie), Antigo; Ashland, 0.

#### Sectional Qualifiers

**1 Singles:** 1, Ryan Hays, Alt. 2, Tony Wesner, Reg. 3, Brayden Balciar, Med. 4, Dominic Gironella, Lak.

**2 Singles:** 1, Trenton Navarre, Alt. 2, Eli Smith, Reg.

**3 Singles:** 1, Mika Rempp, Lak, 2, Carter Drescher, Alt.

**4 Singles:** 1, Conner Gower, Alt. 2, Carter Sisko, Reg.

**1 Doubles:** 1, Austin Vyskocil/Bodee Mikkonen, Ash. 2, Marcus Lansing/Hunter Wrezinski, Pac. 3, Tegan Bennett/Jaxton Semrow, Alt. 4, Andrew Berschback/Ty Gehling, Reg.

**2 Doubles:** 1, Daylen Parks/Lucas Pederson, Alt. 2, Nash Cullinan/Jack Schroeder, Reg.

**3 Doubles:** 1, Isaiah Yi/Brandon Spies, Alt. 2, Pablo Gonzalez/Noah Laber, Reg.

#### WIAA D2 Regionals

**Rice Lake High School**

**Monday, May 20**

#### BOYS' RESULTS

**Team:** 1, Rice Lake, 129.5 points. 2, Ashland, 123. 3, Hayward, 119. 4, Lakeland, 88. 5, Northland Pines, 71.5. 6, Rhinelander, 60.5. 7, Northwestern, 41.5. 8, Tomahawk, 38. 9, Spooner, 31.

**4x800:** 1, Hayward, 8:15.06. 2, Rice Lake, 8:23.58. 3, Northwestern, 8:31.65. 4, Ashland, 8:35.71 ... 7, Lakeland, 9:04.62.

**110 Hurdles:** 1, Jacob Madsen, RL, 14.71. 2, Lucas Hansen, Hay, 15.55. 3, Kaden Willger, RL, 15.56. 4, Gavin Thompson, NW, 16.35 ... 11, James Gaulke, Lak, 19.52.

**100:** 1, Eli Kerner, NP, 10.99. 2, Talon Haling, Lak, 11.25. 3, Ramdy Goyke, Ash, 11.29. 4, Lucas Peters, RL, 11.47.

**1600:** 1, Owen Clark, Lak, 4:43.27. 2, Evan McConnell, Hay, 4:44.82. 3, Levi Reimer, Lak, 4:45.31. 4, Pierce Has-treiter, RL, 4:45.86 ... 6, Ati Gyuro, Lak, 4:58.15.

**4x200:** 1, Northland Pines, 1:32.74. 2, Ashland, 1:32.96. 3, Rhinelander, 1:34.09. 4, Rice Lake, 1:35.52 ... 9, Lakeland, 1:41.27.

**400:** 1, Ethan Gonzalez, Lak, 51.28. 2, Owen Burnette, RL, 52.52. 3, Erik Anderson, Lak, 53.26. 4, Gannon Mohr, Hay, 53.26.

**4x100:** 1, Rice Lak, 45.32. 2, Rhinelander, 45.64. 3, Northland Pines, 45.93. 4, Hayward, 46.32 ... 7, Lakeland, 46.96.

**300 Hurdles:** 1, Hansen, Hay, 40.70. 2, Haling, Lak, 40.93. 3, Goyke, Ash, 41.22. 4, Willger, RL, 41.67 ... 12, Gaulke, Lak, 46.68.

**800:** 1, Ben Laird, Hay, 2:03



# COLOR RUN FUN

PHOTOS BY KATE REICHL/LAKELAND TIMES

The Arbor Vitae-Woodruff Elementary School Parent Group held their Color Run on Saturday, May 11, at Arbor Vitae-Woodruff (AV-W) Elementary School.



Participants kick off the annual AV-W Color Run.



Fourth-grader Nathan Kieffer embraces getting covered in purple powder.



Fifth-grader Calvin Markus leaves a trail of dust.



Fifth-grader Jayce Nielsen covers principal Rich Fortier in powder.



Second-grader Kylie Martin peers through the dust of the color bash.



First-grader Ruby Redman gets covered in colored powder.



First-grader Cael Santos is all smiles during the race.



# Musky

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qua chain is a 50-pound, 54-and-three-quarters-incher hanging in his sports shop caught by Ray Kennedy on Aug. 6, 1956.

“Other than that, those are pretty rare fish,” he said.

Local guide Russ Smith said “who knows” if a 102-pounder ever existed, but maybe back in the day a fish that size was possible.

“I’m not saying it couldn’t be possible,” he said. “It’s a possibility that it could have really been true, but I’ve never seen anything like that in all the years. This is my 48th year of guiding and I have never seen a 100-pound musky.”

Smith said he’s seen fish that have been 58-plus-pounders and a 102-pounder is “hard to imagine.”

“But then again, it was all wild (in 1902) and there wasn’t fishing pressure,” he said.

He said he could see the possibility of the 80-pound “muskallonge,” considering the little pressure and lack of boating at the time.

“It could be possible,” Smith said.

He agreed with E.D. Kennedy’s son Jim, though, and said the



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Casey Strasburg recently caught a 47-inch musky, a monster of a fish, while fishing for walleye on a local lake. He took a picture before releasing the fish.

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# Musky

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whiskey did probably flow pretty good in those days.

Smith mentioned Louis Spray’s world record 69-pound, 11-ounce musky caught on Oct. 20, 1949, in the Chippewa Flowage near Hayward because of the controversy that surrounded it.

“Was it officially weighed?” he said. “I mean there’s been controversies, there’s been ... comparisons with pictures with his height and the fish’s length and stuff like that ... but I think nowadays though if you caught a world record ... there wouldn’t be any doubt about it because with all the digital scales and the witnesses and everything else, it would probably be really legitimate ... but back then they weighed them with like postal scales or at a feed mill or stuff like that. So maybe, who knows.”

One thing Smith said he knows, whether it’s a 102 pounds or not, is that there are indeed “monster fish out there.”

Local guide Mike Bowen has lived in the Northwoods his entire life. He laughed a little bit when he said without a doubt he doesn’t think there’s any fish as big as the 102-pound fish Nevin and Kennedy said they saw more than 100 years ago.

“I mean there certainly are big ones, but ... the world record is 69 pounds,” he said. “102? No, I don’t think I believe that one.”

Bowen said he also finds the 80-pound musky hard to believe.

“We certainly can hope that there is (a fish that big), and we fish believing there is a fish that big, but all probability says probably not,” he said.

One of the biggest musky Bowen said he’s ever seen was a 54-incher

caught on a jig and minnow three years ago with an estimated weight of 45 pounds. He said official measurements weren’t taken because the group he was fishing with agreed to quickly return the fish to the water.

Bowen wouldn’t specify the lake where that fish was caught, but revealed it was a lake in Minocqua.

**That’s weird**

In a separate story printed in the Times on July 6, 1923, Jim McQueen was said to have come across a 78-pound dead musky on Lake Tomahawk.

“The fish was 59 inches in length and 25 1/2 in girth,” according to the story. “It measured six inches between the eyes with a spread of 13.5 inches between the jaws. From tip to tip the tail measured 15 inches. Small novelty fans will be made from the scales of the giant musky, and the fans will be put on sale at local stores as souvenirs of the Island City. Two Musk-orenos, seven No. 9 and five No. 8 spoonhooks, 18 pike hooks and a three pound pike were found in the fish. Six of the spoonhooks had Burt Hill’s initials on them.”

The story says the dead musky was believed by local experts to be the descendant of a legendary musky named “Old Mose,” which weighed 108 pounds and caught on Lake Minocqua “some twenty years ago.”

Justice jokingly said he thinks a fish would probably sink to the bottom of the lake if it had all of those things in it.

Smith said one of the most unusual things he’s seen was when one musky ate another musky.

That’s a story he said he won’t forget.

Weeks said he’s never seen anything too wild in a musky, but mentioned a colleague of his who has done “gastric lavage” research on



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Travis Strasburg holds a 45-inch musky netted on Kawaguesaga Lake last month. He took a quick picture before releasing it back into the lake during the walleye collection period of the stocking efforts of Walleyes for Tomorrow.

the fish has seen large ducks and turtles.

Regarding all the tackle found in the near 80-pounder, he said “biologically” speaking, it would have likely had to of consumed all those hooks at once because based on research, “if there was merely a hook in their stomach, eventually they’d die in about six months or so.”

Bowen is a taxidermist and said he’s seen a few hooks in musky before. He said he’s also seen snakes and muskrats in them too.

One thing he said he’s never seen in the belly of a musky is toes.

Though kids of the Northwoods may want to use caution the next

time they think about hanging their feet over the edge of a pier.

While Bowen said he doesn’t think it’s something people should worry about, he didn’t deny that it could happen and noted there are “documented cases” of the predator fish snatching toes dangling over water.

In other words, the next time you hang your feet over water to enjoy a beautiful Northwoods sunset, take caution and ‘Beware!’ Because these waters are indeed infested with musky and, maybe, just maybe, the “Loch Ness monster of the North.”

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Staff Sgt. Todd White, center, issues commands for a rifle squad on Saturday, Oct. 13, 2018 during a funeral with full military honors for John B. Cummings, killed in action on Dec. 31, 1944, in France. The funeral was the final chapter providing closure for family members after decades of wondering about his fate and location.

## Fennell

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who served with the U.S. Army during the North African campaign and then in Sicily and Italy.

Paul Hartzheim survived the war but perished in the crash of a four engine B-17 Flying Fortress on his way home after the war in Europe had ended; the plane was being used to ferry troops home and Paul Hartzheim boarded the B-17 in Naples, Italy, and took off on Aug. 1, 1945, the first stop on the flight home to be Casablanca in Morocco.

A few hours into the flight, the number three engine caught fire. The pilot attempted to feather the propeller but the engine actually fell off the wing and the aircraft had to be ditched in the Tyrrhenian Sea, between the Italian coast and the island of Sardinia.

A dozen people, including Paul Hartzheim, died in the ditching of the B-17, which broke apart after it hit the water.

While the fate and location of his uncle Paul was known, what wasn’t was that of Mark Hartzheim’s uncle John, who he spent 12 years doing research to find out what happened to his uncle.

That changed in July of 2018 when Hartzheim received a call from the U.S. government’s Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) letting him know his uncle John, whose remains had been disinterred as an unknown after seven decades from an American cemetery in France and transported to a DPAA facility at Nebraska’s Offutt Air Force Base in 2016 for further forensic investigation, had been positively identified.

The funeral in Hazelhurst for John Cummings on Oct. 13, 2018, was the final chapter after decades of wondering for members of his family.

Being able to provide some closure for descendants of U.S. troops killed in action overseas in wars decades ago is a primary mission for people like Joshua Fennell.

### ‘Intensely gratifying’

Fennell is a chief of research for the Europe and Regional directorate of the DPAA.

He began his time doing this work in 2009 as a historical researcher in the Department of Defense’s POW/MIA office, which Fennell described as a “predecessor organization” he said became part of the DPAA.

“In the course of my training as a researcher from 2009 to about 2012, I was assigned cases of missing personnel from World War Two in western Europe which largely centered around France,” Fennell said. “As you can imagine, most of the missing personnel that we have are from Germany, Italy and France so I became the team leader for those cases that came from France, the Netherlands, Belgium and Luxembourg.”

In that capacity as team leader, he said over the “next decade or so” he led research and field teams.

“We went out and looked for crash sites, fighting positions and isolated burials where we might be able to excavate the remains of those soldiers, sailors and airmen,” Fennell said. “I was also the disinterment manager for the Europe/Mediterranean directorate. What that meant was I was in charge of doing the research and authoring of disinterment proposals for the 2,800 unknowns that were recovered from the European and Mediterranean theatres of World War Two and are currently buried

in our overseas cemeteries with the American Battle Monuments Commission.”

At the moment, he said the number of unknown American troops that were buried overseas and his teams have been able to identify, get disinterred and sent back to the U.S. “is around 500.”

“We’re just systematically working through the rest of those 2,800,” Fennell said. “To get as many identifications as possible.”

It was during that time, 2009 to 2012, that Fennell said he got to know the case of John B. Cummings “very, very well.”

“I’ve never met with Mark Hartzheim but I know that my colleagues have or they’ve provided

him their case summary reports,” he said. “The researcher who pushed the most for the disinterments of the unknown remains that ended up being identified as John Cummings is a really good, close colleague of mine. That person actually started working on that case in

2011, I believe.”

Fennell said the reason why no one had worked on the cases since the end of World War Two with the emphasis there is on them over the course of the past decade is because of, essentially, the switch to a focus on finding remains from U.S. personnel lost during the Vietnam War.

“We knew there were files for these unknown remains,” he said of those of Cummings and others, “but they’d never been digitized. Part of what we did as researchers is we brought those files from the National Archives and we scanned them by hand. We digitized them over the course of a couple of years.”

Fennell said he remembers when his colleague scanned the Cummings

file.

“We talked about that file and he thought there were similarities between the unknown remains and soldiers he was researching from France’s eastern border with Germany (the sector where Cummings was killed) along the Rhine River and he narrowed it down to just a couple of people including John Cummings,” he said. “But because, like I said, there was no specific authorization for us to pursue disinterment of remains at that point in time, no one would approve it.”

Fennell said a few years later, he became the disinterment manager.

“We were able to get that (the Cummings disinterment) approved,” he said. “It was intensely gratifying to have held on, and I know the families have been holding on to the memory of their loved ones for 80 years. For us, you know, we were holding that case for a few years and just kept pushing. It was like the slow boring of hard wood and we finally got to the approval stage and it was just incredible to finally get that answer and close the case.”

Fennell is to be the keynote speaker for the Memorial Day observance at the Northwoods National Cemetery in Harshaw this Monday at 2:30 p.m.

Now that he’s aware John Cummings is buried with his parents up the road at Hazlehurst Lakeside Garden of Sleep Cemetery, his speech to those in attendance means that much more.

“If you think it would be OK with Mr. Hartzheim, I’d like to include a little about Pvt. John Cummings in my remarks,” Fennell said.

Contacted later by the *The Lakeland Times*, Mark Hartzheim indicated he indeed had no issue with that.

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“We were holding that case and just kept pushing.”

Joshua Fennell

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forcement agencies or form boat safety patrols pursuant to state statutes, but he said volunteer citizen enforcement was a different creature.

“I have very strong concerns that some of these towns, especially the ones that don’t have enforcement arms, if they’re asking citizens to make law enforcement and prosecutorial decisions, that’s bad and they shouldn’t,” Kuhn said. “I just think of the wardens in my career. I would love to get photographic evidence from a citizen on a violation, but that’s not going to be the basis for my citation. The basis for my citation is going to be an actual interview and a physical contact with the suspect.”

Getting a photo or video is only one step, Kuhn said.

“Great, I’ve got a picture,” he said. “That’s phase one. But if a town is using that as the judge and the jury, they’re going to get themselves sued and they’re going to lose, and they’re ultimately going to rescind that ordinance, would be my guess.”

### Plethora of ordinances, paucity of enforcement tools

That concern has not stopped towns across the state from enacting enhanced wake ordinances, or from actively considering them. In Oneida County, the towns of Newbold and Lake Tomahawk recently added their names to the growing list.

Under the Newbold ordinance, for example, no person may use or employ water sacks, fins, ballast tanks, ballast bags, mechanical fins, or similar devices to cause a boat to operate in a bow-high manner, or that increases or enhances a boat’s wake, and no person may operate a boat in

an artificially bow-high manner, having the effect of increasing the boat’s wake.

Exempt activities include water skiing, tubing, wakeboarding employing a tow rope, a brief transition operation to empty a boat of water, and brief transition operation of a boat accelerating into a planing condition, provided the boats do not use water sacks, fins, ballast tanks, ballast bags, mechanical fins, and similar devices.

The penalty for violating the ordinance is \$500 for a first offense and \$1,000 for a second offense within a year.

The question is, how are towns intending to enforce such penalties?

In Newbold, town chairman Dan Hess raised the specter of writing tickets, though he said education rather than ticket-writing was the goal.

“The people of the town have to educate,” Hess said, as reported in

the *Times* previously. “Our goal isn’t to go out and write tickets. If someone’s doing something wrong on the lake I’d hope someone would talk to them first .... The big thing is, and I’m not a big one for writing tickets on this, so it has to come from the people.”

While writing tickets isn’t the goal, Hess did not say tickets would not be issued or could not be issued and, by raising the possibility, seemed to suggest tickets could be a last resort if education failed.

In a pitch to the Lake Tomahawk town board, the ability to write tickets was more explicit. Richard Phillips, a retired Exxon/Mobil corporate attorney who now lives in Presque Isle and who is assisting some towns in writing enhanced wake ordinances, said Wisconsin uniquely gives towns the right to enact boating ordinances to protect



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their waters and to have citations issued for violations.

“The way I draft enforcement provisions is this ordinance may be enforced by any individual or entity that is authorized to enforce ordinances for the town of Lake Tomahawk,” Phillips said. “The enforcement would be exactly the same as it would for the breach of any other ordinance ... And the way this works in Wisconsin for smaller towns that don’t have their own magistrate and don’t have their own police force is, ... it empowers the local county court here, and for payment of a \$5 fee, they will have an officer of the court come out and issue a citation. And then there would be a court hearing just like on a speeding ticket or anything else.”

To be sure, Phillips stressed in his talk that enforcement was unlikely and that in his view the key to compliance was simply passing the ordinance.

"I very often hear two big complaints," he said. "The first one is, it's not enforceable. I spent a lot of time working with the 20 towns that have enacted ordinances in the state. The number of times in the entire state of Wisconsin that any of these ordinances has been enforced is zero. And that sounds surprising."

Phillips said there were cautions given on two occasions.

"In both cases, the boater claimed not to know the ordinance," he said. "In both cases when they learned of it, they stopped immediately. They went to another town. But basically wake surfing is so obvious and it gets so much on the nerves of other people on the lakes that if there is an ordinance in place, there was just no instance in the state of Wisconsin thus far. First ordinance was 2008,

16 years ago. There is no instance where anyone has ever had to enforce an ordinance. It may come someday, but by and large people will respect laws, particularly if they think they can't get away with violating them."

That said, the backstop of Phillips's model ordinance is enforcement through citation.

## Where's the beef?

The problem with that enforcement format comes not in any lack of enforcement mechanism, but in the ability of towns to constitutionally gather evidence in the absence of an official law enforcement presence.

For one thing, the DNR cannot enforce local town boating ordinances. Still, as Phillips states, an enforcement mechanism exists, the surest being when towns have police department boat safety patrols that can statutorily make contact when there is reasonable suspicion to believe the ordinance is being violated. In those instances, those law enforcement officers have the power to stop a boat and make contact and — with probable cause — actually board the boat.

If there is no police department or boat safety patrol, towns and municipalities can also enter into contractual arrangements with other law enforcement agencies, such as sheriff's departments, to enforce boating ordinances. However, many if not most towns lack such arrangements, and, says Oneida County sheriff Grady Hartman, that is the situation for his department throughout Oneida County.

“We do not enforce town or city ordinances, so we will not be enforcing the local wake ordinances,” Hartman said. “In order to enforce those, we would have to enter into a service contract with the local municipality and we currently don’t

have any of those.”

Even if there is an available law enforcement arm, it's questionable what authority they have to carry out what is necessary to discover evidence of an ordinance violation, namely, the right to board a vessel.

While the state statute governing boat patrols gives officers the right to board a boat with only reasonable suspicion — “Officers patrolling the waters as part of a water safety patrol unit may stop and board any boat for the purpose of enforcing [statutory boating regulations] ... if the officers have reasonable cause to believe there is a violation ...” — many law enforcement officials in Wisconsin believe that statute is constitutionally suspect and, whether it is or not, won’t board a boat without probable cause or a warrant.

Hartman says that's the case with him.

"I don't believe you can enter a boat, home, or car with reasonable suspicion," he said. "I also don't know of any water patrols in Oneida County that are actually boarding boats, that's more of a Coast Guard thing."

Hartman says there are times when a law enforcement officer can enter a boat, but those are limited to consent, probable cause (hot pursuit, plain view, search incident to arrest, among others) and warrants.

Over at the DNR, Kuhn agreed about the need for probable cause. If a municipality had an enforcement arm that was designated or agreed to enforce that particular ordinance, Kuhn said a boat could be stopped because of reasonable suspicion, to ask the operator if he's using his ballast systems. But, the boating law administrator said, without more than reasonable suspicion, that's as far as law enforcement can go unless the boat operator agrees to let officers on board.

"We believe there would be rea-

sonable suspicion to make the stop, to ask the question,” he said. “... And if he says no, then absolutely that’s pretty much a done deal. You have not met probable cause to get a search warrant.”

## Surf's — ur, the gig's — up

So even with a law enforcement arm, there is a high bar to meet for boarding a boat to prove an enhanced wake ordinance violation, in the view of many law enforcement officials. Lacking any enforcement arm makes the enforcement wave even harder to surf.

To be sure, towns would still have an enforcement mechanism. By ordinance, towns can confer on certain town officials the ability to write citations for violations of town ordinances, be it the town chairperson or officials whose responsibilities are related to the ordinance, and, if there is no municipal court to hear the case, the county's circuit court automatically attains jurisdiction.

The problem is, without an official law enforcement presence, it would be almost impossible for the town to gather evidence constitutionally. And the notion that citizen committees or individual citizens can do so on the water is a big concern, said the DNR's Kuhn.

“A concern that I have is the detention — actually physically stopping somebody and saying, ‘I’m going to stop you on the water and I don’t have the authority to do it,’” Kuhn said. “I mean, that’s a Fourth Amendment violation if I’ve ever seen one.”

And it's possible that town officials and involved citizens could be sued.

"If they have people out there stopping boats, if they have citizens out there without the proper requirements, they're asking for some serious civil liability," Kuhn said. "No doubt about it."

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## Fish like a GIRL

### Prepping to run the first tournament of the year



By Beckie Gaskill  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

At the time of this writing, we are about to kick off our true tournament season in a few days. Chet and I are running our first tournament of the 2024 season on Lake Mohawksin. It is always fun, exciting and stressful getting the season underway again.

Of course we are both excited to get the season going and to get back out fishing competitively in our series, The Wisconsin Bass Team Trail, and in the Upper Midwest Bass Challenge Series, both of which we are fishing again this year. Fishing the tournaments in and of itself can be a bit stressful sometimes. But running the tournament always adds a level of stress to it.

We are very lucky in that almost all of the guys who fish with us have fished with us for years and have become friends. That does make it easier. For the most part, when we need an extra hand here and there, it seems like there is usually someone there to help. For instance, with both the Mohawksin and Nokomis tournaments, the Department of Natural Resource (DNR) fisheries biologists requires that we measure every fish and record all of those measurements. We have come up with a system that makes it easier, but it still takes an extra person to record those lengths. Luckily, there is only one county where we have to take this extra step. Although I can totally see where the information could be incredibly useful for a fisheries biologist, it is just an extra step for us that also requires an extra person.

During the tournament, both Chet and I are basically obligated to answer our phones, whether it is a call or a text message, for the duration of any event that we run, even if we are fishing. I never know if an angler is calling with boat trouble, to report some sort of un-sportsman-like behavior or even with a simple question about a boundary of cut off line.

Before I ran tournaments, I would never answer my phone while I was fishing. I would usually throw my phone in one of the compartments on the boat and forget about it until the end of the day. It was freeing, really, to not be attached to

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## PORKY PINE

A porcupine skitters up a pine tree on Thursday, May 9, in Sayner.

## Musky opener setting up to be good for anglers

By Beckie Gaskill  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

This weekend marks the opening of musky season in the Northwoods. The Northern Zone opens on Saturday. For some anglers, this weekend is even bigger than the opening of game fish season. Those anglers out for the "fish of 10,000 casts," and the chance to hook into a trophy fish giving a fight none will soon forget, look forward to this weekend all year.

According to local guide and seasoned musky angler Jeff Van Remortel, this season opener is shaping up to be one that will bring good success to anglers. He said, by the opener, he felt as though there would not be many lakes where the spawn had not completed yet, other than the biggest, deepest lakes with the coldest water.

"People should concentrate on those systems that are farthest along, where fish are farthest post spawn," he said. He also said this season was setting up to be exactly what it should be — most fish will be post spawn far enough by this weekend that they will be looking to eat again. Smaller, shallower lakes

that warm first will be the best targets for anglers looking to capitalize on one of these elusive fish on opening weekend.

"You want to look at the smaller, shallow systems just because, one they do warm up more quickly, but more importantly is, the true reason why those things are better early season choices is because the fish are farther past the spawn," he said.

He also said anglers should be looking for the warmest water and lakes that have the most weed growth. While some spots in some lakes may have better weed growth than others, and those spots could produce more than other spots, the lakes with the best overall weed growth early on are the best bet for early season musky anglers. Simply because there is good weed growth on a lake, however, does not necessarily mean the fish are through the spawning process. That is where the smaller, shallower lakes come into play as being more productive for the opener.

As far as baits, Van Remortel said, small jerk baits and small bucktails, typical early season baits, are likely to produce well.

However, anglers should not necessarily shy away from larger baits for opening weekend, either.

In the week prior to opening weekend, he said he has seen musky after walleye and bass, biting off crank baits and feeding fairly aggressively. This is a clue that normal-sized musky baits, or even magnum-sized presentations may work well for anglers who are looking to hook into a big fish on opening weekend. Rubber baits in the medium to larger size may bring good results, too. Normal-sized blades and things such as 10" Suicks or regular and magnum Bull Dawgs or 8-10" tubes, anything an angler might equate with the second or third week of June might be good bets as well.

"However, myself, I'll most likely be throwing normal to upsized baits right off the bat on opener, because we're going to have a lot of these fish in that post spawn feeding period an well recovered or in the process of recovering from the spawn," he said. He said in years such as this with early ice out, the fish get through the spawn and their post spawn funk before open-

ing weekend and are ready to eat again by the time the season opens.

On many lakes, anglers would not be wrong to treat musky fishing as they might normally in the middle of June in small and medium size systems. In larger systems, and systems with bull rush stands where muskies hang around in the spring, there will likely still be some fish found with the spawning mentality and behavior in play.

Anglers should also look for areas with spawning suckers. That spawn usually takes place close to the same time or just after musky spawn in most systems. Van Remortel has been seeing muskies cruising in the same places where suckers and crappies will be, or are, spawning.

Van Remortel said the fairly stable weather the week leading up to the opener should help. He said anglers should also pay attention to the moon phases and any incoming weather that pairs up with those phases.

As always, nothing compares with local knowledge. For anglers who have yet to hit the

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### An Owl Story

On May 13, Greg Bassett in the Hazelhurst area sent me the following email along with several photos: “This little guy/gal [a barred owl chick] was alongside my neighbor’s driveway just walking around. When I stopped to take this picture, Mom or Dad did a dive bomb and then landed on a branch in a tree above the little one. Is it normal for a baby owl to be on the ground and not be able to fly? Not sure if I should contact the wildlife center or just leave them alone.”

I responded, “Well, I don’t think it’s normal, but the question is obviously whether this bird has fledged and is just experiencing flight issues, or whether it fell out of the nest and can’t fly. I’d check again, and if it’s still there, call the wildlife center to see what they say. The parents might continue to feed it as well, even if it’s on the ground, so it’s a hard call to make.”

Greg checked again and wrote: “I went back and checked it again. At that point it was about 8’ off the ground in a pine tree. It made an attempt to fly, but it wasn’t successful and landed in the leaves. Didn’t seem to be injured and both mom and dad made me aware that they were taking care of things and would prefer I move along and let them handle it. I’ll check their progress tomorrow morning, but I feel like the little one has a good chance. If I have any reason to think it’s in trouble I’ll let the wildlife center know.”

The next day Greg wrote: “It looks good today for Little Owl. He or she is perched in a small maple tree about 15’ up, safe from ground predators and waiting for mom or dad to bring some breakfast. As usual, Ma nature seems to be doing just fine without a dumb human interfering. Even though I know I should trust nature to handle things, it’s still hard to walk away from babies. I keep having to remind myself that nature does fine without our help and usually when we do help we make a mess of things. So, it looks like our neighborhood owl population is going to increase by at least one this spring. Go team Nature!”

I share Greg’s experience because it is often really hard to know if you’re doing the right thing in a situation like this – are you helping or interfering? I think Greg’s response was perfect. If the animal doesn’t appear to be seriously injured or in significant distress, keep an eye on the situation and see how it develops. I think it’s also wise to call one of the wildlife rehab centers in our area to get their professional opinion, because do any of us really know what the right thing to do is for a specific species in a specific place and time?

Barred owls nest early, often by mid-March. With an incubation period of around a month, an owlet in our area would likely be hatched starting mid-April. So, this little owl was likely around 4 weeks old. The literature says, “At approximately 4–5 weeks of age, flightless young leave the nest, perching on the rim or climbing to a branch on the nest tree, eventually dropping to the ground and climbing a nearby leaning tree to perch. Young begin short flights at approximately 10 weeks of age, attaining longer flights by 12 weeks . . . Fledged young initially stay near one another and the nest site, being fed by parents.”

### Sightings

5/3: Judith Bloom on Tomahawk Lake reported her FOY ruby-throated hummingbird.

5/7: Judith Bloom later reported seeing her FOY indigo buntings. She also keeps close track of the nesting loons on the 3,462-acre Tomahawk Lake and wrote, “Have been able to

locate 5 of the 6 territorial pairs with two already on the nest. Once again, one of the pairs is nesting next to a Canada Goose nest. Two years ago (in 2022) this pair raised a goose gosling, but that year we did not see the Canada Goose nesting nearby. The other year that we DID see it nesting at the same time was 2018.”

I had not heard (or perhaps I just forgot — this is happening more and more!) about the loon pair raising a gosling. It was in 2019 that the news was full of the loon pair in Oneida County raising a mallard chick, but the gosling story never got the same media exposure. So, I’ve attached Judith’s photo of the gosling riding on the back of the adult loon. I’ve also attached Judith’s photo of

the loon pair and the goose pair nesting within four feet of one another. I find this really remarkable — they’ve apparently not read the textbook about how territorial they are.

5/8: Joan Galloway had her FOY Baltimore oriole visiting her property in Manitowish Waters.

5/11: Hannah Dana reported seeing her FOY ruby-throated hummingbird and noted, “When I marked the sighting on the calendar I noticed it is exactly one year since last year’s first sighting! Amazing. The loons and the hummers are back . . . life is good.”

5/11: I took a group of birders out to Powell Marsh as part of the North Lakeland Discovery Center Bird and Wildlife Festival, and the highlight of the walk was the sighting of two Wilson’s phalaropes, a “life” bird for me. They were hanging out with six greater yellowlegs, a shorebird species that we often see as they migrate through on their way to central and northern Canada.

But under the category of “I really don’t know much at all,” I later learned that Wilson’s phalaropes actually nest, albeit rarely, in Wisconsin. They commonly nest in wetlands of western Canadian provinces and western states, and winter mainly in Bolivia, Argentina, and as far south as Tierra del Fuego. In Wisconsin, however, seven confirmed nesting areas were located during the six years of data collecting for the Atlas of the Breeding Birds of Wisconsin, something I was utterly unaware of.

5/15: Our big sighting in Manitowish was of a yellow-headed blackbird at our feeders. I think this is only the 3rd time in 40 years in Manitowish that we’ve seen one of these at our feeders. They are a gorgeous bird!

5/16: White-crowned sparrows appeared at our feeders on 5/4, and are still here as of 5/16. These birds nest in far northern Canada and Alaska, a long ways from here.

### North Lakeland Discovery Center Bird and Wildlife Festival

The final tally for bird species seen during the festival on 5/10 to 5/11 was 84 species, a fine number that would have been even higher if the peak migration had arrived. It was a well-organized, excellent festival. If you’ve never attended, consider doing so next year!

### Counting Birds on the Manitowish River

On 5/15, Mary and I did a bird count on a section of the Manitowish River for the Great Wisconsin Birdathon, which is organized by the Natural Resource Foundation of Wisconsin. We’re one of 10 crews for the “River Raptors” team that take to various Wisconsin’s rivers and streams to count birds. Our total for the 3.5 hours we were on the river was 56 species. The biggest positive surprise was the yellow-headed blackbird that was at our house on the Manitowish River where we pulled-out.

Our biggest negative surprise was the nearly complete lack of waterfowl along the river, likely due to



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Judith Bloom’s photo of loon with a gosling on Tomahawk Lake in 2022.



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Gregg Bassett’s photo of a barred owl chick on the ground.



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Judith Bloom’s photo of loons nesting near geese on Tomahawk Lake.

the very low water levels this spring as the Manitowish Waters Chain refilled their lakes. This was, of course, a year with very little snow to recharge the rivers flowing into the chain. The autumn drawdown doesn’t allow for adequate refill during droughty winters and springs, and truly needs to be revisited. It’s hard to nest in spring wetlands that should be flooded but are dry.

### Ovenbirds

Macy Washow sent me this email recently after hearing a talk I gave on keynote/emblem birds of the Northwoods: “You’re right, we do have a lot of signature birds in the area, so it is hard to pick just one. I have to say the loud but elusive Ovenbird with his “teacher, teacher, teacher” following me as I walk down the road is my top contender. It’s like he’s saying ‘Don’t be lonely, I’m coming with you.’ I always wonder if he’s following me, or if they are just that ubiquitous.”

In fact, they are ubiquitous, at least in relatively mature to older forests. Their territories vary in size but are relatively small, and they do far better in contiguous forests than in fragmented ones. One study found nest sites on average 18 meters, or 59 feet, apart. So, on a given walk in a mature woods, one hears ovenbirds very regularly along a trail.

Both sexes have olive-brown backs, dull-orange caps and spotted breasts that blend well with the forest understory, so ovenbirds are far more often heard than seen. Their notoriously well-concealed nests are also on the ground, mainly constructed of leaves, and are dome-shaped, thus the name – it appears the birds are living in a small, leafy oven.

### Bar-tailed Godwits in New Zealand!

When Mary and I were in New Zealand in early April, we spotted bar-tailed godwits in a wetland near Christchurch on the east coast of the South Island. And we were thrilled, because we were seeing the holder of the world’s longest non-stop distance record for migration — 13,050 km, or 8,108 miles!

The important word in the above sentence is “non-stop.” Over a decade ago, shorebird researchers in New Zealand put satellite trackers on bar-tailed godwits. One individual, labelled ‘4BBRW’, never landed,

and now holds the record for a single one-hop flight from Alaska to Tweed Heads, Australia, in September 2021. The distance of 13,050km was done in a little over ten days.

Researchers have found that to prepare for such a flight bar-tailed godwits alter themselves physically by putting on a huge amount of body fat accounting for 55% of their weight. To accommodate this incredible gain in fat, they shrink their gizzards, livers, kidneys, and guts, and only maintain those organs essential for long-distance flight. Then they rebuild these organs upon arrival at the migratory destination.

Seeing these otherwise unremarkable looking shorebirds was like seeing the world record-holder in a sporting event. But the difference was the godwit’s record is utterly implausible — flying non-stop for 10 days over 8,000 miles while only weighing less than a pound? Well, how is that even possible, and why did they evolve to do this?

### Celestial Events

The full moon was last night (5/2), but it’s still 97% illuminated tonight – 5/24.

On 5/31, look before dawn for Saturn just below the waning crescent moon.

By 6/1, we’re up to 15 hours and 30 minutes of sunlight — enjoy!

On 6/2, look before dawn for Mars about 2° below the crescent moon.

New moon on 6/6.

### Thought for the Week

“Life will break you. Nobody can protect you from that, and being alone won’t either, for solitude will also break you with its yearning. You have to love. You have to feel. It is the reason you are here on earth. You have to risk your heart. You are here to be swallowed up. And when it happens that you are broken, or betrayed, or left, or hurt, or death brushes too near, let yourself sit by an apple tree and listen to the apples falling all around you in heaps, wasting their sweetness. Tell yourself that you tasted as many as you could.” – Louise Erdrich

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# Studies delve into how fish growth rates are changing as water warms

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Several presenters got together for a recent webinar hosted by the Midwest Glacial Lakes Partnership. The webinar was a presentation of recent research into how climate change affects the growth of different fish species across the Upper Midwest.

Gretchen Hansen was the first presenter. The first thing to attempt to understand, she said, was how lake temperatures were changing. Her team has worked with the United States Geological Service to build models to start to answer those questions based on several metrics. Researchers used the models to do hind-casting back to the 1980s and also some forecasting. In doing this, Hansen was able to look back to see how much lakes have warmed since 1980 and also look ahead to see what those changes would look like based on different climate scenarios.

Hansen's team has also started building a database of fish surveys. This database includes information from state and tribal natural resource departments from across the Upper Midwest. The idea was to have all of that information from various agencies all in one place. The database now includes 15 million observations from 13,000 lakes over 86 years. She said the plan was to have this data publicly available within the year so others could use it in their research as well.

Fish survey data information was also used to develop age/length assessments. This information was used to assign an age to every fish in the database that was ever measured. This would help to come to the conclusions of how changes in climate, and changes in water temperatures, may be affecting fish growth over time. This tool, too, is publicly available and usable by other researchers.

Lyndsie Wszola talked about bioenergetics modeling. Bioenergetics is a branch of biochemistry that studies the energy transfer and exchange within and between living systems and their environments. In this case, she was looking at energy transfer from prey species to fish and how those interactions might change with warming water.

Fish are ectotherms, meaning the temperature of their environment controls everything that is happening in their bodies. This means temperature controls not only the forage that is available for fish but

also the rate at which it is converted to fish biomass and biomass of future fish through reproduction.

Lynsdie Wszola's portion of the presentation focused on how fish energetic needs changed as water warmed. She studied 337 lakes over 100 hectares from the Upper Midwest down to Missouri and Arkansas. The idea was that if there was a place that offered a cool water refuge, it would likely be a bigger, deeper lake.

She looked at walleye and largemouth bass. Largemouth bass are warmer water fish and walleye a cool water fish. As temperatures increased from 10-37 degrees celsius (50 - 98 Fahrenheit), largemouth can take in more prey mass than they can spend calorically. This, then, represents the temperatures at which largemouth bass can grow.

Conversely, walleye do very well up to approximately 26 degrees celsius (78-79 Fahrenheit). At that point, walleyes start to see more energetic demands than they can meet, Wszola said. Even in the large lakes, the mean temperature is going up over time on average. On average the southern lakes in the study were warmer, but as time goes on, some northern lakes were projected to be warmer than normal, however, and some southern lakes were cooler than one would think overall.

Wszola looked at the consequences of a temperature increase a fish would need just for maintenance, not to grow. The amount of food both types of fish would need in warmer water will go up. This is especially true in southern impoundments that are projected to be quite a bit warmer over time. She did find, also, that maintenance needs would increase, but not uniformly.

She also looked to see if refuge lakes would still exist for cool water species such as walleye. She looked at three regionally important walleye lakes. A lake such as Bull Shoals, she said, was taking in more cold water for geological and hydrological reasons than the other two lakes she was looking at. Over time, even though Bull Shoals is currently the warmest lake and exhibits increasing temperatures on average, it is not projected to peak as highly as Lake Winnibigoshish and Rathbun Lake, the other two large lakes she looked at. While all three of these lakes could possibly be stressful for walleye, but would not come to a point before the end of the century that largemouth bass would be affected.

In all three lakes right now, largemouth bass are using the higher parts of the water column, which makes sense as a warm water species. As water warms under these projections, bass would be projected to move lower in the water column to make use of cooler water.

Walleye, she said, are using those deeper depths at mid summer now. The amount of time this cool water species will use closer to the thermocline will increase over time as water warms.

Wszola also looked at how rising temperatures might affect growth in both species. Walleye growth at Bull Shoals is predicted to stay strong. There is enough water near the thermocline to which walleye can head to keep stress levels low for them through the end of the century. This is due to the unique hydrology of this particular lake.

At Lake Rathbun, however, walleye will likely see a significant drop in growth rates over the next century, she said. Lake Winnibigoshish right now does not exhibit any issues with growth, even in mid-summer. However, by mid century, models predict water temperatures that will likely see walleye losing weight during the mid-summer.

When it comes to largemouth bass, they are completely different, she said. Bass lose weight at very cold and very warm temperatures. They lose weight in winter and gain that weight back in summer. Overall, Wszola said, one would expect bass to be in a position to do extremely well as far as growth rates through the end of the century. However, that would be extremely contingent on bass having the ability to find enough prey on which to feed.

Overall, she said, rising water temperatures will continue to cause stress for cool water fish species. That said, there will still be cool water refuges in many places. This can be true, even in southern systems where there is unique hydrology that can help create those thermal refuges.

She reminded that availability of food as well as thermal refuges would both be important. Should both of those conditions be met, even cool water species such as walleye will continue to grow and thrive. In systems where one of those was missing, however, the outlook was not as favorable through the end of the century.

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the lake  
where  
you live

## Wind from the east ...

The fishing season's opening day started cool and rainy. If you're like me you don't feel obligated to fish on the opener; on such a day I chose to stay on land.

The sky cleared toward late afternoon, though, and I decided to give it a try. After a trip to town for some large fathead minnows I set out with my favorite walleye rod, a one-sixteenth-ounce chartreuse jig tied on with a clinch knot.



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As I motored eastward toward my first walleye spot I felt a chilly wind in my face and was reminded of the saying: "Wind from the east, fish bite the least." I can't prove or disprove the veracity of that, but on this opening day it held true.

I tried three spots and caught nothing before the sky clouded over and a sheet of rain swept across the lake from the west. I made it back to the pier just in time to avoid a soaking.

A couple of days later toward evening the wind had shifted 90 degrees counterclockwise. It still carried a chill. "Wind from the north," the adage goes, "do not go forth." I did go, regardless. In the season's early days, marked by inhospitable weather, the water cold, the fish sluggish and scattered, I'm prone to questioning.

Do I still have the touch? Can I still distinguish between the bite of a walleye and the bounce of the jig on the bottom rocks? Are the fish in the same places as in past years? Are there still fish in the lake?

The fifth place I tried gave me the answers, all in the affirmative. I detected my first strike just as the sun hit the treetops. It was just the slightest tik that the line transmitted to the sensitive graphite rid, I missed that fish, but in the next half-hour I brought three walleyes to the boat, all about 14 inches. I returned each one to the lake, the last just as daylight faded into deep gray.

The action was sporadic; I sat over a bottom carpeted with coontail in about 10 feet of water and cast the jig in all directions. The fish struck at widely spaced points around the circle.

Now in mid-month the water remains cold, the fishing a challenge. Last evening (May 16), a north wind under a gloomy sky chased me off the water after an utterly unproductive half-hour.

I wait now for the water to warm and for the fish — walleyes, perch, panfish, smallmouth bass — to kick their feeding activity into gear.

I also await more pleasant conditions, fishing without need of a hoody and a jacket, comfortably warm days, mellow evenings, the sun lighting up the western clouds as it sinks below the tops of the pines.

"Wind from the West, fish bite the best. Wind from the South blows bait into their mouth." You know, days like that. They'll be here soon.

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## Musky

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water, a stop at the local tackle shop can be most helpful in choosing a lake and getting a better idea of where to start to look for these mighty fish. Anglers should also be aware that fishing regulations can change from year to year, so they will want to know the length limits for musky on the lake they intend to hit opening weekend. Anglers who are successful boating a musky on opening weekend, or at any time during the season, are encouraged to send a photo to *The Lakeland Times* at [outdoors@lakelandtimes.com](mailto:outdoors@lakelandtimes.com).

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Jeff Van Remortel of Eagle River has been targetting musky for years and believes this year is setting up to be a great opener.



# NORTHWOODS YARD & GARDEN

## Modify lawn care in shade

Numerous shade trees in the yard and quality lawns oftentimes do not go hand in hand. However, there are guidelines to help achieve decent lawns in shade areas. Start with growing the proper grass species for shade. Fine fescues, which include creeping red, hard, sheep, and chewings fescues, are the best choice. As a group these grasses are considered minimal maintenance and tolerate shade, but not extremely deep shade. They do not tolerate heavy traffic and do not recover quickly when damaged, however.

Always try to reduce foot traffic as much as possible on shade lawns. Fine fescues are the backbone of commercially available shade lawn mixes. Shade tolerant Kentucky bluegrass cultivars may also be in these mixes, along with perennial ryegrass. These can be used both to start a new lawn or to overseed existing thin lawns. If possible, prune shade trees to allow maximum light to reach the soil. Once established, lawn care practices need to be modified for shade. Mow



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higher in shade so grasses have more leaf area to take in light. Mowing heights around three inches are good, if in doubt adjust your mower near or at the highest mowing height setting. Higher mowing heights benefit full sun lawns as well. Fertilizing lawns in shade is the biggest adjustment compared to a full sun lawn. While thoughts may be to fertilize more when grass looks thin, do just the opposite. Shade lawns need less nitrogen than full sun lawns. The recommended nitrogen

fertilizer rate for shade lawns is 1 to 2 pounds of actual nitrogen per season, ideally split into more than one application. A suggested schedule would be to apply twice a season, once in mid-May and again in early September. Use fertilizer products containing controlled release nitrogen, such as sulfur-coated or polymer coated urea, IBDU, or ureaform. Milorganite and other organic nitrogen fertilizers containing water insoluble nitrogen (WIN) are also good choices. Ground ivy (Creeping Charlie) is among the common weed problems in shade lawns. Lawns thinning out from the shade invite weed problems to move in. There

are broadleaf herbicides available to apply; they will reduce but not eliminate the weeds. Getting lawns thicker by following the practices mentioned here is key to help keep weeds from invading. The same holds true with moss. If these guidelines do not work, the shade is too deep. In these cases, consider shade tolerant ground covers and low growing plants as an alternative to lawns, or mulch the deep shade areas. Bruce Spangenberg is Iron County Extension Horticulture Educator with University of Wisconsin Extension. Email yard and garden questions to him at [bruce.spangenberg@wisc.edu](mailto:bruce.spangenberg@wisc.edu) or call 715-561-2695.

# When is the best time to fish a power shot?

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The short answer is any time. But it is not necessarily that simplistic. First, the question to be answered is what, exactly, a power shot is. The power shot can be thought of as a “beefed up” version of the drop shot. It can be a great way to cover water and will help to keep the bait in the strike zone longer. The power shot is a rig that will keep a bait up off the bottom. It can be used to imitate bait fish, tadpoles, or other forage that may be floating in the water. The biggest differences between drop shots and power shots are the size of the bait and the size of the weight used. Unlike drop shotting, which is used to methodically pick apart an area, power shotting can be a much faster presentation, allowing the angler to cover more water. Power shots came into popularity approximately a decade ago, but then fell off the radar. That does not mean anglers are not still using them. It just means that most people are no longer talking about the rig.

### How to create the power shot rig

A power shot, like a drop shot, has the weight at the bottom, with a hook up the line anywhere from a few inches to over a foot. At the top of the rig itself is a swivel. The main line is tied to the top of the swivel. The leader line, containing the hook with the weight below it, is tied to the bottom of the swivel. There is no need to necessarily learn fancy knots to tie this rig effectively. It can be done with a simple Palomar knot. First, tie the hook onto the leader material using the palomar knott. Take the bottom end of the line and loop it back through the hook eye from the top. This will keep the hook straight on the line. Next, use a Palomar knot to tie other end of the swivel to the main line, typing the entire rig to the main line. Add a drop shot weight to the end of the line last. If rigging early, the weight can be skipped until it is ready to be used. A pencil-style weight, or a limestone sinker, are good options for this type of rigging. Unlike the drop shot, where the bait is nose hooked, the bigger power shot baits are Texas rigged. This helps them stay on the hook while giving the right presentation.

### Where to fish the power shot

A power shot can be used effectively over and around vegetation. Rather than the bait sitting on the bottom in heavy vegetation, where it

will likely not be seen by a bass until it is pulled directly in front of their face, the power shot will keep the bait above the weeds, meaning it will be more visible to any fish in the area as it hops and darts around as far above the bottom as the angler has tied the hook. Vegetation is the place where this rig shines. When it comes to large masses of vegetation, anglers will have to break that vegetation down and look at it from a fish’s point of view. Fish are simple. They need to have their genetics carried on, they need to eat, and they need to hide from things that can eat them. Those are the three things that are important in their lives. Vegetation can be useful in all three of those scenarios. Anglers should look for things that are different in the vegetation. Maybe there is a harder bottom to which fish are related — sand rather than muck. Maybe they are relating to vegetation that follows a long point out into the lake. Another good place to possibly find fish are places where there are “pockets” where the outside or inside weed line dips in from the edge, creating a place for fish to hover to ambush prey as it swims or floats by. Fish may also be relating to rocky areas within a weed bed.

It will be important for an angler to pinpoint precisely to what fish are relating. Once that can be pinpointed, that pattern will likely be replicated all over the lake. Anglers should look for areas that mirror the area where they caught fish originally. Wind and current are important, too. If wind is blowing into a particular side of the lake, this may be moving bait fish in because their prey is being moved in that direction. Bigger fish looking to have a meal of bait fish will be found in those areas, too, then. Current, too, may mean crayfish are floating by, or the same scenario may set up with bait fish in current as would happen on the wind swept side of the lake.

### Working the power shot rig

While the drop shot is usually fished slowly and sometimes barely moved at all, the power shot, being a power tactic, can be fished much faster. Anglers typically impart action to the bait by hopping it up off the bottom or giving the rod short jerks. For the most part, once an angler has found a pattern, 80-90 percent of the time, fish will strike the bait on the way down. Anglers can often feel a fish bite before they feel their weight on the bottom. This can allow anglers to cover more water more quickly. If a fish does not pick up the



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The power shot is created much like a drop shot. A swivel attaches the rig to the main line. A 3/0 or 4/0 hook is tied to the leader down from the swivel and a weight at the bottom completes the rig. Using a 3/0 or 4/0 extra wide gap hook, tie it to the leader with a Palomar knot. Then take the bottom end of the leader and run it back through the hook eye from top to bottom.



There are a variety of baits that can be fished on a power shot. The power shot was created specifically for bigger, bulkier baits than the drop shot. Anything from worms to crawfish imitations to bait fish imitations will work well on a power shot. bait on the way down, it can be worth it to hop or jerk the bait up a couple of times, but if a fish does not strike, an angler should bring the bait in and cast to a new area. This is not a presentation where the bait is “soaked,” or left sitting in the water, for a long time.

### The gear

When fishing in heavy vegetation, braided line can be a plus. Some anglers prefer fluorocarbon for both the main line and the leader, while anglers on the other end of the spectrum use braid for both. Still others use braid for the main line and fluorocarbon for the leader. No matter



First, use a Palomar knot to tie the main line.



Lastly, add a weight to the bottom of the power shot. The type of weight used will depend on the density of the vegetation around which the rig will be fished.

which way an angler decides to go, the swivel is still important to avoid line twist. Braid will cut through vegetation easily and fluorocarbon is less likely to be seen by the fish. That said, clearer water may call for a fluorocarbon leader. As for the rod and reel, a medium-heavy fast action is a good option for a rod. Something with a good backbone is important in order to get the hook set into a large piece of plastic in heavy cover. For the reel, a bait casting reel with a high gear ratio will help the angler get the fish turned and headed toward the boat. However, with less expensive reels, a higher gear ratio can also mean less powerful drag. A stout drag will be important getting fish to the boat as well. For the most part, a 7.0:1 or a 7.3:1 gear ratio is the minimum best bet for this type of fishing. Even a less expensive bait caster will have a heavy enough drag for anglers to be successful with this type of fishing. The power shot is a technique that presents the bait in a way and in a situation in which fish do not normally see it. That bit of difference from a Texas rig, for instance, which keeps the bait along the bottom, can be the difference between catching fish and being alone in the boat all day. Beckie Gaskill may be reached via email at [bgaskill@lakeland-times.com](mailto:bgaskill@lakeland-times.com).



# Free Fun Weekend June 1-2

## State park admissions, fishing licenses and trail passes waived

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) invites the public to head outdoors for the 12th annual Free Fun Weekend happening June 1 and 2. State Park admission fees, fishing licenses and trail passes are waived for all visitors.

With 50 state parks, 15 state forests, 44 state trails, 84,000 miles of rivers and streams and roughly 15,000 lakes, Wisconsin has a little something for everyone to enjoy.

“Free Fun Weekend is always an exciting opportunity for DNR property teams to welcome new and returning visitors,” said Steve Schmelzer, DNR bureau director of parks and recreation management. “If you’ve never visited a state park, forest, trail or recreation area, this is the perfect opportunity to explore the outdoors in our state.”

Free Fun Weekend is also an opportunity to try fishing for food or fun before purchasing an annual fishing license.

“This is a great chance to try fishing or catch a meal,” said Justine Hasz, DNR bureau director of fisheries management. “Even if you don’t have any fishing gear, you can still get involved. The DNR has tackle loaner sites across the state and

hosts events to help you make the most of Wisconsin’s waters.”

Free fishing clinics are held during Free Fun Weekend at state and municipal properties to instruct beginning anglers. Visit the DNR’s Events Calendar and Wisconsin State Parks webpage for a list of events and more information on state properties.

Before heading to a state park, trail or waterbody near you, there are a few helpful things to know:

### State Parks

- Vehicle admission stickers will not be required.
- Most state parks and trails will be open from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m.
- Programs and events are posted online on the DNR’s Events Calendar.

### Trails

- All linear/rail trails, including ATV and horseback riding trails, will be open to the public.
- ATVs, UTVs and OHMs are exempt from registration requirements. Resident and non-resident all-terrain vehicle operators do not need a trail pass to ride state ATV trails.

### Fishing

- Residents and non-residents will not be required to have a fishing license or trout/salmon stamps.
- All 2024-2025 fishing regulations apply, including bag and length limits and species restrictions.
- This is the perfect time of year for small and largemouth bass, panfish and northern pike to be active.
- New to fishing? Check out free clinics hosted at state and local properties on the DNR’s Events Calendar.
- Locate launches and shore

fishing access points near you.

### Boat Launches

- DNR boat launches are open.
- Boats must be registered, which can be done either online or via mail.
- Minimize the spread of aquatic invasive species by removing plants and animals from boats before and after launching, draining all water from compartments and never moving live fish from any waterbody.

### Safety

- Always wear a life jacket when fishing from a boat, kayak, canoe or paddleboard.
- Use boat lights after sunset.
- Never consume alcohol or drugs before or during an ATV ride or while operating a boat.
- Wear a helmet and protective clothing such as eye protection, gloves, long pants and a long-sleeved shirt while riding an ATV.
- All children under the age of 18 must have a minimum Department of Transportation standard motorcycle or ATV helmet — bicycle helmets are not legal.
- Keep your speed in mind as weather and terrain conditions vary or change.

Grab your family and friends and head outdoors for Free Fun Weekend! Consider taking the trail less traveled and visiting some lesser-known “hidden gem” state properties to discover something new.

If Free Fun Weekend has you hooked on enjoying Wisconsin’s outdoors, you can continue finding adventure by purchasing an annual fishing license, trail pass or vehicle admission sticker. With many license and admission options available, there’s a package to fit everyone’s recreation needs.

# Oneida County land and water announces poster contest winners

The Oneida County land and water conservation department is proud to announce the winners of the 13th Annual Northwoods’ Invasive Species Poster Contest.

Invasive species do not recognize county lines; therefore, this poster contest is open to any student in fourth through eighth grades in our 18-county Northwoods area and the state of Wisconsin. Integrating invasive species into science, biology, and art classes is the perfect way to inspire future lake and river stewards.

Taking first place in all divisions were the following: Fourth grade, Aria Benson, Webster Elementary School; fifth grade, Brynlee Jacobson, Solon Springs School; sixth grade, Valerie Hanson, Ashland Middle School; and seventh-eighth grade, Jaylin Jaeger, Drummond Middle School. Second place winners: fourth grade, Emma Keelin, Arbor Vitae-Woodruff School; fifth grade, Siarra Kloss, Lake Superior Elementary School; sixth grade, Alli Theien, Northwestern Middle School; and seventh and eighth grade, Saige Mutter, James Williams Middle School. Third place winners: fourth grade, Baylee Gumieny, Arbor Vitae-Woodruff School; fifth grade, Charlotte Usher, Lake Superior Elementary; sixth grade, Audrey Jolma, Ashland Middle School; and sev-

enth-eighth grade, Malia Szews, Three Lakes Middle School.

Trophies and ribbons are distributed for first, second, and third place posters, honorable mention posters and creative slogans. Winning posters may become part of an invasive species poster calendar designed for distribution to schools and libraries throughout the Northwoods in the fall. In addition, the first place winners’ classroom receives a trophy and their school is awarded a “field guide” for their library.

This year, 578 posters were received from 20 schools in 11 counties, and 27 teachers from 35 classes were represented. All posters received are on display on our “Walls of Fame” in the courthouse rotunda and near the county board room, on the second floor of the Oneida County Courthouse, and will remain throughout the month of June: Invasive Species Action Month.

Thank you teachers and parents for making our contest part of your student’s educational journey, and a big thank you to drop-off locations, judges and the media. We could not hold this contest without you! Visit our website [www.oclw.org/2024-northwoods-invasive-species-poster-contest.html](http://www.oclw.org/2024-northwoods-invasive-species-poster-contest.html) for photos of the winning posters and lists of honorable mention and slogan winners.



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Free Fun Weekend is the perfect time to get outdoors and find your adventure in Wisconsin.

## Gaskill

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my “electronic leash.”

For the most part, our anglers are busy fishing and are not going to call or text for “no reason.” At the same time, things happen, and I want to know if a team is having boat problems, for example. If I cannot come and get them, I will send another team that I know is close by.

Of course, once weigh in time rolls around, that can get hectic with weighing fish, making sure everyone is in on time, making sure all the fish are of legal size (If not, the team is disqualified, but it seems every once in a while a team will bring one in that may have measured when it was caught, but lost an eighth of an inch in the live well) and answering questions from anglers or listening to stories about the day on the water. Once that is all over, it is tallying weights and writing checks for Chet and I. We have several sponsors who have offered up some of their products for anglers who fish with us, so the other two guys who help us at every event take care of getting that stuff handed out while Chet and I go through all the weights and make sure they have all been recorded correctly before sorting them on my excel spreadsheet and getting ready to pay out the winners. Chet presents the checks and I take photos at every event. We also record all of our weigh-ins, which has been a

great way to share how weigh ins work with people who may not even fish tournaments.

I talk with another friend of ours from St. Germain who also runs a tournament bass series. We often talk about the fact that whether we have 10 boats or 50 boats, the work load seems to be about the same. All of the equipment needs to be charged and ready. A new checklist for everything that needs to get into the truck is a good idea. Pre-tournament meeting speeches needed to be prepared. Insurance information and permits need to be in hand and fully filled out. Sponsor lists need to be compiled so anglers can be urged to patronize those who support us. Once the tournament is done, paperwork still needs to be turned in to the DNR, photos and video need to be processed and edited. It certainly does not end once checks are handed out.

Although there is a lot to it, I really do enjoy it, and Chet does, too. It is fun to get everyone together, especially after a long off season. So while I talk about how much goes into it, I will also say there is no family like a tournament family. We can be dysfunctional at times, as all large families can be, but at the end of the day, any one of us would go out of our way to help any other angler — a fact that has been proven time and again over the years.

I suppose the hustle and bustle and responsibilities of being a tournament director are why I enjoy pre-fishing as much as I do. Yes, I am out there to

find out as much as I can about a specific fishery leading up to the tournament, and yes it is important and can be a bit disheartening when we cannot seem to find what might work on tournament day. But at the same time, pre-fishing is a fun and mostly relaxing time that Chet and I can just spend in the boat together without worrying about running businesses or working or household responsibilities. It is just a time to hang out and see what we can learn. And that is what we did just the other day. The last time we fished was pre-fish for a little jackpot tournament, but this was for our first big one. We took it more seriously, but at the same time, I do not think there is a

much better way to spend a day.

For anyone who has never fished a tournament, but would like to give it a try, I would recommend getting out there and simply seeing what it is all about. All weigh-ins are at public launch ramps or parks, so the public is more than welcome (encouraged, even!) to come and chat with the anglers and tournament personnel. From there, new anglers can learn all of the rules for a particular series they wish to fish, grab a partner and get out there and see what fun it can be.

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There are a lot of things that happen behind the scenes to hold a successful fishing tournament. Here Steve Scofield weighs in his day two limit at the Wisconsin Bass Team Trail championship on the Minocqua Chain in 2023. Weigh master Chet Netzel (right) prepares to weigh the fish after lengths are inspected by tournament official Phil Skoug.



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## 100 Years Ago

### All Around Wisconsin

Most folks find it necessary to go fishing, but residents on water street, New London, along the Wolf river, are cutting down on traveling time while the river is high. If they desire to catch carp. All they do is wade around the front yard a while. Several carp have been caught in door yards in this place since recent rains have raised the water level.

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A 40-pound grey wolf, which had been the terror of small stock and poultry in the town of Seneca, Crawford county, was shot by D.R. Ames, Ferryville, after lying wait seven days. On the first day he captured two young pups, but the mother hid the remainder of her young away in the woods.

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Buried under three tons of sand, which loosened near the top of a cliff, at the base of which he and a companion were playing, Robert Larson, 9, Superior, escaped death from suffocation when a passing motorist dug him out. Gordon Harmon, 11, the other lad, dodged the avalanche which descended on Robert. Robert was unconscious when taken from the sand.

## Where the Rainbow Touches the Ground

The family cat died, The farmer that owned the cat, in digging the grave discovered a substance that proved to be marl. This farmer has been hauling limestone a long distance for his alfalfa fields. In conference with his county agent, he discovered that marl would take the place of lime in correcting acidity of his soil. This experience led him to the use of marl that existed on his own farm and saved him much time and considerable expense in hauling.

Similar opportunities have existed and still exist. Many farmers in the middle west will recall what a pest sweet clover used to be. Now it is being used profitably as hay and pasture for livestock and as a crop to be plowed underfoot for increasing the fertility of soil.

Kansas is called the "Sunflower State" and those that have lived there will remember how they fought this weed. Today sunflowers are being grown as a crop, as feed for chickens and it is also being utilized with or without corn as a suitable crop for the silo.

It is surprising to discover how many things which were frowned upon



**OH BOY!** Here are pupils of the first and second grades of the Minocqua schools shown lined up and waiting for what was the first train ride for most of them. They rode the cars of The Milwaukee Road out of Minocqua to Tomahawk, and returned by bus. Teachers in charge of the happy train-bus party were Mrs. Edna Laabs, first grade, Mrs. Rubye Martin, second grade, and Eugene Duerst.

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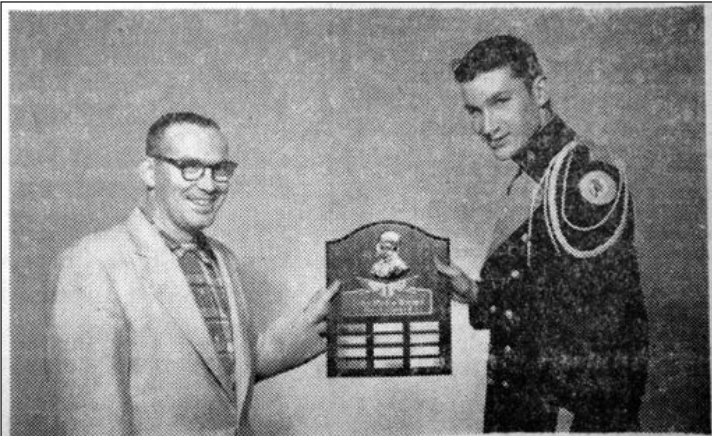
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in days gone by are now serving a useful purpose. These changes have been brought about by observation and study. Brains count on the farm elsewhere. The man who thinks while he's performing physical work is not only opening up the way for larger profits but he is removing the word drudgery from his vocabulary and transforming what used to be a drudgery into a profitable pleasure.

## 75 Years Ago

### Spotlight

Minocqua premiers social event of the year, the Prom, was every bit as beautiful as had been anticipated. Oriental lanterns against a ceiling backdrop of black and gold streamers with oriental parasols in the corners formed a delightful backdrop for the gay dancers. The 11-piece orchestra did its job well. Highlight of the evening, as usual, was the grand march, beautifully executed, following which Miss



**Tom Cuthbert (right),** Minocqua High School senior, receives the John Philip Sousa band award from Gerald Meuli, school band director, for outstanding achievement in band music. The youth plans to enter the U. S. Navy School of Music in June.

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Marlene Richardson was crowned queen by Wayne McCaughn.

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Warm balmy weather in these parts has made the Lakeland community seem like mid-summer. Flower and tree foliage have responded in making the roadsides truly lovely. More deer are being seen along the highways in the evenings than is usual at

this time of the year, and that is also true of other animals judging by the porcupine and skunk casualties along the roads. So summer-like has been the atmosphere, that the bakery cash register rings up more pickles for popsicles and drumsticks and ice cream, than for doughnuts. And it all adds up to the fact the towns busiest season is HERE.

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A nearby resort has a sign at the entrance that reads something like this: "We guarantee good fishing, but won't promise you'll catch any fish." Now you could salve your goose-egg results of the weekend with something of this kind of philosophy, couldn't you?

## Observing Poppy Day Sat. May 28

Poppy Day will be observed here and throughout the nation on May 28, Saturday before Memorial Day. Crepe paper poppies made by disabled veterans will be offered on the streets throughout the day by the American Legion Auxiliary, to be worn in honor of the dead of both World Wars. All contributions received for the flowers will go into Legion Auxiliary rehabilitation and child welfare funds.

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2 26-oz. cans

lb.

qt. jar

2 12-oz. cans

29-oz. can

2 1-lb. cans

1/2-lb. bar

16-oz. can

5 1/2-oz. can

6 bunches

3 bunches

3 bunches

3 bunches

25c

13c

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WIDE WESTERN DIVISION

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**BOWLING THEIR WAY INTO FIRST PLACE** in the Women's Bowling League this year were (l. to r. front row) Joyce Burnett, Dawn Blohm, Bess Grundy, and (back row) Pat Olson and Judy Hafenbreidl. The girls, bowling under the sponsorship of the MacArthur milk ranch, had a banner season by taking first place in high single game with 1097 and first in the high three-game series with 3070 as a total. Dawn Blohm had some exciting moments during league play when she rolled a 296, just four pins short of a perfect game. The winning team was treated to a dinner recently by MacArthur and the bowling league banquet was held Wednesday at Donlin's.

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## Public Service Joins Trees Group

President Folks Becker announces that the Wisconsin Public Service Corporation has joined Trees for Tomorrow Inc. and that C.E. Kohlhepp, President of Public Service, has been elected a member of the board of directors.

Previously, membership in Trees for Tomorrow, founded in 1944, has been made up of ten paper mills in the Wisconsin and Flambeau River valleys.

Commenting on the step taken by Public Service, Mr. Kohlhepp said, "Planting more trees and managing Wisconsin forests will have a definite bearing on the capacity of this states water table to meet the increasing requirements of its citizens. Forests help regulate stream flow by delaying run-off. They help maintain the efficiency of power dams by keeping silt from filling the river beds. Today these factors are highly important to Wisconsin because the headwaters of most of our rivers are located in forested regions of the North.

Wisconsin Public Service Corporation owns eight power plants on the Wisconsin River and is presently helping to develop two more.

Mr. Kohlhepp pointed out, "A survey was made throughout the country to determine how Public Service could contribute to the resource-building job under way in our own state. We believe that helping to develop the forest resources of the North, under the Trees for Tomorrow program, will ultimately pay great dividends to future generations of Wisconsins citizens."

## 50 Years Ago

### Helping Mother Nature

An attempt help on an osprey in trouble has apparently succeeded.

Phil Keisling, a UW-Madison graduate student studying bald eagle habits in the Lakeland area, and his wife, Cathy, a research assistant, learned of an osprey nest dangerously close to the waters of the Rainbow Flowage.

Due to lack of winter snow and little rain this spring, the Flowage was very low when the ospreys built a nest where they shouldn't have—about two feet off the water in the bottom of an old tree stump.

The Keislings contacted the DNR game manager Mr. Botwinski, who inspected the situation and decided to try to build a platform over the tree, then place the nest on the platform which, presumably, would keep it well above the water.

Last Thursday morning May 16, assistant area game manager Phil Vanderschaege, game technicians Jim Lobermeier and Dick Nimmer, the Keislings and a friend, set about on the task of building the platform.

Initial inspection showed that the rising water of the Flowage was seeping into the nest from the bottom and that, in a day or so, the nest would have been covered with water, destroying any chance of the eggs hatching.

With mother osprey flying above the group and voicing her disapproval the eggs were taken out of the nest and safely placed on shore.

Then the platform was built, a nest "built" on the top, the eggs placed back into the nest and within a half hour, mother osprey took up residence on the nest. She apparently



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adapted to the new location.

Botwinski said that the number of osprey on the Rainbow Flowage has decreased in the past several years, due to the lack of nesting sites as trees have fallen down.

"It was worth a try to save the eggs," the game manager said. "And, the effort seems to have succeeded.

## 25 Years Ago

### A Northwoods Almanac

We all know spring came early this year and the winter was relatively mild. But how early is early, and how mild is mild? Woody Hagge has been keeping records on Foster Lake in Hazelhurst

for the last 23 years, and his ice-up and ice-out dates are illustrative of just how easy we had it.

Ice-up occurred on Foster lake on Dec. 16, the latest date by eight days in Woodys 23 years of record keeping. Ice-off was April 9, an early date but five days off the record of April 4. The remarkable figure though is that the ice cover this winter lasted only 114 days, compared to the average of 146 days. The record winter of 1995-96 blessed us with 178 days of ice cover, so we had 64 days or a full two months less, of ice cover this winter than that record year.' We've been living good.

### More than 200 Oneida County Residents Walk Their Way to Wellness

An exercise incentive program designed to help Northwoods residents get fit will reach its completion Wednesday, May 26.

The Northwoods Walkers 8-Week Challenge took place in April and May. A collaboration project of the Oneida County Health Department and St Marys Hospital, the program was patterned after a similar one by the Vilas County Health Department.

Eight employees at the F&M Bank, Woodruff, participated in the program.

F&M Bank employee Arlene Weyrough said she walked from five to 10 miles a week.

The ArborVitae-Woodruff grade School staff had seven participants in the program.

Weyrough said she may have begun a walk-in program on her own but she would not have been pushed

to do as many miles in a week. She said the program shows people that they can find the time to go out and walk if they put their mind to it.

Michelle Metropolis, Oneida County Health Department, said a survey is done at the end of the eight weeks program and they find that a lot of people continue a regular exercise program.

Metropolis said people get a new attitude about exercise. People will take the stairs instead of an elevator. They park in the back of the parking lots instead of trying to get a spot closest to the door.

"It makes them look at everything differently," said Metropolis.

She said the health department sent 40-45 letters to Oneida County businesses and organizations informing them about the program. Ten organizations took part in the program.

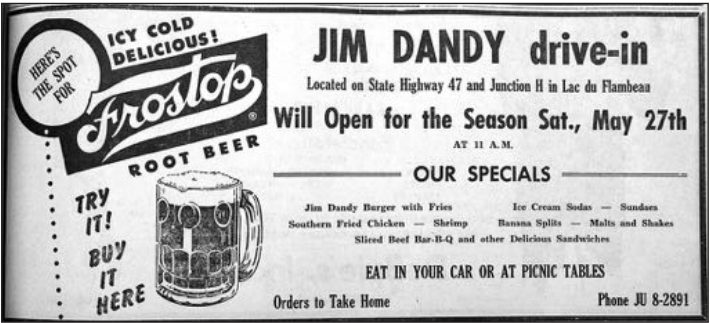
"We wish more people would participate," said Metropolis.

She said most of the companies and organizations contacted said they had no wellness program in place.

"A wellness program does a lot for morale," said Metropolis. "It makes the employees feel like their employers care about their well-being.

Thirty Oneida County employees took part in the eight-week challenge. In the entire county, 213 people took the challenge.

Metropolis said the health department is considering offering another program in the fall of this year. Although not definite, plans are being made to hold the challenge in the spring.



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The Lakeland Hawks Mites won the Ashland Invitational Championship for the second year in a row. Team members are: (l-r) Garrett Coffen, Jamie Johnson, Dan Mattke, Jason Mattke, Adam Redman, Jake Huber, Judd Tlusty, Derek Brown, Jason Coble, Gregg Clutts, Chris Kopp, Patrick Trapp, Jay Metzger, Chuck Miller, Kurt Hertel, Mark Owens, Tim Owens, John Davis, Coaches Kirk Miller and Dave Huber.



Carrie Cator dribbles the ball upcourt as teammate Tory Wegner (middle) tries to keep Tony Murphy from stealing the ball.



Gerry Kriewald works on the mechanics of his serve in preparation for the upcoming spring tennis season. This is the first season tennis has been offered for boys at Lakeland.



Lac du Flambeau won the championship of the Oneida Recreation Boys Basketball Tournament, dedicating the tournament to community harmony. Team members are: (l-r) Jason Graveen, Fred Maulson, Scott Steele, Bob Poupart, Jeff Ewald and Coach Barry Ewald. Missing from the picture are Scott Marston, Ray Zortman, Donnie Thompson and Mark Doud.



Amy Saarnio (18) keeps her foot on second base but loses track of the ball as an Ashland Oredocker slides in for a successful steal. Umpire Eugene Kock was right on top of the play to make the call.

**Above:** Senior Shannon Hastreiter takes a healthy cut at the softball in the batting cage during a recent Lakeland Thunderbird girls softball team practice. The T-Birds open the 1989 season with a 4 p.m. non-conference home game against the Mellen Granite Diggers on Tuesday, April 11.



**Right:** Pete Hartzheim (1) pushes the ball upcourt to start a fast break for the Minocqua Lions in action against the Lakeland Rotary. The Lions beat the Rotary for the second straight year, 78-59.



Melissa Doud stumbles as she crosses home plate, but manages to touch the bag safely as the Ashland catcher swings her glove a second late for the tag. The Oredockers defeated Lakeland 10-8 in the season opener for both teams.



# CHANGING OF THE GUARDS

Longtime library director Janelle Kohl passes the reins to Callie Bates

By Michelle Drew  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

Leadership at the Frank B. Koller Memorial Library in Manitowish Waters will see a changing of the guards this May when longtime librarian Janelle Kohl passes the torch to up-and-comer Callie Bates.

Kohl was hired July 1, 1991, as Koller’s first full-time library director. Her last day of service will be May 31 — just one month shy of 33 years.

Kohl took the reins from Pauline Zeber, a retired librarian and volunteer who ran Koller from its opening in 1987 until Kohl was hired.

Reflecting on her long career there, Kohl said she was responsible for moving the library into the computer age.

“When I started in 1991, there was one Apple computer used to create cards for the card catalog,” she said. “Pauline’s career work world did not include computers, so as new director who had started using computers in college, it was my job to move the library into the computer world.”

She didn’t know it when she started, but Kohl would spend many of her years as director working to computerize the library. As computers and the internet gained use and popularity, the task of integrating them into everyday library life became an ongoing job.

“We had our first computer in 1999. It wasn’t connected to the internet, but it was used to check books in and out,” Kohl explained. “It was a great program and kept good records, although I did miss using a pen and cards to check books out. I had so many card numbers memorized in those days, and the book collection too!” she said.

Once the computer was installed, Kohl and her team of volunteers had to put barcodes on all the books — she estimates there were 24,000 or so at the time — plus VHS tapes and books on cassette. But before they could get to the point of adding barcodes, staff and volunteers had to undertake the task of finding the books on microfiche using a microfiche reader.

“We had a few volunteers helping with this and it was a huge job,” Kohl noted. “There was always one step after another to get where we are. It’s constant. And it’s not cheap.”

She showed great gratitude to the many generous individuals, Friends of the Library, various other trusts and foundations for gifting Koller money to keep up with the technology.

## Program expansions

One of the things Kohl is most proud of throughout her tenure is the implementation of more programming for both children and adults.

The big program when Kohl started was summer story hour that would draw 10 to 20 children at the weekly session, for which Kohl would brainstorm what books to read and come up with coinciding crafts to complete.

“It was a lot of work, but well worth it because I’d like to think it helped kids fall in love with books and reading,” she said.

Over the years programming for both children and adults has grown

exponentially. Kohl credits volunteers as being the key to keeping the library open and welcoming to the public.

“They work so hard at the front desk, processing materials for the shelves, fundraising as Friends of the Library, helping customers find books, and helping with computers,” she said. “They make the library a second home.”

## Accolades

Kohl, Bates and library assistant Sarah Krembs were all honored last year for their work with the local historical society during a Leaders of Historic Preservation event.

Another milestone Kohl is proud of achieving was her foray into grant-writing.

In 2015, she wrote a competitive grant for digitizing equipment and received it.

“It was a lot of work, which I had to do mostly on my own time at home, but I really wanted to write the grant and enjoyed doing it,” she said.

After buying the digitizing equipment, Kohl created the Memory Studio where patrons can come in and make a home VHS movie into a DVD, a cassette into a CD, or turn slides into digitized pictures on a computer. “Some of this equipment is getting dated, but it does get used,” she noted.

Kohl also was voted Citizen of the Year in 2018 by the Manitowish Waters Lions Club. She said the recognition was a surprise to her and she was very honored. She even got to ride in the convertible during that year’s July 4 parade through town.

## Enjoying free time

After 33 years, Kohl is looking forward to finally taking a break in retirement. She knows she is leaving the library in good hands with Callie Bates.

“Callie is an excellent fit for the director position,” Kohl said of her replacement. “She’s been both a customer at the library since a baby, a volunteer and an employee on and off over the years.

“The director job needs a creative person, smart with technology, and full of kindness to all our amazing volunteers and customers — that’s Callie!”

She has offered to make herself available to Bates by call or text to help with the transition once her final day has come and gone.

With this new freedom, Kohl’s family will be her focus.

She has two daughters, a granddaughter in Hazelhurst, an aged mother, and siblings she hopes to spend more time with.

“I lived and breathed my library job — it’s 24/7 because of the creativity that is needed. You have to have your mind going all the time. Just having the responsibility of being in charge and carrying the keys, it’s so constant. So I will be altering my life to spend time with family more.”

## New blood

Callie Bates is a well-known face in the area as well as within the library.

Her parents are fiber artist and jacquard weaver Mary Burns, and author and naturalist John Bates.

She grew up in Manitowish in her



MICHELLE DREW/LAKELAND TIMES

Library director of 33 years Janelle Kohl (right) is working with up-and-coming director Callie Bates to teach her the ropes before her retirement which begins on June 1.

great-grandparents’ home, which she said was “really cool to have that grounding locally.”

As a side note she shared a little family history, saying her grandparents moved here in the 1920s when her great-grandfather was a logger and ran logging camps, then they moved into the house in Manitowish. The home is still owned by her family and is where she lives today.

The local library has been an important and formative part of Bates’ life since the beginning. She has grown up as part of the Koller library, holding just about every position available.

She has always felt at home in the library, becoming a library patron at age 1. Bates began volunteering at about age 15, and worked as a summer assistant through her four years of college. After college she worked as a library assistant, and will soon begin duties as director.

“I am a writer myself, and I am a book-reader and book-lover for as long as I can remember,” she said. “I’ve always appreciated how libraries offer so many resources for readers and for all kinds of different things — if you want to do research on any topic, the library can help you.”

She noted what an “amazing resource” libraries serve as in these small, rural communities, allowing patrons to get a wide array of materials and information using the Northern Waters Library System.

“Also we have all of this great programming. I think specifically here, Manitowish Waters is really a community hub. A lot of people will come in to get information on what’s going on in the town, to pick up their puzzles, and it’s fun to be part of that.”

Bates is looking forward to building on Kohl’s “incredible” legacy of 33 years of library service.

“We’ve been working together really closely with training so I can learn her tips and tricks. Of course I’ve known Janelle my entire life, so that’s just deepening my understanding of the nuts and bolts of the behind the scenes work here at the library. It’s been really fun.”

Bates is very appreciative of Kohl’s offer to be available for questions and continue working with her on the transition, and plans to take advantage of Kohl’s “wealth of knowledge” as she learns the ropes.

“She’s happy to continue to help and come back in after she’s moved on — it’s just great. She’s so generous. Everyone loves her and we’re

going to miss her so much!” Bates said.

## Moving forward

Continuing the library’s partnerships with local volunteers as well as organizations is important to Bates as she moves forward.

“I’m excited to deepen some community connections with other local organizations and work with the library board and Friends of the Library to develop some of the long-range plans,” Bates said.

Koller library is involved with the Manitowish Waters Historical Society — a partnership which will continue — as well as other groups such as the North Lakeland Discovery Center which provides summer programming for youths.

As technology continues to morph, Bates expects she will have her hands full keeping the Koller library up to date. One bit of new technology on her radar is AI.

“I think there is going to be a learning curve with AI and how the library will respond to it. That’s something we’ll need to adjust to and see where that takes us,” she said.

Bates concluded by expressing her eagerness to take on the role of director.

“I’m really excited for the job and to support intellectual freedom and everyone’s right to read,” she said. “I’m really looking forward to continuing Janelle’s legacy of making the library an inclusive and welcoming and diverse space where everybody in the community feels like they belong and they’re safe and they can request any materials they want.”

## Fond farewells

Kohl and Bates will continue working together until May 31, and Bates will officially assume duties as library director June 1.

A special going-away party is planned for Tuesday, May 28, where the public can stop in and say goodbye to Kohl. Food will be served between 1 and 3 p.m., with remarks taking place at 2 p.m.

Bates, who is in charge of planning the soirée, says it will also be an open house so anyone who can’t make it in that time frame can stop in anytime between the regular hours of noon and 7 p.m. to wish Kohl farewell.

Frank B. Koller Memorial Library is located at 5761 Highway 51 in Manitowish Waters. For more information on library programming, clubs and more, call 715-543-2700 or visit [kollerlibrary.org](http://kollerlibrary.org).



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The Town of Minocqua will be accepting applications for a part-time crew position in the Town of Minocqua public works parks department. Work will include all aspects of park maintenance including but not limited to park and buildings maintenance, restroom cleaning, mowing, painting, and playground maintenance. Some weekend work may be required. A complete job description and application is

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## 262. EMPLOYMENT MISCELLANEOUS

available on the town's website, www.townofminocqua.org or by contacting Roben Haggart, Minocqua Town Clerk at (715)356-5296 or clerk@townofminocqua.org. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Roben Haggart, CMC Minocqua Town Clerk

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## 264. EMPLOYMENT TRADE/SKILL

Town of Minocqua public works department. Desired qualifications include a valid Wisconsin Commercial Drivers License (CDL), work will include all aspects of public works including but not limited to parks and buildings maintenance, boat landings, roads, snow plowing, equipment operation, and manual labor, etc. Prior experience in a trades field or equipment operation is a plus. A complete job description and application is available on the town's website, www.townofminocqua.org or by contacting Roben Haggart, Minocqua Town Clerk at 715-356-5296 or clerk@townofminocqua.org. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Roben Haggart, CMC Minocqua Town Clerk

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Date: Saturday, May 25.  
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MR.....Mercer  
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NB.....Newbold  
NK.....Nokomis  
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MQ: Friday, May 24 8-4, and  
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MQ: Garage Sale  
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pm. Many vintage and  
antique items. Old  
snowshoes, skis and tools.  
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MQ: Garage Sale  
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RUMMAGE  
SALES

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MW: May 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, & 26<sup>th</sup>. 8-4  
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MW: Neighborhood garage  
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AV: A yard sale will take  
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4, Sat. May 25, 8 - 1. Sunday,  
May 26, 9 - noon. Women's  
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Minocqua J1 School District  
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# MHLT school board OKs salary increase for staff in 2024-25

By Brian Jopek  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

The board of education for the Minocqua Hazelhurst Lake Tomahawk (MHLT) school district Monday approved a salary increase for teachers and support staff of 4.12 percent for the 2024-25 school year.

District superintendent Dr. Jim Ellis Tuesday said the school board took the action following a closed session.

Both school boards for the Arbor Vitae-Woodruff (AV-W) and North Lakeland School (NLS) districts ap-

proved a 4.12 percent salary increase for the 2024-25 school year at their May 13 meetings.

Regarding personnel, Ellis said the decision was also made following Monday’s closed session to issue lay-off notices to three of the district’s paraprofessionals.

**Other matters**

The school board also at Monday’s meeting:

- Heard a presentation from Ty Peterson with Law Dogs Guardian regarding a school security plan.

Peterson, who owns Law Dogs Driver Education and was with the Vilas County Sheriff’s Office from 1997 to 2021 before becoming the dean of students at Lakeland Union High School (LUHS), began Law Dogs Guardian with his son Bo in 2023. Peterson made the announcement during Monday’s MHLT school board meeting that he’s resigned from his administrative position with LUHS.

At the moment, Law Dogs Guardian isn’t in any Lakeland area schools; AV-W and NLS have a Vilas County sheriff’s deputy who serves

as a school resource officer (SRO) and LUHS has a Minocqua police officer as its SRO.

- Heard an update from Bailey Strasburg regarding the activities of the Firebird Foundation.
- Conducted a reorganization with Christy Seidel as board president, Jay Christgau as the board’s vice-president, Jen Domaszek as treasurer and the board’s newest member, Terry Pockat, as board clerk.

*Brian Jopek may be reached via email at [bjopek@lakelandtimes.com](mailto:bjopek@lakelandtimes.com).*

## LUHS

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get licenses to do.”

Smudde said it depends on the subject a person teaches that determines the difficulty in obtaining a teaching license.

**Board creates three positions**

Also related to the staffing situation, the board of education agreed to create three new positions at the administration’s recommendation.

Those positions are an additional assistant principal, head custodian and summer WINGS program paraprofessional.

Besides Cameron, LUHS dean of students Ty Peterson also resigned from the district. Because of that, Smudde and Massey said the addition of an assistant principal will provide the school with two assistant principals instead of one assistant principal and one dean of students.

The dean of students position is not an administrator contract whereas the additional assistant principal will be an administrator contract.

Board members didn’t discuss the proposed creation of head custodian or paraprofessional, but they did seek more information with regard to the assistant principal position.

Dean Bortz, a board member, expressed his need for a convincing explanation from administrators regarding their decision to eliminate the dean of students position and introduce an assistant principal position, given the higher salary of the latter.

Smudde and Massey explained their reasoning for the recommendation at length.

Massey said having two assistant principals would allow for a split in duties.

Not having a dean of students having to deal with all of the disciplinary issues was one example given.

More evenly dividing teacher eval-

uations was another reason noted for the change.

Bortz asked Smudde what happens if the district isn’t able to find an additional assistant principal, not mentioning the possibility of not finding a replacement for Cameron.

Smudde said he didn’t “know an answer” for that question, but suggested a possible promotion from within or sticking with the dean of students and one assistant principal format currently used.

Board member Ann Hunt expressed uncertainty in making a decision. She wanted to know for sure what a second assistant principal’s duties would be.

The decision was suggested to be tabled until the board’s meeting next month, but Hunt said staff strain Massey mentioned concerns her when it comes to retention.

“So I think the cost of tabling it for another month, we as a board have had some history of tabling things for, in my opinion ... tabling things for far too long, that’s just my personal opinion,” she said. “So is the cost of waiting another month going to allow us less candidates to choose from? ... If we approve this, will summer ... allow us some time to have this potential candidate mentored, be introduced to our system, be able to work with our administration and so on?”

Board vice-president Barb Peck agreed with Hunt. She said she doesn’t think the board should wait.

“We are going to lose potential candidates by waiting,” she said. “I think we need to call for a vote.”

The board, on a 6-2 vote, authorized the administration to post for all three of the newly created jobs. The board will still need to approve the hires of those positions if administrators find suitable applicants to fill them. Board president Shawn Umland and Bortz were the dissenting votes.

*Trevor Greene may be reached via email at [trevorgreene@lakelandtimes.com](mailto:trevorgreene@lakelandtimes.com).*

“We’re gonna need to do things differently if we’re gonna grow and if we’re not gonna grow here, somebody else is gonna take it.”

**Bob Smudde**  
LUHS district administrator

# EMPLOYMENT

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ARBOR VITAE-WOODRUFF J1 SCHOOL DISTRICT  
JOB POSTING  
2024-2025 School Year  
The Arbor Vitae-Woodruff School is accepting applications for:

Full-time Reading Specialist - Must have a current license (317) Reading Specialist. Apply at WECAN #203440. Pay commensurate with experience.  
Part-time Occupational Therapist - Must have current license 0051 for a school occupational therapist. Apply at WECAN # 203446. Pay commensurate with experience.  
AV-W School District  
11065 Old Hwy 51 N  
Arbor Vitae, WI 54568

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TOWN OF MINOCQUA  
ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS  
PART-TIME PUBLIC WORKS PARKS POSITION

The Town of Minocqua will be accepting applications for a part-time crew position in the Town of Minocqua public works parks department. Work will include all aspects of park maintenance including but not limited to park and buildings maintenance, restroom cleaning, mowing, painting, and playground maintenance. Some weekend work may be required. A complete job description and application is available on the town's website, [www.townofminocqua.org](http://www.townofminocqua.org) or by contacting Roben Haggart, Minocqua Town Clerk at (715)356-5296 or [clerk@townofminocqua.org](mailto:clerk@townofminocqua.org). Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.  
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SUMMER  
EMPLOYMENT

Watercraft Inspector needed for the Clean Boats, Clean Waters Program

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Boat inspections, boat counts, and important boat safety regulations will be shared with lake users.

If interested, please contact Sally Murwin at 715-499-2837 or email [niwrum@charter.net](mailto:niwrum@charter.net).

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY  
WATER/WASTEWATER OPERATOR

Lakeland Sanitary District No. 1, a municipal water and sewer utility, has an opening for the position of Water/Wastewater Operator. As part of our team, District employees have the opportunity to positively impact the lives of others and the environment providing safe water and wastewater treatment. The Operator is responsible for the operations of the wastewater treatment plant, collection system, drinking water wells and distribution system. Knowledge of math and attention to detail is a must. Other duties include but not limited to general maintenance and repairs to equipment, building structures and grounds. Candidate must be an energetic self-starter with excellent work record and able to work with minimum supervision.

Weekend and holiday work is required on a rotating basis as well as emergencies. DNR certification in groundwater and distribution is also desirable for the Operator position and required to acquire within one year of employment. The District will provide on the job training and classes to obtain certifications for the Operator position if needed. The District offers competitive pay and excellent benefits including WI Retirement Plan, paid holiday, paid vacation and a clothing allowance. Job will be posted until filled. Salary will be based on experience and level of certification. Application and job description can be obtained by contacting the Lakeland Sanitary District office at 715-356-4454 or visiting our website [lakelandsanitarydistrict1.com](http://lakelandsanitarydistrict1.com).

To be considered for the position, applicants must submit both their application and resume to Lakeland Sanitary District, 8780 Morgan Road, Minocqua, WI 54548 or email to [sandist@frontier.com](mailto:sandist@frontier.com).

Riflery and Archery  
Program Instructors

Beautiful Northwoods girls camp is looking for two energetic and qualified instructors for our riflery and archery programs. Each position would be responsible for leading and instructing groups of up to ten students. An assistant will be available to provide support. Applicants must have knowledge in the fields of archery and/or riflery. Hunters' safety or equivalent certification and ability to teach the sport to youth with previous instruction experience a plus. First Aid and CPR certified.

Dates: June 19th through August 6th typically Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Competitive salary will be based on experience. Please contact our office at 715-356-5383

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# LEGAL NOTICES

**NOTICE**  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, ONEIDA COUNTY**  
**Order Setting Time to Hear Petition for Administration**  
**and Deadline for Filing Claims**  
**(Formal Administration)**  
Case No. 24PR43  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
PATRICK TIMOTHY OTTOSEN  
A petition for Formal Administration was filed.  
**THE COURT FINDS:**  
The decedent, with date of birth 6-15-1956 and date of death 4-16-2024 was domiciled in ONEIDA County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 8921 MOSSY OAK DR, WOODRUFF WI 54568.  
**THE COURT ORDERS:**  
1. The Petition be heard at the Oneida County Courthouse, 1 S. Oneida Ave., Rhinelander, Wisconsin, Room Branch II, before Circuit Court Judge/Circuit Court Commissioner Hon. Michael Schiek, on May 29, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.  
**You do not need to appear unless you object. The petition may be granted if there is no objection.**  
2. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is AUGUST 22, 2024.  
3. A claim may be filed at the ONEIDA County Courthouse, 1 S. Oneida Ave., P.O. Box 400, Rhinelander, 54501, Wisconsin, Room A-318, Probate Office.  
4. Heirship will be determined at the hearing on petition for final judgement.  
5. Publication of this notice to any persons whose names or addresses are unknown.  
If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715.369.6159 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

/s/ Michael W Schiek  
Circuit Court Judge  
05-03-2024

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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**WOODRUFF**  
**LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS**  
The following applications for liquor licenses have been filed with the undersigned Clerk of the Town of Woodruff, Oneida County, Wisconsin. Licenses are for July 1, 2024, to June 30th, 2025.  
Said applications will be considered by the Town Board at a Regular Town Board Meeting on May 28, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. or any subsequent meeting until fully disposed of:  
**“CLASS B” COMBINATION**  
Name: Joseph Mikoliczak  
Trade Name: Happy's Pub  
Address: 1013 - 1st Avenue  
Agent: Joseph N. Mikoliczk  
Address: 8116 Star Drive, Minocqua  
Name: J&J Premo, Inc.  
Trade Name: Fritz's Bar & Grill  
Address: 1025 - 1st Ave.  
Agent: Janine Susanne Premo  
Address: P.O. Box 1987, Woodruff  
Name: Stephanie Claire Sieg  
Trade Name: Holiday Cafe  
Address: 1107 - 1st Avenue  
Agent: Stephanie C. Sieg  
Address: PO Box 947, Woodruff  
Name: Big Bill, LLC  
Trade Name: The Clubhouse  
Address: 901- 1st Avenue  
Agent: William Schroeder  
Address: 8553 Sutton Rd., Minocqua  
Name: Anthony's Ristorante, LLC  
Trade Name: Anthony's Ristorante  
Address: 1419 - 1st Ave.  
Agent: Kathryn K. Rizzo  
Address: 7575 Trailwood Dr., Minocqua  
Name: RER Indian Shores, LLC  
Trade Name: Indian Shores Resort  
Address: 7750 Indian Shores Road  
Agent: Gretchen Femrite  
Address: 10464 Leisure Dr., Hazelhurst  
Name: Marty's Restaurant Group, LLC  
Trade Name: Maverick's Restaurante Mexicano  
Address: 1021 1st Avenue  
Agent: Andrea Cady-Teecce  
Address: 1407 Balsam St., Woodruff  
Name: Hot Tongs, LLC  
Trade Name: Woods Café & Bakery  
Address: 903 – 1st Avenue  
Agent: Joseph Reed  
Address: P.O. Box 17, Woodruff  
Name: Hot Tongs, LLC  
Trade Name: Wisco Crafthouse & Kitchen  
Address: 913 – 1st Avenue  
Agent: Joseph Reed  
Address: P.O. Box 17, Woodruff  
**“CLASS A” COMBINATION**  
Name: Krist Oil Company, Inc.  
Trade Name: Krist Food Mart #55  
Address: Hwy. 51 & 3rd St.  
Agent: Heather Firkus  
Address: 1417 White Tail Acres, St. Germain  
Name: GPM Southeast, LLC  
Trade Name: R Store #4497  
Address: 1310 1st Avenue  
Agent: Rhonda Ann Urlaub  
Address: 118927 Trailview Street, Stratford  
Name: Walgreen Co.  
Trade Name: Walgreens #01158  
Address: 900 1st Avenue  
Agent: Lisa Printz  
Address: 8665 Great Bass Lake Rd., Minocqua  
**CLASS “B” BEER**  
Name: Fred Charles Scheer  
Trade Name: Scheer's Lumberjack Shows  
Address: 1112 - 1st Avenue  
Agent: Fred C. Scheer  
Address: 14269 Nordic Lane, Hayward  
**CLASS “B” BEER AND “CLASS C” WINE**  
Name: Xiang Sen Chinese Restaurant, Inc.  
Trade Name: Hunan Chinese Restaurant  
Address: 1017 - 1st Avenue  
Agent: Huang Faxiang  
Address: 828 2nd Avenue, Woodruff  
Name: Moulton Enterprises, LLC  
Trade Name: Tasty Take & Bake Pizza  
Address: 725 Elm St.  
Agent: Esther Moulton  
Address: P.O. Box 1032, Minocqua  
Agent: Esther Moulton  
Address: P.O. Box 1032, Minocqua  
/s/ Julie Huotari  
Woodruff Town Clerk  
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# Regulations

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Kuhn stressed that it takes a lot of information and knowledge to become a law enforcement officer. “Knowledge of the constitution is one of them,” he said. “And what you can and can’t do under each circumstance, and if we have members of the public out there doing something that they’re not constitutionally able to do, that is a problem.” Safety was another concern with such contact, Kuhn said. “I can only imagine pulling up to a boat or making a contact in a law enforcement capacity as a citizen and running into who-knows-who nowa-days without any training or equipment or communications with other law enforcement,” he said. “I mean, at some point, somebody’s going to get themselves hurt.” Boating is supposed to be fun, Kuhn said. “We have enough people getting hurt on boats already doing things they probably shouldn’t be doing, and pretending that you’re going to do enforcement when you’re not trained or equipped or authorized, we don’t need that out there,” he said.

**Video games** It has also become popular and routine for ordinance supporters to suggest to towns and citizens that they can video or photograph a boat they suspect is guilty of an enhanced wake violation and then send it to the town chairperson or other appropriate official for prosecution. Phillips himself offered such advice at the recent Lake Tomahawk town board meeting and he suggested that the DNR was urging towns to engage in the practice. “The DNR says, ‘Here’s what you do,’” Phillips said. “If somebody’s doing that, make sure you get some people out there with one of these wonderful things [Phillips pulled out his cellphone] and just pretend you’re taking pictures or you can take pictures. They always stop if they’re violating an ordinance and this really does keep people from violating ordinances because they know you can get their boat registration number.” Phillips said a camera can easily capture a boat making a big wake, or one that has a wake surfer, or when the boat operates in a stern down manner. “It’s cut and dried and you’re not going to have to enforce,” he said. “I bet no one has had to enforce yet. I’d

be surprised if it happened in Lake Tomahawk, but if it does, you go to the court, there is a vehicle for doing it, but no one’s had to do it yet.” However, Kuhn says, that is not what the DNR urges people to do, and he says it could be problematic for those who do. “If that’s how the ordinance is written where they’re going to base prosecution on a citizen photograph or a citizen video without any sort of contact and evidence to take into court other than a photograph, I think that is bad policy,” he said. Kuhn said he had not personally seen an ordinance that urged citizens to take a video and send it to the town chairman for prosecution: “But that definitely would be a red flag if I saw an ordinance that said, do that,” he said. The DNR boating law administrator agreed that a photo could not provide the evidence needed to prove the violation because the photo could not show that ballast tanks were full or that fins were down. Again, Kuhn said photographic evidence was nice, but he would not use it as the basis for a citation, which would be contingent on an actual interview and physical contact. Kuhn also addressed the issue of

supporters of enhanced wake ordinances who tell towns considering such ordinances that the DNR is signing off on — and has approved — such ordinances. That’s not true, the warden said. “There’s a very big misconception, and we fight this all the time with the towns where they say, ‘Well, the DNR approved this,’” he said. “We don’t have the authority to approve or deny, and it’s no different than ATV ordinances, which I’m sure in that section of the state you have road routes and ATV ordinances through all these towns. Even if we 100 percent disagree with it, we can make suggestions, but the town or the local unit of government is free to make their own choice.” The DNR has pointed out to towns that if they encroach on somebody’s constitutional rights or infringe on public rights, the town will be liable, Kuhn said, adding that state statutes require the agency to review such ordinances to look for any conflicts with state statutes. “We’re not signing off or approving or denying it,” he said. “That’s not our role. Our role is to make sure that it’s consistent with statute.

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# LEGAL NOTICES

**INVITATION TO BID**

Vilas County Government is accepting Bids for a licensed and insured contractor to construct a 40'x40' storage building to be located on Vilas County property located at 330 Court St., Eagle River, WI 54521. Construction of the building must be completed by December 31, 2024. Building specifications may be obtained from the Vilas County Facilities & Maintenance Supervisor at 330 Court St., Eagle River, WI 54521, phone 715-479-3680 or by email: thfred@vilascounty-wi.gov

Sealed bids to be delivered by Noon (12:00 p.m., CST) on Monday, June 3, 2024, to Tammi Boers, Vilas County Public Health Department at 330 Court St, Eagle River, WI 54521

Bid opening will occur on Monday, June 3, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. Vilas County reserves the right to reject all bids, or to accept the bid which is most advantageous to the County. The County reserves the right to add or delete projects/bid items from the bid to maintain the budget.

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**NOTICE REQUEST FOR BIDS**

The Town of Hazelhurst is requesting sealed bids for mill and paving 1 mile on Lower Kaubashine Road, and approximately 800 feet from West Kaubashine Road on Wildwood Drive. Pavement milled with an additional 2" of gravel. The Town of Hazelhurst is requesting sealed bids for crack sealing approximately 1.75 miles on Interlocken Road, ride control, crack fill, and chip seal. Please direct questions and bids to:

Ted Cushing  
PO Box 67  
Hazelhurst WI 54531  
715/892-0425

Bids are to be submitted by 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 11, 2024, prior to the Regular Town Board Meeting. Bids will be opened at the Regular Town Board Meeting.

The Town reserves the right to reject any and all bids.  
Christy Myshchyshyn  
Clerk

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**LAC DU FLAMBEAU BAND OF LAKE SUPERIOR CHIPPEWA INDIANS REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR REPLACEMENT OF EMERGENCY GENERATORS AND AUTOMATIC TRANSFER SWITCHES**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians will receive sealed proposals from qualified, reputable independent contractors for the removal and replacement of two (2) existing emergency generators and automatic transfer switches serving two (2) water treatment facilities. The water treatment facilities are located at 1960 Old Prairie Road in Lac du Flambeau, Wisconsin, and at 553 Chicog Street, in Lac du Flambeau, Wisconsin. Additionally, if funding permits, the Tribe would like to replace the trailer mounted portable generator and remove and replace the existing generator and automatic transfer switch for the 3-Fires Lift Station located at 205 Makoons Street in Lac du Flambeau. Proposers should submit bids on those generators and components as alternates. All labor, materials and equipment are to be provided by the successful bidder. Site visits are recommended.

**A comprehensive Request for Proposals (RFP), including technical specifications, may be obtained from the Tribal Receptionist, William Wildcat, Sr. Community Center, 418 Little Pines Road, P.O. Box 67, Lac du Flambeau, Wisconsin 54538 (715-588-3303), or viewed on the Tribal website.**

For response to questions or to arrange a site visit, please contact Scott Valliere, LDF Utility Manager, via email at: svalliere@ldftribe.com.

Proposals must comply with the requirements set forth in the RFP and be submitted, with copies, in a sealed envelope bearing the name and address of the bidder and the name of the project on the outside. The Tribe will not assume responsibility for proposals mailed in through public or private mailing services.

The Tribe reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, to waive technical defects and make the award to the bidder most competent to serve the Tribe's requirements.

**Deadline for submission of sealed proposals is 4:00 P.M. (Local Time), Monday, June 24, 2024.** Bids will be opened thereafter. Bidders may be asked to attend an interview prior to bid award.

The successful bidder will enter into a contract with the Tribe, and will be expected to begin contract performance as soon as possible

**Mail Proposals to: Tribal Secretary, P.O. Box 67, Lac du Flambeau, Wisconsin 54538; or**

**Hand-Deliver Proposals to: Tribal Secretary, William Wildcat, Sr. Community Center, 418 Little Pines Road, Lac du Flambeau, Wisconsin 54538; or**

**Email Proposals to ALL of the following:**  
**Jamie Allen: Jallen@ldftribe.com**  
**Scott Valliere: svalliere@ldftribe.com**  
**Emerson Coy: ecoy@ldftribe.com**  
**Shantal Wildcat: SWildcat@ldftribe.com**

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**NOTICE TOWN OF LAC DU FLAMBEAU LRIP PROJECT BID REQUEST**

The Town of Lac du Flambeau will be accepting bids for road work on Paradise Bay Lane.

Sealed bids will be accepted until 5:00 pm on Wednesday, June 5, 2024.

Complete specifications can be picked up at the Town Hall, 109 Old Abe Rd, Lac du Flambeau or call 715-588-3358 to request via email.

The Town reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids, and to select the bid deemed to be in the Town's best interest.

Susan Schoonover  
Town Clerk

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**STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, ONEIDA COUNTY Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing**

Case No. 24CV85

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF

Cilas	Leonard	Allen
First Name	Middle Name	Last Name
By (Petitioner) Kerrie	Lynn	Podhora
First Name	Middle Name	Last Name

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

From: Cilas	Leonard	Allen
First Name	Middle Name	Last Name
To: Cilas	Jeffrey	Podhora
First Name	Middle Name	Last Name
Birth Certificate: Cilas	Leonard	Allen
First Name	Middle Name	Last Name

**IT IS ORDERED:**  
This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Oneida County, State of Wisconsin:  
Judge's Name: Honorable Michael W. Schiek  
Place: Oneida County Court House, Branch I, 3rd Floor, 1 S. Oneida Ave., Rhinelander, WI 54501  
Date: 06-27-2024  
Time: 2:15 p.m.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-369-6120 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:**  
Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in The Lakeland Times, a newspaper published in Oneida County, State of Wisconsin.

BY THE COURT:  
/s/ Michael W. Schiek  
Circuit Court Judge  
05/09/2024

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**STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, ONEIDA COUNTY Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing**

Case No. 24CV86

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF

Cirus	Vernard	Allen
First Name	Middle Name	Last Name
By (Petitioner) Kerrie	Lynn	Podhora
First Name	Middle Name	Last Name

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

From: Cirus	Vernard	Allen
First Name	Middle Name	Last Name
To: Cirus	Thomas	Podhora
First Name	Middle Name	Last Name
Birth Certificate: Cirus	Vernard	Allen
First Name	Middle Name	Last Name

**IT IS ORDERED:**  
This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Oneida County, State of Wisconsin:  
Judge's Name: Honorable Michael W. Schiek  
Place: Oneida County Court House, Branch I, 3rd Floor, 1 S. Oneida Ave., Rhinelander, WI 54501  
Date: 06-27-2024  
Time: 2:00 p.m.

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**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:**  
Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in The Lakeland Times, a newspaper published in Oneida County, State of Wisconsin.

BY THE COURT:  
/s/ Michael W. Schiek  
Circuit Court Judge  
05/09/2024

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**STATE OF WISCONSIN TOWN OF LAKE TOMAHAWK ONEIDA COUNTY**

The Board of Review of the Town of Lake Tomahawk, Oneida County, Wisconsin, will meet on May 28, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. in the Raymond F. Sloan Community Center for the purpose of calling the Board of Review into session during the 30 day period beginning on the 2nd of May, pursuant to s. 70.47 (1), Wis. Stats.

Due to the fact that the assessment roll is not completed at this time, it is anticipated that the Board of Review will be adjourned to a time that has yet to be determined.

Sharon Trimmerberger Lintereur  
Town Clerk

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**TOWN OF ARBOR VITAE & THE TOWN OF WOODRUFF BID REQUEST**

The Town of Arbor Vitae & the Town of Woodruff will be accepting sealed bids for resurfacing work on 1 basketball court, 1 tennis court and 2 pickleball courts located at Brandy Park. Project specifications can be obtained at either town office during their normal business hours. Sealed bids will be received in either town office until 3:00PM on June 10, 2024. Sealed bids will be opened at Woodruff's general board meeting June 11, 2024 at 5:30PM and then voted on again by the Arbor Vitae Town Board at their general board meeting June 19, 2024 at 6:30PM.

Please call The Arbor Vitae Town Office at 715-356-3120 or the Woodruff Town Office at 715-356-9421 with any questions.

Emily Biertzer, Clerk  
Town of Arbor Vitae  
Julie Huotari, Clerk  
Town of Woodruff

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**STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, ONEIDA COUNTY Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)**

Case No. 24PR37

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BARBARA J. SCHROEDER  
DATE OF DEATH: 11-09-2023

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:**

- An application for informal administration was filed.
- The decedent, with date of birth 4-30-1928 and date of death 11-09-2023, was domiciled in Oneida County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 750 ELM STREET WOODRUFF, WI 54568.
- All interested persons waived notice.
- The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is August 29, 2024.
- 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  
05-07-2024

JOHN C. HOULIHAN  
HOULIHAN LAW FIRM, S.C.  
P.O. BOX 630  
MINOCQUA, WI 54548  
715-356-1422  
Bar No. 1016296

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**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE VILAS COUNTY ZONING & PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Date: Thursday, June 6, 2024  
Time: 9:00 AM  
Location: Vilas County Courthouse Conference Rooms 1 and 2 330 Court St. Eagle River, WI 54521

**Public Hearing Description**  
The hearing will be on a petition submitted by Geisterwald Conservation P.I. LLC, to rezone part of a property currently zoned WETLAND to NON-WETLAND Zoning, located in Government Lot 3, Section 6, Town 43 North, Range 7 East, Town of Presque Isle, Vilas County, Wisconsin, known as Vilas County Computer Parcel Number 22-1381.

An on-site may be conducted at the Committee's discretion, at which time the Committee would recess and travel to the inspection, with the Public Hearing to follow at the Vilas County Courthouse.

A copy of the Petition is on file in the Vilas County Zoning Office.

Anyone having an interest may attend and be heard. Interested parties who are unable to attend may send written comments to the undersigned at least 48 hours prior to the hearing. All written comments shall include your name and your property address within Vilas County. All comments will be given to the committee members prior to the start of the public hearing. Written comments will be part of the record but may not be read into the record.

Dated at Eagle River this 17th day of May, 2024.  
David Sadenwasser, Zoning Administrator  
For: Zoning and Planning Committee

If you have special needs, or require special accommodations, please call (715) 479-3620 or write: Vilas County Zoning, Vilas County Courthouse, 330 Court St, Eagle River, WI 54521

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# TOWN NEWS

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## WOODRUFF-ARBOR VITAE

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### Holy Family Church Rummage and Bake Sale

The Holy Family Catholic Church Circle of Women Rummage and Bake Sale has something for everyone! You will find great bargains & delicious baked goods. Sale dates are Wednesday, June 26, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Thursday, June 27, from 9 a.m. to noon, with Thursday \$5 Bag Day. Holy Family Church is located at 8950 County Hwy. J, Woodruff.



Kim Domini  
WOODRUFF • ARBOR VITAE

a.m. to 4 p.m. The fund provides food, clothing, and gifts to children in northern Wisconsin during the holiday season. The entry fee is \$40 with 100 percent of all proceeds collected during the tournament going towards this non-profit charity. This is a trophy only tournament plus

CTP's, hole prizes, fun obstacles, and raffle prizes. Hole sponsorship is available for \$50. Online registration closes on May 31. Contact Nathan Albrecht for raffle donations or hole sponsorship at Nathan@jackofall-tradeswisconsin.com or call 608-556-9133. For more information and registration, go to [www.discgolf-scene.com/tournaments/Wisconsin](http://www.discgolf-scene.com/tournaments/Wisconsin).

### Salad Luncheon Peace Lutheran Church

The Ladies of Peace Lutheran Church will hold their Annual Salad Luncheon on Tuesday, June 11, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., featuring a wonderful array of salads, sloppy joes, dessert, and beverages. Peace Lutheran Church is located at 10868 Old Hwy. 51 North in Arbor Vitae. Reservations are not necessary. Everyone is welcome! The Ladies at Peace are affiliated with the North Wisconsin District Lutheran Women's Missionary League. All proceeds are designated to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ all over the world. They currently sponsor a seminary student in The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod in St. Louis and a young boy living in Rwanda, Africa, through Compassion Inter-

national. Locally, they have supported the Lakeland Pantry and Warm the Children of Eagle River with financial donations. They have made clothes for still-born or miscarried infants through Diana's Angels, providing them to area hospitals to help ease the burden of grief. They have also sent 82 quilts to Orphan Grain Train, Wisconsin branch, for their work around the world.

#### Contact Me!

If you have information to share, contact Kim Domini at [avwnews54568@gmail.com](mailto:avwnews54568@gmail.com). Please ensure information is received at least two weeks in advance of an event. Deadlines are the Wednesday of the week prior to the Friday edition.

## WINCHESTER

Betty Forster bdhf1975@gmail.com

### News from the Winchester Public Library

We are open Thursday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Friday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; and Saturday 9 a.m. to noon.

Events coming up in June include: Jeff Kersten on scams and frauds targeting seniors at noon on June 17; Birthday Club on June 21 from 10 to 11 a.m.; lakes committee meeting on June 26 at 9 a.m.; Bill Jamerson on ski flying in the U.P. on June 27 at 4 p.m.

#### Engage Winchester Party

Engage Winchester is having a party in the park at Winchester Town Park on Sunday, May 26, from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Meet your neighbors and find out more about the Engage Winchester group and their plans for our town.

#### Art Class at the Library Lisa Krueger Mushroom Painting Class

June 5 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. is a must for painters. Sign up before May 24, with the low numbers we may cancel. Call 715-686-2926 to sign up today.

#### Social Network Help at the Library

Blaze, on Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 3

p.m., can help you at no charge with your questions about your smart phone, computer, laptop, iPad, or Kindle. He can answer your history of Winchester questions as well.

#### Meals at the New Site

Senior meals are now served at North Lakeland School every Wednesday and Thursday. The meals are sponsored by the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) of Vilas County. Call Site Manager Mary Ellen Duranso at 715-904-0065 by 11:30 a.m. the day prior to the meal you would like to reserve your spot. Be at North Lakeland School at 11 a.m. for seating at 11:15 a.m. Suggested donation per meal is \$5. Meals will be served at North Lakeland School every Wednesday and Thursday through the summer. Chicken noodle shop, egg salad sandwich, carrot and celery sticks, peaches and dessert are on the menu for May 29. Menus are posted on the ADRC website at [adrc.vilascountywi.gov](http://adrc.vilascountywi.gov) or receive a copy from the site manager.

#### Memorial Day Plans

The American Legion Post 480 will conduct Memorial Day serv-

ices at the Winchester Cemetery on Monday, May 27 at 11 a.m. Then at Presque Isle Cemetery at 11:30 a.m.; the Memorial Flame on Hwy. W at noon with a luncheon at the Legion Building on Hwy. W to follow. All are welcome to attend.

#### Fleazaar Drop Off Saturdays

Every Saturday from now until the Fleazaar July 17, the "Barns" at the Community Church in Manitowish Waters are open from 9 a.m. to noon for delivery of your donated items. There will be someone to help you unload.

#### WinMan Trails

Coming soon to WinMan: May 24-27 is Summer Kick Off weekend. Lots of activities, food and fun throughout the weekend. June 7 beginning at 3 p.m. and June 9 beginning at 9 a.m. are the adult mountain bike clinics hosted by the Love of Bikes ladies. Call for details and to sign up 646-543-8784.

#### Winchester Lions

Membership in the Winchester Lions Club is open to anyone: All ages, full or part-time residents.

For more information, contact president Tom Rued at 715-686-2547 or email [muskydoctom@gmail.com](mailto:muskydoctom@gmail.com). On Sunday, May 26 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at WinMan, the Lions will be serving brats, hot dogs, chips, water and soda.

#### North Lakeland Discovery Center

For information on activities, go to [www.DiscoveryCenter.net](http://www.DiscoveryCenter.net) or call 715-543-2085.

#### Boulder Junction Food Pantry

The Boulder Junction Food Pantry located behind the Community Church on Highway K in Boulder Junction is open on May 30 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. and June 6 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. For more information call 715-385-2174.

#### Mercer Food Pantry

Mercer Food Pantry is open on Tuesdays and Fridays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Wednesdays 3:30 to 6 p.m. Available at the Mercer Food Pantry are meat, dairy, can goods, cereals and snacks. The food pantry is located in the town hall building. For more information, call 715-476-7655.

## BOULDER JUNCTION

Jeanne Milewski jmbjnews@gmail.com 715-385-0366

### Memorial Day Observance

Members of the American Legion and Auxiliary Post 451 invite the public to a Memorial Day Observance on Monday, May 27 at 11 a.m. at the Veterans' Memorial in downtown Boulder Junction. A ceremony will also follow the observance at the Pines Cemetery.



Jeanne Milewski  
BOULDER JUNCTION

to pick-up a printed map showing the location of the sales, or go to the website, [boulderjct.org](http://boulderjct.org), for a paperless map. For more information, contact the chamber at 715-385-2400.

#### Church Rummage Sale

The Community Church of Boulder Junction is having a church rummage and bake sale "For Heaven's Sake" on Friday, May 24 and Saturday, May 25 from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. In addition, the Clothes Closet will also be open with all items for \$1 each. Proceeds of the sale benefit missions and local scholarships.

#### Fleazaar

Manitowish Waters Community Church is preparing for the annual "Fleazaar" on Wednesday, July 17. Donations will be accepted at the Fleazaar barns next to the church on Hwy. 51 every Saturday morning from 9 a.m. to noon through Saturday, July 6. Visit the church's website, [www.mwcp.org](http://www.mwcp.org) for more information and for items the church is not able to accept.

### Arts and Crafts Fair

The Friends of the Marenisco Public Library, Marenisco, Michigan, are sponsoring their annual "Summer Arts and Crafts Fair and Bake Sale" on Saturday, June 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This event will be held at the Trailhead Pavilion on the corner of Fair Avenue and Mill Street. The public is invited to attend. For more information, or to reserve a spot, call Barb at 906-285-2648.

#### Guide on the Side

The "Free Fishing Seminars" are getting a new look! Join a local fishing guide every Wednesday evening this summer for an hour of tips, tricks and tales. "Guide on the Side" will be located on the side of Northern Highland Sports Shop in downtown Boulder Junction from 4 to 5 p.m. Rain location will be across the street at the Acorn Lodge.

The first seminar will be Wednesday, May 29 with Bob's Manitowish Guide Service with the topic "Techniques for Spring Crappie Fishing." For more information, or for a full schedule, call the chamber office at 715-385-2400 or visit the website, [boulderjct.org](http://boulderjct.org).

### At the Library

The Spring Book Walk features "Hello, Puddle!" by Anita Sanchez and illustrated by Luisa Uribe. "Hello, Puddle" is a joyful celebration of the remarkable in the ordinary and the importance of even the humblest places in fostering life. The book walk is set-up at the Winter Park, 10135-10217 Old K Road in Boulder Junction at the one-mile trail loop. The book walk combines the joy of reading while engaging in a healthy, family-friendly outdoor activity.

The Books and Brews Book Club will meet on Wednesday, June 5 at 7 p.m. at The Aqualand Ale House. Come early for a bite to eat! RSVP to the library as a table reservation must be made. The selection is "Loving Eleanor" by Susan Wittig Albert. Call the library for your copy of the book or visit the website. New readers are always welcome.

Mah Jongg meets for play on Mondays from 1 to 4 p.m. in the library.

For more information on the services, programs and events our library has for you, call them at 715-385-2050 or visit the website: [boulderjunctionlibrary.org](http://boulderjunctionlibrary.org).



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## ST. GERMAIN

Jennie Saltzgiver saintgermainchamber@gmail.com 715-477-2205

### Chief St. Germain

The Chief St. Germain statue at the corner of Hwy. 70 and Hwy. 155 is missing! Actually, he’s been removed so he can be repaired. The timeline for his restoration has been extended and he should return by mid-June. Please consider donating to assist in paying for the restoration of this important part of St Germain culture at givebut-ter.com/savethechief.

### Classic Sled Roundup

The Snowmobile Hall of Fame’s 20th annual Classic Sled Roundup is this weekend in the St Germain Town Park, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. See vintage sled displays and one of the largest swap meets in the Midwest. If you are interested in reserving a space for the swap meet or looking for more information, visit [www.snowmobilehalloffame.com/e-vents/classic-sleds-roundup/](http://www.snowmobilehalloffame.com/events/classic-sleds-roundup/) for

more details.

### Flea Market

The flea market opens for the 2024 season on Monday! It will be held every Monday through Labor Day, Sept. 2 at the St. Germain Community Park. It is held rain or shine. Come early so you can get the best picks and good parking.

### Bingo

The St. Germain Chamber of Commerce’s Bingo Night is returning on Monday, June 3. It will be held on Mondays through Aug. 26. Doors open at 6 p.m. and games begin at 7 p.m. New this year is a progressive game.

### Walk in the Woods

Stroll among the pines at our 17th Annual Walk in the Woods Art Fair. Shop from regional artists with an eclectic mix of pot-

tery, paintings, photography, wood carvings, homemade candles, and jewelry. Enjoy wine sampling as you walk through the woods to find one-of-a-kind treasures at the St. Germain Chamber. Food and beverages will be provided by the St. Germain Lions Club. Wisconsin troubadour David HB Drake will share his folk music and wisdom.

### Memorial Day Ceremony

The recognition of those who sacrificed all for our country began as Decoration Day on May 30, 1868. President Grover Garfield spoke at Arlington Cemetery. 5,000 volunteers decorated 20,000 graves. In 1971, it became a federal holiday. Let’s honor our soldiers together. On Sunday, May 26, at 1 p.m., the St. Germain Lions Club hosts a ceremony at the St. Germain Memorial Park, corner of Hwy. 70 and Hwy. 155. The guest

speaker for the ceremony will be Brian Jopek, and the presiding minister will be Tom Kammel.

### National Asparagus Day

So, do you love or hate asparagus? According to the USDA, Americans consume 500 million pounds of this green veggie each year. Most of it is imported, by Michigan, California, and Washington still produce most of the domestic market. If you want to start your own asparagus garden, it does take two to five years to have an edible plant. Simple recipes are steamed asparagus with a hollandaise sauce, prosciutto-wrapped, or in a breakfast casserole with leeks. Enjoy!

Any upcoming events or fun town news? We would love to share it. All news must be submitted two weeks in advance to [saintgermainchamber@gmail.com](mailto:saintgermainchamber@gmail.com).

## LAKE TOMAHAWK

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### Town of Lake Tomahawk

The regular town meeting will take place on June 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the community center.

### Town of Lake Tomahawk Community Center Gym

The community center gym, due to unforeseen circumstances, will be remain closed until the first or second week in June. We are sorry for any inconvenience this has caused. Thank you for understanding.

### Snowshoe Baseball 2024

The Lake Tomahawk Snowshoe Baseball games will start on June 17, featuring the Lake Tomahawk Snowhawks playing the NewsWatch 12. The games are held every Monday at 7:30 p.m. Concession stand will be serving burgers, cheeseburgers, brats, hot dogs and slices of pie throughout the summer at 5 p.m. Last game is scheduled for Aug. 26. This is a family friendly event.

### The Lake Tomahawk Lions Club

The Lions are hosting their Annual Salad Luncheon, “Welcome Summer” held on Thursday, June 13

from noon to 3 p.m. at the Lake Tomahawk Sloan Community Center. The cost is \$15 to attend. There will also be many raffles! Contact Deb at 715-277-3445 or Sue at 262-719-7898 to purchase tickets.

### Lakeland Area Genealogical Society Meeting in June

Calling all beginner to experienced genealogists. The Lakeland Area Genealogical Society, (LAGS), and the Minocqua Public Library will host a two-part video series to jump start or enhance your genealogy skills. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Genealogy Program Part 2: Desktop vs Online, Advantages and Disadvantages on June 11 at 1:30 p.m. at the Minocqua Public library. The presentation provides information on online genealogy websites and computer software options to help you determine where to store and/or share your research.

### Lake Tomahawk Summer Children’s Events

Join us at Snowshoe Park for our first Summer Children Events 2024 on Saturday, June 15 from 10 a.m. to noon. This event is called “Dig

Dump and Drive.” Children will get in the driver seat in a fire truck, ambulance, fork lift, sheriff car, and the Spirit helicopter. Also, they will meet Den our K9 officer. Snowshoe Park is located at 7972 Choate Blvd, Lake Tomahawk off Route 47.

Children must be accompanied by an adult. There is no cost to attend but we ask that you register your child in advance. Snacks will be served. To register, please contact Darlene Neumann at 715-277-3514 or Chris Guse at 715-277-2878.

### Wilderness Rest Cemetery

The Wilderness Rest Cemetery in Lake Tomahawk and Newbold Memorial Cemetery has joined “Wreaths Across America.” If you would like to honor a Veteran with a wreath for the Christmas Holiday, please contact Adrian Pritchard at 715-358-2452 for more information or log on to Wreaths Across American website, click on sponsor a wreath, type in code Wilderness WIWLDN or Newbold WINBMC.

### Musky Area Wood Carvers

Interested in learning to wood

carve or have friends who may be interested? This is a great time as the seasons change with more time available. You might be interested in learning a new skill, meeting new friends and having fun.

It doesn’t matter if you know how to carve or just curious on what it’s all about. Come check us out. Join this friendly group of wood friendly wood carvers and burners that meet every Thursday from 9 to 11:30 a.m. at the Sloan Community Center located at 7246 Main Street in Lake Tomahawk. You can also call 715-525-1634 or see our “Musky Area Wood Carvers” Facebook group site for information and see pictures of our carving activities and events.

### Lake Tomahawk Visitor Center

The Lake Tomahawk Visitor Center is open and their hours are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

### Lake Tomahawk Museum

The Lake Tomahawk Museum is now open on Saturdays and Sundays from noon to 3 p.m. The Museum is located at 7247 Kelly Drive in Lake Tomahawk.

## PRESQUE ISLE

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### 2024 American Legion Post 480 Events

The American Legion Post 480 is open to the public.

Tip-Ups Food Truck: Sunday morning starting May 19 to last weekend in august. Martha Kelly starting July 11 thorough closing Thursday nights. Wednesday line dancing (every other Wednesday night) starting June 26. Open mic night starting June 26 every Wednesday night. Thursday trivia/comedy night starting July 11. Bingo starting Memorial day weekend through September, maybe one October date. Memorial Day weekend, May 25 Lions Lobster Dinner. May 26 Bingo starts and Memorial Day, May 27. June 15 Pork N Ride. June 23 Father’s Day tip-ups plus car show. June 29 P.I. Fireworks, Ron Harrison 7 to 9 p.m. June 30 P.I. Days, no tip-ups.

### Presque Isle Lions Club

The Presque Isle Lions Club is hosting its 45th Annual Lobsterfest on Saturday, May 25, from 4 to 9 p.m. This fundraising event will be held at American Legion 480,

County Road W, Presque Isle. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact any Lion member or Rich at 715-686-2073. There are a limited number of dinner tickets, check for availability. Carry out diners will be available.

### Tunes on the Water

The Winegar Riders are hosting the first Tunes On the Water of the season with another awesome fish boil, also serving hamburgers, brats and hot dogs, beverages will be available. Tom Katalin will be performing for you and your family and friends between 5 to 7 p.m. So grab a lawn chair and bring your appetite To Pipke Park tonight, Friday, May 24.

### Rummage Sale

Collecting will begin May 25. The Presque Isle Lion’s Club is preparing for its annual rummage sale. The sale will be held on Aug. 3 a single day event at the Presque Isle Community Center. The Lions will be accepting items that can be priced at \$5 and up. A list of example items that will be accepted can be found at [www.pilionsclub.org](http://www.pilionsclub.org). Proceeds from

the rummage sale go towards community projects, scholarships, and local needs. If you have any questions on whether a particular item will benefit the Lions cause, please call Dave Prott 262-995-4867 for a determination regarding acceptance. It is especially important to call ahead of time if you have any physically large items you wish to donate. The collection point will be on Hwy. W west of Presque Isle which is the same as prior years. Drop offs will only be accepted on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon. Collecting will continue till July 27.

### Logger’s Breakfast

Enjoy a hearty meal just like the loggers of years past. All you can eat breakfast includes: Pancakes, eggs, sausage, fruit compote, juice, coffee and milk. This year there will be three dates, Saturday June 22, July 27 and Aug. 24 from 8 to 11 a.m. Presque Isle Community Center, 8306 School Loop Road, Presque Isle.

### Presque Isle Days

Presque Isle Days is on Sunday June 30, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., lo-

cated on Main Street in downtown Presque Isle. Free entry to Presque Isle’s signature event. This event will have craft and food/beverage vendors. There will be kids games, and live music under the tent. Also, the Timberworks Lumberjack Shows are back. You can see them at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

### Kids Fishing Days 2024

This year Kids Fishing will be on July 10, July 24 and Aug. 7. Join us for a morning of fishing at Lynx Lake Resort. Bring your own fishing equipment. Worms will be provided. Mentors for fishing will be available to help. Lunch and prizes at the end.

### Presque Isle Volunteer Fire Department

Meat and cash raffle! Presque Isle Fireman’s Picnic on Saturday, Aug. 3 at 5 p.m. All proceeds go to local volunteer fire and EMS. Only 1,500 tickets sold for \$10 each. First place quarter of a cow in brand new freezer, second place \$500 cash and third place \$250 cash. Need not be present to win. Tickets sold at your local businesses.



# TOWN NEWS

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## MERCER

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### Manitowish Lions Club Pancake Breakfast

May 25, 8 to 11 a.m. at the Manitowish Waters Community Center. All proceeds support the North Lakeland Bucks youth hockey team.



Louise Minisan  
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### Wheels, Wings and Watercraft Show

May 25 at 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Airport Road/Hwy. 51, Manitowish Waters. Entry displays will include classic cars and trucks, motorcycles, vintage boats and airplanes. You can start the morning at the pancake breakfast and then have strength to move through the exhibits.

### Groovin on the Gile

May 26, from 3 to 7:30 p.m., a free concert with Refuse to Rust Band. Bring the whole family, pack a cooler if you'd like. No purchase necessary. There will be food vendors and a beverage stand if you would like refreshments. Bring a blanket or lawn chair to get comfortable.

### Leg Wrestling Tourney

June 1 at 2 p.m. at Willys Still, on

Island Lake Road. There will be men's and women's and co-ed divisions.

### Hurley Garage Sale

My junk, your treasure on June 8 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., sponsored by Hurley Chamber. There is no charge to participate. You can get a registration form at the Hurley Chamber.

### Haymakers and Hotdogs Car Wash

The Penokee Range 4-H Club will sponsor a car wash on June 15 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Carey Mine Market in Hurley. Along with washing cars they will be offering baked goods a fundraiser to raise funds for fair improvements. A live radio remote broadcast with hot dogs will also be on site. Stop by and Join the fun and assist this event.

### Fleazaar 2023

Mark those calendars for July 17, at 7 a.m. for the annual Fleazaar at Manitowish Waters. You'll find everything you ever wanted at

amazing prices. All of the proceeds go back to the church and the community.

### Memorial Day Observance

Mercer/Manitowish Waters area Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9536 invites all to join them in observance of Memorial Day. Mercer Cemetery observance will be at 10 a.m. and Manitowish Waters will be at Manitowish Waters Cemetery at 11:30 a.m.

### Mercer/Manitowish Waters American Legion Auxillary

Planting of Geraniums at Mercer and Manitowish Waters will take place on Saturday, May 25 readying the grounds for Monday's observance. Thank you to all that have donated to this project.

### Blood Bank

Next blood bank will be on July 9. Mercer quota has been increased. Please donate, there is such a shortage. Call Louise for an appointment at 715-476-7655.

### Food Pantry

The Mercer Food Pantry is open

on Tuesday and Friday 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Wednesday 3:30 to 6 p.m. for your shopping pleasure. Next senior box delivery will be on June 4 at 9 a.m. You will need to park and come in an sign your card. There will also be a package of fresh meat distributed with it.

### Mercer Library Workshop with Artist in Residence McCall Hocking

Ms. Hocking's first workshop on May 25 filled up in no time. Her next "Mindful Art Creating" for ages 8 through adult will be on Saturday June 15, 10 a.m. to noon. It is a fun time and you can visit her exhibit at the same time. It is a fun and unique exhibit.

### Educational Foundation

The foundation will have their annual fundraiser at The Pines on July 19. There will be many raffles, lots of fun, music and also a chance to buy a ticket on a beautiful hand-made table from Tim Lutgen. It is truly a work of art. All monies are used for scholarships and further educational needs and trips for teachers and students. Please try to attend.

## SAYNER/STAR LAKE

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### Sayner-St. Germain Youth Baseball

New this year – the Plum Lakes Lions Club will serve hot dogs, burgers and treats this year at all the youth games in Sayner! Come cheer on the kids and check it out! Go Muskies!

### Plum Lake Lions Raffle Tickets

The Plum Lake Lions Club has a new fundraiser! They are selling raffle tickets for a Cash Raffle. Tickets are \$10 each and are available for purchase from Lions Club members and also at Cre-ate Gift Shop and Plum Lake Quilts. First prize will be \$1,000 and then there are many more smaller prizes. Tickets will be sold until the Harvest Dinner on Oct. 26 when the winning tickets will be drawn.

### Plum Lake Public Library

Stop by the library to purchase your "Summer Solstice Raffle" tickets for a chance to win a new Obrien paddleboard, paddle, and life vest. Tickets are \$5 each or five tickets for \$20. All proceeds go towards the library's basement remodeling project. The drawing will be held on June 21 at 3:30 p.m.

The Library Passport Program from the Northern Waters Library Network invites you to stop at the library and pick up your free passport for the summer. Then you can bring your passport with you as you travel throughout northern Wisconsin through August to get a stamp at each library you visit. Collect 10 different stamps and you'll be given an entry form to submit for a prize drawing! You could win gas cards, Wisconsin-themed travel books, road trip supplies, and much more!

Join us every Tuesday beginning on June 25 for Story Hour at the library. The theme is "Adventure Begins at Your Library" and will include stories, songs, finger plays, snacks, and crafts! The kids love these activities! No registration required!

The library now has a NexTrex recycling box for collection of clean and dry plastic bags, case wrappers, bubble wrap, etc. Call the library for more information on what is and is not acceptable for this plastic recycling.

Thanks to a generous donation of the Plum Lake Lions Club, the library has family museum passes for

the Northwoods Children's Museum in Eagle River. Anyone with a library card can check out the museum pass from the library. Contact the library at 715-542-2020 to reserve the pass or for more information.

Like to tell a good story? Join the library's storytelling group! The group meets once a month. Each meeting's storytelling is centered around a theme, and everyone is encouraged to share a story related to that theme. Contact the library for more information or stop by.

The "Knit, Crochet & Handiwork Group" meets on Monday afternoon at 1 p.m. Bring your current project to work on — whether you are a novice or an expert. If you want to look for something new to do, this group may offer inspiration or motivation.

There is a Cookbook Club that meets on Thursdays. Discover new recipes and connect with other curious cooks and bakers! Participants choose one (or more!) recipes from a designated cookbook and then at the end of the month, all of the participants bring their dishes to share with the others. It's a great way to

try new recipes and make new friends! Stop by the front desk to look at the current cookbook and make a selection. Get a free copy of your chosen recipe.

Some information about the library's other book clubs:

- Night Owls Book Club on the first Wednesday of the month at 6 PM at the library. All are welcome to join the discussion.
- Plum Lake Fiction Book Club meets at the library on the second Monday of the month at 11 a.m. All are welcome to join the discussion.
- Plum Lake Non-Fiction Book Club meets on the fourth Monday at 11 a.m. at the library.

Find a list of their books either on the website (plumlakelibrary.org) or at the library.

Please call the library at 715-542-2020 if you have questions on anything.

### Contact

Please contact Sharon Brooker at 715-892-7049 or email plclerk@gmail.com if you have any news for me to report. Don't miss the chance to promote your local event!

## MANITOWISH WATERS

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### Wheels, Wings & Watercraft Show Returns

The Manitowish Waters Visitors Bureau is thrilled to announce the return of their Wheels, Wings and Watercraft Show this weekend Saturday, May 25 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Manitowish Waters Community Center grounds. Entry displays will include classic cars and trucks, motorcycles, vintage boats and airplanes. Start the morning by indulging in a pancake breakfast by the Manitowish Waters Lions Club from 8 to 11 a.m. inside the Manitowish Waters Community Center. After having breakfast, you can venture outside to the Community Center grounds to check out the show entries, visit the vendor booths, enjoy live broadcasts, food concessions and cash bar, free bounce house for the kids and more. For event registration or further details, please visit manitowishwaters.org/wheels-wings-wa-

tercraft-show/ or contact 715-543-8488. Online registration is available.

### Manitowish Waters Lions Club

Pancake Breakfast - May 25, from 8 to 11 a.m. inside the Manitowish Waters Community Center. This event is in conjunction with the Wheels, Wings and Watercraft Show. Breakfast will include hot pancakes, sausages, juice and coffee. All proceeds from the breakfast will benefit the North Lakeland Bucks youth hockey.

### Koller Library

June 5 - Mahjong-American Style: 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
For a full list of Koller Library events, visit kollerlibrary.org.

### North Lakeland Discovery Center

June 1 - 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Step right up for the most exciting discovery event of the summer! Celebrate the

season and support nature education resources in the Northwoods at our annual fundraiser. Your \$50 admission ticket unlocks a world of fun, including a live auction, wacky wildlife race, quick-play games, raffle prize drawing, mouth watering food, refreshing beverages, and much more! Registration is open now!

The North Lakeland Discovery Center offers a wide variety of environmental education programs, drop-in activities and trails, and more. The programs are geared towards all ages. For a full list of Discovery Center's weekly programs, please visit DiscoveryCenter.net or call 715-543-2085.

### WinMan Trails

May 24-26: Join us at WinMan Trails for a fun filled weekend and help us celebrate the start of summer! We will have live music, beer specials, amazing food, and plenty

of staff and volunteers to answer all your questions about the upcoming 2024 season. We are also incredibly excited to announce the WinMan user, and 2022 Olympian, Kevin Bolger will be joining us.

### Music in the Park

MW Music in the Park is a free, family friendly venue. Shows are every Sunday from 4 to 6 p.m. starting May 26 throughout the summer. Bring your family, a blanket or lawn chairs, food and beverages of your choice. You may come by car, bike, or boat. Limited dock space is available, but feel free to anchor off shore and listen to the music.

### More on Manitowish Waters

For a full list of community events, visit ManitowishWaters.org  
Our visitor center, located at 5733 Airport Road, is open 24/7. Stop by to pick up a visitors guide, maps, brochures and area information.



Regulations

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The department statutorily has the requirement to administratively review any local boating ordinances for inland lakes in the state of Wisconsin. But that’s merely a review. It’s not an approval or denial process.”

Towns may in fact say the DNR is approving the ordinances, Kuhn said, but the public should know that doesn’t make it so.

“The town can say whatever they want to say,” he said. “We have no control over what a town chairman or town clerk or town board member says. But the fact of the matter is, we make it abundantly clear that we are not approving or denying anything. We don’t have the statutory authority to do so. We take an ordinance, we review it, we make suggestions on how to improve an ordinance or make suggestions on what’s already covered by state statute. We really only make suggestions and make sure that it’s consistent with state statute, that we’re not infringing on the public trust doctrine or anything like that.”

Ultimately, the towns make the decisions, Kuhn said, and that’s true for enforcement decisions, too.

“If the town chooses to take those suggestions, that’s up to the town,” he said. “If they choose not to, that’s up to the town, and we make these suggestions, and if they want to enact an ordinance and there’s nobody to enforce it, we don’t have the statutory authority to say yes or no. We recognize it, and say, ‘You don’t have an enforcement arm to do this. This is literally just going to be a gentleman’s agreement if you don’t have any enforcement’ and the town runs with it or doesn’t run with it.”

**Other misconceptions**

In his presentation in Lake Tomahawk, Phillips said one of the concerns he hears is that towns will be sued for constitutional violations.

“Every time I work with the town to enact an ordinance, somebody says we’re going to be sued,” Phillips said. “In the entire history of wake surf ordinances in the state of Wisconsin, going back to 2008 and Mequon, not a single suit. There have been many threatened. There’s never been a single suit brought.”

Phillips says that’s because the public trust doctrine does not prevent a town from enacting an enhanced wake ordinance but in fact allows towns to regulate boating. That might be true, but another reason might be because towns drop ordinances that are constitutionally unenforceable without violating other constitutional rights — such as Fourth Amendment or equal protection — or suspect ordinances might not survive a challenge, rather than there being no basis for a lawsuit in the first place.

In Waupaca County, the town of Farmington banned wake-enhanced boating on Round and Rainbow lakes but reversed its decision after a legal challenge was threatened. The town has since been collaborating with the nearby town of Dayton for each town to adopt an ordinance prohibiting artificial wake enhancement devices.

In the latest draft, language stating that enforcement would be provided by the Waupaca County Sheriff Office/Water Patrol of Waupaca County and all other individuals empowered to enforce ordinances in the town or state was replaced by language limiting enforcement to any law enforcement officer authorized to enforce the laws of the state of Wisconsin.

That could likely preclude town officials from an enforcement role and plop the towns into the same evidence-gathering conundrum that Kuhn raised on constitutional questions.

Finally, Kuhn stressed, another misconception is that wake boats and devices themselves can be banned, but that is not true.

“The public trust doctrine basically prohibits the excluding of a particular type of boat,” he said. “So the argument that’s being used on these ordinances is that these local units of government aren’t saying you can’t use your surf boat. They’re saying you can’t use your surf boat and the ballast technology that’s part of your surf boat. ... Our legal staff has said the public trust doctrine doesn’t kick in because they’re not saying you can’t use a ballast boat. They’re saying you can’t use the ballast technology in a ballast boat.”

For his part, Hartman said many of the issues could be resolved by passing a state statute that his department could enforce, as well provide greater awareness and consistency.

“A state statute would be more fair because it would be more widely known and would be in the boater regulation manuals,” he said.

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Move through the open concept greatroom to the kitchen outfitted for large gatherings with 2 islands and a breakfast nook in-the-round opposite the greatroom. Step out of the greatroom, primary bedroom or kitchen and onto a large, wrap-around cedar deck to view the golden sunset shimmering on the bay. Natural-stained maple hardwood floors and custom-milled trim add to the warm Northwoods charm.

A vaulted ceiling, screened cedar gazebo off the deck provides a cozy respite for an afternoon nap or evening card game. Or relax out on the extended dock under an umbrella in a comfy Adirondack chair and watch the kids play in the lake.

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Ordinance

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and-some thousand! — they brag about how high their waves are. They have certain models where the waves are four-foot-eleven or something. They brag that they can make a wave that big.”

“And they’re pretty dangerous,” he said. “They’re finding out that you can’t see over the bow of these things. That’s true of any boat, but especially with these.”

“Richard has written these ordinances for all these towns, which are pretty much the same,” Schell explained. “A lot of people were worried that there would be a patchwork of these things; that everything would be different; it would cause a problem. But pretty much all of these ordinances have been the same.”

“The only difference that comes in is that everybody’s got their own lakes,” he said, stressing local control as the key to effective legislation.

“The lakes committee knows here last fall, our representatives — Swearingen and Felzkowski — put in a proposal that was written by the boating industry,” Schell said. “It was so flawed, they put in there that you can’t run a wake-boat on a lake that’s under 50 acres. Well, there’s already a law on the books that says you can’t have a

boat making waves on a 50-acre lake.”

“Richard did some research for St. Germain,” he said. “Come to find out, the only two lakes we’ve got a real concern about would be — because Alma, Content, Lost, and Stella don’t have any areas that are over 20 feet (deep) — Moon has almost half of its acreage at more than 20 feet, but it’s only 131 acres. You can’t run too much on 131 acres. But Found Lake — I thought it was more like 15 or 20 — but Found Lake only has seven acres where it’s 20 feet deep or more, so it’s pretty much impossible; those are just two separate holes.”

“Big St. Germain and Little Saint are two different stories,” Schell said. “As you know, Big Saint has got 1,500-something, and Little Saint has got 980. On Little Saint, West Bay is probably the only place that they’d be able to run. On Big Saint, of course, there are some reefs and bars out there, but that would be a target.”

“The reason I bring those two up is that the more towns that put in these ordinances, these folks want to find a place to go,” Schell said. “Where are they going to go? Where there aren’t ordinances.”

“One of the first times this topic came up,” interjected an audience member who did not identify herself, “We were at our annual meeting. There were a bunch of individuals sitting right behind me from Lake Minocqua. And the guy said ‘Well, if we can’t do it on Minocqua Lake,

we’re coming here’.”

“I know some people that would take their wake-boat to Lake Tomahawk,” Schell said, “but now that ordinance has gone in. Where are they going to go? We’d better not take too much longer on this.”

“I have for you a draft ordinance for St. Germain,” he said.

“Good!” replied two audience members in unison.

“This is an ordinance that follows all the other ordinances that have been put in,” Schell explained. “This has met the test of the DNR in all these instances. There’s 21 enhanced-wake ordinances that have been passed, and about 10 of those have been passed just in the last seven months or so, just to give you an idea.”

“The biggest part of doing the ordinance is passing the DNR approval,” he said, “And something to do for that is called a condition report. There’s a manual that the DNR puts out on how to put in a boating ordinance. And in that thing, one of the things it calls for is a condition report. We looked at the condition report for the town of Newbold — right south of us across the highway — and this is what they used.”

“Within this, each lake is delineated in an Excel spreadsheet,” Schell said. “All the characteristics of it are defined. But this is what we would have to do for St. Germain, and each lake would be responsible for that.”

“Who’s going to enforce this?” an audience member asked.

“That’s a good question,” Schell replied. “Most people want to follow the law. There’s always a few who don’t. But there are a lot of examples where if the law is there ... there are ways to enforce it as a town, just like we can enforce zoning infractions. The town board has the authority to enforce.”

“Your greatest weapon is this,” he said, holding up his cellphone. “You take a video of the registration and you show it to your town officials. Generally, that will go to a warning. The second time, the officials can go into the courthouse and get it enforced.”

“Generally, though,” Schell said, “If you’re coming up from Milwaukee or Wausau with a wake-boat, you’re not going to go to a landing where it’s not allowed.”

“Are you presenting this to the town board?”, another audience member asked.

“No, this is for us, the lakes committee,” Schell answered. “This is a going thing, and every lake has got to put in their piece. You’ll see by this condition report, it goes lake-by-lake.”

“We can’t do anything today with this,” Schell explained. “But we can get it on the agenda, and it will be a discussion/action type item. I don’t think we’ll get it done in one meeting ... I just wanted you to have an idea of what we’ve got going.”

“We’ll attack this starting next month,” he said. “And I’ll be in on the discussions.”

“What’s the timeline?” asked an audience member. “If we discuss this at our next meeting in June and potentially put together our own draft, then we have to present it to the town board at their next meeting after that?”

“Well, we’re going to have to decide if we can get our acts together,” Schell answered. “Because every lake is going to have to contribute their own piece to go into this. We have that manual from the DNR to follow. We have to notify the DNR 60 days in advance, so we’re talking ... into August.”

“I’m a little confused,” another audience member said. “We’re going to do all this work before the town board even considers adopting this?”

“That’s exactly why we have to meet next time,” Schell replied. “Because normally, we’d go to the board with a recommendation saying ‘We would like to proceed with this ordinance,’ OK? And luckily, we can say ‘We already have a draft ordinance, and we already have all these pieces together.’”

Supervisor Patric Niggemeier is the newly-appointed lakes committee chairman.

“The more information you bring to the table,” he said, “The more the board will understand.”

“It’s at that point where we can take that condition report and send it to the DNR for approval,” Schell said.

An audience member asked if the ordinance would pertain to “Big walleye boats with 350- or 400-horsepower engines” or to pontoon boats with similarly large power-plants.

“I know what you’re getting at,” Schell replied. “But this is only for enhanced-wake, ballasted boats making those enhanced waves. They’re about four percent of the market now, but I’ve been told it’s growing exponentially ... This would be a start.”

“It’s just a draft; it’s just a starting point,” Schell told *The Lakeland Times* immediately following the meeting. “We’re trying to put our hat on good science here; not just folklore.”

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# Jopek

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alry Regiment participate in a “spur ride” to show their “technical and tactical abilities as a scout,” which encompasses two days of very difficult challenges.

Stryziek, Reinhart said, “fiercely tackled these grueling challenges.” The spur ride also is when scouts can earn their spurs.

“Specialist Stryziek’s selfless dedication was evident when she volunteered for a Papua New Guinea mission, demonstrating her willingness to go above and beyond to support global operations representing the 105th Cavalry Regiment to its highest standards,” he continued. “And, moreover, specialist Stryziek’s remarkable physical fitness performance achieving the top score, 574, serves as a testament to her unwavering dedication to maintaining peak physical readiness. Specialist Stryziek exemplary conduct embodies the Army values and sets a standard for others to follow, and by so, she’s being trusted to wear this stetson proudly and honorably.”

Reinhart indicated how important the Jopek Stetson is not only to the 105th Cavalry Regiment, but to himself as well.

“I actually deployed with Ryan back in (2005-2006) to the same location and I was overseas when he passed away,” Reinhart said. “So I take it kind of to heart in regards to trying to keep (his) memory alive.”

He said the honorary stetson has a pin attached to it with “RDJ,” the initials of Ryan, signifying it is indeed the Jopek Stetson.

Brian Jopek indicated how appreciative he was of the Jopek Stetson and said he hopes those who are awarded it are just as proud to have received their stetson as Ryan Jopek was when he first earned his cavalry stetson.

“There are a number of things that have been done since Ryan’s been gone that have been done to

keep his name out there, whether it’s the scholarship in his name at Merrill High School, the bench and legacy stone for him at The Highground Veterans Memorial Park in Neillsville, the drill floor dedicated in his memory at the 105th Cavalry’s armory on Wright Street in Madison or his ‘66 Chevy pickup truck he bought when he was 14 and restored from the frame up after he was KIA,” Brian Jopek said. “The Stetson is another way some good people have come together and found a way to make sure Ryan will always be remembered. I hope the people who are awarded the Jopek Stetson cherish it as Ryan did when he earned his cavalry Stetson.”

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Specialist Marlee Stryziek of the Wisconsin National Guard’s 105th Cavalry Regiment speaks after being awarded the Jopek Stetson, a round-brimmed hat traditionally worn by cavalry soliders in the U.S. Army, at an annual “dine-out” held once every year or two.

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# REMEMBERING THOSE WHO DIED WHILE IN U.S. MILITARY SERVICE

## That’s what Memorial Day is about

**By Brian Jopek**  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

*It’s so much darker when a light goes out than it would have been if it had never shone - John Steinbeck*

As is the case for most of the articles for the Fallen Heroes section this newspaper publishes each Memorial Day I do research for and write, this introduction is the final item I put together.

Our theme this year is remembering those troops from Wisconsin killed in action during World War I and, as it was for that time with a worldwide flu epidemic killing millions of people, those Wisconsin troops who were sent overseas and died from illness.

It’s the remembering, though, that is the key here to Memorial Day, the day itself officially set aside as the day the country honors those who died while in the United States military and



**Brian Jopek**  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

however they did.

Whether it was my oldest son, Ryan David Jopek, who followed in my footsteps and joined the Wisconsin Army National Guard in November, 2003, and, like me when I was deployed to northern Iraq in 2004, was also deployed to Southwest Asia in 2005 where he was killed in action in Iraq on Aug. 1, 2006, just two weeks from coming home.

Or another young man like Alex Ahlborn of Minocqua, who was in the Army, got sent to Europe around the time of the end of World War I and died of bronchopneumonia while still in the service a little more than a month after the war ended.

That’s the thing about Memorial Day and it’s become one of those hills I’ll die fighting on if I have to.

Memorial Day has its roots going back to the American Civil War as being a day to honor the country’s war dead. Years

later, that official designation was expanded by Congress to Memorial Day being the official day to remember and honor those who died while in the U.S. military, whether they were killed in action, killed in a training accident, killed in the crash of a military aircraft, dying of illness ... whatever the case.

Now, of course, families will do what they wish to honor a loved one who died when the years of service in the military are long past.

Officially, that loved one also does have a day for him or her to recognize their honorable service in the U.S. military and that day is Veterans Day, observed in November.

That day, Nov. 11, is set aside for people like me who did our time in uniform and did so honorably, some of us getting sent into a combat zone and coming home to continue our lives.

Many may have some scars from those combat zones — I know I do as well as the scar of losing my oldest boy in the same war I was in — but we came home alive.

Veterans Day. A day to honor and remember *all* who served in the U.S. military.



CONTRIBUTED PHOTOGRAPH

Ryan Jopek in his barracks at Camp Shelby, Mississippi, during the summer of 2005 while the unit he deployed to Southwest Asia with, the Wisconsin Army National Guard’s 2/127 Infantry, went through mobilization training.

Memorial Day. A day to honor and remember those who died while serving in the U.S. military.

It’s really quite simple. Enjoy yourself this first official weekend of the summer, the proverbial “kickoff,” as it were.

While you’re enjoying time with family and friends, though, take a moment, if you would, and remember, for just a second, who Memorial Day is for and why.

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# ALEX AHLBORN

BORN: OCT. 30, 1894  
DIED: DEC. 21, 1918

By Brian Jopek  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

Like Carl Madsen, a U.S. Marine who died of Spanish Influenza at Quantico, Va., on Oct. 5, 1918 and one of the namesakes of the Minocqua American Legion post, Alex Ahlborn died of bronchopneumonia in France on Dec. 21, 1918, a little more than a month after the armistice ending the war was signed.



CONTRIBUTED PHOTOGRAPH  
Alex Ahlborn of Minocqua

“Above is a copy of the telegram which bore the sad news that Alex Ahlborn died somewhere in France in the service of his country,” a small article on the front page of the Jan. 9, 1919 edition of *The Minocqua Times* with the title “Soldier dies in France,” read.

Except for his time in the U.S. Army, which he joined on June 26, 1918, “when he answered the call of his country,” Ahlborn lived his entire life with his parents.

Ahlborn went through training at Ft. Riley, Kan., and then was sent to France “in the forepart of November,” assigned to an ambulance unit.

“No letters were received from Alex since his arrival overseas,” the article read. “The last word

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received from him came in the form of a postal card stating that he had arrived safely.”

His father, Carl, wrote to Washington, D.C. “in hopes of finding something about his son.”

“As Alex was a vigorous youth, and not knowing he had been sick, the news of his death came as a double shock,” the *Times* article read.

Aside from his parents, Alex Ahlborn was survived by eight brothers and three sisters, one of the brothers, his twin Albert, in the U.S. Army infantry, drafted in late April, 1918, and was noted as shipping for France in May.

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### Memorial Day ceremonies and services

#### Saturday, May 25

**HARSHAW: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 11:30 a.m., Union Grove Cemetery. Lunch served afterward at the Cassian town hall.

#### Sunday, May 26


**ST. GERMAIN: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 1 p.m., Veterans Memorial Wall.

#### Monday, May 27

**ARBOR VITAE: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 8 a.m., C.W. Caywood Memorial Shooting Range.  
**ARBOR VITAE: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 9 a.m., South Farming Road Cemetery.  
**BOULDER JUNCTION: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 11 a.m., Veterans Memorial Triangle.  
**BOULDER JUNCTION: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** Noon, Cemetery of The Pines  
**HARSHAW: MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY-** 2:30 p.m., Northwoods National Cemetery.  
**HAZELHURST: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 11:30, Whispering Pines Cemetery on Furman Road.  
**HAZELHURST: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** Noon, Lakeside Garden of Sleep Cemetery.  
**LAKE TOMAHAWK: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 11 a.m. Wilderness Rest Cemetery. The public is invited for a ceremony presented by the Colin F. Shultz American Legion Post 318 Honor Guard. Bring a chair.  
**MANITOWISH WATERS: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 11:30 a.m., Pine Lawn Cemetery. In the event of rain, the ceremony will take place at the community center.  
**MERCER: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 10 a.m., Mercer Cemetery on Beachwood Drive.  
**MINOCQUA: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 10 a.m., Veterans Park, downtown Minocqua.  
**MINOCQUA: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 11 a.m., Minocqua Memorial Cemetery on Blue Lake Road.  
**NEWBOLD MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES:** 8 a.m, Newbold Cemetery.  
**PRESQUE ISLE: MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE-** 11 a.m. Presque Isle Cemetery.  
**PRESQUE ISLE: MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE-** 11:30 a.m Wilderness Veterans Memorial Flame. Lunch served afterward at American Legion Post 480.  
**RHINELANDER MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 8:30 a.m., Northland Memorial Park.  
**RHINELANDER MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 9 a.m., Forest Home Cemetery  
**RHINELANDER MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 9 a.m., Nativity of Our Lord Cemetery.  
**RHINELANDER MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 10:30 a.m., John and Dori Brown Performing Arts Center (Rhinelanders High School)  
**SAYNER: MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY-** 9 a.m., Sayner Cemetery. The American Legion will conduct a ceremony.  
**WINCHESTER: MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE-** 10:30 a.m. Winchester Cemetery.  
**WOODRUFF: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 8 a.m., Forest Cemetery.  
**WOODRUFF: MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE-** 10 a.m., Evergreen Cemetery.







# THE SPIRIT OF THE WALL

You came to see my name today  
I saw you standing there.  
Man, you sure look different  
with the silver in your hair.  
But me, I haven't changed  
I'm still the ripe old age of 21.  
That's one of the things about us  
ghosts  
We're now and forever young.  
Do you remember how proud we were  
When we were called by Uncle Sam?  
And I remember being a little afraid  
When they shipped us to Vietnam.  
And I remember the heat  
And the marching through the mud  
And the sounds of all that shooting  
And the sight of all that blood.  
Then I remember when it was time for  
us to go home  
But I couldn't go  
So you made the trip alone.  
You returned to a country  
That couldn't seem to understand  
How all the boys that left  
Came back such messed up men.

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Our country seemed a little naive  
Before that mixed up war.  
Now we never can seem  
To get things back the way  
they were before.  
Now, some of us are just a name  
Just a small part of history  
But with the building of that wall  
It somehow restores our dignity.  
I saw that there is still pain  
Even after all these years  
I'm afraid I saw a lot of bitterness in  
your tears.  
But this is a wall of love  
We hope that's what everyone feels  
And the warm spirits of all the ones  
That surround "The Wall That Heals."  
I saw you had a family  
A couple kids and a pretty wife  
Try to forgive the past  
and have a happy life.  
I guess I'll go now  
That I seem to have said it all  
Think of me once in awhile  
That ghost that stays with "The Wall."



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PRESALOWIC, Anton, Antigo.  
PRILL, Otto F., Westfield.  
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REILLY, Harold E., Milwaukee.  
RICH, William H., Finnimore.  
RICHARDS, Clayton B., Barron.  
RICHMOND, Earl Oakley, Sturgeon Bay.  
RIEMENAPP, Albert, Potosi.  
RIEMER, Albert, Oconto.  
RIEMER, Mike, Collins.  
RISSE, Michael B., Rochester.  
ROBARGE, Patrick A., Tomahawk.  
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ROBINSON, Charles, Gresham.  
ROGALSKA, George Fred, Milwaukee.  
ROGERS, Samuel Nelson, Iron River.

ROKSTID, Henry, Marrisonville.  
ROLL, William A., Wausau.  
ROMANCZUK, Walter, Owen.  
ROONEY, Thomas Henry, La Crosse.  
ROSE, Henry M., Wausau.  
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ROZELL, Albert H., Bancroft.  
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RUNNESTRAND, Alfred T., Ettrick.  
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RYAN, Herbert J., Brillion.  
SADOSKI, Vastel, Armstrong Creek.  
SAENGER, Wesley John, Greenleaf.  
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SAMPSON, Otis, Stoughton.  
SANFORD, Lee John, Necedah.  
SANGER, John, Milwaukee.  
SCHAEFFER, Ed, Milwaukee.  
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SCHAFELKE, William E., Appleton.  
SCHALER, Theodore L., New London.  
SCHELLIEN, Leonard H., Oconomowoc.  
SCHLESNER, Herbert Walter, Johnson Creek.  
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SCHWANZ, Emil, Adams.  
SCHWARTZ, John, Marinette.  
SCHWEBKE, Bernard A., Grand Rapids.  
SCHWITZENBERG, Fred, Neillsville.  
SCOTT, Frank Samuel, Augusta.  
SCZEPANICK, Marian, Ashland.  
SEEFELD, Louis, Milwaukee.  
SEELY, George, Milwaukee.  
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SEIDL, Louis Aloysius, Marshfield.  
SEHRT, Allen John, Beloit.  
SEIPOLD, Earl, Oconto.  
SEMENSKE, Edward, Pittsville.  
SENF, Julius T., Rio.  
SHAKER, Wencil, Tabor.  
SHAVLIK, John, Cato.  
SHEPHERD, Clyde, Poynette.  
SHIELDS, Bert Warren, Marinette.  
SIKORA, Frank J., Milwaukee.  
SILVERBURG, Joseph, Milwaukee.  
SIMOENS, Frank, Green Bay.  
SIMPSON, Arthur F., Randall.  
SISCA, William, Thorp.  
SISCO, William, Thorp.  
SLINING, Ole, New Auburn.  
SLOMKA, Mike, South Milwaukee.  
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SPEETER, Joseph B., Schleisingerville.  
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STANNELE, Gilbert, Forrest Junction.  
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STRACAGNOLO, Antonio, Milwaukee.  
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STRZELECKI, Frank, Mosinec.  
STUBSEP, Frank H., Menasha.  
SUDING, Joseph A., Clayton.  
SUESS, Louis, Oshkosh.  
SUHR, Henry, Milwaukee.  
SUNDSTROM, Hedly, Colfax.  
SUTER, Edward David, Plum City.  
SUWALSKI, Alfred A., Ripon.  
SWANSON, Frank W., Green Bay.  
SYVERSON, Miles R., Westby.  
SZULSZEWSKI, Stanley, Milwaukee.  
SZYLBRI, Alex S., Manitowoc.  
TACKOWIAK, Joseph, Milwaukee.  
TAHLIER, Joseph, Wausaukee.  
TALLROTH, Leo, Milwaukee.  
TEMPERLY, Wilbur C., Hazelgreen.  
THOMA, Anton, Arcadia.  
THOMAS, Walter, Palmyra.  
THOMPSON, George, Dalton.  
THOMPSON, George Daniel, Oshkosh.  
THOMPSON, Henry Borchardt, Milwaukee.  
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TIMM, Adolph, Centuria.  
TIMM, John August, Neenah.  
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TRAPP, Albert, Woodville.  
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TRESTER, Frank P., Sheboygan.  
TRIERWEILER, Nicholas Fred, Marshfield.  
TRUHLER, Joseph V., Sheboygan.  
TRUSHINSKI, Albert, Waukesha.  
TUCKER, Frank, Milwaukee.  
TURNER, James C., Oshkosh.  
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UDIC, Harvey, Oshkosh.  
UPSON, Ray, Merillan.  
URDAHL, Christian, Windsor.  
UTTECH, William F., Milwaukee.  
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VAN HANDEL, Rudolph, Sheboygan.  
VERBETEN, Peter, South Kaukauna.  
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WALKER, John A., Milwaukee.  
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WALLOCK, Joseph M., Milwaukee.  
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WALSH, George William, Gillett.  
WALTER, August, Oconto Falls.  
WARGULA, Peter, Neshkoro.  
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WEBER, Mathias, Barton.  
WEEN, Iver M., Barron.  
WEIGEL, Moritz, Shawno.

WEIGEL, Nick A., Marshfield.  
WEISS, William C., Brillion.  
WELLER, Sidney, Milwaukee.  
WELTON, Gale, Sextonville.  
WENDORF, Emil A., Milwaukee.  
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WERDERITCH, Joe, Milwaukee.  
WERTZ, Raymond J., Potter.  
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WESTBY, Roy, Beloit.  
WHEREATT, Walter Ira, Mayville.  
WHITE, Marcellius, Portage.  
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WIELGOSZ, Joseph, Cornell.  
WIESE, Carl, Watertown.  
WILICHOWSKI, Joseph W., Marathon.  
WILLMAN, Albert, Algoma.  
WILSON, Fred C., Milwaukee.  
WINDGARDEN, Marvin, New Rome.  
WINDL, Lawrence, Jefferson.  
WITT, George J., Milladore.  
WITTE, Harry A., Milwaukee.  
WOINICZ, Stanley J., Kenosha.  
WOJNOWSKI, Vincent I., Milwaukee.  
WOLFE, Frank, Ashland.  
WOLMAN, Ben, Wautoma.  
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WRIGHT, Frank M., Lyndon Station.  
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WROBLEWSKI, Joseph A., Milwaukee.  
WURL, William L., Tomahawk.  
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ZIELINSKI, Alfred F., Milwaukee.  
ZILINKA, Josef, Milwaukee.  
ZIMMERMAN, Victor, Juda.  
ZITINETZ, Fidossy, Laona.  
ZUBIN, Julius, Milwaukee.  
ZUCHOWSKI, Antoine, Saxon.  
ZYK, Taddeus K., Butternut.

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LAMPERT, James G. B., Oshkosh.

## Major

McCLELLAND, Guy W., Berlin.

## Captain

B EGLINGER, Henry A., Oshkosh.

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ARSENEAU, Fred E., Washburn.  
CASEY, Marcus T., New Richmond.  
EBERT, Raphael P., Superior.  
GORMLEY, Howard E., Milwaukee.  
HAWLEY, Franklin Marshall, Mercer.  
MACNISH, George G., Stevens Point.  
MITCHELL, John G., Milwaukee.  
MURPHY, Walter H., Racine.  
MURPHY, William T., Waukesha.  
PHILLIPS, Leslie J., Chetek.  
POWLESS, Josiah Alvin, West Depere.  
SHIELLS, Alexander Edward, Wauwatosa.  
TROCK, Michael Joseph, Milwaukee.  
WERHLE, Raymond F., Superior.

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ANDERSON, Carl Martin, Barron.

FELDMAN, Peter R., Milwaukee.

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BLYTHIN, Edward E., Gordon.  
DALEY, Frank A., Madison.  
DOCKEN, Clarence O., Mount Horeb.  
EATOUGH, Emery, Sturgeon Bay.  
EVERS, Wallace A., Neenah.  
GODDARD, Louis David, Stanley.  
GUNN, Frank B., La Crosse.  
HARRIS, Ray H., Portage.  
HARVEY, Esau, Winona.  
JAHNKE, Herman O., Appleton.  
LARSEN, Elmer T., Milwaukee.  
LEE, Edward, Superior.  
LEE, Roy F., Oshkosh.  
LIBERTY, Frank A., Tomahawk.  
MILLER, Cornelius A., Theresa.  
MUELLER, Earnest, Monroe.  
OLSON, Wallace R., Edgerton.  
PEARSON, Ernest W., Wausau.  
QUIGG, Charles, Eau Claire.  
RAMSAY, Floyd Allen, Beloit.  
RENNEBOHM, Robert B., La Crosse.  
SAVEE, Thayne Archibald, Whitewater.  
STORING, Dan M., Menomonie.  
STRIEPLING, Walter J., Milwaukee.  
VALLIER, Charles J., Jr., Milwaukee.  
VAUGHN, Leo J., Madison.  
VOLKER, Otto F., Menomonie.  
WILCOX, Edward, Portage.  
ZICKERT, Harold A., Watertown.

## Corporals

ADAMS, Charles, Oconto.  
ANDERSON, Edward, Marengo.  
BIEVER, Henry, Port Washington.  
BISCHOFF, Godfrey, Madison.  
BRUNSLIK, James Karel, Haugen.  
COEL, George M., Green Bay.  
COULTER, Thomas G., Walworth.  
DONATELLE, Frank, Cumberland.  
DREIBELBIS, Alex S., Boscobel.  
DUNCAN, Donald Martin, Baraboo.  
ERICKSON, Arthur J., Kenosha.  
FLANDERS, William W., Waupum.  
FREEDE, Milton H., Hales Corners.  
GRAY, John Edward, Amherst.  
HAAG, John L., Kenosha.  
HASLEE, Herbert E., Glenbeulah.  
HUDSON, Henry J., Portage.  
HUMMITSCH, Richard A., Phillips.  
JOHNSON, Ralaigh A., Milltown.  
KOEHN, John Martin, New Lisbon.  
KORENSKI, Adolph, Racine.  
KUONI, Arthur H., Sauk City.  
LAKE, Leonard, Milwaukee.  
LEO, Ole T., Stoughton.  
LIEBOLE, John H., Thorpe.  
LOWTHER, Harry R., Omro.  
LUBBERS, William G., Cedar Grove.  
MEISCHKE, Jerome G., Racine.  
MILLER, Leo M., Hortonville.  
MORRIS, Budd, Mauston.  
MORRIS, Keith L., Kilbourn.  
OLSON, Clarence G., Westly.  
PFEFFERKORN, Norman, Manitowoc.  
PRICE, Davis F., Boscobel.  
RICHARDSON, Frank Eply, Milwaukee.  
ROSE, Fred J., Grafton.  
RUNGE, John, Milwaukee.  
RUTLEDGE, Henry, Janesville.  
SCHMITT, Mathias C., Richfield.  
SIEBRECHT, Max J., Wauwatosa.  
SIUDZINSKI, Leo, Green Bay.  
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WILLIAMS, Otis, Ontario.  
ZARTER, Carl, Oshkosh.

## Chauffeur

STEVLINGSON, Orbeck D., Westby.

## Cooks

ANDERSON, Clarence, Eau Claire.  
ANUNSON, John O., Larson.  
HOY, Christian, Waupaca.  
KRAFT, Joseph F., Port Washington.  
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YORK, Edward J., Merrill.

## Engineer

CONLEY, F. S., Oshkosh.

## Horseshoer

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BELL, Otto L., Norwalk.  
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HAUGEN, John, Ferryville.  
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LANGE, Otto R., Columbus.  
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KOTLABA, Rudolph, Bridgeport.

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DINGLEY, Nellie, M., Ashland.  
FORREST, Eileen L., Gilmanton.  
GROVES, Elma, Lodi.  
MILLMAN, Dorothy B., Richland Center.  
MURPHY, Mary, Manitowoc.  
SCHREIBER, Orma A., Alma.

## Saddler

TAYLOR, Joseph J., Waunakee.

## Wagoners

ANDERSON, Hans C., Poy Sippi.  
HARTEL, Raymond, Beaver Dam.  
HEAMES, George R., Endeavor.  
KENT, Roy H., Bernard.  
KUHL, Ralph, Parrish.  
OLSON, Elmer O., Avoca.  
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SCHMITZ, Frank M., Cadott.  
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WASILEWSKI, Frank, Milwaukee.  
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## Privates

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ALLEN, William H., Two Rivers.  
ALLIE, Charles E., Two Rivers.  
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ANGELO, Menico, Red Granite.  
ANGLE, Roscoe L., Berlin.  
ANNIS, William H., Barron.  
ANTHONY, Rolla, Granton.  
ARBELUS, Robert, Iron Belt.  
ARNETT, George, Marshfield.  
BACKHAUS, Ruddle M., Oakfield.  
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BAILEY, James, Florence.  
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BELONGER, William S., New London.  
BENNETT, Leon E., Waukesha.  
BERG, Alek John, West Salem.  
BERG, Peter Albert, Arcadia.  
BERGER, Rudolph, Westby.  
BERGMAN, Rinhart C., Hartford.  
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BERNDT, Herman, Cedarburg.  
BETTHAUSER, Otto, Tomah.  
BEVER, George N., Osseo.  
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BILLONIO, Casare, Kenosha.  
BINTZLER, George, Lomira.  
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BOHN, Chester E., Limeridge.  
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BOWEN, Marvin Milford, Fond du Lac.  
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BRAUN, John W., Eagle.  
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BRITTON, Rolly B., Hayward.  
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BROWN, David P., Dalton.  
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BROWN, Vivus W., Chippewa Falls.  
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COLE, Edgar E., Fall River.  
COLOGNE, Julius A., Green Bay.  
CONLIN, John B., Madison.  
CONNELL, Andrew S., Janesville.  
COPELAND, Glen, Benton.  
COSTIGAN, Maurice J., Elkhorn.  
COURTNEY, James Frederick, Madison.  
CRAIGO, Harry B., Boscobel.  
CRAWFORD, John W., Keshena.  
CUMMINGS, Ralph E., Wyocena.  
CUTSFORTH, Edward F., Westfield.  
DAHL, Bennie C., Viroqua.  
DAHL, Levi E., Lodi.  
DALEY, William M., Grimms.  
DALEY, William M., Wayside.  
DAMMEIER, Herman F., Shell Lake.  
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DORNBACH, Joseph H., Milwaukee.  
DOVE, Julius, Galesville.  
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EDER, George, Ashland.  
EGAN, Harold A., Milwaukee.  
EGGEN, Clarence T., Orfordville.  
EHLERT, George William, Wheeler.  
ELLIS, James M., Hayward.  
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ENGH, Marvin, La Crosse.  
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ERICKSON, Benjamin Allen, Arkdale.  
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FARRELL, Leo Francis, Random Lake.  
FASBENDER, Henry, Chippewa Falls.  
FEAVEL, Harvey H., Appleton.  
FELDMEIER, Joseph, Milwaukee.  
FELTON, Charles Brush, Bruce.  
FERMAN, Christ, Comstock.  
FISHER, John P., Grand Rapids.  
FISHER, Lawrence C., Fond du Lac.  
FODNESS, Theodore, Menomonie.  
FOLLETT, Edward, Oconto.  
FOLSTAD, Marshall, Barron.  
FREDRICKSON, Olaf, Mount Horeb.  
FREITAG, Max H., Walworth.  
FUCHS, Frank J., Whittlesby.  
FUHLBOHM, Ewald, Reedsburg.  
FUHLBRUEGGE, Kurth F., La Crosse.  
GAASJOLEN, Bernt K., Taylor.  
GAGE, Harry R., Menasha.  
GANZ, Charles A., Burlington.  
GARSKE, Bruno A., North Freedom.  
GAULSKA, Peter J., Antigo.  
GAZECKI, Frank B., Manasha.  
GENTZ, Herman W., Janesville.  
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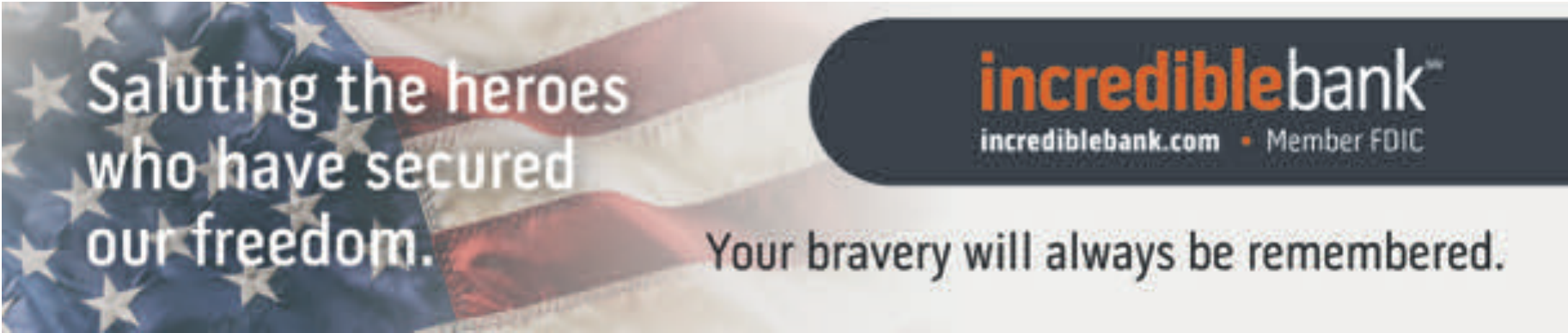


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By Brian Jopek  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

2024 marks the 56th year since Andy Loduha's brother, Gary, was killed in action in Vietnam. Gary Loduha was 19 and a medic with the U.S. Army's 101st Airborne Division when he was killed by enemy action on April 23, 1968, in Vietnam's Ashau Valley. He was posthumously awarded the Silver Star.

There were only 10 months separating Gary and his older brother Andy, who these days is living in the Rhinelander area.

Andy was also in the Army at the time and in Vietnam — he was a radio operator with a Military Assistance Command Vietnam advisory team working with a South Vietnamese Army regiment in another part of the country, where the Ho Chi Minh trail ended in the MeKong Delta.

"The rice bowl of the world," Andy Loduha said.

The Loduha boys lived in Rhinelander most of their lives up to the time their parents' divorced in 1964.

Following the divorce, Andy and Gary lived with their mother in Milwaukee.

It's those childhood ties that brought Andy back to Rhinelander many years later.

"The Loduha side was in Rhinelander and my mom's side of the family was in Milwaukee," he said. "We went, reluctantly, to Milwaukee. We wanted to be with mom but we didn't want to leave everything we had up here."

They came from, as so many have over the decades, a family with several members who served in the U.S. armed forces.

Their great grandfather was in the Spanish-American War, they had a grandfather who served in World War I, one uncle at Normandy in June, 1944 and another uncle a few months later in the Battle of The Bulge.

"Dad was just a kid himself — 19 years old — when he was at Pearl Harbor," Loduha said. "When I grew up, it was hard to find someone who hadn't served in a war."

Later, of course, it was Andy and Gary in Vietnam and after that, a cousin in Desert Storm in 1991.

A nephew — named after Gary — also served in Iraq during 2006 with, like his uncle Gary, the 101st Airborne Division.

Going to Vietnam

Andy said his brother always wanted to be in the Army.

"At 16, Gary forged his birth



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Gary Loduha in a photo his brother Andy said he keeps in his wallet. His name may be found on panel 51E, line 40 of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington D.C.

certificate and joined the Army," he said. "The Army found out about it just before he turned 17. He received a trophy for outstanding basic trainee. It was crazy. They loved him."

Because of his age, however, Gary received an honorable discharge.

The day he turned 17, though, Andy said their mother took Gary to enlist.

"So, Gary never graduated high school," he said. "He got through his sophomore year. He just loved the idea of being a soldier. He wanted to be a medic, he wanted to be air-

borne. That's what he wanted."

By the time Andy graduated high school in June of 1966, Gary had already been in the Army a year.

Around the time of his graduation, Andy turned 18 himself and enlisted.

"I wanted to go, I wanted to serve," he said.

Andy got his orders for Vietnam in July 1967.

"I get my orders and I'm home on leave," he said. "I had about a week left and I came up to Rhinelander because of family up here and one day, the doorbell rings."

It was his brother, Gary. "He was taller than me and he said 'Hey, big brother. Guess what?'" Andy said. "I'm going to Vietnam with you."

They learned they both didn't have to go to Vietnam simultaneously because it was an undeclared war.

"Well, I wasn't going to tell him you go and I'll stay and he wasn't going to say that, either," Andy said. "We both loved our country so we both went. I left in August and he left in September."

Once they were "incountry," they only saw each other one time but they did have a trip to Australia planned for their leave.

The Tet offensive, which began on January 30, 1968, changed those plans.

Gary was able to go to Australia as planned in February but because of what Andy's unit was dealing with at the time, he wasn't able to make it.

Still, Andy said he was glad Gary could go.

"We'd planned that," he said. "We really looked forward to going."

Vung Tau

The one time they saw each other in Vietnam — the final time they spent any time together, as it turned out — was when Gary was at a field hospital in Vung Tau recovering from a knee injury and had written Andy he was there.

Andy at that point asked his commander if he could go to Vung Tau to see Gary.

He received permission and made his way mostly by small airplane and helicopter to see his brother.

"It was kind of like hitchhiking, is how I did it," Andy said.

Along the way, he had to stop at his company headquarters in Saigon.

He left his rifle and other gear there and, still in his fatigues, was asked by a first sergeant if he was going to see Gary dressed like that.

"He said 'Your kid brother is in the hospital,'" Andy said. "You wanna remind him everyday he's gotta go back

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GLEN WARD

‘I’M HERE, I’M STAYING FOR MY BUDDIES’

BORN: APRIL 8, 1920  
DIED: JAN. 30, 1945

By Brian Jopek  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

2024 marks the 80th anniversary of the largest Allied military operation of World War II, the invasion of occupied France at Normandy.

One of the participants in that operation was 24-year-old Glen Ward of Rhinelander, a member of the 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment of the United States Army’s 82nd Airborne Division.

“My dad was one of the first troopers when (the 508th) was formed in 1942,” Ward’s daughter, Judy Peter of Rhinelander, told *The Lakeland Times*. “Even though he enlisted right after Pearl Harbor, he didn’t leave Rhinelander until October of ‘42. Just before my first birthday.”

Peter said her father was in the first wave of U.S. paratroopers who dropped in the vicinity of the French town of St. Mere Eglise.

“They (the Germans) had flooded all the fields and everything,” she said.

Decades later, she and Ward’s grandchildren had the opportunity on three trips to Europe in 2014, 2015 and 2019 to see where it was her father’s unit dropped. “He fought for nine days and got as far as Bauppte, France.”

Peter said a bullet from enemy fire had entered her father’s neck and exited in his lower back area near his spine.

“He said in one of his letters home to my mom ‘They dropped us down in hell,’” Peters said and she referred to a book by Phil Nordyke published in 2012 titled “Put Us Down In Hell: The Combat History of the 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment in World War II.”

Glen Ward had written to his wife the Douglas C-47 “Skytrain” he would jump from had been “shot at since it went over the coast” of France.

“It’ll forever  
be known as  
‘Glen’s Field.’”  
Judy Peter

For many, the injury Glen Ward sustained by enemy action at Bauppte would have been what was referred to as a “million dollar wound,” a ticket home for someone from a combat zone and out of the war but that wasn’t the case for Glen Ward.

Peter said her father certainly could have come home “but he said, ‘Nope.’”

“‘I’m here, I’m staying for my buddies,’” she said he wrote in one of his letters.

Ward recovered from his wounds in England over the next several months, in the process missing the next major Allied airborne operation in Holland, “Operation Market Garden,” in September, 1944.

“He was really upset,” Peter said of her father. “He was a fighter and he missed Market Garden.”

Glen Ward eventually did recover from wounds received in June, 1944, and was sent to the front lines during the final German offensive of the war in western Europe which became known as “The Battle of The Bulge,” which began on Dec. 16, 1944, when German armor and infantry attacked a thinly defended Allied line in Belgium’s Ardennes Forest.

The battle was declared an Allied victory on Jan. 25, 1945.

On Jan. 30, 1945, U.S. Army private Glen Ward was killed in action when he rushed a German machine gun nest in an effort to save others in his unit.

“Your husband was a member of the 508th Parachute Infantry, 82nd ‘All American’ Airborne Division,” Maj. Gen. James M. Gavin, the 82nd’s commander at the time, wrote to Ward’s widow, Evelyn, in a condolence letter from March, 1945.

“Putting aside family ties, the admiration, respect, and affection of comrades are a soldier’s most priceless possessions, because collectively, these comrades are unfailing judges,” he wrote. “These possessions I believe your husband had earned in full measure. Death of such a man leaves with each member of the Division a lasting sense of loss, from which comes there comes to

you a deep sense of personal empathy.”

Over the past decade, Judy Peter has been to France and Belgium to see where his father had fought, where he died and where he was initially buried in what is now the Henri-Chapelle American Cemetery in Hombourg, Belgium, before his remains were repatriated in the years after the war.

“He always said in his letters he couldn’t wait to get home,” she said, adding she remembers when her father’s remains came home to Rhinelander in 1946 because she was “5 or 6 years old.”

From there, Peter said, her father’s remains were escorted to Minnesota where he was buried at the Ft. Snelling National Cemetery near Minneapolis/St. Paul.

On Jan. 30, 2014, the 70th anniversary of her father’s death, Peter said there was a brief ceremony held near the spot in Belgium where he was killed.

The field that location is in was dedicated to him by local historians and officials.

“They named the field Glen’s Field,” Peter said. “They have a big plaque there ... it’ll forever be known as Glen’s Field because he defended the country right there.”

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EMIL H. GEHRKE  
BORN: JUNE 25, 1895  
DIED: APRIL 1, 1918

‘No particulars  
received’

By Brian Jopek  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

After the United States declared war on Germany in early April, 1917, Emil Henry Gehrke of Arbor Vitae enlisted in the United States Marine Corps on May 2, 1917 and according to an article on the front page of the April 11, 1918 edition of the *Minocqua Times*, Gehrke, after boot camp, “departed for somewhere in France” on Oct. 29, 1917. The brief front page *Times* article states on April 6, 1918, Emil Gehrke’s parents received a telegram addressed to his father William.

It was from Maj. Gen. George Cushman Barnett, 12th Commandant of the U.S. Marine Corps, in Washington, D.C.

“Deeply regret to inform you that Private Emil H. Gehrke, 82 Marine, was killed in action April 1,” Barnett’s telegram said. “No particulars received. Please accept my heartfelt sympathy in your time of bereavement.”

According to the Marine Corps University Press website, Gehrke was assigned to 82nd Company, 6th Regiment, Fourth Marine Brigade, his unit in what was known as the “Toulon Sector” of the Western Front when he was “the first Marine killed in action in France.”

“A German shell exploded over his working party in the woods to the rear of its position in the trenches,” the website entry reads. “Shell fragments passed through Gehrke’s chest, killing him instantly.”

Three other Marines working with Gehrke were severely wounded, one of them dying the next day.

There’s no known public record as to whether Gehrke’s parents, six brothers and three sisters ever learned any of the detail of his death.

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# Minocqua’s American Legion Post 89 namesakes



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The Madsen-Empey American Legion Post 89 on Front Street in Minocqua.

By Brian Jopek  
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

The Post 89 Madsen-Empey American Legion post’s initial, temporary charter was issued in October of 1919 and the charter formalized on Jan 25, 1932.

The post, as is the case for most American Legion posts across the country, is named after two men with ties to the Minocqua area and who’s names are among those on the Veterans Memorial in Minocqua’s Veterans Park.

The first is Carl John George Madsen who, as far as records we can find show, was 18 years old and a U.S. Marine who died of Spanish Influenza on Oct. 5, 1918, in Quan-

tico, Va. Five days later, a very brief article announcing the death of Madsen, titled “First Gold Star on service flag,” was published on the front page of the Oct. 10, 1918, edition of *The Minocqua Times*.

“Carl was born in Minocqua and spent all his life here until fifteen years of age, when he joined the U.S. Marines,” the article read. “Minocqua has made its first supreme sacrifice.”

Madsen is buried in Woodruff’s Evergreen Cemetery.

**Donald Empey**  
Minocqua’s legion post had a second namesake added in 1943 after Donald Empey, a technical sergeant

assigned to the 2nd Fighter Squadron of the U.S. Army Air Force’s 52nd Fighter Group and in North Africa at the time, died at the air base his unit was on on June 19, 1943.

According to a front page article about Empey in the July 9 edition of *The Lakeland Times*, his wife, Val, who he married in Michigan on Feb. 12, 1942, was “informed by the War Department that his death was the result of an accident.”

Empey was a Merrill native, born there on Sept. 30, 1914 and joined the U.S. Army Air Corps, “the first local man to enlist in the present war,” in October of 1939.

Empey was sent to Michigan  
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“where he trained for about a year” followed by eight months of aeronautical school in Chicago and then three months at the Allison Motor Company, which manufactured engines for the Lockheed P-38 Lightning, Curtiss P-40 Warhawk, Bell P-39 Airacobra and North American P-51 Mustang fighters among others.

“Following his training period, he spent three months at different points on the East coast before being shipped to England,” the *Times* article about Empey reads.

He spent time in England and Ireland before being sent home for three weeks for what was apparently the final time.

Empey’s aviation unit eventually landed in North Africa near Casablanca, Morocco “with the first American troops” during “Operation Torch” on Nov. 8, 1942. “and had been on active service at forward airfields since that time.”

The article said in a letter dated June 13, 1943 — six days before his death — the 28-year-old Empey told his parents about “raids being made on the airfield where he was serving.”

“I walk around with one eye in the sky and the other on the closest foxhole,” he wrote his parents. “You know these boys can dig the nicest holes in the shortest time.”

On the American Battle Monuments Commission (ABMC) website, it’s stated Donald Empey “is buried or memorialized at Plot A Row 20 Grave 6, North Africa American Cemetery, Carthage, Tunisia.”

“This is an American Battle Monuments Commission location,” the ABMC website reads.

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Carl Madsen’s gravestone in Woodruff’s Evergreen Cemetery.



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# Loduha

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out in that s---?”

Arrangements were made for some civilian clothes. “The first sergeant said ‘Here, take these. I want you to wear these clothes when you’re with your brother,’” Andy said. “‘Make him think of home.’”

He proceeded to Vung Tau for what would be the last time he’d ever see his brother alive again.

“I’m glad I did that,” he said. “I spent three days there. They set up a cot in the Quonset hut there at the field hospital. Slept right next to him ... and that was the last time I saw him alive.”

## A call and a landmine

Later, the day Gary was discharged from the field hospital, Andy arranged to talk to him via field phone.

Andy was scheduled to be part of a group of three troops from his MACV team to assist with weapons training for South Vietnamese soldiers at their base.

Because his call with Gary came through, another soldier from Andy’s unit, Danny Weber, got in the jeep to go to the South Vietnamese base in his place so he could talk to Gary.

“You talk about survivor’s guilt,” Andy said. “Gary and I were talking and the guys that were in that jeep hit a mine ... they were killed. If I hadn’t been talking on that field phone with my brother, I would have been in that jeep. I felt like s--- because Danny had gone out there in my place.”

He said Gary told him afterward in a letter that it wasn’t Andy’s time.

“We’d decided if something happened to him, I’d bring him home and if something happened to me, he’d bring me home,” Andy said. “We didn’t think it would happen to either one of us but we had that agreement. And when Danny died, I thought to myself, ‘Had I been in that jeep, Gary would have gone home but because I wasn’t, he didn’t.’”

## The flight home

When Gary was killed in the A Shau Valley on April 23, 1968, Andy was also in the field.

He was summoned four days later.

“At first, I thought I was going to be promoted,” Andy said. “All they said to me was ‘Loduha, up to headquarters in Saigon.’”

He said he remembers walking into headquarters and talking to the commanding officer.

There was a chaplain there as well.

“He asked me if I’d heard from home lately,” Andy said. “I told him we get some mail every week to 10 days. He asked me if I’d heard from Gary and I said those letters took a little longer. Maybe two weeks or so.”

He said he could tell by looking at the chaplain something was wrong.

“I just said, ‘Don’t tell me,’” Andy said. “He said, ‘I’m sorry.’ I didn’t believe it.”

That night, he flew from Tan Son Nhut Air Force Base to Oakland, still dressed in the jungle fatigues he’d been wearing when he was pulled from the field.

“They wanted to get me home,” Andy said.

At Oakland, he waited 10 days for the transport with his brother’s body to arrive so he could escort Gary home to Milwaukee for burial as their mother wanted.

While there, a colonel got after him for his uniform but once Andy told him what was going on, the officer helped get him clean uniforms.

“He felt like s---,” he said. “But he took care of me from then on out.”

Once Gary’s remains arrived, Andy had to make the positive identification.

“There was a warehouse full of caskets,” he said. “I couldn’t believe it. I mean, I’d seen guys killed, put guys in body bags but ... not hundreds like that. I remember walking in and I was still in denial. I thought it must be a mistake.”

Andy walked up to Gary’s casket.

“He was under glass because he’d been dead already for 17 or 14 days or whatever,” he said. “I could see it was him right away. I knew it was him.”

That was in the morning and by afternoon, Andy was on a commercial jetliner headed home with his brother’s casket in its luggage area, arriving in Milwaukee that night.

“Flying from Oakland knowing that my kid brother was in a casket in the belly of that plane ... it was the emptiest four hours of my life,” he said. “I just wanted to crawl into the casket with him. It’s one of those things where you feel so damn helpless. It’s been 50 years and I still can’t talk about him like that without choking up. I can’t do it.”

## The first year back

Andy never went back to Vietnam.

“I know I wanted to go back for all the wrong reasons,” he said. “I wanted to go back but the grievance officer, I remember he took me aside and he said ‘You know, if you go back and something happens to you, you’ve just killed your mom.’ That’s exactly what he said to me. He said ‘She’s just surviving now after losing one of you two.’”



# Loduha

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What was called a “compassionate assignment” for Andy was arranged with an Army Reserve artillery unit in Milwaukee.

He finished his final few months in the service with that unit.

“I crawled into a hole after Vietnam,” Andy said. “I didn’t want to talk about it. I was angry. I was just a mess when I got back from over there.”

He spent time as an outpatient at the Veterans Administration hospital in Milwaukee.

“I was going nuts, you know,” Andy said. “I talked to a psychiatrist for awhile and that sort of thing. Just trying to get my head on straight again.”

He said that helped but during his first year back he spent a lot of time at Gary’s grave.

There’s one night from that time he remembers vividly, a night where he

was sitting at Gary’s grave at around 10 o’clock with a six pack of beer and a pack of cigarettes, something he did frequently.

“I didn’t want him to be alone,” Andy said. “I just ... couldn’t reconcile the survivor’s guilt. I felt terrible. I kept asking myself ‘Why not me?’”

This particular night, two officers pulled up in a police car and approached Andy.

One officer asked him what he was doing there at the cemetery that late at night.

“I told him ‘I’m keeping time with my brother’ and I explained my story that I’d brought Gary back from Vietnam and so on,” Andy said. “One cop shook my hand and the other asked me how many of the beers I’d had. I said ‘One’ and he said, ‘Well, how many do you plan on drinking?’ I said ‘All of ‘em.’ He said, ‘Well, just do us a favor and drink ‘em slow and make sure you’re careful when you go out of here, OK?’ I probably sat there until midnight. They under-

stood, kind of, what I was going through. I love those guys for doing that. The compassion was there. I’ll never forget it.”

**Northwoods son**

In the years since, Andy Loduha, even with the heaviness in his heart placed there with the loss of his brother in Vietnam, found a way through.

Gary is always there, of course, and it hasn’t always been easy and at times, even 50 years later, it still isn’t.

But Andy found a way through.

He eventually ended up starting, building and then later selling a successful company named Ricon, which manufactures items such as the wheel-chair lifts used on buses.

“I’ve done a lot of stuff for the disabled,” Andy said. “That business was therapeutic for me. I helped people out and I got to make some money along the way. I worked hard, I got what I got and I wanted to share with the people I want to share with.”

Among those organizations he’s shared with are the Disabled American Veterans, Wounded Warriors and Headwaters in Rhinelander.

Andy said he’s kept a lot of things inside about his brother and Vietnam.

With it being 50 years since Gary’s death in the Ashau Valley, he felt he needed to do something and considered taking out an ad in a newspaper.

Another of Andy’s brothers, Tom, usually puts something in the newspaper for Gary around Veterans Day.

He said Tom over the years wanted to put his photo in the paper at times but Andy told him he was proud of his service but the focus should be on Gary.

“This year, though, I thought I’d call the newspaper and get Gary’s picture in there,” Andy said. “Let the Northwoods know they have a son they can be proud of.”

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Home improvement projects come in all shapes and sizes — some with huge budgets and others that are more cost-conscious. Regardless of what homeowners hope to achieve with their renovations, a common goal across any price point is a desire to save as much money as possible. Home renovations can be expensive, but there are ways to cut costs.

• Assess the merit of the project. Remodeling magazine annually publishes a “Cost vs. Value Report” that lists the average cost and return on investment homeowners can expect of various types of projects. If you’re planning to sell your home soon, it may be best to focus on repairs and renovations that will generate the most substantial ROI.

• Hire a contractor. Even avid do-it-yourselfers can sometimes benefit from a contractor’s expertise, particularly for complex tasks. Don’t waste money by trying tough jobs yourself; rely on an experienced contractor who can get supplies for less money and will do the job right the first time. Compare bids from several different contractors and figure out the best value.

• Refurbish existing features. Rather than a complete gut and rebuild, figure out where you can revitalize existing fixtures and more. For example, refinishing existing cabinets can save

you up to 50 percent compared with the cost of new cabinetry, according to Angi (formerly Angie’s List), a cost comparison and business review resource.

• Choose midgrade materials. Certain materials may be all the rage but they come with a higher price tag. Angi reports that granite counters could be \$60 to \$100 per square foot. However, a composite or laminate that looks like granite and wears well may be \$10 to 40 per square foot. Figure out where you can choose middle-of-the-road materials for maximum value.

• Avoid peak seasons. You’ll pay more to install a deck or a pool right before the outdoor entertaining season. There also may be a premium to get work done right before a major holiday. Therefore, consult the calendar to find an off time for a renovation and book it then to save.

• Do some prep work. You might be able to save by doing some of the demolition and preparatory work yourself. For example, you can tear up old carpeting before the installation of new tile floors. Perhaps you can mend and patch up walls before a paint job.

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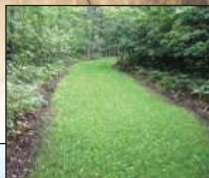


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Some homeowners may aspire to have expansive dining rooms replete with seating for 12 beneath a stunning chandelier. That kind of space certainly makes hosting dinner parties easier. However, modern homes typically have small dining rooms that require homeowners or renters to be resourceful when entertaining guests.

- Create the illusion of more space. Eating areas can be made to feel larger with a few tricks. A mirror on the wall will reflect light and make the room appear larger. In addition, a large-scale patterned floor or oversized artwork on the wall may make the room appear more spacious.

- **Maximize seating.** Chairs can take up a lot of room in a dining space. To maximize seating availability in smaller dining rooms — or in spaces where you need to create a seating area — look to built-in banquettes or bench seating. These ideas can help create an instant cozy nook and save on space in the process.

- Let space lead furniture choices. Depending on the size and shape of the room, select a table that will fit comfortably. A round, pedestal table may take up less real estate in a smaller room than an oblong or rectangular one. Also, if you have a narrow, galley-type dining space, select a narrow table and low-profile chairs. Again, benches may work well in narrow spaces.

- Utilize the kitchen island. Many modern homes have no dedicated dining rooms but kitchens that open up to living rooms. Home-owners with kitchen islands can utilize large islands as dining areas, and they're easy places to enjoy casual meals when stools are pulled up to the island.

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- Lighten up the color palette. Make dining spaces seem larger with brighter colors. Brightly colored decor, furniture and flooring can do the trick.

- Invest in storage pieces. A simple buffet can

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# Wood floor installation dos and don'ts

Jaw-dropping features can sell a home in a heartbeat. A penthouse apartment with floor-to-ceiling windows and a panoramic view of a city skyline likely won't prove a hard sell, nor will a home with an infinity pool overlooking a landscape of rolling hills. As awe-inspiring as such features can be, some more subtle components, such as authentic hardwood floors, also can do much to make a home more appealing to prospective buyers.

Hardwood flooring is a sought-after commodity. Data from the National Association of Realtors indicates that 54 percent of home buyers are willing to pay more for hardwood floors. In fact, NAR figures indicate that 28 percent of buyers between the ages of 35 and 54 consider hardwood floors "very important" when looking for a home. Homeowners who are considering selling their homes, or those who simply want to upgrade their existing flooring, may want to consider installing hardwood flooring. Though it's a project best left to professionals, hardwood flooring can be installed by skilled DIYers. In such instances, homeowners may want to keep these dos and don'ts in mind.

DO hire a professional if you have limited or no DIY flooring experience. Hardwood flooring installation is not generally a project for novice DIYers. Hardwood flooring projects may present some common challenges, but no two homes are the same. So unless they have prior experience installing floors in multiple rooms or homes, homeowners may save themselves time, trouble and a significant amount of money hiring a professional to do the job.

DON'T ignore the subfloor. New hardwoods won't erase the problem of subfloors in poor condition. According to the home

renovation experts at BobVila.com, squeaky floors could be an indication that the subfloor has begun to warp or twist. Sinking floors are another indicator of deteriorating subfloors. Subfloors should be somewhat level before new hardwoods are installed, so DIYers should inspect and address subfloor issues before installing new flooring.

DO expose wood flooring to the elements in your home prior to installation. The home improvement resource BuildDirect recommends acclimating hardwoods to the space where they will be installed. Skipping this important step could result in gaps during the winter and cupping over the summer. To acclimate hardwoods, open the boxes and spread them out for about a week while running the air conditioner or heater at normal levels. When storing hardwoods prior to installation, avoid keeping them in potentially moist areas like a basement.

DON'T skimp on tools. A DIY hardwood flooring installation might be less expensive than hiring a professional, but homeowners should resist any temptation to increase those savings further by purchasing less costly tools or fewer tools than is necessary to complete the job. BuildDirect notes that DIYers will need at least a miter saw, table saw, cleat-nailer or stapler, finish nailer, compressor, jamb saw, chalk line, nail set, and tape measurer when installing hardwood floors. Purchase all necessary tools and read product reviews to ensure each tool is up to the task.

Wood floors can be awe-inspiring. Some homeowners can install such flooring on their own, and the project can be much easier if they learn as much about installation as possible prior to beginning the project.

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Homeowners recognize that their work is never done. Homes require maintenance that runs the gamut from daily tasks like cleaning kitchen countertops to more significant undertakings like replacing roofs. For many homeowners, keeping their homes running smoothly involves tending to septic systems.

homeowners whose homes have septic systems. Learning to maintain septic systems so they operate safely and efficiently is essential. Homeowners should know that recognizing signs of septic system malfunction is vital to avoiding potentially costly, messy accidents that can put the health of humans and local wildlife in jeopardy.

The Washington State Department of Health notes that a malfunctioning septic system is a threat to the health of both humans and animals as well as the environment. When a septic system is malfunctioning, untreated sewage can be released and end up in places where it shouldn't be, such as groundwater, surface water and marine water. That's true even if it's not visible to the naked eye. Humans and animals are in danger when septic systems malfunction because untreated sewage contains pathogens and other contaminants that can make them sick.

Homeowners with septic systems should make tending to those systems part of their routine home maintenance.



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# Details to include in a renovation work contract

Contracts provide protection for all parties signing on the dotted lines. According to Legal-Match.com, a contract is an agreement between two parties that creates a mutual legal obligation. Oral contracts are possible, but written contracts are preferred for a number of reasons.

Any time a person sets out to do a home improvement project that involves the use of contractors and other professionals, he or she should have a contract drawn up. A contract can ensure that the work will get done safely, within a given time frame and according to specifications. A contract should contain certain details.

1. A defined scope of work: Here is where the scope of the job should be spelled out in detail. This portion should include the materials being used, what the homeowner has requested, special details, and who will take care of each facet of the job. For example, if the homeowner will be providing the materials, it should be noted here.

2. Procedure for changes: To be comprehensive, renovation contracts should note the process that will be followed for any alterations or additions to the project.

3. Floor plans: In some instances, the contract will include floor plans, architectural drawings and other details.

4. Indemnity clause: The contract should include a clause that indemnifies the property owner against legal liability should any damages or injuries take place on the property.

5. Work schedule: The contract also should include a work schedule that identifies the requested start time and estimated end time for the project. Parties should understand that inclement weather or other delays could affect

the schedule.

6. Cost: The contract should reference the agreed upon bid price, highlighting the agreements for procedures if additional materials are needed or if the job runs long

7. Warranty: If a warranty is being offered, the details should be included in the contract.

Homeowners should expect a reasonable one-year warranty to cover any defects in the contractor's work.

Renovation contracts are essential any time there is an agreement between homeowner and contractor. Good contracts will include various components.



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# Shedding some light on home solar

Consumers shopping around for home improvement projects may be leaning toward overhauls that can reduce energy consumption and save them money in the long run. This is a driving factor behind a growing number of homeowners investigating solar energy for their residences.

**How does solar power work?**

Solar power harnesses the sun’s energy and converts it into electricity that can be used in homes. Many people are familiar with photo-voltaics (PV), which are the panels that absorb sunlight and create an electric field across their layers. Another solar technology, known as

concentrating solar power, is primarily used in large power plants and is not appropriate for residential use, according to Energy.gov. According to the Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy, hundreds of thousands of solar panels have been put in use across the United States since 2008 .

**Costs associated with solar**

The upfront expense of solar panels is significant, costing anywhere from \$10,000 to \$14,000 for initial installation. However, comparatively speaking, homeowners can spend \$1,500 or more per year on electricity, so solar panels will pay for themselves over time. Keep in

mind that costs may vary depending on energy needs and how many panels will be required to service the system.

**How much electricity can I expect?**

The Federal Trade Commission’s Consumer Advice says that the amount of power generated from a solar energy system depends on a few factors:

1. The average number of hours of direct, unshaded sunlight your roof gets each year;
2. The pitch (angle), age and condition of your roof, and the compass direction it faces;
3. The size and strength of your system; and

4. Environmental factors such as snow, dust or shade that may cover the system.

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Consumers can contact their utility companies to find out if they provide homeowners who produce solar power with “net metering.” This program pays the homeowner money or gives credit for excess power the system produces and returns to the electric grid. Individuals also may be eligible for energy tax credits or other benefits. Homeowners may find it worthwhile to explore solar energy, particularly if they consume a high amount of electricity.



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Real estate financing options

The decision to buy a home is significant. Real estate is the biggest investment the average person will make in his or her lifetime, which underscores just how significant the home buying decision can be.

The real estate experts at Zillow recently reported that the national median price of a home in the United States is \$272,446. However, since the National Association of Realtors reported a record low housing inventory late in 2020, the average house price has been rising rapidly nationwide. The Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis estimates the median home sales price at \$374,900, and certain states have much higher prices. WOWA, a real estate and finance technology company, says the average sale price of a home in Canada was \$679,051 in July 2021.

Most people do not have \$300,000 to \$600,000 in savings on hand to purchase a home in cash. That means they'll need to rely on financing to pay for their dream homes.

Conventional lending

Conventional lending refers to when a bank or another financial institution loans a home buyer money to buy a home. This is one of the most common ways to fund a home purchase. Personal credit score as well as credit history help determine eligibility and interest rates for conventional loans. Availability of assets as well as income level are some additional determining factors. Conventional loans are traditionally 10-, 15- or 30-year notes and will require a certain percentage as the down payment to secure the loan. The bank will determine the down payment requirement, which is typically somewhere between 3 and 20 percent.

FHA loan

A Federal Housing Administration loan is issued by an FHA-approved lender. These loans are designed for low-to-moderate-income borrowers, according to the financial guide Investopedia. FHA

loans require lower minimum down payments and lower credit scores than many conventional loans. FHA loans also require mortgage insurance up front, plus annually for 11 years or the life of the loan depending on the length of the loan.

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A Home Equity Line of Credit, commonly called a HELOC loan, borrows against the available equity in your home to create a line of credit, much like a credit card. These funds can be used for large expenses or to consolidate higher-interest rate debt on other loans, according to Bank of America. It may be possible to use a HELOC to secure funding to make improvements to a home for those who want to flip it as an investment property.

Private money lenders

Individuals investing in real estate who do not intend to use a property as a primary residence may turn to private money lenders. These investors can tap into capital from personal connections and lend at specified interest rates and payback periods, according to Fortune Builders, a real estate investing resource. Keep in mind the interest rate will likely be higher with a private lender than through a conventional lender. The repayment term also will be shorter.

VA-backed loan

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# Pros and cons to open-concept homes

Open-concept homes have become increasingly popular in recent years. An open-concept home is one in which the rooms flow into one another with limited obstruction from walls or other barriers. According to the National Association of Home Builders, 84 percent of new single-family homes have fully or partially open layouts.

While they may seem like a new trend, open floor plans are anything but. Early American homes featured open, often one- or two-room units built around the central kitchen/hearth. This maximized warmth and functionality. Homes evolved as incomes grew, and soon homes had several smaller rooms with specialized functions.

What's old has become new again. However, before diving head first into a new home purchase or a big renovation to realize an open-concept dream, consider the pros and cons of this type of setup to determine if it's really right for you.

### Advantages of open floor plans

Open floor plans facilitate the flow of natural light throughout a space and can promote air flow, helping to reduce warm or cool pockets of air in otherwise closed-off rooms.

Open homes make socializing easier, even when people are doing different things. While someone is cooking dinner in the kitchen, he or she can still interact with someone else playing video games in the family room or paying bills in the home office. Entertaining also is easier, as mingling with guests is much more convenient when walls are not getting in the way.

A smaller home can feel much larger if it employs an open concept. The square footage is not divided

into smaller quarters, which sometimes are rooms (such as formal dining rooms) that are only used a few times per year. This eliminates underused spaces and opens up sight lines in the layout.

The value of real estate has risen dramatically since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, and prospective buyers may prefer an open-concept plan because it can help them minimize building costs.

### Disadvantages of open floor plans

Open layouts are not for everyone. The same sense of space that occurs when walls are taken down may make rooms feel cavernous and less cozy, particularly in homes with ample square footage. In addition, privacy can be hard to come by when all rooms feed into one another.

When the kitchen is not separate from the family room space, that makes it easy for noise to compromise the area's comfort levels. There is no hiding from noise in an open floor plan, as sounds from voices, television shows and appliances tend to echo and blend together. And if the home is a single-story layout, those noises from the main living areas also may carry to adjacent bedrooms.

Smoke and smells are another thing to consider. When something on the stove spills over, a small range hood will not be practical for clearing smoke from a large space. Though the aroma of freshly cooked food is enticing, it can make it hard for cooks to keep guests out of the kitchen.

Open-concept homes are popular, but homeowners should weigh the pluses and minuses to see if this trend is truly right for them.



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# 6 signs you may need a new HVAC system



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HVAC systems are vital to keeping indoor environments comfortable and safe. Such systems may exhibit certain signs that indicate they need to be replaced.

There’s no place like home, especially when that home is a comfortable and safe haven. One of the ways residents find comfort in their homes is by maintaining the right indoor temperatures, which fluctuate along with the seasons. While there is much to be said about opening windows and doors to let Mother Nature do her thing, indoor comfort is often maintained with an HVAC system.

HVAC stands for heating, ventilation and air conditioning. It can include heat pumps, furnaces and air conditioning units. It is an automated system that works by adjusting a thermostat to regulate air temperature, and sometimes humidity, in the home. According to Enviguard, a commercial contracting provider, HVAC systems also may be used to improve indoor air quality through filtration and oxygen replacement.

As with any mechanical device, an HVAC system has a life span that must be considered. Should any of the following conditions be present, it is likely time to consult with an HVAC technician to see if repairs or replacement of the entire system is warranted.



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- 1. Age**  
If the HVAC system is more than 10 years old, it could be time to begin budgeting for a new unit. Many modern, efficient systems may last 12 to 14 years with routine maintenance. But it’s good to keep an HVAC system’s age in mind so you can readily recognize when it might start to fail.
  - 2. Longer or constant running times**  
An efficient, properly working system will quickly heat or cool the home and then turn off. A system that is turning on repeatedly or having to run for awhile before the set temperature is reached could be nearing the end of its utility.
  - 3. Strange noises**  
Groaning, banging or loud humming noises should be addressed. While these noises may indicate that certain components need maintenance or replacement, they also could be symptoms of age and a system nearing failure.
  - 4. Frequent repair visits**  
Knowing the HVAC company’s repair person by name is a sign that the system has required too much work in recent months. Repeated issues and repairs are probably signs that it’s time to consider a system replacement.
  - 5. Higher bills**  
Sticker shock when receiving electricity or gas bills likely mean the HVAC system isn’t working efficiently and might need to be replaced.
  - 6. Poor indoor air quality**  
If the home is dusty or humid or even if allergies seem to have cropped up out of nowhere, this could indicate a poorly functioning HVAC system.
- HVAC systems are vital to keeping indoor environments comfortable and safe. Such systems may exhibit certain signs that indicate they need to be replaced.

## Did you know?

Do-it-yourself devotees cite a desire to save money as their primary motivator when attempting DIY home improvements. A survey of more than 1,000 homeowners from the insurance provider Clovered found that 85 percent of respondents indicated a chance to save money as their top reason for attempting a DIY home improvement project. The chance to save money was an even greater motivator for homeowners than the opportunity to improve (79 percent) or repair (66 percent) their homes. Those savings can be significant because homeowners won’t have to pay labor costs, which the renovation experts at BobVila.com note can cost anywhere from \$20 to \$150 per hour per laborer. Though the cost savings of DIY can be hard to resist, homeowners considering a DIY renovation are urged to make an honest assessment of their skills before attempting a project on their own.



# The basics of fertilizing a lawn

Spring marks the return of lawn and garden season. Lawns often bear the brunt of winter’s wrath, so spring is a great time to nurse them back to health, and fertilizing can be an essential component of that process.

Fertilizing a lawn can be intimidating. An array of fertilizers, with each seemingly designed to address a different issue, can make homeowners’ heads spin when visiting their local lawn and garden center. However, fertilizing is a very simple task that any homeowner can tackle. In fact, fears about fertilizing are often unfounded and can be overcome with some basic knowledge of the process.

- Identify which type of grass is in the yard. The home improvement experts at HGTV note that turfgrass is divided into two categories: cool-season grass and warm-season grass. A local lawn and garden center can help homeowners identify which type of grass is in the yard, and this often depends on location. Fescue, bluegrass and perennial ryegrass are some examples of cool-season grasses, while Bermuda, bahia, St. Augustine, and zoysia are considered warm-season grasses. Identifying which type of grass is in the lawn is important because that will indicate when to fertilize. Cool-season grasses are typically best fertilized in early spring, while warm-season lawns can benefit from an application just before especially warm temperatures arrive.
- Survey the lawn to identify which spreader to use. A small yard or a thriving lawn with only a few bald or unsightly patches may not need a full application of fertilizer. In such instances, a hand spreader can suffice. For larger lawns and areas, a broadcast spreader is the ideal option. Spreaders have multiple settings, and the fertilizer package will indicate which setting to utilize when using the product.
- Test the soil prior to purchasing fertilizer. The lawn experts at Pennington® note that a simple soil test can reveal soil pH and phosphorous and potassium levels. Soil tests can be purchased at most home improvement stores and lawn and garden centers, and they can help homeowners determine which fertilizer will most benefit their lawns.
- Water the lawn prior to fertilizing. The experts at Scotts® recommend a good watering a few days

prior to fertilizing a lawn. Such an approach ensures the soil is ready to accept the fertilizer once it’s applied.

- Follow the instructions carefully. Detailed instructions are typically provided on fertilizer product packaging. Once homeowners have identified and purchased the product they need, they can simply follow the instructions on the packaging, including how and when to water after application, which can make fertilizing less intimidating.

Fertilizing in spring can help a lawn recover from the previous summer and winter, ensuring it’s lush and green when summer entertaining season arrives.



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## The different ways to repair a driveway

Asphalt driveways do not last forever. Over time, weather and general usage can degrade the driveway surface, resulting in cracks, pitting and more. Ultraviolet rays, salt and automotive fluids also can affect the appearance and functionality of a driveway. An unsightly driveway can adversely affect curb appeal and resale potential.

Homeowners have to consider various factors when it comes to repairing driveways. They may have the option of getting the driveway resurfaced, resealed or repaved, and each project is unique.

### Resurfacing

According to the home improvement price comparison site Kompare It, resurfacing is simpler and faster than installing a new asphalt driveway. With resurfacing, any cracks are filled in to create an even base. Then a new layer of asphalt is applied over the existing one. That new layer can range in thickness from 1.5 to 3 inches. A heavy rolling machine will then smooth and flatten the layers together. If the driveway has minor pitting or cracking, then resurfacing can be a cost-effective strategy, as it may be a \$3,000 to \$6,000 job as opposed to \$5,000 to \$10,000 with repaving.

### Resealing

Resealing a driveway, also called sealcoating, is another repair strategy. HGTV says resealing can be a do-it-yourself project. Resealing helps the driveway last longer.

The driveway needs to be clean and dry, with holes and cracks filled prior to sealcoating. Start at the far edge of the driveway and seal that area by “cutting-in” by hand for a neat edge. Afterward the rest of the driveway can be sealed using a squeegee or broom. This project can be completed within two or three days if no precipitation is forecast.

### Repaving

A project best left to professionals, repaving typically involves the removal of an existing driveway and the installation of a new one. The sub-grade layer is essential in the process for a smooth look. Contractors also will assess soil and grading when doing work. The construction blog Main Infrastructure says the new asphalt driveway can vary in thickness between two and six inches, depending on budget and need. The contractor also can advise if full-depth asphalt application or an aggregate base is practical.

Assessing the condition of driveway can give homeowners a better idea about which type of repair project best suits their property.

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# Factors to consider before renovating a driveway

Driveways are oft-overlooked components of home exteriors. But driveways provide functionality and points of egress to a home. Industry experts estimate that a new driveway costs between \$5,000 and \$7,000, though the price will vary based on the materials homeowners choose and the square footage of the driveway.

When deciding whether or not to renovate their driveways, homeowners can review these considerations.

### Materials

Driveways can be made from a variety of materials, even grass or soil. The following are some driveway materials homeowners may

choose from:

- Gravel
- Chip seal
- Concrete
- Asphalt
- Rubber
- Exposed aggregate
- Pavers
- Permeable pavers
- Heated

### Repair or replace?

Nearly any size crack can be patched with concrete or cold-patch asphalt, or specialty materials, according to This Old House, an online home improvement resource. Repairing and resealing a driveway can help prolong its longevity. Plus, this is a more cost-effective option for homeowners on a budget

who want to improve curb appeal and safety.

Large holes or unsightly damage may require a driveway replacement. This also will be the case if a homeowner hopes to expand the driveway. Replacing a driveway requires a time commitment. The existing driveway needs to be demolished and removed. The ground underneath typically is smoothed and tamped down. Substrate or wire mesh also may be installed. After the new material is laid, there may be a period of time for settling and curing, during which use of the driveway is prohibited.

### DIY or professional?

While sealing and minor re-

pairs generally can be handled by a homeowner who has researched the process, large repairs or driveway replacements should be left to professionals for the best results. Driveway slope needs to be considered for proper rain runoff, and the professional will understand the thickness and preparatory steps necessary to ensure driveway durability. Installation of a heated driveways requires a specific skill set and this is a job best left to professional driveway contractors.

### Driveway enhancements

The options do not end with the driveway material. There are other ways to boost aesthetics.

• Illumination: Homeowners can install recessed LED lights into the driveway to define the edges and add aesthetic appeal.

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• Gates: One doesn't have to live in an exclusive community to have their property enhanced by gates. Gates can give a home a distinguished look.

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# Popular trends in home exteriors

Certain homes have an undeniable wow factor. That instant appeal tends to be noticeable the moment visitors pull up to the curb, and it might be a byproduct of homeowners' willingness to embrace the latest exterior design trends.

Trends come and go, but recognition of the current fashions can help homeowners create that highly sought-after wow factor. The following are some recent trends in home exteriors that have helped homeowners set their properties apart.

### Wood

Natural wood has undeniable appeal, and it hasn't only found newfound devotion among home interior decorators. Natural wood garage doors

create a sense of warmth and can set a home apart from others with steel doors, which tend to be the most popular garage door material. In addition to the garage door, natural wood entry doors and wood decks are popular ways to impart this classical, warm look to a home's exterior.

### Painted brick

Like natural wood, brick is a traditional material that's both sturdy and classical. But homeowners can add character to brick with a coat of paint, which has become a popular trend in recent years. Light tones tend to be most popular when painting bricks. The experts at Better Homes & Gardens note that this could prove a long-term commitment if homeowners so

desire, as a properly painted brick exterior could last as long as 20 years.

### Hardscaping

Hardscaping isn't a new trend, but it has been trending in recent years. Hardscaping is an umbrella term that includes everything from outdoor living rooms to incorporating natural stone into a landscape. Outdoor living rooms are one hardscaping trend that has become increasingly popular of late. These spaces serve as an extension of indoor living spaces. The home improvement experts at HGTV note that recently homeowners have looked to create covered outdoor rooms that can be enjoyed more frequently than patios or decks that

are not protected from the elements.

### Outdoor lighting

It makes sense that individuals looking to spend more time enjoying their properties outdoors would want more lighting outside. Ambient outdoor lighting can be utilized throughout a property. Such lighting can light up walkways and driveways and be used to light up landscaping features like trees and gardens. Home design trends tend to be fickle. But recognition of the current trends in exterior home design can set homes apart and turn properties into awe-inspiring places to enjoy the great outdoors.

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# Minor exterior upgrades that can help sell a home

The home improvement industry has been booming for years, but forecasters are projecting a deceleration in 2023 and perhaps beyond. Estimates from the Home Improvement Research Institute, which is the leading market research resource for the home and building products industry, indicate that growth in the home improvement products market is expected to decelerate from 7.2 percent in 2022 to 1.5 percent in 2023. Inflation continues to affect consumer spending, and homeowners may be looking to spend less on renovations in the year ahead.

Minor upgrades that aren't as costly as larger projects can still make a big difference, especially among prospective buyers. When looking for minor upgrades that can help sell a home, homeowners can rely on Remodeling magazine's annual "Cost vs. Value Report." That report analyzes costs for an assortment of remodeling projects and determines the value of those projects at resale. Though resale value depends on a host of variables, including location, the following are some relatively minor exterior upgrades that impress buyers and provide a strong return for homeowners.

• **Garage door replacement:** Garage doors matter more than sellers may recognize, as various real estate professionals note that buyers appreciate homes with updated garage doors. That's good news for homeowners, as the "2022 Cost vs. Value Report" indicated homeowners recoup roughly 93 percent of their garage door replacement investment at resale. The average cost of such a job is right around \$4,000,



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Updated garage doors add curb appeal and provide a strong return on homeowners' investment at resale.

making this a budget-friendly remodeling project.

- **Window replacement:** The cost of new windows will depend on just how many windows must be replaced. But there's no denying buyers like the idea of low emissivity (low-E) windows, which can cut energy bills by a significant amount over time. The Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy estimates that heat gain and heat loss through windows is responsible for between 25 and 30 percent of resi-

dential heating and cooling energy use, so sellers who can tell buyers they have new low-E windows can emphasize those savings in home listings. The "2022 Cost vs. Value Report" indicates that homeowners recoup roughly two-thirds of their investment in new windows at resale.

- **Landscaping:** Well-maintained landscaping is another home exterior component that can make a strong first impression on buyers. A recent survey of nearly 7,000 real-

tors conducted by the National Association of Realtors found that upgrading a landscape recouped roughly 83 percent of homeowners' initial investment at resale. In addition, 11 percent of realtors surveyed indicated that an upgraded landscape was the decisive factor that closed the deal for the house.

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Private backyards are now go-to spaces for recreation and entertainment and great places to recharge the body and mind.

One ripple effect of the COVID-19 pandemic was more time spent outdoors, even if it was predominantly on one's own property. OnePoll, in conjunction with the lawn care company TruGreen, surveyed 2,000 American homeowners and found participants spent 14 hours outside every week in 2021, which was three hours more than prior to the pandemic. In addition, respondents admitted that time spent outdoors was therapeutic.

A separate survey conducted for the International Casual Furnishings Association found that people now spend more time relaxing, gardening, exercising, dining, and entertaining outside than in years past. Though COVID-19 may no longer dominate headlines, the desire to enjoy outdoor spaces has not waned.

While enjoying outdoor living areas, homeowners can do all they can to make these spaces comfortable and welcoming. The following are some good starting points.

Outdoor spaces can be enjoyed no matter the hour when there is ample lighting. That could be why the International Casual Furnishings Association reports those who plan to renovate their outdoor spaces list outdoor lighting as a priority. Outdoor lighting not only sheds light on entertaining spaces, but also makes spaces safer and more secure.

No matter how friendly homeowners are with their neighbors, there comes a time when privacy is paramount. Fencing, whether it is wood



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High-quality comfortable seating increases the likelihood that homeowners will want to stay awhile in their outdoor spaces. A deep seating set complete with plush chairs, outdoor sofa or love seat and chaise lounge chairs gives people more opportunity to sit and stay awhile.

A pool can be the perfect gathering spot on a warm day, while a spa/hot tub can bridge the gap to

Homeowners may want to consider using a professional exterminator to get rid of ticks, mosquitoes and other nuisance insects from outdoor spaces.

As people spend more time enjoying their properties, they can consider the many ways to make outdoor living spaces more comfortable.



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# Options to finance home improvements

Renovating a home is a great way to impart personality indoors and out. Improvements can make spaces more livable and address safety issues. Home renovations often take residents' lifestyles into account, and changes can be customized to accommodate a growing family or an empty nest.

No matter the job, home improvements tend to be costly. According to the financial resource SoFi, on average, the cost to renovate or remodel a whole house runs between \$10 and \$60 per square foot. Certain rooms demand a higher cost, with a kitchen or bathroom remodel costing around \$100 to \$250 per square foot due to electrical and plumbing needs. Figuring out how to pay for the improvement project is as essential to the planning process as picking out materials and contractors.

The following are some financial considerations and financing options for homeowners looking to renovate their properties.

• Consider if the investment is worth it. Remodeling magazine routinely assesses common improvements and how much homeowners can expect to recoup on the investment in its annual “Cost v. Value” report. In 2022, a homeowner spending \$4,000 on a garage door replacement recouped 93.3 percent of the investment, whereas adding a midrange bathroom at \$63,000 would only offer a 51.8 percent return. Homeowners must decide if they want to go forward with the project if they’re likely to get just a \$33,000 return when they choose to sell the home later on.

- Refinance the home mortgage. Homeowners can use a cash-out mortgage refinance as a way to ac-

cess thousands of dollars for a remodel. This taps into a home's equity. Keep in mind that the mortgage will then be a new mortgage at the current interest rate and an outstanding balance higher than what was the current one. Typically 20 percent equity in the home is needed to refinance.

- **Take out a personal loan.** For those who do not want to refinance, a personal loan or home improvement loan can be good for midsized projects, according to American Express. Personal loans for home renovations typically require no collateral and one's credit score determines the interest rate.

- Utilize a home equity line of credit. A HELOC is a form of revolving credit, like a credit card. Homeowners borrow against the credit line granted with the home being the col-

lateral. As a person pays down what is owed, he or she can borrow more. This is a good idea for recurring or long-term home improvements.

- Try a home equity loan. Home equity loans use the home as collateral like a HELOC. The home equity loan is an installment loan for a fixed amount on a fixed monthly schedule for a set term. These are sometimes called second mortgages.

- No- or low-interest credit card. Smaller projects can be financed using credit cards. Many will offer introductory rates with no interest for a few months. This is generally only preferable if a person can pay off the balance before interest is charged.

These are the primary ways to finance home improvement projects when costs exceed available cash on hand.

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- 4 BR/7 BA, great room w/wet bar + FP
- 534' south-facing sand frtg, 2.13 AC
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- 4 BR/3 BA luxury log home on ER Chain
- 412' w swim frtg, 4000 sq ft, 2 gas FP's
- Park-like picture perfect setting, private

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www.ButternutLakeLuxury.com



- 4 BR/3.5 BA, 5544 sq ft lake home
- 300' sand frtg, 5.08 AC lot, park-like setting
- 5 car attached garage, finished lower level

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Katherine Lake



- 1 BR/1 BA beach cottage, 1245 wooded AC
- 198' sand frtg, cleared building site
- Dry boathouse, dock, pole building

\$2,250,000      MLS#206429

www.BlueLakePoint.com



- 3 BR/2 BA luxury A-Frame cottage
- 190' sand frtg, private, landscaped, gas FP
- 2 car detached gar & storage, close to town

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- 5 BR/4 BA, 4125 sq ft, 1.83 AC lot
- 164' frtg, beautiful views, walkout LL
- Unique finishes throughout the home

\$1,299,000      MLS#205708

Stone Lake



PRICE ADJUSTED

- 2 BR/3 BA, unique & cozy octagon home
- 100' frtg, 10 lake chain, landscaped yard
- 3+ car pull thru garage w/rec room & FP

\$1,270,000      MLS#204159

Upper & Lower Buckatabon Lakes



- 11.56 AC total, lots 1 thru 4
- 1225' sand frtg, building sites
- Beautiful water views

\$975,000      MLS#206661

Great Bass Lake



NEW LISTING

- 4+ BR/2.5 BA, 2552 sq ft
- 843' frtg, peninsula, privacy
- 4.2 AC lot, 3 car garage, furnished

\$899,000      MLS#206668

Lake Minocqua



NEW LISTING

- 3 BR/2 BA first floor luxury condo
- 125' sand frtg, gas FP, lakeside patio
- 2 htd underground parking stalls, storage

\$599,900      MLS#206722

Rhinelanders Flowage-Newbold



- 2 remodeled year-round cabins 2 BR & 1 BR
- 104' level sand frtg, pier, 1.02 AC lot
- 2 car detached garage, lakeside shed

\$599,000      MLS#205523

Minocqua



NEW LISTING

- 3 BR/3 BA, 2700 finished sq ft
- Frontage on 18th hole, 3-season room
- Open concept, fieldstone FP, 2 car garage

\$499,900      MLS#206636

Arbor Vitae



- 3 BR/2 BA new construction, 1352 fin sq ft
- Full basement, 2 car gar, 1st floor laundry
- Great location, Spectrum Internet, 1.84 AC

\$399,900      MLS#205982

Arbor Vitae



NEW LISTING

- 2 BR/2 BA + office, 1040 finished sq ft
- Outstanding 63x40 pole barn, mst suite
- 2 car detached garage + workshop, deck

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