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Arcadia to open parks, programs

By Debbie Foss
Times Staff

Arcadia's parks, aquatic center and recreations programs will reopen this year with some limitations.

"I think if we start slowly, we'll be OK," Eva Anderson, parks and recreation director told the city council last Wednesday.

Earlier in the meeting, Luis Cruz asked the council if it would be possible to hold an event July 17 that raises money for scholarships. The event had generated \$20,000 in higher education money before being cancelled in 2020 by the pandemic.

Mayor Rob Reichwein said city officials will review policies and programs if the pandemic dictates changes.

Among the limits will be that park shelters will only be rented one day of the weekend to ensure they can be sanitized between uses. The shelter at Vilas Hansen Park will not be available for rental this year, Anderson said.

The policy shift means soccer leagues will be able to resume on Sundays at the Joyce Wanek Pavilion and the Lions Club will be able to offer use of the Lions Club Pavilion.

The city's pool will be open from 6:15 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., but it's possible the timing for classes and special events will change to allow cleaning between sessions, Anderson said. The city is expected to resume an agreement with the school district for use of the school for summer classes. The only open concession at parks may be ice cream sales at the aquatic center.

"It would be disastrous for the pool to sit unused for another year," Anderson said.

"We did the right thing last year" closing the recreation facilities and programs, Reichwein said. "But this year I think people understand better what needs to be done."

Anderson said the summer recreation baseball and softball programs will now be run by parents who will be responsible for monitoring activities to meet pandemic restrictions, Anderson said.



Social Distancing On The Ice

Social distancing wasn't as difficult as it otherwise could've been at the Elk Rod and Gun Club Ice Fishing Contest held on Bugle Lake in Independence Saturday. Though the ice was filled with fishermen, temperatures that barely topped zero degrees Fahrenheit meant many of the contestants remained in their tents to stay avoid the cold. See more photos from the contest on Page 2.
(Times photographs by Andrew Dannehy)

New county COVID cases remain steady

By Andrew Dannehy
Times Editor

While there were more new COVID-19 cases in Trempealeau County than the week before, the total last week was still far less than what the county has been seeing for most of 2021.

According to the Wisconsin Department of Health Services there were 43 new cases of COVID-19 in Trempealeau County last week. That was nine more than the previous week, ending a stretch of five straight weeks with fewer cases, but still about half as many new cases as the county was seeing at this time last month. The rate in which

those who have been tested received positive results has also dropped considerably, going from 49.6 percent in the first week in January to 24.7 percent the first week in February.

Nearly half of the new cases were Galesville-area residents as there were 20 new cases amongst people with 54630 zip codes. There were 10 new cases in Eleva, nine in Strum, seven in Osseo, four in Arcadia, three in Independence and Trempealeau, two in Ettrick and one in Whitehall. The Blair area did not have any new cases.

County health officials and medical providers con-

tinued to work to vaccinate county residents. The Trempealeau County Health Department said last week that statewide shortages have made it so county residents can't be vaccinated "as quickly as desired." The health department is working with Gundersen Tri-County Hospital and Clinics to administer vaccines. Mayo Health Systems announced vaccines will soon be available at its Arcadia clinic (see story elsewhere in this week's Times).

"We ask that everyone has patience while we work on scheduling when vaccine and appointments become available," a release sent by the

department said. "If you have already called the Health Department or Gundersen Tri-County or you are already on the waitlist, please refrain from contacting us again. Limiting calls to our departments will allow us to return calls, answer questions, and schedule appointments more efficiently."

Those currently eligible for a vaccine include health care personnel in Phase 1A, police, fire and correctional personnel, coroners/medical examiners, funeral personnel and people age 65 or older. When vaccine appointments become available, eligible area residents will be contacted by the health department or their medical provider.

The next eligible groups, according to the health department's release, are expected to be education and regulated child care, individuals enrolled in Medicaid long-term care programs, some public-facing essential workers (911 operators, public transit, utility and communications, food supply chain), non-frontline essential healthcare personnel, and congregate living facility staff and residents.

One injured in school bus crash

The driver of a truck that crossed the centerline and struck a childless school bus was the only person injured in the crash Friday morning.

A report by the Trempealeau County Sheriff's Department said the truck was traveling south on State Road 93 near Lewis Valley Road in the town of Arcadia before losing control at approximately 7 a.m. and crossing the centerline. The truck then hit a northbound school bus, causing a head-on collision.

The school bus overturned and went into the ditch, however nobody on the

bus was injured. While the press release sent by the sheriff's department said there were no children on the bus, it did not say if the driver was the only person on the bus.

The driver of the truck was injured and transported to a nearby hospital. The driver's name and an update on his condition were not made available as of press time.

State Road 93 was closed while the accident was investigated and the scene was cleaned up. The Arcadia Fire Department and Arcadia Ambulance Service assisted the sheriff's department at the scene.



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Arcadia may modify parking ordinance

By Debbie Foss Times Staff
 As the Arcadia city council considers its first court action against the owner of property deemed untidy — and gets pushback from at least one resident on limits on where cars can be parked — it is expected to consider modifying the parking ordinance.

The modified ordinance would add impermeable crushed rock to the list of materials considered acceptable as a base for vehicle parking, a change that could help city residents such as Rich Hanson who got a ticket when one wheel of a vehicle was off a paved surface.

“We changed what is an improved surface,” said Police Chief Diana Anderson at last Wednesday council meeting. “Now (Hanson) could put down crushed rock where that one tire went off.”

The council could consider the altered ordinance at its Feb. 17 meeting. The ordinance requires parking vehicles only on impermeable surfaces in the front,

back or side of a home. The revised ordinance also allows trailers of less than 3,000 pounds to be parked in a back yard.

“I’ve heard complaints about the ordinance,” said Mayor Rob Reichwein. “But I’ve also heard people are happy we’re finally taking action.”

The parking ordinance and possible legal action against property owners comes after numerous complaints from residents about the city’s appearance.

Meanwhile the city documented its contacts with the owner of property at 245 Owens St., as it considers whether to take the case to Trempealeau County Circuit Court. According to the city’s documents, the property owner has gotten communications from the city since 2001 and been cited nine times for violating ordinances forbidding refuse on a property.

Reichwein told the council that Gov. Tony Evers remains “extremely supportive” of the city’s flood control project. “I hope this means I won’t have to go and testify before the finance committee” for the city to keep \$14.4 million in state aid slated for the work, Reichwein said.

The council approved submitting to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers a letter stating it intends to proceed with the \$40 million project, a step necessary before the Department of Natural Resources can release the promised state funding.

Reichwein announced that Gen. Diana Holland, director of the Mississippi Valley Division of the corps, was scheduled to visit Arcadia Tuesday.

“This is a pretty big deal,” Reichwein said. “Generals don’t usually travel like this.”

In other action, the council extended until at least June 30 an extra 80 hours of sick leave for city employees who may contract or be exposed to COVID-19. The extra hours were required by the federal government in 2020, and about half of the city staff used some or all of the sick leave, said city clerk and treasurer Angela Berg.

Council member Paul Anderson argued that by not providing employees with the extra hours, “we’re telling them they just got COVID too late.”

The council also:

- Reviewed but took no action on state Department of Transportation options for the intersection of highways 93 and 95. The council previously supported an intersection with lights versus one with a roundabout, but the “DOT will probably do what it wants,” Reichwein said. The project is slated for 2028.
- Approved the 2021 budget for the library for \$128,075, the same amount as the 2020 budget.

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Elk Rod & Gun Club Ice Fishing Contest February 6

Times photos by Andrew Dannehy



New assistant DA: county is ‘pretty safe’

By Debbie Foss Times Staff
 Trempealeau County may be atypical in one enviable way: It doesn’t have a high incidence of the serious crimes such as murder that the county’s new assistant district attorney has experienced elsewhere.

“I think the community is, well, overall pretty safe,” said Micabil, or Mike, Diaz in an interview. “But it does mirror others I’ve seen in property crimes, domestic violence, alcohol and drug abuse.”

Diaz, who began work as in the county’s district attorney’s office in December, has plenty of experience upon which to draw his comparison. Born in Puerto Rico, Diaz came to the mainland United States when he was seven. He received his undergraduate and law school degrees from

Marquette University. He succeeds Emmeline Lee who took a position in Eau Claire County.

Diaz’s accomplishments include work as a lawyer with the Army’s Judge Advocate General’s office, an attorney providing legal services in civil cases for those who otherwise couldn’t afford them, director of the American Civil Liberties Union in Milwaukee, deputy legal counsel for the state’s department of Veterans Affairs and prosecutor for the Menominee tribe.

He also speaks Spanish and French.

“I can assist in court” with Spanish, he said of his work in Trempealeau County.

Diaz said his approach to his work is straightforward, to uphold the U.S. and Wisconsin constitutions.

“My father also taught me that you treat everyone, from

someone who shines shoes to a judge, with respect and dignity,” Diaz said.

As he reviews criminal complaints from law enforcement, Diaz said his first task to determine whether a person’s actions meet the criteria for an offense.

“Say with disorderly conduct. Did the offense occur on private or public property? Was there physical contact, were there obscenities? Was the person provoked? Then there’s the person’s record and the severity of the crime,” Diaz continued. “There are a lot of components that go into deciding whether to charge someone, and whether disorderly conduct is a criminal offense or just an ordinance violation.”

Diaz said he and District Attorney John Sacia work “very collaboratively.” They decide who might lead a

prosecution based on who has the most expertise. He said he and Sacia are discussing his possible role in juvenile cases.

As is the case in other places Diaz has worked, Trempealeau County has a high incidence of drug- and alcohol-related crimes. Methamphetamine plays an outsized role in rural counties, Diaz said, perhaps because its noxious production is possible in isolated area and it can be sold in small amounts.

“Additive behavior is difficult to break,” Diaz said of the multiple cases some individuals amass. “Wisconsin courts have tried things like drug court where the primary purpose is treatment. How else can we help? It’s very hard. At some point incarceration obviously becomes necessary.”



Micabil “Mike” Diaz has been working as the assistant district attorney in Trempealeau County since December. (Times photograph by Debbie Foss)

Blair council appoints alderman, hires lawyer

By Andrew Dannehy Times Editor
 The Blair city council filled two vacancies on Monday and had a lengthy discussion about an issue with an upcoming street project.

The meeting started with Mayor Ardell Knutson recommending the council approve Dennis Stephenson as the new Ward One alderman, replacing Wanda Cartrette, who resigned following the January meeting. Knutson said he interviewed two people for the position, he thought both were qualified, but he said he picked Stephenson after careful consideration. The council approved the appointment unanimously.

The council also unanimously approved the hiring of Mark Radcliffe of Radcliffe Law Office out of Black River Falls as the city’s new legal counsel.

Personnel department chair Jill Anderson said Radcliffe is based in BRF, but lives in Franklin.

“He was willing to do all the things we asked,” Anderson said. “He seemed to be the best fit.”

Radcliffe will start at the rate of \$195 per hour, however he could be put on a retainer should it be deemed necessary in the future.

Perhaps the most lengthy discussion was one that didn’t have a conclusion. David Schofield of Short Elliott Hendrickson was on hand to discuss potential issues that could be caused by the Broadway Street project, which does not yet have an established start date.

Because Broadway is the only street that runs all the way through the city, issues about how traffic could be impacted were brought up by the Blair-Preston Fire Department following the fire at Blair Haus.

Schofield and street department chair Paul Syverson presented the council with a number of options, none of which were deemed ideal at this time.

The first was to do the project in stages, though Schofield suggested that would ultimately make it more expensive. Syverson also noted that fire department members had timed the proposed detour route — which would’ve directed traffic through the park — and it added three minutes to

get to Highway 95, a time that was deemed not acceptable.

Another alternative was working with Gary and Brian Simmons about possibly running traffic through property they own — the former school building along Main St. — while the project is being done. Syverson said they were open to the idea, but they are currently considering building an apartment complex on the property.

An option that is currently being explored is related to Taylor Street, or what used to be Taylor Street.

Schofield said he found that the street was platted in 1872 back when Blair was known as Porterville, it ran one block south of Broadway and lines up almost exactly with Taft St.

The problem Schofield said is that it appears the city might have given up the right of way at some point. City clerk Susan Frederixson is exploring if and when that property was sold.

“If you want to proceed with this project, we’d have to re-buy that right away,” Schofield said.

The council also heard from David Donnelly who is planning on opening The

Barnyard Tavern in the former Petersen’s Bar building. Donnelly said he is remodeling the building right now, but doesn’t want a “rowdy” bar.

“I want to make it so you can bring your nine-year-old kid and have a meal with him,” Donnelly said. “There’s not really a lot of places to eat in this town, as you’ve noticed; I’ve noticed

that. It should be a family place during the day and a place to drink at night.”

The council heard from Police Chief Kent Johnson who said he is going to explore the possibility of trading in the squad vehicle that was purchased last September.

Johnson said the vehicle is going to have issues in the future because it had four cylinders that shut down while it is idle. He said he wants to get out ahead of those issues.

Johnson also said city officers will be working more diligently to enforce alternate side parking rules in the city. He said they hadn’t enforced them up to this point because there wasn’t enough snow, however, recent snowfalls have made them more important.

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Land management head on leave for alleged staff 'abuse'

By Debbie Foss
Times Staff

The head of the county's department of land management is on paid administrative leave while an investigation is conducted into his alleged mismanagement of department staff.

Kevin Lien, who has been with the department for over 28 years, was escorted from the courthouse and will be on leave until attorneys for the county's insurance carrier complete an inquiry, county board chair John Aasen said.

According to documents and interviews with a current and a former land management department employee, Lien provides negligible leadership, is verbally abusive with employees and treats women staff members differently than men. He was put on leave two weeks ago. Aasen estimated the investigation could take a month.

The employees also were critical of the Environment and Land Use Committee, which oversees the department. While it is unknown publicly who specifically placed Lien on leave, it is the job of the oversight committee to manage department heads, according to county corporation counsel Rick Niemeier.

"The committee is doing what it's supposed to do, which is to make sure (the department of land management) gets work done," said committee chairman George Brandt. "There is still a department of land management and it's still doing the work it's supposed to do."

When asked whether he believed the objections brought by land management staff were warranted, Brandt

said the question should be "turned around," though "we take everyone's concerns seriously." Lien could not be immediately reached for comment.

While some of the difficulties cited by staff department employees have been evident before, both the current and former staff members said the disruption caused by the pandemic seem to have made the situation worse.

In a letter that was sent to all county board members and non-county board members who sit on county committees in late January, Nick Gamroth, an employee in the land records division of the land management department, wrote:

"Since March there has been great tension and turmoil down in our area of the building within the DLM and land records on how some employees have been treated," Gamroth said "Some staff, including myself, have had numerous arguments with Mr. Lien, a complaint was filed by some of the staff members and some of us have had several discussions with the (human resources) director."

Gamroth said Lien told employees that the land use committee had concerns about staff working remotely, though Gamroth said neither he nor the manager of land records, Ann Hempel, received any complaints about the timeliness of work. Gamroth was also critical of the land use committee for discussing the work issues in closed sessions.

Gamroth said the land use committee did not provide reasons for refusing Hempel's request to have land

records separated from the land management department. The request was first made in November. The committee decided in January in a closed session to keep the departments together.

Between November and January, Gamroth said only Brandt, in a "brief conversation," discussed with land records staff their desire to spin off their department "even when some of those committee members have closed-door meetings with Mr. Lien."

Kirstie Heidenreich, the

department's former planning and conservation coordinator, said she reluctantly left the department in September because "I could no longer work for an organization that propagates a culture of corruption."

Heidenreich said it was after an investigation in the summer that ended without any action against Lien that she was convinced that oversight of the department had failed. In a September letter to all members of the environment and land use committee, Heidenreich accused

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Primary for Blair mayor, state superintendent next week

By Andrew Dannehy
Times Editor

City of Blair residents will narrow the field of mayoral candidates from three to two and voters across the state will decide on the two most-qualified candidates to Wisconsin's top education official at the spring primary election this coming Tuesday.

The Blair race has three candidates looking to replace Ardell Knutson, who is retiring after serving on the council for 25 years. Two of the candidates are current council members, Chris Ekern and Paul Syverson. Ekern represents Ward One and Syverson is a Ward Three alderman. The other challenger is John Rawson, who lives in the city's second ward and ran for a spot on the council last spring, losing to Jill Anderson.

The top two vote getters will square off for the city's top seat in the general election in April.

The race for the state's Superintendent of Public Instruction is wide open with seven candidates, including one with local ties, hoping to be the top two in the spring election.

Candidate Troy Gunder-

son served as the superintendent of the Gale-Etrick-Trempealeau School District for two years before leaving for the same position in the West Salem district, where he served for 10 years. Before coming to G-E-T, he was the high school principal at Melrose-Mindoro. He currently serves as an adjunct professor for Viterbo Uni-

versity in La Crosse. Gunder-son will face off against a field that includes Sheila Briggs, Joe Fenrick, Shandowlyon Henricks-Williams, Deborah Kerr, Steve Krull and Jill Underly.

Briggs, Underly and Henricks-Williams worked under Evers in the department. Kerr served as the superintendent of Brown Deer Schools,

Trempealeau village board approves utilities resolution

By Zac Bellman
Times Staff

The Village of Trempealeau board approved a resolution confirming Trempealeau Municipal Electric's interest in participating in a project to address an anticipated energy shortfall among their fellow Great Lakes Utilities (GLU) members.

GLU, a municipal electric company serving Trempealeau and nine other municipalities in Wisconsin, has initiated a project to meet an anticipated power capacity shortfall they believe could occur as soon as 2023. The resolution passed at last Thursday's regular meeting

of the board details an agreement GLU has struck with a third party to purchase reciprocating internal combustion engines to offset the anticipated shortfall. The target of the project is maintaining affordable energy costs for Trempealeau and the other member organizations. The resolution becomes binding only through a subsequent action by the board to extend its long-term power supply contract with GLU.

In separate board action, a certified survey map for two twin homes in the Weaver Estates subdivision were approved at the request of James Lahr. Solar panels

were also approved for three residences, including: Larry and Mary Lou Moore on 1st St., Eddie Allen on 2nd St. and Charles and Elizabeth Miller on 3rd St.

Finally, the board passed resolution #3-2021 declaring May 8, 2021 as "International Migratory Bird Day" (IMBD) in the village. Founded in 1993, IMBD has been recognized as an opportunity to focus attention on conserving the nearly 350 migratory bird species that travel and nest within communities throughout North America, South and Central America, Mexico and the Caribbean.

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Etrick board votes to increase shelter prices

By Andrew Dannehy
Times Editor

After some debate on who should be charged more for renting out park shelters, the Etrick village board voted to increase the price for anyone who rents the shelters out.

The board voted to increase the price of the Redsten Shelter at Dusso Park from \$75 per day to \$125 and the shelter at Game Time Park from \$50 to \$75. That vote came after trustee Marc Baures suggested raising prices just for non-resident renters.

"If you get into out of town versus in town, who is going to monitor that?" Board President John Beirme asked.

Clerk Jane Jensen said the shelters are rented by people from Galesville as often as people from Etrick during graduation time. Baures noted that people who knew someone living within the village could just have the village resident rent it, but said he was looking to save costs.

"I'm just concerned that everything is going up in costs in general," Baures said. "It's clearly a great facility and worth the \$125 to rent it for a day, but at the same time, it's a great thing that it's only \$75."

Trustee Dan Molstad said he has heard a lot of comments from people who can't believe it's only \$75 to rent. All trustees agreed that the shelters were below market value and were able to compare prices to shelters in Blair.

"The (Redsten Shelter at Dusso Park) is certainly worth the Blair shelter that's \$125," Molstad said. Molstad motioned to raise the prices and it passed unanimously.

The board heard from Carson Hackett of Davy Engineering who said the chemical feed system that has been installed at the wastewater treatment plant has been working well. He said the system has helped drop the phosphorus levels to 0.44 on average since July, with the target level of 0.2.

"That's pretty good, pretty dang low," Hackett said. He said the next step would be to implant a water quality trade project, which he said could get the phosphorus levels down to 0.2. He also indicated that if they are able to lower the phosphorus levels, the village would no longer have to make payments to the county.

Hackett also noted that the village will need a new

wastewater treatment plant in place at some point, but was unable to provide an estimate about when it might be needed. Board members requested that he report back with how long it might take to prepare for building a new plant.

"We should probably be looking at that in case there is federal money available with the requirement that the plan be shovel-ready," Baures said.

The board also heard from Top Side Restaurant and Bar owner Matt Graham.

Graham purchased the property from Donald Kryzer, the latter was approved as the agent for the liquor license as Graham has not met state residency requirements to hold a liquor license yet. Graham said he retired after being in the Navy for 20 years. His mother owned Pickwick Inn in Winona, Minn. and they are planning on bringing much of that menu and experience to Etrick. He said his mother is his mentor and is helping him get started.

To start, he is planning on having a limited menu with burgers, cheese curds, onion rings, fish on Fridays and prime rib on Saturdays.

Graham said the steaks and burgers are going to be charbroiled.

At this point, he has done some minor repairs to the building — some to meet the health code requirements — but no major remodeling. "We need the business," Beirme said. "I'm glad somebody is opening it up, it's good for our community."

Once Graham has lived in Wisconsin for 90 days, the liquor license will be changed over to his name.

The board also discussed possibly selling land to an individual.

The land in question was used as the village landfill and the person inquiring about purchasing it has already purchased a portion of nearby land.

"Can we even sell it to one person or does it have to be bid?" Baures asked.

Beirme responded that he did not know and that they had to find out.

"It's only of value to one guy, isn't it?" Molstad said. It was also pointed out that the village still uses a portion of the land to spread "sludge." Though, Baures said that the matter could be spread elsewhere, he did not know if there would be extra cost involved, but guessed it wouldn't be significant. "Not having to think or

worry about (the property) isn't the worst thing in the universe," Baures said.

Molstad said board members should figure out the answers to questions about if they can sell it without a bid or if any additional costs to spread sludge would be prohibitive. The land is located outside of the village near Whalen Road.

"I think we better think about this before we make any commitment," Beirme said. "This isn't a matter of dollars and cents, it's a matter of if we would even consider it."

Safety tips offered for cold temperatures

With dangerous cold temperatures expected to settle over the state this week, ReadyWisconsin is urging everyone to take precautions to keep themselves and their loved ones safe.

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) reported 83 people died in the state last year from extreme cold. To help people avoid the risks posed by such cold temperatures, ReadyWisconsin offers the following advice:

- Limit your time outdoors. If you must be outside, dress for the weather.
- Wear loose-fitting layers, a hat, gloves, and snow boots. Make sure you have a scarf or some other way to cover your face.
- Know the signs of hypothermia, which include excessive shivering, exhaustion, confusion, and slurred speech. If you, or anyone around you, begins to show symptoms, call 911 immediately.
- Know the signs of frostbite, which include a white or grayish-yellow skin area, skin that feels unusually firm or waxy, and numbness. If you detect symptoms, get to a warm area. Do not try to rub them, as it can cause more damage.
- Check the supplies in your home and vehicle emergency kits. If food items or batteries have expired or run

low, replace them.

- Test the smoke and carbon monoxide detectors around your home. If you can't remember the last time you changed the batteries, go ahead and replace them.
- Check your furnace to make sure it's working properly. If you rely on heating oil or propane, make sure you have enough to last through the current period of cold temperatures and schedule a delivery before you start to run low.
- Do not attempt to use gasoline or propane heaters or a grill to heat your home

or garage. Those devices produce carbon monoxide, which can be deadly in enclosed areas.

- Prepare your vehicle for the possible effects of the cold weather. Keep the gas tank at least half-full. Pack an emergency kit with items such as food, water, extra blankets and warm clothing, a booster cables, and a cell phone charger.
- Make sure water pipes in unheated areas are properly insulated. If you have faucets served by exposed pipes, let water drip from them or run at a slow trickle to prevent

freezing. Open kitchen and bathroom cabinets to allow heat to get to the pipes.

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Independence to be 'first' with phosphorus work

By Debbie Foss Times Staff
As Independence officials embark this spring on a pollution-control project to fortify the banks of streams and slow down the flow of phosphorus into the Trempealeau River, they will also be dealing with some firsts. "We're the pilot program for a (state Department of Natural Resources) low-interest loan program," said Chad Miemietz, chairman of the Independence water

and sewer commission. "We think that's going to cover the majority of the project." The \$1.2 million project is aimed at reducing phosphorus in the Elk Creek watershed and then slowing the flow of water before it reaches the river. The second "first" for the effort is that the Independence work will be the first to get underway by a Texas company, Resource Environmental Solutions (RES), that will guarantee the controls on erosion and

runoff will stay in place for 20 years or the company will repair them. "They're bonding the whole project," Miemietz said. "If there's a flood event, it gets fixed on their dime." The guarantee is one reason the city opted for a private company versus working through Trempealeau County's program, Miemietz said. To cover the routine costs of wastewater treatment for the city, residents' sewer bills will climb by roughly 3.3

percent annually in each of the next three years. The Independence work is essentially the city buying "credits" toward phosphorus reduction as it attempts to meet DNR requirements to reduce the mineral in waterways. By improving shorelines and slowing the flow into the river, the project is expected to reduce by 120 pounds annually the phosphorus in the Trempealeau River. The river has some of the highest phosphorus

content of any waterway in the state, DNR officials have said. "The alternative was building a new treatment plant, which would be a whole lot more expensive," Miemietz said. The project will involve applying riprap and planting grass along the shorelines of streams in Bruce Valley and then essentially placing a sandbar-type barrier as the water moves through Four Seasons Park, Miemietz said.

He said the project should be completed by fall. With improvements in fertilizer applications, much of the phosphorus comes from "leaves and grass falling into water," he said. "The human effect is pretty small. We do wonder why we're fighting nature."

For more local news you can use, turn to the TREMPEALEAU COUNTY TIMES

Independence board presents information on referendum

By Zac Bellman Times Staff
The Independence school board held a community forum at their regular meeting last week, where projections were shared on the potential tax impact of the \$700,000 referendum proposal on the spring election ballot. District administrator Barry Schmitt projected a mill rate increase to

\$9.22 next school year if the referendum passes, up from \$8.97 for 2020-21. It remains below the average rate during the five-year referendum passed in 2015, which was \$10.84. The mill rate is applied per \$1,000 in equalized property value as the school district portion of a district resident's overall tax bill. The proposed referendum is being solicited to

cover operating expenses in the district, and would span three years. Among the specific programs and services listed in referendum materials were those addressing technology implementation, career planning, special education programming, accommodating increased enrollment, bilingual and low-income family services as well as security.

In separate action, the board approved a property and casualty insurance policy renewal with EMC Insurance, with an increase in coverage related to data compromises. Schmitt recommended the increased data compromise coverage in response to increased emphasis on technology use in virtual instruction. The portion of the premium dedicated to data compro-

mises roughly doubled from \$673 to \$1,348, while the remaining premium will see a roughly five percent increase to around \$45,000. A bid of \$4,795 for a new baseball scoreboard was also accepted by board approval from Chippewa Valley Sporting Goods. The board also approved the extracurricular hires of Chad Risler as head softball coach, Schmitt as head

football coach, Val Pronschinske as head volleyball coach, Jenna Sonsalla as head cross country coach, Brett Brandenburg as assistant baseball coach and Darin Lau as assistant track coach. The board also met in closed session for the purpose of staff evaluations, but no decisions were reported outside of closed session.

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Michael Cantlon,
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To the Editor:
 This letter is to notify residents of Trempealeau County of the actions of the Department of Land Management (DLM) Director and members of the Environment & Land Use Committee (ELU). First I want to disclose that I am an employee of Trempealeau County but I'm writing this as a concerned tax paying resident in the Town of Burnside.

I'm asking all residents in Trempealeau County to question their county board representative why in the past several months there have been multiple complaints filed in the human resources department against the DLM Director. These complaints range from harassment, intimidation, retaliation, threats, slander, and defamation.

So far the ELU Committee has done nothing to address these situations. In fact they haven't even made one attempt to talk to the staff in the department that have filed the complaints. Instead some of them choose to hide behind closed doors in the director's office. This committee has shown little value for their employees. I ask all residents and business owners within the county. Is this the way you want to be treated in the workplace? Is this the way you treat your employees? Do you want to see multiple lawsuits filed against the county for not doing anything to protect their employees? On a side note, so the public is aware, the DLM Director was escorted out of the building and put on paid administrative leave two weeks ago for circumstances unrelated to this.

Each county board member takes an oath of office to abide by the laws of the country and state but they also take that same oath to follow the county board rules and the county employee handbook. There is no immunity clause for employees, department heads or board members. Being on the county board is more than collecting a per diem check at the end of the month or putting your name on a placard for the new justice center. Since the county board chose not to hire a county administrator they inherit all matters of the county, which includes personnel issues. If you don't want to deal with these issues then maybe being on the board is not the place for you. According to Webster's Dictionary the word "accountability" means, "an obligation or willingness to accept responsibility or account for one's action". It is time to stop the cover-ups and corruption and clean up the mess that has been swept under the rug for far too long. It is bad enough this happens in Washington D.C., we don't need it here in Trempealeau County. Now is the time for county board members to be accountable and show true leadership.

"Leadership rests not only upon ability, not only upon capacity - having the capacity to lead is not enough. The leader must be willing to use it. His leadership is then based on truth and character. There must be truth in the purpose and will power in the character." - Vince Lombardi

Nick Gamroth
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From The Early Files

Compiled from: The Arcadia News-Leader, Galesville Republican & Whitehall Times

25 YEARS AGO Feb. 15, 1996

Two area residents and a couple trucks donated by local fire departments, are part of a caravan of vehicles headed south this week on a Mission to Mexico. Clark Moe of Whitehall and Duane Sackett of Independence departed Saturday morning with about 20 other people and 10 other vehicles involved in the Lions Club project.

A rural Whitehall man who is fighting Trempealeau County's mobile home ordinance was dealt a setback Friday. County Circuit Judge John Damon granted a motion for summary judgment, filed by the county district attorney's office, against John Long. The judge's action dismissed Long's challenge to the way the ordinance was adopted in 1994.

Criminal proceedings against a fired former employee of the Trempealeau County Social Services Department were settled last week with a plea bargain. Kay Speerstraleaded guilty last week Wednesday in Trempealeau County Circuit Court to two counts of misdemeanor theft by embezzlement. Speerstra, 41, originally was charged with two counts of misconduct in public office, a felony.

The city of Whitehall will apply for state grants that would help a new business locate in the east-side industrial park. The city council Tuesday night unanimously approved preparing applications for a state Department of Development grants. Also authorized was hiring Short Elliot Hendrickson - a Chippewa Falls engineering firm which has written successful grant applications for the city - to assist with the application. Sayer Lack USA, a Michigan-based firm, would purchase up to 10 acres of land from the city at \$1,000 per acre. The company is a supplier of paints, stains and related chemicals to manufacturers. One of its largest customers is Ashley

Furniture Industries. The new connector wing at Franciscan Skemp Healthcare-Arcadia is scheduled to open Feb. 19. FSH-Arcadia administrator Robert Tracey, said that the opening of the connector wing is something which everyone has worked very hard to accomplish.

The FSH-Arcadia Foundation recently invited five new members into the organization. New members are Deborah McKeeth, Janet Mueller, Larry Sonsalla, Carolyn Stark and Al Suchla. A criminal complaint filed Monday by the Trempealeau County District Attorney's Office accuses Ricardo Jimenez of Galesville of possessing more than 183 grams of cocaine. Jimenez, whose West Gale Avenue residence was raided Jan. 10, is charged with two counts of possession and dealing in cocaine as a repeat offender, and faces fines that could exceed \$500,000 and a total prison term of 51 years if convicted.

The Hampe family of Galesville, through its Industrial Toolcrafters firm, said it's willing to sponsor a youth program at Marynook beginning this year in the amount of \$20,000 to get the ball rolling.

Nearly one-and-a-half dozen parents questioned everything from the length of bus rides to the length of the school day for preschoolers in their first chance to talk to school officials about their plans for an all-day kindergarten as part of a new preschool center.

The publicity committee of the Blair-Taylor Partners for Progressive Education published a letter on the front page of the Blair Press highlighting why B-T School District residents should vote in favor of a \$6.5 million referendum.

The Fagernes Lutheran Church held its annual meeting in which Lynn Axness, Nancy Bergman, Bud Hanson and Karen Husmoen were elected to the church council.

Winter in Wisconsin has

called off school, thus far, in the Blair-Taylor School District five full days. This is in addition to the late starts and early dismissals. The snow days must be made up so the school year will be extended into June.

50 YEARS AGO Feb. 18, 1971

The Whitehall High Student Council has chosen six names for the new school building nearing completion, from the list submitted by students and district residents: West Glen, West View, Centurion, Liberty, Heritage and Freedom. The district school board Monday night asked that two more names, Sunset Memorial and Vocational and Arts Center, be added to the list upon which the entire student body will vote.

The Whitehall city council last week Tuesday night voted to engage the Ehlers and Associates of Minneapolis to develop a long-range financing plan for several projects, including the development of a new swimming pool.

Three more candidates, Republican Frieda Kislinger of Black River Falls and Democrats Marion Michaels of Black River Falls and Ernie Reck of Arcadia, joined the race for 91st District Assembly prior to Friday's filing deadline, bringing the field to seven.

A very successful year of operation was reviewed at the first annual meeting of the Arcadia Ambulance Service a week ago, according to Nic

Jensen, president. Although the service was organized a year ago, operations actually began in July with the arrival of a new ambulance.

In a joint session of the Arcadia city council and public utilities commission last week Wednesday, it was unanimously decided to proceed with plans for additional electrical generation equipment to be installed at the municipal power plant.

Gerald Gleason and Gary Urness, instructors in the instrumental music department of the Arcadia Public School, announced that they are now rehearsing and preparing the various groups under their direction for cutting a record in the next few weeks.

Galesville merchants will take the "hatchet" to prices in the retail stores of the community in celebration of Washington's Birthday, Feb. 19, according to Larry Ellis, chairman of the Retail Committee of the Galesville Business Association.

Dr. Goodwin Toraason "The Terrible Swede" in 1922, retired after being Blair's only dentist for 62 years.

Mrs. Basil Tuff and Miss Alice Stumpf both fell and broke their wrists.

75 YEARS AGO Feb. 14, 1946

A complete conservation program in Trempealeau County would involve a 38,000-acre reduction in cropland "as a first step,"

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To keep each other safe, we've been asked to add barriers — distance and masks — to our face-to-face interaction. We also have videoconferencing to help overcome those barriers.

Yet to this day, Republican leaders in the state Assembly are holding meetings without requiring attendees to wear masks or offering a video option for those who don't feel safe attending.

The Assembly Committee on Sporting Heritage is an example. At a joint committee meeting on Jan. 13, chair Rep. Treig Pronschinske, R-Mondovi, didn't allow members to attend by videoconference or phone and didn't require that attendees wear masks. The Senate committee members were allowed to attend remotely.

One of the Democratic Assembly committee members, Rep. Dianne Hesselbein, D-Middleton, objected. "This is completely unacceptable," she said. "We are in the middle of a pandemic. Many workplaces and businesses have gone to great lengths to comply with CDC guidelines for their employees and customers. That fact that Republican representatives think health guidelines don't apply to them is dangerous."

Speaker Robin Vos, R-Rochester, has mandated in-person attendance for all Assembly sessions — no remote option is allowed — and has not required masks. (Other states, in contrast, have instituted measures to make legislative sessions safer.)

Freshman Rep. Lee Snodgrass, D-Appleton, was moved to tweet: "The WI State Assembly is a hostile (and now dangerous) work environment. Legislators are having to choose between their health, health of their staff, families and communities or being in person for floor session."

It is also a violation of the spirit, if not the letter, of the state's Open Meetings Law.

Under Section 19.89, "No duly elected or appointed member of a governmental body may be excluded from any meeting of such body. Unless the rules of a governmental body provide to the contrary, no member of the body may be excluded from any meeting of a subunit of that governmental body."

But members are excluded, when attending means potential exposure to a deadly virus.

Some local public bodies are also effectively breaking the Open Meetings Law by their reckless conduct.

Last summer, the Menasha Common Council denied an alderman's request to attend a meeting virtually due to age and health concerns. After an outcry, it changed course, requiring masks at its meetings and allowing people to attend virtually.

Last fall, Wisconsin State Journal reporter Chris Rickert reported on three village boards in western and southwestern Wisconsin that weren't requiring masks at meetings and didn't stream their meetings to allow for remote attendance.



WISPOLITICS.COM CAPITOL REPORT

Daily Payments to Legislators Drop Amid Pandemic Slowdown

Wisconsin lawmakers in 2020 claimed per diems totaling \$555,149, about 70 percent of what they took home in the previous election year, as the COVID-19 pandemic cut into activity at the Capitol, a WisPolitics.com review found.

Overall, lawmakers claimed 5,498 days of per diem in 2020, compared to 8,347 in 2018.

The Assembly had largely wrapped up its work when Gov. Tony Evers' first stay-at-home order was issued in March. But the Senate canceled its final planned regular floor period with dozens of bills up for a vote after the pandemic took hold.

Senators claimed \$193,505 last year for 1,867 days, compared to \$224,540 for 2,461 days in 2018. Meanwhile, members of the Assembly claimed \$361,644 for 3,631 days, compared to \$572,700 for 5,886 days in 2018.

Then-Senate Majority Leader Scott Fitzgerald, R-Juneau, claimed \$19,550, by far the most in the chamber. Fitzgerald was elected to Congress in November and vacated his seat in early January.

Sen. Jon Erpenbach, D-

That's not just wrong, it's illegal. Section 19.81 of the Open Meetings Laws says "all meetings of all state and local governmental bodies shall be publicly held in places reasonably accessible to members of the public ..."

Making members of the public endanger their health to attend a governmental meeting is not "reasonably accessible."

No one in Wisconsin should have to put their lives at risk to attend a public meeting.

(Your Right to Know is a monthly column distributed by the Wisconsin Freedom of Information Council (wisfoic.org), a group dedicated to open government. Larry Gallup is a council member and the digital news director for USA TODAY NETWORK-Wisconsin.)

West Point, was No. 2 at \$12,305 for 107 days, while former Sen. Fred Risser, D-Madison, claimed \$12,000 for 240 days.

Former state Sen. Patty Schachtner, D-Somerset, claimed \$1,610 for 14 days, which was both the smallest reimbursement amount and the fewest days claimed in the Senate. Former state Sen. Tom Tiffany, who resigned in May after winning a special election for the 7th Congressional District, claimed \$1,725 for 15 days.

In the Assembly, Minority Leader Gordon Hintz, D-Oshkosh, and Rep. Tim Ramthun, R-Campbellsport, each claimed \$7,533, tops in the chamber. Rep. Tyler August, R-Lake Geneva, was No. 3 at \$7,439.

Former GOP Rep. Rob Hutton, who lost re-election in November, claimed the least at \$350 for 14 days. Former Rep. Staush Gruszynski, who lost a Democratic primary in August, claimed

\$1,134 for 10 days. Assembly Democrats pushed him out of the caucus after a staffer accused him of sexually harassing her at a Madison bar.

Meanwhile, Rep. Jimmy Anderson, D-Fitchburg, didn't claim any per diem in 2020.

Senators can claim up to \$115 a day in per diems to cover travel and lodging expenses, while members living in Dane County can receive up to \$57.50. In the Assembly, where there's no difference for living in Dane County, members could claim up to \$162 for an overnight visit to Madison last year or \$81 for a single-day visit.

The payments are on top of legislative salaries.

• See the Senate per diem list: <https://www.wispolitics.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/210127SenateDiem.pdf>

• See the Assembly list: <https://legis.wisconsin.gov/assembly/acc/>

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over a period of perhaps 20 years. This is the estimate of the board of supervisors of the county Soil Conservation District.

The eighth-annual Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association district basketball tournament will be held at the Whitehall High gym Feb. 18-21. Teams participating will be Alma Center, Blair, Hixton, Independence and Taylor from the Trempealeau Valley league, Galesville and Trempealeau from the Coulee Conference, and Whitehall from the Mississippi Valley.

Eddie Hulberg, proprietor of the Hulberg Hatchery, recently received two Jamesway incubator-hatchers which he is installing this week. The latest type equipment will enlarge the egg capacity of the plant by 2,900 to bring the total capacity to 20,000 eggs and permit him to hatch about

3,000 chicks a week. Iggy Sonsalla became sole owner of the Arcadia Hotel as of Feb. 5 when he purchased the interest of his brother, Stanley. They bought the hotel together from George Kostner last November and had managed it jointly until Iggy assumed entire ownership. Their father, John Sonsalla, will remain with Iggy as his assistant in the hotel and bar.

English brides of three ex-soldiers arrive in New York on the Queen Mary. They are Doris Dahl, wife of Spencer Dahl; Elanor Carlson and Lenore, wife and daughter of Donald Carlson, Taylor and Marjorie Berzinski and Carol, wife and daughter of Joseph Berzinski, Galesville.

100 YEARS AGO Feb. 17, 1921

At the mass meeting held at the Whitehall Village Hall Friday evening, for the purpose of organizing a commercial club, the following officers were elected: A. Vold, president; E.C. Getts, vice president; L.L. Solsrud, secretary; and O.W. Elstad, treasurer. The organization will be known as the Whitehall Advancement Association.

The culprit Pawelka, or Paremba, who escaped from the county jail in September after inflicting a blow on the head of Jailer Haugh, has been arrested at Waukesha for some other crime, and Sheriff Erickson has gone there to see if he can have him surrendered to this county.

Thursday, Thomas Hulberg disposed of his mercantile business at Pleasantville, Nels Gunderson and his son, Edwin, being the purchasers.

Carl Hertzfeldt purchased the Knoop and Son shoe store located in the Hidershede building and took possession. "Kicked Out of College" was presented as an Arcadia High School play with roles taken by Marcus Fugina, Charles Smith, Aaron Michalski, Adolph Kube, Ralph Tickochinsky, Laverne Studt, Wilmer Rosenow, Apollo Watkowski, Arnold Amundson, Norris Hoedley, Catherine Bohmstedt, Gloadys Peddar, Kathryn

Bigam, Amy Brom, Louise Schmidt, Edna Kried, Vera Kindschy, Nettie Kreid and Zelda Mergener.

H.O Benrud left Monday on his trip to Norway, his native land.

The annual meeting of the Galesville Canning Company was held Tuesday. The company now has a capital stock of \$350,000.

Galesville High School defeated Holmen at basketball, 36-5.

Burt Adams, South Street, Galesville, had a barn-raising last week. About 20 men were present to aid in putting the heavy timbers in place.

125 YEARS AGO Feb. 13, 1896

Miss Kittie Melby closed her school in Irvin Coulee last Friday.

Archie Wood is building a shed on the ear end of the town hall to house the road grader.

L.H. Whitney formally succeed C.P. Thompson as business manager of the Whitehall and Pigeon Trading Association Monday.

The Odd Fellows are enjoying a series of social gatherings which are held weekly. The one Friday evening was held at the residence of Messrs. Wing and Gage, and tomorrow evening the three-linkers will be entertained by their brother, L.L. Solsrud.

District Attorney Ekern was at Arcadia this week to prosecute a saloon keeper for selling liquor to a minor. Atest case at Sparta shows that the vaccination law is all wool and a yard wide. Mr. Isaac Beck, a school director, has been held to the circuit court for persisting in sending his children to school without certificates of vaccination. The case will probably go to the Supreme Court, which ever way the circuit court decides.

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Trempealeau County Sheriff's Department Weekly Log



Wednesday, Jan. 27
 01:09 — Galesville: Caller reporting a possible domestic incident.
 14:35 — Arcadia: A female in her late 50s fell and is unconscious.
 15:50 — Trempealeau: A four-door pickup is parked at the end of a road. The windows are smashed out and it has no license plates.
 16:11 — Trempealeau: A maroon-colored vehicle pulled into a driveway, a male party got out of the vehicle and walked into the garage. The caller's wife heard the door slam. The vehicle then left toward Trempealeau.
 16:31 — Trempealeau County: A small black car is broken down in the lane of traffic.
 16:53 — Eleva: A female is in the bar drinking.
 19:33 — Blair: A 35-year-old female fell on the floor; possibly having a seizure.
 23:10 — Galesville: Caller hit a deer and it needs to be dispatched.

Thursday, Jan. 28
 06:49 — Independence: A vehicle was found in the creek.
 07:24 — Galesville: A by-passer is calling in vehicles that are stopped along the road, attempting to change a tire. They are parked in a bad spot.
 08:22 — Independence: Subjects are throwing garbage in the business dumpster.
 13:28 — Arcadia: Caller reported possible carbon monoxide exposure.
 14:21 — Osseo: An elderly female fell outside the building. She is conscious and alert; breathing appears normal. During the call, people helped the female to her feet and she said she is not injured.
 15:50 — Osseo: An elderly male fell outside the bar. Caller thinks he is intoxicated. He is trying to get into a silver truck.

18:54 — Osseo: Caller's car was struck in the parking lot.
Friday, Jan. 29
 09:06 — Trempealeau County: Caller requesting officers as his sister is possibly in a domestic incident with a male. The male is beating her with some sort of stick.
 09:46 — Blair: Caller is requesting a welfare check on a female.
 12:28 — Osseo: A seven-year-old badly cut his thumb.
 12:34 — Osseo: A suspicious person passed by the caller slowly as she was walking her dogs. The vehicle drove back and is now parked in the neighbor's driveway. The vehicle is running and the subject is inside, it has been sitting there for about 15 minutes.
 16:30 — Galesville: Caller reporting a hit-and-run.
 17:37 — Trempealeau County: A semi was driving erratically on Highway 93. It forced another car onto the shoulder.
 18:18 — Osseo: Caller received text messages in reference to loans that he has not applied for.

Saturday, Jan. 30
 00:57 — Augusta: A male party is making threats toward her via her friends with a gun and a third party may have fired a round.
 02:31 — Independence: Possible abuse case reported.
 03:42 — Osseo: Caller struck a deer and lost control.
 03:57 — Arcadia: A sign is down.
 11:38 — Trempealeau: A caller is very upset over a party turning around in the caller's field.
 13:46 — Whitehall: Caller hears gunfire. It sounds like it is coming from behind his house, possibly in the woods. There have been a lot of shots.
 15:44 — Trempealeau County: A guy is throwing

bottles out of his car at other vehicles. He is driving on the yellow line, heading south.
 16:18 — Trempealeau: Caller's friend is trying to commit suicide.
 21:31 — Arcadia: Two disorderly males are in the bar.
 22:04 — Taylor: Caller lost power and found a truck that hit a power pole.
 22:30 — Arcadia: A male is getting disorderly.
 23:36 — Arcadia: Caller reported a vehicle with loud music.

Sunday, Jan. 31
 03:06 — Arcadia: Caller's 15-year-old son hit her and is pouring stuff all over the floor.
 04:47 — Trempealeau: A vehicle is in the ditch.
 05:10 — Independence: A blue car slid off the roadway. Caller will have it removed in a couple of hours.
 10:32 — Osseo: A wounded bald eagle is 20-feet from a big pine tree, sort of in the ditch near a given address.
 12:10 — Independence: A landlord is trying to get into a property. Caller thinks the female inside took the batteries out of the keyless door entry device. Caller has a carpenter coming to do work on the house and the tenant was notified.
 13:25 — Ettrick: Caller's boyfriend is harassing her and it is threatening in nature. This is mainly happening verbally over the phone. She wants him to leave, but is afraid.
 15:29 — Galesville: A vehicle has been sitting at the end of a road since 11:30 a.m. It has been there and done this before. It looks like an older male in a camouflage jacket.
 20:58 — Galesville: Caller's husband is drunk and being belligerent. He hasn't been violent tonight, but has been in the past. There are weapons in the house, but they are in a safe and she is putting the key somewhere safe. The male is aware that she is calling.

Monday, Feb. 1
 00:38 — Independence: A power line is sparking behind the alley. It was on fire at one point. Caller isn't sure what happened or if anything hit it.
 06:06 — Independence: Traffic stop in a parking lot.
 06:54 — Osseo: Two-vehicle accident reported. One subject has a shoulder injury.
 08:47 — Galesville: A male and female were in an argument and the male has locked the female out. She wants her belongings.
 09:34 — Independence: Possible credit card fraud.
 11:03 — Eleva: A female was staying with the caller and started calling her names. The female has now left the house.
 11:14 — Eleva: Caller said she was in an argument with a subject who got in her face and threw her suitcase and belongings out in the snow. Caller is not across the street at another trailer. The suspect was arrested and taken to jail.
 12:13 — Trempealeau: Caller's ex-wife took an ATV from the shop where it was getting fixed. The ATV is a gift for their child, the caller bought it last year and has not updated the registration.
 14:04 — Trempealeau: La Crosse County requesting a welfare check on a subject who left the emergency room. The subject was on a Narcan drip and was supposed to be admitted to intensive care, but he ripped the drip out.
 14:25 — Blair: A vehicle almost hit an officer head-on.

Tuesday, Feb. 2
 03:07 — A semi is stuck. It will likely have to back down the road and the road will be completely blocked.
 09:18 — Independence: A pickup is pulling a trailer with the license plate obstructed.
 09:35 — Arcadia: An approximately 50-year-old male is walking with his pants down past his knees. He has no shirt on and is stumbling by the curb.
 09:59 — Osseo: A semi pulled over to the side of the road. The driver was outside the vehicle waving his arms. Another vehicle had pulled over near him. The caller did not stop.
 10:55 — Trempealeau: Two-vehicle accident reported. The driver of one of the vehicles seems dazed.
 12:15 — Independence: Three men in a vehicle came to the caller's door wanting her to let them in to do an "air quality check." She refused and they left. All three were wearing white. The male that approached her was very large, broad and obese.
 12:16 — Osseo: It looks like a truck driver is leaning on his steering wheel and the truck is going very slowly. The driver is now pulling over.
 15:46 — Trempealeau: An ongoing issue with the neighbor's barking dogs.
 16:25 — Osseo: A male is walking around the back of the building.
 17:28 — Ettrick: Road rage incident reported. A vehicle was behind the caller and the driver was acting erratically. He pulled out in front of her and then slammed on his breaks.
 19:37 — Osseo: A male fell on the ice and possibly hit his head. He is acting very strange and confused.
 19:52 — Osseo: A deer in the middle of the road needs to be dispatched.

Feb. 2 Initial Appearances
 Eric Hilson, 37, Altoona, possession of methamphetamine, bail jumping-felony, possess drug paraphernalia and carry a concealed knife. Preliminary hearing scheduled for March 2.
 Brandon Marco, 37, Winona, Minn., manufacture/deliver amphetamine (10-50g) and operating while revoked. Preliminary hearing scheduled for March 17.
 Shawn Du Bois, 33, Cochrane, possession of methamphetamine. Adjournd initial appearance scheduled for March 16.
 Skymarie Johnson, 25, Onalaska, possession of methamphetamine. Preliminary hearing scheduled for March 17.
 Crescencio Cruz Lopez, 24, Eau Claire, disorderly conduct (domestic abuse) and criminal trespass to dwelling. Pretrial conference scheduled for March 8, status conference for April 6.
 Steven Fee, 35, Blair, battery (domestic abuse), disorderly conduct (domestic abuse) and bail jumping-misdemeanor (two). Pretrial conference scheduled for March 8, status conference for April 8.
 Monica Felix 22, Whitehall, battery (domestic abuse), disorderly conduct (domestic abuse) and criminal damage to property. Pretrial conference scheduled for March 8, status conference for April 8.
 David Bagwell, 20, Eau Claire, battery (domestic abuse) and disorderly conduct (domestic abuse). Pretrial conference scheduled for March 1, status conference for April 8.
 Timothy Kotlarz, 51,

Independence, disorderly conduct (domestic abuse). Pretrial conference scheduled for March 8, status conference for April 8.
Plea/Sentencing
 Jesse Honaker, 40, Eau Claire, pleaded no contest to two counts of resist officer-substantial bodily harm/soft tissue injury. Sentenced to four years of probation and to pay court costs totaling \$1,036. Charges of bail jumping-felony (two) and disorderly conduct were dismissed, but read in.
 Eric Landpazier, 41, Vesper, pleaded guilty to failure to report to jail. Sentenced to 15 months probation and to pay court costs totaling \$443.
 Bridget Blackdeer, 25, Stone Lake, pleaded guilty to possession of narcotic drugs and possession of methamphetamine-PTAC. Sentenced to 30 months of probation and to pay court costs totaling \$1,036. Charges of bail jumping-felony, resisting or obstructing an officer and possess drug paraphernalia were dismissed, but read in.
Feb. 3 Initial Appearances
 Steven Stensven, 38, La Crosse, throw/discharge bodily fluid at public safety worker or prosecutor and disorderly conduct.
Arraignment
 Tony Calkins, 34, Humbird, bail jumping-felony (two), possession of methamphetamine-PTAC. Pretrial conference scheduled for March 8, status conference for April 8.
Feb. 4 Initial Appearances
 David Buder, 30, Eau Claire, escape-criminal arrest. Adjournd initial appearance scheduled for Feb. 10.
Arraignment
 Steven Stensven, 38, La Crosse, battery or threat to judge, prosecutor or law enforcement officer,

bail jumping-felony (three), possession of methamphetamine, resisting or obstructing an officer and operating while revoked. Not guilty plea entered. Pretrial conference scheduled for Feb. 15.
Status Conferences
 Anthony Shafer, 29, Strum, bail jumping-misdemeanor, criminal damage to property, violate harassment restraining order and disorderly conduct (domestic abuse). Bail/bond hearing scheduled for Feb. 9, status conference for March 11.
 Rebecca Riffey, 42, Whitehall, bail jumping-misdemeanor and criminal damage to property. Plea/sentencing hearing scheduled for March 2.
 Jordan Hazelbower, 39, Galesville, disorderly conduct (domestic abuse). Status conference scheduled for March 11.
 Jarrot Bundy, 35, Osseo, OWI (third), operating with PAC (third), bail jumping-misdemeanor and operating while revoked. Plea/sentencing hearing scheduled for April 6.
 Nolan Breska, 20, Arcadia, computer message-threaten/obscenity. Plea/sentencing hearing scheduled for March 2.

TREMPEALEAU COUNTY: Real Estate Transactions

The following real estate transactions were registered on the Wisconsin Department of Revenue's website between Feb. 1 and Feb. 5

Trent and Mary Tension from Margaret Caucutt, town of Ettrick, \$28,000.
 Wisconsin Real Estate Development LLC from Acacia Smith, town of Gale, \$39,900.
 Neftali Arias from Kevin Benning, city of Arcadia, \$197,000.
 Wisconsin Real Estate Development LLC from Manuel Alas, town of Gale, \$38,950.
 Seth and Erin Anderson from Andrew and Kathryn Devine, town of Gale, \$35,000.
 Galesville Bowling LLC from Estate of Cathy Naas, city of Galesville, \$132,500.
 James Nessler from Michale Tankovich, city of Osseo, \$14,000.
 Travis and Kallie McDonah from Leslie Mickelson Estate, town of Caledonia, \$89,000.
 Jonah Daffinson from Einar and Diane Daffinson, town of Trempealeau, \$150,000.
 Daniel Woychik from Timothy and Sarah Brandtner, town of Ettrick, \$290,000.

TREMPEALEAU COUNTY: Traffic Citations & Other Forfeitures

Operating a Motor Vehicle while Intoxicated, First Offense: Stewart Sankey, 30, Hiawatha, Iowa.
Operating While Revoked: William Boles, 41, Osseo.
Operating after License Suspension: Jamie Frye, 42, Whitehall (two); Cesar Oblea, 45, Arcadia; Shey Whited, 20, Osseo.
Operating without a Valid Driver's License, First Offense: Jonathan Peterson, 39, Blair.
Failure to Report Accident to Police: Michael Kabat, 40, Caledonia, Minn.
Inattentive Driving: Michael Kabat, 40, Caledonia, Minn.
Failure to Keep Vehicle Under Control: Cole Engstrand, 22, Alma.
Failure to Stop for Stop Sign: William Herrmann, 69, Ettrick; Leslie Lakey, 21, Trempealeau.
Failure to Yield Right-of-Way: Marshall Chenier, 22, Galesville; Jacob Kirk, 19, Strum.
Speeding
45+ MPH over the Limit: Manuel Ingles, 35, Holmen.
35+ MPH over: Marisol Stone, 59, Brooklyn Park.
35 to 39 MPH over: Matthew Potter, 33, Eleva.
20 to 24 MPH over:

strom, 40, Blair; Cory Schmidt, 28, Chippewa Falls.
Operate without Proof of Insurance: Bailey Ahlert, 21, Dodge; Michael Milet, 22, Brookfield; Charles Moore, 21, Cottage Grove, Minn.; Derek Schofield, 19, Cadott; Brandon Young, 31, Osseo.
Obscured or Defective Windshield: Nicole Megan, 22, Evans, Ga.
Municipal Ordinance Violations
Non-Registration: Nicole Megan, 22, Evans, Ga.; Thaoau Vang, 35, Eau Claire.
Fail to Display License Plates: Kayla Anderson, 33, Mondovi.
Violate Class A Truck Weight Limits: Heschler Transport LLC, Arcadia.
Seat Belt Violations: Cassandra Doppsmith, 43, Waupaca; Kris Oium, 50, Eleva; Misty Salmon, 50, Wauzeka (two).
Operate without Insurance: Jeffrey Gibson, 54, Fairchild; Jacob Kirk, 19, Strum; Joshua Sand-

Possession of a Controlled Substance (THC): Dylan Creekpaum, 25, Racine; Nathan Fleming II, 29, Oak Park, Ill.; Elizabeth Salonek, 36, Brooklyn Park, Minn.
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia: Dylan Creekpaum, 25, Racine.
Disorderly Conduct: Karen Sanchez Arriaga, 34, Whitehall.
Animal Running at Large: Norman Schwartz, 80, Galesville.

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Man arrested for firing gun into apartments

A press release sent by the Galesville Police Department reported that a man was arrested for endangering safety by use of a firearm after he shot several rounds into nearby apartment buildings.
 Craig Reedy, 60, from Galesville was taken into custody after the GPD received a report from someone reporting their patio door had been shot out. Multiple gunshots followed. After an investigation, officers determined that a male party living into nearby apartment complex fired numerous rounds from his residence. The rounds penetrated other apartments in the adjacent apartment building.
 No injuries were reported. Assisting the GPD were the Trempealeau County Sheriff's Office and the Trempealeau Police Department.

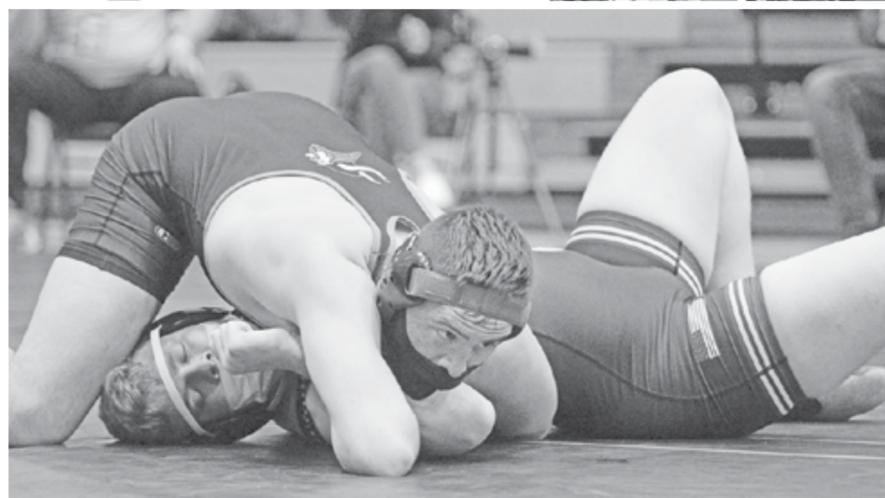
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Times Sports



Liam Herrick of Whitehall attempts to pin his opponent during the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association Sectional in Mineral Point on Saturday. (Times photograph by Zac Bellman)

B-T, WHS heavyweights qualify for state tourney

By Andrew Dannehy
Times Editor

Two area wrestlers from the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association Division Three Mineral Point sectional qualified for the state tournament, doing so in the same weight class as Blair-Taylor's Chris Rogstad and Whitehall's Wylie Dunn took the top two spots in the 285-pound class on Saturday.

The two faced off in the championship with Rogstad pulling off the upset, defeating the wrestler he had lost two times already in the 2020-21 season. With the top two wrestlers in each

weight class advancing, none of the other 15 area wrestlers finished better than third. Mineral Point took the team title and will advance to the WIAA Team State Tournament.

If Dunn and Rogstad were to wrestle again, it wouldn't happen until the state championship match. The Division Three state tournament will be held at Wausau East High School this year beginning Saturday morning at 9 a.m. with the championship round set for 5 p.m. that day.

The area wrestlers are on opposite sides of the bracket. Rogstad (11-2) will face

Andrew Elmhurst (15-2) from Manawa in the quarterfinal round. Dunn (14-1) will wrestle Spencer Karban (13-1) of Coleman. The only undefeated wrestler in the field is the 2020 champion Tanner Gaffey of Saint Croix Falls who sits at 15-0. Dunn and Karban are the only two wrestlers with just one loss.

MP Sectional
The championship match at 285 pounds went down to the wire, but B-T's Rogstad took down Whitehall's Dunn with roughly 30 seconds left as he secured the win.

The match was tied 1-1 after Dunn scored an escape early in the third period. The wrestlers battled before Rogstad took the lead with about half a minute left with a takedown. Dunn escaped, but Rogstad got another takedown to clinch the championship with a 5-2 win. Rogstad advanced to the

championship by pinning Austin Culpitt of Cashton in the first round and edging Will Straka of Mineral Point 3-0 in the semifinal match.

Jeff Doerr (120) placed fourth for B-T. After being pinned in the opening round in the 2020 state tournament as the G/M wrestler finished fourth and in the 2019 tournament in which Andersen took fifth. Meunier took second at 106 pounds in 2019 and won the 113-pound title last year.

Neillsville Sectional
Andersen (126) led the Titans with his state-qualifying first-place finish Saturday. He began his day with a pin in the quarterfinal over Jacob Sirek of Rice Lake. In the semifinal, Andersen won 6-2 over Breckin Burzynski of Stanley-Boyd/Owen-Withee. In a closely-contested first place match, Andersen took a 9-7 win over Austin Defoe of Ashland to secure a state qualification.

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M/G wrestler qualifies for state tournament

By Zac Bellman
Times Staff

Gale-Etrick-Trempealeau/Melrose-Mindoro's Tanner Andersen was the lone Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association Individual State qualifier among nine area wrestlers competing at the WIAA Sectional held in Neillsville on Saturday.

Seven fellow Titans and one Arcadia Raider also entered the fray of competitors looking to punch their ticket to the WIAA Individual State Meet this weekend at Adams-Friendship, but only Andersen will have the chance to continue his season.

At 19-0, Andersen is one of three undefeated wrestlers in the 126-pound weight class in Division Two. The two-time state qualifier's 2021 tournament begins with a match against Caleb Meunier (15-2) of Winneconne. Andersen lost to Meunier in the semifinal round of the 2020 state tournament as the G/M wrestler finished fourth and in the 2019 tournament in which Andersen took fifth. Meunier took second at 106 pounds in 2019 and won the 113-pound title last year.

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state tournament, however, the number of qualifiers was narrowed in 2021 due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Two Titans placed fourth, including Carson Koss (120) and River Rommel (182). Koss lost his quarterfinal 7-4, before bouncing back with a pin of Camren Benesch of Northwestern in the consolation bracket. Koss also won his consolation semifinal match 9-4 over Alexander Nitz of S-B/O-W, but drew an unfortunate rematch with his round one opponent in the third place match. The resulting no contest dropped Koss to fourth.

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Wildcat girls win DC-Large title

By Zac Bellman
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Three wins over Dairyland Conference opponents helped the Blair-Taylor girls basketball team secure their second-straight conference title last week, winning the Large Division this year after taking the Small Division title last year.

The Wildcats took three of four overall on the week, beating Whitehall, Melrose-Mindoro and Eleva-Strum before losing a nonconference game to Royall at Just a Game Fieldhouse in Wisconsin Dells.

The 3-1 week moved B-T to 16-3, including a 13-1 record in the Dairyland to edge past Cochrane-Fountain City's 12-2 mark. B-T and C-FC split their conference matchups, but the Pirates also lost to Melrose-Mindoro.

Their Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association regional semifinal game this Friday will be a rematch with Whitehall at home. B-T won the first matchup with

the Norse this season 58-51 on Dec. 4 in addition to their game last week.

B-T 80 Whitehall 43
The Wildcats rolled past Dairyland rival Whitehall last Monday, led by a fast break clinic from Lindsay Steien and Abby Thompson.

Despite an early attempt by the Norse to slow the game down, Steien got the B-T offense going by scoring her team's first five points to take a 5-4 lead. The three from Steien that gave B-T the early advantage ignited a 19-2 run around the middle of the first half. Steien had the lion's share of those points, in what was part of an 18-point first half for her. Thompson picked up the scoring in the latter part of the first half, contributing to her first half total of 13 points. Harassing defense in the backcourt from Steien and Thompson set the tone, feeding into fast break opportunities throughout the game. By half, B-T led 41-18.

Whitehall rarely threatened the rest of the way, as contributions down the lineup from B-T kept things out of reach for the Norse.

For the game, B-T was led by Steien's 24 points, followed by Thompson's 21, Chloe Wagner and Kierstyn Kindschy each with nine, Alivia Boe and Lexi Lofgren each with seven, Austyn Capouch with two and McKenna Boe with one. Steien added eight assists and six rebounds, while Thompson tallied eight steals, five assists and five rebounds.

The Norse were led by Abby Semb's 14 points, nine from Nylah Lisowski, seven from Norah Youngbauer, six from Olivia Youngbauer, four from Vaida Goplin, two from McKenna Pientok and one from Samantha Huff.

B-T 60 Mel-Min 43
B-T secured at least a share of the Dairyland Conference title last Tuesday on the road at Mel-Min.

Three double-digit scorers for the Wildcats led the way in a relatively low-

scoring game. Thompson put up 21 points, 13 of which came after halftime as B-T expanded upon a 28-21 halftime lead.

Steien and Chloe Wagner were also steady scorers, spreading their 15 and 10 points respectively across both halves. Kindschy added five points, followed by four each from Capouch and Lofgren, with one from McKenna Boe rounding out the scoring. Chloe Wagner added eight rebounds to lead the team, while Steien had eight assists and two steals. Thompson led in steals with six, while adding three assists.

B-T 86 Eleva-Strum 46
A 56-point first half created all the distance the Wildcats would need in what would prove to be B-T's Dairyland Conference outright title-clinching game on Friday.

Five Wildcats had six or more points by halftime, including 15 from Steien, 12 from Thompson, nine from Alivia Boe and six each from Johnson and Chloe Wagner. B-T led 56-24 at the break, and would coast from there.

For the game, Steien and Thompson led scorers with 21 and 19 respectively, followed by 14 from Chloe Wagner, 10 from Alivia Boe, eight from Johnson, six from McKenna Boe, and two each from Leah Kidd, Kindschy and Lofgren. Steien and Chloe Wagner each tallied double-doubles, as Steien had 10 assists and Wagner added 11 rebounds. Thompson also contributed nine assists and six steals to her statline.

Royall 69 B-T 55
A slow start offensively for the Wildcats in Wisconsin Dells contributed to their first loss in eight games against Royall on Saturday.

B-T trailed 36-24 at half, as the Wildcats were held to six converted field goals in the first half. Johnson led scorers at half with nine points, five of which came at the free throw line. Steien and Kindschy helped pick up the scoring in the second half, but the Wildcats were not able to close the deficit.

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Indee girls close with non-conference win

By Andrew Dannehy
Times Editor

The regular season ended for the Independence girls basketball team last week Monday when they fought off Cadott for a non-conference win.

The Indees seemed to take control with numerous runs, but Cadott kept fighting back until late when the Indees scored 10 straight and held on for a 56-49 win.

The win put Independence's final regular season record at 15-5 and they're 9-4 in Dairyland Conference play, two games behind Alma Center Lincoln in the Small Division.

The (2) Indees begin Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association tournament play on Friday when they host (3) Eau Claire Immanuel Lutheran, in a game that will count toward the conference standings. The winner will likely play at (1) ACL on Saturday.

Regional champions will then be reseeded with sectional opponents decided after play on Saturday.

Independence 56 CAD 49
The Indees controlled most of the game, but they had to swat the Hornets away late.

Independence led by nine

at halftime and went ahead by double figures early in the second half before Cadott started to chip away.

A 6-0 Cadott run brought the Hornets within five at 34-29 before Aubrie Pronschinske answered with a three and Ziy Conner made a free throw to put the Indees back ahead by nine.

The lead was still nine at 38-29 before the Hornets went on a 6-0 run. This time, they wouldn't go away so easily.

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We have traditionally had children ages 2.5 through 4 come in for Child Development Days and this year we are going to use Ages and Stages (ASQ) and/or Ages and Stages Online. The ASQ is the most widely used screening tool in the state of Wisconsin and it is easily accessible for all.

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Lindsay Steien of Blair-Taylor shot a layup during the Wildcats' win over Whitehall last Monday. (Times photograph by Zac Bellman)

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Storlie wins 600th as B-T takes Dairyland

By Zac Bellman
Times Staff

Blair-Taylor head coach Randy Storlie surpassed 600 wins as his team neared the conclusion of one of the most dominant seasons in Wildcat history last week.

Three wins by margins of at least 28 points moved the career record for Storlie to 601-270 in his 39th season with the program. Storlie became only the seventh coach in Wisconsin high school boys basketball history to attain 600 career wins.

B-T also secured the Dairyland Conference Large Division title last week, improving to 13-0 against Dairyland opponents with wins over Independence and Alma-Pepin. Their overall season record is 18-1.

This week included a Monday matchup with Augusta at home, as well as their home regular season finale against Eleva-Strum.

The Wildcats also earned the first seed in the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association Regional tournament, granting them a first-round bye. They are scheduled to face the winner of fourth-seeded Plum City/Elmwood and fifth-seeded Cochrane-Fountain City in Feb. 19's regional semifinal.

B-T 72 Independence 35
An efficient night from the field for Kyle Steien led the Wildcats to victory last Tuesday in Independence.

Steien connected on 12-of-15 from the field as part of a 30-point night that also included 10 rebounds and five steals. B-T led 39-14 at half, before coasting to the finish.

The Wildcats had four in double-digits for scoring by game's end, with Alec Reismann's 12 and Matt Waldera and Tyler Thompson each with 10 points rounding out the top four scorers. Also contributing were Matt Brandenburg's six points, followed by two each from Garrison Armitage and Evan Nehring.

Waldera also contributed seven rebounds, seven assists and six blocks. Reismann added six assists and four steals as well.

The Indees were led by 14 points from Chris Killian, eight from Tyler Kingsbury,

seven from John Roskos and six from Alex Pfaff.

B-T 71 Alma-Pepin 37
Storlie's 600th win also clinched the third-straight Dairyland Conference title for the Wildcats, as they asserted their conference standing with a convincing win over A-P.

The coach lauded the effort of his players in accomplishing both feats.

"The boys played so well and for them to win the conference again is a great thing," Storlie said. "I'm so proud of all that they have accomplished so far."

B-T 62 Royall 34
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WHS boys win two in DC play

By Andrew Dannehy
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Whitehall had a couple of slow starts, but shots from beyond the arc helped them right the ship quickly in a pair of wins last week.

Tuesday's game against Gilmanon was close throughout, but Whitehall's ability to connect on threes helped them go on a 10-0 run late in the first half as they held on to win by nine. The same was true on Friday against Alma Center Lincoln as the Norse started hitting threes and then took control of the game.

The wins put Whitehall at 10-7 on the season and 4-4 in Dairyland Conference play, fourth in the Large Division. That was before the Norse played at Eleva-Strum on Monday of this week with the regular season ending on Thursday at Melrose-Mindoro.

Whitehall earned the third seed in its Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association

Division Four bracket and will host (6) ACL this coming Tuesday. The winner will play at (2) Eleva-Strum on Friday with the regional championship set for Saturday, likely at (1) Blair-Taylor.

Whitehall 59 GHS 50
After a slow start a couple of three pointers late in the first half put Whitehall ahead and they held on for the win.

Gilmanon was ahead for most of the first half and held a 25-19 advantage before Aidan Sonsalla made a three pointer to cut the lead in half. After a free throw, Brayden Lisowski knocked in a three with 2:40 remaining to put Whitehall ahead as part of a 10-0 run to end the half.

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Raider girl team falls to Panthers

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They were close at one point, but the Arcadia girls basketball team had few answers for the shooting of West Salem in the final regular season game.

The Raiders made a push at the end of the first half and early in the second half, but the Panthers responded and took control of the game for the 70-56 win.

The loss put Arcadia's record at 7-8 on the season and they finished 6-5 in Coulee Conference play behind Westby (6-3) and West Salem (8-1).

Arcadia is the fourth seed in its Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association regional bracket and hosted

La Crescent 54 Arcadia 43

After a low-scoring first half, Arcadia had a tough time stopping La Crescent in the second half.

Arcadia led 19-17 at halftime, but La Crescent's Parker McQuin got going in the second half. After making an early three pointer, he was able to get to the basket and the free-throw line as he scored 17 of his game-high 21 points in the second half.

Mason Bills added seven second-half points for the Lancers as they equalled Arcadia's second half total by themselves.

La Crescent finished with 37 second-half points as they pulled away for the win.

Carson Pehler and Austin Zastrow led Arcadia with 11 points apiece while Evan Pauly scored nine, Kaden Updike had eight and Chandler Sonsalla had four.

Aquinas 54 Arcadia 44
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Autumn Passehl of Arcadia eyed the basket on an off-balance attempt during the Raiders' loss to West Salem last Tuesday. (Times photograph by Zac Bellman)

Cain Fremstad released a shot from in close during Blair-Taylor's game against Alma/Pepin on Friday. (Times photograph by Andrew Dannehy)

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G-E-T girls split two in return

By Zac Bellman
Times Staff

The Gale-Etrick-Trempealeau girls returned from quarantine to take an overtime win before falling handily in their second game last week.

In their first game since mid-January last Friday, the Red Hawks took an overtime win over Westby on the strength of a career night from junior Lindsey Lettner. The momentum would not carry over to the following day however, as a fatigued G-E-T team could not find the bottom of the bucket in their matchup with West Salem Saturday.

The split week ends the Red Hawks' regular season with an overall record of 4-4, including a 4-2 mark in the Coulee Conference. G-E-T drew the sixth seed in the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association Division Three Regional tournament, pitting them on the road against third-seeded Durand on Tuesday. The winner advanced to a Thursday matchup in the regional semifinal with Prescott.

G-E-T 58 Westby 56

The Red Hawks' first game back since Jan. 14 tested their fortitude, but Lettner's career game pushed them over the top.

G-E-T overcame a 28-22 halftime deficit to trade one-possession leads with the Norse most of the rest

of the second half. A late three from Westby broke a 48-48 tie with just under two-and-a-half minutes remaining in regulation, before Lettner spotted up for a right-wing three to tie it back up at 51.

Rachel Amoth gave G-E-T the 53-51 lead with 1:25 remaining on a layup, and a defensive stop had the Red Hawks on track for the upset win. However, a five-second violation on an inbound gave Westby back possession with 19 seconds remaining, and the Norse took advantage with a game-tying layup in the final seconds.

In the overtime period, Westby took the 55-53 lead just over two minutes in on a pair of free throws. The next

trip down, Lettner slipped away from a defender and sunk a left-corner three to give G-E-T the 56-55 advantage with just over a minute left.

A Westby free throw tied the game with 45 seconds left, and a backcourt violation with 30 seconds left gave the Norse back possession. A corner three hit back iron, as Gemma O'Neill pushed the fast break with 10 seconds left. She dished to Lettner, who found an open lane and nailed a go-ahead midrange jumper with three seconds remaining.

The game-winner was just two of Lettner's 32 points on the evening, a career high. O'Neill added seven points, followed by six each from

Kylie Schmitz and Rachel Amoth, two each from Aleah Hunter, Kayli Bratberg and Jada Helmers and one from Anna Puent.

West Salem 76 G-E-T 22

The highs of an overtime win did not carry over to the Red Hawks' matchup with the Coulee Conference champion Panthers who routed G-E-T on Saturday in West Salem.

The Red Hawks trailed 47-9 at half, a lead the Panthers would easily maintain the rest of the way.

Lettner led scores with six points, followed by Avali Bratberg and O'Neill each with five and Schmitz, Amoth and Emily Nelson each with two.

GMC beats Viroqua, West Salem-Aquinas

By Zac Bellman
Times Staff

The Gale-Etrick-Trempealeau/Melrose-Mindoro/Cochrane-Fountain City gymnastics team tallied two wins last week over Coulee Conference foes ahead of the conference championship this week.

Even without reigning Coulee Conference Gymnast of the Year Abby Miller, GMC was able to beat out Viroqua last Tuesday and West Salem-Aquinas on Friday at their home gym of Blue Angels

Gymnastics Club.

The Coulee Conference Championship is scheduled for Friday in Viroqua.

GMC 129.875 Viroqua 125.175

The all-around performances of Paris Lambert and Trista Thill led GMC over Viroqua last Tuesday. Lambert finished second overall in the all-around with a score of 33.45, including an 8.9 on the floor, 8.625 on vault, 8.125 on bars and 7.8 on beam. Thill finished third overall with a 32.1 all-around, including

an 8.5 on the floor, 8.1 on vault, 7.85 on bars and 7.65 on beam.

Other individual performances contributing to GMC's total included Sophie White's 8.925 on beam, 8.3 on vault and 8.0 on bars. Katie Pierson tallied an 8.1 on the floor, as well as a 7.65 on beam. Esther Logue tallied the fourth-highest GMC score on bars at 7.55, while Ellayna Christopherson rounded out the top four on the vault with an 8.1

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Indee boys drop three

By Andrew Dannehy
Times Editor

The Independence boys basketball team struggled on both ends of the floor against Gilmanton and two of the top teams in the Dairyland Conference Large Division.

Independence was com-

petitive against Gilmanton for the first half, but the Panthers took control in the second half. The Indees trailed Blair-Taylor by 25 at halftime of their game last week Tuesday with the Wildcats shooting 57 percent in a 72-35 win (see story elsewhere in Sports).

It wasn't much better on Friday as Eleva-Strum shot 54 percent, taking a 49-15 lead into halftime of a 78-39 win.

Independence enters the final week of the regular season with a 2-12 record — 1-4 in DC play. They hosted Gilmanton on Monday before finishing the regular season with a game against Eau Claire Immanuel Lutheran on Thursday.

The Indees are the fourth seed in their Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association regional bracket and will host (5) Coulee Christian this coming Tuesday. The winner will play at (1) ECI with the regional championship set for next Saturday.

GHS 77 Independence 52

The Panthers shot 49 percent from the field and controlled the glass as they pulled away in the second half.

Independence was able to keep up in the first half, trailing by seven at the intermission, but Gilmanton kicked it into a mother gear in the second half, scoring 44 points. The Panthers got 20 points apiece from Jarin Ruddy and Carson Rieck while Lance Larson added 18.

Tyler Kingsbury led Independence with 19 while Chris Killian scored 16; John Roskos, eight; Alex Pfaff, six and Damon Connor, three.

E-S 78 Independence 39

The Indees had no answer for the Cardinals, especially in the first half.

E-S came out firing as they put up 49 points in the first half, while Independence couldn't get their shots to fall and faced a 34-point deficit at halftime.

Independence's offense improved in the second half, but they still had no real answer for E-S as the Cardinals cruised for the win.

Chris Killian led Independence with 15 points while John Roskos scored nine, Tyler Kingsbury, eight; Ben Pyka, four and Wyatt Kueschner, three.

Nick Higley led E-S with 21, Ethan Karlstad scored 19 and Mitch Olson gave them three in double figures with 13.



The Whole Nine Yards

by Zac Bellman

Wisconsin Sports State of the Union

My fellow Wisconsinites, I come before you in the midst of trying times for fans, players and all who appreciate, participate and effecuate professional sports in Wisconsin.

Over the past year, the promise of spring quickly gave way to a cruel storm of pandemic, injustice and turmoil. In an instant as the COVID-19 pandemic made landfall in the United States, the NBA season heading towards the playoffs and MLB season about to get under way grinded to a halt.

For Bucks fans, that meant curtailing a dominant season in which Giannis Antetokounmpo appeared poised to not only repeat as MVP, but lead the top-seeded Milwaukee team to the NBA Finals. The prospect of hanging a banner in the Fiserv Forum as 17,341-plus fans roared their approval seemed less and less a pipe dream, and more and more an inevitability. After a more than four-month layoff where it looked as if the season wouldn't continue, Disneyland proved to be where dreams are snuffed out rather than come true.

Christian Yelich and the Brewers likewise were just concluding their preparation for the 162-game grind with new pieces who could have found their footing at Miller Park under normal circumstances. They would not be afforded that luxury however, as an abridged and fanless season led to offensive struggles as the parking lot sat empty without even a whiff of a tailgate brat.

Green Bay gave Wisconsin a reason to cheer late into January once again, as the Packers brought much-needed optimism at a time when that seemed to be as hard to come by as a package of toilet paper. However, in what was emblematic of disappointments from the past decade in conference championship games, Green Bay came up short with a chance at playing for the Lombardi trophy on the line.

While 2020 will undoubtedly be remembered by some for what we did not get to see come to fruition as Wis-

consin sports fans, I remain abundantly thankful for the experiences that were salvaged. We may not have been able to pack into Fiserv, but we got to see Giannis finish his second-consecutive MVP campaign. We also witnessed a Bucks team that rose to the challenges of our time, seeking reform and justice in the community they play for night-in and night-out.

There were no tailgates at Miller Park, but there were 62 games of Brewers baseball and a return to the playoffs for the third-straight year. Lambeau Field bleachers sat unoccupied for most of the NFL season, but Aaron Rodgers returned to MVP-caliber form while nearly taking Green Bay back to the Super Bowl. Athletes from each of these teams assumed tremendous risks to themselves and their families by playing this year. Their efforts to give us a taste of normal and keep their segment of the economic wheel turning should be met with deserved gratitude. Yelich and Antetokounmpo also made inspiring commitments to us in the form of their contract extensions, for which they deserve enthusiastic ovations.

Our sporting union remains strong, with ever-brighter days ahead. We have persisted through challenges, looked out for our neighbor and rooted for the home team from home.

May God bless us with a safe return to allowing fans at games, so we can get back to high-fiving strangers, rolling out the barrel, jumping around and having twice the fun in 2021.



Gunar Koxlien of Blair-Taylor attempted to get his opponent on to the mat during the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association Sectional in Mineral Point on Saturday. (Times photograph by Zac Bellman)

Division Three Mineral Point sectional

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defeated. He stayed that way until the championship match as he pinned his first two opponents, including Donald Laufenberg of Iowa-Grant, who finished his season with an 18-2 record.

The other wrestler who entered the tournament undefeated was Liam Herrick (220), a state-qualifier in 2020. Herrick opened with a pin, but lost to Dylan Nottestad, an undefeated wrestler from Westby, in the semifinal round. The Whitehall wrestler still had a chance at qualifying for the state tournament, but he was injured in his next match and had to forfeit his way to a six-place finish.

Eric Kleinhans (182) finished fourth for the Norse. The sophomore won his first match 4-0, but lost to Cal Dorata, an undefeated wrestler from Iowa-Grant. Kleinhans won his next match, but was pinned in his bout for third place.

Riley Orsch (195) finished fifth for the Norse. He was pinned in his first match, but rebounded with a pin. Any chance of qualifying for the state tournament went away when he was pinned by Gavin Bragger of Independence/Gilmanton, but he went on to win his fifth-place match by medical forfeit.

Dylan Moats (113) was sixth for Whitehall. Moats split his first two matches, both ending with pins before being pinned again by Nick Needham.

Both Matthew Poulos (132) and Brekken Kulig (160) went 0-2 in the tournament.

In any other year, I/G's Bragger (195) would have qualified for the state tournament. The WIAA narrowed the sectional field from three qualifiers in each weight class to two as part of its COVID-19 restrictions. Bragger finished third, but did have a chance to take second.

The I/G wrestler began the tournament with a pin before losing to eventual champion Ryan McCartney of Lancaster.

After pinning Whitehall's Orsch, Bragger clinched third place with a pin over Mitch Aurit of Mineral Point. That set Bragger up in a match for second-place with a state tournament appearance on the line, but Cezar Garcia of De Soto would not be denied, beating the I/G wrestler 16-1.

Gabe Romalski (106), Connor Smieja (145) and Ethan Severson (152) all placed sixth for the Indees. Romalski lost his first match then came back with a pin. He was then pinned in the next match before losing the fifth-place match by technical fall.

Smieja lost his first match before scoring a 7-5 win in the consolation round. He was then pinned and didn't have a fifth-place match before he had already lost to fifth-place finisher Andrew Winders of Iowa-Grant.

Severson opened with a pin, before losing by pin in the semifinal round. He didn't have a chance to advance further as he was injured in his next match and had to forfeit.

Gabe Pietrek (113) went 0-2 in the tournament.

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Whitehall girls lose three straight

By Andrew Dannehy
Times Editor

After a six-game winning streak was snapped last week Monday, the Whitehall girls basketball team lost two more to finish the regular season with a three-game skid.

The Norse fell behind Blair-Taylor early on Monday as the Wildcats cruised for an 80-43 win (see story elsewhere in Sports). Whitehall struggled offensively in the next two games too,

losing to Alma Center Lincoln, 57-41 on Friday and to Melrose-Mindoro 49-35 on Saturday.

Despite the late losing streak, Whitehall still finished well above .500 at 13-8 and they were 7-8 in Dairyland Conference play, good for fourth in the Large Division behind Mel-Min (9-5), Cochrane-Fountain City (12-2) and B-T (13-1).

Whitehall earned the third seed in its Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Associ-

tion Division Four bracket and will play at B-T again on Friday. The winner of that game will likely play at (1) C-FC on Saturday.

Sectional matchups will be determined after the regional championship games.

ACL 57 Whitehall 41

The Norse had a tough time getting their offense going while the Hornets were able to attack inside and outside.

Liza Cummings scored 10 points inside for the Hornets, while Sadie Schmidt stung the Norse deep with two three pointers and Jacquelyn Paul added another with the Hornets taking a 30-20 lead into halftime.

The Hornets pulled away early in the second half as they shot 50 percent from the field and made 14-of-18 free throws in the game, helping them put it away late.

Whitehall shot 30.4 percent from the field and eight-of-20 from the charity stripe.

Olivia Youngbauer led Whitehall with 16 points while Norah Youngbauer scored eight, Sami Huff, seven; Abby Semb, five; Nylah Lisowski, three and Brenna Clatt, two.

Whitehall (field goals/attempts-free throws/attempts-rebounds-fouls-points) — Sonsalla 2/4-0/0-1-4-5 N. Youngbauer 4/14-0/2-1-5-9 O. Youngbauer 1/10-3/4-4-3-6 Pientok 0/1-1/2-4-2-1 Huff 1/3-4/6-7-1-6 Lisowski 1/6-0/2-12-2-2 Semb 2/7-2/3-3-1-6 Clatt 0/0-0/0-1-2-0

GMC gymnastics team

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GMC.....133.600
W.S.A.....130.075
GMC took the second-through-fourth spots in the all-around to beat West Salem-Aquinas at home last Friday.

Lambert led the team with a 34.3 all-around, including an 8.925 on vault, 8.675 on the floor, 8.45 on beam and 8.25 on bars. Thill followed in third overall with a score of

Pientok 0/2-0/2-5-0-0 Huff 2/10-3/7-5-3-7 Lisowski 1/5-1/4-4-0-3 Semb 2/7-0/0-2-2-5 Clatt 0/0-2/2-1-0-2 Yarrington 0/1-0/0-1-1-0

Mel-Min 49 Whitehall 35
The Norse managed just five field goals in the first half and couldn't recover.

Four of the five field goals were two-point baskets and they added two free throws as they faced a 20-13 deficit at halftime.

Whitehall got going offensively in the second half, but foul trouble limited them and helped Mel-Min get to the line 20 times in the second half as they made 17 of the attempts.

Whitehall shot 24.4 percent from the field, not much worse than Mel-Min's 28.6 percent, but the Mustangs were able to take better care of the ball, finishing with 12 turnovers to Whitehall's 21.

Norah Youngbauer led Whitehall with nine points while Olivia Youngbauer, Huff and Semb all scored six. Lisowski added two and Pientok scored one.

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34, including an 8.925 on the floor, 8.9 on beam, 8.275 on vault and 7.9 on bars. White finished fourth overall with a 33.625, including an 8.775 on the floor, 8.7 on beam, 8.275 on the vault and 7.875 on bars. Rounding out the top four in each event were scores including Pierson's 7.95 on the floor, 7.625 on beam and 7.575 on bars, while Christopherson took the second-best vault score for GMC of 8.525.



Samantha Huff of Whitehall shot a layup during the Norse's loss to Blair-Taylor last Monday. (Times photograph by Zac Bellman)



The Way It Is

by Andrew Dannehy

Packers Have to Commit to Rodgers

Maybe they're "not idiots" as Green Bay Packers President Mark Murphy put it, but if Aaron Rodgers is going to be a part of the team for the foreseeable future, they ought to make sure he knows it.

Rodgers questioning his future with the Packers following the team's NFC Championship game loss to Tampa Bay raised questions and even a trade inquiry. According to Sam Farmer of the LA Times, who reported that the LA Rams had called asking about Rodgers' availability before instead trading for Detroit's Matthew Stafford. That report was denied by Packers General Manager Brian Gutekunst, but the Packers also denied it when Farmer reported that Brett Favre was coming out of retirement in 2008.

There is one very easy way in which the Packers can end all speculation: Commitment.

It's easy for Gutekunst to say Rodgers will be the quarterback of the future and that he's looking forward to making playoff runs with him the next "few years." But if that's really true — if Rodgers is really the guy he has envisioned as his quarterback — why did he draft Jordan Love in the first round of the 2020 draft?

Of course, it isn't true. It can't be. The Packers drafted Love because they were looking to replace Rodgers within three years, a reality Rodgers himself has acknowledged several times. That move is why the questions are suddenly being asked and, given that Rodgers has no guaranteed money left on his contract after the 2021 season, it would be natural for him to seek some assurance.

It isn't just about committing to Rodgers. By trading up and using a draft pick on a quarterback, the Packers passed on the opportunity to make the team better while Rodgers finishes out his career. They got basically no contributions from their 2020 draft class, imagine if they drafted guys who could actually help them? You know Rodgers has thought about it. He wants a team that is committed to winning now.

Rodgers gave the appearance of trying to calm the fires last week when he made his weekly appearance on the Pat McAfee Show last week. While the headline coming out of that appearance was Rodgers saying he didn't think there was a reason why he wouldn't be back, missed in that was Rodgers listing off his accomplishments in 2020. Also missed was the conversation he had about leverage — something that doesn't seem like it would randomly enter his mind.

During that appearance Rodgers also spoke about absolutes. He referred to his return to the team as not being an absolute, but considering his play and his contract situation making it very difficult for them to move on from him in 2021, was there anything more absolute? There is no reason for the team to move on from him right now. Rodgers knows that, he didn't question his future because he was genuinely concerned that they might cut him. He also isn't an idiot.

Rodgers wants something from the Packers and it's very likely as simple as commitment. If the Packers can give him that, this will all go away. If they don't, expect more headlines and more teams calling to see what it will take to get the quarterback or worse, as ESPN's Adam Schefter indicated on Get Up last week, it could be Rodgers making the calls.

Obituaries

Thelma R. (Hagen) Start
Thelma Ruth (Hagen) Start, 93, of Ostrander, MN, passed away at Spring Valley Living, January 26, 2021.



Thelma Ruth Start was born on a farm in rural Wisconsin, near the town of Pigeon Falls, June 15, 1927, to Theodore Edwin and Ruth Adeline (Overby) Hagen. Thelma graduated from the Whitehall High School and moved with two of her two sisters, Viola Mae and Phyllis Marie, to Minneapolis, MN, where she worked for Pillsbury. Thelma had the unique responsibility of ordering the daily flour.

While in Minneapolis, she met her husband, Carmen Leland Start, a young farmer from Mower County, MN, at a dance at the Marigold Ballroom.

Thelma married Carmen January 1, 1961, and together they had two children: Lisa Start (Khalilian) of Denver, CO and Cindy Staart, of Ocala, FL. Thelma adored her three grandchildren: Sofia Khalilian, and Seth and Ezra Staart.

After moving to rural southeast Minnesota, Thelma began teaching elementary school at Spring Valley, MN. She earned her Master's degree in Education from Winona State University, and eventually retired from teaching in 1979. Thelma loved reading, and spent many hours during her retirement, reading mysteries and current events.

Thelma was preceded in death by her husband of 55 years, Carmen Start; and her sisters: Edna Arleen Nestingen, of Blair, and Viola Lusikka of Oulu, WI. Her sister, Phyllis Marjamaki, resides in Oulu.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Memorial donations may be made in Thelma's name to No Kid Hungry of Minnesota or a recipient state of the donor's choice.

Helen T. Ames

Beloved Helen Theresa Ames, 72, of Hixton, and formerly of Blair, died Friday, January 29, 2021, at Gundersen Health System in La Crosse.

Helen was born July 4, 1948, at her home in Rozellville, to Joseph and Anna (Matti) Ott. She married Donald F. Ames, March 27, 1965, in Houston, MN. She entertained a vari-

ety of jobs throughout her lifetime to include owning a café with her husband, Donald, as well as farming, customer service work, real estate, running a very ambitious campground for almost 20 years and, in recent years, doing her most enjoyable activity...antiquing.

Along with antiquing and finding almost every left hand turn to every garage sale, she also loved spending time with family and reading. Some of her most enjoyable reads included authors such as Stephen King and Dean Koontz.

Helen is survived by her husband, Donald; three children: Patrick (Mary Kay) Ames of Rigsby, ID, Donald (Debbie) Ames of Whitehall and Roxanne Nelson of Holmen; eleven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; two brothers: Herb and Joe; along with two sisters: Maryann and Margaret.

In addition to her parents, Helen was preceded in death by three brothers: Bill Ott, Andy Ott and Harold Ott; and one great-grandchild, Hank.

Memorial services will be held Thursday, February 11, 2021, at 1:00 p.m., at Jack Funeral Home with burial in Lincoln Cemetery, both in Whitehall. Mr. Scott Brown will officiate.

Friends may call one hour prior to the service.

Duane E. Stoner

Duane Edward Stoner, 79, of Galesville, passed away Sunday, January 31, 2021, at Gundersen Health System.

Memorial services will be held Saturday, February 13, at 12:00 p.m., at First Free Church, 123 Mason Street, Onalaska. Friends may visit with the family at the church from 10:00 a.m. until time of services. Burial will be at Pine Cliff Cemetery in Galesville.

For the complete obituary and online condolences, please visit www.dickinsonfuneralhomes.com.

Pearl "Penny" Walters

Pearl "Penny" Walters, beloved Mother, Grandma, Sister, Daughter, and Friend. With great sadness, we share that Pearl "Penny"

Walters, of Elk Mound, passed away February 1, 2021, in Eau Claire.

Penny was born January 10, 1953, to Carl and Ruth Stone. Her father's military service took Penny, her parents, and her four brothers across the United States and abroad. After graduating from high school in Ironwood, MI, Penny later became a certified nursing assistant. Over the years, Penny found great enjoyment and purpose in taking care of and connecting with others, in both her personal and professional life. She rarely missed an opportunity to develop new relationships with people, and share her faith in Jesus. As a lover of laughter and people, Penny often traveled to visit friends and family—no matter the distance—while still always making time to hunt for treasures at local sales and cheer on the Brewers.

Penny is survived by her four brothers and their spouses: Lee (Gail), Carl (Barbara Jean), Joe, and Dan Stone (Shannon); and her five children and their spouses: Melanie Hopp (Bryce), Matt Schmidt (Julie), Mark Walters (Ana), Crystal Tollefson (Tyler), and Cody Bautech (Geneva). She is also survived by her grandchildren: Travis, Roman, Alissa, Kaitlyn, Jaxon, Braun, Roenik, Royce, Harlan and Grace.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Carl and Ruth Stone.

At her request, Penny will be laid to rest at a private burial with only family present. No public service will be held.

Chippewa Valley Cremation Services – Celebration of Life Center in Altoona, is assisting the family.

Kim R. Thompson-Flock

Kim Renee Thompson-Flock, 50, of Westby died Tuesday, February 2, 2021, peacefully in her home, surrounded by family after a courageous battle with cancer.

Obituaries in the Trempealeau County Times are paid advertising material, provided to the newspaper by the funeral home and/or family placing the obituary. The Times' staff is not responsible for any errors or misstatements that may be included in the information provided to us.

The family of Rose Prokop

would like to say **Thank you** to all the great staff at the Gundersen Tri-County Care Center and to St. Croix Hospice for the amazing care you gave Rose. Thank you to the ladies at Aurora who covered shifts for Pat. A special thank you to everyone who made Roses' Mass special. Thanks to Edison Funeral Home. Also, a special thank you to everyone who sent cards, flowers, memorials and to those that brought food. For all the kind and caring words and prayers. Rose really enjoyed when they bought her communion and meals to her home.

Thanks so much, The Family of Rose Prokop

Kim was born August 30, 1970, to Ronald and Irene (Halvorson) Thompson at Gundersen Tri-County Hospital in Whitehall. She was raised in Blair, graduating from Blair High School, Class of 1988. Kim was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force where she traveled overseas, eventually retiring from the Department of Corrections after 15 years. She married Michael Davis in 1993, and they later divorced. On June 8, 2007, she married Frederick Flock.

Kim is survived by her husband; son, Zachary Thompson of La Crosse; step-children: Megan (Casie) Manke of Sparta, Katie (Jon) Fendt of Sparta; four step-grandchildren: Blairst and Brysen Manke, Lucas and Howard Fendt; mother, Irene Thompson of Blair; mother-in-law, Jackie Flock of Sparta; siblings: Bruce (Rosanne) Thompson of Osseo, Deborah (Steve) Tidquist of Blair, Susan Thompson of La Crosse, Dawn (John) Dubiel of Naples, TX, and Todd Thompson of La Crosse.

She was preceded in death by her father; nephew, Bradley Ekern; father-in-law, Wayne, and grandparents.

Kim's family would like to thank the Oncology department at Gundersen Healthcare and Hospice Group.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, a private service and interment will be held at a later date at Zion Lutheran Cemetery in Blair, with military honors.

Roth Family Cremation Center of Viroqua is assisting the family.

Alice I. Herried

Alice I. Herried, 93, of Blair, passed away Tuesday, February 2, 2021.

Alice was born August 21, 1927, in the Town of Preston, to Albert and Genia

(Mickelson) Johnson. She spent her entire life in the Blair area. Alice married Douglas Herried, September 21, 1946, and together they farmed, had a milk route and raised their 10 children on their dairy farm until Douglas' death, July 10, 1981. Alice sold the farm and moved to the City of Blair in 1990, where she continued to live until her recent decline in health. Her mind continued to be as sharp and clear as ever up until the time of her death, but her body just plain wore out.

Alice was an exceptionally talented person, taking on sewing and alteration projects with professional results! She spent hundreds of hours cross stitching baby quilts which she took great pride in bestowing to each newly arriving great-grandchild, made numerous block square quilts for her older grandchildren, and stitched and sewed many beautiful wedding ring quilts as a wedding gift to grandchildren.

She was very industrious and busy throughout her life. After milking the cows by hand twice a day, cooking and baking, cleaning, housework and any other necessary chores either in the house or around the farm, she'd still spend her evenings on a craft project, cutting out and hand painting a wooden lawn ornament or cracking and picking out hickory nut meats the kids would gather up by the gunny sack full! Alice's mind and hands were always busy.

An avid sports fan throughout her life, she attended many basketball, baseball, volleyball and softball games of her grandchildren over the years, while she was physically able, and in later years, either listened on the radio or watched the games on television. She also never missed an opportunity to watch the Packers, Brewers or a Badgers football or basketball game. She loved to play bingo, do a little gambling at the casino, play dice or dominoes with her friends, read hundreds of books during her retirement years, and she never turned

down a chance to play a competitive game of cards with family or friends!

Alice is survived by her children: Leon (Carolyn) Herried of West Salem, LeRoy (Cindy Swinghamer) Herried of Sun Prairie, Layne (Karen) Herried of Marshall, Michael (Kathy Webb) of Taylor, Don (Donna) Herried of Blair, Cheryl (Rob) Olson of Taylor, Carol (Bruce) Blanchard of Plover, Mark (Dianne) Herried of Blair and Cathy (Darrel) Nelson of Blair. She is also survived by 21 grandchildren: Tina, Eric, Bobby, Jean, Jason, Jill, Bradley, Timothy, Nathan, Morgan, Matthew, Tyler, Lindsay, Ryan, Mindy, Nicole, Erika, Megan, Kendall, Lucas and Blake; and 21 great-grandchildren: Noah, Josiah, Grace, Eric Wil, Bristol, Chance, Isabell, Cameron, Madelyn, Byron, Henry, Louis, Elizabeth, Kieran, Avery, Alexandria, Malana, Alexander, Olivia, Cora and Tatum. Alice is further survived by her sister-in-law, Jean Johnson, of West Salem; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; and siblings: Esther Roseth, Harold Johnson, Ruth Ekern and Ralph Johnson; son, Wayne Herried; and grandchildren: Benjamin Nelson and Cody Blanchard.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, February 6, 2021, at 1:00 p.m., at Jack Funeral Home with burial in Rest Haven Cemetery, both in Blair. Pastor Adam Arends will officiate.

Friends may call from 11:00 a.m. until the time of service.

Our most sincere appreciation and gratitude goes to the staff and employees of Pigeon Falls Health Care Center for their wonderful and loving care of Alice during her last week of life and for their kind words and support offered to our family.

Memorials may be given to the Rest Haven Cemetery Association.

(Obituaries are continued on page 20)

For more local news you can use, turn to the TREMPEALEAU COUNTY TIMES

You can shed tears that he is gone, or you can smile because he has lived. You can close your eyes and pray that he'll come back, or you can open your eyes and see all that he's left. Your heart can be empty because you can't see him, or you can be full of the love you shared. You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday, or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday. You can remember him only that he is gone, or you can cherish his memory and let it live on. You can cry and close your mind, be empty and turn your back, or you can do what he'd want: smile, open your eyes, love and go on.

IN LOVING MEMORY
JERRY ANDERSON
5-28-43 to 2-14-11
Ten years may have come and gone, but not a day has passed that I have not missed you. Memories of you are still strong, sometimes bringing a smile or even a tear.
~ Love, Julie

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How to Brush Your Teeth:

1. Put a small amount of toothpaste on your toothbrush.
2. Brush every tooth in a circular motion using an up-and-down motion.
3. Make sure you reach all of your top and bottom teeth.
4. Remember to brush where you chew: along the top and bottom of the back teeth.
5. Clean your teeth this way two times a day.

How to Floss Your Teeth:

1. Pull out enough floss, about 18 inches.
2. Wrap the floss around your middle fingers.
3. Gently guide the floss between two teeth using thumbs and index fingers.
4. Wrap the floss against the side of the tooth to prevent hurting your gums.
5. Slide the floss under the gumline and then move it up and down, rubbing the side of the tooth.

Maynard N. Dahl
February 6, 1933-1971

Happy 88th Birthday in Heaven

Missed dearly by your family.
We will never forget you ever.

Obituaries

Margaret "Peggy" M. Beirne

Margaret "Peggy" Beirne (née Poss) of Ettrick, 76, passed away February 3, 2021, at home, with her husband, Buck, by her side. Peggy was born September 26, 1944, in Galesville, to Marie and Bill Poss, and was Vonnice and Dick's younger sister. She attended Gale-Ettrick High School, where she and Buck became a couple before marrying in 1963. They had five children (Kathy, Julie, Pat, Mike, and Shari) in four years and eventually settled in Whitehall. When Peggy wasn't busy being a mom and a wife, she was a selfless nurse's aide and teacher's aide who tried to make her patients and student's lives better. She organized family trips to softball tournaments, bicentennial parades and camping trips to Jellystone Park. She loved doing projects around the house, bowling night spaghetti, looking at family pictures and spending the holidays surrounded by her family. After her children left to start their own lives and families, every Christmas since, she hosted her ever-growing family's holiday gatherings. Peggy shared her love unconditionally with family and friends alike, and raised her children and grandchildren to be kind, empathetic, brave, humble and happy. Her spirit endures through us all. Peggy is survived by her husband of 57 years, Buck; daughter, Kathy (Kerry) Freidel; daughter, Julie Zogopoulos; son, Pat (Elizabeth) Beirne; son, Mike (Abbe) Beirne; daughter, Shari (Darren) Magnuson; grandson, Sean (Carli) Freidel; grandson, Ryan (Robyn) Freidel; grandson, Colin Freidel; grandson, Nicholas Zogopoulos; grandson, Quinn Beirne; granddaughter, Gemma Beirne; grandson, Alex Magnuson; grand-daughter, Emily Magnuson; granddaughter, Abby Magnuson; great-grandsons, Emmett, Isaac and Sutton Freidel.

The family would like to thank Dr. Paula Gill and Dr. Petra Nedoba, as well as the Mayo Cancer Center staff and treatment nurses, for their compassionate care throughout her seven-year illness. Also, special thanks

to Jody & Morgan and the Mayo hospice care team for providing comfort and superior care through her final days. She truly appreciated all of you!

A private Mass of Christian burial will be held in Saint Mary's Catholic Church with burial at Pine Cliff Cemetery, both in Galesville. A public Celebration of Life for Peggy will be held at a later date.

Jack Funeral Home in Blair is assisting the family with arrangements.

Ernest "Ernie" B. Komperud, Sr.
Ernest "Ernie" Boyd Komperud Sr., 87, died Thursday, February 4, 2021, at his home.

Ernie was born March 21, 1933, in La Crosse, to Elmer and Berdella (Salzwedel) Komperud. He served his country in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. On March 14, 1967, Ernie married Linda Arlene Olson in Tennessee. As a couple, they lived their lives in rural Ettrick, where he farmed, but was more known for his excellent carpentry skills. Ernie was a good and honest man, but did have a stubborn side.

Survivors are his wife, Linda; his children: Ernest "Ernie" (Renee) Komperud Jr., Earl Komperud; Christine (Steve) Moelter; 13 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and two sisters: Beverly Gilbeck and Belinda Taylor.

He was preceded in death by two sons: William Komperud and Charles Komperud; two grandsons: Steve and Andy; and two great-grandchildren.

A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, February 13, 2021, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at Ettrick Rod and Gun Club, rural Ettrick, Wisconsin.

Zwickey Funeral Homes, Galesville Chapel assisted the family.

Karmon J. Everson
After struggling for some time with many health problems, Karmon Joy (Wier) Everson, 64, of Blair, drew her last breath and entered eternal life early Sunday morning, February 7, 2021, at her home, surrounded by her children.

Karmon was born to Lloyd and Amanda (Brenengen) Wier, May 6, 1956, in Galesville. She was the second youngest child in a family of 12 children. They were a hard working farming family that grew up near Galesville.

Karmon met Donald L. Thompson and married him in 1977, and had her three children: Christina, Michelle and Erik. They later divorced and, in 1991, she married the love of her

life, Keith Everson, and also gained two step-daughters, Tara and Sara Everson.

Karmon gained her high school diploma later in life and then went to cosmetology school for awhile. She worked at Gale Products in her earlier years, and then mostly made her living as a devoted employee at Northern Engraving in Galesville. After the plant shut down, she became a home health worker for a couple of years before becoming disabled due to her many health conditions.

Karmon was an extremely strong woman that went through a lot in life, but always woke up to fight another day and usually did it with a smile. She was strong-willed and always knew what she wanted.

Karmon enjoyed spending time with family. She really enjoyed going 4-wheeling with her late husband, Keith. They went many places on the four wheeler and had fun stopping to eat and sampling bloody marys. She also loved going camping in their camper with all their dogs.

Karmon enjoyed hanging out and "bumming around" with all her sisters and brothers. They would often meet up and go antiquing, thrift saling and out to eat. She definitely liked to be out and about. Her children were her greatest accomplishments though. She loved them and loved doing things with them, especially after her husband passed away on August 22, 2016. And last but not least were her dogs. She loved her dogs. They were her babies and she always had one around as her companion. She was a wonderful woman that will be greatly missed.

Karmon is survived by her children: Chrissy (Larry Adank) Thompson of Independence, Michelle Thompson of Franklin and Erik Thompson of Blair; her step-daughters: Tara Bertram of Hawaii and Sara Everson of Chippewa Falls; her grandchildren: Kyra and Camden; many step-grandchildren; remaining siblings: Janet (Bernie) Las, Sondra (Bill) Brust, Leon (Eileen) Wier, Terry Thompson, Rosalie (Leroy) Statler, Mary Tjerstad, Marie (Bob) Thill, Rosanna Larsen, Leland (LaVonne) Wier and Fran (Roger) Instenes; many nieces, nephews, cousins and her dog, Buddy.

In addition to her parents and husband, Karmon was preceded in death by a brother, Armand.

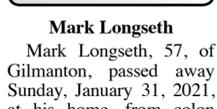
Funeral services will be held Friday, February 12, 2021, at 1:00 p.m., at Jack Funeral Home with burial at Zion Lutheran Cemetery, both in Blair. Pastors Paul Sannerud and Adam Arends will officiate. Friends may call from 11:00 a.m. until the time of service.

Jack Funeral Home in Blair is assisting the family with arrangements.

DEATH NOTICE

Mark Longseth
Mark Longseth, 57, of Gilmanton, passed away Sunday, January 31, 2021, at his home, from colon cancer.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. A full obituary will also be published at that time.



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CITY OF ARCADIA

Arcadia City Council Regular Meeting September 2, 2020

The Regular Meeting of the Arcadia City Council was called to order by Mayor Reichwein at 5:30 p.m., with the following in attendance: (in person): Mayor Rob Reichwein; Alderman Joe Feltes; City Staff Chad Hawkins and Angela Berg; a member of the public and a representative from Miron Construction; (via GotoMeeting): Alderwoman Mariys Kolstad; Aldermen Paul Anderson and Kevin Mayzek; Deb Foss from the Trempealeau County Times; and a representative from Fowler & Hammer. Alderman Dan Sossalla was absent.

Clark Berg verified that the agenda was posted 24-hours in advance at City Hall. State Bank of Arcadia, Arcadia TV & Appliances, and city website by 4:30 p.m., Friday, August 28, 2020.

Mayor Reichwein led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Mayzek, seconded by Kolstad, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

Public Comments: None
Motion by Anderson, seconded by Mayzek, to approve the meeting minutes from the August 17, 2020, Special Meeting, as corrected. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Mayzek, seconded by Kolstad, to approve the meeting minutes from the August 19,

2020, Regular Meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

Department Updates: Eva Anderson provided a summary of park beautification projects for the council. Isaiah Anderson completed a community service project to beautify Memorial Park Soldier's walk area (as a graduation requirement of UW-Eau Claire), with close to 40 hours volunteered. No action was taken, but the council is appreciative of the efforts of the summer staff.

Mayor Reichwein opened the Liquor License Hearing for El Texano Restaurant LLC at 5:40 p.m.

There was discussion of the proposals submitted for the city hall renovation project. The city received five proposals including proposals from Wieser Brothers; Miron Construction; The Samuels Group; R.J. Jurovski and Fowler & Hammer.

Motion by Feltes, seconded by Anderson, to accept proposal from Fowler & Hammer out of La Crosse, Wis., for the city hall remodel. Estimated construction costs are \$200,000 with a \$14,665 architectural fee and 5% management fee for the project. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Feltes, seconded by Anderson, to approve Design B from La Crosse Sign Group for the new city hall sign at a cost of \$6,650. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Feltes, seconded by Mayzek, to adopt Ordinance

2020-6, to Amend Sewer Use Rates in the City of Arcadia, Wisconsin. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Feltes, seconded by Mayzek, to approve Second Amendment to Agreement with Ashley Furniture Industries, Inc. related to the Myers Valley Creek Agreement. Motion carried 4-0.

No action was taken on the Resolution to commit to appropriate and expend funds up to \$225,480 for construction costs associated to the new ambulance service building. The Ambulance Board will be coming to the next council meeting to discuss.

Motion by Mayzek, seconded by Anderson, to approve the bills of general account in the amount of \$141,819.83. Motion carried 3-0-1 with Alderman Feltes abstaining.

The Liquor License for El Texano Restaurant LLC was postponed to the next council meeting as the background check was not complete.

Motion by Feltes, seconded by Anderson, to approve the following 2020-2021 Operator Licenses: Amy Helgeson and Britany Guenther. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Feltes, seconded by Mayzek, to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0.

Meeting ended at 6:10 p.m. Respectfully Submitted by: Angela Berg Clerk-Treasurer WNAIXLP

NOTICE TO CREDITORS (Informal Administration)
Case No. 2021PR000004

State of Wisconsin, Circuit Court, Trempealeau County

In the Matter of the Estate of TERRANCE R. UHL a/k/a TERRY R. UHL DOD: November 18, 2020

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
An application for informal administration was filed. The decedent, with date of birth June 13, 1951, and date of death November 18, 2020, was domiciled in Trempealeau County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of: 4295 3rd Street, Trempealeau, WI 54661.

All interested persons waived notice. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is April 19, 2021. A claim may be filed at the Trempealeau County Courthouse, Room 214, P.O. Box 67, 36245 Main Street, Whitehall, WI 54773.

/s/ Jill F. Clark Register in Probate January 19, 2021
Attorney: Mark R. Franklin KULIG, MICHALAK & FRANKLIN P.O. Box 400 Independence, WI 54747 715-985-3091 Bar Number: 1006074 (Published January 27, February 3, 10, 2021) WNAIXLP

NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING
Case No. 2020CV170

State of Wisconsin, Circuit Court, Trempealeau County

In the Matter of the Name Change of: PAIGE ELIZABETH SHANLEY

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above from: Paige Elizabeth Shanley to Kyle John Wilson.

IT IS ORDERED: This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Trempealeau County, State of Wisconsin, by the Hon. Rian W. Radtke, on the 23rd day of February, 2021, at 2:45 p.m., at the Trempealeau County Courthouse, 36245 Main Street, Whitehall, WI 54773.

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.

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Management at 715-538-1916. Sincerely, Virgnette Gamroth Service Specialist (Pub. February 10, 17, 2021) WNAIXLP

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING LAND USE CHANGE/REZONE

There will be a Public Hearing before the Trempealeau County Environment and Land Use Committee on Wednesday, March 3, 2021, at 9:05 a.m., in the County Board Room of the Courthouse, 36245 Main St., Whitehall, Wisconsin.

PURPOSE: Land Use Change/Rezone from Exclusive Agriculture (EA) to Rural Residential (RR) on approximately 67.127 acres for parcel division.

LOCATION: The NE ¼ of the SW ¼ located in Section 1, T23N, R8W and the NW ¼ of the SE ¼ located in Section 21, T23N, R8W all in the Town of Hale, Trempealeau County, Wisconsin.

Hearing requested by Charles T. and Kathleen F. Halama, Landowner/Petitioners.

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Trempealeau County invites you to join this meeting as follows: To provide public comment on these hearings, please call 715-538-1770.

Your attendance and comments are encouraged at this hearing. If you are unable to attend and have any questions, please call Virgnette Gamroth with the Department of Land Management at 715-538-1916, or email at virg.gamroth@co.trempealeau.wi.us.

If you are unable to attend and desire to submit a written comment, please send your written comment to Department of Land Management, P.O. Box 67, Whitehall, WI 54773, or email to virg.gamroth@co.trempealeau.wi.us.

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Sincerely, Virgnette Gamroth Service Specialist (Pub. February 10, 17, 2021) WNAIXLP

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
Case No. 2020-CV-92

State of Wisconsin, Circuit Court, Trempealeau County

STATE BANK OF ARCADIA, Plaintiff, vs. JH TRUST, and RICKY LEE ZELLER, as Trustee of The JH Trust Defendants.

By virtue of and pursuant to a JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE entered in the above entitled action on the 25th day of November, 2020, I will sell at public auction, at the front entrance of the Courthouse, in the City of Whitehall, Trempealeau County, Wisconsin, on the 2nd day of March, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., all of the following described real estate located in Trempealeau County, Wisconsin, to-wit:

Lot 1, Volume 3, of Certified Survey Maps, Page 44, as

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Hearing requested by Patricia A. Kriesel, Landowner/Petitioner.

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NOTICE TO ELECTORS

NOTICE OF SPRING PRIMARY AND SAMPLE BALLOTS (FEBRUARY 16, 2021)

OFFICE OF THE TREMPÉALEAU CLERK
TO THE VOTERS OF TREMPÉALEAU COUNTY:
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, of a Spring Primary Election to be held in Trempealeau County on February 16, 2021, at which the officers named below shall be nominated. The names of the candidates for each office, whose nominations have been certified to or filed in this office, are given under the title of the office, each in its proper column, together with the questions submitted to a vote, for a referendum, if any, in the sample ballot below.

INFORMATION TO VOTERS
Upon entering the polling place, a voter shall state his or her name and address, show an acceptable form of photo identification and sign the poll book before being permitted to vote. If a voter does not have acceptable photo identification the voter may obtain a free photo ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles. If a voter is not registered to vote, a voter may register to vote at the polling place serving his or her residence, if the voter presents proof of residence in a form specified by law. Where ballots are distributed to voters, the initials of two inspectors must appear on the ballot. Upon being permitted to vote, the voter shall retire alone to a voting booth and cast his or her ballot except that a voter who is a parent or guardian may be accompanied by the voter's minor child or minor ward. An election official may inform the voter of the proper manner for casting a vote, but the official may not in any manner advise or indicate a particular voting choice.

WHERE PAPER BALLOTS ARE USED
The voter shall make a mark (X) in the square next to the name of the candidate of his or her choice for each office for which he or she intends to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall write in the name of the person of his or her choice in the space provided for a write-in vote.

WHERE OPTICAL SCAN VOTING IS USED
The voter shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to the name of the candidate of his or her choice for each office for which he or she intends to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall write in the name of the person of his or her choice in the space provided for a write-in vote and fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to the write-in line.

When using an electronic ballot marking device ("ImageCast Evolution-ICE") to mark an optical scan ballot, the voter shall touch the screen or use the keypad to select the name of the candidate of his or her choice for each office for which he or she intends to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall type in the name of the person of his or her choice in the space provided for a write-in vote.

WHERE TOUCH SCREEN VOTING IS USED
The voter shall touch the screen at the name of the candidate of his or her choice for each office for which he or she intends to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall type in the name of the person of his or her choice in the space provided for a write-in vote.

The voter should not be cast in any other manner. Not more than five minutes' time shall be allowed inside a voting booth. Sample ballots or other materials to assist the voter in casting his or her vote

may be taken into the booth and copied. The sample ballot shall not be shown to anyone in a manner that would reveal how the ballot is marked.

SPOILED BALLOTS
If the voter spoils a paper or optical scan ballot, he or she shall return it to an election official who shall issue another ballot in its place, but not more than three ballots shall be issued to any one voter. If the ballot has not been initiated by two inspectors or is defective in any other way, the voter shall return it to the election official, who shall issue a proper ballot in its place.

The voter may spoil a touch screen ballot at the voting station before the ballot is cast.

AFTER VOTING THE BALLOT
After an official paper ballot is marked, it shall be folded so the inside marks do not show, but so the printed endorsements and inspectors' initials on the outside do show. The voter shall deposit the voted ballot in the ballot box or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit and shall leave the polling place promptly.

After an official optical scan ballot is marked, it shall be inserted in the security sleeve, so the marks do not show. The voter shall insert the ballot in the voting device and discard the sleeve or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. If a central count system is used, the voter shall insert the ballot in the ballot box and discard the sleeve or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. The voter shall leave the polling place promptly.

After an official touch screen ballot is cast, the voter shall leave the polling place promptly.

A voter may select an individual to assist in casting his or her vote if the voter declares to the presiding official that he or she is unable to read, has difficulty reading, writing or understanding English or that due to disability is unable to cast his or her ballot. The selected individual rendering assistance may not be the voter's employer or an agent of that employer or an officer or agent of a labor organization which represents the voter.

The following is a sample of the official ballot.

Votaciones de Muestra El 16 de febrero de 2021
OFICINA DEL SECRETARIO DEL CONDADO DE TREMPÉALEAU
A LOS VOTANTES DEL CONDADO DE TREMPÉALEAU:
Por la presente se avisa de una elección de primavera a llevarse a cabo en el día 16 de febrero de 2021, en la cual los oficiales mencionados abajo deben ser seleccionados. Los nombres de los candidatos para cada oficina a ser electa, cuyas nominaciones han sido certificadas o archivadas en esta oficina, son nombrados bajo el título de la oficina y cada uno en sus columnas correspondientes, en la papeleta de muestra incluida en este abajo.

INFORMACIÓN PARA LOS ELECTORES
Al entrar a un sitio de votación, el elector tiene que decir su nombre y dirección, presentar una forma de identificación aceptable de foto, y firmar el libro de votación antes de que se le permita votar. Si el elector aún no está inscrito para votar, el elector puede inscribirse en el sitio de votación que le corresponde a su lugar de residencia, si el elector presenta un comprobante de residencia de acuerdo con la ley. En los lugares donde las papeletas son distribuidas a los

electores, las iniciales de dos inspectores tienen que aparecer en la papeleta. En cuanto le sea permitido votar, el elector debe de ir solo a la casilla o máquina de votación para emitir su voto, excepto si el elector es padre, madre o tutor y va acompañado por su hijo, hija o custodio menores de edad. Trabajadores electorales pueden asistir al elector en como emitir su voto en la papeleta, pero el oficial no debe en ninguna manera aconsejar o indicar por quien votar.

Cuando un Sistema de Votación de Escaneo Óptico es Usado

El elector debe llenar el óvalo al lado del nombre del candidato que él/ella elija para cada oficina por la cual el elector pretende votar. Para votar por una persona cuyo nombre no aparece en la papeleta, el elector debe escribir el nombre de la persona por quien él/ella quiere votar en el espacio provisto para un candidato no registrado y llenar el óvalo en esa misma línea.

Cuando se utiliza la máquina que marca papeletas electrónicamente

El elector debe oprimir en la pantalla el nombre del candidato que elija para cada oficina por la cual el elector pretende votar. Para votar por un candidato que no aparece en la papeleta, el elector debe de teclear el nombre de la persona donde indica candidato no registrado.

El voto no debe de ser emitido de ninguna otra forma. El elector no puede estar más de cinco minutos en la casilla de votación. Papeletas de muestra o cualquier otro tipo de material que puedan asistir al elector para marcar su papeleta pueden ser llevados a la casilla de votación y ser copiados. La papeleta de muestra no puede ser mostrada a nadie para así no revelar como fue marcada la papeleta.

Si el elector daña su papeleta de escaneo óptico, éste tiene que devolverla al trabajador electoral quien debe emitirle otra papeleta en su lugar, pero un elector solo puede recibir hasta un máximo de tres papeletas. Si la papeleta no tiene las iniciales de dos inspectores electorales o está dañada de cualquier otra forma, el elector tiene que devolverla al trabajador electoral para recibir una papeleta correcta en su lugar.

Después de Votar la Papeleta
Después de marcar la papeleta de escaneo óptico, la papeleta debe ser introducida a una funda protectora para que las marcaciones no se vean. El elector tiene entonces que introducir la papeleta en la máquina de votación y desecharla en la funda o entregar la papeleta a un trabajador electoral para ser depositada en la máquina. El elector tiene que salir del sitio de votación inmediatamente.

Un elector tiene la opción de elegir a un individuo que le asista en emitir su papeleta si el elector le deja saber al trabajador electoral que no puede leer, tiene dificultad leyendo, escribiendo o con el idioma de inglés o que por una discapacidad no puede emitir su propia papeleta. El individuo quien está asistiendo al elector no puede ser su empleador/patrón, o un agente de su empleador/patrón, o un oficial o agente de una unión/organización laboral que representa a ese elector.

Aquí incluida aparece una muestra de la papeleta oficial.
Paul L. Syverson, Trempealeau County Clerk
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Sheila Briggs
Write-in: _____	
City	
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NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPOINT WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS

Notice is hereby given that the Board Appointment Committee of the Western Technical College District will accept applications for the appointments of three persons to the Western Technical College District Board.

The terms of office for three Board positions expiring June 30, 2021 are three-year terms beginning July 1, 2021 and expiring June 30, 2024.

One (1) Employer Member, Resident of the Western Technical College District
One (1) Employee Member, Resident of the Western Technical College District
One (1) School District Administrator, Resident of the Western Technical College District

Board members are not paid, except for expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. Board members must be residents of the Western Technical College District. In the appointment process, equal consideration is given to the general population distribution within the District, as well as to the distribution of women and minorities. Appointments will be made in accordance with the Appointment Committee's Plan of Representation, which specifies categories of membership as well as geographic areas of representation within the district.

An **Employer Member** is defined as someone with the authority to recommend any of the following: hire, transfer, suspend, discipline, lay-off, recall, adjust grievances, promote, discharge, assign, or reward. The exception is a person who acts in this capacity as an officer or agent of a labor organization even though that person may have the power to hire, etc.

An **Employee Member** is defined as a person who is employed but does not meet any of the criteria in the Employer category. The only exception to these criteria is that a person who acts in the capacity of an officer or agent of a labor organization is considered an employee even though that person may have the power to hire, etc., as listed in the Employer section above.

A **School District Administrator** is a school district superintendent, supervising principal or other person who acts as the administrative head of a school district and who holds an administrator's license.

Application forms and materials are available electronically or in hard copy at the office of Monica Kruse, Chair of the Board Appointment Committee of the Western Technical College District. Please call 608-785-9700 to obtain application materials.

Applications are to be submitted no sooner than Thursday, February 11, 2021, and must be received no later than **4:00pm on Thursday, February 25, 2021** at the office of:

Ms. Monica Kruse, Chairperson
Board Appointment Committee of the Western Technical College District
La Crosse County Administrative Center – 212 6th Street North
La Crosse, WI 54601 | Phone: 608-785-9700

Applicants must submit at least two letters of reference supporting their nomination to the District Board. All candidates must attend a Public Hearing of the District Board Appointment Committee at which his/her appointment to the District Board is discussed. The Western Technical College District Board Appointment Committee public hearing and meeting date has been established for **10:00am, Wednesday, March 24, 2021**.

Monica Kruse, Chairperson
Board Appointment Committee of the Western Technical College District
(Published February 10, 2021)

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
Case No. 2019CV000176

State of Wisconsin,
Circuit Court,
Trempealeau County

Freedom Mortgage Corporation Plaintiff(s), vs. Christopher S. Snyder, et al. Defendant(s).

By virtue of a judgment of foreclosure made in the above-entitled action on November 23, 2020, in the amount of \$208,921.49, I will sell at public auction, located at the front entrance of the Trempealeau County Courthouse, 36245 Main Street, Whitehall, WI 54773, on **March 2, 2021**

at 10:00 a.m., all the following described premises, to wit: LOT 5, BLOCK 6, of the 1955 Addition to the VILLAGE OF STRUM, Trempealeau County, Wisconsin.
Street Address: 220 W. Fir Steet, Strum, WI 54770.

www.trempealeauctimes.com

Tax Key No. 181-00261-0000.
THE PROPERTY WILL BE SOLD AS IS AND SUBJECT TO ANY AND ALL REAL ESTATE TAXES, SUPERIOR LIENS OR OTHER LEGAL ENCUMBRANCES.

TERMS OF SALE: Cash, Cashier's Check or Certified Funds, payable to the Clerk of Courts (10% down payment at sale, balance due within ten (10) days of Court approval; down payment to be forfeited if payment not received timely). Buyer must comply with minimum bid-

der qualifications as set forth in Wis. Stat. § 846.155. Buyer to pay applicable Wisconsin Real Estate Transfer Tax in addition to the purchase price.
/s/ Brett Semingson
Sheriff of Trempealeau County, Wisconsin

CODLIS, MOODY & CIRCELLI, P.C.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
P: 414-775-7700
50-19-01934
NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector.
(Pub. February 3, 10, 17, 2021)
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NOTICE TO ELECTORS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC TEST FOR THE TOWN OF PIGEON Edge Voting Machine

Saturday, February 13, 2021, 9:00 a.m.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the **Public Test of the Edge Electronic Voting Machine** to be used at the Spring Primary Election, to be held on Tuesday, February 16, 2021, will be held on **Saturday, February 13, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.**, at the Pigeon Town Hall, N39631 Fuller Coulee Rd., Whitehall, Wisconsin. All residents are invited to attend the Public Test.

Bill Butler, Clerk
Town of Pigeon
(Published February 10, 2021)

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Write-in: _____	

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Instrucciones Generales	
Si comete un error en su papeleta o si tiene alguna pregunta, pide a un inspector electoral en busca de ayuda (votantes ausentes: comuníquese con el secretario municipal).	
Para votar por un nombre en la papeleta, llene el óvalo junto al nombre, de esta manera: <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
Para votar por un nombre que no está en la papeleta, escriba el nombre en la línea "por escrito" y rellene el óvalo junto al nombre, de esta manera: <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
Superintendente Estatal de Instrucción Pública	
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Inspectors: identify ballots required to be remade: <input type="checkbox"/> Overvoted <input type="checkbox"/> Damaged <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
If issued by SVDs, both must initial	
Certification of Voter Assistance I certify that I marked or read about this ballot at the request and direction of a voter who is authorized under Wis. Stat. §0.82 to receive assistance.	
Signature of assistor: _____	
Initials of inspectors who remade ballot: _____	

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If this is the original ballot, write the serial number here: _____	
If this is the duplicate ballot, write the serial number here: _____	
Certification of Asistencia Elector Certifico que marqué o leí en voz alta esta papeleta bajo la petición y dirección de un elector quien bajo la ley de Wis. Stat. §0.82 tiene la autorización de recibir asistencia.	
Firma de la persona quien le ayudó: _____	
Initials of inspectors who remade ballot: _____	

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Inspectors: identify ballots required to be remade: <input type="checkbox"/> Overvoted <input type="checkbox"/> Damaged <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
If this is the original ballot, write the serial number here: _____	
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Certification of Voter Assistance I certify that I marked or read about this ballot at the request and direction of a voter who is authorized under Wis. Stat. §0.82 to receive assistance.	
Signature of assistor: _____	
Initials of inspectors who remade ballot: _____	

NOTICE TO ELECTORS

LOCATION AND HOURS OF POLLING PLACE
At the primary to be held on February 16, 2021, in the City of Arcadia, City of Galesville, Town of Arcadia, Town of Burnside, Town of Caledonia, Town of Dodge, Town of Ettrick, Town of Gale, Town of Hale, Town of Trempealeau, Town of Preston, Village of Trempealeau, of Trempealeau County, Wisconsin, and in the Town of Glencoe of Buffalo County, Wisconsin, the following polling place locations will be used:

CITY OF ARCADIA
Arcadia Electric Utility Bldg.
401 W. Main Street
Arcadia, WI 54612

CITY OF GALESVILLE
Galesville Public Library
(Community Room)
16787 S. Main Street
Galesville, WI 54630

TOWN OF ARCADIA
Arcadia Town Hall
W26051 State Rd. 95
Arcadia, WI 54612

TOWN OF BURNSIDE
Town of Burnside Hall
W24152 Starwood Lane
Independence, WI 54747

TOWN OF CALEDONIA
Caledonia Town Hall
N14399 County Rd. M
Galesville, WI 54630

TOWN OF DODGE
Dodge Town Hall
W29861 Bambenek Street
Dodge, WI 54625

TOWN OF PRESTON
Preston Town Hall
1102 E. Broadway
Blair, WI 54616

TOWN OF GALE
Town of Gale Bldg.
19992 W Mill Road
Galesville, WI 54630

TOWN OF GLENCOE
Glencoe Town Hall
W104 State Rd. 95
Arcadia, WI 54612

TOWN OF HALE
Hale Town Hall
(in Fliessantville)
N42111 County Rd. O
Whitehall, WI 54773

TOWN OF TREMPLEALEU
Town Hall
(Centerville Community Center)
W24854 State Rd. 54/93
Centerville, WI 54630

VILLAGE OF TREMPLEALEU
Community Center
24455 3rd Street
Trempealeau, WI 54661

VILLAGE OF TREMPLEALEU
Community Center
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TOWN OF ETTRICK
Ettrick Town Hall
22734 West Ave.
Ettrick, WI 54627

ALL POLLING PLACES WILL OPEN AT 7:00 A.M., AND WILL CLOSE AT 8:00 P.M.

If you have any questions concerning your polling place, contact the municipal clerk.

CITY OF GALESVILLE
Suzanne Johnson, Clerk
16773 South Main Street
Galesville, WI 54630
P: 608-582-2475
Hours: Mon. - Fri., 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

TOWN OF TREMPLEALEU
Sonja Byrne, Clerk
W24854 State Road 54/93
Galesville, WI 54630
P: 608-539-2902
Hours: Mon. - Fri., 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

TOWN OF DODGE
Kara Wener, Clerk
W29861 Bambenek Street
Dodge, WI 54625
P: 608-539-2881
Hours: By appointment

TOWN OF GALE
Sue Henderson, Clerk
N18700 Trim Road
Galesville, WI 54630
P: 608-582-4454
Hours: Mon. - Fri., 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

CITY OF ARCADIA
Angela Berg, Clerk
203 West Main Street
Arcadia, WI 54612
P: 608-323-3359
Hours: Mon. - Fri., 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

TOWN OF ETTRICK
Kara Noren, Clerk
Ettrick Town Hall
22734 West Ave.
Ettrick, WI 54627
P: 608-525-4991
Hours: By appointment

TOWN OF PRESTON
Cathy Nelson, Clerk
1102 E. Broadway
Blair, WI 54616
P: 608-989-2133 (Hall)
P: 608-989-2036 (Home)
Hours: By appointment

TOWN OF HALE
Donald Halvorson, Clerk
N44233 County Rd. D
Strum, WI 54770
P: 715-695-2113 (Hall)
P: 715-695-3549 (Home)
Hours: Mon. - Fri., 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Call for appointment.

Town of Burnside
Melissa Kono, Clerk
W24152 Starwood Lane
Independence, WI 54747
P: 715-308-3008
Hours: By appointment

VILLAGE OF TREMPLEALEU
Kathy Peterson
24455 Third Street
Trempealeau, WI 54661
P: 608-534-6434
Hours: Mon. - Fri., 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

ALL POLLING PLACES ARE ACCESSIBLE TO ELDERLY AND DISABLED VOTERS. Any voter who requires assistance to vote by reason of blindness, disability or inability to read or write in English may be given assistance by a person of the voter's choice, other than the voter's employer or agent of that employer or office or agent of the voter's union.

NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE LOCAL BOARD OF CANVASS
At the close of voting on Election Day, pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 19.84, the Election Inspectors at each polling place will convene as the Local Canvassing Board for the purpose of conducting the local canvass pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 7.51. This meeting will be open to the public pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 19.81-89.
(Published February 10, 2021)

PUBLIC NOTICE

APPLICATION FOR RETAIL B & B LICENSES

The undersigned has made an application for Retail Class B and B Licenses to sell Fermented Malt Beverages and Intoxicating Liquors at the premises listed below in the City of Blair, County of Trempealeau, Wisconsin, from March 1, 2021, to June 30, 2021, unless sooner revoked.

David A. Donnelly
d/b/a The Barnyard Tavern
212 W. Broadway St., Blair, WI 54616

The above petition will be acted upon by the City Council on March 1, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.
Susan K. Frederixon
City Clerk/Deputy Treasurer
(Published February 10, 2021)

LEGAL NOTICE

SUMMONS
Case No. 2020CV000296
Money Judgment: 30301

State of Wisconsin,
Circuit Court,
Polk County

JHM HOLDINGS OF WISCONSIN, LLC
W11690 Fairview Road
Humbird, WI 54746
Plaintiff,

vs.

FRITZ TRANSPORT & CONTRACTING, LLC
W15230 E. Hillcrest Road
Osseo, WI 54758
— AND —
HANS FRITZ
W15230 E. Hillcrest Road
Osseo, WI 54758
Defendants.

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Polk County Justice Center
1005 West Main Street
Suite 300
Balsam Lake, WI 54810
and to the Plaintiff's attorney,

LOMMEN, ABDO, COLE, KING & STAGEBERG, P.A.
BY: /s/ Brent R. Johnson
I.D. No. 1025761
Attorney for Plaintiff
JHM Holdings of Wisconsin LLC
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Suite 210
Grandview Professional Building
Hudson, WI 54016
P: 715-386-8217
F: 715-386-8219
brent@lommen.com
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Trempealeau County

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write-in

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NOTICE TO ELECTORS

CITY OF WHITEHALL LOCATION AND HOURS OF POLLING PLACE
At the Election to be held on Tuesday, February 16, 2021, in the City of Whitehall, the following polling place will be used:

LOCATION:
Whitehall Fire Station, 36260 Tower Drive Whitehall, Wisconsin

The polling place is accessible to elderly and disabled voters. THE POLLS WILL OPEN AT 7:00 A.M., AND WILL CLOSE AT 8:00 P.M.

If you have any questions, please contact the municipal clerk.
Karen Witte, Clerk/Treasurer
36295 Main Street, P.O. Box 155
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Mar 21- Ruth Harrison Estate, Arcadia- real estate, household, antiques
Mar 31- William L & Sadie Borntrager, Fairchild-horses, machinery, antiques
Apr 10- Oswald Borud Estate, Osseo- antiques, household, misc
Apr 13- Gary Haines Estate, Arcadia- machinery, antiques, household, misc
Apr 17- Robert & Sandy Kamrowski, Fountain City- machinery, antiques
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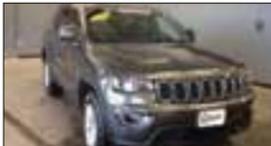
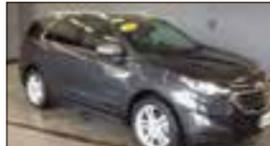
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