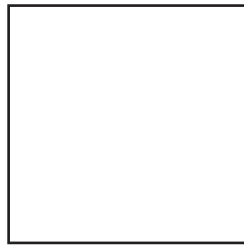
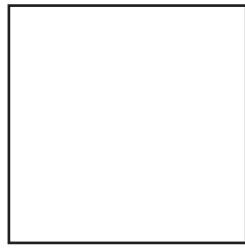


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Peter Tomaszewski Named To Middle Inlet Town Board

BY SHIRLEY PRUDHOMME
As their first item of business at its monthly meeting on Thursday, Oct. 12, Supervisor Ryan Pomeroy and Town Chair Ron Wenzel, the two remaining board members, accepted and approved the resignation of Supervisor Chuck Stanek.

Wenzel then stated that he would like to appoint Peter Tomaszewski to fill in the remainder of Stanek's term, which ends in April of 2025. Votes in favor of the subsequent motion to appoint Tomaszewski were cast by Pomeroy, Wenzel and Clerk/Treasurer Patricia Schutte, who is an appointed town official and not a resident of Middle Inlet. It was noted that this procedure is in accord with Wisconsin statutes.

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FUN AT FALL FEST - The Wausaukee Library was open during the Fall Fest on Saturday, Oct. 7 and had a used book sale. Top Photo Jax Barker and Sapphire Roush are shown looking at the puppet show. They also took a picture by the kissing booth on Main Street. There was also face painting music provided. What a great day!

Peshtigo Finance Committee To Consider Proposed Budget

BY SHIRLEY PRUDHOMME
STAFF WRITER

In preparation for finalization of the City of Peshtigo's 2024 proposed budget by the Finance Committee at a 1 p.m. meeting on Thursday, Oct. 26, other committees have been making some major decisions, several of which may affect the city for years to come. The Finance committee recommendations will go to City Council at its meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 7.

A series of back to back meetings of the Personnel; Fire, Lighting and Buildings, and Parks and Recreation committees on Wednesday, Oct. 18 began at 1 p.m. and did not finish until after 6 p.m. The Streets and Drainage Committee finalized its

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Town Of Peshtigo Public Comment Removed From Board Meetings

BY LYNETTE BROSIG
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Prior to the Town of Peshtigo Board meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 17, a special closed session board meeting was held at 6 p.m. for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel concerning strategy to be adopted by the board with respect to litigation in

which is involved with Grant & Eisenhofer in discussion in reference to Tyco/JCI litigation. Before going into closed, a petition to save the boat ramp near Lief Road was submitted.

Members of the public were then asked to leave the room for the closed session and congregate in the classroom or outside of

the building until the closed session reconvened into open session. Chairperson Jennifer Friday thanked Constable Bob Schouard for monitoring the situation.

The regular Town Board agenda was missing one constant item that was, for the most part, always included in the Town Board meeting, that being Public

Comment.

After residents moved to the hallway, there were several residents showing their disapproval and frustration with Public Comment being removed from the agenda, saying such comments as, We might as well go home, we no longer have a voice and other such comments from the various

residents.

When closed session ended, members of the public were allowed to return to the meeting hall for open session of the Town Board meeting.

After reconvening into open session, Friday was pleased to announce that Kathy Brandt, was hired as the new Office Assistant

with expectations that she will transition into the Deputy Clerk/Deputy Treasurer position as well. Her rate will be at \$21 per hour and she will start at the first of the year in 2024, with intermittent days prior to that. Brandt is currently

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Enstrom Helicopter Corp To Participate In European Rotors Show In Madrid

Enstrom to Participate in European Rotors, Madrid

Enstrom Helicopter Corporation will showcase its helicopters at this year's European Rotors show in Madrid, the largest business-to-business rotorcraft event outside the United States. The four-day event runs from No. 27-30 in IFEMA Hall 9.

Enstrom President Todd Tetzlaff and Vice President of Sales & Marketing Dennis Martin will be in attendance to both cement and expand Enstrom's presence in the European market. They plan to bring a piston 280FX helicopter, currently located in France, onto the show floor for display.

Martin said, "Enstrom serves customers on six different continents, from South America to East Asia. Our history in Europe dates back five decades to the early 1970s, and Europe continues to be an essential market for us. We can't wait to reconnect with our

European customers and make new connections with aviation enthusiasts worldwide."

The European Helicopter Association (EHA) and the European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) have teamed up to create an exceptional showcase for the European VTOL branch. Industry experts will gather to discuss the future of vertical flight, delving into the latest trends, innovations, and challenges within the rotorcraft sector.

Show officials will offer a robust schedule of training sessions beginning with the VTOL Safety Symposium on Monday, November 27. European Rotors will then dedicate Thursday, November 30 to helping employers find skilled applicants for open positions. Enstrom encourages qualified candidates to visit

Enstrom's booth any day between November 28 and 30 to inquire about job opportunities.

This year, Helicopter Association International (HAI) will play a crucial part in organizing events, ensuring the same high quality presentation attendees have come to expect from HAI's annual HELI-EXPO in the United States.

"Enstrom has enjoyed a close business relationship with HAI," said Tetzlaff. "We are eager to demonstrate our support for the organization and the international VTOL community."

More than 200 exhibitors have confirmed their participation in European Rotors this year, including Enstrom. You'll find Enstrom in booth 931. Single and multiple-day ticket plans are available at EuropeanRotors.eu.

Fatal Crash in Town of Athelstane

Marinette County Sheriff Randy Miller reports that at 8:53 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 21, Marinette County Dispatch received a call of a single-vehicle crash on Perch Lake Road near Nelson Road in the Town of Athelstane. It was also reported that one male party was inside the vehicle and the vehicle was on its side.

The investigation indicated that the vehicle, operated by Robert G.

Perry, age 22, of Amberg, was traveling west on Perch Lake Road near Nelson Road and failed to negotiate the corner, struck an embankment, and went airborne into some trees. Perry was not wearing a seatbelt and sustained fatal injuries from the crash. He was pronounced deceased by the Marinette County Medical Examiner's Office.

Excessive speed and failure to negotiate the corner appear to have

been factors in the crash that remains under investigation by the Marinette County Sheriff's Office and the Marinette County medical examiner. Assisting Marinette County deputies at the scene were members of the Town of Athelstane Fire Department, Silver Cliff Rescue, and Twin Bridge Rescue.

This is the fifth traffic fatality in Marinette County in 2023.

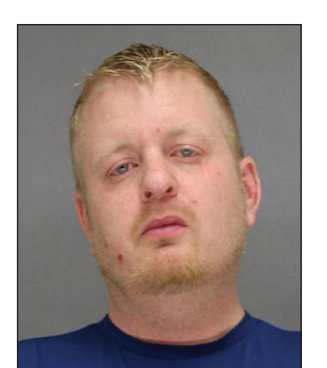
Crivitz Man Sentenced to Federal Prison for PPP Fraud

Gregory J. Haanstad, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, announced that on Oct. 16, Robert J. Solberg, age 39, of Crivitz, was sentenced to 18 months in federal prison by Senior District Judge William C. Griesbach.

According to court records, Solberg received \$20,833 from the Paycheck Protection Program ("PPP") after applying to the U.S. Small Business Administration.

To obtain the money, Solberg falsely claimed that he was not then under indictment or convicted of a felony. In fact, Solberg had months earlier pled guilty to conspiracy to commit odometer tampering and

was awaiting sentencing in federal court. At the sentencing hearing, Judge Griesbach noted the aggravated nature of Solberg's offense and rejected Solberg's claim that he did not know how to answer the questions accurately. Although Solberg requested a minimal sentence, the judge determined that an 18-month term in federal prison was required to send a message to Solberg that theft from government programs, especially while awaiting sentencing on another criminal matter, would result in serious consequences. After serving his prison term, Solberg also will be required to spend



Robert J. Solberg

three years on supervised release.

This case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. It was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Daniel R. Humble and Julie F. Stewart.

OBITUARIES

Mary Ann Langill



Mary Ann Langill, 94, passed away with her family by her side Wednesday, October 18, 2023 at the Luther Home in Marinette. She was born May 29, 1929 in McAllister, WI to Albert and Virginia (Caylor) Delfosse, where she lived on the family farm until the age of 14 helping with the farm chores, the raising of her siblings, and making great memories. She moved to Marinette, WI to continue high school working as a nanny for her room and board and taking as

many secretarial and administrative classes as she could. She graduated from Marinette High School in the Class of 1946.

Following graduation, she worked as a Secretary in Lauerman's Grocery Department. She married Stanley B. Langill on September 10, 1949. They had two sons, David and Stephen. She was a stay-at-home Mom until 1956 and then began working part-time at Menominee County Department of Social Services. She started working at Ansul Fire Protection in 1960 until her retirement in 1991 as a Benefits Administrator. Her career at Ansul was in Human Resources where she was able to assist employees and retirees with medical, dental, and retirement benefits, among many other administrative duties, all while also making many lifelong friends.

She volunteered at Bay Area Medical Center following her retirement for nearly 30 years, which is another testament to the caring and kind person Mary Ann was. Over that time, she volunteered close to 17,000 hours assisting with the coffee bar, being the treasurer of the gift shop, wheeling patients in and out of the hospital (even into her 90s), as well as assuming the title of President of the Hospital Auxiliary three times.

Mary Ann was a very active member of the community and the First Presbyterian Church in Menominee. She volunteered her time there in many ways with holding luncheons, teaching Sunday School, and as an Elder & Deacon. Also, she was a member of the PEO Chapter Q and a lifetime member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Mary Ann was known for her generous, caring, kind, and thoughtful heart. She was a person that put all before herself. She was known as a "bonus" Grandma to many of her granddaughters' friends as well as many other children she knew over the years. She was known by many for her delicious pies and desserts, hosting great parties with family and friends, being a caregiver for her close sister, Vicki, being her neighborhood deer caretaker, and for her love of animals. She enjoyed playing cards with her many friends at the Menominee Senior Center whenever she was able to. And, she was a role model to many.

Surviving Mary Ann is her son, Stephen (Kathy) Langill, granddaughters, Jenny (Ben) Stoltenberg of Sobieski, WI, and Amber (Andy) Bomber of Suamico, WI, and great grandchildren, Waylon and Stella Stoltenberg, and Liam and Lindsey Bomber. She is also survived by her sisters, Gladys Wilke of Arizona, Vicki Lempe of Menominee, MI, and Kathy Rastall of Porterfield, WI, and brothers, Jim (Nancy) Delfosse and Ed Delfosse both of McAllister, WI, many nieces and nephews, and her friend, Wayne Steinbrecher. Mary Ann was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Stanley, son, David, and sisters, Betty Cherry, Theresa Simon, Bernice Rastall, and her friend, Jim Tessmer.

A memorial service will be held at Hansen-Onion-Martell Funeral Home on Wednesday, October 25th, at 11 am, with visitation prior beginning at 10 am. Burial will be at Riverside Cemetery in Menominee, MI.

Mary Ann wanted to thank the staff at Aurora Medical Center - Bay Area, the amazing nursing team and physicians, especially Dr. Ghouri, and the staff at the Luther Home, for the loving care they provided.

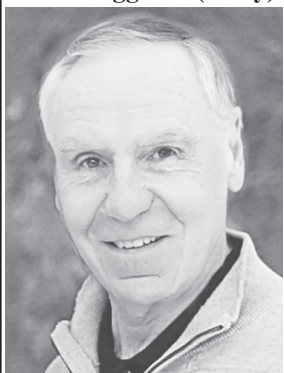
James Fournier



James is survived by his five children: Amanda, Carri (Gabe), Madelyn, Macy, and Matthew Fournier; his grandson: Noah; and four brothers: Joe (Judy), Mike, Steve (Holly), and Tom Fournier; the mothers of his children Lorie Nelson and Kim Fournier; his cat Simba and other friends and family.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his son: Brian and two sisters Irene Lang and Mary Rastall. A visitation for James was held at Cadieu Funeral Home Mon., Oct. 23, 2023 from 4pm until time of prayer service at 6pm with Deacon Chuck Gervasio presiding. A burial will be held in Riverside Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund has been established in James's name. Any expressions of sympathy and kindness can be directed to a family member.

Gerald Eggener (Jerry)



a loving husband and devoted father peacefully departed this world on October 17th, 2023. Born in Menominee, MI on Dec. 12, 1952, he was the cherished son of Edward and Louise Eggener, with a deep and enduring bond with his father that remained a cornerstone of his life.

He once wrote of his father that he was "always giving, always caring... a gentle giant who possessed the skill and knowledge of any 10 craftsmen." After working closely with his father for many years, Jerry developed the same character and competence. His resourcefulness, ingenuity, and determination were his defining traits.

Throughout his career, he applied these traits as a machinist, head of the physical plant at the University of Wisconsin Marinette, a construction foreman, and an electrician. Outside of work, he used his skills to design and build his own home, and to help friends and family with various projects. He found great joy and purpose in using his unique talents to assist those in need.

In his leisure time, he applied his capabilities and creativity in his workshop, where his passion was to create various works of art. These creations ranged from life-sized metal sculptures to ornate Disney-inspired Christmas decorations and even a witch that flew around his yard on Halloween. A common thread in all of his work, whether professional or creative, at home or for others, was his unwavering commitment to doing things "the right way" without exception. This dedication and determination also characterized his life with his deeply loved family.

Together with his wife of 41 years, Sherry Eggener, he built a beautiful home and property where they raised their family. They never quite finished an endless array of projects and home improvements. With his children, Allison and Jared, he was determined to pass on the values that had benefited his own life. He never missed an opportunity to teach and guide them, hoping to lead them to a life as fulfilling as his own.

He & his family enjoyed spending their time golfing, skiing, camping, and exploring near and far. They explored everything from the waterfalls of Marinette County to camping trips across the upper Midwest, ski trips to CO, repeated visits to Walt Disney World, and cruises to HI and AK. He viewed the world with innate curiosity and always found inspiration in his travels.

In his later years, he battled Lewy body Dementia but he never lost his quick wit and wry sense of humor that endeared him to his friends and family. Despite the challenges posed by his condition, he always exerted himself to be present, kind, and attentive to his grandchildren, Luke, Leighton (Allison and Garrett Bunkelman), and Reid (Jared Eggener and Elizabeth Faller), forming a lasting bond with them during their time together, and they will forever affectionately remember him as Bumps and Bumpa."

His journey, marked by his dedication, integrity, humor, and faith, leaves an enduring legacy in the hearts of those who had the privilege of knowing him.

In honor of Jerry Eggener's life, a memorial service was held on Oct. 21, 2023 at Faith Church- 350 N Stephenson Ave, Peshtigo, WI, with visitation from 10am, a church service followed at 12pm. Hansen-Onion-Martell Funeral Home is assisting the family.

Peggy Laufman



72, of Marinette, passed away peacefully at her home on Tuesday, October 17, 2023. She was born May 18, 1951 in Daggett, MI to Arthur and Josephine Baumber and spent her early life in that area. She was a 1969 graduate of Stephenson High School. Peggy married Michael E. Lofman of Marinette on April 3, 1971 at First Methodist Church and celebrated 52 years of marriage this year.

First and foremost, she was a devoted wife and mother who loved her kids and family very much. Known for her high energy personality, she ran circles around everyone else. She was a wonderful mother and grandmother who attended all of her family's sporting events. She loved to dance, especially to 50's and 60's music, and along with Mike made many friends in the recording industry. She and Mike also enjoyed the many miles spent motorcycle riding. Remembered by many as serious & sassy, but always classy.

She is survived by her husband, Michael; son, Michael T. Lofman of Menominee; daughter, Kimberly Scott of Oconto; three grandchildren; brothers and sisters, Arthur "Chum" Baumber, Jr., Margie Salewsky, James Baumber, Jay Baumber, Mark Baumber, Penny McGivern and Roxann Laurin; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by two brothers, Bruce and Jeffrey Baumber.

It was Peggy's wish that no formal service be held. In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial donation in Peggy's name to Unity Hospice, 2366 Oak Ridge Circle, DePere, WI 54115. Peggy's family extends a special thank you to the nurses and staff of Unity Hospice for all of their support, kindness and care during this time. Hansen-Onion-Martell funeral home is assisting the family.

Adeline Marie Techmeier



age 90, of Porterfield, WI passed away October 22, 2023 at the Luther Home in Marinette, WI.

She was born in Nathan, MI to Mike and Mary (Hockbein) Ducat on May 9th 1933. She attended Nathan School, then Stephenson High School. She married George Lamprecht on September 5th 1953 who passed away September 13th 1953 in a car accident.

She worked for 6 years at the former Scott Paper Mill. She married August Techmeier on August 29th 1959. He passed away January 17th 2013. They lived on a farm in Porterfield for 56 years. During this time they had 3 children; Dawn, Karen, and Kirt. They farmed the land, raised feeder pigs, had a Christmas tree farm, and always had a large garden.

Survived by their children: Dawn Johnson; her children; Tyler (Azura), Ashley (Adam) Lewis, and their children; Jenna and Autumn. Karen (Tim) Bergstrom; their children; Candace (Chris) McMahon, Eric (Angie) Bergstrom and their children; Xavier, Henry, Rory, August, and Gretta. Kirt (Char) Techmeier; their children; Emily (Bobby), Jacob (Sammi), Shane, Zachery; his child; Delilah, Crystal (Austin) and their children; Clea and Layla. She is further survived by her sisters; Doris Billings, Gladys Furton, Janet (Jim) Delaural, brother; Edwin (Noni) Ducat; and sister-in-law, Janet Ducat.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents: Michael and Mary (Hockbein) Ducat, her brothers; Joseph Ducat, Frank Ducat, and William Ducat. Her sisters in law; Margie (Joe), Jean (Bill), and Caroline (Edwin).

Family and friends may call at Hansen-Onion-Martell funeral home, 610 Marinette Ave., Marinette, WI 54143 for visitation on Saturday, October 28th from 10am CDT until 12pm CDT with a service to follow at noon. A luncheon will be served after the service.

Eugene Tessmann



Eugene Thomas Tessmann, age 79, passed away peacefully on Monday October 16, 2023, in Shawano, surrounded by family. Gene was born on June 20, 1944, son of Henry Edwards and Shirley Mae (Noyes) Edwards. After the death of his biological father, Gene was later adopted and raised by Otto Tessmann. Gene grew up in Racine. After high school Gene enlisted in the United States Navy and served his country honorably during the Vietnam era. On August 29,

1964, he united in marriage to the love of his life, Marilyn Sorensen in Racine. Gene was a proud member of the Pembine American Legion #461. In his free time, he was an avid fly fisherman and enjoyed hunting. He also loved smoking meat, playing cribbage, gardening, and woodworking. Gene was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather and will be deeply missed.

Gene is survived by his wife of 59 years, Marilyn; children, Rebecca (Norb) Smits, Debra (John) Retzlaff, and Thomas (Kelley) Tessmann; nine grandchildren, Candyce (Wayne) Legois, Jr., Brittany (Lane) Polczinski, Tyler (Samantha) Van Asten, Travis (Amanda) Van Asten, Jennifer (Josh) Van Kauwenberg, Jason (Mindy) Wegner, Gavin Vandersteen, Aiden Busch-Tessmann, and Liam Tessmann; 17 great-grandchildren; and siblings, John (Terri) Tessmann, Daniel (Crystal) Tessmann, and Mary Ann (Jack) Slaasted. He is further survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Gene is preceded in death by his parents and siblings, Henry Edwards Jr. and Dennis Tessmann.

A funeral service for Gene was held at 11:00am on Saturday, October 21, 2023, at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Bonduel with Pastor Timothy Shoup officiating. Visitation was held at the Swedberg Wendt Funeral Home in Bonduel on Friday October 20, 2023, from 4:00 pm until 7:00 pm, and then again at the church on Saturday from 10:00am until the time of the service. Gene's family would like to extend a special thank you to Brittany, Candyce, Unity Hospice, and Shawano Health Services for the wonderful care. www.swedbergfuneralhome.com

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Peshtigo First Grade Students Learn About Johnny Appleseed Day

FOR PESHTIGO TIMES

A really important seasonal ritual is the autumn apple harvest. Teachers in Peshtigo devoted the week of Johnny Appleseed's birthday to teach students around the theme of apples in the areas of science, art, reading, and writing. "Providing opportunities for our first graders to learn the subjects together through interactive read-alouds taught young learners about this historical figure who introduced apple trees to the Midwest," shares teacher Yen Williams.

Besides learning about the impact and benefit of John Chapman, otherwise known as Johnny Appleseed, students learned about apples and apple trees. They learned the life cycle of apples.

Books were read, stories were told, and students had lively discussions to support vocabulary and comprehension. Students learned "Apple Addition" through Seesaw math practice lessons. The week included crafts like making and decorating replica Johnny Appleseed hats. Student Finn Gardon was very surprised to learn, "Johnny Appleseed wore a pan on his head!"

A highlight of the week was an apple oxidation experiment where kids implemented the scientific method. Students made predictions about which liquids would impact the oxidation (yellowing) of apple slices the most. "Students coated apple slices with milk, lemon

juice, vinegar, or water and monitored the effects over varied intervals of time," Williams elaborates. "We had meaningful discussions about the results. Students practiced skills such as speaking to be understood and listening to understand." Students also discussed which apple slices looked the most appetizing.

Student Georgia Hendricks expressed the experiment's results, "The lemon water was the best because the apple slices

didn't turn brown."

The unit concluded with, you guessed it, the making of applesauce and apple nachos! Parents came in and helped with the apple processing on the final day. "We made applesauce and got to eat it," student Tate Denowski had a blast making applesauce. Student Elena Cook shared a similar sentiment. "I love applesauce!" Apple nachos are apple slices adorned with treats like syrup or chocolate chips. "I've never heard of apple nachos

before, but this is really good," said student Esther Zak. "This is the best day!" Student Harlow Turpin adds, "Johnny Appleseed Day was fun because we got to have apples and what would a day be like without apples?"

"I love it when students 'get it' for the first time!" Teacher Becky Cording says, "I sincerely love what I do. I love to expose students to new things and present them with new opportunities to get excited about learning."



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 341 Emery Ave., Peshtigo

Kids Craft Table

Admission \$2 or canned food item donation to Peshtigo Food Pantry

Bake Sale and Concessions by Peshtigo Woman's Club

Peshtigo Woman's Club Fall Fest, Bake Sale Oct. 28

Peshtigo Woman's Club Fall and Bake Sale is set for Saturday, Oct. 28 from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Peshtigo Elementary School, 341 Emery Ave., Peshtigo.

Craft table members will be on hand to help children make a craft project. Kids will also receive a Trick or Treat. The Bake Sale table will have many great bakery items. Concessions

will offer coffee, water, soda, fresh homemade popcorn and all beef jumbo hot dogs, and hot nachos with cheese. If crafters or vendors would like more information contact Mary Lou Richter 715-582-1035 or marydrees@aol.com. Admission is \$2 per person or canned items for the Peshtigo Food Pantry.

Methodist Youth Fellowship at Bergeson Farm Oct. 28

Methodist Youth Fellowship Fall Fest invites the public on Oct. 28 from 2-4 p.m. to Bergeson Farm, N3166 Jandt Rd., Peshtigo, for hayrides, corn maze, bounce house and more free to all community youth. Adults may join

in at their own expense. A free Chili supper will be served afterwards at Harmony UMC, N3949 Cty Rd DD, Peshtigo. Pre registration required by Oct. 25. Call Teri 715-938-1607 or Jeanne 920-606-9957.

Firefighters To Have Free Hotdogs for Children

City of Peshtigo will once again have free hot dogs for kids for Halloween on Tuesday, Oct. 31 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Peshtigo City Hall parking lot. Firefighters will also hand out candy and fire prevention

information to children as well as adults. Fire trucks and equipment will be available for kids to view. Firefighters Crystal Klimek will again be in charge of the activities for Halloween.

Peshtigo Police Cite Man at City Hall for Disorderly Conduct

During the week of Sept. 10-16, Peshtigo Police activity included:

On Sunday, Sept. 10, as a result of a traffic stop on S. Noquebay and Maple Street, a 33 year old male Coleman resident was cited and released for operating with a revoked driver license (3rd).

On Monday, Sept. 11 officers assisted a male with getting his electric wheel chair back home after he ran out of battery.

Officers were requested by Marinette County to attempt to locate a man walking in the lane of travel in the highway on Sept. 11. Officers located an abandoned vehicle on the highway and determined that the driver ran out of

gas and was walking to a gas station.

On Tuesday, Sept. 12 officers responded to PELC for a drug complaint. The principal reported that he found a bag of white crystals on a student. The substance did not test positive for any drugs using field test kits. It was concluded that the substance was some sort of candy.

On Wednesday, Sept. 13 an officer was at the Police Department when he heard a disturbance in the hall way. When he went to investigate, there was a 39 year old male yelling at

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RCCA Return of Classical Pianist Charlie Albright

Back by popular demand! River Cities Concert Association announces the return of classical pianist Charlie Albright. Albright will perform on Saturday, Nov. 4, at Blesch Auditorium in Menominee, at 7 p.m. CST. This concert is sponsored by First National Bank and Trust and Akins Pianocraft.

Born in Centralia, Washington, Albright says he began to play the piano at age three-and-a-half, starting with "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star" played by ear. Formal training soon ensued. Albright was both a gifted musician and a serious academic student, earning an Associate of Science degree at Centralia College while still in high school. He went on to study music, economics, and Pre-Med, earning degrees from Harvard, the New England Conservatory, and Juilliard. He has competed internationally and won various awards and prizes, including the Vendome Virtuoso Prize and the Elizabeth Leonskaya Special Award at the 2009 Vendome Prize International Piano Competition.

The Washington Post has hailed Albright as "among the most gifted musicians of his generation" and he is a most versatile one as well, performing worldwide both as a soloist and a collaborator with orchestras such as the Boston Pops and the



BBC Concert Orchestra and with artists of all genres, including vocalist/conductor Bobby McFerrin, violinist Joshua Bell, Broadway vocalist Mandy Gonzalez, and cellist Yo-Yo Ma. This past June, Albright performed a Peace Concert with conductor Gum Nanse and the Korean Seongnam Philharmonic at Walt Disney Concert Hall, commemorating the 70th anniversary of the Korean War's Armistice Agreement.

In addition to performing, Albright is sought after as a speaker, masterclass instructor, teacher, and competition judge. A firm believer in education, Albright founded the Charlie Albright Scholarship and Charlie Albright Piano in collaboration with the Centralia College Foundation in his hometown. His debut commercial recording, Vivace, has sold thousands of copies worldwide and the first two parts of a three-part Schubert Series of live, all-Schubert recordings were released in 2017 and 2020.

The New York Times has written about Albright's "jaw-dropping technique and virtuosity meshed with a distinctive musicality" and the Philadelphia Inquirer of his "ease and smoothness that refuses to airbrush the music, but animates it from within." Albright's compositions and improvisations have been likened to "the great Romantic-era composer-pianists" by Classical Source and have been praised as "thrilling" by the DC Metro Theatre Arts.

Albright believes that music is for everyone and breaks the "classical" rules of music by connecting with audiences like no other. Through his music, speaking, and unique improvisations that bring music to life, he crosses all genres...and makes it fun.

Mixing classical with a bit of pops and some improvisation, all tied together with his relaxed and friendly stage presence, Charlie Albright will provide a delightful evening of entertainment showcasing the works of musical greats including Mozart, Grieg, Liszt, Beethoven, Strauss, Chopin, and Gershwin.

As Albright says on his website: "come experience what sharing music without the 'classical' rules is really like." Indeed, Albright wowed RCCA concertgoers with his musical prowess and vitality back in 2014 so much that the RCCA has received many requests to bring him back. To be sure, this is a concert not to be missed!

Single tickets will be available at the door: \$25 for adults and \$8 for students. For more information, contact Barb Akins by calling 906-863-7387 or visit us at rconcerts.com.

NAMED

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Clerk Schutte then administered the oath of office to the new supervisor and he was seated on the board to participate in the remainder of the meeting.

Wenzel reported that another Moonshine Hill Road sign had been stolen, this time from the intersection of McMahan and Moonshine Hill roads. He issued a reminder that the \$1,000 reward for anyone providing information that leads to conviction of the criminals remains in effect.

Wenzel said shouldering would be done soon on Cemetery and Pleasant roads by Richlen Excavating. Richlen was to start work on the Wayside Road bridge on Monday, Oct. 23.

Problems continue with GFL, the town's contracted garbage hauler. Pomeroy reported the town is having issues getting garbage containers. GFL wants addresses before they deliver any containers. Pomeroy stated the contract does not state anything like that so GFL Manager Christina Du Bois is to speak with her higher ups.

Pomeroy said he has contacted the Bureau of Weights and Measures regarding empty weight of the GFL truck being the same on the weight slips, and is waiting to hear back from them.

Pomeroy again reminded everyone to not leave empty garbage containers by the road. If the container is left at roadside, the town will be charged for a stop, even if it is empty, so he repeated,

"Please at least pull the container back if possible, or ask a friend or neighbor to do it for you." Pomeroy said another container/stop count will be done on Monday, Nov. 13. GFL charges the town for tonnage, and per stop.

Schutte reported the men's toilet at the Town Hall had been fixed. She said the heat is on and all thermostats are working. Chimney repair work still needs to be done. Schutte added they will try to apply for a grant to help with restoration of the building.

Fire Chief Jon Kleuskens reported that electrical work is almost done on the addition to the fire station and they will soon be moving into the new portion of the building. He said the brush truck had arrived, here but efforts to get a grant to pay for it had been unsuccessful.

Kleuskens said during the past month firefighters had assisted at another motor vehicle accident at the intersection of 141 and County X. They had done grain bin training during the past week, and inspections would be completed soon.

After explanations by Surveyor Hugh Guy the board approved certified survey maps for the Mary Smart Trust and Glen and Lyndeen Schneider as presented.

Assistant Clerk/Treasurer Naomi Blum reported she is still entering data into the software system, and is approximately one third done. She said they are also looking at doing some other things, which will be put on the agenda for the board's November meeting for approval.

In regard to problem properties, Wenzel

reported the house on County X west of Hwy. 141 is being torn down and removed from the premises, and the property owner at N9770 Western Ave. in Sweetheart City is making an effort to clean up his property and trying to get a contractor to tear down the building.

Wenzel added going into a property to clean it up can cost up to \$10,000 from beginning to end and can take anywhere from six months to a year, and commented, "Right now we send a certified letter with return receipt asking the property owner to clean up the property per specifics in the letter, and it seems to be helping."

Before the meeting adjourned, Wenzel stated that Middle Inlet is the only town that does not employ a Department of Public Works crew. "We outsource all road maintenance, repairs and general maintenance matters at approximately \$110,000 per year, which is a lot less than if we had employees, equipment and equipment storage, etc.," he declared.

During time for public comment the board was advised that student Aubrey Pomeroy was present at the meeting for a Civics Class assignment.

The evening for Supervisor Pomeroy, Chair Wenzel and Clerk/Treasurer Schutte had begun at 6 p.m. with a Finance meeting in Schutte's office for review of vouchers and finances. At the 6:30 p.m. regular meeting in the main room of the Town Hall vouchers were approved for payment and minutes of the regular meeting on Sept. 14 and a budget workshop meeting on Sept. 26 were approved.

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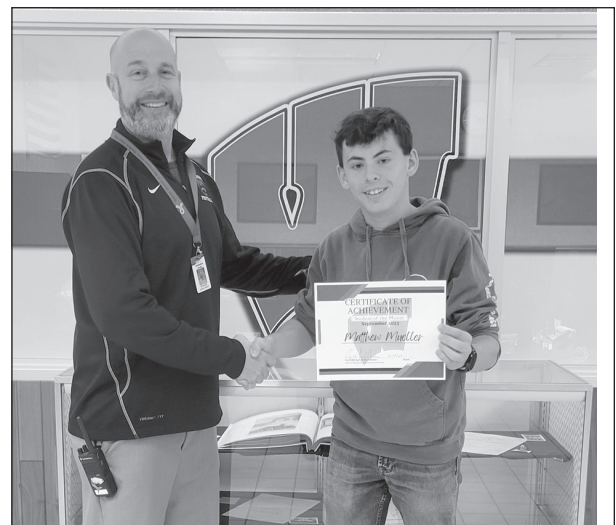
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11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. with a free chili meal to follow. Please join in celebrating veterans and enjoying a warm meal. Judge Jim Morrison will be the guest speaker.



STUDENT OF THE MONTH--Congratulations to Matthew Mueller for receiving the Wausaukee High School September Student of the Month Award. Matthew is a sophomore at Wausaukee High School and is the son of Tim and Michelle Mueller. He enjoys hunting and fishing and is working on becoming a captain of his own charter boat. Matthew is a member of the WHS band and he enjoys playing drums in the pep band and modern band. He was presented with the Student of the Month Award by Superintendent Deschane.

St. Agnes of Amberg Turkey Dinner

St. Agnes Catholic Church of Amberg, W8031 Wright Ave., will have their annual turkey dinner with all the trimmings on Saturday, Oct. 28 from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. Dine in or Take

out. Menu includes turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, mixed vegetable, cranberry sauce, roll, and choice of assorted homemade pie. Cost is \$12.50. If questions call Lynn at 715-927-6735.

Marinette Woman's Club to Meet Nov. 1

The Marinette Woman's Club will meet at the Little River Country Club, N2235 Shore Drive on Wednesday, Nov. 1, for their monthly meeting. Lunch at noon will include white turkey breast, candied carrots, stuffing, cranberries, mashed potatoes, gravy and dessert bars at a cost of \$16. Retired Dr. Mary Jo Liszek will present the program speaking on "Healthy Eating to Reverse and Prevent Disease". All area women are invited to attend. Please call Patti Olsen at 906-290-4187 for reservations by Sunday, Oct. 29. Ladies remember to bring money for Christmas family.

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Peshtigo Meal Site & Senior Center Coordinator

Elderly Services of Marinette County, a non-profit organization, is seeking an organized and energetic individual for an open position at the Peshtigo Community Center, 24 hours per week. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, no nights or weekends. Some benefits included. Duties include meal reservation and assessments, data reporting, activity planning, budgeting, and back-up driving for Meals on Wheels. Experience working with older adults and good people skills are preferred. Good organization and math skills are needed. Call 715-854-7453 with questions or to request an application. Letter of interest or resume may be sent by November 3rd, 2023 to:

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of The Salvation Army says, "With the rising costs of daily life, this drive gives us the opportunity to provide the items necessary to keep kids warm and healthy through the winter months."

Applications will be taken through Nov. 4 for families in need of winter gear. Please call them at 715-735-7448 or go to www.saangeltree.org

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Monetary donations to purchase new coats or snow pants will be accepted at 80 W. Russell, Marinette, or mailing to PO Box 495 Marinette, WI 54143. Please consider liking the salvation army Marinette on facebook to see this and upcoming

events of the Salvation Army in the Marinette, WI and Menominee, MI area. volunteers will be needed to sort and organize clothing.

Please feel free to call 715-735-7448. visit www.samarinette.org for more information about the Salvation Army.

Northland Village Book, Puzzle, Craft & Art Sale

Northland Village Sale will be held Saturday, Nov. 4 from 8 a.m. - noon at 1025 Pine Beach Road, Marinette. Northland Village's used book and used puzzle sale is back after a 3-year COVID layoff. Lots and lots of

books and puzzles will be available. Along with the books and puzzles there will be a craft and art sale of resident made items. Tickets will be available for a number of beautiful themed raffle baskets.

All proceeds from the

event go to the Northland Village resident fund to provide an Easter and Thanksgiving meal for the residents of Northland Village - HUD independent living apartments for the elderly and disabled.

Notice of Possible Quorum of Marinette School District Oct. 25

The Fall Regional Meeting being held at the Rock Garden/Comfort Suites in Green Bay, may have a quorum of the Marinette Board

of Education present Oct. 25, from 4:30 - 9 p.m. at Rock Garden/Comfort Suites, 1951 Bond St., Green Bay. This is not a meeting of the Marinette

Board of Education and the Board will not conduct any school board business during the trip and/or at the training.

Menominee Woman's Club To Meet Nov. 1

FOR PESHTIGO TIMES

The next general meeting of the GFWC Menominee Woman's Club will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 1, at Murray's Irish Pub and Grill, 715 1st Street, Menominee. Check-in and social time will begin at 11:30 a.m. with the meeting

beginning a noon. The meal cost is \$16.

Guest speaker, Keith Mattson will discuss "Veterans Garden." November's Special Emphasis collection will be for veterans. The annual March of Dimes donations will also be collected at this

meeting. All area women are invited to attend. Please contact Jean Kollross at 906-863-8551 prior to Oct. 26 for a reservation. For information about the club go to www.gfwcmenominee.org.

Transfer \$50,000 For Porterfield Road Budget

BY SHIRLEY PRUDHOMME

Starting at the annual town budget hearing 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 8 there will be three meetings at the Porterfield Town Hall, which is located at W3435 County Road G. The budget hearing will be followed by the special annual meeting for town electors, mainly in regard to the budget and tax levy. When that session is adjourned the Town Board will convene for its regular monthly meeting.

At its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 11 the board agreed to table action on a Model Continuation of Business Ordinance until the November meeting and approved hiring Paeton Mech as a town employee.

Among town officials present for that meeting were Supervisors Don Limberg and Audrey Guseck, Town Chair Dennis Bergeson, Treasurer Wendell Phillips and Clerk Amy Linstad.

The board was informed that roads would be graveled during the coming week. The Town had paved just over two miles of roads this year. There was discussion about scarifying the west end of Willow Heights Road.

During Open Floor discussion thanks were expressed to the town for fixing Bagley Road by the slough. There was discussion on Willow Heights Road and the private road that adjoins it, as well as on grading roads and snow plowing.

In his treasurer's report Philipps noted the total cash on hand as of Sept. 29, 2023, was \$116,883.27.

A bit later in the meeting a motion to move \$50,000

from the Reserve Money Market into the General account to balance the budget by increasing the Road Budget was approved, and after that change the budget was approved. There was to be further budget discussion at a pre-budget workshop meeting at 9 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 19.

By unanimous vote the board approved a variance for Adam Collins to build up to five cabins, provided several contingencies are met, mainly road improvements for emergency vehicle access. The road is to be widened to 24 feet. Fire numbers are to be posted at the entrance and one at each cabin. This is to be labeled as a private road with non-permanent residents.

The board was informed that the fire department had responded to a call to a possible barn fire that was put out right away, and to calls for a couple small grass fires. Firefighters have been training with other towns on grain silo fires.

The board was advised that all is going well at the Recycling Center except that someone had hit the gate and messed with the chain.

Building Permits were all okay. The town had permits issued for five new homes and 56 other buildings in 2023.

The Cemetery Committee had nothing new to report.

There were no applications for operator licenses since the last board meeting.

After correspondence was read, bills were paid, and the Local Road Certification Packet was completed the meeting was adjourned.

CITE MAN

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city office staff while using profane language. He was removed from the building and cited for disorderly conduct.

Officers were called for a welfare check on a juvenile who did not come home from school on Sept. 13. The child was found to be with his grandfather and was safe.

Officers were called on Sept. 13 to a trailer in the Brook View Trailer Park for a report from a third party that a female was in the house bleeding from her stomach. Officers determined that the female was having health complications that were associated with another health issue she had. EMS responded and took the call over.

On Thursday, Sept. 14 an officer made a traffic stop at the Store Gas Station for a loud exhaust. Ultimately, the 30 year old male driver from Green Bay was arrested for operating while suspended, felony bail jumping, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of fentanyl, and possession of a controlled substance in a jail. He was transported and lodged at

the Marinette County Jail.

Officers received a report from a mandatory reporter of a possible sexual assault of a juvenile on Sept. 14. The initial report was taken and followed up by the detectives and sexual assault advocate. It was determined that no assault had taken place.

On Friday, Sept. 15 officers took a report of a glitter bomb with obscene shaped confetti that was mailed to a resident's house. Officers followed up with the post office but it was determined that they were unable to provide an address from which the package had been sent from.

Officers were requested by Marinette County on Sept. 15 to intercept a wrong way driver on Highway 41 near Peshtigo. The officers were able to locate and stop the vehicle. As a result, a 45-year old male from Oconto Falls was arrested for operating while under the influence.

Officers were called to a residence on the 100 block of S. Ellis for a report of a juvenile who was assaulted on Sept. 15. Officers arrived on scene and, after investigating, it was found out that the juvenile crashed an electric bike he had stolen from a camper at Badger Park. As a result,

the juvenile was cited for petty theft, damage to property, and obstructing an officer.

Officers were dispatched to a property found complaint at the intersection of Green Street and N Ellis on Sept. 15. The item was an android cell phone. If anyone is missing a cell phone, go to the Peshtigo Police Department and describe it to retrieve the phone.

On Saturday, Sept. 16 officers were dispatched to Highway 41 to assist Marinette County with locating a male walking on the roadway. Officers were unable to locate the male.

Officers responded to the 300 block of E Front Street on Sept. 16 for a vehicle accident with injuries. It was found that the vehicle had left the roadway, struck a brick mailbox, and one of the passengers had glass in her eye. EMS tended to the injured party and an accident report was completed.

This week, officers performed 13 traffic stops, 16 business checks, 9 patrol requests, and 13 park checks. They also assisted Marinette County Sheriff's Office and the City of Marinette Police Department 3 times.

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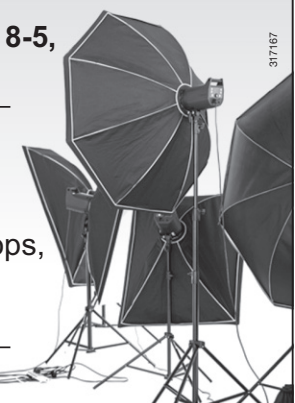
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On Aug. 16, 1997, the Packers traveled to Buffalo Bills 35-3. It was Toronto, Ont., to play in the American Bowl at the SkyDome in front of 53,896 fans, beating the Buffalo Bills 35-3. It was the first time the Packers played outside of the U.S. These items are part of the temporary exhibit, Traveling Abroad, on display now at the Hall of Fame. Tori Wittenbrock photo

Loomis Historical Thanksgiving Dinner Nov. 2

The Loomis Historical Society will have its Thanksgiving Potluck dinner on Thursday, Nov. 2, at 12 noon at the Town of Lake Hall. Members are asked to bring a dish to pass and their own tableware. Beverages will be provided. A business meeting will follow the meal. Members are reminded that if their parents or grandparents sang or recited a little "ditty" or song, they are always welcome to attend. For more information, you may call Harold or Pat Kaufman at 715-854-2997.

Soup Supper Booyah and Chili Sale Nov. 4

FOR PESHTIGO TIMES Saturday, Nov. 4, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Coleman Rescue Squad and Beaver American Lutheran Church will hold a Soup Supper Booyah and Chili sale on Saturday, Nov. 4, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Coleman Rescue Squad Building, Business 141 and 119 E 16th Rd., in Coleman. It will be carryout only for \$9 per quart. There will also be bucket raffle and bake sale. To order ahead call 920-897-2858.



WINNERS IN CHILI CONTEST—The 9th Annual Soup and Chili Contest was held on Sept. 23 put on by the American Legion Post/Unit 66 of Athelstane/Silver Cliff. There were 28 Nesco's of everyone's favorite soup or chili to try out. Many pans of homemade apple, cherry and blueberry pie were served with a generous portion of ice cream to top them off. The Bake Sale had a great variety of homemade desserts as well. It was a sold-out event. Many community residents attended the event to show their support for the fundraiser. Three trophies were awarded for the People's Choice Awards and three trophies for Judges Choice Awards. The winners from left to right are Paul Wiesenhuegel (Cabbage Carnival), Kathi Miller (Garden Veggie and Ham), Michelle Lotter (Black and Blue Steak), Scott Lotter (Seafood Chowder) and Shelby Dhuey (Loaded Baked Potato). Michelle Lotter won 1st Place in the competition for the Peoples Choice Award and the Judges Choice Award. Proceeds from the Chili Fest and the Soup Contest are used for scholarships for area graduating seniors. All proceeds from the Bake Sale this year will be donated to the Town of Silver Cliff Building Fund for the new Public Safety Building.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING Town of Brazeau, Oconto County, WI

The Town of Brazeau will hold a Public Hearing on the town's proposed 2024 Budget, on November 15, 2023, at 6:00 pm, at the Brazeau Town Hall, the proposed budget in detail is available for inspection by contacting the clerk at (920) 897-3855.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF THE ELECTORS

This meeting will immediately follow the Public Budget Hearing and will be held for the following purposes:

- To approve compensation for elected town officials for the next term.
- To approve the 2023 total town tax levy (to be collected in 2024)

NOTICE OF A SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a town board meeting will be held immediately following the completion of the Special Town Meeting of the Electors.

This meeting will be held for the following purpose:

- Adopt the 2024 Town of Brazeau Budget

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the Clerk for Marinette County and will be retiring from Marinette County after many years of service with the County. Brandt will be a wealth of knowledge for the Town.

In other announcements, Friday added that Herself, Supervisor Daryl Joy and Supervisor Jimmer Wortner attended the Marinette County Unit meeting and they received updates from Sheriff Randy Miller, District Attorney DeShea Morrow, Marinette County Highway Commissioner Eric Burmeister and Representative Jeffrey Mursau. There was a vote to change from four meetings annually to three meetings per year. The next meeting will be held in the Town of Wagner on March 21, 2024 at 7 p.m.

Friday then finally addressed why Public Comment was removed from the agenda saying, "As you can see there is no public comment listed on the agenda. After discussing with area municipalities, fielding complaints from Town residents and reviewing information from Wisconsin Towns Association this was a decision made thoughtfully and purposefully. This Town Board has a lot of work in front of it, most notably, the proposed 2024 budget. Meetings are meant to allow a board to fulfill its responsibilities, authority, power and duties vested in it. The Attorney General has concluded that a meeting does not require a portion for members of the public to speak or actively participate. While the Open Meetings Law gives members of the public the opportunity to attend and observe the open session portions of meetings, it does not give the public the ability to interrupt or disrupt them. From this point forward, disruptions of any kind will not be tolerated. As stated during last month's meeting, the board does have the ability to suspend the rules under certain circumstances".

Supervisor Kayla Furton commented, "In regard to Public Comment I would like to note for all residents present that during the approved agenda item I did move to add public comment to this meeting, there was not a second and I also made a motion to add public comment to the next board meeting and there was no second, so both motions failed, but I did make that motion". Some of the residents then thanked Furton along with an applause for her efforts in trying to secure Public Comment.

Marinette County Board Member/ Town Resident Trygve Rhude then provided a County Board report, stating, "Kathy Brandt did submit her retirement letter. It is the Counties loss and the Town of Peshtigo's win for sure. On Tuesday, Oct. 31 at 9 a.m., there will be a Public Hearing regarding the proposed budget for next year. This is the opportunity to let the board know what you think of the budget. If you want more detailed information of the budget, you can go to the County website on the right hand side and it will bring you many different things you can look at for the proposed budget. At all County Board and Committee meetings there is an opportunity for public comment".

Mike Folgert then provided his Fire Department report starting with five vehicle crashes with a major crash on US Hwy 41 at County Y that resulted in closing down the south bound lanes and detouring of traffic. There were two EMS assists at the same address; a vehicle fire inside a repair shop; a natural gas leak inside a residence; a fire alarm activation and a bar fire assist call that was cancelled enroute.

Folgert added that the October training focus was on vehicle extrication that was conducted at RZR Auto Salvage, which enabled the crew to practice hydraulic and E-draulic tools on a number of vehicles.

Three firefighters,

DeForge, Staszak and Walk completed a 30 hour NWTC Driver-Operator course and James Matthews achieved State Certification as a Fire Inspector.

Also, Folgert announced that free smoke alarms are still available for households within the Town, the Department participated in the Peshtigo Historical Days parade with two fire trucks. Their Open House and Fire Safety Day was held at the station on Saturday, October 7, with two lucky children who's names were drawn for a ride to school in a fire truck the week of October 9.

Reappointments included Rich Seils as Assistant Chief and two Captains, Derek Monnette and Ryan Kass. The current roster is at 21 volunteer firefighters; Chad Ryczek resigned due to moving out of the area; Justin Walk completed initial probation and was approved as active firefighter and the Department is currently accepting applications for new firefighters.

The September Constable report included two calls for a lost dog on the same date of September 2 and a follow-up on a citation on Riverside Drive with no changes at this time.

The board then addressed pay increases for town workers for the 2024 year. Starting with Road Foreman Keith Swallow, even though his start date is noted as July 24, 2015, Swallow worked at the town since 2007 through a Temp Agency. Others included General Laborer Jeff Maney, start date May 19, 2023, RC Lead Paul McClain, start date June 19, 2021, RC Attendant Bob Eggener, start date Jan. 1, 2001, RC Attendant John Berg, start date Aug. 31, 2021, RC Attendant, per diem Dennis Czapiewski, start date May 16, 2023, RC Attendant per diem Wayne Kamka, start date June 20, 2023 Chief Election Inspector Rebecca Archambault, start date Oct. 27, 2016 and the Election Inspectors, various start dates.

The per hour wages were approved as: Swallow from \$24.52 to \$26; Maney from \$20 to \$22; McClan from \$21.53 to \$21; Eggener is off on medical leave and will be set at \$19 should he return to the town later; Berg was upgraded to RC Assistant Lead at \$18; Czapiewski \$15; Kamka \$15; Archambault \$18 and Election Inspectors to \$14 per hour, all effective as of January 1, 2024.

There was a brief discussion about a Comprehensive plan for the Town. It was stated that the plan should be done every 10 years to stay current. In securing information from the City of Peshtigo, they worked with Bay Lakes Planning but nothing has been implemented yet with it not quite being finished at this point. There were several questions such as, how do we pay for it and implement it, possibly pay as we go, and thoughts of narrowing it down to look at what is really needed for the Town.

A Thriving Earth Exchange update was given in regards to the residents that received free PFAS testing. Friday announced that the two residents that received the testing were John Sturdy and April MacGlashin, of which both live on Shore Drive. They were notified on Sept. 28 and told they would receive the test results within two weeks. The residents are responsible for collecting the sample, shipping the sample back to the lab and for overnight shipping costs. The lab analyzation will take approximately two to three weeks with results to Carsyn Ames of Thriving Earth Exchange and further dissemination of results to the resident, Town of Peshtigo and WDNR. The Laboratory of Hygiene in Madison sent out the kits on October 9, it was confirmed that April received the test on October 10.

A Tyco deep well progress update was provided in the meeting information packet including 98 replacement wells requested to date, with additional requests being received on a regular basis; 20 replacement wells

were installed; 78 wells are queued for installation; Bottled water and POETS service is continuing until deep wells are completed; Construction is planned through at least 2024; Tyco is currently partnering with 14 local contractors; Outreach continues and opportunity remains for all PWSA parcel owners.

Results to date show that radium levels are reduced; Other components are being filtered to multiple orders of magnitude below the criteria; Treated water is safe to drink; Ground water is ongoing with one year individual private well monitoring; Results are consistent from quarter to quarter and there are four to five deep bedrock monitoring wells throughout the community being monitored under the WDNR oversight. The general response is that water pressure has increased with the new wells.

An update from Alyssa Sellwood of the WDNR was also included in the packet stating that the site investigation is continuing with Tyco in its investigation of PFAS contamination in and around the FTC (Fire Training Center). Sellwood confirmed that the initial testing results of new deep wells installed were as expected concluding that the water did not contain FPAS at levels of concern but did have elevated levels of radium, strontium and other water quality that warrant treatment. In a few instances, new deep wells had to be retrofit with a special deeper casing to address sulfur issues.

Also, Tyco installed a new irrigation well at Marinette High School to replace the old irrigation well that had a faulty casing which was drawing PFAS from the shallow aquifer but PFAS was not detected at levels of health concern in samples that were collected from the new irrigation well. JCI/ Tyco will continue semi-annual sampling under an agreement with the school district.

An EPA superfund petition update was given stating, "In the late 1970s toxic waste dumps received national attention when the public learned about the risks to human health and the environment posed by contaminated sites. In response, Congress established the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) in 1980. CERCLA is informally called Superfund. It allows EPA to clean up contaminated sites and forces the parties responsible for the contamination to either perform cleanups or reimburse the government for EPA-led cleanup work. In March of 2022 Town residents Cindy Boyle and Jeff Lamont filed a citizen petition to move the area's PFAS contamination through the Superfund process. It was discussed with Erica Aultz on October 12 and the process is still ongoing. Once testing is set to begin, the EPA will notify the Town and residents will then be notified to expect contact from the EPA. The EPA will then reach out to property owners directly to perform testing and they will communicate results with property owners. The Town will be notified once a conclusion is reached regarding the superfund status.

Supervisor Kayla Furton gave an update on the \$1.667 million dollar Federal grant funds and UW grant writing team stating, the town has been assigned a new EPA representative and she believes that PFAS monitoring would be a potential use of the funds if the Town submitted an official amendment to the project. Furton will have a discussion with the grant writing team to go over that. There was no update on the grant opportunities from the grant writing team for the matching funds but they are putting together a list and requirements.

In regards to a long term permanent drinking water solution for impacted residents, Friday advised

residents that she reached out to Strand to inquire what the next steps are to determine a long term drinking water solution. There was a multitude of steps exploring many things, including deep wells that are already in place. If we would continue with Strand, an update report would cost \$35,000 to \$75,000; Stakeholder meetings would be on call/as needed at a cost of \$10,000 to \$20,000 and a cost of service study would be the same amount of \$10,000 to \$20,000.

Furton noted to Friday, "These costs are all included in the \$1.667 million cost if we do secure these funds so they already do qualify. The matching funds are waiting on the board for the matching process. There is not really a deadline to it and there is time". Friday responded, "I personally don't feel we are in a position to absorb these costs on our own until we know if we are going to get the grant". Furton then agreed with Friday but added, "If funds are available, is that something the Town Board is going to pursue? If we could, I would like to get a board consensus and interaction". Conversations were had between Friday, Furton and Supervisor Darryl Joy. Joy asked if it just covered the PFAS area. Friday said that area is covered for those that want the deep wells. The Utility District would cover everyone and if the Town decides on a District this could potentially force people off of their deep wells". Joy commented, I think we all know that the UD is not the best option from what I have read. Furton said she would love to hear why you don't think the UD is an option. Joy replied, I don't know how you will cover the whole Town with the UD. Furton stated, I think there is a lot of room between covering the whole town and incrementally working to provide permanent safe drinking water for people in a defined plume area of contamination . Joy commented, I understand that and I am not against safe drinking water, I am saying that is not the only solution to clean water. Furton replied, That is what updated alternative analysis will do, I am not saying the UD is the only way to go, but I don't want to rule it out without considering all options. Joy stated It is not being ruled out right now that is just my personal opinion, I don't know how you are going to pay for three to four hundred million dollars to do a Water District, How are you going

to maintain it with over \$2 million dollars to maintain it. Furton said, All of the entities like the WDNR or Public Service Commission has not said it is impossible. Funding will be a challenge but none of the experts has said it is impossible, so I don't want you to rule it out. Joy replied, I am not ruling it out. Friday added, The first thing is to see if we get the matching funds and if we can move forward with that. If we cant the Town cant do this on its own. Joy and Furton both agreed, with Furton stating, I am glad to hear that there is interest in possibly moving forward.

Supervisor Clarence Coble added, "If we go to a referendum and the people vote that they don't want a UD then there is no sense in going any further. Everything hinges on our direction of the board. The vote of the people is going to be the driving force". Many questions were tossed around including why didn't the prior board go for a referendum when they had all the current costs and information. Furton replied, "We have to have all the correct figures and what it would cost for each homeowner and at this point, it is just general costs". Coble replied, "The figures are a half million dollars a year to maintain the district and you throw that into the town and we only have \$276,000 in the levy. That is half of the Towns budget, so the tax payers have to come up with at least double what the levy is just to pay for that upkeep of the Water District". Furton commented, "Consumers are the ones that bear the cost and that projection is too high of a cost and it is not specific. There are additional considerations and forcing people off wells is not a requirement". Friday replied, "If this is done for PFAS contamination why would you not force them off their wells and if you have a mile long that people don't want to come of their wells, and you only have one person at the end of that area that wants the district that is not going to work". Furton replied, "That is why we include engineers for the costs, there is a lot of work that needs to be done before we ever have that information to move forward. I am happy to have this conversation". Friday commented that the 1.667 will be an item on the agenda continually for discussion.

Friday discussed the CDBG-CV Town Hall Improvement project stating that there were no bids at

the October 10 meeting, but the Board members were notified on October 12th that the DOA consented to allowing the Town to split up the project to include HVAC separate from the remodel. If a contractor is interested they are to submit a bid/quote to the Town Clerk. Once a bid/quote is obtained, the Town will need to go thru a sole bidder exemption request with the assistance of Mike from MSA.

In regards to the controversial Shore Drive/ Leaf Road bay access update, Chairperson Friday said, "I spoke with Erin Carviou from WDNR and if we keep the ramp structure then it needs to be permitted and rock also needs to be removed. Permits have been required since 1933, they know there are areas without permits but they don't "look for them, however once something comes across their desk, then things change. An individual permit would be required at a cost of \$603 and it would require a Class 1 Notice, of which the DNR will prepare the notice. Also, there will be an additional fee of \$130 for the DNR to publish the notice. We can limit access, such as ATV/ Snowmobiles only but would need signage or gate. If we opt to remove the launch pad then we would need to stabilize the shoreline which means restoring it to match adjacent properties and place riprap. The current riprap is undersized for the location".

In speaking with Niccole Smith, if we limit access we may need to still enhance an existing site. She suggested a sign "use at your own risk", We will be checking with the insurance company if that would eliminate liability. Smith did say, The DNR would be amenable to the Town enhancing an existing site rather than replacing, so creating a walking path, brush clearing, picnic tables, kayak/canoe rack, etc without creating another boat launch. There may be an option of one or two parking spaces at Edwards Ave.

There was a lot of discussion as to if the Town should continue with the Capital Improvement Ad Hoc Committee and the consensus was that the committee will continue for now and if anyone needs to reach out for any information from the committee to do so for now and the Board will re-address it in the future.

The next monthly Board Meeting will be held Tuesday, November 21, 2023 at 7 p.m.

TOWN OF MIDDLE INLET PUBLIC NOTICE TOWN OF MIDDLE INLET PROPOSED 2024 BUDGET

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - PROPOSED 2024 BUDGET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Middle Inlet, Marinette County, Wisconsin will hold a Public Hearing on the Town's Proposed 2024 Budget on Thursday, November 9, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at Town Hall, W7901 County X, Middle Inlet, WI. This hearing is provided so the citizens may review the Proposed Budget and express their opinions prior to approval and adoption. The summary of the Budget is included. The Proposed 2024 Budget detail is available for inspection at the Town Clerk/Treasurer Office located at W7901 Cty X, Middle Inlet, WI.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ELECTORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that immediately following the Public Hearing a Special Town Meeting of the Electors of the Town of Middle Inlet will be held on Thursday, November 9, 2023. This Special Town Meeting of Electors is called by the Town Board for the following purposes:

*To consider the adoption of a resolution to approve the 2023 Town Tax Levy, (to be collected in 2024), pursuant to Wis. Stat. 60.10(1)(a).

NOTICE OF TOWN BOARD MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that immediately following the Special Meeting of the Electors of the Town of Middle Inlet, the Town Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 9, 2023 at which time the Town Board will consider acceptance and adoption of the Proposed 2024 Budget for year ending December 31, 2024.

Table with 4 columns: Category, 2023 Budget, 2024 Budget, % of Change. Rows include REVENUES (Total \$678,833.00) and EXPENDITURES (Total \$810,322.00).

Posting Places: Town Hall * W7901 Cty. X / Fire Dept * N9299 USH 141 / Boat Landing * Boat Landing Rd & Elinor Dr Patricia Schutte, WCMC Clerk-Treas. October 18, 2023

The Towering Inferno

BY ABRAHAM FRENCH, PEMBINE

It was the summer of 1970, I had been in South Vietnam about nine months. For some reason, the summer had brought on a rash of rocket attacks and satchel charge attacks. I thought we had seen everything until one night at about 2 o'clock in the morning we were rudely awakened by our sergeant. He hollered, "Wake up everyone and get your battle gear on", the Vietcong have satchel charged one of those giant fuel tanks down by the bay, and it's burning like crazy. As soon as you get dressed, go get your weapons and board those two duce and a half's waiting outside", continued the sergeant.

Now there were about eighteen of these huge tanks in the tank farm. Cam Rahn

Bay had a very deep port for unloading large ships, so this was an excellent place for a tank farm. Whether all of these tanks were full of petroleum, we weren't sure, but the one the satchel charged sure was.

We were ordered to report down to the burning tank as quickly as possible, with only our tiny little lights on, on our trucks. These little lights were, I guess, made for secret night driving, so the enemy wouldn't see you coming.

We were ordered to drive right up to the tank that was burning, and prevent the enemy from satchel charging any of the other tanks. Now these tanks were gigantic, about one hundred feet in diameter and thirty to forty feet tall, and that's with them sitting

down in a pit about ten feet deep. Each tank had a dry moat around it's base about eight to ten feet wide, so if they did get hit by a rocket or satchel charged, the leakage from the tank would fill up the moat first and hopefully burn itself out before spreading the fuel to another tank and causing it to burn also.

And that's exactly what happened; the satchel charge made a hole in the tank, the fuel flowed into the moat and it was now burning like crazy, so crazy that the flame was 300 feet high. Because the heat produced by the burning was so intense, we couldn't park by the burning tank, we had to park a quite a ways down the road from it. As we were sitting in the back of the duce and a half

(without it's canvas on) I looked up at the flame and said to the other guys in the truck, "Look, the flame is at least three hundred feet high!" Somebody in the truck responded, French, shut up! I said back to them, "Yes, but in thirty years, you'll be telling your relatives and friends about this and just remember, the flames are at least three hundred feet high. Who in their lifetime would actually see something like this."

We waited in the trucks for about two hours and then went back to our barracks. The next night we pulled guard duty the full length of the tank farm. Fortunately no one got hurt, and no other tanks were destroyed, even though millions of dollars of fuel burned up that night.



LIONS DONATION--The Wausaukee Lions gave a donation of \$500 to Pastor Fred's Food Pantry of Amberg on Saturday, Oct. 7th during the Fall Fest in Wausaukee. Accepting the donation is Wayne Hendricks of Amberg from Wausaukee Lions President Gary Johnston of Marinette

Wagner Fire Cancels Trunk Or Treat Event

BY SHIRLEY PRUDHOMME STAFF WRITER

The Wagner Town Board was informed at its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 11 that a Fire Department-sponsored Trunk or Treat event that had been scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 29 at the Town Hall/Fire Station has been cancelled due to lack of involvement. The Fire Department's annual Fall Raffle is to be held as scheduled at 8 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 25 at the Heritage Inn.

The town's annual Budget hearing is to be held at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 8, with the town meeting and regular monthly Town Board meeting to follow.

Signing a contract for Emergency Medical Response services had been on the agenda for approval but was removed at the start of the meeting. It is to be placed on the agenda for the Nov. 8 board meeting.

The Recycling Center will be closed on Saturday, Nov. 18 due to the opening of deer season, and then will resume normal hours. This information also will be handed out at the Recycling Center over the next month.

At the start of the Oct. 11 board meeting Town Chair Mary Ann Kowalski read a letter from the State Senate advising that the town's shared revenue payment will increase by \$41,335. Later in the meeting, during discussion of any changes to the preliminary budget, Clerk Margo Renikow stated the only change made from the previous meeting was assigning the \$41,000 of shared revenue to the Cottage Lane project, which the board was told is progressing as expected.

The board had just approved a five-year road project plan that calls for the Cottage Lane project to be completed in 2025. Other projects scheduled in the five year plan are:

*For 2025: wedge and chip seal three quarters of a mile of Peterson Road and crack seal a half mile of the north part of Rademaker Road;

*For 2026: Do one mile of Old Rail Road by grinding existing asphalt, adding six inches of 3/4-inch crushed

limestone, and finishing with cold mix blacktop from County Road X north;

* For 2027: Wedge and chip seal the mile and a half of Broennenberg Road, and

*For 2028: Wedge and chip seal two and a half miles of Old Rail Road.

Treasurer's report at the start of the meeting showed the checking account balance was \$103,423.43 and money market stood at \$406,632.77. The board approved transfer of \$90,900 for the Scott Construction payment.

Mike Caylor reported the Fire Department needs more members. He said non-residents are welcome to join, and asked anyone interested to contact him for training information at 715-938-2080. The Fire Department had meetings scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 24 and Tuesday, Nov. 14.

During the past month the Fire Department responded to one call for a vehicle accident. Firefighters had 52 hours of maintenance and training.

During time for public comment Steve Renikow asked that a portable bathroom for the Lake Mary Boat Launch area be on the Board's November agenda for further consideration. Supervisor Ed Delfosse said they removed the one by the JJ Bridge due to vandalism. Another resident asked that the board consider all aspects of putting a portable bathroom at the boat launch area, including a possible increase in camping there, and urged them to be sure enough space is allowed for plowing and for the trail groomer to clean the area.

Jim Brown asked if the board had checked on Schultz Road due to people complaining about its condition.

The animal control officer reported having two calls. A lost dog on Peterson Road was found by a neighbor and returned. Another dog was taken to the Menominee Animal Shelter, where they found on file a tag number corresponding to the chip on the dog. The owner was contacted and dog was returned.

Grace Lutheran in Pembine Annual Craft Show

Grace Lutheran Church's Women of Grace Ministry in Pembine will hold their 22nd Annual Craft Show and Bake Sale on Saturday, Nov. 4 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Church Fellowship Hall, corner of Minnie and Sauld Streets in Pembine.

A wide variety of craft items will be available from crafters from northeast

Wisconsin and the UP of Michigan. A sloppy joe lunch will be available for purchase. There will also be bucket raffles. Proceeds from the event will be used to support many ministries within the community and the church.

For more information call Pat Littmann, 920-918-1369 or contact the church office 715-324-5899.

Camp Daniel's Spooktacular Extravaganza is Oct. 28

FOR PESHTIGO TIMES

Camp Daniel, a local nonprofit that provides opportunities for children and adults with disabilities, invites the community to the 2nd Annual Spooktacular Extravaganza on Saturday, Oct. 28th from 4-8 p.m. at W10541 Army Ln, Athelstane. The campus will be open to tour; visit the not-so-scary Majestic Theater to watch short films, join in spooktacular activities like a pumpkin carving contest, a Monster

Mash Dance, scary-oke, campfires, escape room and more. Dress to impress with a festive costume, a secret panel of judges will pick a winner at the end of the night. The event is free and for all ages. Please bring a dish to pass.

Camp Daniel provides opportunities for campers, volunteers and the local community to stay engaged throughout the year. For more information, visit campdaniel.org.

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS TOWN OF SILVER CLIFF SILVER CLIFF FIRE & RESCUE BUILDING SILVER CLIFF, WI MSA Project 17741007

The Town of Silver Cliff will ONLY receive and accept bids from General Contractors through QuestCDN.com via the online electronic bid service (QuestvBid) for the construction of Silver Cliff Fire & Rescue Building until **2:00 PM on Tuesday, December 5, 2023**. All bids will be downloaded and publicly read aloud during a virtual public bid opening that will be held at the day and time of the bid closing. Prime Contractors will receive information via Quest on how to join the virtual meeting prior to the bid opening.

The project is a new 9,868 square foot single story building with a few small mezzanines. The building is a pre-engineered steel building. The roof is a metal standing seam roof with a fiberglass batt insulation system. The exterior walls are insulated metal wall panels along with a brick veneer rainscot. The foundation is reinforced cast-in-place concrete frost foundation and floor slabs. The mezzanines are light gauge steel joists on load bearing metal stud walls. The project includes painted FRP doors and frames, aluminum windows, metal stud and drywall interior partitions, gas fired infrared heat for the apparatus garage and gas fired fan forced air furnaces for the finished spaces, electrical, plumbing, a new septic system, earthwork and asphalt paving.

The project is to be awarded the week of December 11, 2023. The project's substantial completion date is December 18, 2024. The building exterior and site work including asphalt and concrete pavement is to be substantially complete by October 31, 2024. The generator is to be substantially complete by March 31, 2025.

The BIDDING DOCUMENTS may be examined at the offices of MSA Professional Services, Inc., Rhinelander, Wisconsin; Bid+ Builders Exchange, Madison, Wisconsin; the Builders Exchange of Appleton and Milwaukee, Wisconsin; BXWI-Fox Valley Plan Room LLC, Appleton, Wisconsin; Great Lakes Builders Exchange, Sheboygan, Wisconsin; Dodge Data & Analytics, Hot Springs, Arkansas; Dodge Data & Analytics, West Allis, Wisconsin; Northwest Regional Builders Exchange in Altoona (Eau Claire), Wisconsin; Reed Construction Data Plan Room, Norcross, Georgia; and Wausau Builders Exchange, Wausau, Wisconsin. Planholders list will be updated interactively on our web address at <http://www.msa-ps.com> under Bids.

Copies of the BIDDING DOCUMENTS will be available starting November 2, 2023 at www.questcdn.com. You may download the digital plan documents for \$45 by inputting Quest eBidDoc #8779840 on the website's Project Search page. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with the digital project information.

No proposal will be accepted unless accompanied by a certified check or bid bond equal to at least 5% of the amount bid, payable to the Town of Silver Cliff as a guarantee that, if the bid is accepted, the bidder will execute and file the proper contract and certified check or bond within 15 days after the award of the contract. BIDDER is required to deliver the original certified check or bid bond within the 72 hours of bid opening to MSA Professional Services, Inc., Attn: Al Szymanski, 1230 South Boulevard, Baraboo, WI 53913. The certified check or bid bond will be returned to the bidder as soon as the contract is signed, and if after 15 days the bidder shall fail to do so, the certified check or bid bond shall be forfeited to the Town of Silver Cliff as liquidated damages.

Performance and Payment Bonds for the full contract amount shall be required from the successful Bidder.

Prequalification of bidders will not be required. Bidders to whom award of a Contract is under consideration shall submit to Architect, upon request, a properly executed AIA Document A305 Contractor's Qualifications Statement.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within 30 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

The minimum wages to be paid on the project shall be in accordance with Federal Davis Bacon Wage Rates. Federal wage rates can be found at <http://www.wdol.gov/dba.aspx#0>. Be aware that project Administrators, Bidders, and Contractors are required to use the latest federal wage rate available at the time of bid opening.

This project will use Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding. Attention of Bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the contract, Section 3, Segregated Facility, Section 109 and E.O. 11246.

Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive or not waive any informalities in the bids received, and to accept any proposal which they deem most favorable to the interests of the Owner.

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Wausaukee School District Coaching Position Available

JV Girls Basketball Coach

The Wausaukee School District is seeking energetic, motivated team-player who will contribute to a strong athletic program beginning the 2023/2024 basketball season. The coach will schedule practices and attend all games. The individual will work cooperatively with the Athletic Director to maintain a balanced program that includes: conditioning, skill development and sportsmanship. Experience playing and coaching is desired.

Wausaukee maintains high academic standards for student athletes and is seeking a role model who shares the emphasis of the athletic department as stated in the Activities' Code within the Student Handbook and the Coaches' Handbook.

Apply by sending a letter of interest to Joe Thompson, Athletic Director at P.O. Box 258 Wausaukee, WI 54177 or thompsonj@wausaukee.k12.wi.us.

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

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FINANCE

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budget proposals at a 3:15 p.m. meeting on Monday, Oct. 16.

At each of the sessions, committee members worked with Mayor Cathi Malke, Clerk/Treasurer Tammy Kasal and various department heads to hammer out numerous budget decisions, including pay raises that will go into effect in 2024, some of them substantial; five-year capital outlay and street improvement plans, and more.

In addition to budget work, the Parks and Recreation Committee again authorized Parks and Recreation Director Lori Tonn to have some badly needed repairs made immediately to the Skate Park at Badger Park, authorized an ice rink in the park near Zion Lutheran Church, and happily accepted an offer from the pastor to spray it during the midnight hours when it is most beneficial to the ice.

They also agreed to recommend adoption of an ordinance that will allow only non-motorized boat operation on the quarter-mile of the Peshtigo River from the lower boat launch north to the dam. That action came after Tonn reported that Chip Long of the DNR had asked about that possibility, due to habitat damage motor use can cause in that area. It was noted that operators of motorized boats still have 13 miles of river to enjoy from the boat launch south.

Wink commented she grew up on a boat fishing with her dad, and considering the area to be restricted, "...I'd need rocks

in my head to go there in a boat."

Alderman Keith Klimek wondered why the city has to make this rule, when the DNR regulates everything else. Tonn said Long told her it is a responsibility of the city to make that rule and post the signs.

The proposed ordinance will go to the Judiciary Committee, and if approved there, it will go on for consideration by the full City Council. A public hearing would be required before adoption.

The Personnel Committee meeting on Oct. 18 began with a brief closed session for negotiations with the local Teamster's Union, after which the Committee unanimously voted in favor of a motion to approve the contract as approved in closed session.

Committee members are Aldermen Allen England, Angel Wink and Debbie Sievert.

Proposal for a motion to give 4% raises to unrepresented city employees across the board led to some discussion and finally decisions to give that, plus additional raises to specified department heads and several other positions.

The city has been informed it will be receiving an additional \$230,000 in state aid this year, and at the urging of Malke, some of those unexpected money will be used for the additional pay raises.

Malke urged \$5,000 per year raises for department heads across the board, except for the recently hired Director of Public Works; and \$7,500 raises for Kasal, Tonn and Fire Chief Chuck Gardon. Malke said this would put their pay at a level more comparable with similar jobs elsewhere.

"We have the best employees anywhere, bar none!" Malke declared. "Everybody pitches in to do what needs to be done...We should take this opportunity to show that we appreciate them and the work that they do!"

Sievert asked if the added funds would be sufficient to cover the raises Malke was recommending, and Malke said they should be. "For years we haven't been able to pay them what I feel they're worth," she added.

If approved, the Fire Chief salary will go from \$6,191 to \$14,000 per year.

If the \$7,500 plus 4 percent pay raise for the Clerk/Treasurer is approved the salary will increase from \$59,160 to \$69,000 per year. Parks and Recreation Director pay will go from \$43,860 per year to \$53,150.

She said Kasal has been doing a tremendous job; Tonn works night and day taking care of the city's numerous parks, boat landings and ball fields, and with the addition of Emergency Medical Response services to Fire Department duties, Gardon is taking on a large amount of added responsibility.

If the \$5,000 plus 4 percent raises are approved Police Chief pay will increase from \$71,787.60 per year to \$79,750, and the Director of Public Works salary will go from \$97,500 to \$101,400.

The annual City Attorney fee for representing general city government, the water and sewer utility and UDAG will increase from \$55,401 to \$65,120.

Later in the meeting Malke said 75 percent of the Fire Chief pay will be designated as a firefighting expense, and the other 25 percent as an EMS expense.

Gardon said the firefighter volunteers

will start EMR training in January, and train through March to prepare for the "monumental" licensing process. He said the addition of EMS is a work in progress, and recommended keeping pay for the assistant chiefs of the two branches the same for now. Pay for firemen will go from \$11.22 per meeting or per hour on the scene at fires after the first hour at \$22.44 to \$12.50 per hour and \$25 for the first hour. There are separate raises for other special fire department positions. EMS pay was not addressed.

Malke also proposed an increase for the building inspector. Kasal pointed out Tom Smith is contracted to work for the city, not an employee, but suggested they could adjust the contract. Malke said Smith has been extremely helpful and does things for the city that are not included in his contract.

Malke also suggested raises for the two school crossing guards, who work morning and night, often in sub-zero, rainy or snowy weather, and very seldom call in sick. "Who would do that for \$13 per hour?" Malke asked. At her urging, their pay will go up to \$20 per hour.

Pay for various committee assignments for non-elected members will increase by \$5 per meeting.

The modest pay raises recommended for elected officials would bring the annual mayor salary from \$16,500 to \$22,200, plus \$2,200 for expenses related to the job. To a question from the committee Malke said the mayor last got a raise in 2018. She added, "It's nice to be compensated for your time, but we don't do it or the money.

Proposed raise would

bring pay for aldermen from \$2,000 to \$2,500 per year, plus \$35 per committee meeting and special council meetings, an increase of \$5 from this year, plus a \$25 per month expense allowance.

Tonn asked for, and received, permission to hire people immediately to work a total of 80 hours a week as general laborers. She said on Aug. 1 she had lost all her staff, "...but I didn't lose any of the work that needs to be done." Tonn recommended simplifying the pay program for her department to offer \$13.50 per hour for most positions, and \$16.50 per hour for a permanent part time parks foreman. Kasal is to look into unemployment rules that might affect that position.

At the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting Tonn said her wish list for Capital Improvements has only two items, the first being ball field improvements in a program explained by Ryan Haulotte, and the second being a new weed harvester that cuts a wider swath than the current one, which she said is nearing the end of its life span in any case.

England favored providing the \$18,289 needed from the city toward the total ball field improvement costs and others on the committee agreed.

She said using the current harvester to cut the Peshtigo River weeds is like trying to keep Badger Park grass under control with an 18" mower. Tonn said she is looking into getting a grant to pay half the estimated \$263,000 cost of a new mower and conveyor, and has been contacted by someone interested in buying the old one. She said a new, larger mower could

cut the time spent mowing by half.

Malke noted the Chamber of Commerce had just invested in the new kayak launch, and declared keeping the river clean is a big reason people come to Peshtigo to enjoy that sport.

Mary Lock urged the committee to get the skate park repairs made as soon as possible. England felt the committee had authorized those repairs in September. Kasal said they had not approved the financing. The repairs will cost about \$5,000, and Tonn said she has \$4,200 left in her Buildings and Grounds improvement fund for this year.

Lock declared many people had worked very hard to raise the money to get that park built, and said by no means do they blame Tonn for the repairs not being made.

Tonn said while they are repairing the skate park they can make a few improvements so the city can host competitions against skate boarders from other areas. She felt being members of a team representing their city will make the skate boarding kids feel more like they are part of the community.

England then moved to recommend to Council to make the repairs, with the \$1,000 that has already been donated, plus \$4,200 from the Capital Outlay account and any remainder from the Buildings and Grounds account.

Tonn recommended no changes to parks fees for the 2024 budget.

Tonn said a piano organ has been donated for the Drees Community Center, and she may be contacting churches to see if they know someone who wants to practice there.

PERSPECTIVES



Country Cousin Rain, rain, rain....



BY SHIRLEY PRUDHOMME

Our beautiful autumn season is rapidly drawing to a close. Leaves are still brilliant in some yards, along some city streets and on some enchanted hillsides, but our enjoyment has been hampered by repeated bouts of rain, and that doesn't appear likely to change in the near future.

Forecasters are predicting some relatively warm weather for the next week, even highs into the mid-60s, but every day for the next week they're also calling for rain, clouds, more rain, and even some thunder storms.

No frost in the forecast yet, but with November just around the corner, that cannot be far behind.

HALLOWEEN HAUNTING

Time to stock up on candy, or perhaps individually wrapped healthy treats if your home is likely to get visited by witches, ghosts and goblins on Halloween, which is Tuesday Oct. 31. There are costume parties scheduled all over the place this weekend. If that's your bag, check the ads.

Today's kids don't need to run and hide when they see an adult coming. They have permission from the powers that be to go out Trick or Treating, with hours set for late afternoon, to get them home before dark. Probably necessary in today's world, but what a shame!

When I was a youngster we wouldn't have dreamed of starting our Halloween Haunting until after dark, and sometimes we continued until nearly 10 p.m. Everybody expected us, but we liked to pretend we were doing something slightly naughty. Our behavior (and staying out that late) would not have permitted any other night of the year. (Except on hot summer nights when we played "One o'clock and the ghost ain't here" all through the neighborhood long after darkness had fallen.)

One year my little brother started out Trick or Treating with about a dozen of us, but then he disappeared. When we realized he was missing we were frantic. Didn't really believe a witch or vampire had gotten him, but you can never be sure.

Went home hoping to find him there. No luck! He was nowhere. Finally, Mom called the city police to report him missing.

They found him almost immediately. For reasons known only to himself, he had come quietly into the house without being seen, gone to his bedroom upstairs, crawled into the farthest, darkest corner under the bed, and fell sound asleep. We had even looked there, but without a flashlight, and completely missed him. He wasn't very big. Anyway, we were overjoyed to find we hadn't lost him forever. (Mom and Dad would have been really, really mad!) He had indeed not been taken to the Netherworld.

LET THEM HAVE FUN

Some folks get upset when older teens show up at their doors dressed in costume and begging for treats, without a younger sibling in tow for an excuse. Sometimes I was one of them.

Recently got an e-mail message saying we really should re-think that, and do think that message was right.

These kids are having fun playing at being young. They are being kids while they still are kids. So let them have fun, and go along with it. They're not out vandalizing. They're not at a drinking or drugging party. They're not hurting anyone.

So admire their costumes, or play their game and pretend to be scared. If they're disguised as an entertainer, you might ask them to sing, dance, or whatever. Then give them the treat you'd give to a younger costumed caller before you send them on their way.

Happy Halloween, everyone!

COUNTESS DRACULA

The dates have nothing to do with Halloween traditions, but Halloween seems the right time to tell this horror story, which is even worse than anything the movie makers have dared to produce.

Evil noblewoman Countess Elizabeth Bathory, said to be perhaps the most vile and evil woman who ever lived, is also said to be the inspiration for Bram Stoker's horror stories about Count Dracula.

If the stories passed along about Bathory are true, the made up Count Dracula stories had nothing on the real thing. Today's most horrible horror movies wouldn't dare portray her vile pleasures.

Bathory lived and did most of her evil deeds in Csejthe Castle, which really was in Transylvania (Hungary). Its ruins can still be seen there today.

Believing that the blood of young virgins was the key to eternal youth, Bathory maintained a horrific skin regime that involved bathing in the blood of young girls. It is speculated over 650 girls were killed in order to keep up with her blood demands. Rumors have swirled throughout the centuries that she also actually ate her servants.

At the age of 15, Bathory was married to Count Nadady. To please his young wife, her husband reportedly built a torture chamber to her specifications. Those tortures included jamming pins and needles under the fingernails of her servant girls; tying them down, smearing them with honey, and leaving them to be attacked by bees and ants; burning them with hot irons; cutting the flesh between their fingers with a scissors; cutting off parts of faces, genitals and breasts, and sewing lips together. She is said to have bitten chunks of flesh from her victims, and forced one unfortunate girl to cook and eat her own flesh.

Her family tree is said to include some seriously disturbed kin, so maybe she came by it naturally. Reports are that one of her uncles instructed her in Satanism, and an aunt taught her all about sadomasochism.

Eventually she apparently ran out of peasant girls to torture and started picking on the daughters of wealthier families and nobility. That got the attention of her high powered kin in 1609 or 1610, including King Matthias. Investigators caught her in the act of torturing young girls and she and her cohorts were arrested.

In January 1611, Bathory and her evil assistants were put

on trial for 80 counts of murder. All were convicted, but only Bathory escaped execution. The judge saved a better fate for her. She was confined to a room of the castle that only had slits for air and food. Too bad nobody was cutting off parts of her body and feeding them to her while she was imprisoned there. She survived for three years but was found dead in August of 1614. Bet she wasn't young and pretty any more by then, if she ever was.

LOTS MORE FUN

Enough of the Halloween Horror stories. How about some riddles?

Spring these on the kiddies for Halloween. Reprinted with apologies to Wausaukee School District. Stole them from the district newsletter. Happy Halloween, folks. See answers in today's column just before Cookin' Time. (Don't peek!)

- 1) What is a favorite drink of monsters?
- 2) What is the favorite dessert of ghosts?
- 3) What do you call a witch who lives on Sahara Desert?
- 4) What do you call witches who ride together?
- 5) What do you call the best dancer at a party for Halloween haunts?
- 6) What do you get if bitten by a cross between Frosty the Snowman and a vampire?
- 7) Which monsters sell the most cookies?

ON THE SOAP BOX

ASHAMED OF REPUBLICANS

As any long-time reader of this column knows, Yours Truly is a staunch Conservative and a card-carrying member of the Republican Party.

For the first time in several years, Republicans hold a majority of seats in the House, and the ability to elect a Speaker is within their reach. They had elected one, and then they threw him out. Then they disagreed on the next successor they elected.

They complain that the Democrats won't cooperate with them, but they can't - or won't - even cooperate with each other.

They are so busy playing politics that they've forgotten their responsibility is to run this country. We have a President, who is no longer young. If something were to happen to the him the Vice President would take over that office, and the Speaker of the House would be next in line. It is unconscionable to leave that critically important position vacant this long.

Some are predicting a Speaker will be elected tomorrow.

Let's hope so! And if and when they do elect a Speaker, this time Republicans need to negotiate their differences, get behind some solid policies, and do what needs to be done to correct the mess our nation has been led into.

We are looking in the face of a possible war in the Mid-East, inflation is rampant, our nation's finances are teetering on disastrous, and budget deadline time is fast approaching.

The House has 435 seats. Republicans hold 221 of them. Democrats hold 212. Two are vacant. With the division that close, all it would take is a very few Rhino Republicans - or maybe some absences, and a Democrat could be back in the House Speaker role, which was not the preference expressed by voters in the last election. Speaker candidates need 217 votes to win the critically important position.

House Republicans are acting like a football team where nobody protects the quarterback because they all want to make the touchdown.

Shameful, shameful, shameful!!!!

Will remain a Conservative, but with the way things have been playing out in our nation's capital this week am rapidly losing whatever faith I had left in the Republican Party.

Also must firmly believe that not all Democrats are happy with the Communist/Socialist tilt that party has taken in recent years.

Maybe it's time for a brand new political party???

RIDDLE RESPONSES

- 1) Ghoulade, 2) Booberry Pie, 3) A Sand Witch, 4) Broom Mates, 5) The Boogie Man, 6) Frost Bite, 7) Ghoul Scouts

COOKIN' TIME

Harvest season is coming to a quick close, but some locally grown garden produce is still available, including apples, winter squash, pumpkins and cabbages among other things. Also, Halloween is almost here, so you might want to cook up some ghoulish fun.

JACK-O-LANTERN STEW

This attention getter is not only tasty, but highly nutritious. If you don't want to serve this in pumpkin shells, that's okay. The stew is still delicious. If you do serve it in the shells, better put them on a rimmed serving plate, because even the pumpkin inside the shell becomes delicious if it sits in the oven long enough.

- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 large sweet onion
- 1 red bell pepper
- 1 orange bell pepper
- 2 pounds boneless, skinless chicken breast
- 1 pound smoked sausage or kielbassa
- 2 large cloves garlic, minced
- 1 teaspoon cumin powder
- 1 teaspoon chili powder
- 4 ounce can diced green chilies
- 15 ounce can great northern beans or kidney beans
- 15 ounce can chopped tomatoes, with liquid
- 15 ounces water
- 3 pounds sweet potatoes (or butternut squash)
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 8 small pumpkins (to make into serving bowls)

For garnish:

- 1 bunch fresh cilantro or parsley, coarsely chopped
 - 1 cup sour cream
 - 1 cup diced sweet onion
 - Diced tomatoes
 - 2 cups shredded Cheddar, Monterey Jack or Colby cheese
- Cut a two inch slice from the top of each pumpkin and reserve. Remove seeds and fibers. Wash the pumpkin inside and out. (No soap, please.) Seed the peppers and dice them. Peel the sweet potatoes or squash and cut into 1 inch pieces. Mince the garlic. Heat the oil in a large saucepan or stock pot. Add the onions and peppers and cook for two to three minutes until they start to soften. Add the chicken, sausage and garlic and cook for five to 10 minutes until the chicken is lightly browned on the outside. Add cumin, chili powder, chopped green chilies, beans, tomatoes, sweet potatoes or squash and salt. Cover and simmer over low heat for 20 to 30 minutes or until the sweet potatoes are tender, stirring occasionally. Taste and correct seasonings if necessary. Place the stew in hollowed-out pumpkin shells (which are placed on a baking sheet) and cover with foil. Keep warm in a 200 degree oven until ready to serve, but no more than two hours. Serve with garnishes in separate containers for guests to help themselves. Serves eight.

APPLE CINNAMON BREAD

Easy to make, and holds up well in the freezer. Make several loaves now, while apples are readily available, wrap

well and then freeze so they're ready to serve or give during the Holidays, provided they last that long. This recipe makes three regular size loaves.

- 5-1/3 cups flour
 - 4 cups sugar
 - 8 apples, peeled and chopped
 - 1 tablespoon baking powder
 - 2 cups Crisco oil
 - 4 tsp. cinnamon
 - 2 tsp. salt
 - 4 tsp. vanilla
 - 8 eggs
 - 1 1/2 cups chopped pecans (optional)
- Topping:
2 teaspoons cinnamon
3/4 cup sugar

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Mix all ingredients (except the topping) by hand in a very large bowl. Divide half the batter between three well-greased 3 x 8-inch bread pans. Do not level the surface. Mix the cinnamon and sugar for the topping and sprinkle on batter in the half-filled loaf pans. Pour in the rest of the batter, and sprinkle the remaining cinnamon and sugar on top. Bake for about 70 minutes, or until a toothpick comes out clean.

Thought for the week: Don't get discouraged if things don't go exactly as planned. Perseverance counts. If at first you don't succeed, try again, but maybe try from a different direction. As President Donald Trump once said, "Sometimes by losing a battle you find a new way to win the war."

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From My Window

It Is What You Make of It

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Martin

As always, I am looking forward to Halloween. I have an enticing display of orange lights and both carved and natural pumpkins ready to lure kids in, and lots of good-quality candy to reward them with. Living way out in sticks like I do, I usually only get a handful of children, either neighborhood kids or Mike's great-nieces and nephews. But I'll make a huge fuss over each one who comes, and give out large handfuls of goodies since I know I won't get many kids. No sense having leftover candy to eat; neither of us needs it.

That's it. That's what Halloween is to me; there is no satanic influences, nothing anti-religious or pagan. No super-scary or horror movie stuff... just kids having fun, which makes me have fun too. I have a hard time understanding the backlash against Halloween, or conversion of the whole thing to "fall parties." Nothing wrong with fall parties, you understand, but I don't see anything wrong with Halloween either.

Many communities, churches and clubs have gone to a "trunk or treat" event, which tends to keep kids in a smaller area instead of going door to door. I accompanied my grandchildren to such an event in Oklahoma once, and it was nice, although so packed you ended up standing in long lines to make stops. What this does, though, is remove the trick or treat activity out of neighborhoods, and I think that is sad.

I saw something recently that pointed out one demographic can be left out of the fun with these alternatives, and that is older people who would much rather have some kids come to their door. (I guess I've just described myself, although I am thinking of

people "older" than my own "old.")

So if you are lucky enough to have little goblins to take to either a trunk or treat OR to do neighborhood trick or treating, don't overlook the porch light on at your elderly neighbor's house, or your own senior family members. Make an extra stop, even if it is a little out of your way. If you don't know anyone that might wish to have some kids visit, ask around at your workplace, your exercise class or church. They might be able to suggest someone who'd really appreciate the visit - evoking, as it always does, memories of their own Halloween antics or those of their children, all grown up and moved away. Another option is the events sometimes coordinated by senior centers/nursing homes, where a short infusion of little, wound up goblins would be a pleasant diversion.

Halloween can be safe, courteous and fun, and ideally, no one who wishes to participate would be left out. If you are concerned about catching someone unprepared with candy, maybe turn the tables, and have your kids deliver a few orange-stuffed Oreos or some other goodies to the house they visit! Reverse trick or treat! A good way to reinforce the principle of generosity.

Think about doing a "Halloween" good deed this year - the least satanic thing I can think of.

BOOK I JUST FINISHED: "Empire of Ice and Stone" by Buddy Levy (non-fiction.) A horrific tale of shipwreck in the arctic, leaving a small group of men, a woman, her two small children, a kitten and a pack of sled dogs to struggle for survival through an arctic winter.

Unbelievable suffering, and the indigenous woman is one of the heroes of their survival. Unforgettable.

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"Thank You, Pastor"

Say thank you to your pastor, October's Thank You month, you know. Tell him that you appreciate him, And wanted him to know. Thank him for the time he spends On messages each week. Thank him for the time he spends With the sickly and the weak. Thank him for the time he spends Studying God's precious word. And for the many prayers he prays For those who haven't heard. Thank him for the tears he sheds For others, you and me. And for those lonely precious hours He spends upon his knees. So thank God and your pastor For being faithful, kind and true. For through the work of your dear pastor, God is daily shaping you. Joyce Bedora, Krakow, Formerly Of Peshtigo

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