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Independence board split on gender/sexuality alliance

By Benjamin Pierce
Times Staff

The Independence School Board appears split on the school district possibly creating a group that would allow students who are navigating their sexuality and gender to be surrounded by peers in a similar situation as well as those who want to help.

The topic led to an animated conversation at the board's meeting last week, as board members Deb Bork and Robert Guza spoke against the group as presented, while board president Joe Bragger, vice president Jen Rombalski and clerk Leah Matchey shared positive thoughts on the idea.

The group was originally presented as a "gender/sexuality club" to the board at its regular October meeting. The group would be known as an alliance instead of a club if created, said prospective alliance staff advisor Alie Bultman, who teaches Spanish in the district.

The idea came up after a student found an old yearbook of Bultman's and saw that her alma mater had such a group and she was involved. Within a few days of the discovery, Bultman said about 13 students had expressed interest in forming such a group in Independence.

Bultman, who told the board on Wednesday that she is bisexual, said adding this group could be a big help to students who want a place to feel safe with who they are because they don't feel they have that in Independence

schools or at home right now.

"The big thing is that it is an alliance. It is a club for all students of all genders, all sexualities, (those) that are in support of all. Being an ally is just as important. When I talk to the students about what they really are hoping for, the biggest thing is more of that social aspect of the support," Bultman said.

Bultman said Title IX training repeatedly talks about how students in the LGBTQ community are

at highest risk for suicide attempts, bullying and violence. She has 13 kids on an email list for the group, and other kids have expressed interest.

Student safety and protection of identity would be of "utmost" importance in such a group, Bultman said.

"I think that if we want all of our kids to feel safe and welcome in the building, this is a very easy thing that we can provide for them so they can have that sense of inclusion and community,"

she said.

Any education or events shared by the group with others would be at the discretion of students, and identity protection would be a priority. It probably wouldn't be in the yearbook unless some member students wanted to be in it, she said.

Board members Deb Bork and Robert Guza said they think the group would fall short in helping more students.

Bork asked why the support group had to be about a

topic such as sexuality. She thinks a safety net is a good idea for students, but she repeatedly said she is against a group just for the topic of gender and sexuality.

"I'm not comfortable with just having a focus on gender and sexuality," Bork said. "I don't understand why, there may be other issues people (are) wanting to be talking about, maybe their faith and maybe their political beliefs."

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Justice Center Making Progress

Work on the new Trempealeau County Justice Center continues behind the current county government center in Whitehall. The total project — including renovations to the current building — has a price tag of \$43.5 million. The new center, which broke ground on May 17, will include a 78-bed jail, two courtrooms, judges' offices, clerk of courts, child support and the district attorney's office. The building is expected to be completed in 2023.

(Times photograph by Andrew Dannehy)

Arcadia mayor opts to not seek re-election

By Debbie Foss
Times Staff

Rob Reichwein, the mayor of Arcadia since 2015, has announced he will not seek re-election.

"I wanted to make my plans known so someone else would have time to decide whether to run," Reichwein told the city council last Wednesday.

Reichwein first became Arcadia's mayor by defeating former Mayor John Kimmel in a recall election in November 2015 driven in large part by the controversy over sand mines. Reichwein has won re-election since. He was previously a member of the Trempealeau County Board of Supervisors.

Prospective candidates for Arcadia mayor and other local races can begin circulating nomination papers for the April 2022 election on Dec. 1.

The council last week was again unable to vote on which health insurance to offer employees, but appeared to be leaning toward the state plan. Because of that plans limited number of categories for coverage, some city employees could see higher rates even though the overall cost to the city would be more constant with the state proposal.

The council could decide the question next week or at a special session this week. City Administra-

tor Chad Hawkins said selecting a plan soon would allow those employees who can't qualify to find alternatives before the beginning of the year.

The council also set a public hearing on the city's 2022 budget for Dec. 1. The \$3.4 million budget includes, for the first time, a separate tax category for \$100,000 in city debt service payments, according to Hawkins. The city's 2021 budget was \$3.2 million. The city's mill rate has not yet been calculated, but it could be affected by that \$100,000 levy for general obligation.

The city has about \$5.5 million in general obligation debt, just over half the debt limits set by the state.

The city's revenue for 2021 includes \$156,000 in federal American Rescue Plan Act funds, but the city has not yet designated how that money will be spent.

The council also:

- Approved the city's share of the Arcadia Ambulance Service budget. Arcadia's payment of \$72,856 could change depending on how the city's population is reported.

- Agreed to annex half an acre off North Sobotta Court as requested by Jordan Putz.

- Agreed to rezone property near the intersection of Wanek Avenue and North Sobotta Court from commercial to medium-density residential.



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Ashley for the Arts now accepting Community Cares Grant applications

Ashley for the Arts announced they are now accepting applications for the 2021 Ashley for the Arts Community Cares Grant. The focus of the grant is to support eligible non-profit organizations within a 60-mile radius of Arcadia looking for assistance with a project that is community focused in art, music and/or cultural activities.

"We're thrilled to be able to return for a second year of offering our grant program as another way to make an impact in our surrounding communities," stated Cole Bawek, Event Director. "Ashley for the Arts is focused on supporting educational, civic and non-profit organizations that promote the arts, music, and broadening cultural horizons within our community."

The 2021 application and eligibility requirements can be found on Ashley for the Arts' website at ashleyforthearts.com/community-cares-grant/. Applications are due by 11:59 p.m. on Dec. 31.

The Ashley for the Arts Community Cares Grant was introduced following the cancellation of the 2020 festival due to the pandemic. The annual music and art festival in Arcadia supports more than 65 local nonprofit organizations, who take part

in the event to raise funds for their programs. Without the opportunity to earn funds in 2020, Ashley for the Arts created the grant program to still provide a way for organization(s) to receive funds.

The 2020 Community Cares Grant awarded \$10,000 to the Independence School District for a community art project focused on beautifying the city of Independence.

The project, which is still in the works, includes multiple, large-scale murals incorporating the history of the city and the region's tradition of agriculture. Students, Staff and community members worked together with Artist and Independence Alumni, Jimmy (Rombalski) Navarro, to bring the project to life.

"The Community Cares Grant has allowed us to make a lasting impact

in our hometown. It was very exciting to see the students get so passionate about coming up with the ideas for the project, this is definitely something they will remember their entire lives," stated Dawn Woychik, Independence School District. "We are grateful for the opportunity provided by Ashley for the Arts and highly recommend those considering a project to apply."

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Guza asked Bultman what experience she had with the topic, to which she told him she is bisexual herself.

"So I have been a part of the community," she said. "I know other people that are part of the community, I know how helpful this can be."

Bork said she isn't comfortable having such a group in schools without someone who is an expert in psychology, and Guza said being in the group may put a target on students' backs.

"Some kids might not feel safe at home for who they are," Bultman said. "And unfortunately, I know many people like that who have stayed in the closet, who have not been outed or who have gotten outed before they were ready and have been kicked out of their home, things like that. So I don't want anything like that to happen to any of our kids. I care about them very deeply."

Guza said he doesn't think this is the right time for such a group, adding he likes that students can come to Bultman at school. But he thinks she should be sending them to someone more medically qualified if she feels they require intervention.

Guza asked if the school has a club for depressed students, saying he wants the group focused on mental health issues instead of just about gender/sexuality. But Bultman pointed to the district handbook, which says employees and students will not discriminate against sex. That guideline includes all sexes and genders, she said.

Adding this group — one requested by students — would only help to support that guideline, she said. "It's for anyone who is in support of fighting against homophobia and transphobia. And unfortunately, we have had reports of that in our schools," Bultman said. "We know that education is a way to get beyond some of those things. It is a way

for students to feel like they have a place and that they have a voice. Because without something like this, without the school being able to say, 'We have a place for you', some of those kids will never feel like they have a place."

Guza said the labeling of the group could leave out students who have mental health issues or aren't struggling with their gender or identity.

"Why does this have to be a gender or sexuality club? Why can't this be a club for kids that are depressed, are confused about their gender? Why can't it be a broader picture than narrowing it down," he asked.

But a majority of the board's members were in favor of the group.

Rombalski said it would be a good idea, pointing to her Master's Degree project on suicidal ideation that opened her eyes to how serious mental health issues can be, saying not being there for children is a problem.

"I am very concerned about kids these days and what they're going through, so if a club like this can help support them," Rombalski said. "I would argue you do not have to be a professional counselor or psychiatrist to support kids. The research very much shows that a caring adult (is all you need).

"We may not agree with the sexuality pieces, there might be disagreement personally with that. But it is what it is for the kids. They do not feel the same as other students, and if they don't have a safe place to be, then we're not doing our best as a school board and as a school to support these students."

Board clerk Leah Matchey has a high school student at home, and she said she is in favor of the group because it's an opportunity to create a safe space for kids who are struggling but also gives other kids a chance to be there for their friends.

Superintendent Barry Schmitt said the decision to form such a group is still in the air, but the district would work to ensure students have as much privacy and protection as possible. Eventual board approval would be needed as it is for all co-curricular groups and clubs, he said.

"We are a little bit worried about the structure of it and how we can ensure confidentiality, because it's sad to say, but we do have some students in school who maybe would try to find out who's in this club and then do some maybe harassment or bullying because of it," Schmitt said, saying focusing on the confidentiality piece would help things run smoother and help to protect students from possible negative side effects from being part of the group.

And as she fought tears Wednesday, Bultman told the board near the end of the conversation that the creation of such a group is about the safety of all kids and the way the district promises to provide that safety.

"The kids are already here," she said. "If we want to keep them here and we want to keep them safe and we want to make sure that they feel included — which has always been my goal — I became a teacher to teach kids. I do it through Spanish, I do it through English Arts. But I care for them."



The Hometown Holiday Fair will be hosted by the Rainbow Community Club on Nov. 21 at Independence Public School. Pictured are Tracy Halama, president, Patti Klimek, vice president, Sue Wozney, secretary and Kira Klimek, the club's newest member. (Submitted photo)

Hometown Holiday Fair in Independence returns Nov. 21

After pausing for a year, the Rainbow Community Club will host its 43rd annual Hometown Holiday Fair on Sunday, Nov. 21, at the Independence High School, Highway 93.

In its return the event that typically fills the gymnasium and hallways of the school will be requiring masks to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

The theme for this year's event, which runs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., is "Through the Woods." Wintry forest decor will welcome visitors and be especially highlighted in the cafeteria where visitors can socialize and enjoy a tasty meal. Hot pork will be the featured sandwich along with barbecues, chili dogs and hot dogs, topped off with the club's ever-popular refrigerated

erator desserts. Crafters will offer a wide variety of arts, crafts, decorations and gifts. From the tried-and-true to the very latest trends, there will be something to please everyone's taste and pocketbook for great autumn and Christmas shopping. A raffle and club cookbooks will also be available.

Admission to the fair is \$1 for adults, 12 and under are admitted at no charge, with free parking. The club annually uses its proceeds to benefit many worthy causes.

The past two years' donations have included: Benefit fundraisers, books for Halloween party, flowers for City Hall park, "Christmas is for Kids," "Elves for Elders" Christmas gifts; Independence High School

Junior Achievement, scholarships and tech education; Miss Independence Pageant, "Neighbors Helping Neighbors," Trempealeau County Health Care Center Christmas gifts, "Wreaths Across America," and other community endeavors.

As well, club members support the Western Dairyland Economic Opportunity Council RSVP volunteer program's "Birthday Box Project" by wrapping and filling a substantial number of boxes for youngsters throughout the year.

Over the years, the fair has served as an anchor for other holiday events in Independence the same day. More information on other events is available in advertisements that are running in either this issue of the Times or next week's.

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Independence schools consider expanding Gilmanton sports co-op

By Benjamin Pierce Times Staff
Athletes and fans in Independence and Gilmanton could soon become even closer and the schools could soon have the same jersey for more sports, according to a presentation from the Ind-dees' athletic director Jenna Sonsalla at last Wednesday's school board meeting.

Sonsalla said the district is exploring expanding its co-operation to include volleyball and other sports. The schools currently have co-ops for football and cross country in the fall, wrestling in the winter and track, softball and baseball in the spring.

Recent success for the Independence/Gilmanton's baseball and softball teams had a lot to do with that co-

op, as the team had reliable players from both schools, Sonsalla said.

In volleyball, the shortage of players was felt this fall.

"Looking at our numbers for volleyball, by the time we got down to the last match, we did not have a player that was on the bench. And that was for a regional game one," Sonsalla said. "So you start to look at what we're able to do as a team and looking across the board of both school districts and the ability to actually hold C teams or JV teams is becoming really limited."

Conversations will continue, and input will be gathered from both school districts, parents and athletes by the end of November,

Sonsalla said. She hopes to know by December or January whether the co-operation would be expanded.

Board president Joe Bragger said the only negative he could think of would be when a Gilmanton player takes playing time from an Independence player, but that happens in sports every day based on skill, he said.

One issue with the shortage of numbers shows players can get away with being a bit complacent or not behaving.

"Kind of the rationale of pursuing it was we wanted to be competitive intrasquad," Sonsalla said. "We're starting to see that our numbers, if somebody is skipping practice or is lackluster in practice, they know that they're still needed on the court so they can show up and do 50 percent and still get that playing time."

That, combined with the evidence of what a successful partnership looks like thanks to the district's shared baseball and softball

teams, gives Sonsalla hope that it could work on an expanded level.

"So if we can boost numbers by collaborating with coaching staffs and bringing those numbers together, I think we can be more competitive. If we look at the successes of our baseball and softball teams, that definitely did not happen because it was just Independence kids. It was definitely because of the Gilmanton support that we had. So I'm hopeful that if

gally obtained prescription and intentionally contributing to the delinquency of a child.

Obernberger also pleaded guilty to a third-degree sexual assault charge in 2010.

For that, he served two years in state prison and had two years of extended supervision.

The release sent by the WPD says that Obernberger's previous criminal history places him in a classification level that reflects the potential to re-offend. However, citizen abuse of this information to threaten, intimidate or harass registered sex offenders will not be tolerated.

The release adds that any abuse toward Obernberger "could potentially end law enforcement's ability to do community notifications. This department believes the only person who wins if community notification ends is the sex offender, since sex offenders derive their power through secrecy."

While he is free to live in the community, the release states that Obernberger has specific rules of his extended supervision, including electronic monitoring, no contact with the victims, no unsupervised contact with minors, he can not enter taverns, consume alcohol or drugs and is not to be at schools, parks or playgrounds.

He is listed at five-foot-10, 168 pounds with brown hair and hazel eyes.



Gerald Obernberger

Musical Extravaganza Saturday at Old Main

Aric Sampson will be the show host for this year's Musical Extravaganza at Old Main in Galesville Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

Aric and his dad, Rick, are musicians well known to the region. Other well-known musicians and neighbors will include Sally Reimer and friends; Eddie Kim, who plays the keyboard for "Fly Casual." Hunter Evenson, vocalist who performed in the first Musical Extravaganza, Ron Reimer with a number or two on the accordion and Ron White, pianist

known for ragtime.

Old Main is located at 20869 College Ave. Admission at the door is \$10 for adults, \$5 for college-aged people and free to high school people and younger.

Old Main's Musical Extravaganza is a benefit event that brings in revenue to keep Old Main "Gale Star" program continue bringing programs to you.

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Ettrick board approves snowplow purchase

By Andrew Dannehy Times Editor
The Ettrick village board took a step to get ready for winter last week.

At its regular meeting last week Tuesday, the board approved the purchase of a new snowplow for one of its trucks. The plow will be replacing a plow that village public works director Courtney Kotlarz called elderly, noting it was 13 or 14 years old.

Kotlarz also told the board that now was a good time to purchase a new plow because the 2022 models are coming, therefore the 2021 versions are cheaper.

"If we need one, we need one," trustee Harold Olson said. "It's gonna snow."

The board also approved a motion to allow Kotlarz to investigate the costs of replacing the furnace in the village office.

Kotlarz said that the current furnace is old and has had repairs in recent years. He also said it uses fuel, so it isn't very efficient.

"I think it's in the best interest to get a natural gas (furnace) here at some point," Kotlarz said.

Village president John

Beirne said it's getting difficult to repair the current furnace too.

"What is there is getting old. It's hard to get parts for it," Beirne said. "They've been able to maintain it, but I can't remember exactly how old it is, but it's old."

The board also unanimously approved the purchase of a 22-by-18 plaque honoring those who donated to Dusso Park. The plaque will be mounted on the existing monument at the park. The cost for the plaque is \$1,089, with shipping included.

The date for the annual budget hearing was set for Dec. 7 at 6 p.m. with the regular monthly meeting to follow. Included in the budget is expected to be an increase of five percent for all village employees. The increase was approved at a public safety/public relations committee meeting.

"Our employees are doing an excellent job," Olson, committee chair, said. "They've done an excellent job in the past. For a little village like this, you can just ravel through the village and see what kind of job they're doing and in the office here."

The board also discussed updating its ordinances, though didn't conclude an

exact process for doing so.

Clerk Jane Jensen said she discussed the issue with the Wisconsin League of Municipalities and was told they do not offer that service. The village would have to discuss doing so with its attorney.

"She said it isn't always cheap, it depends on how many changes you need," Jensen said. "The only changes we need is updating language a little and maybe updating the penalties."

Trustee Marc Baures said that they should also have the ordinances available electronically. He said the village could reach out to an engineering firm to see if those services are offered.

"We have some ordinances that should be taken off, some that should be rewritten," Beirne said.

Jensen said the village has so many ordinances that it is getting hard to keep them in one book.

"We gotta start somewhere," Olson said. "I'd say it's long overdue."

Trempealeau Post 1915 auxiliary to send gifts

The Trempealeau Town-er-Little Bear-Arnold VFW Post 1915 Auxiliary would like to send cards and gift boxes to active military members from the area.

The Auxiliary is working with River Stop and others in the Trempealeau community to send holiday packages out to area residents who are currently serving in the

military. In order to do so, they are requesting names and addresses for the active military members.

Those who would like packages sent are asked to submit names and addresses as soon as possible to TremplRand@aol.com or by calling 608-386-0188. Information could also be dropped off at River Stop.

The annual meeting for dispersal of funds is set for Wednesday, Dec. 8 at 6 p.m. at the Wanek Center Community Room. Due to COVID concerns, again this year there will be no in-person requests for funding. Applications for funds are due Nov. 15. Application forms are available at the Wanek Center, the public library, Prudential Advisors and City Hall. It can also be found on the Chamber of Commerce website.

"We hope we will continue the tradition of going 'over the top' for this campaign again this year," Kostner said.

Arcadia Community Chest, Inc. is about three-quarters through its annual fundraising drive. The drive provides funds for scouts, Arcadia Ambulance Company, OLPH Mission, DARE, Post Prom, and a about 30 other local, area and statewide causes.

The drive began with the mailing out of 125 letters to businesses in August and 2,400 letters to Arcadia zip coded residences in mid-September. The drive is set to close on Nov. 26.

According to Community Chest treasurer, Barb Kostner, as of Nov. 4, the Community Chest had received donations totaling \$20,000.

"That means we could match what was collected last year (\$26,000)," Kostner said. "Arcadians see the many local and area causes that benefit from this one-time giving appeal. We remind people that their one donation stretches across more than 30 organizations."

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Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

Vaccine Mandates are wrong. With all the lies coming out of Washington there should be little doubt why so many Americans are skeptical of the vaccine and vaccine mandates.

A few of the lies include "the southern border is closed", "we will not leave Afghanistan until all Americans are evacuated", "and the cost of the 3.5 trillion social welfare bill is zero dollars."

There are also many lies that reflect directly to your health. Dr. Fauci testified to congress "the NIH has not funded gain of function research in the Wuhan China Lab. Other members of the NIH have verified that the NIH had funded the Wuhan research. False testimony to Congress is a serious offence. What is Dr. Fauci hiding?

"If you are vaccinated you will no longer need to wear a mask because you will not catch Covid or be able to spread Covid." Now an asymptomatic vaccinated person can be a Super Spreader.

"Ivermectin is horse medicine." Ivermectin has been approved and prescribed by doctors for human use for over 35 years. Penicillin and Aspirin have also been used on horses. Should we also stop using Penicillin and Aspirin?

Aaron Rodgers is being ridiculed for being immunized with homeopathic treatments rather than being vaccinated. He tested positive for Covid but had few symptoms. Unlike the vaccine, Homeopathic medicine has been around for many years. With homeopathic treatments success, the government and medical establishment should be looking into it as an alternate treatment rather than discrediting it.

Research by Maccabi Heath Service in Israel indicated that patients with two shots of the Pfizer vaccine had a six-fold higher chance of getting infected with the Delta variant than the unvaccinated that had been infected with Covid and had the natural immunity.

What do Ivermectin (a cheap generic drug), homeopathic treatments and natural immunity have in common? They create minimal profits for the large pharmaceutical companies. It would appear that the pharmaceutical companies and our government have more interest in profits and control than our health.

Tom Schank, Arcadia

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From The Early Files



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25 YEARS AGO Nov. 14, 1996

What was advertised as the last of the "easy" city of Whitehall budgets won't be as easy on the city property taxpayers as it could have been. The 1997 budget recommended for adoption last week by the city council's finance committee would result in a 17 percent increase in the city-purpose tax levy. The spending-and-taxing package for the coming year is to go before a public hearing and a special council meeting at the city center on Nov. 27.

A Janesville man charged with stealing a rifle from a Whitehall store has been convicted of a lesser offense. David Wells pleaded no contest last week Tuesday in Trempealeau County Circuit Court to one count of disorderly conduct. Wells, 48, had been charged Aug. 9 with the theft of a firearm, a felony. Wells had been arrested the preceding day, after he allegedly took a gun and case from Holtan's Jewelry and Gifts. Wells told a store employee that he had just purchased the gun and that it was jammed, but that he would take it home and bring it back only if he could not get it to work. It turns out that he hadn't actually bought the gun.

With the Christmas season around the corner and the busy schedules involved, the Arcadia Schools Band Boosters, a group of parents in support of the local band program, developed an event designed to help the community. The boosters will be taking orders for Christmas cookies, which will be made on Dec. 14 and available to be picked up at the junior high and high school concerts Dec. 15 and 16.

The Galesville mayor's advisory committee on Marynook appears to be on the verge of making its final recommendation to the city for use of the 30-acre tract. The committee received several recommendations from advisors. Consideration of a vision statement will start at the group's next meeting, said Ken Kopp, chairman of the committee. A draft may be ready that day.

Hundreds of Gale-Etrick-Trempealeau High School students and their parents and friends paid final respects to Craig Brommerich, the 16-year-old varsity basketball player who collapsed on the court and died Nov. 9. Saturday afternoon's death in Holmen, where pre-season club basketball was being played.

Nathan Kling, a member of the Blair-Taylor FFA chapter, will receive the American FFA Degree, the organization's highest award. Kling is a sophomore at University of Wisconsin-River Falls. Christmas in November? Well, even though this is not the official month of

the much-awaited religious holiday, it will get one in the Christmas spirit with its festive music and décor. Oodles and oodles of gift purchasing can be done at the 10th annual Blair Christmas Shop this Saturday in both gymnasiums at Blair-Taylor High School.

50 YEARS AGO Nov. 18, 1971

Wayne Holte of Strum, operator of the Farmer's Union feed mill at Eleva, was appointed sheriff last week Wednesday by Gov. Patrick Lucey. Holte, a Democrat, succeeds Republican Stanley Amundson, who died Oct. 10. John Killian of Arcadia was named undersheriff, replacing Richard Ellingson of Whitehall.

Starting in November, the Whitehall Lions Club will have as its guest each month one outstanding boy from Whitehall High School. The club's first guest will be Steve Stendahl, president of the student council.

Western Dairyland Economic Opportunity Council is coordinating community efforts to assist the Lester Steinke family, who Pleasantville-area home and personal belongings were destroyed by fire recently.

The three top soil and water conservation farmers for 1972 in Trempealeau County were Olin Winsand, Whitehall; Gerald Byom, Etrick and Clement Pronschinske, Arcadia.

A 1972 operating budget of \$247,000 was adopted by the Arcadia city council Thursday night. No one appeared at the public hearing on the proposed budget as published and it was adopted without change.

The highlight of the Buffalo County 4-H Leaders' banquet held Nov. 9 was awarding the Friend of 4-H award to the Arcadia Veterinary Clinic. Receiving the award from Loren Wolfe, vice president of the 4-H Leaders Association, was Dr. Paul Dettloff. Others associated with the clinic are Drs. W.L. Burnap and T.K. Fetsch.

Residents of the Gale-Etrick Joint School District No. 1 did not approve a \$1,250,000 bond issue to construct a new elementary school in a referendum Tuesday. The vote was 394 in favor and 753 against.

Galesville Lions Club President Troy Stellrecht, announced that the club will again sponsor their annual Christmas home decorating contest. Judging will be done in two categories, religious theme and general, with three cash prizes to be awarded in each class.

A new 40-bed addition is being constructed at Grand View Home in Blair at a cost of \$280,000.

A large loose calf barn to house 128 calves was built

on the Raymond Smith farm, north of Etrick.

75 YEARS AGO Nov. 14, 1946

The price control board at Whitehall, serving Trempealeau and two other counties, closed last week Monday after five years of service.

Richard Shea of Eau Claire has purchased the Snack Shop in Whitehall from Lester Hanson, who erected his restaurant last spring. Mr. Hanson sold out because he is too busy buying furs at this season of the year.

While en route to the Omer Thompson home in Fuller Coulee Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Johnson and son Odin of Curran Valley collided with another car on a narrow bridge, and had to be driven home by Mr. Thompson. The other car involved was occupied by seven boys.

Moving pictures taken by Colonel of the Whitehall-Arcadia football game Nov. 1, which ended in a scoreless tie, settle beyond dispute that the Norsemen actually scored a touchdown. The film shows Herbert Johnson catching a pass from Dave Larson inches above the ground in the end zone, although the referee ruled it was not a score.

A 10-point buck ran into a car being driven by Leo Fernholz coming toward Arcadia from Galesville last week Tuesday evening at about 8:15 p.m. The accident occurred near the Ed Gilbertson store on Highway 93 in Tamarack. The car, a Chevrolet Coach, was ditched by the impact and about \$50 damage was done to the vehicle. The deer received broken legs and had to be destroyed.

Clayton Kolve, 32, farmer in the Chimney Rock community, was seriously injured in an accident on Highway 121 between Independence and Whitehall about 4:45 p.m. Friday afternoon near Rasmussen farm. Driving a Model A sedan, he ran squarely into an Oshkosh four-wheel drive truck with trailer hauling a bulldozer, owned by the county. A door had to be removed before Kolve could be extracted from the car by his brother and wife. He has a dislocated

hip, fractured arm, facial cuts and body bruises as a result of the crash. He is listed in fair condition. The driver of the truck, Everett Blaha, was not injured.

The Fischer Well Drilling of Durand completed drilling a new 220 foot well for the Blair Packing Corp.

The Blair Legion Club will put on a Thanksgiving dance at the Blair Village Hall.

100 YEARS AGO Nov. 17, 1921

A meeting of the representatives of the Bell Telephone Co. with the officers of the Lincoln Farmers Telephone Co. was held Friday evening. These meetings have been held with nearly all the farmer companies in the county, and a report will be made to the Bell people, which it is hoped will ultimately result in giving the local farmer companies long distance service.

The Whitehall village board, at its meeting Monday night, aside from routine business, employed M.T. Elstad has night watch. There were 15 bids for this position, running from \$45 to \$100 a month. Mr. Peterson of the board of education appeared before the board asking for the use of the Village Hall for basketball practice, which request was granted; practice will be held there each day from 4 to 6 p.m. The board also authorized purchase from Wm. Mason of two lots, known as the Jodahlen property, for public square and hitching purposes.

On Nov. 6, as Mrs. Ed Scott was about to prepare her Sunday meal, the door of her cottage was thrown open and in rolled chicken pies, hot mashed potatoes, escalloped potatoes, pickles, mince and pumpkin pies, bread, baked beans, cake and everything good to eat. About 25 friends and relatives had gathered to remind Mr. and Mrs. Scott that it was their wedding anniversary.

George Bohnstedt advertised horse shoeing. The first basketball game of the season, Alma vs. Company A was scheduled at the Armory Hall in Arcadia, with a dance following.

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WEEKLY POLL QUESTION

Are you already shopping for Christmas?

YES NO

Vote at www.trempeacountytimes.com or call us at 715-538-4765. Voting closes at 8 a.m. Tuesday morning..

LAST WEEK'S POLL QUESTION RESULTS

Should the county fund high speed internet for homes?

64% YES 36% NO

Trempealeau County Sheriff's Department Weekly Log



Wednesday, Oct. 27

05:37 — Arcadia: A car hit a deer. The airbags deployed.
07:25 — Arcadia: A car struck a deer and it ran off. The vehicle has minimal damage.
08:15 — Trempealeau: Caller believes she has been a victim of identity theft. Someone applied for unemployment in her name.
09:14 — Eleva: Caller reporting harassment and threats.
10:25 — Galesville: Caller struck a deer last night. Caller didn't believe there was any damage, but just went past the location and believes the deer is injured.
12:04 — Galesville: Welfare check requested.
13:30 — Etrick: Vandalism reported at the park.
15:53 — Arcadia: A bolt is sticking up on the crossing right on the yellow line.
17:10 — Independence: Caller's daughter attempted suicide by taking a lot of ibuprofen.
18:23 — Arcadia: Caller hit a deer and it ran off.
19:57 — Dodge: Nurse reporting a child abuse incident that occurred today.
21:44 — Whitehall: A male and female are arguing. Nothing physical, no alcohol is involved.
21:54 — Whitehall: Caller wishes to speak to an officer in reference to her husband.
22:38 — Galesville: Caller hit a deer and it ran off.
23:26 — Etrick: Welfare check requested.

06:26 — Trempealeau: Caller found a duffel bag full of duck decoys.
08:47 — Blair: A deer with a broken back needs to be dispatched.
09:31 — Eleva: Complaint about loud music coming from a car in a lot.
13:07 — Galesville: A semi in front of the caller keeps brake-checking him and flipping him off. The semi is swerving.
13:09 — Osseo: A female was in the emergency room on Tuesday and had a blood clot in her lung. She is now short of breath and her chest is hurting.
18:55 — Blair: A vehicle rolled over in the swamp.
23:29 — Galesville: Caller can hear a lot of yelling coming from the apartment below. It sounded like two females and a small child crying.

Friday, Oct. 29
01:38 — Galesville: Caller heard a loud bang and the power went out.
05:57 — Whitehall: Complaint of a burgundy car speeding and honking its horn. It is heading north on Highway 53.
10:42 — Strum: A female is feeling suicidal.
13:11 — Whitehall: Report of mud on the road.
13:17 — Etrick: Gas skip of \$43.06, about 10 minutes ago. Vehicle headed south.
14:57 — Trempealeau: A van was left unoccupied with doors open.
18:39 — Osseo: Caller blew a tire on her trailer.
20:15 — Independence: Two black angus cows

have been running loose for the past few months. They are causing damage to the caller's property.
21:21 — Independence: Officer reported kids are running into a van and there was possibly a brick thrown at the squad vehicle.
22:05 — Osseo: A horse is not being taken care of.

Saturday, Oct. 30
01:36 — Arcadia: Caller was drinking with others and they got violent so he took off.
01:39 — Galesville: Officer reported a minivan with no license plates.
06:30 — Whitehall: Caller followed a vehicle from the Pigeon area to Whitehall and it was all over the road. It is now parked in a lot with a subject sleeping in it.
07:13 — Whitehall: Caller requested a welfare check on a male who is possibly suicidal. There was a recent breakup between the caller and the subject and the caller is receiving concerning texts.
08:17 — Galesville: A vehicle that is hauling scrap in a trailer is losing scrap as it drives down the road.
09:04 — Galesville: A milk truck is all over the road.
10:26 — Osseo: A male is remaining in the combine. The top of the combine hit a power line, the line went down and there is a small fire in the field.
13:24 — Blair: Caller hit a deer at a low speed. Nobody is injured and the vehicle is drivable, but she thinks the damage is more than \$1,000.
13:48 — Blair: 911 hang-up. Reached a female on the callback and she said a one-

year-old had the phone and tried to unlock it too many times.
14:28 — Blair: 911 hang-up call. Called back and spoke with a female who was told to come to the emergency room. She decided to drive herself and will call back if she needs anything.
15:07 — Galesville: Loose dog reported.
15:08 — Trempealeau: Caller thinks something is wrong with his truck. He can hear banging and thinks it's a person.
15:52 — Galesville: Coon Valley Police Department requested officers make contact with a male in reference to property that was recovered.
18:30 — Galesville: A car hit a deer and the airbags were deployed.
18:46 — Osseo: Caller reported a vehicle with no lights on.
19:02 — Whitehall: Officer came upon what appears to be a driver-struck deer.
19:24 — Galesville: Caller's foster daughter is getting physical. She is under the influence of drugs and alcohol.
21:13 — Blair: A car struck a building and a fence at deer park. The vehicle went into the building.
22:21 — Trempealeau: A vehicle in the ditch is possibly occupied.

Sunday, Oct. 31
01:44 — Trempealeau: Possible juvenile alcohol party.
01:46 — Jackson County:

Someone is trying to break into the caller's residence.
02:33 — Osseo: Caller claiming his wife was mad and running through the house, throwing things.
06:17 — Osseo: A horse knocked the mirror off the caller's truck. Horses are in the roadway.
07:59 — Independence: A car struck a deer and the vehicle is now disabled.
08:37 — Osseo: Juvenile daughter left a note on the table saying she was moving out. Her father is an over the road trucker and can't get a hold of her.
09:32 — Independence: Male fell from a tree stand. It was a 15- to 20-foot fall. The male was extricated from the woods and flown out via helicopter.
09:57 — Strum: Police chief reporting a domestic dispute is in progress and he is responding.
14:43 — Galesville: A seven-week-old infant with breathing problems.
15:22 — Whitehall: A male fell out of a tree stand.
17:29 — Osseo: Caller reporting debris in the road.
19:07 — Blair: Caller's ex-boyfriend came home intoxicated. He broke her phone and tore up the house.
21:15 — Osseo: Two vehicles were racing and throwing things at the caller's vehicle.
21:29 — Independence: A physical domestic incident reported.

Monday, Nov. 1
05:22 — Etrick: Caller believes she struck a deer, but she doesn't see it anywhere. She isn't sure if her vehicle is drivable, but doesn't think so.
10:32 — Eleva: Theft of cash reported. Caller noticed it was gone Saturday morning.
10:53 — Galesville: Caller's pickup truck was stuck in the traffic lane on a hill.
11:25 — Independence: Caller is requesting assistance with a male who was evicted from a residence and isn't allowed there. Caller thinks the male will be violent.
13:02 — Whitehall: Male took a drink valued at \$2.10, used a card that did not work and left.
13:29 — Etrick: Caller said her ex is stalking her. He has accessed her phone, e-mail, etc.
14:52 — Etrick: A son accessed his mother's financial information and stole money while she was in the hospital.
15:10 — Osseo: Trash was dumped. There is a name on it.
15:47 — Galesville: Caller's vehicle was struck by a piece of construction material at the road site near the county line.
15:57 — Arcadia: Caller reported an argument between females.
16:01 — Etrick: A black cow is in the middle of the road.
19:02 — Trempealeau:

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TREMPEALEAU COUNTY: Criminal Court Report

Nov. 1

Preliminary Hearings
Jason Basterfield, 34, La Crosse, bail jumping-felony (four counts), possession of methamphetamine-part to a crime (PTAC) and possess drug paraphernalia-PTAC. Pretrial conference scheduled for Dec. 6, status conference for Jan. 6.

Plea/Sentencing

Mark Kjos, 53, La Crosse, pleaded no contest to battery (domestic abuse), battery and disorderly conduct (domestic abuse) as part of a deferred prosecution agreement.

Nov. 2

Initial Appearances
Jacob Wesson, 31, Black River Falls, possession with intent-amphetamine (>50g), possess firearm-unconvicted of a felony, bail jumping-felony and possession of narcotic drugs. Preliminary hearing scheduled for Dec. 2.

Victor Tehuente Panzo, 29, Ettrick, hit and run-involve injury. Adjournd initial appearance scheduled for Jan. 11.

Fabian Lara Zarmeno, 35, Galesville, strangulation and suffocation, battery and disorderly conduct — all with

domestic abuse modifiers. Cash bond set at \$500. Preliminary hearing scheduled for Dec. 3.

Justyna Cyran, 37, Arcadia, criminal damage to property, disorderly conduct and bail jumping-misdemeanor. Pretrial conference scheduled for Dec. 6, status conference for Dec. 16.

Adrian Weaver, 17, Independence, battery and disorderly conduct. Pretrial conference scheduled for Dec. 6, status conference for Dec. 16.

Martin Feria Zarate, 32, Arcadia, battery and disorderly conduct. Pretrial conference scheduled for Dec. 20, status conference for Jan. 18.

Kyle Gustavson, 21, Alma, possession of THC, possess drug paraphernalia and bail jumping-misdemeanor. Pretrial conference scheduled for Dec. 6, status conference for Dec. 16.

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Arraignment

Jonathan Peterson, 40, Dodge Correctional Institution, Waupun, battery or threat to judge, prosecutor or law enforcement officer and disorderly conduct. Not guilty pleas entered. Pretrial conference scheduled for Dec. 6, status conference for Dec. 16.

Lawrence Walker, 29, Saint Paul, Minn., possess with intent-THC (2,500-10,000g) and carry concealed weapon. Pretrial conference scheduled for Dec. 6, status conference for Dec. 16.

Jonathan Peterson, 40, Dodge Correctional Institution, Waupun, criminal damage to property and disorderly conduct. Pretrial conference scheduled for Dec. 6, status conference for Dec. 16.

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Karlett Zagal Salazar, 23, Independence, possession with intent-cocaine (>40g)-PTAC. Status conference scheduled for Dec. 14.

Henry Torres Rodriguez, 30, Taylor, throw/dischage bodily fluid at public safety worker or prosecutor, battery or threat to judge, prosecutor or law enforcement officer and disorderly conduct. Plea/sentencing hearing scheduled for Dec. 6, status conference for Dec. 14.

Riley McIlquham, 20, Osseo, charges of possession of THC and intentionally contribute to the delinquency of a child were dismissed upon the completion of a deferred prosecution agreement.

Bryan Conant, 31, Strum, charge of disorderly conduct (domestic abuse) was dismissed upon the completion of a deferred prosecution agreement.

Mariah Williamson, 23, Stoddard, possession of narcotic drugs, possession of methamphetamine-PTAC, credit card-theft by receipt-PTAC and possess drug paraphernalia-PTAC. Motion hearing scheduled for Dec. 17.

Steven Smith, 66, Trempealeau, pleaded no contest to possession of methamphetamine. Sentenced to serve two years of probation and to pay court costs totaling \$518. Charge of

possess drug paraphernalia was dismissed, but read in.

Keenen Vezina, 24, Fairchild, pleaded guilty to bail jumping-misdemeanor. Fined \$516.

A.J. Frederickson, 19, Strum, pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct. Sentenced to serve 60 days in jail and fined \$443. Charge of disorderly conduct was dismissed, but read in.

Jacy Rhodes, 39, Blair, possession of methamphetamine. Not guilty plea entered. Pretrial conference scheduled for Dec. 6, status conference for Jan. 6.

Scott Morford Jr., 28, Whitehall, possession of narcotic drugs, possession of methamphetamine, possession of cocaine/coca (second or more), possess drug paraphernalia and operate with restricted controlled substance (second). Status conference scheduled for Dec. 9.

Jose Reyes-Villegas, 21, Fountain City; Francisco Hernandez, 35, Strum.

Sarah Shine, 20, Watertown; John Torres Claudio, 23, Arcadia.

Ashley Kucharski, 28, Wisconsin Dells; Darrell Lantz, 45, Osseo; Aron Larson, 30, Minneapolis, Minn.

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Jose Reyes-Villegas, 21, Fountain City; Francisco Hernandez, 35, Strum.

Sarah Shine, 20, Watertown; John Torres Claudio, 23, Arcadia.

Ashley Kucharski, 28, Wisconsin Dells; Darrell Lantz, 45, Osseo; Aron Larson, 30, Minneapolis, Minn.

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Caller would like to visit her son at his father's residence, but the people at the residence are COVID positive and under quarantine.

20:24 — Ettrick: A hay shed is on fire.

20:58 — Arcadia: A lady is outside screaming and pounding on the door.

Tuesday, Nov. 2

05:21 — Ettrick: A car is in a creek; no one is around it.

06:43 — Strum: Caller hit a deer and the vehicle is disabled. Caller doesn't know where the deer is.

07:56 — Arcadia: Caller reported a rolled over truck.

09:47 — Whitehall: Caller requested a welfare check on the wife of a patient. The wife was sick when the patient went into the hospital and is now not answering her phone.

10:38 — Dodge: Caller bought a gift card and when they went to use it, they found out it was already used by someone to pay a bill. Caller is out the \$50 she paid for the card. It was not out of her possession at all between the purchase and now.

11:38 — Independence: A male who was arrested at his apartment is back in the apartment with his wife right now.

12:46 — Eleva: Caller reported a deer is on the side of the road. She is too worried to check to see if it is deceased. She is not the person who hit the deer.

13:07 — Ettrick: A subject is littering and trespassing on the caller's land.

13:12 — Blair: Vehicle is crossing the lines on the road and almost hit a semi.

14:07 — Arcadia: A male with warrants is making threats.

16:17 — Arcadia: Requesting assistance with traffic to move an oversized load to the feed mill.

16:25 — Blair: A car hit a deer. The air bag deployed and the deer is deceased. There is debris in the road, but the vehicle is off the road.

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TREMPEALEAU COUNTY: Traffic Citations & Other Forfeitures



Operating after License Suspension, First Offense: Amanda Mckown, 40, Menomonie.

Operating without a Valid Driver's License, First Offense: Cristian Itehua Tzompaxtle, 23, Ettrick; KC Kraudy, 22, Holmen; Jose Reyes-Villegas, 21, Fountain City; Francisco Hernandez, 35, Strum.

Speeding
20 to 24 MPH over the Limit: Sophia Cox, 22, North Barrington, Ill.; Kamlerin Currier, 16, Ettrick; Carlos Rodriguez, 17, Stanley;

Municipal Ordinance Violations
Animals Running at Large: Pedro Bautista-Hernandez, 33, Ettrick.

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TREMPEALEAU COUNTY: Real Estate Transactions

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

Rogelio Lopez Chavez and Jacqueline Deniz from Roger and Christine Derriksen, town of Arcadia, \$300,000.

Someday LLC from Edwin Maliszewski, town of Arcadia, \$144,000.

David Waters from Paul and Sandra Brady and Maryann Howell, city of Galesville, \$182,000.

Sharon Pederson and Jessica Tranberg from Tyler and Theron Marthaler, city of Blair, \$145,000.

Tania Lorenz and Andrea Apolarina from Steven and Kristy Heller, city of Arcadia, \$123,500.

Channing and Rachel Row from Cory Paffel, town of Sumner, \$227,500.

Eric Koskovich and Amy Koskovich from Brett Berg, city of Osseo, \$70,000.

Cody Peterson from Louise Nordling, village of

Pigeon Falls, \$145,900.

Renee Biederman from Todd Lager, city of Galesville, \$185,000.

Dean and Michelle Hoff from Michael and Kathy O'Brian, town of Albion, \$400,000.

Avery Ernstmeyer from Timothy and Kimberly Ernstmeyer, town of Pigeon, \$260,000.

Dave and Tanya Van Ells from Richard and Jean Schemetzler, town of Burnside, \$450,000.

Joshua and Alisha Appel from Derek Anderson and Diana Anderson, town of Arcadia, \$70,000.

Giemza Farm Trust from Mary Hestekin, town of Arcadia, \$144,100.

John Southwood from Richard and Lisa Nelson, town of Ettrick, \$150,000.

Patrick Lisowski and Jordan Lisowski from John and Martha Lisowski, town of Arcadia, \$310,000.

4M Investments LLC from Tristen Graves, city of Blair, \$60,000.

More Criminal Court

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Andrew Bolterman, 37, Galesville, possession of narcotic drugs. Status conference scheduled for Dec. 16.

Raymond Parr III, 67, Strum, strangulation and suffocation, battery and disorderly conduct — all with domestic abuse modifiers. Plea/sentencing hearing scheduled for Dec. 14.

Jeffery Peterson, 59, Blair, stalking and unlawful phone use-repeated harassment. Status conference

scheduled for Dec. 16.

Jennifer Hair, 37, Altoona, bail jumping-misdemeanor (five). Status conference scheduled for Jan. 6.

Manuel Perez, 28, Arcadia, disorderly conduct (domestic abuse). Plea/sentencing hearing scheduled for Dec. 14.

Katherine Maciosek, 27, Blair, disorderly conduct (domestic abuse). Plea/sentencing hearing scheduled for Dec. 14.

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Times Sports



Injuries, tough second half lead to Raider loss at state

By Benjamin Pierce Times Staff
As the siren blew to signal halftime in a Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association first round Division Four state tournament soccer game at Uihlein Soccer Park

in Milwaukee last Thursday, the Arcadia boys soccer team was feeling alright about where they sat. The fourth-ranked Raiders led 1-0 against Oostburg off the scoreboard, and Arcadia

had a chance at a major upset to start the tournament with the game tied at zeros. But three injuries to the team's defensive line and penalties changed the tide in the second half, as Arcadia fell 4-0 to end their season.

"The first half, it was tough because that is more seeing what they have, and I think they kind of looked at what we had, they saw what we got, where they could do damage," Arcadia coach Luis Cruz said. "And the second half, it was more crazy, but our first half was our best game."

Arcadia held Oostburg — which lost to Sheboygan Christian/Lutheran in penalty kicks in the state championship game on Saturday — to four shots in the first half.

With injuries to Raider defenders Jose Verde and Miguel Posada, the game opened up a bit in the second half. Oostburg junior Aiden Haag opened the scoring minutes into the second half, heading the ball into the net after a cross from the left wing.

A hand ball ruled against the Raiders inside the 18-yard box resulted in a penalty kick for the Flying Dutchmen just five minutes after their first goal, and Preston Ten Dolle made no mistake, pushing the ball past Arcadia goalie Kevin Cruz.

Ten Dolle added his second goal of the game 10 minutes later, finding a through ball before dribbling past a few Arcadia defenders and sliding his shot into the bottom left corner of the net. The senior led all players with seven shots.

Another penalty kick goal for Oostburg closed the scoring late in the 67th minute. "When those penalty kicks get scored on, every-

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Independence names Guza wrestling coach

By Benjamin Pierce Times Staff
About a week before the 2021-22 wrestling season begins at Independence High School, the Indees have named their new leader.

but he believes the program is in "very good" hands with his former wrestler. Guza earned a degree in education and was an assistant wrestling coach in Whitehall for about five years while he taught. He has experience working as a summer recreation director, as well, Schmitt said. That combined with an educational administration degree made the choice easy.

The season begins Nov. 17 for the Indees, and Schmitt said he wanted to ensure that whoever took over had a connection to the program.

"He knows how to work with kids, and even at the first team meeting, he was emphasizing, getting these kids to identify with the team and having something that they all can work toward a goal for," he said. "So, yeah, I'm very pleased that he's heading this program, and I think he's going to do a great job with not only the high school kids, but keeping the feeder program alive and well, too."

The school board approved the hiring of Ryan Guza, a 2008 graduate of the district and wrestling team alumnus, as part of the consent agenda at its special meeting Oct. 26.

Superintendent Barry Schmitt told the Times last weekend that the district was prepared to have Schmitt coach the team given his prior experience if no viable candidates showed interest.

"We were basically looking and searching, and the worst case scenario would be if I had to help, but I've always thought highly of Ryan and he's well qualified, he works well with kids," Schmitt said.



Arcadia sophomore Miguel Pasada Gutierrez switches the field in the second half of a WIAA Division Four state semifinal game at Uihlein Soccer Park in Milwaukee last Thursday. The Raiders lost to Oostburg 4-0. (Times photograph by Benjamin Pierce)

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The Way It Is
by Andrew Dannehy

Rodgers' Lie, Packers Inaction Should Have Big Consequences

The vaccination status of Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers is irrelevant, but the fact that he lied about it and repeatedly broke league protocols should have a significant impact on the rest of his team's season.

When Rodgers was asked a direct, yes-or-no question about if he was vaccinated, the first thing that came out of his mouth was "yeah." In August, he followed his "yeah" with "I have been immunized" and everyone moved on. On multiple occasions he also spoke about how he didn't judge those who didn't get vaccinated — as if he was somehow different from them. Last week, it was revealed that Rodgers had not actually been vaccinated, when he tested positive for COVID-19 and was ruled out for at least 10 days. Because Rodgers is not vaccinated, he was supposed to operate by a separate set of rules. The same set of rules his teammates had to follow and those around the league were bound by.

The Packers claim they and Rodgers did not violate any of the league's rules. Rodgers made the same claim on the Pat McAfee show last week, minutes after acknowledging he broke one rule that he just didn't think he should have to follow. He alluded to the fact that he knew he was supposed to wear a face covering in press conferences, but didn't think it was necessary because everyone else in the room was vaccinated and wearing a mask. The Packers make every other unvaccinated player wear a mask in such settings.

The rules for players who are not vaccinated also prevent players from attending large, indoor gatherings. Rodgers hosted a large, indoor Halloween party — with several teammates in attendance.

In all, Rodgers has more than 20 violations of the league protocols. Like with all rules, there are punishments. As Ryan Wood of the Green Bay Press Gazette reported, Rodgers could be suspended four games for repeatedly violating the league's COVID-19 protocols.

It's hard to see how Rodgers was allowed to continue with his charade when the league knew the truth all along. Reports on Sunday indicated Rodgers and the team would be fined, not suspended — something some of the league's owners are pushing back on.

Even if one were to look beyond the rules, do the Packers not pay Rodgers well enough for him to at least limit his risk? Was a Halloween party in the middle of a successful season really worth it?

The Packers seemed to be a sure bet to be the top seed in the NFC and the favorite to win the Super Bowl. If Rodgers is punished as league rules seem to state he should be, it's hard to see how the Packers hold onto the top seed.

The issue isn't about vaccines, it's about rules. The Packers and Rodgers clearly and intentionally violated them and they should be punished accordingly.

Arcadia soccer team at state tournament

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thing changes," Cruz said. "The defense hit the ball on their head and not their shoulders on the first one, but that's not an excuse. When those kicks score, everything changes."

Cruz said the injuries on defense drastically changed the game, too.

The stats back his observation, as the late goals were accompanied by a ballooned 10 shots for Oostburg and three saves from Kevin Cruz in the second half. "That (injuries) hurt. That's what happened. Otherwise you see the first half and we played beautifully, but that second half we had three starters get hurt," Cruz said.

And while the game didn't end the way his players wanted, Cruz said he hopes his players appreciated the journey and realize how rare it is to make it to state for the second time in as many years.

"This is special just to be here, and I told my kids we gotta enjoy every single moment, and I told my team we represent Arcadia guys, and we're gonna represent the right way."

He thinks his team did that, pointing to the two teams praying together at midfield when the game concluded. It was a tough loss to end a strong season, Cruz said, saying his team lost to a deserving team.

Arcadia struggled to get through a strong defense,

one that relied on quickly attacking the ball carrier and keeping the ball out of their end behind a strong attack and quick midfield transition.

"I knew they played more physical and with speed, and I told my kids, 'If they win and are physical and use speed, they're gonna win every single ball.' I recommended my kids to control the midfield because if we get to control the midfield, we get the ball," Cruz said.

It didn't work the way the Raiders wanted it to, and the outcome wasn't what they were hoping for.

But still, a teary-eyed Cruz said, this was a season that made him proud, and should leave his players proud.

"This is for Arcadia, this is for our community, this is for our county, Trempealeau County. This is for all you guys because you guys

brought our school on the street. So this is for those people down there. You know, for everybody."

Oostburg 4, Arcadia 0
Arcadia 0;0-0
Oostburg 0;4-4

Second half
O—Haag (Matthew Meke), 41:52. O—Ten Dolle, pk, 46:21. O—Ten Dolle, 58:03. O—Griffin Hengst, pk, 67:57. Saves—Cruz (A) 3, Carson Dekker (O) 1.



Arcadia junior Andree Gonzalez-Lawrence attempts to block a pass during a WIAA Division Four state tournament semifinal game last Thursday. The Raiders were defeated 4-0 by top-seeded Oostburg to end their season. (Times photograph by Benjamin Pierce)

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Obituaries

Carol R. Redsten

Carol Ruth Redsten, 81, of rural Ettrick, died Sunday, October 24, 2021, at Marinuka Manor, Galesville.

Carol was born March 22, 1940, in Galesville to Carl and Florence (Onsrud) Johnson. On December 23, 1960, she married Larry L. Redsten. Larry preceded her in death, April 18, 2010.

Survivors are her sons: Ricky of Ettrick, Ronnie (Cindy) of Trempealeau, Randy (Patti Truax) of Galesville; five grandchildren: Justin, Ben, Luke, Allison, Jason; a great-grandson, Aydin; three sisters: Virginia (Donny) Ronning and Joyce (Mary) Johnson, both of Ettrick, Gloria (Bob) Nordstrom of La Crosse; a brother, Jim (Carol) Johnson of Galesville; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Besides her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents; a brother, Dennis Johnson; and a nephew, Austin Johnson.

Funeral services were held Friday, October 29, 2021, at French Creek Lutheran Church, rural Ettrick. Rev. Anna Sorenson officiated. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Zwickey Funeral Homes, Galesville Chapel assisted the family.

Ethel M. Lovberg

Ethel Marie Lovberg, 99, of Blair, died Monday, November 1, 2021, at Gundersen Tri-County Hospital in Whitehall.

Ethel was born July 18, 1922, in Blair to Olaf and Olga (Halvorson) Lovberg. She graduated from Blair High School in 1940.

Ethel was employed in the Finance Department for AMPI in Blair prior to her retirement. She was a member of Zion Lutheran Church in Blair and was a Sunday School teacher and Sunday School Chair for many years.

Ethel is survived by two cousins: Roger Kensmoe of Strum and Raymond Olson of Minneapolis, MN; along with other relatives and friends.

Memorial services were held Sunday, November 7, 2021, at 1:00 p.m., at Blair Lutheran Church West with burial in Zion Lutheran Cemetery both in Blair. Pastor Paul Sannerud officiated. Friends could call one hour prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be designated to Blair Lutheran Church or the Blair-Preston Library.

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

Darlene M. Lyngen

Darlene Marie Lyngen, 82, of Pigeon Falls, and formerly of Blair, died Monday, November 1, 2021, at Pigeon Falls Health Care Center.

Darlene was born September 18, 1939, to Ernest and Marion (Hanson) Lyngen in Whitehall. She married Archie W. Stendahl Jr., and later divorced. She enjoyed old country music, dancing, cleaning, helping those in need, loved her sweets (pie and fudge), loved babysit-

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Wednesday & Friday • 11:30am - 12:30pm
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Wed: Turkey BLT on Wheat, Potato Chips, Coleslaw, Seasonal Fruit, Dessert.
Fri: Westminister Wrap, Creamy Potato Soup, Seasonal Fruit, Dessert.

BLAIR: Rainbow Restaurant (30798 U.S. Hwy. 53)
Monday-Friday • 11:00am - 1:00pm
Carryouts Available. Call 608-989-2003.

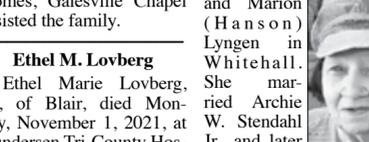
Mon: Salisbury Steak, Whipped Potatoes w/Gravy, Corn, Black Bean Brownie.
Tues: Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, Peas, Garlic Bread, Fruit.
Wed: Baked Turkey, Whipped Potatoes w/Gravy, Carrots, Pie.
Thurs: Meatballs, Whipped Potatoes w/Gravy, Green Beans, Fruit.
Fri: Poorman's Lobster or Hand-Breaded Fish, Hashbrowns, Salad, Ice Cream.

DODGE/PINE CREEK: Sacred Heart Church
Tuesdays & Thursdays • Noon
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Tues: Pork Roast, Mashed Potatoes, Cauliflower, Pudding.
Thurs: Turkey, Dressing, Potatoes, Rutabagas, Pie.

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Carryouts Available. Call 608-582-4401.

Mon: Hamburger, Oven Fries, Baked Beans.
Tues: Country-Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Green Beans.
Wed: Hamburger Goulash.
Thurs: Sloppy Joe, Oven Fries, Coleslaw.
Fri: Fish, AuGratin Potatoes, Coleslaw.



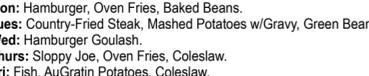
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Gregory Troy Stellrecht, 75, of Onalaska, died peacefully in his home on All Saints' Day, November 1, 2021.



Julie Sheridan Caswell, 72, of Galesville, died Tuesday, November 2, 2021, at Winona Health, Winona, MN.



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PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF ARCADIA BUDGET & TAX LEVY SUMMARY
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a **Budget Hearing** for the City of Arcadia will be held at 5:30 p.m., on Wednesday, December 1, 2021, at 945 S. Dettloff Drive, Arcadia, WI 54612.
FURTHER TAKE NOTICE, that this year's budget is available, in detail, for your inspection at the City Clerk's Office, 945 S. Dettloff Drive and the City website. The following is the **Proposed Budget** for the governmental funds for the period of January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022.

	2020 Actual	2021 Budget	9 mo. actual and 3 mo. projected	2022 Proposed Budget
EXPENDITURES:				
Administrative Services	\$386,902	\$451,490	\$459,415	\$482,065
Community Development	\$577	\$6,365	\$2,122	\$6,365
Fire Department Appropriation	\$109,635	\$109,635	\$109,635	\$109,645
Ambulance Board Appropriation	\$58,537	\$72,122	\$72,294	\$72,857
Operations	\$1,001,221	\$1,047,208	\$1,226,425	\$1,059,384
Other Public Safety Services	\$492,890	\$535,524	\$524,979	\$534,098
Recreation	\$110,141	\$226,490	\$127,585	\$275,980
Municipal Court Services	\$57,304	\$56,783	\$63,048	\$53,298
Special Assessment Appropriation	\$47,879	\$47,879	\$47,879	\$47,879
Debt Service	\$501,732	\$508,451	\$583,563	\$632,444
Library Appropriation	\$128,075	\$128,075	\$128,075	\$128,075
Transfer to Capital Projects	\$1,722,965	\$0	\$0	\$0
American Rescue Plan Projects	\$0	\$0	\$159,096	\$159,096
Covid Expenditures	\$23,642	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$4,643,501	\$3,190,022	\$3,866,896	\$3,561,186
REVENUES:				
Property Tax Levy	\$800,241	\$804,533	\$804,533	\$811,684
Property Tax Levy for Debt	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$100,000
Other Taxes	\$727,322	\$690,400	\$689,400	\$690,400
Restricted Special Assessments	\$47,879	\$47,879	\$47,879	\$47,879
Intergovernmental	\$1,079,125	\$1,016,037	\$1,015,094	\$987,545
Licenses & Permits	\$13,453	\$11,480	\$12,598	\$11,840
Fine, Forfeits and Penalties	\$65,548	\$50,600	\$61,265	\$50,600
Public Charges for Service	\$217,918	\$231,550	\$268,059	\$244,125
Tax Increment District Repayment	\$0	\$312,063	\$312,063	\$304,585
Donations	\$16,602	\$0	\$15,733	\$0
Miscellaneous	\$125,329	\$25,500	\$45,748	\$17,000
American Rescue Plan Payments	\$0	\$0	\$159,096	\$159,096
Proceeds from Loans	\$1,735,000	\$0	\$100,000	\$0
Contribution from Library Fund	\$0	\$0	\$200,000	\$0
Sale of Library Building	\$0	\$0	\$47,894	\$0
Fund Balance Applied	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$37,432
TOTAL REVENUES	\$4,828,415	\$3,190,022	\$3,777,362	\$3,561,186
Excess of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other financing uses:	\$184,915	\$0	(\$89,534)	\$0
FUND BALANCE				
Beginning of year	\$3,341,171	\$3,526,086	\$3,526,086	\$3,436,552
FUND BALANCE				
End of year	\$3,526,086	\$3,526,086	\$3,436,552	\$3,399,120
TAX LEVY AND VALUATION SUMMARY				
Assessed Valuation - 2021 Taxroll		\$195,619,150		
SUMMARY OF INDEBTEDNESS				
Projected General Obligation Notes Outstanding at December 31, 2021:	\$4,559,619			
General Fund Debt Levy for 2022:	\$1,177,583			
(Includes Intelfund Loan Payment to Wastewater Utility and payment to Water Utility & Tax Increment Debt Service)				
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PUBLIC NOTICE

**CITY OF WHITEHALL
TREMPEALEAU COUNTY SEAT**
36295 MAIN STREET, P.O. BOX 155, WHITEHALL, WI 54773
On **November 29, 2021**, the Common Council of the City of Whitehall will hold a **Special Meeting** at the Whitehall Fire Department, at **6:00 p.m.**, for the purpose of hearing any citizen or taxpayer on the Proposed City Budgets for the Year 2022, and to consider the Proposed Budgets. A Summary of the Proposed Budgets are published below, and a copy of the complete budgets are open to public inspection at the Office of the City Clerk-Treasurer during normal office hours.

	ACTUAL 12/31/20	ESTIMATED 12/31/2021	BUDGET 2021	PROPOSED BUDGET 2022
GENERAL FUND AND CAPITAL OUTLAYS EXPENSES:				
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$168,100	\$191,280	\$198,450	\$218,600
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$192,514	\$275,820	\$231,750	\$271,750
PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY	\$390,361	\$423,121	\$415,125	\$439,575
HEALTH, WELFARE & SANITATION	\$41,338	\$34,032	\$84,250	\$32,200
TRANSPORTATION & STREETS	\$198,501	\$206,555	\$259,300	\$249,550
EDUCATION & RECREATION	\$180,489	\$311,814	\$329,000	\$351,500
CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT	\$9,055	\$3,939	\$6,350	\$7,550
INDEBTEDNESS	\$308,363	\$367,546	\$367,546	\$327,898
PUBLIC SERVICE, ENTERPRISE	\$18,066	\$13,956	\$13,790	\$13,650
UNCLASSIFIED	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CAPITAL OUTLAYS - ALL DEPARTMENTS	\$1,506,787	\$1,828,063	\$1,905,561	\$1,912,273
TOTAL EXPENSES & CAPITAL OUTLAYS	\$801,524	\$51,392	\$86,293	\$68,500
REVENUES:	\$2,308,311	\$1,879,455	\$1,991,854	\$1,980,773
STATE/FEDERAL SHARED TAXES & AIDS	\$614,255	\$587,020	\$579,278	\$580,008
LICENSE & PERMITS	\$17,378	\$10,531	\$12,350	\$13,000
PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY	\$41,243	\$54,394	\$46,900	\$46,900
RECREATION DEPARTMENTS	\$16,283	\$40,366	\$46,784	\$38,200
MISC. SERVICE REVENUES	\$712,601	\$427,341	\$388,825	\$367,300
LONG TERM LOANS	\$343,727	\$0	\$0	\$0
STATE/FEDERAL GRANTS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TRANSFER TO OTHER FUNDS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TRANSFER FROM OTHER FUNDS	\$0	\$0	\$86,293	\$68,500
TAX LEVY	\$748,707	\$832,024	\$832,024	\$866,865
FUND BALANCE/RESERVES APPLIED	\$2,494,194	\$1,951,676	\$1,991,854	\$1,980,773
TOTAL REVENUES & RESERVES	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
EXCESS REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	\$2,494,194	\$1,951,676	\$1,991,854	\$1,980,773
FUND BALANCE BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$185,883	\$72,221	\$0	\$0
FUND BALANCE END OF YEAR	\$1,283,744	\$1,469,627	\$1,323,129	\$1,541,848
FUND BALANCE END OF YEAR	\$1,469,627	\$1,469,627	\$1,323,129	\$1,541,848
BUDGET COMPARISONS:	2021 BUDGET	2022 BUDGET	% CHANGE	
TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENSES	\$1,538,015	\$1,584,175	3.00%	
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	\$367,546	\$327,898	-10.79%	
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAYS	\$86,293	\$68,500	-20.62%	
TOTAL CITY TAX LEVY	\$832,024	\$866,865	4.19%	
MILL RATE (TAX PER \$1,000)	**	**	**	**

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2022 BUDGET SUMMARY — ALL FUNDS

	GENERAL FUND	CAPITAL OUTLAYS	DEVELOPMENT FUND	TID #2 AND #3 FUNDS	UTILITY ENTERPRISES	TOTAL
TOTAL REVENUES	\$1,912,273	\$68,500	\$22,900	\$2,511,011	\$4,951,600	\$9,466,284
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,912,273	\$68,500	\$500	\$3,461,128	\$5,185,225	\$10,627,626
EXCESS (DEFICIT)	\$0	\$0	\$22,400	(\$950,117)	(\$233,625)	(\$1,161,342)
FUND BALANCE JANUARY 1, 2022	\$1,541,848	\$0	\$79,855	\$1,821,533	\$9,632,307	\$13,789,543
FUND BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2022	\$1,541,848	\$0	\$816,256	\$871,416	\$9,398,682	\$12,828,201
PROPERTY TAX CONTRIBUTIONS	\$866,865	\$0	\$0	\$496,329	\$0	\$1,363,194

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PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE OF BOARD OF REVIEW
— TOWN OF CALEDONIA —
Trempealeau County, State of Wisconsin**
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the **Board of Review** for the Town of Caledonia, Trempealeau County, Wisconsin, shall hold its first meeting on **November 29, 2021, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**, at the Town of Caledonia Town Hall located on County Road M, Galesville, Wisconsin.
PLEASE BE ADVISED of the following requirements to appear before the Board of Review and procedural requirements if appearing before the board:

- No person will be allowed to appear before the Board of Review, to testify to the board by telephone, or to contest the amount of any assessment of real or personal property, if the person has refused a reasonable written request by certified mail of the Assessor to enter onto property to conduct an exterior view of such property being assessed.
- After the first meeting of the Board of Review and before the board's final adjournment, no person who is scheduled to appear before the Board of Review may contact or provide information to a member of the board about the person's objection, except at a session of the board. **Open Book** shall occur no less than seven (7) days prior to the Board of Review.
- The Board of Review may not hear an objection to the amount or valuation of property unless, at least 48 hours before the board's first scheduled meeting, the objector provides to the board's clerk written or oral notice of an intent to file an objection, except that upon a showing of good cause and the submission of a written objection, the board shall waive that requirement during the first two (2) hours of the board's first scheduled meeting, and the board may waive that requirement up to the end of the fifth day of the session or up to the end of the final day of the session if the session is less than five (5) days with proof of extraordinary circumstances for failure to meet the 48-hour notice requirement and failure to appear before the Board of Review during the first two (2) hours of the first scheduled meeting.
- Objections to the amount or valuation of property shall first be made in writing and filed with the clerk of the Board of Review within the first two (2) hours of the board's first scheduled meeting, except that, upon evidence of extraordinary circumstances, the board may waive that requirement up to the end of the fifth day of the session or up to the end of the final day of the session if the session is less than five (5) days. The board may require objections to the amount or valuation of property to be submitted on forms approved by the Department of Revenue, and the board shall require that any forms include stated valuations of the property in question. Persons who own land and improvements to that land may object to the aggregate valuation of that land and improvements to that land, but no person who owns land and improvements to that land may object only to the valuation of that land or only to the valuation of improvements to that land. No person may be allowed in any action or proceedings to question the amount or valuation of property unless the written objection has been filed and that person in good faith presented evidence to the board in support of the objections and made full disclosure before the board, under oath, of all of that person's property liable to assessment in the district and the value of that property. The requirement that objections be in writing may be waived by express action of the board.
- When appearing before the Board of Review, the objecting person shall specify, in writing, the person's estimate of the value of the land and of the improvements that are the subject of the person's objection and specify the information that the person used to arrive at that estimate.
- No person may appear before the Board of Review, testify to the board by telephone, or object to a valuation if that valuation was made by the Assessor or the Objector using the income method of valuation, unless no later than seven (7) days before the first meeting of the Board of Review the person supplies the Assessor with all the information about income and expenses, as specified in the Assessor's Manual under S. 73.03(2a), Wis. Stats., that the Assessor requests. The Town of Caledonia has an ordinance for the confidentiality of information about income and expenses that is provided to the Assessor under this paragraph that provides exceptions for persons using information in the discharge of duties imposed by law or the duties of their officer or by order of a court. The information that is provided under this paragraph, unless a court determines before the first meeting of the Board of Review that it is inaccurate, is not subject to the right of inspection and copying under S. 19.35(1), Wis. Stats.
- The board shall hear upon oath, by telephone, all ill or disabled persons who present to the board a letter from a physician, surgeon, or osteopath that confirms their illness or disability. No other persons may testify by telephone unless the board, in its discretion, has determined to grant a property owner's or their representative's request to testify under oath by telephone or written statement.
- No person may appear before the Board of Review, testify to the board by telephone, or contest the amount of any assessment unless, at least 48 hours before the first meeting of the board, or at least 48 hours before the objection is heard if the objection is allowed under S.70.47(3)(a), Wis. Stats., that person provides to the clerk of the Board of Review notice as to whether the person will ask for the removal of a member of the Board of Review and, if so, which member, and provides a reasonable estimate of the length of time the hearing will take.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, this 26th day of October, 2021.

Blaise Stegemeyer, Clerk
Town of Caledonia

(Published November 3, 10, 2021)

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PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE OF OPEN BOOK
— TOWN OF CALEDONIA —
Trempealeau County, State of Wisconsin**
Pursuant to S. 70.45, Wis. Stats., The **Town of Caledonia Assessment Roll for the Year 2021**, will be open for examination on the **16th day of November, 2021**, at the Caledonia Town Hall, located on County Road M, Galesville, Wisconsin, from **11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.** Instructional material about the assessment, how to file an objection and Board of Review procedures under Wisconsin law will be available at that time.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, this 29th day of October, 2021.

Blaise Stegemeyer, Clerk
Town of Caledonia

(Published November 3, 10, 2021)

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PUBLIC NOTICE

**— NOTICE —
CONTRACT WITH TOWN OF PIGEON:
RESIDENTIAL DRIVEWAY SNOWPLOWING & SANDING**
WI § 86.105 Snow Removal in Private Driveways. The governing body of any county, town, city or village may enter into contracts to remove snow from private roads and driveways.
The Town of Pigeon will not be held responsible for any unforeseen damage caused by them while snow plowing or sanding private roads and driveways due to negligence of the resident or taxpayer.
This contract of snow plowing and/or sanding will only be done after town roads are clear and the Town of Pigeon has time to do so and only during normal working hours. The Town of Pigeon reserves the right to refuse anyone snow plowing due to poor driveway conditions or blocked driveways. If contractual agreement is not in force, the driveways will not be plowed. The charge will be \$35 per call, up to fifteen (15) minutes. Driveways taking longer than fifteen (15) minutes will be charged a pro-rated rate of \$65 per hour.
There will be an additional charge of \$35 per time if the resident requests sanding. **Without a signed contract, the Town of Pigeon will NOT plow or sand the driveway.**

PLEASE RETURN CONTRACT BY DECEMBER 15, 2021.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION,
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Bill Butler, Clerk
Town of Pigeon

(Published November 10, 2021)

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE SETTING TIME TO HEAR APPLICATION AND DEADLINE FOR FILING CLAIMS (Informal Administration)
Case No. 2021PR000055

State of Wisconsin, Circuit Court, Trempealeau County

In the Matter of the Estate of LEONARD DARWIN HERRIED
DOD: 04/01/20

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

An application for informal administration was filed. The decedent, with date of birth June 18, 1937, and date of death April 1, 2020, was domiciled in Trempealeau County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of: W15312 County Road CC, Ettrick, WI 54627.

The application will be heard at the Trempealeau County Courthouse, Whitehall, Wisconsin, before Jill Clark, Probate Registrar, on November 29, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.

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

The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is February 4, 2022. A claim may be filed at the Trempealeau County Courthouse, Room 214, Whitehall, Wisconsin.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF THE ELECTORS OF THE TOWN OF GLENCOE BUFFALO COUNTY, WISCONSIN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, of a **Special Town Meeting** of the electors of the Town of Glencoe, Buffalo County, that will be held at the Town Hall, located at W104 State Hwy. 95, Arcadia, Wisconsin, on **Thursday, November 18, 2021**. This Special Town Meeting will follow the completion of the Public Hearing on the Proposed 2022 Town Budget, which begins at 8:00 p.m. This Special Town Meeting of the electors is called pursuant to Sec. 60.12(1)(c) of the Wisconsin Statutes, by the Town Board for the following purposes:

- To adopt the 2021 Town Tax Levy to paid in 2022, pursuant to Section 60.10(1)(a) of Wis. Statutes.

Dated this 29th day of October, 2021.

Anne Cornish, Clerk
Town of Glencoe

(Published November 10, 2021)

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PUBLIC NOTICE

**WHITEHALL SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION**
120.06(06)(b)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, to qualified electors of the Whitehall School District, that a School Board Election will be held on April 5th, 2022, to fill the following board positions:

One member from the City of Whitehall (INCUMBENT: Leah A.W. Johnson)

An elector desiring to be a candidate for a position on the school board must file a "Sworn Declaration of Candidacy" at the Whitehall School District, 19121 Hobson St., Whitehall, WI 54773, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, mailed to the address noted above, or filed personally, with the School District Clerk or School District Deputy Clerk, prior to 5:00 p.m., on the first Tuesday in January.
Dated this 5th day of November 2021.

Julie Dokkestul, School Board Clerk
Whitehall School District

(Published November 10, 17, 2021)

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PUBLIC NOTICE

WHITEHALL SCHOOL DISTRICT
According to Wisconsin Statutes 118.57, the **Whitehall School District** is required to describe all education options available to children who reside in the district, as well as notification about the school district accountability report.

EDUCATION OPTIONS:
Students have the right to enroll in any public schools, private schools participating in parental choice programs, charter schools, virtual schools, full-time open enrollment, youth options, and course options as described by Wisconsin Statutes.

The following educational options are available to Whitehall School District resident students:

Whitehall School District (<http://www.whitehallsd.k12.wi.us>)

State Virtual Schools (<http://www.wisconsinvirtualschool.org>)

Full-time Open Enrollment (<http://dpi.wi.gov/open-enrollment?old=oe.dpi.wi.gov/parents-main>)

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Interested persons should send an application to:
Ellen Bartow, Food Service Director
730 Raider Drive, Suite 3150,
Arcadia, WI 54612
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The application can be found on the school's website at www.arcadia.k12.wi.us.

Interested persons should send an application or send a letter of application, including background and experience to the district office, School District of Arcadia, 730 Raider Drive, Suite 3150, Arcadia, WI 54612.

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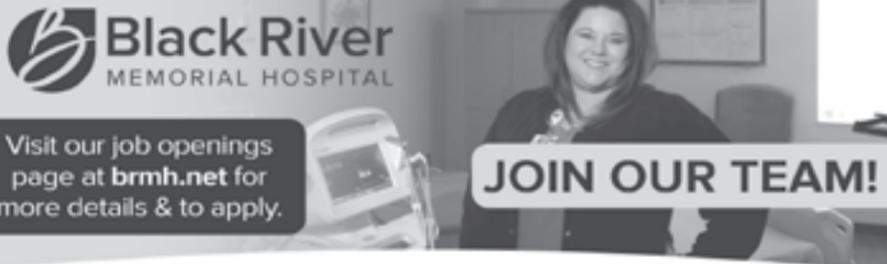
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