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Theft suspect allegedly tries to infect deputy

*By Debbie Foss
Times Staff*

A man who was arrested for allegedly stealing Independence lawn items faces new felony charges after he reportedly spit in the face of a deputy, laughed and said he had tested positive for COVID-19.

The new charges against Kevin Christianson, 35, of 3509 Lee St., Independence, include bail jumping, attempted battery or threat to a law enforcement officer, throwing bodily fluids at a public safety worker and making terrorists threats, all felonies.

The deputy involved, Brandon Heal, immediately began a 14-day quarantine following the July 28 incident.

Court documents say the encounter between Heal and Christianson occurred just as Christianson was released from jail for felony theft, numerous misdemeanor counts of theft of movable property worth less than \$2,500 and illegally carrying concealed weapons.

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Body found in Eleva field

The Trempealeau County Sheriff's Department is investigating the death of a 33-year-old Altoona woman after her body was found last Wednesday in a field south of Eleva.

While the department reported foul play is not suspected, the release sent last Thursday said they were investigating the death of Angela Coffield along with the Altoona Police Department, Wisconsin Division



A Pleasant Night For A Ball Game

There aren't many fields that can compare to the rural backdrop that the softball field in Pleasantville offers. The field hosted what would've been the annual Beef and Dairy Days fastpitch softball tournament last weekend. (Times photograph by Andrew Dannehy)

Total new cases down, positive rate up last week

*By Andrew Dannehy
Times Editor*

There were fewer new COVID-19 cases in Trempealeau County over the past week, but positive tests came back at the highest rate since mid-July.

The Trempealeau County Health Department announced Monday that there were seven new cases last weekend, bringing the total number of cases in the county

to 342, an increase of 30 from the previous week. Last week had the fewest number of new cases since the end of June when there were 24 new cases, but those who were tested received positive results 12.1 percent of the time, the highest rate since the week of July 13 to July 20.

Last week marked the first in which an order to wear face coverings went into effect. The decline of cases in the county matched what happened throughout the state as the final seven days of July saw an average of 714 cases per day, compared to 514 cases since the make mandate on Aug. 1. In Trempealeau County, there were nine new cases last week Tuesday and seven on Wednesday before a decline over the final four days of the week. As of Monday of this week, there were 53 active cases, eight fewer than the previous week.

Health officials warn,

however, that it's too soon to determine if the decline was due to the increased number of people wearing face coverings.

"It's too early to tell if the mask mandate is working," Kaila Baer, TCHD information officer, said. "It went into effect on Aug. 1 and it takes two-to-14 days for the virus to develop in your system before it shows positive or you get symptoms."

The county still has the seventh-highest rate of COVID-19 cases per 100,000 people, but last week showed most areas in the county as not having many new cases. The exception was Arcadia, which had an increase of 17 cases from the previous week, according to the Wisconsin Department of Health Services website. Arcadia was the only area that had more than two new cases in the county last week.

As of Monday, Arcadia accounted for 154 of the 310 cases (49.7 percent) of the

cases the DHS had location information for. Arcadia residents are receiving positive test results 21.2 percent of the time, compared to 4.1 percent for the rest of the county.

Baer said the high COVID-19 activity in Arcadia is due to a number of cases, including the two largest employers in the county both being located in the city.

"This means a lot of people from outside Trempealeau County are going to Arcadia daily for work," Baer said, before adding that those companies should not be blamed. "The companies have reported taking all steps necessary to protect their employees."

She also pointed to the poverty numbers in the county and, specifically, Arcadia as a reason for increase cases, noting how difficult it is for members of a household to isolate from other members of the same household.

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ARCADIA CREDIT UNION

Arcadia may cull deer, double food budget

By Debbie Foss
Times Staff

The oldest animal in Arcadia's deer park may be euthanized and the city budget for deer food doubled as the city council ponders the park's fate.

At a meeting last Wednesday, the council seemed inclined to continue operating Rudy Klink Deer Park, which had been criticized on social media for harboring underfed deer. "Kids like to see those deer," said council member Joe Feltes.

As recommended by a consulting veterinarian, the oldest male deer will probably

be euthanized. A veterinarian concluded that the deer, especially the oldest, were malnourished, that they needed to be dewormed and that there had been too much inbreeding.

Mayor Rob Reichwein again urged that individuals not throw food into the deer enclosure since much of it could harm the animals. City administrator Chad Hawkins said that the city would likely have to double the \$2,000 annual budget for deer feed.

In other business, the council heard from Arcadia resident Ryan Boland who said he was the "voice of the neighborhood"

around Fairfield Avenue where residents are concerned about a proposed apartment project and the pedestrian traffic along the streets near the school.

"There are no sidewalks on Fairfield," Boland told the council, "and it's already very busy. I don't know if we can afford adding more residents and students."

An apartment project on Jefferson Street is pending before the city. Boland invited Reichwein and Marlys Kolstad, the council member representing the neighborhood, to walk it to view the residents' concerns.

The council also narrowed its preferences

for the renovations of the new city hall on Dettloff Drive to a version that includes a council chamber on the west side of the building and a garage for police vehicles on the south. The city will seek proposals from builders that would include the architectural renders required by the state.

The council also:
• Recognized the 12 years of service as an election inspector by retiring Mary Ryan.
• Approved an ordinance that would increase the monthly pay for the municipal judge from \$100 to \$200 after the 2021 election.

Arcadia library, rec center may be sold

By Debbie Foss
Times Staff

Arcadia officials are considering trying to sell the city's historic library building and, depending on an agreement with the school district, the city recreation center could also soon have a for-sale sign.

The city council last

Theft suspect

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Christianson and Sky Stuebs, 22, of Shawano, were charged with taking items such as windmills, lighthouses, lights and bird houses from several Independence homes during June and early July.

In the alleged spitting incident, Heal said he saw a masked Christianson in the parking lot of the sheriff's department and asked him if he needed help. Christianson, according to the criminal complaint, then walked toward the deputy's squad car, pulled down his mask and spit on the officer. Heal said Christianson then laughed and said he had tested positive for COVID-19.

Christianson posted \$1,000 bond Monday on the new charges. He posted \$2,000 bond on the original theft charges. His initial appearance in Trempealeau County Circuit Court was scheduled for Tuesday.

Wednesday agree to explore whether its designation as a historic building limits the city selling the Carnegie library, a building that is empty since the opening of the new city library at the Wanek Center. The building will also be appraised.

City librarian Jennifer Losinski told the council that she had contact with a library in Minnesota that was selling its 1908 Carnegie structure for \$150,000. The Arcadia library does not comply with the access requirements of the American with Disabilities Act and may have some

mold problems. City and library officials earlier this year attempted to get public opinion about what to do with the building. The Arcadia Area Chamber of Commerce also once expressed interest in using a small section of the building for offices.

The council decided to wait until there is more clarity around a possible agreement with the Arcadia School District to host city recreation programs before selling the Arcadia Community Recreation Center, located at the corner of

Washington and East Main streets. City administrator Chad Hawkins said district athletic director Bruce Schweisthal and superintendent Lance Bagstad said the indoor city recreation programs could move to school facilities.

Council member Marlys Kolstad asked what rent the district might charge, and member Paul Anderson said coordinating times with the district for the city's indoor soccer, volleyball and basketball programs could be difficult.

"We're talking about a

100 kids a day for three or four hours, Monday through Friday from September through spring," Anderson said. "That's a lot to throw at the school."

"Seems we need to come up with that agreement before we decide to sell," Kolstad said.

Mayor Rob Reichwein

said the district might be interested in swapping building use with city, by having access to the city pool or ballfields, for instance.

The city could have a third property up for sale as it departs the existing city hall for new city offices in a former health clinic building off Dettloff Drive.

Arcadia to try second recycle referendum

By Debbie Foss
Times Staff

Arcadia officials will try a second time in November to see if city residents want curbside pick-up of recyclable material, this time with a referendum question they hope is easier to understand.

The new wording approved by the council last Wednesday for the Nov. 3 vote reads: "Shall the City Council of the City of Arcadia provide curbside collection of recyclables for all properties in the City, with the costs of the collection charged on the monthly utility bills? A. Yes B. No"

Arcadia resident and former city council member Todd Fetsch said Wednesday "we need to get better information to the people about this."

The cost of the new service has not yet been established, but should be com-

parable to the fee of \$6.05 a month set prior to the last vote, said city administrator Chad Hawkins.

In April 2019, city residents voted against curbside pickup by a 100-to-194 vote. At the time, one of the supporters of the measure, Jan Dworschak, said the wording of the question and a lack of promotion of the concept led to its defeat.

The previous question read: "Shall the City of Arcadia be allowed to avoid a reduction of its property tax levy limit for the purpose of providing a curbside recycling pick up service for residential property in the City of Arcadia that will be added to the residents' monthly City of Arcadia utility bills?"

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Blair council approves events for Cheese Fest weekend

By Andrew Dannehy Times Editor

The city of Blair won't be celebrating Cheese Festival this year, but that doesn't mean there won't be celebrations on the weekend of the event is typically held.

Cheese Fest was cancelled last month due to the COVID-19 pandemic, but last week Monday, the Blair council approved plans for other celebrations to be held on Sept. 19, which would've been the Saturday of the annual event.

While no official action was required, the council approved of a contingent plan by the Cheese Fest committee to have a drive-through chicken-q on Sept. 19, beginning at noon. The plan is for chicken to be served in front of the fire station.

The council also heard from two Blair tavern owners who developed a plan to have music under a tent in the downtown area and voted to close portions of Broadway and Gilbert streets for the event.

Jeremy Tranberg of Blair Haus and Nate Dahl of Bullpen Sports Bar told the council of plans to have a celebration — including music under a tent — that would require the city to close portions of the downtown area.

Originally, the bar owners wanted to include a Friday evening celebration in their plans, but the council asked that it be limited to Saturday. The streets will also be closed on Friday to set up for the event.

"Nate and I are taking a huge risk putting our money out there to do this," Tranberg said, adding that the event would benefit other area

taverns and businesses as well.

Council members expressed concerns about guidelines implemented from the Trempealeau County Health Department and the Centers of Disease Control. Council members asked several times if there was a limit on the number of people who could attend the event and if masks would be required.

While he didn't indicate if he had approval from the county health department, Tranberg said that there was no limit on the number of people who could attend an outdoor social gathering and masks would not be required outdoors or indoors — noting that masks are not required for people who are drinking, therefore tavern patrons would not be required to wear one.

The most recent update from county health department advised that outdoor gatherings be limited to 50 people and asks that bars and restaurants operate at 25 percent capacity while the county is at "high" risk for the spread of COVID-19 as defined by the Coulee Compass. Dahl said that if the county were to move into "severe" risk on the Coulee Compass they would cancel the event.

"It seems like a great idea," council member Mike Lisowski said. "I'm not opposed to the idea at all. It makes you wonder what it will turn into at the end of the night with a bunch of people running around with masks."

"I mean, there's a reason Cheese Fest isn't doing their celebration," council member Wanda Cartrette added. City attorney Alan Rob-

ertson advised the council that the city would not have any liability should the event lead to a spread in COVID-19.

"As long as the city is not liable for anything I don't see why we wouldn't move forward," Lisowski said.

The council voted unanimously to approve the street closures for Sept. 18 and Sept. 19.

The council heard from Trempealeau County Sheriff Brett Semingson who outlined his department's policies for police brutality. Semingson and interim police chief Randy Jensen also told the council that they were not planning on enforcing the face-covering order issued by Gov. Tony Evers on July 30. However, both said they supported the order.

"I think everybody who reads the order will understand why it's there and should voluntarily comply," Jensen said.

The council agreed to ask three residents on Mill Rd. to install culverts at the ends of their driveways at the property owner's expense.

Council members heard complaints from a Mill Road resident who said that they have had issues with standing water on their property recently.

Street lights and equipment committee chair Paul Syverson said there was some question as to if the water was being caused by natural water flow or a spring located nearby. He also reported that a study by city engineer David Scho-

field of Short Elliott Hendrickson indicated that the addition of culverts should help. Schofield's report also said that a large portion of the property that has had water is a mapped wetland and/or mapped floodway.

"I would therefore put less faith in statements from the homeowners that indicate that they've never seen standing water upon the 227 Mill Road property," Schofield wrote.

There were also questions of a shed that was removed from one of the properties between 2014 and 2017 that might have led to a change in the water-flow.

Council members also voted unanimously to keep the city hall closed to the public on Wednesdays.

City Hall began closing on Wednesdays in February, however, the practice was questioned when the pool committee wondered if the office should be open for the sale of daily pool passes. After discussion that revealed that there hadn't been a large number of pool passes sold, the council elected to keep city offices closed.

City clerk Susan Frederixson also advised city council members of a rise of vandalism in Riverside Memorial Park. One of the incidents, she noted was an attempted arson in which a person tried to light toilet paper on fire in one of the restrooms in the park. The fire did not last long enough for any damage to be done to the structure, however.

be the teacher every day. Parents are almost desperate to have kids back in school for the functioning of their families."

In their regular meeting on Monday, the G-E-T school board discussed minor changes to their reopening plan, which debuted at a special meeting on July 27. Changes revolved around reducing class sizes and feedback from teachers on spreading out students during the lunch hour.

High school principal Troy White said his building will employ an alphabetical split for in-person attendance rather than the previously presented model based on class year. Students with last names from "A" through "L" will be present on Monday's and Wednesday's, while those with names starting with "M" through "Z" will at-

tend in-person on Tuesday's and Thursday's. Friday's will remain remote-only for the time being as previously presented.

Board member Paul Kinzer maintained his position first articulated at the July 13 regular meeting, saying that despite his confidence in the time devoted by administration that the safest plan would be not to return to in-person instruction under present circumstances.

"I know that a majority of parents in our district want their children to return to school. I want that too, but this is an unprecedented time in all our lives," Kinzer said. "I don't want to be responsible for the death, or much more likely, the lifelong debility of anyone."

Kinzer called for more feedback from teachers, restricting student attendance

without the compass that had guided the development of their plan.

"I certainly didn't join the board to make life and death decisions over people, although a lot of things we do affect people," Moore said. "When we started talking about this, we said safety was the number one thing."

Butler said although there was discussion after the meeting to schedule a special meeting prior to the first day of school on Aug. 27, no meeting was ultimately scheduled. The board's next scheduled meeting is Sept. 13.

In separate employment actions made by the board, the retirement of paraprofes-

Trempealeau board nears floodplain amendment

By Zac Bellman Times Staff

The end may finally be in sight for a five-month back-and-forth for the village of Trempealeau in their efforts to pass a floodplain zoning ordinance amendment.

Despite a state bill being signed into law on March 3 that removed a controversial 50 percent rule regarding limits to home improvements in the floodplain, the village board has yet to pass a corresponding amendment to their floodplain ordinance. Attempts by the village to submit a revised ordinance have been met with further requests for revision from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and FEMA. However, village planning and zoning director Roxroy Barrett expressed confidence in a new timeline that includes a second public hearing for the revised ordinance on Aug. 20.

The board voted Thursday to send the revisions back

to the zoning and planning committee as a matter of protocol before they will appear on an Aug. 20 special meeting agenda. Upon the expected board approval the village will then give two weeks for the DNR and FEMA to provide any additional feedback. Barrett said if nothing is heard from the DNR or FEMA by close of business on Sept. 2, permits could be issued on Sept. 3.

The board also considered but ultimately tabled a resolution which would have established a line of credit up to \$250,000 for the village in order to address various seasonal financial shortfalls. Several board members expressed reservations about the amount and how they had arrived at that figure, leading to the motion being tabled pending further consultation.

In separate board action, the village will partner and support the Trempealeau County Health Department

as well as the Trempealeau County Economic & Tourism Department's initiatives to recognize businesses doing their part to slow the spread of COVID-19 in Trempealeau County.

Among the requests made by the departments for businesses to reinforce their pledges to ensure safety were:

- ensuring their place of business meets physical distance guidelines of six feet or more, as well as posting signage asking customers to observe physical distancing
- providing hand sanitizer at all entrances, as well as handwashing stations for employees and customers

Businesses are not required to submit policies or proof they are following these guidelines, as it is a voluntary program.

In separate employment action, Blake Melvin was hired as a part-time police officer for the village.

Decision on Arcadia flood money 'next'

By Debbie Foss Times Staff

The city of Arcadia is "next in line" for another review by a federal agency controlling a large share of the money for one of two flood-control projects slated for the city.

The internal drainage project includes new storm sewers and pumping capability. If financing is settled, work could begin yet this year, Hawkins said.

The city could be reaching a milestone with the other major flood project, one being studied by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to protect the city from Turton Creek

and the Trempealeau River. The corps feasibility study may be nearing approval by corps division leaders. Hawkins said the division is seeking only minor changes in the document.

The price for completing the corps study climbed to over \$2.01 million, compared to initial estimates of \$1.25 million.

Once the study is approved, city officials will face another decision point of how to finance work that, at last tally, Arcadia could not afford. The corps' latest estimate for the flood work construction is \$38 million, about \$14 million more than the city has available either through grants or borrowing capability. The work would begin in 2022 and be completed in 2025.

about \$5.85 million, but even after dropping work on two pumps, the project came in at \$6.2 million.

Hawkins said the federal agency may be able to provide the city with additional grant money. As funding stands now, the city is relying on the economic development funds, a \$1 million Community Development Block Grant and \$558,000 in borrowing.

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Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:
For a short time in July, geese found a new feeding/resting ground in our back yard. The grass, freshly clipped each week with no cars rushing through, it was safe from predators, quiet and peaceful.

Groups of five, seven and 12 would gracefully land. Members of the flock acted as guards. Calling cards were left on parking lots and roads and provided lawn fertilization. People stopped to snap photos. Fifty to 100 geese came several days in a row. No squabbling occurred that I could see.

I have questions. Do the geese mate for life? Do they allow the young to guide them? Do they fly with fear? Hunters in blinds await them. Snapping turtles are hoping to pull them under.

Do they hate other species? Are they filled with anger, rage, jealousy or revenge if they have to share? Do they feel guilt if they kill or chase starving enemies?

Now the formations are larger. They are practicing for fall migration. The constant voice communication rings. Direction? Altitude? Who moves up to break trail? Who can rest in the wake of the airflow?

If these creatures of God can live in harmony, why can't we? I wish them and us Godspeed as we search and navigate our "new reality." I pray for worldwide hope, acceptance, courage and wisdom to every living thing on our planet.

Vote with and for harmony this election season. Vote Democrat.

Luan Woychik,
Arcadia

Dear Editor:

Just a short message to get our citizenry up to political speed for the upcoming elections.

The Democratic party of JFK is no more. It left with Elvis and neither are returning. The Democratic party of today has left us. We did not leave it. Mom and Dad would not vote for this Democratic party with how it operates and what it stands for today.

If you are into killing babies via abortion on demand, spying on the president, burning communities, by all means vote Democrat. From the mouth of soon to be in prison Hillary Clinton: "If the Democrats are not in power, there will be no civility" Wow! So what do the Democrats do when they lose the election?

Resistance! It is absolutely terrible what is playing out in our country. Let us get back to being Americans. One nation under God with liberty and justice for all. Please help make a positive difference by helping drain the swamp by sending corrupt career politicians packing!

Thank you for taking the time to read this and please vote informed.

Regards,
John Leavitt,
Arcadia

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From The Early Files



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25 YEARS AGO Aug. 17, 1995

Americans expect a major collision between President Clinton and congress over the federal budget, the Whitehall Area Chamber of Commerce was told Monday night. Bringing that warning was U.S. Rep. Steve Gunderson, the veteran congressman who will be at the scene of the expected clash in Washington, D.C. Gunderson was the guest speaker at the chamber's steak fry, held at the Whitehall Public Golf Course.

A Blair man last week Tuesday declined to plead to charges that he had sexual contact with two children under the age of 13. George Kinser stood mute at his arraignment last week in Trempealeau County Circuit Court. Kinser, 30, is charged with two counts of first-degree sexual assault of a child.

The Pleasantville Lions Club purchased a tanker truck from the town of Hale Fire Department and will donate the truck to the Lions International "Mission to Mexico" project. The 1970 truck, which cost the club \$2,100, will be used to haul drinking water to a Mexican community.

One thing that most of the people involved in the Arcadia 2000 project would agree on is that Arcadia is outgrowing its current educational facility. The final draft of the Arcadia 2000 educational report has been completed and will be discussed at the annual meeting of the district on Monday. Arcadia superintendent Howard Sims maintains that the participants in the study concluded that with the current increase in student enrollment, Arcadia will need a new high school facility.

Jill Maliszewski is currently double majoring in soil science and ag journalism. She was recently elected to the post of state reporter for the FFA, which is something she said she has wanted her entire life.

David Hodnefield, chief operating officer of Gold'n Plump Poultry, announced Monday that the company is donating \$10,000 to the Arcadia Community Playground Fund.

Sometimes when patients come to Galesville Medical Clinic with nagging ache, in the knee or shoulder, for example, that modern medicine can't quite shake. Dr. Geoffrey Kloster has another treatment left in his medical bag that just might do the trick. That treatment is the ancient art of acupuncture.

A Galesville audience estimated at about 600 or more got its first look at mud bog racing Sunday at the Trempealeau County Fairgrounds. The event features a pit about 150 feet long and about 25 feet wide, filled with 18 to

20 inches of water. Water is added as needed during the competition, in which trucks and other vehicles with powerful engines and paddled wheels race against time — and muck. Some drivers get stuck.

The area's 1995 apple harvest is underway with orchard owners talking about an excellent harvest in terms of quantity and quality.

This summer has brought with it hot temperatures, well into the 90s for several days at a time, high humidity that has made it less bearable and last weekend, it was hit with a severe storm. Saturday night thunderstorm warning were prevalent and 8/10 of an inch of rain fell. Sunday was another extremely hot and muggy day before a severe storm hit with two-and-a-half to seven-plus inches of rain, causing a lot of stream flooding.

David Maldonado, rural Taylor, and two children — ages two and three — were en route to the babysitters Monday morning before his pickup truck hit a washout the entire width of the roadway. The front end of the truck hit the road bank on the other side and the truck's wheels rested on top of the culvert. Maldonado and the children were able to evacuate the vehicle and walk to a nearby farm.

50 YEARS AGO Aug. 20, 1970

Superintendent J.K. Hoyer told the Whitehall district school board that the shop area at the new high school building now under construction should be ready for occupancy by Oct. 1.

A 16-year-old Eleva youth struck while walking on Hwy. 10 near Osseo is the sixth county traffic fatality of 1970.

John Fremstad, 13, got a hole-in-one on No. 3 of the Whitehall course last week, while golfing with Jeff Larson. It was the seventh time he had golfed.

A nine-year-old Arcadia boy is in good condition following a bicycle-motorcycle accident at about 5:15 p.m. Saturday. Jeffrey Sobotta has a fractured leg as a result of the accident. The driver of the motorcycle had only a few abrasions.

The Arcadia city council was informed that grants and aids at both federal and state levels are available for airport projects, including land acquisition. The first step is application to the state aeronautics administration in Madison.

Mrs. Dawn Zastrow, aunt of Sgt. James Sobotta who was critically injured in an ammunition explosion in Korea two weeks ago, received a personal letter from him Monday. She said his letter expressed an attitude of exceptional personal adjustment. He expects to be sent back to the U.S. near

the end of the month and will be hospitalized as close to home as possible. He received traumatic amputation of the left arm above the elbow, broken ribs and burns to the chest when a round of ammunition he was loading into a weapon detonated.

Arnold Thorpe was named department membership chairman of the Wisconsin American Legion by state commander Ed Ornsby.

Milton Thompson, Blair, was injured when the tractor he was driving rolled over twice.

Army Sgt. Jerry Waller, Taylor, received the Purple Heart during recent ceremonies in Vietnam.

William and Daryl Rose have re-opened the Texaco Station in Taylor.

75 YEARS AGO Aug. 16, 1945

The anxiety which was felt by folks at home for many hours, even days, was finally relieved when word was received here about 6 p.m. Tuesday that the Japanese emperor and his government had accepted allied peace terms. Here at Whitehall there was jubilation and demonstrations fitting for a small community. The fire siren screeched, whistles were blown, church bells rung and the old curfew in the City Hall belfry was tolled.

Cars topped the streets with horns honking and youngsters paraded with all kinds of noisemakers. At 8:30 p.m., services were held at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church and also at the First Baptist Church. Many business places closed Wednesday.

The most destructive fire in Whitehall in several years occurred Saturday evening, destroying the building known as the tobacco warehouse on the west side, just north of the railroad tracks. Flames damaged the nearby Illinois Cooperaage Manufacturing building, and the Douglas Mason residence 75 feet to the north caught fire briefly. The Arcadia, Blair and Independence fire departments came to assist the local firemen.

Ernest Foss and J.E. Rhode hired an airplane and pilot in Winona and buzzed the city of Whitehall Thursday afternoon. Flying down Main Street, Jack threw out a pack of cigarettes, thinking someone would see it. But spectators apparently were too busy watching the plane to see the hard-to-get fags, and Jack picked them up the next day where they had fallen, near the former Anton Melby residence.

Seven petitioners for citizenship were interviewed Aug. 8, and will probably be heard at the spring 1946 term of circuit court. Among them were Peter Johnson and Sverre Aasen of Whitehall, whose witnesses, respectively, were Theo. B. Olson and Albert Dahl, and Palmer Lee and Iner Voldsness.

Melvin Johnson, who resides on a farm a mile this side of Pigeon Falls on Hwy. 53, found a weather bureau instrument the other day that had parachuted to earth in his grain field.

Dorothy Willis, county nurse since 1941, has died at a hospital in Rhinelander. Willis became ill late last winter and in March she was granted a leave of absence by the county board. She has had two serious operations and she died as a result of a blood clot.

Coach William Cashen once again announces the start of the football season. He has also said that new floodlights on the ball park will enable football and baseball team alike to practice at night.

Blair Canning Corp has a large pea harvest this year. The large 10-room house of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Knutson in Lakes Coulee was completely destroyed by fire.

**100 YEARS AGO
Aug. 19, 1920**
Last Sunday night, an auto accident happened on the Osseo ridge in which the Misses Olive and Gladys Hammerstad, Hazel Hanson and Anna Mattson of

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WEEKLY POLL QUESTION

Are you comfortable with your school district's restart plan?

YES NO

Vote on our Twitter account: @TremCoTimes, Facebook page: www.facebook.com/trempecotimes, email andrew@trempecotimes.com or call us at 715-538-4765. Voting closes at 8 a.m. Tuesday morning. Results from this week's poll question will appear in next week's Trempealeau County Times.

LAST WEEK'S POLL QUESTION RESULTS

Should school districts require face coverings for students?

25% YES 75% NO

Trempealeau County Sheriff's Department Weekly Log



Wednesday, July 29

10:57 — Arcadia: Caller reported a white SUV pulling a trailer ran two stop signs and almost struck them.

14:06 — Whitehall: A load of liquid manure was spilled. Caller said it's a traffic hazard.

15:19 — Galesville: A big blue bus passed a tractor with oncoming traffic. About five or six vehicles had to swerve off the road to avoid an accident.

15:48 — Blair: A male just knocked on the door and tried to open it before the homeowner could get there. Male claims he is with a satellite dish company.

15:56 — Blair: Caller heard a knock on her door and someone was inside her back porch. A young male said he was with a satellite dish company. She said she no longer had a satellite dish and he said he'd "take her off his list" then left on foot.

22:20 — Eleva: Caller's husband is intoxicated and tried breaking down the door. He is threatening her.

Thursday, July 30

00:31 — Blair: Caller believes her boyfriend has a shotgun. He has already fired one round and is making threats toward himself.

02:10 — Arcadia: Caller said a vehicle is crossing the fog line and traveling at 42

miles per hour. 05:44 — Strum: Caller reported that someone was trying to get in her house.

12:16 — Osseo: Report of an elderly male walking along the highway with a walker. He said he was just released from the hospital and was walking to Eau Claire.

15:08 — Blair: Caller saw a male pull into a yard and possibly strike a female. The female was standing in the yard trying to prevent him from driving on it.

17:08 — Galesville: Caller was travelling on the highway and was struck by something. Caller doesn't know what exactly it was. There is damage to the vehicle.

18:30 — Whitehall: Caller's girlfriend stole his vehicle and is heading to Independence. He also said she hit him with the vehicle while she was leaving.

19:42 — Osseo: A dark SUV keeps switching lanes and is currently driving down the middle of the interstate, straddling both lanes.

20:25 — Osseo: Caller met a dump truck that was driving down the middle of the road. Caller had to swerve into the ditch and is now having issues with his truck.

20:32 — Osseo: Caller reported more vehicles than

normal are going up and down the road near a residence where there may be an underage party going on. 21:19 — Blair: Caller would like to speak with an officer in regards to a satellite dish salesman that is in the area.

22:11 — Trempealeau: Caller's neighbors are gone, but the caller saw a light on in the garage and a male standing outside. Caller said something to the male and the light was turned off.

23:15 — Eleva: Caller's ex is at the bar and threatened her family.

Friday, July 31

04:13 — Arcadia: Caller is translating for a female who said someone broke into her vehicle.

06:40 — Galesville: Caller said she is on a run and a strange man ran toward her. He is down by the creek fishing.

08:17 — Trempealeau: Caller reported a vehicle that doesn't belong there is on a dirt road.

12:59 — Osseo: Caller believes a male is committing fraud.

14:27 — Whitehall: Caller said a social worker is picking on him.

14:37 — Strum: Caller has been hearing yelling and screaming for the last couple of hours.

14:42 — Galesville: Open line. Caller eventually came on and apologized, said his dog stepped on his phone while he was driving and he didn't realize it.

15:37 — Blair: Caller requesting a welfare check on his friend who was talking about harming himself.

16:14 — Galesville: Third party report of a motorcycle that tipped over. A male and female passenger said they were totally fine, but the female was limping.

17:51 — Galesville: Caller's ex was acting disorderly tonight with their children and he broke things in the house. He took off on his motorcycle. Caller believes he is intoxicated.

18:05 — Whitehall: Caller would like to report that his son and son's friend keep coming to the caller's house and they are threatening him. 19:30 — Ettrick: Caller reporting he shot a bear that was threatening his calves and charged at him.

21:16 — Trempealeau: A male has been harassing her and he was just outside screaming about his son.

21:58 — Arcadia: Caller reported being followed by an unknown vehicle.

22:09 — Osseo: Caller reported an underage party in the area.

Saturday, Aug. 1

00:16 — Galesville: Patron is requesting enforcement for a male that the bartender asked to leave, but won't. 01:35 — Trempealeau: Officer is fixing a traffic cone in the road.

06:10 — Osseo: An ATV or UTV rolled and a subject's legs are pinned.

11:28 — Whitehall: Caller has medical questions. 12:40 — Galesville: Caller reported a female threatened to shoot him.

13:23 — Blair: Caller reported a water main cover tipped up as he went over it. He thinks a city worker needs to look at it as the cover is still tipped up.

15:07 — Whitehall: Caller requesting an officer regarding a sexual harassment complaint.

15:34 — Ettrick: A suspicious vehicle with no plates stopped in front of the caller's residence.

16:06 — Trempealeau: Caller reported a car is locked with children and keys inside.

17:10 — Osseo: Report of a brown steer with an ear tag headed toward the highway.

18:49 — Whitehall: Deputy assistance requested to restrain a combative subject.

19:45 — Osseo: Officer is out with a juvenile who is standing on the bridge.

20:31 — Strum: Female

is calling 911 because her sister won't take her to the back door and drop her off. Caller is arguing with her sister in the vehicle.

22:15 — Ettrick: Caller's ex-boyfriend comes over and takes items from her yard.

23:14 — Eleva: A white pickup truck rolled over. Someone got out and ran away.

23:14 — Eleva: A white pickup truck rolled over. Someone got out and ran away.

Sunday, Aug. 2
00:08 — Strum: Caller reporting a possible crash.

01:12 — Trempealeau: Assistance needed with an intoxicated male who is having a diabetic issue.

02:03 — Trempealeau: Caller reported a cow in the road.

03:50 — Eleva: Caller reported a yellow car with a driver who is passed out. The wipers are on and the windows are fogged up.

04:19 — Galesville: Caller is requesting a welfare check on a male who is sending messages about self-harm.

06:28 — Arcadia: Caller's friend found a car in the ditch. No one is around and there are no license plates on the vehicle.

06:46 — Strum: Report of a possible prowler. Not in the

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TREMPEALEAU COUNTY: Criminal Court Report

Aug. 3 Arraignment

Jeffrey Walker, 61, Elva, OWI (fifth or sixth), bail jumping-misdemeanor, resisting or obstructing an officer and operating while revoked. Pretrial conference scheduled for Aug. 24, status conference for Sept. 10.

Preliminary Hearing

Jessie Brown, 40, Chicago, Ill., possession with intent-heroin (>50g) and possession with intent-cocaine (>40g). Arraignment scheduled for Aug. 13.

Aug. 4 Initial Appearances

Jonathan Litzell, 24, Fall Creek, bail jumping-felony, disorderly conduct (domestic abuse) and disorderly conduct. Preliminary hearing scheduled for Aug. 18.

Olivia Templeman, 32, Menomonie, bail jumping-misdemeanor. Adjournd initial appearance scheduled for Sept. 8.

Andrea Olson, 30, Osseo, bail jumping-misdemeanor and operating while revoked. Pretrial conference scheduled for Sept. 14, status conference for Oct. 6.

Bryan Conant, 29, Strum, disorderly conduct (domestic abuse). Pretrial conference scheduled for Aug. 31, status conference for Sept. 10.

Jonathan Sandoval Cruz, 24, Arcadia, bail jumping-misdemeanor, computer message-threaten injury or harm, disorderly conduct (domestic abuse). Pretrial conference scheduled for Aug. 31, status conference for Sept. 15.

Darrin Mahnke, 53, Galesville, two counts of issu-

ance of worthless checks (<\$2,500). Pretrial conference scheduled for Aug. 31, status conference for Sept. 10.

Robert Watrud, 39, Sparta, 12 counts of issuance of worthless checks (<=\$2,500). Pretrial conference scheduled for Aug. 31, status conference for Sept. 10.

Status Conferences

Damein Smith, 51, Whitehall, resisting or obstructing an officer, hit and run, OWI (third) and operating with PAC (third). Plea/sentencing hearing scheduled for Sept. 8.

Plea/Sentencing

Ronald Jaszewski Jr., 28, Arcadia, pleaded no contest to possession of methamphetamine and operate with restricted controlled substance (second). Sentenced to 30 months probation, 10 days in jail, to have license revoked for 12 months and to pay court costs totaling \$1,429. Charge of possess drug paraphernalia was dismissed, but read in.

Tyler Lentz, 30, Eyota, Minn., pleaded guilty to possession of methamphetamine. Sentenced to two years probation and to pay court costs totaling \$518. Charge of possess drug paraphernalia was dismissed, but read in.

Alfredo Acahua Montalvo, 33, Dodge Correctional Institute, Waupun, pleaded guilty to bail jumping-felony and disorderly conduct (domestic abuse). Sentenced to six months in jail and to pay court costs totaling \$6,688.78. Two charges of battery (domestic abuse) were dismissed, but read in.

Jennifer Hair, 36, Elva, pleaded no contest to dis-

orderly conduct (domestic abuse). Sentenced to two years of probation and to pay court costs totaling \$443. Charges of child abuse-intentionally cause harm and bail jumping-misdemeanor (five) were dismissed, but read in.

Jenny Otterson, 34, Galesville, pleaded no contest to possession of Amphetamine/LSD/Psilocin and possess drug paraphernalia as part of a deferred prosecution agreement.

Jennifer Hair, 36, Elva, pleaded no contest to OWI (second). Sentenced to 10 days in jail (imposed and stayed), two years of probation, to have license revoked and ignition interlock device in place for 12 months and to pay court costs totaling \$1,555. Three charges of bail jumping-misdemeanor were dismissed, but read in.

Jennifer Hair, 36, Elva, charge of bail jumping-misdemeanor was dismissed, but read in.

Jennifer Hair, 36, Elva, charges of resisting or obstructing an officer and disorderly conduct (domestic abuse) were dismissed, but read in.

Aug. 5 Initial Appearances

Scott Morford Jr., 27, Whitehall, possession with intent-amphetamine (<=3g), bail jumping-felony (two), possession of methamphetamine and possess drug paraphernalia.

Sky Stuebs, 21, Independence, burglary-building

or dwelling-PTAC, theft-movable property (<\$2,500)-PTAC (seven), theft-movable property and resisting or obstructing an officer. Pretrial conference scheduled for Aug. 31, status conference for Sept. 10.

Status Conferences

Pedro Gomez Martinez, 34, Eau Claire, bail jumping-felony, battery or threat to judge, prosecutor or law enforcement officer, resisting or obstructing an officer and disorderly conduct. Status conference scheduled for Sept. 10.

Pedro Gomez Martinez, 34, Eau Claire, bail jumping-felony and disorderly conduct. Status conference scheduled for Sept. 10.

Jury Status Hearing

Pedro Gomez Martinez, 34, Eau Claire, two counts of battery or threat to judge, prosecutor or law enforcement officer and disorderly conduct. Status conference scheduled for Sept. 10.

Plea/Sentencing

Timothy Cox, 34, Eau Claire, pleaded no contest to bail jumping-misdemeanor and operating while revoked. Sentenced to pay court costs totaling \$886. Two charges of bail jumping-felony were dismissed, but read in.

Dismissals

James Shafer, 28, Eau Claire, charge of possession of drug paraphernalia-PTAC was dismissed on prosecutor's motion.

Aug. 6 Arraignment

Jesika Lindberg, 35, Altoona, bail jumping-felony and possession of methamphetamine. Pretrial conference scheduled for Aug. 31, status conference for Sept. 10.

Status Conferences

Tanya Neumann, 37, Merrillan, bail jumping-felony

and violate/harassment restraining order. Plea/sentencing scheduled for Sept. 15.

Tanya Neumann, 37, Merrillan, vehicle operator flee/elude officer, criminal trespass to dwelling, resisting or obstructing an officer and disorderly conduct. Plea/sentencing hearing scheduled for Sept. 15.

Carlos Marcus, 42, Onalaska, possession of methamphetamine-PTAC and possession of cocaine/coca (second or more). Status conference scheduled for Sept. 10.

Taylor Dobbs, 23, Dodge, possession of methamphetamine-PTAC and two counts of neglecting a child (specific harm did not occur). Plea/sentencing hearing scheduled for Sept. 8.

Kenneth Caldwell, 34, Holmen, bail jumping-felony, possession of methamphetamine, operate with restricted controlled substance (third) and possess drug paraphernalia. Status conference scheduled for Sept. 10.

Jason Pyka, 40, Arcadia, bail jumping-misdemeanor, violate harassment restraining order, resisting or obstructing an officer. Status conference scheduled for Sept. 10.

Thomas Danielson, 55, Osseo, disorderly conduct (domestic abuse). Status conference scheduled for Sept. 10.

Kenneth Doyle, 64, Blair, bail jumping-misdemeanor. Plea/sentencing hearing scheduled for Sept. 15.

Cody Dahl, 34, Blair, operate with restricted controlled substance (first with minor passenger <16 years old). Plea/sentencing hearing scheduled for Sept. 8.

Stephanie Erdman, 26, Taylor, theft-business setting (<\$2,500), theft-movable property (<\$2,500) and bail

jumping-misdemeanor. Plea/sentencing hearing scheduled for Sept. 8.

Kalika Mayer, 22, Chipewewa Falls, bail jumping-misdemeanor. Plea/sentencing hearing scheduled for Sept. 15.

Kenneth Doyle, 64, Blair, resisting or obstructing an officer and disorderly conduct. Plea/sentencing hearing scheduled for Sept. 15.

Joseph Cruz, 27, Germantown, two counts of bail jumping-misdemeanor. Plea/sentencing hearing scheduled for Oct. 6.

Conrad Leskela, 46, Whitehall, disorderly conduct. Jury status hearing scheduled for Sept. 2, jury trial for Sept. 24.

Joseph Cruz, 27, Germantown, disorderly conduct (domestic abuse) and criminal damage to property. Plea/sentencing hearing scheduled for Oct. 6.

Plea/Sentencing

Grant Bowdish, 55, Eau Claire, pleaded guilty to possess firearm-convicted of out-of-state felony and intentionally point firearm at law enforcement officer, fire fighter, emergency medical technician, etc. Sentenced to nine months in jail, five years of probation and to pay court costs totaling \$1,036. Charge of operate firearm while intoxicated was dismissed, but read in.

Adam Johnson from Karen Gibbons, village of Trempealeau, \$132,000.

Parker Ramseier from David and Judith Hageness Sr., town of Sumner, \$75,000.

Tyler and Kayla Vitse from Jerome and Catherine Puchalla, town of Lincoln, \$340,000.

Mahlon and Esther Mast from Moses and Barbara Wengerd, town of Preston,

Grant Bowdish, 55, Eau Claire, charge of bail jumping-felony was dismissed, but read in.

Grant Bowdish, 55, Eau Claire, two charges of bail jumping-felony were dismissed, but read in.

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area now, possibly occurred a couple of hours ago.

09:31 — Galesville: Caller would like to speak to a deputy regarding threats received via social media from the girlfriend of her child's father.

10:54 — Strum: Caller reporting an open door that wasn't open the night before.

12:16 — Arcadia: A car was left in the caller's yard. Caller doesn't know who it belongs to or why it is there.

12:58 — Whitehall: Call-

er reporting a four-wheeler with an adult and some children not wearing helmets. Caller thinks they should be checked on.

14:30 — Strum: Caller's mother is in the front yard harassing her.

15:13 — Galesville: A vehicle struck a building. Two occupants are out of the vehicle.

15:31 — Blair: Caller reported a male is going door-to-door trying to give people food. The caller declined and the male got upset and started calling her names.

15:56 — Blair: Caller found a male on the floor.

16:16 — Blair: A red pickup passed the caller and the person flipped him off. They are also throwing beer cans out the window and the truck has no license plates.

16:34 — Trempealeau: A missing juvenile is possibly at a residence.

17:42 — Arcadia: A white pickup is crossing the center line; cars are having to swerve.

19:15 — Arcadia: Caller has received a counterfeit bill.

19:34 — Whitehall: Caller reporting a black SUV at a high rate of speed.

21:22 — Blair: Caller reported a child is being disorderly and screaming.

21:48 — Elva: Caller's brother has been harassing her on social media.

Monday, Aug. 3 04:07 — Whitehall: Two cows are loose.

04:49 — Osseo: An officer is out removing debris from the roadway.

08:09 — Blair: Caller requesting a welfare check. They have not seen or heard

from a client since July 15 and the client's phone has since been shut off.

08:59 — Osseo: Caller believes his truck has been vandalized.

09:39 — Galesville: Caller found property that they would like to turn over.

10:25 — Whitehall: A deer that was hit by a truck needs to be dispatched.

14:26 — Elva: Caller would like to file charges for the theft of sunglasses.

15:37 — Elva: A vehicle slid off the road and hit a tree. Two occupants are claiming they are not injured.

15:47 — Osseo: Report of a white semi that is all over the road.

19:06 — Elva: Caller requested a deputy make contact with her neighbor and ask her to move her garbage can from behind her vehicle.

19:20 — Strum: Caller reported a husky-type of dog in the roadway.

20:07 — Blair: Outagamie County requesting assistance locating a vehicle with a stolen license plate.

20:47 — Arcadia: Caller found a calf laying in a drainage ditch.

21:10 — Osseo: A vehicle slid off the road and went into the ditch.

21:22 — Galesville: A driver was texting while driving and going off the roadway.

23:20 — Strum: Caller said there is a prowler around her house. She left her door unlocked and wants to get her dog.

Tuesday, Aug. 4

09:43 — Blair: A bull is

walking around on the road.

09:52 — Osseo: A semi nearly ran a car off the road.

12:28 — Osseo: A truck with a trailer is tailgating, trying to pass and crossing the center line.

13:30 — Osseo: EMS requested for a female who passed out. She is breathing and is on the floor.

15:05 — Blair: Jackson County requesting assistance in attempting to locate subjects in reference to a child custody case.

15:09 — Arcadia: A female trespassed at the caller's home and tried to start a fight.

15:54 — Galesville: Caller reported a house that is visible from the highway has smoke coming from at least a few windows.

20:01 — Trempealeau: An intoxicated male struck the caller in the face.

21:24 — Blair: 911 call from Jackson County. Dispatch heard a lot of noise on the call and several loud voices then someone said "everything is fine here" and the call disconnected.

21:40 — Galesville: A car hit a rock.

22:18 — Whitehall: Caller requesting to speak to Jackson County in regards to a missing person.

22:22 — Elva: Caller reported that a female is making false reports against her.

22:56 — Trempealeau: Caller is requesting an officer for a female who is intoxicated and throwing things around.

Wednesday, Aug. 5 00:14 — Strum: Caller reporting harassment.

TREMPEALEAU COUNTY: Real Estate Transactions

The following real estate transactions were registered on the Wisconsin Department of Revenue's website between Aug. 3 and Aug. 7.

Courtney Schubauer and John Lawler from Lucas and Natasha Bleskacek, village of Trempealeau, \$238,900.

Heriberto Padilla from Gary Eckman, Audrey Holland, Carol Sill and Lou Nichols, town of Preston, \$115,000.

Lanie Wheeler-Kuchan from Larry Kleiboer, town of Ettrick, \$97,000.

Naomi Servais and Jonathan Wiench from Danielle Garcia and Erick Riveiros, city of Independence, \$159,500.

Wisco Property Group, LLC, a Wisconsin Limited Liability Company from Ross and Emily Anderson, city of Galesville, \$107,000.

Daniel Leffelman and Heather Kammerude from Lawrence Tischleder and Marilyn Tischleder, town of Ettrick, \$275,000.

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LLC from 1625 Blaschko Ave. LLC, city of Arcadia, \$888,775.

Dale Wallin from Robert Ofsdahl and Betty Ofsdahl, village of Ettrick, \$85,500.

Paul Gilbertson from Thomas Gilbertson, town of Unity, \$50,000.

Anthony and Tamara Monson from Thomas Gilbertson and Paul Gilbertson, town of Unity, \$240,000.

Calvin Brantner from Comfy Properties, LLC, city of Whitehall, \$125,000.

Alan Przybilla and Gregory Przybilla from Alan Przybilla, town of Burnside, \$56,300.

Adam Johnson from Karen Gibbons, village of Trempealeau, \$132,000.

Parker Ramseier from David and Judith Hageness Sr., town of Sumner, \$75,000.

Tyler and Kayla Vitse from Jerome and Catherine Puchalla, town of Lincoln, \$340,000.

Mahlon and Esther Mast from Moses and Barbara Wengerd, town of Preston,

\$100,000.

Justin Hanson from Andrew Devine and Kathryn Devine, town of Gale, \$265,000.

Brandi Smith from Harold Poast Jr. and Ellen Myhre-Poast, city of Osseo, \$228,000.

Pro Contractor Solutions LLC from Duane Latsch, village of Trempealeau, \$28,250.

Bradley and Tricia Hanson from Edward Radomski, town of Trempealeau, \$186,900.

Kry Kee LLC from All Eight, LLC, town of Arcadia, \$754,900.

Karem Amundson from All Eight, LLC, town of Arcadia, \$195,000.

Jena Teigen from East Side Apartments of Osseo, LLC, city of Osseo, \$149,900.

Paul Jacobson and Kristi Owens from Paul Jacobson, town of Arcadia, \$90,000.

Thomas and Leanne Jacobs and Ramsey Jacobs

from Diane Reid, city of Blair, \$104,000.

Robbie and Laura Lien from Lavem and Jonnie Berg, town of Ettrick, \$7,000.

John and Julie Follett from Michael Halama, town of Hale, \$7,200.

R.A. Hoffer LLC from Union Bank of Blair, city of Blair, \$10,000.

Mariela Barrios from Aloszyz P. Saverynski Estate, city of Independence, \$47,000.

Brianna Olson from Estate of Joel Stevens, city of Blair, \$79,500.

Raymond Yoder, Amanda Yoder and Perry Yoder from William and Lorene Hochstetler, town of Preston, \$115,000.

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Times Sports



Striker's wins area fastpitch tournament

A win over Ffats Brewing Company made it a clean sweep for Striker's Lanes, out of Baldwin as they won two tournaments played in Pleasantville this year.

The first win for Striker's came in the annual Pleasantville Fourth of July tournament. The most recent was last Saturday as they defeated the host team in a tournament that would typically be played in Whitehall the weekend of Beef and Dairy Days, had the annual celebration not been cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Dan Ducharme of Striker's out-battled Ethan Ringlien for a 2-1 win. Ffats took a 1-0 lead in the fourth when Gary Sartor doubled and was brought home when Ringlien doubled. But that's the only offense Ffats could manage.

Zach Campbell tied the game with a two-out RBI single in the fifth. J.R. Dachel reached on an error in the sixth and scored on a double by Ducharme.

Ducharme allowed eight

hits and struck out nine while Ringlien also struck out nine and allowed three hits. Both were named to the 2020 all-tournament team.

The Pleasantville Lions Club took third in the tournament, edging Johnson Hardware 5-4 in extra innings.

Rob Herman was the winning pitcher, relieving Mitch Hanson. Gavin Shintgen went three-for-four for Pleas-

antville and Isaac Skoyen had two hits for Johnson.

East End defeated Shamps Bar 4-2 in the consolation game with John Kupka getting the win.

Brock Haines had four hits while Joe Garofalo had a two-run double for East End. Dalton Swett had a two-run single for Shamps.

Strikers had three members on the all-tournament team

with Campbell and catcher Jeff Newton joining Ducharme.

Infielder Sartor and outfielder Jared Burt joined Ringlien on the team for Ffats. Isaac Skoyen represented Johnson Hardware and Rental. Rob Herman made the team for Pleasantville. Shamps was represented by Trevor Hammer and Haines was picked for East End.

Weiner's, Ffats advance in playoffs

By Andrew Dannehy Times Editor

La Crosse Classics/Watson's Supper Club finished the regular season undefeated before Weiner's Bar and Ffats Brewing advanced in the opening round of the Dairyland Fastpitch Softball League playoffs last week.

The regular season ended last week Tuesday when Watson's scored two runs in the top of the eighth inning to win a pitcher's duel.

The game was scoreless entering the top of the eighth before Tony Meidl hit a two-run single with two outs. Grant Mathson had singled in the inning and Abe Maurece

reached on an error. A passed ball put them in scoring position for Meidl.

T.J. Nereng was the winning pitcher, allowing two hits while striking out eight in the game. Ethan Ringlien took the loss, allowing four hits with 15 strikeouts.

That ended the regular season with Watson's at 4-0 while Weiner's was 3-1 and Ffats, East End Bar and Pleasantville Lions were all 1-3.

The playoffs began on Thursday with Watson's receiving a bye.

Weiner's got a gem from Matt Stuhr as he allowed three hits and struck out 12 in a 6-1 win over Pleasantville.

Weiner's was leading 2-1 in the sixth before Connor Kokott smashed a three-run

home run to break the game open. Stuhr added two hits and Tim Hemmersbach tripled in the game.

Conner Brekke, Gavin Shingen and Randy Herman had the hits for Pleasantville.

In the other playoff game, Ffats got a shutout from Ringlien as they topped East End 5-0.

Ringlien allowed just one hit and struck out 14 in the win.

Miles Helgeson had two hits, including a triple. Ringlien, Rob Herman, Hans Hoesley and Rudy Koniff had RBI singles.

The league championship game will be played Aug. 20 in Ettrick. Ffats will play Weiner's in the semifinal at 6:30 p.m. with the winner taking on Watson's at 8 p.m.

Merchants clinch trip to WBA playoffs

By Andrew Dannehy Times Editor

After finishing the regular season undefeated the Osseo Merchants easily handled Chippewa Falls in their Wisconsin Baseball Association playoff qualifier last week.

Because they went undefeated in regular season play, finishing with a 7-2 win over Beef River on Wednesday, the Merchants had a bye in the first round of the WBA qualifier tournament. That meant they only needed one win to qualify for the state tournament, which is what

they got Sunday by defeating Chippewa Falls, 11-2.

The state tournament will be held this weekend with games played on two fields, one in Spooner and the other in Hayward. There will be 12 teams — two from each league — with the Eau Claire Bears joining Osseo from the Chippewa River Baseball League. The Bears won the 2019 WBA championship, defeating Osseo in the first round of last year's tournament. Osseo won the title in 2018.

The schedule for the WBA

tournament had not been announced as of press time.

Osseo 7 Beef River 2
The Merchants pulled away late with five runs in the last three innings as they finished the regular season with a win.

Osseo scratched one run across in the top of the first inning, but Beef River tied the game in the bottom of the fourth.

The Merchants regained the lead with a run in the fifth then began to distance themselves with two in the

top of the seventh. After the Bull Frogs scored one in the bottom of the seventh, Osseo responded with two in the eighth and one in the ninth for the win.

Osseo had 10 hits in the game led by Nolan Matson, Todd Wienkes and Dakota Clouse, who all had two. Matson had two RBIs while Wienkes, Clouse, Joe Zawacki and Cal Freitag all had one.

Preston Gamroth got the win, tossing the first six innings with two hits and one walk while striking out five. Reese Vold finished the game with three hits and two walks while striking out one in the final three innings.

Osseo 11 Chippewa Falls 2
A three-run first inning gave the Merchants a cushion before they broke the game open in the fifth and sixth.

Osseo came out swinging with three runs in the first inning before adding one in both the second and third, but Chippewa Falls matched them in the last two innings.

Entering the bottom of the fifth with a 5-2 lead, Osseo began to pull away with three runs before adding three more in the sixth to go ahead by the final score.

Osseo out-hit Chippewa Falls 13-6 as Jaxon Kostka had three hits while Ryan Freitag, Cal Freitag and Jackson Johnson all had two. Ryan Freitag also had three RBIs, while Jesse Brockman, Kostka and Wienkes all had two.

Osseo pitchers Luke Eide and Tyler Sparger combined for 12 strikeouts. Eide got the win, tossing the first seven innings with five hits and three walks while striking out seven. Sparger finished the game allowing one hit while striking out five in two innings.



Preston Gamroth pitched Osseo to a win in its final regular season game against Beef River last week Wednesday. (Times photograph by Andrew Dannehy)

The Whole Nine Yards

by Zac Bellman

NBA the Example for Combating COVID-19

It is truly astounding when a professional sports league, instead of being the reward for a functional society, has to be the example of one.

The National Basketball Association announced this past week, their first week of regular season games since isolating their players in a bubble in Orlando to safely conduct games, that none of their 343 players tested positive for COVID-19 since tests were last announced on July 29. While some measures not available for mass production are being employed, such as the wearing of biometric devices to measure vital signs, the league's early successes show the effectiveness of masks, social distancing and regular testing.

While Major League Baseball has already endured two team outbreaks as of the writing of this column due in part to scheduling a marathon of games with regular travel, the NBA appears to be on much better footing. This is not by accident. While there have been publicized dissenting opin-

ions on the seriousness of the virus even among NBA players, the league has given them few options other than to take the virus seriously. Anyone entering the bubble has to quarantine for up to 48 hours until they register two negative COVID-19 tests, and anyone who leaves the bubble and returns must quarantine for up to 10 days and undergo COVID-19 and antibody tests. Players stay in their own hotel rooms and all staff at their hotels are regularly screened as well.

Meanwhile in the MLB, at least some players have been handling COVID-19 with the same lack of seriousness that a decent segment of the U.S. population has over the past four months. With the virus being as contagious as it has proven to be, it doesn't take many on a private team charter to suddenly have an entire roster in need of quarantine. Twenty-seven-year-old Boston Red Sox pitcher Eduardo Rodriguez was even shut down for the season after developing a heart condition as a result of his bout with COVID-19.

The idea that this virus only affects those in poor health or of advanced age is a myth, and Rodriguez's experience should be a wake-up call to all inside and out of baseball.

Much like the country as a whole up until recently, Major League Baseball has trusted their players to "do the right things" to protect themselves and others. State, local and federal authorities have similarly held off on enforcing or implementing mask mandates out of either misguided trust or fear of losing their seats in power.

While individuals and politicians like to frame the wearing of masks as a freedom issue, their protests ring hollow. The only freedom those people are exercising is the right not to care about a single person other than themselves. As the death toll rises above 150,000, it is beyond time to drop America's freedom fetish and start presenting a more united front against COVID-19.

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Coulee Conference approves fall sports planning concept

By Zac Bellman
Times Staff

In a step toward a potential fall high school sports season in the Coulee Conference, member district superintendents passed a planning concept Monday for conducting fall sports in 2020.

Under the proposal, "low risk sports" as determined by the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA) including girls golf, tennis, cross country and swimming & diving would begin practice on Aug. 17. "Moderate or high risk" sports such as volleyball, football and boys soccer would begin practices on Sept. 7. Competition could begin as soon as Aug. 20 in girls golf, Aug. 21 in tennis, Aug. 25 for cross country, Sept.

15 for boys soccer and volleyball and the week of Sept. 23 for football.

According to Arcadia athletic director Bruce Schweisthal, schools do have their eye on additional guidance likely coming from a Friday meeting of the WIAA Board of Control. The superintendents are scheduled to meet this coming Monday to discuss any options that arise based on that meeting.

The approved proposal by Coulee superintendents included rough guidelines for competition that featured the cancellation of most non-conference and invitational matches, with an emphasis on preserving conference play. Cross country is looking at a meet schedule of three to four conference meets of eight to 10 teams. The Vernon

County, Gale-Etrick-Trempealeau and Arcadia's Holte Invitational were highlighted as meets likely to be conducted, with perhaps one additional conference meet.

Football would compete in a Coulee-only modified schedule. The elimination of crossover games against the Middle Border Conference would schedule a bye week for each team.

Volleyball will be scheduled to play every conference opponent once, with the potential for an additional non-conference game with a team in close travel proximity. Modifications to play will also be considered, such as bench distancing and teams remaining on one side of the court for the duration of the match.

The overall fall sports schedule proposed

included one conference volleyball match and one conference football game per week, with the same schools playing each other in each match that week. The proposal also would potentially create northern and southern groupings of schools that would play each other early in the season to decrease travel, with the second half of the season featuring matches between more distant schools in the conference.

Conference championships and all-conference recognition will not be held due to the potential for teams to be unable to compete at various points during the season.

The proposal also leaves the door open for WIAA tournament participation based on fluid circumstances in the COVID-19 pandemic.

Obituaries

Gary B. Haines

Gary Bernard Haines, 67, of Arcadia, passed away Tuesday, August 4, 2020, at Gundersen Tri County Hospital in Whitehall.

Gary was born July 7, 1953, in Arcadia to Bensel and Clotaire (Misch) Haines. Gary graduated from Arcadia High School in 1971. On June 17, 1989, Gary married Paula Keilholtz at St. John's UCC Church in Fountain City. To this union a son, Nathan Haines, was born.

Gary served two terms as President of the Arcadia Co-Op Board. He loved farming, his dairy herd of Brown Swiss, and was proud of Kathy, his Reserve Grand Champion, at the World Dairy Expo. He also enjoyed hunting, coin collecting, his animals and his truck. In Gary's down time, he liked to watch Let's Make a Deal, playing Candy Crush, playing the lottery and working in his garden.

Gary is survived by his wife, Paula Haines of Arcadia; son, Nate (Libby) Haines of Golden Valley, MN.; siblings: Jerome "Jerry" (Sherry Reck-Haines) Haines, Wayne (Patricia) Haines, Anne (Dale) Sonalla, all of Arcadia; and 21 nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; aunts; uncles; and

his favorite uncle, Herman Misch.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, private family services will be held at Wozney-Killian Funeral Home with burial in Calvary Cemetery, rural Arcadia. To express condolences to his family on line please visit www.wozneykillianfh.com.

Duane "Beak or Smoke" J. Tamke

Duane "Beak or Smoke" John Tamke, 59, of Arcadia passed away Tuesday, August 4, 2020, at his home.

Duane was born October 3, 1960, in Whitehall, to Albert and Bonnie (Ryan) Tamke. He graduated from Arcadia High School and had been employed by Value Implement in Arcadia. On October 25, 2010, he married Sally Roskos Sura, in Whitehall.

Duane loved to farm, hunt, participate in tractor pulling, fix tractors, ride snowmobile, but most of all, loved spending time with his grandchildren.

Duane is survived by his wife, Sally of Arcadia; sons: Tyler (Erin) Tamke of Arcadia, Travis (Taylor) Tamke of Blair; daughter, Michelle Peaslee of Beaver Dam; mother, Bonnie Tamke of Holmen; siblings:

Charlotte (Bruce) Winkler of Eau Claire, Linda (Dennis) Borge of Arcadia, Larry (Lisa Halverson) Tamke of Arcadia, Bryan (Sandy) Tamke of Arcadia, Alan (Tammy) Tamke of Winona, MN.; and seven grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father, Albert Tamke, April 12, 2020; and son, Derek Sura.

A Celebration of Life will be held in Duane's honor on Saturday, September 19, 2020, at 1:00 p.m., at the Riverland Energy Community Room.

To express condolences to his family online and for further service updates, please visit www.wozneykillianfh.com.

Henry H. Keil

Henry Horner Keil, 87, of Whitehall, and formerly of Alma Center, died Wednesday, August 5, 2020, in his home.

Henry was born February 20, 1933, in DuBois, IL., to Theodore and Faye (Polley) Keil Sr. He married Donna R. Oppergard, July 23, 1955, in Evanston, IL. Donna preceded Henry in death, March 28, 2012.

Henry served in the U.S. Army and owned and operated his own photography business.

He enjoyed golfing and

polka dancing with his dancing partner, Clarice Henrickson.

Henry is survived by two sons: David of Alma Center, and Erick of Raleigh, NC.

In addition to his parents and wife, Henry was preceded in death by a son, Steven; a brother, Theodore "Teddy" Jr.; and two sisters: Connie Kuberski and Jeanne Dycus.

Graveside services were held Saturday, August 8, 2020, at 11:00 a.m., at East Lawn Cemetery in Alma Center. Pastor Greg Mandigo officiated.

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

Larry G. Thompson

Larry Gene Thompson, 78, passed away peacefully Thursday, August 6, 2020, surrounded by his loving family.

Our loving husband and father was born at home, November 10, 1941, in Blair. Soon after, the family moved to rural Hixton. In 1948, they moved to the current family farm in Hegg. Larry lived and farmed on Sky View Acres for 72 years. He always enjoyed telling adventurous stories of growing up on the farm with his two brothers, Ardel and Eddie, and his sister, Louanne. Larry attended Hegg Grade School and later graduated from Blair High School.

In 1962, he met the love of his life, Martha Engebretson, at a 4-H meeting at the parsonage. They married on August 1, 1964, and he was very proud to celebrate their 56th wedding anniversary. Together they raised four children...Uff-Da!

Larry loved everything hunting and fishing. He enjoyed several hunting and fishing trips with family and good friends, especially Bob Kraemer. Most of all, he enjoyed the pre- and post-hunting camaraderie and storytelling. He loved the many years he spent bowling with the Hegg Blue Tubes at the Tranhaus. Larry truly loved the entire Hegg community. He was a life-long member of the

North Beaver Creek Lutheran Church, where he served on the church council and as president for many years. Larry was proud of his 25 years of service to the AMPI Board and his many years of working with the Hegg Happy Harvesters 4-H Club. Just like all true Wisconsinites, he was a die-hard Badgers, Packers and Brewers fan.

In his last few years, Larry loved spending time with his nine grandchildren. He loved having them all around and watching their many activities. His greatest joy came from his "Gator" rides with grandchildren and anyone who dared get in with him. He strongly valued family, friends and his faith.

Larry is survived by his wife, Martha; and his children: Cheryl (Ward) Brown, Karen (Tim) Robertson, Julie (John) Eckel and David (Jayme) Thompson; his grandchildren: Reed and

Annie Holliday, Katie and Emma Robertson, Jacob and Jordan Eckel, and Tyler, Abby, and Brady Thompson. Larry is also survived by his brother, Eddie Jr. (Lynn) Thompson; sister, Louanne (Mike) Duffield; sister-in-law, Sharon Thompson; close friend, Rory Holliday; and many beloved cousins, nieces and nephews.

Larry was preceded in death by his parents, Eddie and Agnes (Moen) Thompson; his brothers: Ardel and Roger; and a sister, Linda.

An outdoor visitation was held at the family farm, Tuesday, August 11, 2020, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The family requests that you please follow COVID-19 guidelines.

A private family service will be held Wednesday, August 12, 2020. Kratz Funeral Home - Portage (www.kratzfuneralhome.com) is assisting the family with arrangements.

DEATH NOTICES

Sharon H. Sampson

Sharon Helene Sampson, 82, of Hixton, passed away July 30, 2020, while under the care of Black River Memorial Hospice.

A private funeral service has been arranged. Family and friends were invited for a graveside burial service Tuesday, August 4, 2020, at 12:00 p.m., at Sechlerville Cemetery in Hixton. Pastor Denise Anderson officiated. Social distancing and masks were encouraged. Memorials may be given to Black River Memorial Hospice or Our Savior's Lutheran Church.

Jensen-Modjeski Funeral Home has assisted the family with services.

Daniel M. Zuba

Daniel M. Zuba, 43, of Independence, died Friday, August 7, 2020, in Independence.

No services are scheduled. Edison Funeral Home, Independence, is assisting the family with arrangements.

Christopher J. Lang

Christopher James Lang, 50, of Arcadia, passed away

at his home on Saturday, August 8, 2020.

A Celebration of Life will be held in Christopher's honor at a later date due to the COVID-19 pandemic. To express condolences or memories to his family online, please visit www.wozneykillianfh.com.

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Whitehall, and Alma and Anna Hoff of Osseo, were precipitated over the embankment. The car turned over two or three times, and while it is a wreck, the young ladies escaped with only slight injuries to two of their number. The place where the accident occurred is said to be a somewhat treacherous piece of road, as no guardrail is provided to protect from a dangerous curve and a very steep hill.

County Superintendent Helen Berg has given the following list of school engagements for this community: Carpenter, Cassie Nelson; Upper Plum Creek, Nettie Paulson; Lower Plum Creek, Lillian Kurth; West Lincoln, Mabel Pederson; Pike, Hazel Paulson; Wagner, Lucille Kees; Daggett, Edna B. Larson; Fuller Coulee, Mary Woychik; Maule Coulee, Mabel Truog; Saxrud, Clara Stensby; Caswell, Mabel Nyseth; Coral City, Lucretia Morden; Thorson, Emma Rognlien; and Pigeon Falls, Alice Everson and Alma Hauge.

Independence is planning

on sinking a deep well for the village water supply, and have an expert on the grounds to determine the location.

Pigeon Falls — A number of young people enjoyed a marshmallow roast on the other side of the river last week Wednesday evening.

J.F. Muir and family of Arcadia departed Monday for California where they will spend the winter with their sons George and Russel.

125 YEARS AGO

Aug. 15, 1895
L.L. Solsrud surprised his family with a new piano last week.

Miss Kittie Melby has introduced the bloomers in the neck o' woods, and makes a graceful appearance on her wheel.

Grant Winner, besides making a first-class article of butter, and lots of it, for the Whitehall Creamery Association, has a hennery of no small proportions. He raised 300 spring chickens, and has at present time upwards of 200 fine broilers.

Contractors Foley and Connelly are waiting for the engine for the waterworks plant. A number of parties have tapped the pipe and will be supplied with water when the system is finished. The village board has not yet fixed the water rental. Simon Olson has pur-

chased A.G. Buchholz's building on Main Street, one of the best business locations in town. Mr. Olson, together with a gentleman from Independence, contemplate starting a meat market.

Virgil Borst of Independence was at the county seat between trains yesterday. He has recently been released from a long quarantine at his home on account of scarlet fever, with which his children were afflicted. He expects to return next week to St. Paul, where he has held a position with the Pioneer Press since last March.

Pigeon Falls — It is reported that on Sunday, while the people were away to church, somebody broke into the residences of Anthon Ekern and N.C. Kaas, and in the latter house secured a few dollars. Tramps have been seen about here lately, to whom the blame is assigned.

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CITY OF ARCADIA

Arcadia City Council Regular Meeting May 20, 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; Alderpersons Paul Anderson, Joe Feltes, Kevin Mayzek; City Staff Chad Hawkins (via conference call); Alderwoman Maryls Kolstad; City staff Angela Berg; Amy Bergerson; Deb Foss from the Trempealeau County Times; and members of the public. Operations Superintendent Rolle Conrad and Alderman Dan Sonsalla arrived later.

Clerk Berg verified that the agenda was posted 24-hours in advance at City Hall, State Bank of Arcadia, Arcadia TV & Appliance, and city website by 4:30 p.m., on May 15, 2020.

Mayor Reichwein led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

There were no public comments. Motion by Feltes, seconded by Anderson, to approve the meeting minutes from the May 6, 2020, Regular Meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

There was discussion on park rentals and the Pavilion rental at Memorial Park for large gather-

ings. There will be no rentals prior to July 1st and this date will be reevaluated to see if the city needs to extend it through the summer. Park bathrooms and shelters will remain locked until further notice.

Motion by Feltes, seconded by Mayzek, to adopt Ordinance 2020-5, A Charter Ordinance Repealing and Recreating City of Arcadia Ordinance 117, as amended from time to time previously, Relating to Municipal Judges in the City of Arcadia, Wisconsin, and as codified as Chapter 22 of the City of Arcadia Code of Ordinances. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Feltes, seconded by Anderson, to approve the Provisional Building Permit for Arcadia Credit Union. Motion carried 4-0.

Alderman Dan Sonsalla and Operations Superintendent Rolle Conrad arrived at 5:43 p.m.

Rolle Conrad gave a department update. No formal action was taken.

Motion by Feltes, seconded by Mayzek, to void the 2020 Aquatic Center Lease with the Arcadia School District as the aquatic center will not be open in 2020. Motion carried 5-0.

There was discussion of the park and recreation budget for 2020 as the aquatic center is not opening, and no summer recreation programs will be running. Budget Amendment 2020-2 was proposed to reduce summer programming revenues with a corresponding reduction in expenditures. There were additional wages budgeted for park maintenance projects this summer. Motion by Feltes, seconded by Anderson, to approve Budget Amendment 2020-2, with a decrease in the revenue budget of \$85,650 and decrease in the expenditure budget of \$85,650. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Feltes, seconded by Sonsalla, to open city hall up for business on Thursday, May 21, 2020. Motion carried 4-1 with Kolstad voting "no".

Motion by Feltes, seconded by Mayzek, to approve a provisional building permit to the Arcadia Ambulance Service. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Feltes, to approve the bills of general account in the amount of \$193,829.56. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Feltes, seconded by Sonsalla, to convene into Closed Session Per Wis. Stats. Sec. §19.85(1)(e) "Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session." Potential City Hall Purchase. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Feltes, seconded by Mayzek, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Feltes, seconded by Anderson, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Feltes, seconded by Mayzek, to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting ended at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by: Angela Berg, Clerk-Treasurer, WNAXLP

Arcadia City Council Regular Meeting June 3, 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; Alderpersons Paul Anderson, Joe Feltes, Kevin Mayzek, and Dan Sonsalla; City Staff Chad Hawkins, Angela Berg and Operations Superintendent Rolle Conrad; United for a Dream members Luis Cruz, Maria de Jesus Tala Vera, Carmen Lisowski, Jackie Deniz and Andres Aguilar. Alderwoman Maryls Kolstad and Deb Foss from the Trempealeau County Times attended the meeting via Gotomeeting conference call.

Clerk Berg verified that the agenda was posted 24-hours in advance at City Hall, State Bank of Arcadia, Arcadia TV & Appliance, and city website by 4:30 p.m., on June 1, 2020.

Mayor Reichwein led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Feltes, seconded by Mayzek, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Public Comments: Mayor Reichwein read an email from former alderman Adam Schlessler asking that the COVID-19 signs be taken down at the parks and the parks be opened up. No action was taken.

Motion by Sonsalla, seconded by Mayzek, to approve the meeting minutes from the May 20, 2020 regular meeting, changing the minutes to reflect that Alderwoman Maryls Kolstad attended the meeting via conference call. Motion carried 5-0.

Luis Cruz and Carmen Lisowski spoke regarding the 2020 United for a Dream Event. With the concerns over COVID-19, the group has decided to have a drive-thru event instead of an in-person event on July 18, 2020. No formal action was taken.

Motion by Feltes, seconded by Sonsalla, to recommend to the Town of Arcadia to enter into a contract with Jewell Associates Engineering, Inc. for Gaveney Road Improvements. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Feltes, seconded by Mayzek, to approve the Letter of Support to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers regarding the Section 205 Flood Risk Management project dated June 3, 2020, and authorize Mayor Reichwein to sign the letter on behalf of the City of Arcadia. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Mayzek, seconded by Sonsalla, to approve 2020 Fireworks Seller Permits to Express Mart and Meinen Bros. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Sonsalla, to adopt Permitting 2020-4, Resolution Permitting Mid-Year Election Changes to the City of Arcadia Bexiflex Plan per 2020 CARES Act. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Sonsalla, seconded by Feltes, to approve the bills of general account in the amount of \$133,071.47. Motion carried 5-0.

The May 2020 general fund revenue and expenditure reports were included for informational purposes only. No action was taken.

Motion by Sonsalla, seconded by Anderson, to approve the following 2020-2021 Operator Licenses: Amanda Berg, Su-Ann Haines, Mitchell Sobotta, Jacob Sonsalla, Leanne Haines, Katelyn Kulig, Jonathan Nelson, Laura Sonsalla, Austin Johnson, Philip Monso, Joseph Palmer, Nicole Aguilar, Peter Bouzek, Martha Diebold, Brooklyn Olson, Walter Rice, Karen Blaschko, Kristie Glodowski, Jorge Luque Oviedo, Diane Schroeder, Karen Skroch, Zachary Suhr, Jessica Bautch, Marcia Benson, Autumn Clapperton, Caleb Erickson, Amanda Gierok, Amy Pronschirsk, Joseph Pyka, Sari Krueger Smith, Heather Servais, Sharon Waldera, Tonya Allard, Lynn

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING

Case No. 2020CV95
State of Wisconsin, Circuit Court, Trempealeau County

In the Matter of the Estate of TYLER RAY HELTON

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above from: Tyler Ray Helton to Tyler Ray Wolfwood.

IT IS ORDERED: This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Trempealeau County, State of Wisconsin, on the 2nd day of September, 2020, at 11:15 a.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 in the Trempealeau County Times, a newspaper published in Trempealeau County, State of Wisconsin.

BY THE COURT: /s/ Rian W. Radtke Circuit Court Judge (Published July 29, August 5, 12, 2020) WNAXLP

NOTICE TO CREDITORS (Informal Administration)

Case No. 2020PR000029
State of Wisconsin, Circuit Court, Trempealeau County

In the Matter of the Estate of FREDRIC W. BACE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: An application for informal administration was filed. The decedent, with date of birth August 11, 1930, and date of death June 29, 2020, was domiciled in Trempealeau County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of: 406 E. Walnut Street, Strum, WI 54770.

All interested persons waived notice. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is October 31, 2020. A claim may be filed at the Trempealeau County Courthouse, Room 214, Whitehall, Wisconsin.

/s/ Jill F. Clark Register in Probate July 31, 2020

ATTORNEY:

Terrence J. Madden Kestner, Kosto & Brovold, LLC 108 West Main Street Arcadia, WI 54612 608-323-3351 Bar Number: 1000926 (Pub. August 12, 19, 26, 2020) WNAXLP

NOTICE TO CREDITORS (Informal Administration)

Case No. 2020PR000030
State of Wisconsin, Circuit Court, Trempealeau County

In the Matter of the Estate of SAMANTHA MARIE WESTLUND

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above from: Samantha Marie Westlund to Samantha Marie Westlund-Wolfwood.

IT IS ORDERED: This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Trempealeau County, State of Wisconsin, on the 2nd day of September, 2020, at 11:15 a.m., at the Trempealeau County Courthouse, 36245 Main Street, Whitehall, WI 54773.

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whose address is P.O. Box 400, Independence, WI 54747. You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not demand a copy of the Complaint within 40 days, the Court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

Dated this 27th day of July, 2020.

KULIG, MICHALAK & FRANKLIN P.O. Box 400 Independence, WI 54747 715-985-3091 State Bar No. 1006074 (Pub. August 5, 12, 19, 2020) WNAXLP

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, September 2, 2020, at 9:30 a.m., in the County Board Room of the Courthouse, 36245 Main Street, Whitehall, Wisconsin.

PURPOSE: Land Use Change/Rezone from Rural Residential (RR) to Commercial (C) on approximately 9.86 acres, to have the appropriate zoning in place for lodging facility use (cabins, cottages, and resort).

LOCATION: A strip of land in the SW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 1, Township 18 North, Range 8 West, Town of Gale, Trempealeau County, Wisconsin, also a piece of land in the SE ¼ of the NW ¼, and part of Government Lot 3 of Section 1, Township 18 North, Range 8 West, Town of Gale, Trempealeau County, Wisconsin.

Hearing requested by Richard & Lori Severson, Landowners/Petitioners.

Your attendance and comments are encouraged at this hearing. If you are unable to attend and have any questions, please call Kirstie Heidenreich with the Department of Land Management at 715-538-2311, ext. 254, or email at kirstie.heidenreich@co.trempealeau.wi.us.

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

Please know that written comments will be read at the public hearing up to 250 words. All written comments must include the name and address of its author and the request that the letter be read at a particular meeting date. Any special interest groups or expert witnesses will be allowed 20 minutes to give a presentation and must register at least one week prior to the meeting date by calling Mark Carlson of the Department of Land Management at 715-538-2311, ext. 259.

Sincerely, **Mark Carlson**, Zoning & Sanitary Specialist (Published August 12, 19, 2020) WNAXLP

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NOTICE OF HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the Village Board of the Village of Trempealeau, Wisconsin, will hold a **Public Hearing** on the possible adoption of an amendment to the Village of Trempealeau's floodplain zoning ordinance. The public hearing will be held at Trempealeau Village Hall, 24455 3rd Street, Trempealeau, Wisconsin, at **7:00 p.m., on August 20, 2020.**

The proposed amendment to the floodplain zoning ordinance amends chapter 497 of the Village of Trempealeau Code of Ordinances to allow the modification, addition, maintenance, repair, and reconstruction of nonconforming buildings in the floodplain regardless of the cost of work performed to the building if (i) the building is changed to comply with the applicable requirements under 42 USC §§ 4001 to 4129 or the regulations promulgated under those provisions, and (ii) any living quarters in the nonconforming building are elevated to be at or above the flood protection elevation.

Interested persons, or their attorney or agent, may present testimony regarding these matters at the hearing or present comments in writing to the Village Board of the Village of Trempealeau at the address listed above prior to the hearing. For additional information, please contact Roxroy Barrett, Village Planning and Zoning Director, or Kathy Peterson, Village Clerk, at: 608-534-6434.

PUBLIC HEARING MAY BE JOINED BY CONFERENCE CALL. Participants may join by dialing 608-405-8085, and entering **Conference ID #532866.**

We may have up to 50 people on the Conference Call. Please announce your arrival in the meeting as we will do a roll call. Attendees should mute their phones unless they are speaking to cut down on background noise.

/s/ Kathy Peterson, Clerk Village of Trempealeau Dated: July 23, 2020 (Published August 5, 12, 2020) WNAXLP

CITY OF GALESVILLE

City of Galesville Regular Meeting May 14, 2020

Mayor Howe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Notice of the meeting was posted according to Open Meeting Law Requirements.

Present: Mayor Vince Howe; Alderpersons Kelly Kreger, Randy Larson, Linda Skwierawski, Tom Thatcher, Tyler Truax, and Jean Wallner. Absent: None. Also present were: Chief Evenson, DPW Todd Peterson, Clerk Suzanne Johnson, Attorney Matt Klos, Brice Nelson, Paul Oloson, Christine Vehrenkamp.

Mayor's Report: None. Clerk Johnson presented the minutes of the April 21, 2020, Organizational Meeting. Moved by Alderperson Thatcher to approve the meeting minutes. Motion carried (6-0).

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Committee Reports, Recommendations:

1) Public Utilities – There were no meetings held; 2) Police, Fire & Personnel – There were no meetings held; 3) Recreation Committee – There were no meetings held; 4) Parks & Sanitation – There were no meetings held; 5) Streets & Sidewalks – Alderperson Truax presented a report for the May 12, 2020 meeting discussing possible handicap parking revisions on First Street and sidewalk repairs for the Presbyterian Church. No action was taken;

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The position is open until filled but initial round of applications are due on August 20, 2020. A competitive wage with benefits will be offered. Send a letter of application or resume listing qualifications and two letters of recommendation to:

Mr. Barry Schmitt, District Administrator, Independence Public School, 23786 Indee Blvd., Independence, WI 54747

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