Voters will narrow field in two races Tuesday

7th District and state Supreme Court candidates on ballot

WASHBURN COUNTY – Voters will go to the polls Tuesday, Feb. 18, to take part in a special primary election that will narrow the ballot in two separate elections, one for the 7th Congressional District and one for state Supreme Court.

The election for 7th District Congressional representative will decide which of two candidates each from the Democrat and Republican parties will appear on the May 12 special election ballot. The winner will replace Republican Rep. Sean Duffy, who resigned last year after learning his and his wife’s soon-to-be-born child had a heart defect. The winner will also be up for re-election in the fall to retain the seat for a full two-year term.

In the Republican race, current state Sen. Tom Tiffany faces off against newcomer Jason Church, an Afghanistan veteran who lost both of his legs when an IED detonated. Candidates on the Democratic ticket are Tricia Zunker, a constitutional law professor and a Ho-Chunk Supreme Court justice, and Lawrence Dale, an insurance salesman who ran for Congress in 2014 as a Green Party candidate and describes himself as a “Bernie Sanders Democrat.”

Supreme Court

Voters across the state of Wisconsin will narrow a field of three candidates for state Supreme Court justice to two, who will appear on the Tuesday, April 7, ballot.

Incumbent Dan Kelly was appointed in 2016 by then-Gov. Scott Walker, a Republican. He faces Dane County Circuit Judge Jill Karofsky and Marquette University law professor Ed Fallone. Kelly is part of the current conservative majority (5 to 2) on the court and should Fallone or Karofsky should win in April, that majority would drop to 4-3.

More information, including profiles of the candidates, can be found on our website at leaderregister.com, under “elections,” at wpt.org, at myvote.wi.gov and at elections.wi.gov. – Gary King
15th-annual Valentine Vignette fundraiser held

Teri Reiter and Bill LaPorte teamed up for “You Are Mine.” This is an inspirational song of God’s love for you.

Jeffery Rongner and Gracen Zaloudek sing “Santa Fe” from the upcoming Spooner musical “Newsies.” The musical will start on Thursday, March 12, and will run through Saturday, March 21.

Musician and storyteller Kevin McMullin sings a ballad he wrote and tells a story of his favorite aunt.

Haylee and Jerry Hershey sing a love song at the Faith In Action Valentine Vignette held Sunday, Feb. 9, at Spooner Wesleyan Church. The couple have been regular singers at the annual Valentine’s show. The effort was able to raise $3,200 in freewill donations for Faith In Action.

The Spooner Select Choir, under the direction of Greta Linton, sang the beautiful song “Ave Maria.” The select choir is made up of top singers at Spooner High School; the students audition for a position in the choir.

St. Francis de Sales School singers Hailey Stariha, Peyton Daniels and Isabella Ripley sing a song from their upcoming musical, “Beauty and the Beast.” The musical will run from Thursday, March 5, through Saturday, March 7.
Birchwood School District poses $5.8 million referendum to voters

Danielle Danford | Staff writer

BIRCHWOOD — On Tuesday, April 7, residents of the Birchwood School District voted to pass a $5.8 million operational referendum proposed by the school district.

The referendum unanimously approved the resolutions to go to referendum during its regular November meeting. The referendum asks the voters to exceed the revenue limit by $530,000 in the 2021-2022 school year and by $1,371,500 in the 2022-2023 school year through the 2024-2025 school year.

According to city officials, this type of survey was about 20 years in the making, and the city responded to this service uses listening devices at city works. Services to be done. Bill Marx, the street department would be made aware of it and advised LFRC to repair roof sections as needed.

Student programming • Maintain current programs and update curriculum.

Diane Johnson, Birchwood School District superintendent, told the Register that the district is unable to fund these projects due to its receiving zero state aid.

Because the area has many lakes, Birchwood is a tourist destination and therefore, Birchwood is considered property rich, population wise and income wise. The last time the city did a survey, Johnson reported state revenue to the district has decreased while operating costs increase.

“Birchwood receives less money than we did 20 years ago,” she added.

Johnson noted the district has been dealing with “a lot of mental health, emergency detention issues again.” One incident Christian noted involved a man who attempted to light his house on fire, and another involved a man who attempted to light his house on fire.

The referendum also asked voters to drop off before incurring new debt,” Johnson added. “Another challenge is real, and the support we are asking for are for needs, not wants,” said Johnson.

The referendum passed the vote of 1,819 yes and 70 no.

The referendum asked voters to pass the $5.8 million operational referendum. If the referendum passes, about $63 of the proposed $5.8 million would start in the 2020-2021 school year.

A community survey to gauge district residents’ support for a referendum showed 71% responded yes or probably yes to supporting the referendum. The survey also showed that 51% of respondents were over the age of 65. Johnson said the Register that since she has been superintendent the community has always shown support for the school district.

“Believe most in the community have come to understand that the financial challenges and real and the support we are asking for are for needs, not wants,” said Johnson.

The Birchwood School District poses $5.8 million referendum to voters.

Spooner approves costs, learns Hwy. 63 project delayed

SPOONER — The Spooner City Council approved the cost for a water leak detection survey, learned the DOT Hwy. 63 project was delayed, and heard of ongoing challenges with mental health care and upcoming changes to the city’s regular monthly meeting held Tuesday, Feb. 3.

In public comments 1st Ward resident Marilyn LaPorte voiced her concern over the city’s housing remaining lack of maintenance. She cited the streets with ice accumulation seems to worsen the farther the streets are from the city center.

The HOA’s and street districts and streets there are “getting pretty impossible.” She also questioned why snow is being pushed up 10 to 15 feet into her yard when there are vacant lots nearby. Gary Cupsey, mayor, commented that the city street department would be made aware of her concerns.

Leak survey

The city council approved the cost for a water leak detection survey. The city’s water manager, Bill Marx, city administrator, told the council that the city tested water leaks at city hydrants where there may be leaks in the water line. The last time the city did this test was in 2018, and the city is currently retesting to ensure the city water utility. The council approved the cost for the service on a unanimous vote.

Hwy. 63 project delayed

During the meeting, the council learned that the DOT Hwy. 63 project was delayed to delay the project on Hwy. 63 through the city due to a change in the plans for the project. The DOT has determined to make the intersection meet current federal standards instead of just rebuilding what is there now. Due to this plan change, the city needs another year to iron out real estate issues. In discussion, it was noted that the city’s government did not have wide curbs and make it safer to turn.

Ash Street project assessment

The city council approved the engineering special assessment report for the Ash Street project during the meeting. The report covers the planned construction phase of Ash Street from First Street to Bashaw Street, which is similar to what the city did on Elm Street. A public hearing on the special assessment for the construction project will take place Tuesday, March 3, at 5 p.m.

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The city council approved the CSM on a unanimous vote.

Guard unit update

In mayor’s comments Cupsey noted that the local guard unit on active duty in the Middle East is doing well. They are based in Kuwait with detachments that move out from there to different assignments. One person suffered a work-related injury, but no tactical injuries have been reported and their morale remains good.

Mental health

In Spooner Police Chief Jerry Christensen’s monthly report to the council, he noted the department has been dealing with “a lot of mental health, emergency detention issues again.” One incident Christian noted involved a man who attempted to light his house on fire.

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The city council approved a quitclaim deed action taken by the city council will clear the title and will not affect the roadway. The council approved the quitclaim deed action on a unanimous vote.

The council also approved an extra-territorial certified survey map for Mark Schultz on a 5-acre property on CTH A. Marx noted Schultz had created a lot to sell the land and that it meets all the city’s zoning requirements and was approved by the plan commission. The council approved the CSM on a unanimous vote.

Services

Thursday for Don Tobias

SHELL LAKE — Funeral services will be held Thursday morning, Feb. 13, for Don Tobias, a longtime radio announcer for WCSW in Shell Lake and WAQE and WMMQ in Rice Lake.

Tobias died Thursday, Feb. 6, at the age of 76.

Services begin at 11 a.m. at Salem Lutheran Church in Shell Lake.

Tobias, a Navy veteran, took an announcing job with WCSW in 1971 and worked there until 1983 when he joined WAQE and WMMQ, where worked until 2008. He was the keynote speaker at the 1981 Shell Lake High School commencement ceremony.

A full obituary appears elsewhere in this issue. - Gary King
Another new low - if possible
The past few weeks have been truly remarkable - and scary.

Start with the utter scam of the impeachment "trial."
The fiasco, farce of it being any semblance of fair.
The complete denial of allowing facts or completely distorting them; not allowing witness testimony. Add the lies and rabble-rousing, threats and lawlessness under the Constitution by Dershowitz and Starr.

Question. What is impeachable? Obvi-ously, nothing. The oath of office of the president apparently has no meaning. Nor does the oath taken by 53 of the 100 senators. That’s plain scary.

No meaningful argument that he did and is still doing great wrongs. He and others admitted, bragged about that. No doubt left he is completely corrupt, that his motives are completely self-serving, completely egomaniacally motivated. But obviously not concerning to the 53, and to many others.

Keep asking. When will decency, honesty, integrity prevail? When will those supposedly representing us, plus voters, realize that the emperor has no clothes? When will decent people return to having a conscience? When will farmers wake up? When will the middle class wake up? When will the wonderful tax cut for average Americans go passed? When will the “terrible” ACA be replaced by Trump’s wonderful, so much-better health care plan? When will the promised 5-6% growth in our economy start? When will the promise of completely erasing the national debt happen?

Simple answer to all of the above: under Trump’s leadership, it’s complete fiasco, a complete con job. A complete nonreality show, orchestrated by a complete charlatan. Putting the country before the country has, unfortunately, become the new norm, the new reality. Normals, with any conviction, is dead. But maybe, just maybe, there are enough normals out there who think, believe differently. Those that don’t want, need a dictator, one who completely ignores, thumbs his nose at anything democratic or decent.

Trump is in the complete gutt of politics. Don’t think he can sink lower, but with him, nothing would surprise me.

March is coming. Primaries, debates, fundraisers. Hopefully, legitimate attempts by qualified people with intelligence will surface and provide a powerful and positive alternative to the present embarrassment.

Who? As of now, for me at least, any one that’s running. This just can’t continue. Those the most basic plain English, this abomination of decency has no right to be leading. Morally, ethically and yes, legally. The biggest fascist, fake, fraud in our history.

Till later, stay informed, get involved, have been. I have been. And when the times come, vote, locally, statewide and nationally.

Rellie Erickson
Shell Lake

Retain civility
How do we decide who is in charge to run the government? Isn’t it through elections?
Over the years and the many elections held in this country, the losing side would generally accept the result and go to work on winning the next election.
This is no longer the case. Over the past three years the Democrats have worked tirelessly to delegitimize the election and throw President Trump out of office. Apparently the only legitimate elections are the ones they win. They refuse to work on measures that would be beneficial for the country and the future of the country. We need to get back to convincing our citizens that our vision and point of view are the only ones for our country. If we fail to convince enough people and lose the election, we should accept the result and work towards making things better. But our ideas are considered in any legislation or ruling. The next election provides the best time to remove someone from one office. No matter how much we disagree with our opposition, we need to retain civility and order and not resort to rabble-rousing, threats and lawlessness if we expect to remain a free republic.

James Lewis
Shell Lake
Big changes coming for 2020 Shell Lake fireworks show

"HELL LAKE - The Shell Lake Chamber has been busy working on the 2020 Shell Lake July 3 block party and fireworks show for 2020. One of the biggest changes for July 3, 2020, is that the Shell Lake Chamber has taken on the challenges of the fireworks display. The chamber has redesigned the entire show and will be bringing it back to the public beach area.

This even happened because of organizations and individuals who donated $4,400 to allow the purchase of the new electric firework ignition system. The chamber is grateful to the city of Shell Lake for their continued support of $5,000 for fireworks show.

The Shell Lake Fire Department will step back from being responsible for shooting off the fireworks. "We have been very fortunate to not need the fire department to respond to a fire call during the duration of the fireworks show. This decision will allow the firefighters to spend time with their families and said Ed Dryden," fire calls," said Shell Lake Fire Chief Keith Dahlstrom.

The Shell Lake Chamber extends gratitude to the fire department and the dedicated individuals of that department for the many years they have had the fireworks show successful and as safe as possible for all attendees.

When trying to redesign the entire fireworks show with a new ignition system and new locations, they were fortunate to have the support of the Shell Lake Parks and Recreation Committee and community leaders who were very interested in the possibilities. They had the opportunity to tap into the expertise of Keith Dahlstrom, responsible for the dangerous job of lighting the fireworks out of harm’s way.

“We have to work with many different departments and individuals to make all of this happen," said Stephanie Kopp. "Last year we had to turn it back to Dahlstrom that they worked on making sure they kept the public as safe as possible, keeping the required distance priority, yet still keeping spectators close enough to feel like they are part of the show.

“We have worked with many different departments and individuals to make all of this happen," said Stephanie Kopp. "Last year we had to turn it back to Dahlstrom that they worked on making sure they kept the public as safe as possible, keeping the required distance priority, yet still keeping spectators close enough to feel like they are part of the show. They said 6,200 spectators would be at the beach for the show, but they feel that they are on the right track.

If you wish to donate toward the fireworks show you can write a check payable to "City of Shell Lake," designate "Fireworks" and mail it to PO. Box 121, Shell Lake, WI 54871, in the memo line just write fireworks. Cash donations can be dropped off at Kopp’s Bar at 27 5th Ave. or at The Body Shop Fitness Center at 457 Hwy. 63 in Shell Lake.

Volunteer or be part of the chamber team: The Shell Lake Chamber is looking for individuals and businesses that want to be involved in different events in the community. If you wish to volunteer or become part of the Shell Lake Chamber, please contact Shannon Kloppe at 715-468-4745. Matt Dryden at 715-577-9064 or Stephanie Naessen at 715-468-7679.

Register Memories

- The Myers Radio and Television Service was a new business to open in Shell Lake. The business was located in the old Woodruff Grocery and Dahli’s Tavern. Bob Myers, owner, stated that he would sell, install and service radios and television sets and deal in new and used records.

- Mr. and Mrs. Lester Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. James Swan attended a ski tournament at Mont du Lac Resort, south of Duluth, Minnesota.

1950 – 70 Years Ago

- New members welcomed at Salem Lutheran were Mrs. Irene Vinatieri, Arthur and Linda, Mrs. Shirley Johnson, Curtis and Lois, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Volgsten, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Koeneman and Mrs. William Durspek.

- New arrivals at the Shell Lake hospital were Susan Marie to Mr. and Mrs. Morris Mullikin, Feb. 10; Darlene Kay to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Kessler, Feb. 10; and Keith Lynn to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Boyd, Feb. 12.

- Eight senior members and four social members were present at the Twin Valley 4-H Club meeting held after a sliding and skating party at the Warren Strellrecht home. Officers elected were John Biver, president; Karen Foss, secretary; Tom Biver, treasurer; and Jane Strellrecht, reporter. Mrs. Rudy Eckerson and Mrs. Warren Strellrecht served lunch.

1970 – 50 Years Ago

- Employees of Indianhead Memorial Hospital and the Shell Lake Clinic, who had formed an employees’ fundraising committee, turned over to the hospital $2,950 to be used toward completion of the new laboratory. Through dinners, bake sales, rummage sales and other means the group raised the money.

- An announcement was made that anyone in need of a haircut needed to turn over his badge and retired from the Shell Lake Police Department.

- The Shell Lake City Council paved a sidewalk near the new tennis court that was chosen for the building on city property located between the city’s sewer and water plant.

1980 – 40 Years Ago

- The president of Arctic Enterprises announced that the Lund American Inc. Fiberglass boat plant in Shell Lake would close following completion of current production.

- Mr. Poquette’s kindergarten class won the second Campbell’s Labels for Education contest sponsored by the Shell Lake Lion’s Club. Her class collected 537 labels, bringing the grand total to 6,300 labels collected.

- The Shell Lake wrestlers put up a strong performance in the first Conference Tournament. All-conference champions were Fred Johnson, Ed McGraw and Tom Elliott. Runners-up were Pete Frey and Dan Elliott. Consolation winners were Joe Hile and Andy Lehenbauer. Fourth place went to Rick Roemer.

1990 – 30 Years Ago

- Philip Swan and Carl Petterson were chosen Good Citizens at Shell Lake Elementary School.

- After 30 years of walking the bear, Chief of Police Ralph VanMeter decided to turn in his badge and retired from the Shell Lake Police Department.

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2000 – 20 Years Ago

- Jackson Smith, Brent Konop and Lance Schulz were named all-conference with 9-0 records at the Lakeland Conference Wrestling Tournament. Jared Kidder was also named all-conference with an 8-9 record.

- Eighth-grade Dramarama participants were Michael Boelterman, Ashley Paffel, Amanda Leckel, Trevor Rydberg, Daniel Smith, Anne Bitney, Trish Schaefer, Rachael Baldosci, Kayla Kemp, Rachael Spears and Duane Hostetler.

- Seventh-grade participants were Teri Manel, Mya Dosch, Marlon Fields, Kip Reynolds and Matt Pesko. Fifth- and sixth-grade participants were Kelsey Bitney, Marlon Fields, Melissa Story, Stephanielle Mellen, Tysen Basset, Ryan Leckel, Michael Johnston, Alyssa Degner, Britt Barski, Kaela Kopp, Stephanie Henshrot, Teri Sue Hecht, Britt Dahlstrom, Derek Hostetler, Joelyne Trippe, Jamie Sue Hansen and Jessica Hostetler.

- The third-annual Washburn County American Cancer Society Relay For Life was held at the Badgerland Civic Center in Spooner. The event raised over $20,000 for the American Cancer Society.

2010 – 10 Years Ago

- Ski Shell Lake hosted its second annual free ski and snowboard Trails in Shell Lake.

- The Shell Lake Junior High held its annual spelling bee. There was a tie for the eighth-graders. Curtis Parker, David Breton and Sam Livingston would compete in a runoff to determine who would advance to the next level. Seth Olson would represent the seventh-graders.

- The winners of the National Educa- tion Association Poster Contest from first to sixth place were Artemia Schreiber, Katie Crosby, Bailee Hanson, Ashley Meister, Adrianna Smith and Austin Schultz. The contest is open to fourth-graders with the theme The Land Holds All the Stories.

Donations

- To make these things happen and get the fireworks back to the lakeside, they had a goal of $5,000. Tom Klassa donated the pontoon and logistics for the event. Shell Lake Coin Mock Ceramic Lesbian $1,210 donated $1,500, Shell Lake Lions Club donated $1,500, Ignite Dispensary donated $1,000 and LakePlace.com donated $200.

- Donations of even $10 would greatly help in allowing them to improve the July 3 block party and fireworks show. This would be a great time to advertise your business and show your support with one of the biggest captive audience events that Shell Lake has to offer.

- If you have any questions or want more information about the fireworks build, fireworks show or street dance please email Matt Dryden at drydene@comcast.net or call Matt at 715-577-9064.

Shell Lake Lions Calendar Winners

Feb. 3 - S35
Margaret Smith, Seattle, Wash.
Feb. 5 – S35
Kim Martin, Shell Lake
Feb. 5 - S55
Toni Leigh Gullen, Coon Rapids, Minn.
Feb. 7 - S35
Joe Rounse, Shell Lake
Feb. 7 - S35
 Sue Carlson, Jamaica

Calendar Winners

Feb. 6 - $35
Seattle, Wash.
Feb. 3 - $35
Coon Rapids, Minn.

Weather

2019 LOW HIGH PRECIP.
Feb. 3 6 10 0.2" snow
Feb. 4 7 25 1.0" snow
Feb. 5 8 25 2.0" snow
Feb. 6 8 25 4.5" snow
Feb. 7 23 13 2.1" snow
Feb. 8 8 13 7.8" snow
Feb. 9 9 20
Feb. 10 9 20

2020 LOW HIGH PRECIP.
Feb. 3 4 20
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Feb. 5 30 20
Feb. 6 29 20
Feb. 7 19 20
Feb. 8 19 20
Feb. 9 30 20
Feb. 10 28 20

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The 1989-1990 Shell Lake High School wrestling squad was made up of, back row (L to R): Coach Jim Campbell, Steve Flach, Nathaniel Melton, Andy Kidder, Joe Kidder, Mr. Prochnow and coach Art Berlin. Middle: Jerred Farley, Scott Farley, Ken Alipiot, Troy Farley, Jay Anderson and Rodney Lawrence. Front: Tim Schultz, Ty Hopke, Barry Strellrecht and Paul King. - File photo

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COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

**February**

**Wednesday, February 12**
- Third-annual fundraiser chill cook-off at Edina Realy in Stone Lake, starting at noon. For information, call Marie 715-531-2763.

**Thursday, February 13**
- Trauma-Informed Community event on Feb. 13, 6-7 p.m. There will be a movie screening: “Not Enough Apologies - Trauma Stories” and a panel of trauma-informed care community partners. The event will be held at the Spooner Memorial Library, 635-2792 for special accommodations or information.
- Kids’ Valentine Day Craft, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., at the Shell Lake Public Library. Create a photo frame for someone special. Visit shelllakelibrary.org or call 715-468-2074.

**February 15**
- Movie and panel discussion, “Not Enough Apologies - Trauma Stories,” at Spooner Memorial Library, 6 p.m.
- Shell Lake Lions Club meeting, 6:30 p.m., Shell Lake Community Center.
- Blood drive at the Methodist church in Spooner, noon – 6 p.m., redcrossblood.org, 800-733-2767.

**February 17**
- Big Meat Raffle at VFW Post 10568 in Springbrook, 6 p.m. - 10 p.m.
- Blood drive at the Methodist church in Spooner, 6 a.m. – 6 p.m.; and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- Lutheran Church, 1790 Scribner St., Spooner.
- Library.
- Noon - 6 p.m., redcrossblood.org, 800-733-2767.
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**Brown Bag Book Group**
- On Wednesday, Feb. 19, the Brown Bag Book Group will discuss “Vacationland” by Sarah Stonich. A writer / editor / journalist from Minneapolis, Sarah is noted for her beautiful storytelling. “Vacationland” has been called “funny, haunting and heartbreaking.” Note: Mark your calendars for Thursday, May 7, at 6 p.m. for an author visit with Sarah Stonich!

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- Shell Lake Lions Club meeting, 6:30 p.m., Shell Lake Community Center.
- Square Dance will be held at the Stone Lake Lions Hall.
- Northern Lights Camera Club, 7 p.m., Trinity Lutheran Church, 1790 Scribner St., Spooner.
- Shell Lake PTA meeting, 6 p.m., in the 3-12 school library.
- Shell Lake/Spooner Masonic Lodge 221 meeting, 7 p.m., at the lodge.
- Shell Lake Public Library Board of Trustees meeting, 4 p.m., at the library. The public is welcome.
- Free community meal, 4-6 p.m., United Methodist Church, Spooner. All welcome. Donations accepted.
- Veterans Support Group, Maple Ridge Nursing Home, Spooner, 9:30-11 a.m., with light refreshments served.

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Starlight and dewdrops are awaiting thee;
Sounds of the rude world heard in the day;
Lull’d by the moonlight have all passed away!
Beautiful discovery of the morning light.
List’ while I woo thee with soft melody.
Go, answer the calls of life’s songs thyself;
Beautiful dreamer, awake unto me!
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Nancy

I have known a few females who were given the name Nancy by their parents when they were born. A girl named Nancy lived in our neighborhood when I was growing up. When I became an adult, I worked with a lady named Nancy. There was also a canoeist called Nancy. And of course, I am sure all of us have heard of a politician named Nancy. Nancy I am thinking about as I write this column is the voice that is on the other end of the phone line when I pick up. Every time she calls, she says, "Hi, this is Nancy." She then tries to go on with more info, but I laugh and say, "Hey, Nancy, it’s been a couple of hours since you last called." The next time she calls, she is always happy and has something interesting to tell me. Have you been receiving calls from Nancy, too? She can be tricky as the number that shows up on the caller ID isn’t always the same number. In fact, we once received a call that showed up with our own number phone. One day, after what I think was the third call from Nancy that day, we received a phone call that indicated it was from our friend Brian. To be funny, I answered the call with "Hi, Nancy, how are you?" This was a bit confusing for Brian as he was yet to receive a call from Nancy. I explained to Brian how Nancy was a very persistent caller. The next time she called to talk to Milt, Brian said in a higher-than-normal voice, "Hi, this is Nancy." So, we seem to have a running joke about Nancy. You may wonder, what does Nancy want? Well, I did allow the recording to continue for a few seconds longer one day and she is calling to tell me something about a brace I can get. Well, brace yourself, Nancy. I am not looking for a brace at this time. She also told me the phone call that was the last one I would be receiving from her. Nancy isn’t very truthful. She must have meant the last call for that hour.

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This week seems to fly. I find it hard to believe that January is gone and we are heading for the middle of February. Last week we held a fantastic pregame party, celebrating with pizza and root beer floats. Staff and residents dressed in their favorite team colors. It was a fun day.

Special thanks to Onaleigh Bryans, owner of Merry Miss Desserts, who donated different flavored cupcakes to our party. They were absolutely delicious, melting in your mouth. If you need special cupcakes or desserts, check her out on Facebook.

SHELL LAKE HEALTHCARE HAPPENINGS

Mary Zethel, activities director

SHELL LAKE ALUMN CENTER MEETINGS

Monday: Discovery Sprouts Play Group, 10 a.m. - noon, at the Lakeland Family Resource Center, 819 Ash St., Spooner. Story time, songs, crafts, music and snacks provided.

Tuesday: Kids Club Play Group at Lakeland Family Resource Center, 819 Ash St., Spooner. Monday to Friday, 9 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m. (includes lunch, program of crafts, exercise games, music, quiet time. Call 715-416-2942.

Wednesday: Regional Hospice support group meets, 1:30 p.m., at Trinity Lutheran Church, 7905 Stobert St., Spooner. Snacks, soap, cookies and music provided. Open to all.

Today: Cancer Survivors, 5 p.m., Community Center, 405 Lake Drive, Spooner. Open to all survivors and caregivers.

Thursday: Discovery Sprouts Play Group at Spooner Memorial Library, 6-6:45 p.m. no need to register; snack, activity. Every Thursday except holidays.

Story time at Birchwood School, 1:45 - 2:30 p.m. Story time for preschool aged children, however all ages welcome to attend. Stories, activities provided by Lakeland Family Resource Center. Questions, Call 715-839-1151.

Friday: Story time at Shell Lake Public Library, 10:30 - 11:15 a.m. Monday, grandparent, daycare providers, etc., are invited to bring their preschoolers to a storytime of storybooks and crafts, snacks.

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Friday, Feb. 14, Valentine’s Day, we will be celebrating with special music performed by Railroad Rob, one of our favorites, with snacks and refreshments. Celebration gets underway at 1:30 p.m. and continues until 3 p.m. Come on over and join the fun. We would love to have you.

Until next week, Nancy
Wisconsin public school enrollment down as diversity increases

Total enrollment in Wisconsin public schools decreased by 15,661, the lowest in the school year ending June 30, 2019, according to Department of Public Instruction data. 

Enrollment in the 2019-20 school year, while the student population is more diverse, due largely to increasing numbers of Hispanic students, according to updated findings of the Wis- consin Policy Forum’s 2019 School Datal.”

WISCONSIN FARM ASSOCIATION

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Local students speak about conservation

WASHBURN COUNTY – On Friday, Jan. 24, nine students from NorthStar Community Charter School participated in the annual conservation speaking contest hosted by the Washburn County Land and Water Conservation Department. Speeches promoted the conservation of natural resources and the protection and enhancement of environmental quality.

Judges ranked two divisions of students for first through third place. The winners and speech titles are as follows:

Elementary division (fifth and sixth grade)
First place went to Kaylynn Koenig for “Help protect our groundwater.” And third place went to Gunnar Golembiewski for “Nanosilver-NA-know your Silver.”

Junior division (seventh and eighth grade)
First place went to Thomas Jarrell for “Jumping worms – Let’s jump into it.” Second place went to Makana Sanders for “Soil Conservation.” Third place went to Silas Kidder for “Chinese Mystery Snail.”

The first-place winners moved on to the Northwest Wisconsin area contest on Thursday, Feb. 6, in Hayward, to compete with students from up to 10 counties. First-place winners will move on to the state contest in March during the statewide County Land and Water Conservation Conference in Green Bay.

It’s amazing, the time and dedication the students take to research their topic and practice their speech, and even more inspiring to have them stand in front of an audience and speak on something they are concerned about. Gratitude is extended to the teachers and parents for encouraging the students to get involved in the contest. Good luck to the students and way to represent Washburn County!

Student voice: Lobbying in Madison for northwestern Wisconsin

Sean Hodkiewicz | Junior, Rice Lake High School

I recently traveled down to Madison with the Heart of the North lobbying group. The group was made up of students and community members from the counties of Barron, Rusk, Sawyer and Washburn. We had an early start to the morning with our 6 a.m. departure from the Rice Lake Chamber of Commerce. We went to the Capitol in Madison with the goal of lobbying for important issues for our area. Prior to our trip to Madison, the Heart of the North lobbying group met twice to prepare for the trip to the Capitol.

There were eight high school lobbyists who came on the trip, three from Rice Lake; two from Winter; one from Lady-smith; one from Cameron; and one from Spooner. We were broken into committees of economic development, education, transportation and tourism. I was on the education committee. Our committee was composed of both students and adults. As the students on the education committee, we presented all the education issues to the representatives, senators and their staff that we were meeting with. After we presented, we all engaged in constructive conversation about the issues and sometimes about less-serious topics, like, “the best place for a fish-fry up north.”

The education issues we brought to Madison included the creation of a guide book for educators for students with dyslexia; increased funding for mental health support; increased special education funding; increased school funding; and lastly, we requested a study to be done about the effects of giving school districts more autonomy on their start dates.

Currently, school start dates are mandated statewide to be after Labor Day. During the day, we actually found out that the night before, Gov. Tony Evers had signed Act 86, which calls for the creation of a dyslexia guidebook. We also learned that with the state’s $620 million budget surplus, we could expect a portion of that to be spent on public school funding.

Throughout the course of the day, the education committee met with the offices of Reps. Kitchens, Mursau and Considine, and the offices of Sens. Ber nier, Schachtner and Darling. We also enjoyed eating lunch and talking with Sen. Bewley and Rep. Quinn, who both serve the Heart of the North area. Most of the time we didn’t actually meet with the senators or representatives themselves, but rather with one of their staffers who took notes to give to them.

I am really glad I had the opportunity to go to the Capitol and have an inside look at how our state government works. I learned a lot about the processes that are required to take an idea and make it a law. I also learned that it is very important to make your voice heard.

Correction
Dylan Haskins watches as a Spooner-Trego Lions Club member weighs in his 4-pound, 11-ounce northern at the Spooner-Trego ice-fishing contest held Saturday, Feb. 1, at Spooner Lake. - This photo and the photos of the fishing contest published in the Wednesday, Feb. 5, edition of the Washburn County Register were taken by Bob Warne, who has contributed photos to the Register in the past.

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DATCP lists top 10 consumer complaints for 2019

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SHELL LAKE – Spooner FFA members Linnea Christianson and Lexi Laporte are pictured with state FFA and LaFaro earned second place and the opportunity to compete at the sectional contest in March. To qualify for the sectional level, students must place first or second in their contest at the district level. The sectional level is a competition, with the top individuals moving on to the state competition at the State FFA convention held at Madison in June.

“I am so proud of our members and their accomplishments! The leadership development events we participate in are an integral part of the Wisconsin FFA Association and are assisting our members in developing skills for the world of work,” Susie Olson-Rosenbush, Spooner FFA adviser.

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 Spooner FFA success at FFA District Speaking Contest

Telemarketing, landlord / tenant issues, identity theft top list

MADISON - For the 17th year in a row, telemarketing topped the list of consumer complaints received by the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection in 2019, at 4,424 complaints. However, for the first time in a decade, the number of these complaints has dropped.

While this category still tops the complaint list, the decline may be a sign of more good news to come. The federal TRACED Act is designed to combat spoofed phone numbers by requiring that telephone companies in the U.S. match the caller ID and origin numbers.

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Boy Scouts tying knots

This will alert consumers to potential scam calls before they even pick up the phone. Landlord/tenant complaints held steady at the second spot with 1,128 complaints. These were primarily related to issues with security deposits, evictions and unauthorized entry.

Many disputes between landlords and tenants can be avoided if both parties understand their legal rights and responsibilities. DATCP’s Guide for Landlords and Tenants is intended to help landlords and tenants avoid common problems and resolve them when they do occur, and can be accessed at datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Publishations/LandlordTenantGuide.aspx.

Further down the list, identity theft, with 228 complaints, remains at number six. Complaints on this topic primarily revolved around fraud, tax identity theft, misuse of Social Security numbers and unauthorized access. Although these complaints did not increase in 2019, identity theft can still have devastating effects for those who experience it.

In an effort to address data security challenges facing consumers and businesses in Wisconsin, DATCP created the Data Privacy and Security Advisory Committee in 2019. Following a series of meetings, the committee will make recommendations in the summer of 2020 on possible law and policy changes. The department encourages the public to submit public comments to the committee by emailing DATCPDataAdvisor@wisconsin.gov.

“We realize how stressful it can be to navigate an issue with a business, but you don’t have to do it alone,” said Lara Sutherlin, administrator for DATCP’s Division of Trade and Consumer Protection. “Whether it’s through our website, our Consumer Protection Hotline, or our mediation team, DATCP is here to serve as a resource if you need help.”

To file a complaint or find additional resources and information, consumers can visit DATCP’s Bureau of Consumer Protection at datcp.wi.gov, call the Consumer Protection Hotline at 800-422-7128 or send an email to dataphotline@wi.gov. You can also connect with the bureau on Facebook at facebook.com/wiconsumer or Twitter: @wiconsumer.
Spooner Wellness Night held

Spooner Middle School student Camryn Meyers chats with Jess Christianson from Embrace. She and other students participated in the Wellness Night activities held after school on Thursday, Feb. 6. The event was hosted by the after-school program and the Spooner School District.

Shell Lake FFA members participate in district FFA event

LEFT: Spooner Middle School student Ben Nelson earned a first place in the discussion event at the FFA district-level speaking contest held Wednesday, Feb. 5, at Shell Lake High School. Photos provided

RIGHT: Spooner Middle School student Sayra Ahmed looks at a two-piece water bottle that can be used to hide drugs in the house. Tammy Holman, Washburn County AODA prevention specialist, was at the Wellness Night program with the Hidden In Plain Sight mock bedroom. The more parents and children know about drugs, the less likely they will use them.

Photos by Larry Samson
Larry Samson | Staff Writer

TONY - The Shell Lake wrestlers competed in the Lakeland Conference Wrestling Tournament held Saturday, Feb. 8, at the Flambeau High School in Tony. Luck/Frederic/Grantsburg/Siren took the conference championship with 187.5 points, second was Clear Lake with 129.5 points, Unity came in third at 120 and Shell Lake was fourth with 102 points. Flambeau, Cornell/Gilman, Turtle Lake/Clayton and Bruce filled out the final four places.

Shell Lake had only six wrestlers and they earned medals in their weight classes. Five of them made it to the championship round. In the 120-pound weight class, Tyler Schunck earned a second after losing to Taeden Nichols of Luck/Frederic/Grantsburg/Siren by a 4-2 decision. In the 132-pound weight class Cody Swan earned a second after losing to Matt Anderson of Clear Lake in a 14-2 decision. Ben Coen earned a fourth place in the 138-pound weight class. In the 170-pound weight class Blake Flach lost to Bryce Best of Bruce in a 3-0 decision. In the 220-pound weight class Seth Symond earned a second, losing to Dominic Carroon of LFGS. Finishing out the day, Sam Beecroft lost to Carson Johnson of Unity and came away with second place.

Shell Lake will be traveling to St. Croix Falls to compete in the regional tournament.

Spooner over Rice Lake

Brandon Nelson goes up high over his Rice Lake defender to score as Spooner defeated Rice Lake, 67-57, in a nonconference home game on Tuesday, Feb. 4. Spooner outscored Rice Lake as they trailed by 12 to win by 10.

Photos by Larry Samson
Rachel Clark was escorted by her two daughters, Brittany and Mary Clark. It was Parents Night before the Turtle Lake game on Friday, Jan. 31.

Adam and Jen Lundberg were escorted by their daughters, Tayla and Rayna Lundberg. Tayla is a graduating senior who has enjoyed playing basketball for the past eight years.

Tayla Lundberg and Katie Melton pose with coach Gretchen Hazel. The seniors were recognized during a special program on Parents Night. They each received a blanket as a gift to help keep them warm on the long playoff bus trips. The girls basketball playoff start Tuesday, Feb. 18, with the site yet to be determined.

Coaches

Max Anderson and his father, Jim Anderson, are coaching at Webster High School this year. Max is in his first year as head coach but he has five years’ experience coaching at Webster. Max is a Spooner High School graduate. Jim has 40-plus years coaching in Spooner, from basketball to golf. - Photo by Larry Samson

Winner

Nick Eiche earned himself a cool $100 by hitting a midcourt shot during the halftime activities at the Shell Lake-Webster game on Tuesday, Jan. 28. - Photo by Larry Samson
**REG I S T E R S P O R T S**

**Big win over Prairie Farm**

Shell Lake beat the Panthers 71-45 in a conference game on Friday, Feb. 7, in Shell Lake. The Lakers are 5-4 in conference play and 8-7 overall.

Ben McNulty with a jump shot against a Prairie Farm defender.

Brittney Clark with a fadeaway shot against the Prairie Farm defender.

The Prairie Farm defense played a tough game but they were no match for the Laker offense.

Addie Schroeder drives past the Prairie Farm defender on her way to the basket and the two points. Shell Lake lost, 85-34, in a conference game on Friday, Feb. 7. The Shell Lake team is 3-6 in the Lakeland East Conference.

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Caitlyn Skattebo with a shot under the basket. She is a sophomore and will have two more years on the team.

Junior Cody Swan on a fast-break layup. He is fast and agile.

**Shell Lake loses to Prairie Farm**

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Spooner and Shell Lake each have first-place finisher at youth wrestling tournament

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CAMERON – Both Spooner and Shell Lake had a first-place finisher in the Cameron Youth Wrestling Tournament on Sunday, Feb. 9.

Trett Clark, first-second grade, 78-86 pounds, earned a top finish for Shell Lake while Hurley Burke, 1-2, 64-66, earned one for Spooner; both had at least one teammate with a top-three finish in the tournament.

Clark opened with a win by technical fall over Owen Slaton, Spooner, and won by pin in 2 minutes, 40 seconds over Jazmine Quinn, Rice Lake, to secure the first-place finish. J.T. Hanson, 3-4, 73-78, added a third-place finish, winning his final match in 1:30 over Tim Verdegan, Flambeau.

Burke won all three matches by pin, starting with one in 12 seconds over Niigan Buckholtz, Hayward. A win in 31 seconds over Charles Marshall, Hayward, was followed by a win in 25 seconds over Jerecko Hawkins, Chetek. Felix Slaton, PK-K, 50-59; Owen Slaton, 1-2, 74-86; and Connor Burke, 5-6, 98-107; added second-place finishes for Spooner, each by winning two of their three matches on the day.

Brenden Scheffel, 3-4, 110-126; Wyatt Christianson, 5-6, 77-95; and Bryson Scheffiel, 5-6, 90-96; earned third-place finishes for Spooner.

CUMBERLAND – Briar Naglosky, seventh-eighth grade, 88-95 pounds, led a group of Shell Lake wrestlers with top-three finishes, including his win in 12 seconds over Logan Jones, Northwestern, in 1:07 and finished with a win over Bryden Hauser, Cumberland, in 59 seconds.

Noah Lauterbach, 7-8, 90-96, added a second-place finish by winning his first two matches. He defeated Cayden Guthrie, Cumberland, in a 12-6 decision and won by pin over Dawson Klefstad, Barron, in 2:33, but lost a close 3-2 match to Noah Hile, Cumberland, in the final match.

Israel Hammond, PK-K, 44-45, and Maximus King, 1-2, 69-70, had third-place finishes.

Smith earned Spooner-Webster’s first-place finish by winning a 1-0 decision over Cade Strickland, Cumberland, and a 7-0 decision over Conner Ranallo, Cumberland. In his final match, Smith pinned Blake Coates, Shell Lake, in 2:49.

Devon Frederickson, PK-K, 44-45; Greyson Davis, 1-2, 69-70; and Wayne Dorn, 3-4, 93-103; had second-place finishes for Spooner-Webster. Frederickson won his first match by major decision over Bentley Huebner, Cumberland, and in a 7-4 decision over Israel Hammond, Shell Lake, before forfeiting the third match.

Davis followed a first-round loss with a win by pin in 2:24 over Maximus King, Shell Lake, and Dorn won his final match by pin in 2:57 over Brett Schlosser, Barron.

Archer Dorn, PK-K, 44-47; Duke Dorn, 1-2, 50-53; and Arianna Frederickson, 3-4, 108-115; added third-place finishes.

New Richmond


Yeske won two matches by pin, including one in 46 seconds over Nolan Murray. Nykanen won all three matches by pin coming in less than a minute while Popenhagen had two wins by decision before a pin in 2:54 in his third match.

Lucas Raffesberger, 1-2, 44-45; Kegan Miller, 3-4, 48-53; Samuel Anderson, 3-4, 53-55; and Wyatt Nelson, 3-4, 83-84; had second-place finishes for Turtle Lake-Clayton. Isaac Molls, PK-K, 43-46; Corbyn Leisz, 1-2, 49-50; Brody Kobernick, 3-4, 79-82; Landon Hubbard, 5-6, 70-72; and Brandon Wright, 5-6, 100; had third-place finishes.

Heart O’North Conference wrestling tournament

Larry Samson | Staff writer
CAMERON - Spooner wrestlers finished eighth in a field of 12 teams at the Heart O’North Conference wrestling tournament held Saturday, Feb. 8, in Cameron. In their first year in the conference, St. Croix Falls came away with the conference championship with 218 points. Northwestern was second with 205 and Ashland was third with 148. The HON Conference Tournament was a very competitive meet with many top wrestlers.

Spooner wrestler Carter Melton took first place in the 182-pound weight class by pinning Calvin Marsame, of Hayward, in the championship round. In the 120-pound weight class, Alex Daniels earned a fifth place. Jimmy Melton earned a fifth place in the 126-pound weight class. Brody Jepson, wrestling in a very tough 138-pound weight class, came away with a third-place finish. In the 145-pound weight class, Brandon Meister earned a fourth-place finish and Hedinger earned a second place in the 170-pound weight class. Ian Perrine earned a fourth-place finish in the 285-pound weight class.

Spooner will be traveling to Ashland on Saturday, Feb. 15, for the 1A Regional tournament. Six schools will be competing to advance to the individual sectional: Spooner, Keshena, Northwestern, Ashland, Barron and Rice Lake.

College Roundup

MEN’S BASKETBALL

SUPERIOR – Sam Dettle, from Spooner, and UW-Superior take a four-game winning streak to St. Scholastica today, Feb. 12, after hanging on for a 76-75 win over North Central on Saturday, Feb. 15.

Noah Yeske, 5-6, 26-30; had a career-high 13 rebounds for Spooner in a tough 3-2 match to Noah Hile, Cumberland, in the final match.

UW-Superior improved to 14-7 overall and host Martin Luther on Saturday, Feb. 15.
incorporates a lot of elastic pulling straps and large classes, began to be filled with his own equipment. The center, which was previously used for aerobics was that he didn’t use the same equipment that I

Rod Kleiss

found them. Everything that seems pertinent about your body and just an old man’s dream of

In our first session, Tyler sat down with me and went over my history. What did I want? What was I looking for? What were my strengths and limitations? I’m sure I can’t cover it all or tell you everything he was looking for because I didn’t know myself. All I knew was that I had almost failed to pass into the last quarter of my life without strength at all. Somehow, with Natalie’s help, I began to recover my strength and had actually begun to feel fit, but the future wasn’t certain at all. If I used my triathlon results as an indicator, I still hadn’t improved my triathlon results as an indicator, I still hadn’t

In early March, the DNR confirmed elk 631 was our first daytime collision, nine were killed by wolves, and six couldn’t be determined.

Wallenfang said the DNR confirmed only one death in the Black River elk herd in 2019, but couldn’t determine its cause. In 2018, 11 elk in that herd died in vehicle collisions. No deaths there the past two years were linked to wolves or other predators.

Poaching hasn’t proven to be the problem some pessimists predicted. Given the public’s deep interest in elk, and the animal’s tremendous size, even poaching attempts to realize the extreme difficulty of shooting an elk, loading it into a pickup, and escaping unnoticed.

Well, at least that’s a thought that raced through my head Feb. 1 as I watched elk 631 retreat back into the forest. Elk aren’t made for anyone seeking quick, easy, discreet work, or otherwise, especially in winter.

Wright, a freelance writer who covers outdoors recreation in Wisconsin. Write to him at 721 Welney St., Waupaca, WI 54981; or by email at patrickdurkin58@gmail.com.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION - TOWN OF SARONA

Notice is hereby given that an Election will be held on Tuesday, February 16, 2020, at the Town Hall, 915 7th Street, Sarona, WI 54875. The election will be held from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on the ballot will be any issue of the Supreme Court and a Special Primary for Partisan Office. Notice on WJSQLP, WiscNews, and Victoria Lombard, Clerk.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
WASHBURN COUNTY
Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for HSI Asset Securitization Corporation Trust 2005-OPT1, Mortgage-Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-OPT1
Plaintiff,
v.
Richard Saletri, et al.
Defendants.
Case No. 2019CV000088
NOTICE OF SHERIFF’S SALE
By virtue of a judgment of foreclosure made in the above-entitled action on November 1, 2019, in the amount of $125,310.91, I will sell at public auction, in the Washburn County Courthouse, located at 10 4th Avenue, Shell Lake, WI 54871, on March 4, 2020, at 10:00 a.m., all of the following described premises, to wit:
Lot Twelve (12), Block Seventeen (17), Second Addition to the City of Spooner, Washburn County, Wisconsin.
STREET ADDRESS: 522 Bashaw Street, Spooner, WI 54801.
The property will be sold as is and subject to any and all real estate taxes, superior liens or other legal encumbrances.
TERMS OF SALE: Cash, cashier’s check or certified funds, payable to the Clerk of Courts (10% down payment at sale, balance due within ten (10) days of Court approval; down payment to be forfeited if payment not received timely). Buyer must comply with minimum bidder qualifications as set forth in Wis. Stat. § 846.155. Buyer to pay applicable Wisconsin Real Estate Transfer Tax in addition to the purchase price.
Dennis Stuart
Sheriff of Washburn County, Wisconsin
Codilis, Moody & Circelli, P.C.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector.

STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
WASHBURN COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LINDA JEAN PETERSON
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
Case No. 20PR03
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth August 13, 1951, and date of death September 27, 2019, was domiciled in Washburn County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W6827 Hoop Dr., Spooner, WI 54801.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent’s estate is April 16, 2020.
5. A claim may be filed at the Washburn County Courthouse, Shell Lake, Wisconsin.
Shannon Anderson
Probate Registrar
January 21, 2020
Thomas J. Bitney/Bitney Law Firm, Ltd.
P.O. Box 488
Spooner, WI 54801
715-635-8741
Bar No.: 1002841
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The Templar Hall had a plain, simple outside and an ornate inside. The hall served as the home of the Order of the Eastern Star, Freemasons and Knights of Templar. The three pillars of the Freemasons, two of which can be seen, represent wisdom, strength and beauty. The kerosene lanterns and the large windows helped to light the hall.

Mrs. Buchanan poses in the foreground of the Templar Hall. In the background the young children can be seen waving to the cameraman. The boardwalk she is standing on extended out to Hwy. 63 and ran north past what is now the city shop but was then known as New Knapp. At that time the highway was just a narrow dirt road.

The Templar Hall was located on the north side of CTH B near the intersection of First Street and B. The old Methodist church can be seen on the left side of the photo and the old Shell Lake School on the right side in the background. There was a Baptist church just left of the hall and the wooden boardwalk ran on both sides of the road.

Templar Hall 1900

The men and women of the Order of the Eastern Star pose for a photo near the turn of the century. The order is an appendant of the Freemasons and is open to men and women, where the Masons were a male fraternity. - Photos courtesy of the Washburn County Historical Society and researched by staff writer Larry Samson

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June Leona (Bushey) Wahl Wickman

June Leona (Bushey) Wahl Wickman, 95, entered her eternal reward on Feb. 20, 2020, at her home at Country Terrace in Spooner. She was born on Sept. 29, 1924, to Olive Bushey and later became the bride of Martin Wahl. June had six brothers, Wilfred, Alvin, Henry, Lenard, Max and Ronald Wahl.

June attended Woodside School, Pipe Lake Elementary School, and graduated from Turtle Lake High School in 1942. Early in 1942, a hand-some guy by the name of Stanley Wickman came into her life. They met at a dance at the Spooner Lake night club. In a simple ceremony at the Lutheran parsonage, Stan and June became husband and wife on Oct. 21, 1942. They raised four children, there from on their union they were blessed with three sons Stan and June were married for 74 years before God called Stan home.

June was a very hard worker. She was a dependable part of the Shell Lake Hospital staff for 40-plus years. June and Stan went to dance lessons and learned to do the Polish Hop. They would dance twice a week for many years. June especially adored her grandchildren and had a deep appreciation for them all.

She is survived by her three sons, Byron (Sandy) Ribeiro of Webster, Bradley of Timmins, and Bruce (Anne Wohlford) of Sporthead. Her children, Thomas, David, Jeff, Jodi, Brandi, Brook, Bryce, Cody, Travis, Jared, Shauna, Olivia, Tatum and Tosten; and great-grandchildren, Preston and Amiya. She is survived by grandson-in-law, Sean (Sandra) Ribeiro, and granddaughter-in-law, Valerie (Jack) Reinhart of Shell Lake; other relatives and friends.

A Memorial Service will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 12, at First Lutheran Church. The Happy Day Club in Hull will serve dinner at 4:00 p.m. The service will be at 5:30 p.m. with informal worship, a farewell to June and the distribution of refreshments.

E. Joseph “Joe” Rounce

E. Joseph “Joe” Rounce, 86, of Shell Lake, Wisconsin, died Friday, Feb. 7, 2020, at Indianhead Medical Center. He was born March 19, 1933, in Cumberland, Wisconsin, to Ever ett and Pasqual (Alfonse) Rounce, and graduated from Shell Lake High School. He attended the University of Minnesota on a football scholarship, and the University of Miami, before graduating from UW-Milwaukee where he would later earn his master’s degree in education and counseling. He was married in Miami, Florida, on April 2, 1955, to Nan Allen and they moved to Shawano where Joe taught science and served as head football coach. In 1963, Joe began his tenure at Shell Lake Schools where he taught seventh- through ninth-grade science and served as assistant coach of the Shell Lake football team. He retired from full-time teaching in 1995, but substitute taught from 1995 until very recently at Shell Lake and Siren.

He is survived by his daughter, Becky McQuade of Shell Lake; grandchildren, Jared (Patty Remme) McQuade of Grantsburg and Jacob (Alexandra Schiefelbein) McQuade of St. Francis, Minnesota; great-granddaughter, Penelope McQuade; his sister, Kay (the late Darrel “Tip”) Reinhart of Shell Lake; other relatives and friends.

Henry E. Joseph “Joe” Rounce was born on Long Lake. There will be a Madrigal dinner (a three-course dinner) with reserved seating/meals at $30 per person beginning at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 10, Good Friday: Salem Lutheran Church – worship only, no supper.

The Happy Day Club would like to thank Northland Paint Supply, Northwind Book & Fiber, Indianhead Credit Union, Silver Shears Salon, Trinity Lutheran Church and the Palace Theatre for helping us make our Elvis Fundraiser such a huge success!
The snow supermoon sure shined bright on Saturday night in Spooner. The snow on the ground was at least 12 to 14 inches of snow Sunday afternoon. This Monday morning, as I write this, it’s beautiful out, with all the hoar frost on the branches of the tree. I love to watch the bald eagle in the oak tree in my backyard to enjoy also.

Willie Lombard flew out to Colorado and spent a week with his brother, Tony and Andy at Fan, Colo.ord. He flew to Las Vegas and met wife, Vicki, who flew out to meet him and spent six days with her and his brother, Randy. They flew back to the east coast, where he is teaching and spent six days with his sister and husband, Linda and Bill Hines. The couple returned home on Tuesday night and began the week.

Visiting at Marilyn Zimmerman’s were her nephew, wife, Aaron and Kendri Starke, and their son, Hopper from Fort Atkinson. They had a late Christmas, and enjoyed snowshoeing and sledding while they were here.

Donna’s friend, Lynn, from Turtle Lake, visited her on Tuesday morning. They enjoyed cinnamon rolls and coffee at the Red Brick Cafe in Spooner, the day before. Donna, Norm and Donna Ness played cards Friday night at the Hansons’ for coffee at his mom and Norm’s Thursday.

Sherri and Pat Teegarden went to the Red Brick Cafe for Valentine’s Day. Elaine Furchtenicht, I and Norm went to the Red Brick Cafe in Barron for brunch. They are so good to me and I always enjoy the chat over coffee. (Oh, Donna drinks tea.)

Donna Anderson also stopped in, so we had a great chat over coffee. I always enjoy the chat over coffee.
OFFICE OF THE WASHBURN COUNTY CLERK

TO THE VOTERS OF WASHBURN COUNTY:

Notice is hereby given of a spring primary to be held in the various municipalities of Washburn County and a special partisan primary to be held in the 7th Congressional District which is comprised of all municipalities in Washburn County on February 18, 2020, at which the officers named below shall be nominated. The names of the candidates for each office, whose nominations have been certified to or filed in this office, are given under the title of the office, each in its proper column, together with the questions submitted to a vote, for a referendum, if any, in the sample ballot below.

INFORMATION TO VOTERS

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

Where Paper Ballots are Used

In the special partisan primary, the voter shall choose the ballot of the party of his or her choice on which to vote. The voter shall make an X or other mark in the square next to the name of the candidate of his or her choice. If you vote on more than one party ballot, your vote will not be counted. In the spring primary, the voter shall make an X or other mark in the square next to the name of the candidate of his or her choice in each office for which the voter intends to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall write in the name of the person or his choice in the space provided for a write-in vote.

Where Touch Screen Voting is Used

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

Spoiled Ballots

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

After Voting the Ballot

After an official paper ballot is marked, it shall be folded so the inside marks do not show, but the printed endorsements and inspectors’ initials on the outside do show. The voter shall deposit the ballot in the appropriate ballot box or deliver the ballot(s) to an inspector for deposit and to deposit unused ballots in the discard box. The voter shall leave the polling place promptly.

Where Touch Screen Voting is Used

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

The following is a sample of the official ballot:

Official Primary Ballot

Nonpartisan Office

Special Primary for Partisan Office

February 18, 2020

Democratic Party

Notice to Voters: If you are voting in Democratic City, a written ballot will be made available at your request. If you are voting absentee, your ballot must be initialed by the municipal clerk or deputy clerk. Your ballot may not be counted without inials. (See end of ballot for inials.)

General Instructions to Voters: If you make a mistake on your ballot or have a question, ask an election inspector for help. An election inspector can change a misspelling or other mistake on your ballot. If you are voting absentee, your completed ballot must be signed and witnessed. If you vote in a primary or special election, you may vote for one office or for another in the same election. However, if you do not vote in one primary or special election, you may vote in the other.

Special Instructions for Voting in a partisan primary:

1. Vote for one or more candidates in the primary for each office on your ballot in the primary for which you intend to vote. Only one ballot may be cast for each office.

2. Write in the name of a person whose name does not appear on the ballot for the office for which you intend to vote.

3. Ballots may be cast for the election of one person whose name does not appear on the ballot for the office for which you intend to vote.

4. An election official may inform the voter of the proper manner for casting a vote, but the official may not in any manner advise or indicate a particular voting choice.

Official Primary Ballot

Nonpartisan Office

Special Primary for Partisan Office

February 18, 2020

Republican Party

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC ELECTRONIC VOTING EQUIPMENT - TOWN OF BARRONETT
Pursuant to WI Stat. § 6.89(1), a public test of the electronic voting equipment will be held on Monday, February 17, 2020, at 5 p.m. at the Barronett Town Hall, N1680 South Heart Road, Shell Lake, WI. This test is open to the public. WiFi available.

Patricia A. Park, Town Clerk

Deadline to apply: February 19, 2020

HUMAN RESOURCES

WISCONSIN INDIANHEAD TECHNICAL COLLEGE

ADMISSIONS ADVISOR
RICE LAKE CAMPUS

WITC is seeking applications for a full-time Admissions Advisor at our Rice Lake Campus. This is a permanent, full-time position. Duties include providing information about WITC programs, courses, and college services. This position creates ongoing relationships with potential students and assists them in their choice of postsecondary education and career training. This position is responsible for assisting in recruitment of students from all market segments and may require travel.

For a complete job description, list of qualifications and to apply visit our website at: https://www.witc.edu/about-witc/employment

Deadline to apply: February 19, 2020

TRUCK DRIVING TEACHING SPECIALIST - ADJUNCT

WISCONSIN INDIANHEAD TECHNICAL COLLEGE

WITC is seeking applications from qualified candidates for the part-time role of Truck Driving Teaching Specialist at its Rice Lake and Richland Campuses. WITC is establishing a pool of qualified candidates to be utilized when adjunct and/or substitute instructors are needed to teach Truck Driving behind the wheel.

For a complete job description, list of qualifications and to apply visit our website at: https://www.witc.edu/about-witc/employment

Deadline to apply: February 14, 2020

WISCONSIN INDIANHEAD TECHNICAL COLLEGE

FISCAL ASSISTANT POSITION

Washburn County is seeking applicants for the Fiscal Assistant position with the Unit on Aging/Longevity in the Administration office. This is a full-time, permanent position working 40 hours per week with an opening for a flexible schedule. This position is responsible for the preparation of financial reports, budget preparation, accounts payable and receivable, payroll processing, and processing of debit and credit card transactions. The Fiscal Assistant will assist staff with general clerical duties, and responsibilities. This position requires a high degree of confidentiality, accuracy, and attention to detail. This position will utilize spreadsheets, work with computers, and have the ability to combine information to complete daily tasks. This position will require the ability to multi-task, and the ability to meet deadlines. Experience in these areas is preferred. The working schedule for this position is Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

For more information and application, contact: Sue Arntzen, 715-856-5700 Ext. 3207 or email Marcia.Kemp@co.washburn.wi.us

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Jack Frost fun on the ice

Elyssa Mackey is just starting her hockey career and she is hooked.

PHOTOS BY
LARRY SAMSON

The fans and parents are enjoying hockey as it should be played, on an outdoor rink. Hockey has come a long way from pond hockey to indoor rinks but sometimes you’ve just got to get back to the simple things.

Alexa Keowon is a Spooner Area Youth Hockey Association volunteer selling baked treats at the warming house. The money raised in the event helps to support youth hockey in the area.

When Adeline Stariha wasn’t playing in a hockey game she was playing king on the mountain. She and the other hockey players were competing at the Spooner of Chamber Jack Frost Fest held Saturday, Feb. 8, at Spooner City Park.

Spooner Youth Hockey player Angelo Giuliani loves playing hockey; he is a second-grader at St. Francis Elementary School.

The horse-drawn cream wagon picked up cream from the outlying area and brought it in to the Shell Lake Creamery to make into butter. The cream was separated on the farm; the skim milk would be fed to the pigs. - Photo courtesy of the Washburn County Historical Museum.

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The next generation of nature writers

"I was cloudy with the color of tannin between the cracks of the clouds. The snow under the snowshoes sounded like firecrackers waking up underneath us," So wrote a fifth-grader from Lake Superior Elementary in Superior, after I visited their school for a winter hike and writing workshop.

Mrs. Correll and Mrs. Norton invited me to visit their classes after reading one of my articles in the newspaper. Mrs. Correll explained in an email that, "I am in no way an expert in any area of the outdoors, but I do believe students need to experience as much time outside in our beautiful Northland as possible and I love to give them the opportunity to learn about the history of our area and form an appreciation for it and why it's important to protect and conserve all of our natural resources."

How could I argue with that? The playground snow was indeed crunchy and loud as one class of fifth-graders bypassed the slides and swings to meet me by a shrub at the head of a trail leading into the woods.

"On some trees I see galls," recounted a student. "They are little bumps on trees and you have to use a special tool to open it. On the inside there might be a little orange larva. It makes me want to learn more about the larvae and how galls form."

With the teachers, I'd talked about focusing in on the sensory experiences of being outdoors. So, naturally, I suggested to the kids that they all find a nice, tender willow twig at eye level and chew on it for a second. Their puckered faces and exclamations of "Eew, gross!" were exactly what I'd expected. Willow tastes like uncoated aspirin tablets because it contains chemicals that are the basis for aspirin.

I wasn't surprised to see that they'd found two deer beds in the middle of the trail. The packed ovals were sprinkled with pebbles of brown scat and stained with yellow snow. Of their own accord, the kids took turns kneeling down and sniffing the deer pee. Turns out, they'd read a chapter in my Natural Connections book about smelling fox urine, and most (but not all) were excited to try it themselves.

One student wrote, "As I walked around the bend I saw people circling a hole like a herd of animals eating deer."

I had no clue what was going on, so I stopped to see a hole with poop and pee. I heard Emily Stone say, "smell the poop or poop if you want to." I was scared to do it, but I smelt the pee. It smelt like raw milk and smelly fart."

As we wound among the aspen trunks, I was happy to see a rainbow of green and orange lichens at eye level. Mrs. Correll and Mrs. Norton had already introduced lichens as a symbiotic relationship between a fungus and an alga, but I couldn't resist telling my favorite story. "Alice Alga and Freddy Fungus took a "lichen" to each other. They moved to the sticks, and their marriage has been on the rocks ever since!" To my right, a girl gave a theatrical groan. I redded in the moment. Not only was she experienced at groaning at "dad jokes," she'd grasped the concept and the humor fast enough to react.

Overall, I was impressed by the learning community that Mrs. Correll and Mrs. Norton are creating. Back in the classroom, I shared a few tips on writing, and over the next week or so the teachers guided the students in putting their outdoor experiences into words. They did a great job, so I'll leave you with a few more of their thoughts.

"Now that you know what I saw you should pay more attention to what's out in the woods because there may be something cool that you could teach an expert or Google it to learn more."

"Sometimes it's good to go outside and see what's out there!"

"In conclusion, hopefully you learn about nature every day!"

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Madeline discovered a weird, spiky gall off in the woods. These fifth-graders were impressively observant and curious! – Photo by Emily Stone

Cable Natural History Museum naturalist Emily Stone shares her excitement for willow galls with fifth-graders from Lake Superior Elementary in Superior. – Photo by Sue Correll