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# Lincoln County Fair:



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**"These are the Good Ole Days!"**

**TINA L. SCOTT**  
 EDITOR

This year's Lincoln County Fair kicked off on Wednesday, August 11, and runs through Sunday, August 15. The theme for 2021 is: "These are the Good Ole Days!" and incorporates the colors red, green, and black, which you'll also see reflected in a large display of antique to modern tractors on the grounds. Something new at the Fair this year: Two escape rooms, one on either end of the grounds, showcasing one of the latest trends

in entertainment for groups of friends who want a challenge that doesn't involve being lifted off the ground and spun in circles, will be on site and available for fun Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

The refurbishing and updating of the big barn was completed by the City and now features more fans for ventilation and looks great. Now filled with animals, it's also where the meat animal sale will take place Friday night, so come on out and bid on some beef or pork on the hoof.

The Lincoln County Fair, while

a great time for food, fun, friends, games, and rides, is also an important part of Merrill's economy and serves as a big fundraiser for many area organizations, like the Optimist Club selling their cheese curds or St. Francis Xavier Church operating their "Snack Shack," for example. The Merrill VFW 1638 and Eagles 584 will have their beer garden between the stands with adult beverages and live music every evening, and that entertainment makes for a good time and a great fundraiser, as well.

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**BY MAJ. JOE TROVATO,**  
 WISCONSIN NATIONAL GUARD

Volk Field Combat Readiness Training Center (CRTC), Camp Douglas, Wis., is hosting approximately 60 aircraft and nearly 1,000 personnel from the National Guard, Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy as part of the annual Northern Lightning Counterland training exercise, which runs August 9-20.

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A variety of the world's most advanced aircraft will assemble at Volk Field Combat Readiness Training Center for the joint-accredited exercise Northern Lightning Aug. 9-20. **Wisconsin National Guard photo.**

## Lincoln County Jail inmate discovered deceased

On Sunday, August 8, 2021, at approximately 8:00 a.m., Lincoln County Jail Corrections Officers found an inmate who was unresponsive and not breathing. Merrill Fire Department EMS were called, and life-saving measures were conducted by Lincoln County Corrections Officers and Merrill Fire Department Paramedics. The subject was transported to Merrill Aspirus Hospital where the subject was pronounced deceased. The iden-

tity of the subject is being withheld pending notification of the family.

The Langlade County Sheriff's Office and the Lincoln County Coroners' Office are conducting an investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death. The State of Wisconsin Department of Corrections has been notified, and the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office will be conducting an internal review of the incident.

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# Gesundheit raises funds for veterans

**TINA L. SCOTT**  
EDITOR

Gesundheit Bar recently made a \$3,100 donation to the Merrill Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 1638. The proceeds were a part of the bar's first fundraiser since Francie Hahn



From L to R: Arnold "Vic" Viljevac, Commander of the VFW, with service dog, Creek; Sue Gleason; and Francie Hahn and her daughter, Britney Quade, of Gesundheit Bar; and Michelle Rathke, Jr. Vice Commander, State VFW, with a \$3,100 donation from the "new" Gesundheit Bar to VFW Post 1638.

**Tina L. Scott**

Committee will discuss the need and the Corps. Master will cut a check to pay to meet that need once the request is approved. This helps maintain the veteran's privacy, she said.

## Vets helping vets

Arnold "Vic" Viljevac, Commander of the VFW, said the donations are truly appreciated. It enables the veterans to help one another.

"It is more about helping everybody else out," he said. "You know, whether somebody can't pay their electric bill or somebody needs food or just a tank of gas. If we can help somebody out, we're going to definitely help them out."

The VFW is about vets helping vets, he said. Even though your term of service may be over, the brotherhood ... "never ends," he said.

## Raising funds for vets

Just like Gesundheit Bar was moved to create a fundraiser for the VFW to help veterans, Rathke said other organizations also help them from time to time.

"Sometimes when we have outside agencies raising money for us, we have more money coming in than when we raise money ourselves," Rathke said. Frequently, it's because those agencies are reaching a whole new group of people, rather than the crowd that typically attends fundraisers at the VFW.

Rathke said if there are other groups out there that are looking to do fundraisers for the VFW, they are happy to help in any way they can.

and her children, Britney Quade, Jesse Quade, and Trevor Hahn, took over the 1300 East Main Street tavern on September 1, 2020.

"We had a meat raffle," Francie explained. "My son's military, and we have military in our family background, and we wanted to do something. So we had a meat raffle and had other organizations donate some things, as well."

Francie is quick to point out that they couldn't have raised that much money without donations from lots of great sponsors and the generosity of patrons who participated.

Curt Keene was emcee for the event, and Stephen Sparbel was the DJ. The Eagles Club, Northwoods Veterans Post, Westside Market, Dave's County Market, Zelich Customs, Brion Hoffman, Fully

Promoted, Northwoods Pasture, John & Sue Matson, In & Out Liquor, Steve & Jill Patraw, Park City Realty, Ed & Sharon's, The Dugout, Lakeside Market, and Alibi Bar all contributed donations, as well.

Francie wanted to be sure the donations went to help veterans in need, so the donation will be put into "our buddy poppy fund, which is our relief fund, which has to be used specifically for our veterans and their families only," said Michelle Rathke, Jr. Vice Commander, State VFW. That means that the money will go to meet the individual needs of vets, she said. It is based on need, and if an emergency arises, that veteran can just talk with one of the Post officers. Then usually five members of the Executive



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**TINA L. SCOTT**  
EDITOR

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# Holy Cross Sister on a mission from God: To end Human Trafficking

## Local Sister dedicates her golden years as a ministry to increase awareness and help eliminate human trafficking

**TINA L. SCOTT**  
EDITOR

Sister Celine Goessel of the Sisters of Mercy of the Holy Cross, who recently returned to the U.S. headquarters for the Catholic order [yes, right here in Merrill] is an 86-year-old little firecracker of a nun who also happens to be a former Provincial of the Order [from 2006-2012] [formerly called a Mother Superior].

She returned to Merrill in early spring 2021, and has made it her passion and personal mission to spend her golden years [tongue in cheek, since she has already twice retired and twice come out of retirement, and she has more energy than most 35-year-olds] educating people about and helping to eradicate human trafficking.

Sister Celine calls it “the worst crime that we humans need to deal with” and said that, “Since COVID-19 invaded our world, the crime of drugs and the misuse of guns in our American society has been surpassed by Human Trafficking.”

One of the best ways to eradicate it is to educate the public about what Human Trafficking is, how to recognize when it is happening right in our community, how to report it, and how to stop supporting it. And yes, you read that right. Because sometimes, she says, we do things or make decisions that inadvertently support ongoing Human Trafficking activities without even realizing it.

If you don't think Human Trafficking exists in Wisconsin, and in Merrill, think again, Sister says. While often hidden from view from the ordinary person, it's here, and it's happening, in our own back yards. Human Trafficking is in cities and rural areas, and in all 72 counties in Wisconsin, she says.

### Three ways human beings are trafficked

Human Trafficking happens in three key ways, Sister Celine explained: Trafficking of children as child brides, Labor Trafficking of children and adults, and Sex Trafficking of children and adults. Though possibly the most horrific to even think about, Sister Celine focuses most on helping to educate and eradicate Sex Trafficking, which encompasses many different forms and activities.

The victims of Sex Trafficking are both male and female, although more frequently female, she says. And victims can be all ages, from very young children on up, though the most frequent victims are young, and those seriously victimized don't

live to be very old. The average age of a victim of Sex Trafficking is 13 years old. These are some of the cold, hard, but strikingly horrifying and tragically sad, facts.

Sister Celine was never what one would call a super pious, obedient servant of God, and she would be the first to tell you that. But this slightly and delightfully sassy woman of God is passionate about doing God's work, and has been devoted to Him since her Junior year in high school. In this season of her life, that spunk and her warm, down-to-earth ways make her relatable and approachable. When you're dealing with a topic like this, that demeanor and her genuine sense of humor make her the perfect Sister for the job! Picture Whoopi Goldberg in *Sister Act*, but white, including her short white hair – sometimes with a streak of blue to show her solidarity with the victims of Human Sex Trafficking – and no dreadlocks. Sister Celine loves that movie, and believes that, like the nuns in that



Sister Celine sports a blue stripe in her white hair, a symbol that she stands in solidarity with all of the victims of Human Sex Trafficking. Passionate about educating everyone about the prevalence of this horrendous crime, she hopes that education can help eradicate Sex Trafficking and restore hope to its victims and innocence to our children.

Submitted photo.

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– **Sister Celine Goessel**  
SISTERS OF MERCY OF THE HOLY CROSS

movie, she and her fellow Sisters need to get out of the hospitals and schools and get out on the streets where the real issues are.

### Sisters against Sex Trafficking

In 2008, Sister Celine Goessel attended an international meeting of the Sisters of Mercy of the Holy Cross at the Mother House in Switzerland. It wasn't her first trip there, but on this particular trip, she met and was inspired by Sister Eugenia Bonetti from Italy.

Sister Eugenia called upon the international community of religious to “follow the need of the time and launch into a new ministry of saving people from the slavery of Human Trafficking,” said Sister Celine.

At that time, Sister Celine didn't know very much about it, but when she returned to Merrill, she started researching like crazy and hasn't quit since. The knowledge she has

gleaned, and continues to glean, has made her an expert in a field no one wants to talk about, let alone teach or be an expert in. But that expertise is paying off. She was chosen to represent the United States Province of the Sisters of Mercy of the Holy Cross and tasked with helping keep her 3,000 Sisters current on this crime – what it entails and how to help crush it. She is one of 12 Sisters tasked with this mission in each of their 12 countries within her Order.

She has worked directly with victims of Sex Trafficking who have shared their stories with her, including those at The Rose Home, a safe house in Brown County for female victims ages 18-25.

And as a result of all that she has learned and continues to learn, and as part of her mission, she gives awareness talks to any person, persons, or groups that will invite her in and listen to what she has to say.

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**OBITUARIES**



**Dawn M. 'Pat' Kollath, 73,** of the Village of Maine, passed away on Wednesday, August 4, 2021, at her home under the care of her extended family and Aspirus Comfort Care & Hospice Services.

Pat was born August 3, 1948, in Merrill, daughter of the late Ellsworth Sabatke and Dorothy (Krause) Sabatke. She married William W. 'Bill' Kollath on May 8, 1976. Bill preceded her in death on March 24, 2020. Pat assisted Bill on the family farm, and she also worked for many years at the former 'Michael's Supper Club' in Wausau. Pat loved to deer hunt and loved German Shepherd's. She was a great cook and made delicious Christmas cookies and cakes. Pat always grew a large garden. She enjoyed the company of her current dog 'Bella'. Pat's extended family wishes to thank Aspirus Comfort Care & Hospice Services and her special friends and neighbors Mike Wanke and Michelle Leitzke for the wonderful care they provided to her.

Pat is survived by two sisters, Sue Wiederhott and Arlene (Alan) Pfalz, both of Merrill; three brothers, John (Marlene) Sabatke of Wausau, and Dale (Sarah) Sabatke and Mark (Becky) Sabatke both of Merrill; a brother-in-law, Dan Johnson of Merrill; several nieces and nephews including Joey Wiederhott; and her dear friends, Lee, Katie, Koy, and Kyan Van Der Geest. Besides her parents and husband, Pat is preceded in death by two sisters, Pam Spoehr and Claudette Johnson; and two brothers, Joe and David Sabatke.

A visitation for family and friends was held on Tuesday, August 10, 2021, from 10:00 am until 12 noon at the Taylor-Stine Funeral Home, Merrill, followed by a Graveside Service at Maple Grove Cemetery, Village of Maine starting at 12:30pm. The Rev. Jess Wakefield officiated. Online condolences may be made at [www.taylorstinefuneralhome.com](http://www.taylorstinefuneralhome.com)



**Alice O. Krueger, 82,** town of Berlin, died Wednesday, August 4, 2021 at Aspirus Wausau Hospital.

She was born March 12, 1939 in Appleton, daughter of the late Walter and Loretta (Graper) Kufahl. On July 12, 1958, she was united in marriage to James E. Krueger at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Pine River. He preceded her in death on September 27, 1999. In 1957, Alice graduated from the Merrill High School and went to work at the Merrill Candy Company. For many years, she played the organ at St. Paul's Lutheran Church and then moved to the Town of Berlin in 1963, where she played the organ at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, town of Berlin. Alice and her husband farmed in the town of Berlin for 30 years, and Alice also worked in the cafeteria at Graphic Packaging in Wausau as head cook for 16 years until her retirement in 2009.

Among her favorite pastimes, she enjoyed gardening, baking, cooking, traveling and spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She also enjoyed belonging to several card clubs, one which was started in 1961.

Survivors include, three children, Dale (Julie) Krueger, Merrill, Debbie Grueneberg, Wausau and Greg Krueger, Merrill; her former daughter-in-law, Kathleen Krueger, Tomahawk; eight grandchildren, Justin (Maddie) Grueneberg, Jason (Amanda) Grueneberg, Josh (friend, Ciera) Grueneberg, Jessica (Jake) Pierschalla, April (Ryan) Voigt, Melissa (Bubba) Fredrickson, Megan (friend, Logan) Krueger and Victoria Strom; eleven great-grandchildren, Hudson, Easton, Bridger, Brynllle, Billie, Ben, Briella, Eleanor, Emelia, Elliott and Lennon; brother-in-law, Bennie (Doris) Krueger; and two sisters-in-law, Viola Brunow and Dorothy Wiesman.

Besides her parents and husband, James, she was preceded in death by her son-in-law, Bruce Grueneberg; and four brothers-in-law, Eldor Brunow, Bert Wiesman, Melvin (DeLores) Krueger and Raymond Krueger.

Funeral services will be at 12:00 p.m. (Noon) on Saturday, August 14, 2021 at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church (Town of Berlin), 137801 County Road FF, Merrill. Rev. Andrew DeGier will officiate. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Visitation will be on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until time of services at the church.

The family would like to extend a sincere thank you to the staff at Aspirus Wausau Hospital and the staff at Benedictine Living Community for the wonderful care given to Alice during her stay. The family would also like to give a special thank you to all her friends for the many calls and visits to Alice during her illness.

Peterson/Kraemer Funeral Home, 1302 Sixth Street, Wausau is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.petersonkraemer.com](http://www.petersonkraemer.com)



**Gary L. Zernicke, 62,** Merrill, Wisconsin passed away at his home on Thursday, August 5, 2021 surrounded by his family.

Gary was born November 27, 1958 in Wausau to Maynard and Ruth (Haut) Zernicke. Gary was baptized into the Christian faith on Dec. 14, 1959. He married Lori Brandt on June 17, 1978 at St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church in Schofield. Gary was raised on the family dairy farm which instilled in him a great work ethic and the passion for helping others. A 1977 graduate of Wausau West High School, he was employed for 14 years at Overhead Door of Wausau. In 1992 he started at Wisconsin Fuel and Light, transitioning to Service Techs and finally Wisconsin Public Service. Gary fought over a year long battle with Pancreatic cancer, which led to his retirement in November of 2020. Gary enjoyed spending time with family and friends hunting, fishing, camping, snowmobiling and working outdoors. He was a member of Trailmates Snowmobile Club. Gary was a faithful member of St. Peter Lutheran Church in Schofield. He served as an usher and in the past had been on the property and grounds committee.

Surviving Gary are his wife - Lori and three sons - Dan (Crystal) Zernicke of Merrill, Jeff (Kirsten Norman) Zernicke of Wausau and Jon Zernicke of Merrill. He is further survived by three granddaughters that he adored- Brooke, Jada, and Chloe - As well as the grandchildren who have become part of our family Hannah, Taylor Mae, Thalia, Andy and Blake. Gary is also survived by six siblings - LeRoy Zernicke of Wausau, Martin (Joyce) Zernicke of Wausau, Wallace (Carolyn) Zernicke of Wisconsin Rapids, Betty (Dennis) Metz of Plover, Carol (Phil) Olson of Wausau and Lyle (Linda) Zernicke of Athens. Also surviving are his mother-in-law Joyce Brandt, Randy (Melody) Brandt, Tom (Sue) Brandt, Linda (Brian) Augustiniak, Gail (Joe) Writz, Kay Brandt and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister - Mary Bartelt, sister-in-law DeAnna Zernicke, nephew Scott Zernicke and father-in-law Clifford Brandt.

Funeral Services for Gary Zernicke were held at 11:00AM on Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at St. Peter Ev. Lutheran Church in Schofield. Pastor Kevin Schnake officiated. Burial followed in the Big Hill Cemetery in the town of Berlin. The family received friends at St. Peter Church on Monday, August 9 from 4:00PM until 7:00PM and again on Tuesday morning from 10:00AM until the hour of service at 11:00AM.

Memorials are appreciated to St. Peter Church or Aspirus Comfort Care and Hospice Services.

The family would like to thank the Hospice team, Pastors, Vicar, family and friends for all of their support the past several months.

Krueger Family Funeral Home of Tomahawk is assisting the family. You may view the obituary and share online condolences at [kruegerfamilyfuneral.com](http://kruegerfamilyfuneral.com)

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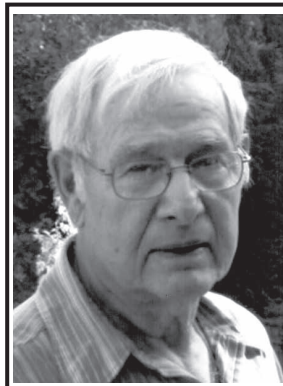
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**Richard E. Plautz,** age 89, of Merrill, passed away on Sunday, August 1, 2021, at Bellin Hospital in Green Bay.

Richard was born September 23, 1931, in Merrill, son of the late Henry and Louise (Savaske) Plautz. He married Darlene (Schreiber) Plautz on June 11, 1955, celebrating 66 years together. Richard owned and operated Plautz Oil Company for over 25 years. He then was in the logging business and built his own skidder. He also enjoyed hunting and fishing. Richard honorably served in the United States Marine Corp from December 1951 until December of 1952.

Survivors include his wife, Darlene Plautz of Merrill; daughter, Rancee (Michael) Kopetzky of Merrill; sons, Ricky (Alicia) Plautz of China, and Ryan (Cheryl) Plautz of Merrill; six grandchildren, Rachel (Michael) Waldburger, of Merrill, Ramsey Plautz, of Merrill, Eva, of China, Amanda (Michael) Goeden, of Merrill, Ashley (Steven) Sanford, of Virginia, Andrew (Amber) Plautz, of Merrill; and 8 great grandchildren, Michael, Ava, Piper, Sebastian, Stella, Aiden, Addison, and Anderson. Richard is also survived by a sister, Leora Rash of Pennsylvania; and brother, Roger (Patsy) Plautz, of Merrill.

Graveside services for Richard E. Plautz will begin at 10:30 AM Saturday, August 14, 2021, at St. Francis Cemetery/Veterans Memorial Section. Military honors will be provided by the Merrill V.F.W. Post 1638 Honor Guard.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations in name of 'Richard E. Plautz' to Northwoods Veterans Post, 601 Johnson Street, Merrill. Taylor-Stine Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Merrill, is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at [www.taylorstinefuneralhome.com](http://www.taylorstinefuneralhome.com)

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**Top Left:** Cleanup efforts continued more than a week after the storm that hit the Town of Pine River and other areas north and east of Merrill. Here, crews remove many of the huge pine trees that lined Hwy. 64 east of Merrill.

**Top Right:** Huge trees were snapped off like mere twigs during the straight line winds and tornado that hit the Town of Pine River on July 28.

**Bottom Right:** In some areas, thick rows of pine trees have been replaced by thin rows of trees, stumps, and piles of logs as the storm cleanup continues.

Tina L. Scott photos.



## Marshfield Clinic Health System to require COVID-19 vaccinations for all employees

BY MMC STAFF

WISCONSIN – All Marshfield Clinic Health System employees will need to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19, according to a release issued Wednesday, Aug. 4.

“Our Health System is about serving our mission and living up to our values,” said Dr. Susan Turney, CEO of Marshfield Clinic Health System. “These vaccines are the key to stopping this virus, and it’s essential we take this important step in providing the safest possible environment for our patients, families, visitors, providers and staff.”



### Marshfield Clinic Health System

Employees must be vaccinated by Nov. 15 this year. The timing of the mandate aligns with its annual required influenza vaccine process, according to the release.

Turney said that the decision to mandate was based on the increase in COVID-19 cases in Wisconsin and

increased spread of the highly contagious Delta variant surging across the nation. In the last two weeks alone, Marshfield Clinic Health System saw COVID-19 hospitalizations triple, and since the beginning of July, nearly every COVID-19 patient the Health System hospitalized was unvaccinated.

“We did not take this decision lightly,” Turney stated. “It was one we’ve been discussing for the past several weeks. But the time has come. In order to be a leader in the community and provide the care our patients deserve, we need to lead by example.”

## OBITUARIES



**Michael ‘Mike’ Springer**, 80, of Merrill, passed away on Monday, August 2, 2021 at Bell Tower Residence in Merrill, while under the care of Aspirus Comfort Care & Hospice Services. He was born on October 27, 1940 to the late George W. and Eleanor M. (Maki) Springer in Ironwood, Michigan.

Mike was an extremely talented cook and worked for the Lincoln Hills Boys School for 30 years. He was also the cook on his Navy ship, the USS Kitty Hawk for 9 ½ years. He was proud to serve his country in the U.S. Navy, until his honorable discharge in 1970. Mike was honored to be able to go on the Never Forgotten Honor Flight in 2015. He enjoyed helping with organizing reunions for the Navy. Mike was passionate about deer hunting, fishing and going to the range to practice shooting. He looked forward to his visits to his cottage in Tomahawk. Mike is remembered as a caring man, with a great sense of humor, always willing to lend a hand and loved his family and grandchildren more than anything!

Mike is survived by his stepdaughters: Deb David of Merrill and Gayle Schulz of Jefferson, WI, son: Rob (Pam) Hofmann of Burnsville, MN, brother: Joel (Laura) Springer of Siren, WI, numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren, along with one step grandchild and 2 step great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, Dolores ‘Lorrie’, brothers: Roy Springer and Robert Springer in infancy. He was a long-time member at Our Saviour’s Lutheran Church in Merrill. Mike will be sadly missed, but never forgotten.

The funeral service for Mike was held on Wednesday, August 11, 2021 at 11am at Waid Funeral Home in Merrill. Father Jim Horath will officiate. Visitation was held on Tuesday, August 10, 2021 from 5pm-8pm at the funeral home and again on Wednesday, August 11, 2021 from 10am until the time of the service at the funeral home. Burial at the St. Francis Catholic Cemetery will immediately follow the service. Military honors will be performed at the cemetery by the Merrill V.F.W. Post 1638, along with his grandson, Samuel Toth, who serves in the Air Force Honor Guard.

For those unable to attend, the service will be live streamed and will be available for viewing on Wednesday, August 11, 2021 at 11am, and can be found under his obituary on the funeral home website.

Waid Funeral Home & Cremation Service of Merrill is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences are encouraged and may be made at [www.waidfuneral.com](http://www.waidfuneral.com).



**Kyle Kreager**, 38, of Merrill lost his battle with cancer on Wednesday, August 4, 2021. He was born on April 29, 1983 to Bruce Kreager and Diane Dittmar. Kyle was active in 4-H and Drama Club at Antigo High School and graduated in 2001. From there he went to college at Viterbo University in La Crosse where he started his life’s adventures. Kyle moved around sharing his infectious smile and love for life with everyone he met. He enjoyed spending time with animals,

being creative, baking, cooking and being with friends and family. Kyle left everyone he met with smiles and will be truly missed by all.

He met Keith Tryba of Merrill and the two sparked a relationship together. They enjoyed snuggling on the couch watching movies, reclaiming old items, fun trips to local casinos and Las Vegas, spending time with friends, planting flowers in the back yard, and projects around the house. They just enjoyed doing things together. They shared a passion of caring for animals which led them to help rescue many puppies from Texas. They married September 13, 2020.

He leaves behind his husband, Keith Tryba; mother, Diane Dittmar; brother, Kip (Sarah) Kreager; two nephews, Cassius & Finntan; grandmother, Esther Dittmar, numerous, aunts, uncles, and cousins.

He is preceded in death by his father, some grandparents, aunts, and uncles.

The family wishes to express a deep gratitude to everyone that has helped in the last year with Kyle’s battle.

In lieu of flowers, feel free to bring an item to Waid Funeral Home to donate to Lincoln County Humane Society on or before the service date, or make a monetary donation in memory of Kyle as he had a deep passion for saving and caring for animals.

Funeral services for Kyle will take place at 4 PM on Friday, August 13th at Waid Funeral Home. Pastor Chris Stevenson will officiate. Visitation will be held from 1 PM until the time of service, also at the funeral home. Waid Funeral Home & Cremation Service is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences and/or tributes may be made at [www.waidfuneral.com](http://www.waidfuneral.com).

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## LEGAL NOTICES

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BY THE COURT:  
DATE SIGNED: 7/20/21  
/s/ HONORABLE ROBERT R. RUSSELL

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE, BR II  
STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CIRCUIT COURT, LINCOLN COUNTY  
Notice and Order for  
Name Change Hearing  
Case No. 21CV96

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME  
CHANGE OF  
Kaira Patrice Bell  
By: Kaira Patrice Bell  
NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: Kaira Patrice Georgia Bell  
To: Kaira Patrice Tallulah Charet  
Birth Certificate: Kaira Patrice Georgia Bell

IT IS ORDERED:  
This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Lincoln County, State of Wisconsin:  
Judge’s Name: Robert R. Russell  
Place: 1110 East Main Street, Branch II, Merrill, WI 54452  
Date: 8/20/21  
Time: 8:30 am

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:  
Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Merrill Foto News, a newspaper published in Lincoln County, State of Wisconsin.  
Published: Aug. 5, 12 & 19, 2021  
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DATE SIGNED: July 29, 2021  
Electronically signed by  
Becky S. Byer, Probate Registrar  
STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CIRCUIT COURT, LINCOLN COUNTY  
Notice to Creditors  
(Informal Administration)  
Case No. 2021 IN 32

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
Mark L Bandle

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:  
1. An application for informal administration was filed.  
2. The decedent, with date of birth 10/29/1955 and date of death 05/25/2021, was domiciled in Lincoln County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W6178 Church Ave., Merrill, WI 54452.  
3. All interested persons waived notice.  
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent’s estate is 11/19/2021.  
5. A claim may be filed at the Lincoln County Courthouse, 1110 E. Main Street, Merrill, Wisconsin, Probate Office Attorney Sarah J. Kons  
Hooper Law Office, LLC  
2 N. Systems Drive  
Appleton, WI 54914  
920-993-0990 Bar Number 1059497  
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/s/ Robert R. Russell  
7/20/21

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CIRCUIT COURT, LINCOLN COUNTY  
Notice and Order for  
Name Change Hearing  
Case No. 21CV95

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME  
CHANGE OF  
Carey Mae Kerchefska  
By: Carey Mae Kerchefska  
NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: Carey Mae Kerchefska  
To: Carey Mae Fox  
Birth Certificate: Carey Mae Fox

IT IS ORDERED:  
This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Lincoln County, State of Wisconsin:  
Judge’s Name: Robert R. Russell  
Place: Lincoln County Courthouse, Branch 2, 1110 East Main Street, Merrill, WI 54452  
Date: 8/25/21  
Time: 1:15PM

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:  
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BY THE COURT:  
DATE SIGNED: 7/26/21  
/s/ HONORABLE ROBERT R. RUSSELL

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE, BR II  
STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CIRCUIT COURT, LINCOLN COUNTY  
Notice and Order for  
Name Change Hearing  
Case No. 21CV101

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME  
CHANGE OF  
Danielle Christine Green  
By: Danielle Christine Green  
NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: Danielle Christine Green  
To: Danielle Christine Wilcenski  
Birth Certificate: Danielle Christine Wilcenski

IT IS ORDERED:  
This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Lincoln County, State of Wisconsin:  
Judge’s Name: Robert R. Russell  
Place: Lincoln County Courthouse, Br. 2, 1110 East Main Street, Merrill, WI 54452  
Date: 9/9/21  
Time: 1:15 PM

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**FAIR** from page 1

Hundreds of volunteers work together, from the Fair Board members who do the planning, to those who man the stands, cook the food, bake the pies, pour the beer, park the cars, and clean up afterward – all to make this annual event a success and draw people from and to Merrill for a great time and a chance to come to our city.

The Fair teaches responsibility and life skills to kids in 4-H who raise, care for, show, and sometimes sell their animals at the County Fair, which takes months in some cases and is a year-round commitment in others. Other 4-H'ers and open exhibitors alike, spend weeks and months preparing their entries for the County Fair in the hopes of bringing home a blue ribbon recognizing their talents, skills, and artistry.

Whether your favorite thing about the Fair is cotton candy on a stick and a ride on the carousel or screaming and cheering at the Demo Derby and soothing your throat with a cold brew in the tent after the event, don't forget to get out and enjoy the 2021 Lincoln County Fair. It only comes once a year!

Music, tractor pulls, monster trucks, dancing, animals, carnival rides, food and drink, ice cream, cheese curds, exhibits, escape rooms, demo derbies, vendors, meeting up with friends, and more. After missing this annual event in 2020, chances are more people won't take it for granted in the same way this week as they might have in the past, and with a forecast for sunshine and pleasant summer temperatures, it's bound to be a good time for all.

Come on out and enjoy it. Because "These are the Good Ole Days!"

# DWD reminds Wisconsin residents that Federal Extended Unemployment Benefits end Sept. 4

MADISON – The Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development is encouraging state residents to prepare for the end of federal Unemployment Insurance programs.

Under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), the extension of federal unemployment programs ends Sept. 4, 2021. Individuals with claims pending for weeks prior to Sept. 5, 2021 will be paid for each week they are found eligible. This includes Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC), Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC), Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) and Mixed Earners Unemployment Compensation (MEUC).

The FPUC program provides \$300 per week in supplemental payments to those receiving state and other unemployment benefits.

"While these federal programs have provided an important backstop for those experiencing the loss of jobs and income, the end of this stimulus is rapidly approaching," said DWD Secretary-designee Amy Pechacek. "As we work to ensure Wisconsin's continued economic recovery, now is a good time for un-



**Department of Workforce Development**

employed individuals to continue or expand their job search. During June, Wisconsin added 8,400 private-sector and 10,700 total non-farm jobs as the statewide unemployment rate fell to 3.9%. At recent statewide listening sessions, many employers emphasized that they are looking beyond traditional talent pools to fill openings and competing for available workers with increased pay and benefits."

Job seekers and those interested in improving job skills can find help at <https://jobcenterofwisconsin.com/>. To help guide claimants through the conclusion of the federal supplemental programs, DWD is providing notifications through its website, the Claimant Portal and the Claimant Assistance Line.

For those who have experienced a recent job or income loss and have not yet applied for benefits, the regular state unemployment insur-

ance deadlines apply to Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC). As a result, the initial application must be received in the week benefits are to begin or within 7 days of the end of that week. So generally, the last week to apply for PEUC would be the week ending Sept. 11, 2021.

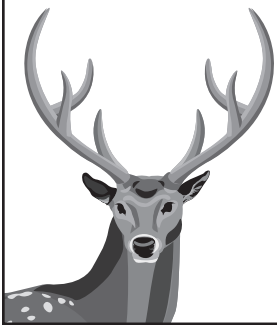
Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) applications will be accepted through Oct. 4, 2021. DWD is currently awaiting guidance from the U.S. Department of Labor regarding a requested extension of the deadline to 30 days after a determination is issued for those with pending unemployment insurance applications.

Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) and Mixed Earners Unemployment Compensation (MEUC) supplement UI, PEUC or PUA, so the paying program's deadline would apply.

## In Memory of Frank "Bud" Cotey who passed away August 15, 2001

This man left us 20 years ago, But the memories with him live on "FOREVER"

*The Hunting Gang*



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## In memory of a special brother Craig "Gus" Osness

June 6, 1967 – August 11, 2019



Today is full of memories of a brother laid to rest and every single one of them is filled with happiness. For you were someone special always such a joy to know and there was so much pain when it was time to let you go. That's why this special message is sent to heaven above for the angels to take care of you and give you all our love.

**Forever in our hearts, Julie, Scott, Keith and families**

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## EXERCISE from page 1

Units from Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Minnesota, Oregon, South Dakota, Virginia, and Wisconsin will all participate in the exercise.

Northern Lightning began in the early 2000's before expanding into a large-scale exercise in 2015. It became a biannual exercise in 2018 and 2019, and returned to an annual exercise in 2020.

Northern Lightning is a tactical-level, joint training exercise, replicating today's air battle space with current and future weapons platforms. A variety of the world's most advanced aircraft, including fifth generation aircraft like the F-35 will participate in the exercise.

Volk Field CRTC is one of the premier training installations and airspaces in the country, thanks to its expansive airspace and the quality of the training the installation can simulate.

Northern Lightning is one of seven Air National Guard joint accredited exercises held at a Combat Readiness Training Center, and the installation's reputation as one of the country's finest training areas continues to grow.

Likewise, Northern Lightning has grown into a world-class exercise.

"We are thrilled to once again to host the annual Northern Lightning exercise at Volk Field," said Lt. Col. Ben Staats, the exercise director. "Northern Lightning has evolved into one of the finest exercises in the nation, simulating offensive counter-air and surface-to-air attacks. Our goal is to provide a joint environment where units from multiple branches of the U.S. military can work together to accomplish training that is essential to their operational readiness."

Pilots and air crews participating in Northern

Lightning can expect to operate in a contested environment with adversary aircraft, electronic jamming and simulated surface-to-air threats, and such training is critical to building readiness for the threats and missions the nation faces.

The general public can expect to see an increase in aircraft activity in and around the Camp Douglas area and in the skies over Central Wisconsin August 9-20. The exercise will result in the possibility of some aircraft conducting supersonic travel at altitudes above 30,000 feet or while climbing in both the mornings and afternoons. Aircraft will generally fly beginning at 9:30 a.m. and concluding after 4:00 p.m. daily. Flight times are subject to change.

"We are grateful for the continued support and understanding of Central Wisconsin communities as we train to protect our nation and simulate combat conditions," Staats said. "Northern Lightning Exercise tactical maneuvering includes the occasional requirement for supersonic travel within FAA and military guidelines. This means that people in the military operating area – a 55 by 200 mile area over Central Wisconsin – may hear sonic booms during daily flying hours."

Those living in the following counties can anticipate increased military flight operations in the airspace: Adams, Brown, Calumet, Clark, Columbia, Dane, Dodge, Fond du Lac, Green Lake, Jackson, Marathon, Marquette, Monroe, Outagamie, Portage, Sauk, Sheboygan, Trempealeau, Waupaca, Winnebago, and Wood.

[Note: Merrill area residents have already reported hearing possible sonic booms beginning last weekend, so although Lincoln County is not listed in the airspace for military flight operations, unusual loud booms can likely be attributed to such aircraft.]

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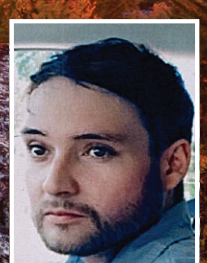
## In Memory of Ryan James Kohnhorst

June 15, 1981 ~ August 14, 2020

You are not forgotten,  
*loved one*  
Nor will you ever be,  
As long as life and memory last  
We will remember thee,  
We miss you now,  
our hearts are sore  
As time goes by we'll miss you more.

*Your loving smile,  
your gentle face,*  
No one can fill your vacant place.

Love you, Mom & Dad  
Family & Friends



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**PUBLISHER'S LETTER**

**To stay or not to stay**

Dear Reader,

There is a struggle inherent in many love relationships. It is a struggle for dominance, to decide who will be in charge.



During the courtship, there is a delicious mutual attraction of mind and body, and a feeling of having met that special person who completes us. But it doesn't last. Eventually there is friction when one asks or demands, and the other doesn't like being bossed around or disagrees. Sometimes it gets nasty, with increasingly angry and bitter dialogues. For others, it is a gradual drifting away until there is nothing left.

Sadly, for all too many the outcome is a separation and divorce. Some then start over with some other true love who will supply what was missing the last time. Yet often, instead of finding that the grass is greener on the other side, we discover the same old conflicts and problems have followed us into the new situation. As so many have learned, no matter where you go, there you are, and when it comes to relationships, we repeat our old patterns in new settings with new partners.

Having lived through decades of commitment with all of its joy and strife, my counsel would be to stay the course if possible. There is depth and breadth of devotion and allegiance based on a foundation of love having grown

familiar over time, especially when there are children in the mix. The best gift sometimes is to stay together and give the children a happy childhood.

If you realize you both have moved into other unrelated worlds and don't have much to talk about anymore, start with basic respect. Communicate, be transparent, let the other know about the path you are embarking on, and try to understand and even embrace the new path they may be taking as well. Be aware, focused, and listen to their thoughts, even when they are "volcanoing" through one issue after another. Process it; wait a while without instantly reacting. When it comes to personal preferences, it's not a debate, and conflict is not a productive option.

You may end up hitting a fork in the road with that "forever someone" who becomes a "once upon a time someone." It's good to remember that swell of innocent, mutual liking that eventually transformed into a loving bond. Hopefully, you can handle your stage left exit in a noble manner, gracefully and without acrimony. It can be a split with memories to be cherished of a past delightful partnership, as you both move on in peace to the next phase of your journeys.

**PATRICK J. WOOD**  
PUBLISHER

Author of the newly released book "Dear Reader," available at Bosses (Green Bay) and the Bookcellar (Waupaca) and on Amazon. All profits go toward eradicating homelessness in Wisconsin.

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

*The views and opinions expressed are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Merrill Foto News, its publishers, Editor, or staff.*

**TO THE EDITOR:**

The "Dinner at 5" free weekly dinner hosted at St. Stephens UCC has been on hiatus due to COVID-19 precautions the last 18 months. As volunteers and, we hope, the majority of those attending the meals have been vaccinated, we are ready to restart the program safely.

We may have to sit a little further apart, but we can enjoy the meal and fellowship once again.

We are tentatively restarting the program on Monday, September 13, at 5:00 p.m. Herman Mitchell, a chef who recently relocated to Merrill, will be planning the meals and coordinating the volunteers.

During the shutdowns, unfortunately, we had to donate much of the frozen food and other staples to other ministries that had immediate need for it. Our cupboards are bare.

We are asking for donations to jumpstart the program. Please send donations to "Dinner at 5" c/o St. Stephens UCC, 903 East 2nd St., Merrill, WI 54452. St. Stephens maintains a separate restricted fund for this community ministry,

so all funds are used expressly for those meals.

If any groups or businesses would like to sponsor a meal for \$150, we will mention your donation at the meal, on our Facebook page, and in our monthly ad. If anyone would like to volunteer to help prepare, serve, or clean up, please call the church office at 715.536.7322. Most importantly, please come to a meal and offer the gift of fellowship to one another as the community re-awakens.

Thank you,  
- Mike Southcombe,  
Senior Pastor  
St. Stephens UCC, Merrill, Wis.

**TRAFFICKING from page 3**

Presentations are free, although free-will donations to help cover expenses are more than welcome.

From police and sheriff's departments and dispatch personnel; to EMTs and hospital staff/doctors/nurses; to social workers and school teachers, Sister Celine will talk to any professional group about everything from signs to look for, to how to identify possible victims and how to report it, to how to respond to and follow up on those calls. She will also present at churches, women's group meetings, civic organization meetings, seminars, retreats, symposiums, PTA meetings, and anywhere else where people are open to listening, learning, looking for the signs, and helping the victims of Sex Trafficking be restored to freedom, safety, and wholeness.

Sister Celine is adamant that this is a topic the general public needs to learn about. Because they, too, can do something about it. And because, far too easily, anyone could become a victim.

**Education is key**

Several years ago, Sister Celine and the other Sisters working with her met Morgan Meadows [not her birth name]. Morgan was a survivor of Human Sex Trafficking from a very young age. The Sisters were learning about the issues, but Morgan spoke from firsthand experience. Her words lent credibility to the information the Sisters were learning about and sharing. Her testimony at presentations touched people. When Morgan spoke, listeners knew it had "just gotten real." Today Morgan is in the process of recording some presentations the Sisters can take to speaking and teaching engagements with them so more people can hear her message of horror and then hope, of survival and revival, from victim to victor.

Sister Celine and the other Sisters she works with are available to share their expertise on this subject with groups of any size. From general audiences to a specific demographic, they can tailor the presentation accordingly. The Sisters are particularly passionate about reaching out to parishes of every denomination and civic organizations in large and small towns alike, because working together is the only way to make a difference.

"Because this cause is so urgent," Sister Celine says, "the Holy Cross Sisters do not charge a fee, but are open to donations and gas money for traveling and perhaps an overnight in someone's home."

Though difficult to hear, "word of this heinous crime" must be shared so that people can listen, learn, and hopefully avoid being victims themselves. And so that they

can help alert authorities to other victims. And that survivors can be helped and supported.

It's a horrendous topic, but only through education can we hope to "join together to bring our children and young people back to their innocence and family living," Sister Celine says.

**USCSAHT**

There is an entire organization dedicated to Catholic Sisters tackling this tough cause. It's called U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking (USCSAHT). That organization also offers educational resources, provides access to support services for survivors, and advocates to eradicate modern-day slavery.

The organization covers the various forms of Human Trafficking and also works to educate and raise awareness about Human Trafficking to prevent this crime and identify potential victims, advocate to address root causes, and accompany survivors on their journey to heal and thrive, according to their website. They also teach actions individuals can take on a daily basis once they know how, including ethical purchasing, identifying/reporting, and educating others.

**Booking Sister Celine to speak**

For more information or to book Sister Celine and the other Sisters to speak to your group, please contact Sister Celine Goessl, SCSC, at 715.457.5649 or e-mail her at celinegoessl@gmail.com.

"This is not the work of only a few, but when many are involved, we will be able to follow the dream of Pope Francis, who calls us to help rid the world of this atrocious evil that erodes the value system of the Reign of God," Sister Celine says. "May peace once again reign on earth!"

**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**JULY 18, 2021**  
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Boy, Hudson Jeffrey, born to Harley Rogers and Hunter Kennedy of Antigo.

**July 20, 2021**  
Girl, Braylee Ann, born to Cammie Schram and Brian Rowe of Merrill.

**July 28, 2021**  
Boy, Jarrett Riley, born to Giana Zubke-Brubacher and Joshua Brubacher of Edgar.

**July 23, 2021**  
Girl, Violet Sue Diane, born to Mercedes Schreiber and Michael Schreiber of Merrill.

**July 29, 2021**  
Girl, Skarlett Lyon Grace, born to Stephany Woller and Anthony Woller of Wausau.

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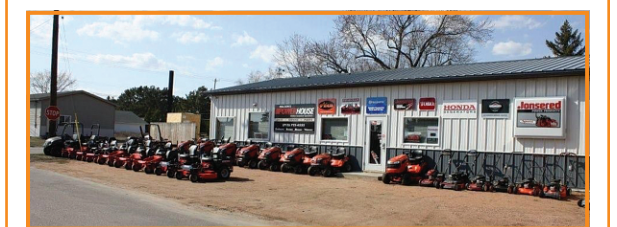
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# Merrill Police and Fire Departments host Community Night Out

9th annual event features area services and agencies, food, and fun

and Expo Hall.

The Merrill Police and Fire Departments are once again hosting the event.

Agencies represented and participating in this event include the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office, Merrill Parks and Recreation, Merrill Enrichment Center, T.B. Scott Library, Merrill Street Department, Merrill Water Utility, Merrill Transit System, Lincoln County Crime Stoppers, NTC Public Safety Center, Lincoln County Health Department, Ascension Good Samaritan Hospital,

and others. This is an opportunity for community members to learn more about so many of the services and agencies that keep the community safe and functioning and provide care for community members.

The event is open to all and will include free food, activities, and fun with music provided by Bluejay 96.3 Radio.

Free bus rides will be available from the Merrill-Go-Round to and from the event. Reservations for bus rides must be made before 4:00 p.m. the day of the event by calling 715-536-7112.

The 9th Annual Merrill Community Night Out will be held Tuesday, August 24, from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m., rain or shine, at the Merrill Festival Grounds

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## The Swon Brothers hit the road with Thorogood®

Nashville recording artists, The Swon Brothers,

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"Thorogood is beyond proud to support The Swon Brothers as they rise to the top. The enthusiasm they have for Thorogood is authentic, and the passion they have for making great music mirrors our passion for making great boots," says Bianca Boettcher, Marketing Manager for Thorogood. "The Swon Brothers are a true representation of what our brand stands for: hard work, dedication, and a little fun along the way. We're confident that Thorogood footwear will keep the brothers comfortable on stage and while in pursuit of all of the adventures that lie ahead. We are honored that they have chosen us to be their partner!"

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# Movie Reviews

BY CHRISTOPHER STAMM  
GUEST MOVIE REVIEWER

## The Suicide Squad

(Showing in theatres)  
★★★★☆

Rated a Hard R – For Language, pervasive violence, gore, and adult themes.

Like many of you back in 2016 when *Suicide Squad* came out, I gladly handed over my money to see it, and like so many of you, I walked out of the cinema that day shaking my head and thinking of P.T. Barnum's famous quote: "There's a sucker born every minute."

So, when I heard that they were doing a sequel, I shuddered in horror and said, "No, never – once bitten, twice shy."

Then I heard they hired James Gunn (*Guardians of The Galaxy 1 & 2*) to write and direct it. I said, "No, no – nice try, but that's still a no from me."

But when I heard that the studio, having learned its lesson, gave Gunn total freedom to make it any way he wanted, my resolve started to weaken.

Then, Gunn announced it was not a sequel, nor was it a reboot. While they accepted the premise of the first, they would rebuild its foundation. Now I was becoming intrigued.

[Sigh.] Then they announced the cast, and my resolve started to crack. Margot Robbie, Idris Elba, Sylvester Stallone, John Cena, Nathan Fillion, and the list continued. My initial decision to skip



this film was taking some hits here, folks. That's when I saw the previews, and I broke – and let me tell you, I am so glad I did.

*The Suicide Squad* is excellent. Gunn truly captures the tone of the DC Comics, from which it's adapted, perfectly – with a great balance of story, comedy, action, and pure insanity.

I know this review told you nothing about the film, which is my intent. I will say this film gets a solid four out of five stars from me on this one, so just go see it. You are going to love it!

FYI: You need not have seen the first *Suicide Squad* to see this one. In fact, I recommend you never see it. If you get the urge, take two aspirin and lay down until it passes.

## Eligible Hunters: Sign up for fall gun deer hunt for hunters with disabilities by Sept. 1

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) reminds eligible disabled hunters hoping to participate in the 2021 gun deer hunt for hunters with disabilities to contact a hunt sponsor to sign up before Sept. 1, 2021.

Nearly 90 sponsors have enrolled thousands of acres of land across the state for this year's hunt taking place Oct. 2-10, 2021. To participate in the 2021 hunt, hunters should contact sponsors directly. Some properties can accommodate more hunters than others, so hunters are advised to contact potential sponsors as

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Hunter John Martinson poses after a successful hunt.  
John Martinson photo.

## SWON from page 8

each show, but their tour bus is rolling down the road showcasing The Swon Brothers - Thorogood relationship with a custom bus wrap.

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The Swon Brothers were thrilling audiences long before their appearance as finalists on NBC's *The Voice* and have released a repertoire of amazing songs since, including the hit, "Later On," from their self-titled major label debut. It was recently announced that Zach and Colton co-wrote the title track of superstar Blake Shelton's new album, *Body Language*, which was released in May. Their current self-produced full-length album, *Nashlahoma*, features songs they wrote themselves and co-wrote, as well as choice cuts written by fellow artists like Florida Georgia Line's Brian Kelley and Tyler Hubbard, Charles Kelley (Lady A), and Jimi Westbrook and Phillip Sweet (Little Big Town), and a



The Swon Brothers performing.  
Cody Uhls Photography

co-write with Lewis Brice on the rockin' anthem "Southern Draw." One of the highlights is a collaboration with legend and fellow "Okie," Vince Gill, on their song "Travelin' On." The Swon Brothers are featured on many digital streaming platforms and playlists, including Spotify Playlists: *New Boots*, *Breakout Country*, *Next From Nashville*, *Fresh Finds: Country*, *Stations: New Country*, *New Music Nashville*, and *Country Sunrise*, among others. Having toured as part of Carrie Underwood's *Storyteller Tour* and Brad Paisley's *Country Nation World Tour*, as well as their own headlining shows, the brothers are excited to announce a tour partnership with the Thorogood® footwear brand.

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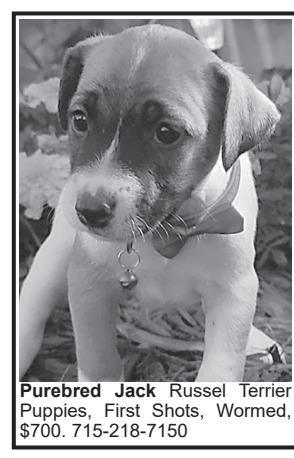
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**UW-La Crosse announces May 2021 graduates**

The following area students received degrees from the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse in May:

- Shane Coker, Athens, Bachelor of Science, Management Major
- Katie Lehrke, Athens, Bachelor of Science, Public Health and Community Health Education Major, Honors
- Emily Schroeder, Gleason, Bachelor of Science, Biology Major
- Caitlyn Kolehouse, Merrill, Bachelor of Science, Middle Childhood through Early Adolescence Education Major, Highest Honors
- Faith Wheat, Merrill, Bachelor of Science, Early Childhood through Middle Childhood Education Major, Highest Honors
- Bailee Golisch, Middleton, formerly of Merrill, Bachelor of Science, Neuroscience and Psychology, Highest Honors

**Gleason student makes University of Minnesota Duluth (UMD) Dean's List for spring semester 2021**

The University of Minnesota Duluth (UMD) announced Garrett T Schulz, Sophomore, Biology BA, of Gleason, who is attending the Swenson College of Science and Engineering (SCSE), a college within the UMD, has been named to its Dean's List for Spring Semester 2021.

Students on the Dean's List have achieved a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

**NTC Announces Spring 2021 President's List for outstanding academic achievement**

Northcentral Technical College (NTC) in Wausau announced the President's List for outstanding academic achievement for the spring 2021 term. The following students enrolled in a post-secondary program, earned a 3.75 grade point average or above, and successfully completed a minimum of six credits during the spring term.

**From Athens, Wis.:** Mya Becker, Shauna Belter, Melinda Daniels, Chase Ellenbecker, Nicole Ellenbecker, Javier Espinoza, Megan Frahm, Sherry Gutknecht, Harrison Klein, Nathaniel Morse, Caleb Sarasin, Chelsea Sauter, Deven Schreiner, Nancy Schreiner, Heidi Verpoorten, and Anna Wheatley

**From Gleason, Wis.:** Betsy Rell

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**Liberty Garber of Merrill wins Foresters Financial scholarship**

Foresters Financial of Toronto, Ontario, Canada, a fraternal life insurer that is set on quietly redefining the life insurance industry, recently announced that Liberty Garber of Merrill is the recipient of a \$2,000 scholarship, and eligible to receive up to \$8,000 over four years.

In the spirit of Foresters' mission to help those who help others, the Foresters competitive academic scholarships are awarded annually to 250 students in the U.S. and Canada. They are granted to those who have demonstrated exceptional leadership in their contributions towards charitable activities within their communities and who have consistently excelled academically. The scholarships can be awarded for up to four years for students pursuing undergraduate study at accredited two or four-year colleges/universities or vocational/technical schools.

Liberty has chosen to attend The University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire in the fall. She earned her scholarship due to academic achievement and, importantly, time spent volunteering at DDH Dance Academy, where

she served as an assistant teacher.

Foresters Financial President and CEO Jim Boyle said, "On behalf of Foresters, I'd like to thank and congratulate Liberty for her contributions to her local community. We are pleased to be able to reward Liberty with this scholarship, and we wish her every success as she pursues her studies. At Foresters, giving back is deeply engrained in our values and Liberty has displayed that she lives these principles in supporting her community."

**Foresters Academic Scholarships**

The Foresters competitive scholarship program is a special benefit offered to Foresters members. Members, their spouses, children and grandchildren are all eligible to apply for consideration for an annual scholarship.

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# Merrill Fire Department 501(c)(3) Charity Benefit Softball Tournament supports the needs of the Merrill community

The Merrill Fire Department hosted the 41st Annual Merrill Firefighters Charities Allan Soward Memorial Co-ed Softball Tournament on the weekend of August 6-8.

The tournament was held at Ott's Park in Merrill and was a seven-team round robin. Games kicked off at 6:00 p.m. on Friday night with the championship game played at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday. There was a very good attendance of spectators throughout the weekend, including a number of dedicated fans that sat through the rain on Saturday to watch the games. A Smokey the Bear vs. Firepup kids game was held on Sunday. Plautz Pub and The Dugout made it into the Championship, with Plautz Pub



The Champions of the August 6-8 41st annual Merrill Fire Department Charity Softball Tournament are the Plautz Pub team. From L to R, front row: Josh Brandt, Michael Augustiniak, Matt Brandt, Dan Knies, Parker Osness, Mitch Osness, and Garrett Osness. Back row: Mackenzie Osness, Ezequiel Osness, Stacey Marcum, Kalie Osness, Stephanie Keller, Patience Pyan, Maisie Osness, and Nick Mechelke. Missing from photo: Justin Pyan and Sponsor, Beaver Plautz.

winning the final game.

The Merrill Firefighter Charities was created in 2012 to help support individuals in a time of need and organizations working to improve and keep Merrill a great place to live and raise a family. This was the Merrill Fire Department's 41st year of hosting this Tournament. It wouldn't be possible without the help and support of the Merrill community. The Merrill Fire Department is honored to host this tournament all these 41 years, as the event is a fun way for people to come together and raise money for a good cause.

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The Merrill 9u traveling baseball team finished their season off on July 31 and August 1 with a first place finish in Wisconsin Rapids. First row L to R: Alex Neuman, Shaban Kiskoski, Jame Cordova, and Colton VanLieshout. Second row L to R: Taylor Timm, Ben Schmeltzer, Oliver Kahr, Moses Gates, Dane Kufahl, and Cameron Thom. Coaches L to R: Paul Timm, Rick Neuman, and Tom Schmeltzer. Submitted photo.

## 2021 Merrill High School Fall Sports Schedule

<b>Football (Varsity, JV, &amp; JV2)</b>			
Friday, Aug. 13th	Wausau East (Varsity & JV)	Away	10:00 am
<b>Volleyball (Varsity, JV, &amp; JV2)</b>			
Practice begins Tuesday, August 16th.			
<b>Tennis (Varsity &amp; JV)</b>			
Saturday, Aug. 14th	WI Rapids (JV)	Away	9:00 am
Monday, Aug. 16th	Wausau West (Varsity)	Away	9:00 am
Tuesday, Aug. 17th	Wausau West (Varsity)	Away	9:00 am
<b>Boy Soccer (Varsity &amp; JV)</b>			
Practice begins Tuesday, August 16th.			
<b>Cross Country (Varsity &amp; JV)</b>			
Practice begins Tuesday, August 16th.			
<b>Swimming (Varsity &amp; JV)</b>			
Thursday, Aug. 19th	Multiple Schools (Varsity)	Home	5:00 pm

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