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City of Merrill upholds Lupton win in District 5 recount



Incumbent John VanLieshout (on right) congratulates Richard Lupton on his win and wishes him well as District 5's next Alderman in the City of Merrill. **Tina L. Scott photo.**

TINA L. SCOTT
 EDITOR

The City of Merrill Board of Canvass met on Wednesday morning, April 13, 2022, to perform a recount of the votes in the District 5 Aldermanic election. The count verified that Richard Lupton won the election, emerging the winner in the race against incumbent John VanLieshout, by a vote of 113-112. An additional nine ballots in the District were verified to not include any vote in the Alderman's race. That race was left blank.

Spoiled ballots were verified and four people conducted the recount, with Lincoln County City Clerk

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Stange's Park experienced extensive flooding as the Prairie River ran over its banks last week, as seen from a high vantage point from above the west side of the park. This area often floods in the springtime. **Jennifer Gartmann photos.**



A closer view of Stange's Park's flooding shows bridges to nowhere and trees that appear to rise up out of the middle of the overflowing Prairie River.



Merrill's Riverside Park was almost completely flooded last week as the Wisconsin River breached its banks into the low-lying park.



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Firefighters battle two blazes within hours

Two house fires in Merrill in one night

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The Merrill Fire Department battled two blazes in the City of Merrill within hours of each other in bad weather, beginning late evening on Tuesday, April 12, 2022.

Just before 10:30 p.m. the Department responded to a house fire at 111 Logan St. in Merrill where they "found heavy smoke and fire coming from the front of the home," said Merrill Fire Chief Josh Klug.

While the home was occupied, everyone escaped safely, he confirmed.

"Personnel were able to knock down the fire from the outside prior to advancing inside to make the final extinguishment," he said.

The home was heavily damaged and a car in the driveway and neigh-



Firefighters battle a blaze at a home on Logan St. in Merrill late the night of Tuesday, April 12, 2022. **Submitted photo.**

boring house also received damage. The fire is under investigation.

Merrill Fire Department received mutual aid from Wausau Fire Department, Corning

Fire Department, Pine River Fire Department, Russell Fire Department, and Tomahawk

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Incumbent District 19 Supervisor Allen's Spring Election victory stands after recount

BY JALEN MAKI
MMC STAFF



Julie Allen will retain her seat on the Lincoln County Board for another term.

Votes cast in the Lincoln County District 19 Supervisor race held during the Spring Election on Tuesday, April 5, 2022, underwent a recount and determined incumbent Julie L. Allen's victory stands.

The Lincoln County Board of Canvass met to administer the recount on Thursday, April 14.

Preliminary results showed that Allen narrowly defeated challenger Matthew Webb to retain her seat on the board. 210 votes (approximately 51%) went to Allen, while Webb earned 202 votes (about 49%). One write-in vote was tallied.

Lincoln County Clerk Christopher J. Marlowe said that although the result of the race did not change, one additional vote went to Allen after the recount.

"There were a couple abnormalities discovered," Marlowe stated, noting that they were "all human errors and all things that were covered in our pre-election poll worker training classes."

"Election days can be very busy and can get to be long for those that are working the whole time, many of which are retired and have been for some time," Marlowe stated. "There are many different ways mistakes can occur during an election, as we are reminded now and then. They are never excusable and often magnified during the recount process." Marlowe said all elections are unique in their own way, noting that Spring Elections are "always one of the tougher ones in terms of complexity."

"We had over 50 different ballots and just came out of the Census, where our redistricting timelines were severely altered due to the counts being extremely delayed," he stated. "We were quite sure that our district lines would have to stay in place for another two years. Governor Evers made a late decision to redistrict, if you recall."

The County rushed to complete district and ward lines after Census numbers were released, Marlowe said.

"We then did not have much time to digest the changes that were made," he added.

All-in-all, Marlowe commented, the execution of the Spring Election in Lincoln County went "very well."

"We strive for perfection every election, but also understand that our election workers are only human," he stated. "I am very confident in our people and our process. April was our warm up for a very busy fall to come. Odd years, in which there are no fall elections, allow us clerks to catch up on our other work. The downside to the election lull that we just came out of is that our elections inspectors go an entire year without an election. It is very hard to perfect anything that you do not often do."

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Chris Marlowe also in attendance, as well as a group of interested City employees and citizens and both candidates in observance.

"Every vote counts!" City of Merrill Deputy Clerk Kathy Unertl said at the conclusion of the meeting. "And all the votes were counted."

Lupton won the race by just one single vote.



The City of Merrill Board of Canvass recounts the ballots in the District 5 election with Lincoln County Clerk Chris Marlowe on hand to answer questions and witness the recount.

Tina L. Scott photo.



For a community project, the Merrill Busy Bees 4-H Club collected small stuffed bunnies and chicks to be distributed at Pine Crest, Bell Towers, and Woodland Court for Easter. Submitted photo.

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The following donations were approved and/or accepted at the Jan. 16 Merrill Area Public Schools (MAPS) Board of Directors meeting:

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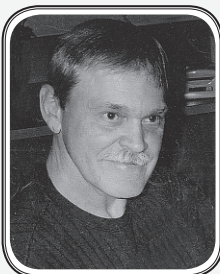
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Thank you Waid Funeral Home & Cremation for all your assistance, The Eagles Club & servers for the wonderful lunch.

Thank you to Aspirus Comfort Care & Hospice Service & staff, Aspirus Hospital Wausau, Doctors, nurses & staff who cared for Herb during his long illness with heart disease. Your kindness and compassion will always be remembered.

The Family of Herbert A. Falk Jr.

REPORTS

LINCOLN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE REPORT

Lincoln County Deputies and the Merrill Fire Dept. responded to a car fire on USH 51 near Merrill early Tuesday morning. The vehicle was in the southbound lane of travel and was reported to be fully engulfed. The cause of the fire is unknown and no injuries were reported.

A 32-year-old Tomahawk man was cited for passing a stopped school bus with stop arm extended on Tannery Rd. Thursday afternoon.

A 67-year-old Town of Pine River resident was scammed on Thursday afternoon. The victim was contacted by two people purporting to be able to double her money if she sent American Express cards to them.

A 17-year-old Merrill youth was stopped and cited for operating his ATV at 63 mph on Hillside Dr. near Lake Pesabic Rd.

A 48-year-old Merrill man was arrested for disorderly conduct and resisting arrest following a disturbance in the Town of Scott Friday evening.

A 52-year-old Merrill man was arrested for first offense operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated on Hillside Dr. near County Rd. JJ Saturday evening.

A 21-year-old Berlin, Wis., man was arrested for first offense operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated, resisting/obstructing, and a probation violation following a traffic stop on County Rd. W early Sunday morning. The driver was also cited for operating left of center and inattentive driving. Six people reported striking deer last week.

MERRILL FIRE DEPARTMENT CALLS

Assist police or other governmental agency	1
Building fire	3
Carbon monoxide detector activation, no CO	1
Dispatched and cancelled en route	1
Dispatched and cancelled en route(EMS)	1
EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury	34
Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	1
Good intent call, other	1
Grass fire	1
Motor vehicle accident with injuries	1
Passenger vehicle fire	1
Standby for Tomahawks E.M.S.	2
Unintentional transmission of alarm, other	1
Total Incidents This Week:	49
Total Incidents/Calls for 2022:	649

Notes: The Merrill Fire Department responded to a passenger vehicle fire on Hwy. 51 early the morning of April 12, 2022, and then to a motor vehicle accident with injuries later that same day on Cty. Rd. K. That accident may have been caused by a medical emergency. That same day, the Department also responded to a small grass fire that may have been the result of a cloud to ground lightning strike associated with the line of storms that rolled through the area that day.

Late that evening, the Department responded to a building fire at 111 Logan St. on April 12, then to another house fire at 804 N State St. on April 13 (just after midnight), and the day after (April 14) was requested by the owner to return back to that same building on State St. to extinguish a small area of insulation found to be smoldering. Crews performed salvage and overhaul to extinguish the insulation.

MERRILL POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORTS

04-11-22
At 5:57 p.m. a crash was reported in a parking lot. A vehicle had struck a light pole in the lot. A crash report was completed.

04-12-22
At 9:03 a.m. a school reported graffiti on playground equipment. Investigation is ongoing.

At 10:26 p.m. Merrill officers assisted Merrill Fire Dept. with traffic control at a residential fire.

04-13-2022
At 12:15 a.m. Merrill officers were dispatched to a house fire and assisted with scene security and traffic control while on scene.

At 5:44 p.m. a domestic disturbance was reported to be occurring between a mother and daughter at a residence. Following the investigation, it was found that the daughter had been the predominate aggressor and was taken into custody for disorderly conduct.

At 7:33 p.m. officers were initially dispatched to a residence after it was reported that a resident at the house was recording the actions of a teenager also living at the residence. No violation was found to have occurred during the initial call. Officers were later again dispatched to that same residence after a knife block was reported to have been thrown at another individual in the house. Following the conclusion of the investigation, one female was taken into custody for throwing the knife block and causing injury to the other involved individual.

04-14-2022
At 1:39 p.m. a vehicle was reported to have been struck while the owner was at work. Investigation is ongoing.

04-15-22
At 12:02 p.m. a store reported a youth in the store who attempted to steal some merchandise. The youth was located, cited for retail theft, and turned over to his mother.

At 3:06 p.m. a caller reported someone struck his vehicle while it was parked outside of a business and left the scene. Investigation is ongoing.

04-16-22
At 3:01 p.m. an officer conducted a traffic stop and could smell the odor of marijuana coming from inside the vehicle. The driver admitted to having marijuana and a pipe in a backpack. He was cited for possession of THC and drug paraphernalia.

04-17-22
At 7:21 a.m. a convenience store reported a male had passed

a bad check. While in contact with the man, the officer saw a female at the residence that he knew had a warrant for her arrest. She was arrested for the warrant. The man who passed the check was able to pay cash to satisfy his bill.

At 7:22 p.m. a caller reported his adult son showed up at his residence in violation of a domestic abuse injunction. The two spoke briefly before the son became upset and, upon departing, shot a BB gun at the father's garage causing damage. An officer requested Wausau PD check the son's last known address and take him into custody for violating the injunction, criminal damage to property, probation violation, and two counts of bail jumping. Wausau officers located the son, arrested him, and turned him over to a Merrill officer.



A home on North State St. sustained fire damage after a middle-of-the-night fire during a lightning storm April 12/13, 2022.

Photo courtesy of Merrill Fire Department.



A home at 111 Logan St. in Merrill was heavily damaged in a fire late in the evening on April 12, 2022. All occupants of the home escaped safely.

Tina L. Scott photo.

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FIRES

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EMS. The Merrill Police Department and Wisconsin Public Service provided assistance.

Less than two hours after the first call came in, the Merrill Fire Department was called to another house fire at 804 N. State St. in Merrill. At approximately 12:15 a.m. on Wednesday, April 13, 2022, firefighters arrived and "found heavy smoke and flames coming from the roof of the building," Klug said. "Fire crews were able to fight the fire from the outside first and then went inside to put the fire out completely."

This fire was reported by a neighbor. The house was vacant and received "moderate damage" according to Klug.

An initial assessment suggested the cause of the fire is "likely attributed to the severe weather," but it is still under investigation.

Corning Fire Department, the Merrill Police Department, and Wisconsin Public Service provided assistance on scene, and Tomahawk EMS provided ambulance standby coverage.

"Firefighters also had to contend with the severe weather occurring at that time," Klug added.

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OBITUARIES



Donna M. Sterr, age 89, of Tomahawk, WI, passed away on Sunday, April 17, 2022, at Aspirus Sacred Heart Hospital. A dairy farmer's daughter and the oldest of seven children, Donna was born in Lomira, WI, on January 16, 1933, to the late Harvey and Dorothy (Nebel) Luedtke. She was married to the love of her life, Ronald Sterr, on June 20, 1953; he survives.

Donna was a dedicated homemaker who lovingly raised her children. Over the years, she volunteered as a Girl Scout Leader and found great joy in helping others. She loved spending summers on the family farm with her parents and loved watching her children play and talk to all of the animals just as she did as a young child. Donna enjoyed bowling and going to state tournaments with her team and loved playing sheephead. She was the owner and operator of the successful Tomahawk women's clothing store, Friends and Fashions, from 1974 to 1991. An additional store location was later opened in Minocqua, WI, which was run out of the historic Newborg Building. Ronald and Donna enjoyed traveling, frequently visiting California and Florida, and wintered in Las Vegas. Donna affectionately referred to those she loved and cared about as "dear hearts" and even those whose names she couldn't remember and cared about were still referred to as "dear hearts". She truly adored her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Survivors include her husband of 68 years, Ronald Sterr; her daughter, Rhonda Kaplanek; her son, Gary (Gwen) Sterr; and her grandchildren, Stephanie Kaplanek, Andy (Lu) Kaplanek, Michael Kaplanek, Joey Kaplanek, Jenna (Jorna) Sterr, and Jamie Sterr. She is further survived by her great-grandchildren, Kayden, Sofia, and Layla.

Donna was preceded in death by her parents, Harvey and Dorothy; and her siblings, Denese Byington, Randy Luedtke, Joel Luedtke, Leon Luedtke, Diane Luedtke, and Darlene Gampka.

Funeral Services for Donna Sterr will be held on Saturday, April 23, 2022, at 12:00 PM, at Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church. Rev. Mark Gass will officiate. The family will receive friends for visitation from 11:00 AM until the time of services at 12:00 PM. Burial will follow at the Greenwood Cemetery in the Town of Bradley. Generations Funeral Home & Crematory is assisting the family. You may view Donna's obituary and leave online condolences at generationsfuneral.com.



Ruth A. E. Benson of Irma, Wisconsin, daughter of Ben and Dena (Krause) Hemmrich was born on January 24, 1926, in Colby, Wisconsin. She passed away on Saturday, April 16, 2022, in Merrill, Wisconsin.

She grew up in Price County and attended elementary school in Knox Mills, Wisconsin. She graduated from Prentice High School in 1943. During the war years she worked at Marathon Electric in Wausau. She married John Benson on March 1, 1947, at First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Wausau. He preceded her in death December 23, 1983.

Ruth was a stay-at-home mom until going to work for the former Employers Mutual Insurance Company in 1964. Retired from the former Employers Insurance (now the Wausau Insurance Company) in 1981. While living in Wausau Ruth was an active member of the First Evangelical Lutheran Church where she taught Sunday school for 12 years and belonged to the Women's Missionary Society. Ruth and family moved to Irma in 1970. She worked at the Parkside Preschool and Lincoln County Social Services Department.

Ruth became a member of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, in Merrill in 1986 and the Sarah Circle. In 1989 at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, she married Les Weber I deceased June 13, 2001. Ruth was a Life member of the DAV Auxiliary, Lutherans for Life, Lincoln County Citizens for Decency, Senior Citizens Friendship Club, and was a part of the Pure Counseling Program in Marathon and Lincoln County.

Ruth loved being around children, especially her grandkids and great grandkids. She enjoyed bird watching and traveling through the US by car. Her hobbies included, reading, crocheting, sewing, gardening and loved to entertain in her home with lots of family get togethers.

Ruth is survived by her son: Michael (Paulette) Benson, grandchildren: John Benson III, Jennifer (John) Meister, Phillip Benson, Meredith Benson, Jeffrey Benson, great grandkids: Kaitlyn, Jacob, Ruthie, Sarah, Caleb. Great-great granddaughter: Irene Benson and sister Marion Perkins.

She was preceded in death by her parents, son: John Benson, brother: Lieutenant Colonel Fred Hemmrich, sisters: Dorothy Dunn, and Adeline Peterson.

A funeral service will be held on Friday, April 22, 2022, at 11:00 am at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in Merrill. A visitation will be held on Friday, April 22, 2022, from 9:00 am until the time of service also at the church. Interment to take place at Chat Cemetery in the Town of Birch.

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.



Bette Jane Baumann, age 94, of Merrill, went to her Heavenly home on Saturday, April 9, 2022, at Rennes in Weston, WI, while under the care of Aspirus Comfort Care & Hospice Services. She was born on December 21, 1927, to the late Henry and Elsie (Neuman) Litke in Merrill. She met Edwin Hahn and the two exchanged marriage vows on October 19, 1946. Sadly, he passed away in 1958. She then met Theodore "Teddy" Baumann, and they were married on March 30, 1961, but sadly, he passed away in 2015.

Bette worked at Weinbrenner Shoe Factory in Merrill for 25 years, until her retirement. She also enjoyed working and helping where she could on the family farm, especially driving the tractor! Bette was a very family-oriented woman that adored her precious grandchildren and great grandchildren. She loved flowers, especially lily's, petunias, daffodils and gladiolus. Bette looked forward to working in her gardens at home and was an excellent cook! She had very skilled hands and was an avid knitter that would make baby caps for Aspirus. Bette also enjoyed listening to her old records and enjoyed the music of Lawrence Welk, Patsy Cline and Elvis Presley. She is remembered as a tough woman that had a caring and loving spirit. Bette was a woman of strong faith and her relationship with the Lord was important to her. She was a member at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in the town of Pine River. Bette will be sadly missed, but the memories will live on.

Bette leaves behind her children: Susan (Ronald) Pfantz of Merrill, Allan (Dianna) Hahn of Mosinee, Christine Baumann of Merrill, Todd (Kim) Baumann of Wausau, Sherri (Robert) Mielke of Wausau and Timothy Baumann of Wausau, along with 10 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, her first husband: Edwin Hahn, her second husband: Theodore "Teddy" Baumann, son: Jack Hahn and siblings: Dorothy Drew, Harold Litke, Robert Litke, Henrietta Schroeder and Glorian Klempe.

The funeral service for Bette was held on Saturday, April 16, 2022, at 11am at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in the town of Pine River. Rev. Greg Laska officiated. Visitation was held on Saturday, April 16, 2022, from 9am until the time of the service, also at the church. Burial immediately followed the service and took place at Merrill Memorial Park Cemetery.

The family of Bette would like to extend their sincere appreciation to Rennes and Aspirus Comfort Care & Hospice Services for their support, care and attention shown to Bette and her family.

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.

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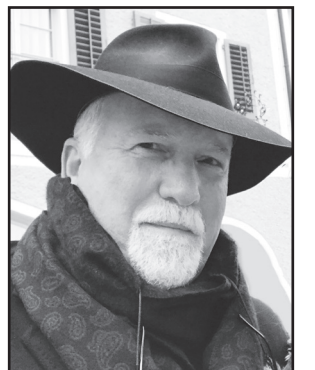
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PUBLISHER'S LETTER

A Pause and Recalibration

Dear Reader,

Have you ever wanted to take a pause – just stop everything and have time stand still? Maybe you wanted to squeeze more time out of a happy event like a wedding, birth of a baby, or being with someone you're attracted to. Maybe you wanted more time to grieve for a loved one, perhaps someone who died suddenly or way too



young. Maybe you wanted to figure out who you really are as opposed to who others may think you are.

We may not have a magic wand to exercise that option, but we can slow ourselves down and take a slower pace, maybe catch a breath or two and wander off the beaten path. To stop and pause and think about what you are doing and where you are on the continuum of life may recalibrate your direction to something better—certainly not something worse.

PATRICK J. WOOD
PUBLISHER

Author of "Dear Reader" and "Tapestry of Love and Loss"

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OBITUARIES



Joyce A. St. Mary, age 87, passed away lovingly from the arms of her daughter, Jolene, into the arms of her Lord and Savior on Tuesday, April 12, 2022, at the Aspirus Hospice House, Wausau, WI. Joyce suffered from many separate chronic conditions over the course of many years. She is now free from pain. Joyce was born to the late Rolland and Sedonia (Dreifuerst) Hensen on December 1, 1934, in Fond du Lac, WI. She attended catholic grade school and was active in her catholic faith as a child and throughout her life.

Joyce was active in her high school, she belonged to various clubs, was a cheerleader and a prom queen. She loved music and was involved in piano, band, and choir. Joyce met the love of her life, James St. Mary, and the two exchanged marriage vows on October 11, 1955, at St. Matthews Catholic Church in Campbellsport, WI. They were able to celebrate 66 years of marriage together.

Joyce briefly worked as a bookkeeper for an automobile company prior to devoting her life as a loving wife, mother, and homemaker. Joyce always said, "cleanliness is next to Godliness" and "there is a place for everything & everything in its place". She loved and devoted her life to her Lord and her family. Joyce excelled as a cook, baker, and interior decorator. She loved Christmas, it was her favorite holiday, and would prepare for months in advance, preparing all the different cookies and decorating the house. Joyce loved to see her grandchildren's eyes sparkle. She was a very family-oriented woman, as well as being resourceful. Joyce enjoyed crafting, doing needlepoint, and collecting angels. She was a devout catholic and prayed her Rosary daily. Joyce was very active and involved with her parish and volunteered for St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Bloomville, WI. She was a "prayer warrior" throughout her lifetime and will be sadly missed by all who knew her.

Joyce is survived by her loving husband of nearly 67 years: James J. St. Mary of Gleason, 3sons: James S. (Christine) St. Mary of Grand Chute, WI, Jon St. Mary of Gleason, WI and Jason (Becky) St. Mary of Neenah, WI, 2 daughters: Jeanne (Jeffrey) Barnard of Chester, VA and Jolene St. Marie of Oshkosh, WI 11 grandchildren, 5 great grandchildren, brothers: Richard (Barbara) Hensen of Campbellsport, WI and Paul (Helen) Hensen of Florence, AZ and sister: LouAnn (Mark) Benike of Campbellsport, WI, son-in-law: Matthew Mittlestaedt, along with numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. She was preceded in death by her parents, daughters: Jody Mittlestaedt and Jacqueline St. Mary, son: Jeffery St. Mary, brothers: David (Phyllis) Hensen and Peter Hensen, sister: Faye (Hensen) Thoma and brother-in-law Richard Thoma.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Joyce was held on Monday, April 18, 2022, at 12pm at their parish of 21 years, St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Bloomville, WI. Father Ron Serrao officiated. Visitation was held on Monday from 11am until the time of Mass, also at the church. An additional Mass will take place in Campbellsport, WI on Thursday, April 21, 2022, at 12pm at St. Matthews Catholic Church. Father Mark Jones will officiate. Visitation will be held on Thursday, April 21, 2022, from 10:30am until the time of Mass, also at St. Matthews Catholic Church in Campbellsport, WI. Burial will take place at St. Matthews Catholic Cemetery in Campbellsport, WI.

The Mass will be recorded and posted to the Waid Funeral Home website under her obituary and will be available for viewing after April 19, 2022.

Waid Funeral Home & Cremation Service of Merrill and Twohig Funeral Home of Campbellsport, WI are assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences are encouraged and may be made at www.waidfuneral.com or www.twohigfunerals.com



Lorraine E. Tesch, age 90, of Wisconsin Rapids went home to be with her Lord and Savior when she passed away at Edgewater Haven Nursing Home on Easter morning, Sunday, April 17, 2022.

Services will be at 11:00 A.M. on Friday, April 22, 2022 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wisconsin Rapids. Rev. Timothy Ritter will officiate.

Burial will be at Restlawn Memorial Park Cemetery. Visitation for relatives and friends will be from 4:00 P.M. until

7:00 P.M. on Thursday, April 21 at Herman-Taylor Funeral Home in Wisconsin Rapids and from 10:00 A.M. until the time of services on Friday at the church.

Lorraine was born December 26, 1931 in Merrill, WI to Herman and Isabel (Friske) Reinke. She graduated from Merrill High School. She married Edward R. Tesch on August 29, 1954 in Merrill, WI. He passed away on April 13, 2007.

Lorraine worked at Livingston's in Merrill and later at Hardees and Taco Johns in Wisconsin Rapids.

Lorraine loved to knit and made hundreds of mittens over the years. She enjoyed dancing polkas, fishing at the family cottage in Tomahawk, and was an avid Packer and Brewer fan. Her greatest love was spending time with family, especially with her grandsons Cody and Tyler. She adored her great-granddaughter, Austynn.

Lorraine is survived by her son, Scott (Paula) Tesch of Wisconsin Rapids; grandsons, Cody (Krista) Tesch of Brown Deer, WI and Tyler (fiancé Abigail DeWilde) Tesch of Port Edwards, WI; great-granddaughter, Austynn Tesch (and another great-granddaughter on the way); many nieces and nephews; and a very special friend, Joan Smoodie of Stevens Point, WI. She is preceded in death by her parents; husband, Edward; and 7 siblings: Harold Reinke, Jeanette Siehr, Helen Rossiter, Vanetta Anderson, Lavern Reinke, Delores Kluender, and Donald Reinke.



Gary R. Juedes, age 76, of Irma, WI, passed away on Wednesday, April 13, 2022. Gary was born in Milwaukee, WI, on October 19, 1945, to the late Edwin and Helen (Cannon) Juedes. He was married to Fern Schneider on

December 11, 1965; she survives. Gary attended school at the Cloverbelt School in the Town of Skanawan. He entered the workforce beginning employment in Merrill, WI, at Northern Door, Semco Windows& Doors, and Anson & Gilkey Co. He later worked and retired from the Packaging Corporation of America in Tomahawk. Gary had a passion for farming and was a dairy farmer for many years. He later began a hobby farm where he raised pigs and beef cattle. In his younger years, he worked with his dad as a logger. He enjoyed camping, traveling, snowmobiling, and was an avid NASCAR fan. Gary loved the hard work that went along with farming and took great pride in his land and equipment. He will be remembered for his social personality and wonderful sense of humor. He knew no strangers.

Survivors include his wife of 56 years, Fern Juedes; his son, Eugene Juedes; his daughter, Linda (August LaCrosse) Juedes; his brother, Roger (Judy) Juedes; his sisters, Judy Stine, Sandy (Ward) Carstensen, and Darlene (Bill) Evans; and his sister-in-law, Betsy. He is further survived by many nieces and nephews and cherished friends.

Gary was preceded in death by his parents, Edwin and Helen; his brothers, Larry, Wayne, Duane, Dale, Bruce, and Darrell; his sisters, Sharon Purchase, Dawn Edde, and Kaye Wilson; his brother-in-law, Dale Stine; his sisters-in-law, Belle Juedes and Joan Juedes; and his nephews.

In accordance with Gary's wishes, no formal services will be held. Generations Funeral Home & Crematory is assisting the family. You may view Gary's obituary and leave online condolences at generationsfuneral.com.



KiAnn R. Fleenor, age 57, passed away on Sunday, April 10, 2022, peacefully at her residence. KiAnn was born on March 8, 1965, the daughter of John and Darlene (Babcock) Bentz. She graduated from Sheboygan, South High School. Her greatest pleasure was her three children and her ten grandchildren.

She enjoyed bingo, flowers, gardening, and landscaping. Koi fishponds kept her busy as well as crocheting and knitting. She loved to go camping with

her family and friends. She was her husband's biggest fan and followed his band all over the U.S.

Her hard work and perseverance made becoming a store manager a significant accomplishment. She was very passionate about her career, turning her store into the number one in her district and earning a Top Gun Award.

KiAnn is survived by her husband, Dale; her father, John Bentz of Weston; her children: Arron Brunner of Merrill, Courtney (Ryan) Daley of Merrill, and Jennifer (Jon Thom) Mohr of Merrill; her ten grandchildren: Tapanga, Samara, Landon, Layla, Johnathan, Brayden, Ian, Emma, Natalie and Jacob and her brothers: Kevin (Jamie) Bentz of Merrill and Keith Bentz of Schofield.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Darlene. The family will hold a Celebration of Life on June 24, 2022, at Pine River Town Hall from 9-11 am.

Helke Funeral Home is making arrangements, and online condolences can be sent to our family guest book at helke.com.

The family would like to thank all individuals who responded to support the family and Helke Funeral Home.

New Letters to the Editor policy

The Merrill Foto News has implemented a new policy for Letters to the Editor, effective Friday, April 15, 2022.

Our new policy differentiates between general community letters/opinion, those that are clearly advertisements and will be treated as such, and those that are letters designed to influence future political votes or decisions, which are more of an endorsement that ultimately constitute an advertisement submitted in the form of a Letter to the Editor and will now run under the Paid Letters to the Editor heading, requiring payment for publication.

If you have any questions, or wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, email: tscott@mmclocal.com.

We welcome letters to the Editor, a chance for members of the community to comment on issues of concern to them. All letters must be original, not duplications of letters addressed to public officials or written by others. The views and opinions expressed are those of the letter writer and do not necessarily reflect the views of this publication, its publishers, Editor, or staff.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR POLICY:

- *Letters must be 250 words or less. (There will be no exceptions to this. Any letter longer than 250 words will not be printed.)
- *The writer must include their full name, complete address, and a phone number where he/she can be easily reached for verification. Phone numbers and street addresses will not be published, but will be used for verification purposes, if necessary. Letters must be signed and the name, city, and state will be printed.
- *Letters may be edited for style, grammar, and length. Form letters or those we determine to be libelous or slanderous will not be accepted. Any letter deemed derogatory, inflammatory, or involving vulgar language will not be published. We reserve all rights to reject material submitted to this publication.
- *Letters will be published on a "first come, first served" basis. Any letters which we are unable to publish in the printed newspaper may be run online at www.merrillfoto.com and/or may be printed in the paper at a later date.

POLITICAL LETTERS TO THE EDITOR POLICY:

All letters submitted as an endorsement for a political candidate, referendum, or political agenda will carry the same guidelines as above; however, they will be

charged \$40.00 per letter of up to 250 words in length. Longer political letters will be accepted but will be charged \$10.00 per additional 100 words. All political letters

must be prepaid prior to printing. Letters to the Editor will not be accepted from candidates running for election or representatives of an organization endorsing their own

referendum, as these are clearly advertisements and not opinion letters; those submissions will be referred to our Advertising Department to be run as paid ads.

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Bailey is a YA student working at **Turenne Construction.**

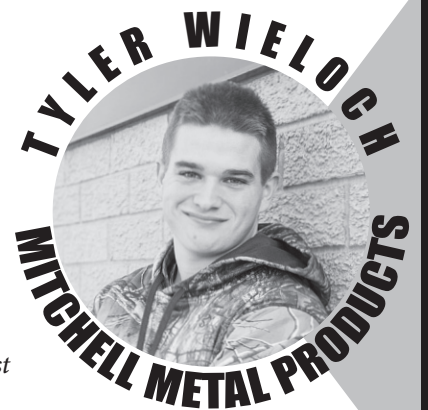
"I decided to work in YA construction because I always have helped out my dad with his construction business and I really liked it. Being in YA has positively impacted my GPA and attendance and helped me decide to go to college for business."

After high school, Bailey will be going to St. Norbert College majoring in Business.

Tyler is a YA student working at **Mitchell Metal Products.**

"I enjoy getting to work with others and learning new ways to solve problems. I found that the harder I work, the better I get at my job. I was able to make more money because I could leave school early and work more hours. I also learned more things about the machines I operate. I'm just thankful for the whole experience."

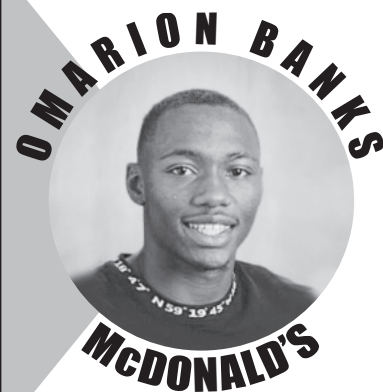
After high school, Tyler will continue to work at Mitchell Metal Products.



Omarion is a YA student working at **McDonald's in Wausau.**

"YA provides awesome benefits like getting one credit per semester just for working. It has really helped me a lot by being more engaged at work. My proudest accomplishment is that I'm training to be a manager. I would really encourage other students to participate in the YA program."

After high school, Omarion will continue to work at McDonald's.



To find out how your business can get involved in the YA program contact Merrill High School YA Coordinator Linda.murray@mapsedu.org

Support for this project was provided through the Wisconsin Youth Apprenticeship Grant.

LEGAL NOTICES

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**BY THE COURT:
DATE SIGNED: 4/5/22
/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. 22-CV-48
IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME
CHANGE OF
Melody Starr Lynn Nelson
By (Petitioner): Melody Starr Lynn
Nelson

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
A Petition was filed asking to change the
name of the person listed above:
From: Melody Starr Lynn Nelson
To: Maxwell James Nelson

Birth Certificate: Melody Starr Lynn
Nelson

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, Br. 2,
Merrill, WI 54452
Date: May 4, 2022
Time: 1:15 pm

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 _____ a
newspaper published in _____ County,
State of Wisconsin.
Published: Apr. 14, 21 & 28, 2022
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**CITY OF MERRILL
1004 EAST FIRST STREET
MERRILL, WI 54452-2586
NOTICE OF ACTION ON AN
ALLEY VACATION**

Notice is hereby given that a Resolution
to vacate an Alley is to be acted upon by
the Common Council of the City of
Merrill, Wisconsin, at the meeting of the
Common Council commencing at 6:00
p.m., June 14, 2022, at City Hall, Merrill,
Wisconsin, on the following proposed
Vacation Resolution, to wit:

1. Vacating that portion of an alley
described as follows:

A part of H.W. Wright Lumber
Company's Addition of Section Eleven
(11) located in Township Thirty-one (31)
North, Range Six (6) East, City of
Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin; more
particularly described as follows:

All that part of Chippewa Street
beginning at the North Corner of Lot
Four (4), Block Six (6) of H.W. Wright
Lumber Company's Addition, thence S
46°32'41" W along the South Right-of-
way of Chippewa Street 136.08 Feet,
thence N 41°23'08" W along the West
Right-of-way of Chippewa Street 30.02
Feet, thence N 46°36'52" E along the
North Right-of-way of Chippewa Street

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136.08 Feet, thence S 41°23'08" E
along the West Right-of-way of West
Street 30.02 Feet to the Point of
Beginning.

This Notice of action is being taken
pursuant to a recommendation of the
Board of Public Works on February 23,
2022 and the City Plan Commission on
April 7, 2022.

Any questions, please call City Attorney
Thomas N. Hayden at 715-539-3510.
Dated: April 8, 2022
CITY OF MERRILL, WISCONSIN
BY: Katherine Unertl
Deputy City Clerk
Published Apr. 14, 21 & 28, 2022
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**CITY OF MERRILL
COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES
TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 2022
Regular Meeting**

City Hall Council Chambers 6:00 p.m.
1. Mayor Woellner called the meeting to
order at 6:00 p.m. with the following
members:

Paul Russell – First District, Present
Steve Hass – Second District, Present
Rick Blake – Third District, Present
Steve Osness – Fourth District, Present
John M. VanLieshout – Fifth District,
Present
Mike Rick – Sixth District, Present
Mark Weix – Seventh District, Present
Steve Sabatke – Eighth District, Present
Derek Woellner – Mayor, Present
2. Invocation by Pastor William
Hohman, New Testament Church
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Public Comment Period – None
5. Minutes of previous Common Council
meeting – March 8 – Motion
(Osness/Rick) to approve. Carried.
6. Revenue & Expense Reports for
period ending March 31 – Motion
(VanLieshout/Osness) to approve.
Carried.

7. Tourism Commission – Clyde Nelson
presented the Tourism Annual Report
and responded to questions. Finance
Director Unertl highlighted the SL-304
2021 Room Tax Report that was
submitted to the Wisconsin Department
of Revenue.

8. Board of Public Works
1. Consider authorizing waiver for
private water and sanitary sewer service
for Bryan Hoffman Construction CSM.
The Board of Public Works recommends
granting the utility waiver.

There was discussion as to property
challenges of wetlands and rock and
potential for higher density development
consistent with the City's
Comprehensive Plan.
Motion (Osness/Sabatke) to authorize
the waiver for private water and sanitary
sewer service. Carried on 8-0 roll call
vote...

2. Consider bids received 3/23/2022 for
crushing of street recycle material. The
Board of Public Works recommends
awarding to PGA, Inc. for \$50,000.
Motion (Hass/Osness) to award
crushing of street recycle material to
PGA, Inc. Carried.

3. Consider bids received 3/28/2022 for
M2022-02 street/utility project (W. 10th

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St. between N. Center Ave. and Lake
St.). Board of Public Works
recommends rejecting the bids.

The 2022 budget amount was \$356,000
with the low bid almost \$570,000 due to
price of fuel-related projects and ductile
mains.
Motion (Rick/Weix) to reject the M2022-
02 bids Carried.

9. Placing Committee Reports on File:
Consider placing the following
committee reports on file: Airport
Commission, Board of Public Works,
City Plan Commission, Community
Development Committee, Health &
Safety Committee, Historical
Preservation Committee, T.B. Scott Free
Library Board, Marketing &
Communications Committee, Parks and
Recreation Commission, Personnel &
Finance Committee, and Transit
Commission

Motion (Russell/VanLieshout) to place
Committee Reports on File. Carried.
10. Resolutions:

1. A Resolution approving a conditional
use permit for use of 925 E. Main St. as
a church center (No. 2721)

WHEREAS, Johanna & James Doyle
d/b/a The Gathering Table, has
requested a conditional use permit
pursuant to the Merrill Zoning Code
Chapter 113, Section 113-100 for the
purpose of a church occupancy at the
following described property:
Lt 1 BLK 1 TB Scott LBR Co 3rd Add'n,
City of Merrill, Lincoln County,
Wisconsin, Pin # 251-3106-123-
0297. Commonly known as 925 E. Main
Street herein referred to as the
"Premises"; and,

WHEREAS, the City Plan Commission
scheduled a hearing on the application
on April 7, 2022, due public notice
having been given and opportunity given
to those interested to speak on the
application; and,
WHEREAS, the City Plan Commission
has reviewed the Application, found that
it does meet the requirements of Merrill
Zoning Code, Chapter 113, Section 113-
100, and has recommended approval of
said application;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED
BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF MERRILL, WISCONSIN this
12th day of April, 2022, that a
conditional use permit shall be issued to
Johanna & James Doyle d/b/a The
Gathering Table for the purpose of a
church occupancy on the aforesaid
described premises.
Motion (Hass/Blake) to adopt the
resolution for Condition Use Permit.
Carried.

2. A Resolution honoring William N.
Heideman for his long-time service to
the City of Merrill (No. 2722)

WHEREAS, William N. Heideman
served the City of Merrill as the City
Clerk for almost 24 years, from May 1,
1998 to January 3, 2022; and,
WHEREAS, these years of service have
been marked by dedication to the best
interests of our community, and the
safety and well-being of our employees
and citizens; and

WHEREAS, William N. Heideman has
earned the admiration and respect of his
fellow employees by the way in which

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he has carried out his duties; and
WHEREAS, William N. Heideman's
skills and experience will be missed at
City Hall;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED
BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF MERRILL, WISCONSIN this
12th day of April, 2022, that the
Common Council, and the people of
Merrill officially acknowledge with deep
appreciation the dedicated and faithful
service William N. Heideman has given
the City of Merrill and commends him for
those 24 years of service; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we
hereby commend the meritorious and
dedicated service of William N.
Heideman congratulate him upon the
occasion of his resignation from the City
of Merrill, and extend our warmest
wishes for his enjoyment of continued
prosperity in the years that lie ahead.
Motion (Entire Common Council).
Carried.

11. Mayor's Communications – Mayor
Woellner commented on lessons
learned during the past five years and
thanked City of Merrill employees for
their public service.

12. Motion (Rick/VanLieshout) to
adjourn at 6:33 p.m. Carried.
Published Apr. 21, 2022
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DATE SIGNED: March 23, 2022
Electronically signed by
Becky S. Byer, Probate Registrar

**STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT, LINCOLN COUNTY
Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)**

Case No. 22 IN 16
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Janean B. Hass
DOD: 2/4/2022

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

- An application for informal
administration was filed.
- The decedent, with date of birth
October 28, 1934 and date of death
February 4, 2022, was domiciled in
Lincoln County, State of Wisconsin, with
a mailing address of W8076 Joe Snow
Rd., Merrill, WI 54452.
- All interested persons waived notice.
- The deadline for filing a claim against
the decedent's estate is July 22, 2022.
- A claim may be filed at the Lincoln
County Courthouse, 1110 E. Main St.,
Merrill, Wisconsin, Room 2nd Floor.
Attorney Chantelle M. Ringe
Hill Glowacki, LLP
5250 E. Terrace Dr., Ste. 130
Madison, WI 53718
608-244-1354 Bar Number 1058136
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NOTICE

CITY OF MERRILL TAXPAYERS
The Board of Review for the City of
Merrill will meet on, Thursday, May 26th,
2022, at 4:00 p.m., in the City Hall
Council Chambers. This meeting is a
statutory meeting to hear appeals from
the Assessment Roll of the City of
Merrill. The Board of Review will meet
for a minimum of two hours. Anyone
wishing to appear before the Board of

Legals 7700

Review shall obtain an objection form
from the Clerk/Treasurer's office at City
Hall. Objection forms should be
completed and returned to the
Clerk/Treasurer's office by Friday, May
20th, 2022. An appointment to appear
before the Board of Review will be
scheduled for all persons returning a
completed objection form.

No person shall be allowed to appear
before the Board of Review, to testify to
the board by telephone or to contest the
amount of any assessment of real or
personal property if the person has
refused a reasonable written request by
certified mail of the assessor to view
such property.

After the first meeting of the Board of
Review and before the board's final
adjournment, no person who is
scheduled to appear before the Board of
Review may contact, or provide
information to, a member of the board
about that person's objection except at a
session of the board.

No person may appear before the Board
of Review, testify to the board by
telephone or contest the amount of any
assessment unless, at least 48 hours
before the first meeting of the board or
at least 48 hours before the objection is
heard if the objection is allowed under
sub. (3) (a), that person provides to the
clerk of the Board of Review notice as to
whether the person will ask for removal
under sub. (6m) and if so which member
will be removed and the person's
reasonable estimate of the length of
time that the hearing will take.

When appearing before the board, the
person should specify, in writing, the
person's estimate of the value of the
land and of the improvements that are
the subject of the person's objection and
specify the information that the person
used to arrive at that estimate.

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Kindhearted announces weight loss winners

**TINA L. SCOTT
EDITOR**

Kindhearted Home
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the winners of this
year's Solution to Your
Resolution Weight Loss
Challenge, which ran
from Jan. 3 through Mar.
25, 2022. Nine teams en-
tered and lost a cumula-
tive total of 325.50 pounds
during the 12-week chal-
lenge. Prizes were award-
ed based on a percentage
of weight lost, for individ-
uals and teams.

This year Lynn
Anderson won in
the Female Greatest
Percentage Weight Lost
category, while John
Kraegenbrink won in the
Male Greatest Percentage
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The team winning for
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team with the greatest
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Tom Cimino to speak at Lincoln County Sports Club

The Lincoln County Sports Club will hold its April
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2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the Lincoln County Sports Club,
W5071 Schulz Spur Rd., Merrill.

Tom Cimino will give a presentation about his recent
hunting trip to Africa.

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TOWN OF MERRILL
MERRILL, WISCONSIN

OPEN BOOK – 2022 ASSESSMENT ROLL

The Assessor will be at the Town of Merrill Community
Center, W4594 Progress Avenue, on Tuesday, May 3, 2022
from 4:15 to 6:15 P.M.

Please bring your assessment notices.
Time will be limited to 15 minutes for each person.

NOTICE OF BOARD OF REVIEW

The Board of Review for the Town of Merrill will meet at
the Town of Merrill Community Center, W4594 Progress Avenue,
Tuesday, May 10, 2022 from 4:30 to 6:30 P.M.

Property owners wishing to make a formal objection to an
assessed valuation must obtain an objection form from the
Town Clerk and schedule an appointment 48 hrs. in advance
of hearing. 715-536-4383.

The extensive Board of Review notice can be found on
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Kay Tautges, Clerk-Treasurer

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THE TOWN OF HARDING, LINCOLN COUNTY,
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WILL BEGIN AT 6:00 P.M. THE TOWN OF
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The City of Merrill is offering for sale by sealed bid the following
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Address	PIN	Lot Size
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607 Douglass St.	25131061110026	71' x 72'
609 Douglas St.	25131061110027	71' x 72'
405 N. Genesee St.	25131061130382	50' x 120'
410 N. Prospect St.	25131061130386	50' x 120'

Properties will be sold to the high bidder with approval of the Merrill
Common Council. There is a minimum bid requirement of \$250. The
City reserves the right to reject any bids.
Buyers are not responsible for delinquent taxes. Property will be
conveyed by Quit Claim Deed.

Bids must be received in the Office of the Clerk/Treasurer in City
Hall no later than 4:00 pm Thursday April 28, 2022. Bids must
include address, bid amount, and signature of bidder in a sealed
envelope labeled "Property Bid", along with contact information.

Address questions to:
David Johnson, City Administrator
715-536-5594
david.johnson@ci.merrill.wi.us

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**ATTENTION TOWN OF
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Clean up day will be held on May 7th, 2022
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Items to be taken are:	Resident pays
Rim and Tire (Steel or Aluminum)	\$5.00 each
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Rick Hass, Town Clerk.
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MERRILL FOTO NEWS

**Student
of the Week**

**This Week's Featured Student is
Taya Shields**
Daughter of
Daniel & Laura Shields
Taya is in Kindergarten at
Trinity Lutheran School.
She was nominated by Eileen Hass.

What is your favorite subject in school?
Why?
I like learning. Learning is my favorite
because it helps me with math.

What is your favorite part of school? Why?
Lunch is the best, because I get to talk
with my friends.

What would you like to do/become someday? Why?
I will be a doctor. If I am a doctor, I can help
people be strong and healthy.

Taya is an exemplary student who shows the love of
Jesus by her kindness to every student in her class.
Her academics are excellent and she is a very helpful
student who always shows a positive attitude. She is a
leader, a role model, and yet has a humble heart.
- Eileen Hass

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Movie Reviews

BY CHRISTOPHER STAMM
GUEST MOVIE REVIEWER

Everything, Everywhere, All At Once

(Now showing in theatres)

★★★★★

Rated R – for language, violence, and adult themes

As everyone knows, a certain movie about wizards and whatnot came out this weekend. I chose not to review that one, because it's the ninth in a franchise that you either watch or do not, and nothing I say will sway that choice.

So instead I will be highlighting a film that I hope I can convince you to see as soon as possible.

Everything, Everywhere, All At Once is one of those rare films that can reorient you to what truly matters and reminds you that we are not alone through this life and that we are loved ... seriously.

At its essence, *Everything, Everywhere, All At Once* is a story about mothers and daughters and the fraught path they take in one another's lives. It's about opportunities, choices, and the paths not taken and their ultimate destination and outcomes. It's about two rocks on a desolate planet. It's about an everything bagel. It's about googly eyes. It's about kung-fu. It's about feeling connected to others. It's about living with the decisions we make every day, from the simple to the complex, from the large ones to the small ones. It really is about everything, everywhere, all at once.

Do not expect me to tell you the plot. My space within these pages is limited, and even if I had the entire edition, I could not describe what I saw in that dark theatre on Saturday night. Suffice to say,



when the film ended, I was flabbergasted at what had just happened. I did not view that film – I experienced it, as did the others in the auditorium. When it ended, we literally looked at one another, strangers all, and smiled at one another, and felt connected.

As you know, many if not most of my reviews have some sarcasm in them – a lot or a little depending on how I felt about the film I was reviewing. I hope you have noted the absence of sarcasm in this one. The reason being is that *Everything, Everywhere, All At Once* deserves to be known going forward as a modern classic.

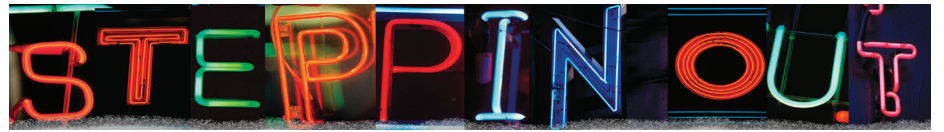
Everything, Everywhere, All At Once is funny, moving, exciting, smart, and just about perfect, and I, for one, am ready to head back into that dark cinema to experience it again.

Everything, Everywhere, All At Once gets five out of five stars. This one is nearly, if not truly, perfect and is hands down the best film of the year so far and frankly, in my opinion, will be the best film of the year come December 31, 2022. You should seek this one out and experience it as soon as you can.

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The Sports Club will also provide an update on the status of the range re-opening.

The public is welcome. There is no cost and no RSVP necessary. Food will be served and there will be prizes, as well.



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Spring Home & Lawn Improvement and Garden



How to pick the right trees for your property

Trees benefit a landscape by serving both aesthetic and utilitarian functions. A home surrounded by healthy green trees can be a sight to behold, and those same trees can benefit surrounding plants and wildlife at the same time. As appealing as trees are, not all trees and landscapes make for the perfect match.

The Arbor Day Foundation notes the importance of planning when designing a landscape. Planning ensures the trees homeowners ultimately choose for their properties will grow well in the soil and moisture present in their yards. Careful consideration of a handful of variables can help homeowners determine which trees will make the best fit for their properties.

Height: Homeowners must consider the projected height of a tree before planting it. Avoid trees that will bump into anything when fully grown, as that can adversely affect surrounding greenery and pose a safety hazard. The ADF's tree sizing guide can be accessed at <https://www.arborday.org/trees/rightTreeAndPlace/size.cfm> and serves as an invaluable resource for homeowners who want to plant new trees around their properties.



Canopy spread: Trees grow out as well as up, so it's important to consider their potential width at maturity as well. The ADF sizing guide can help homeowners get an idea of how wide a tree is likely to be at maturity. Trees that spread out quite a bit don't necessarily need to be avoided, but it's important that they're planted far enough apart so they don't adversely affect surrounding plants.

In addition, wide trees that are planted too close together can make the landscape appear crowded, taking something away from its aesthetic appeal.

Growth rate: Growth rate is an important variable because it can affect how quickly homeowners will see changes in their landscapes. Homeowners who want to plant for privacy can consider trees with quick growth rates or purchase more mature trees that are already near full growth. Those who are not in need of instant transformation can try trees with slower growth rates, which the ADF notes typically live longer than fast-growing species.

Requirements: Different trees require different amounts of sun and moisture and different soil components to thrive. Homeowners can have their soil tested to determine which trees will thrive in it. Local garden centers can be a great resource for homeowners who want insight as to which trees will thrive in their local climates. Trees serve many functions on a property. Choosing the right trees for a landscape requires careful consideration of a host of variables.

How to care for perennials



Perennials can add color and vibrancy to any garden. One of the more desirable components of perennials is that they come back year after year, meaning homeowners do not have to invest in a gardenful of new flowers every year. That can add up to considerable savings. Perennials often form the foundation of beautiful gardens.

Annuals only grow for one season, produce seeds and then die. However, perennials die back to the ground every autumn and their roots survive the winter. So the plants reemerge in the spring, according to The Farmer's Almanac. Some perennials are short-lived, meaning they will come back a few consecutive years; others will last for decades.

Though planted perennials require less maintenance than annuals, they are not completely maintenance-free. Certain care is needed to help perennials thrive, and that starts with the soil. In fact, soil is the single most important factor for growing healthy plants. Penn State Extension says most perennials grow ideally in well drained, fertile soil with a pH of 6.0 to 7.0. In addition, organic matter can improve soil texture and water-holding ability.

When including perennials in the garden, make sure you wait for the right time to plant them. The ideal time is during the spring or fall. Perennials

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Spring Home & Lawn Improvement and Garden

Tips for negotiating with contractors

Spring is the season for fixing up a home. Homeowners who aren't interested in doing the work themselves turn to contractors to ensure the job is done not only to code, but on time and efficiently.

After receiving an initial estimate from a contractor, homeowners may wonder if there is any additional wiggle room in contractors' costs. Certain contractors are willing to negotiate while others are firm in their prices.

However, learning the basics of negotiation can put homeowners in position to save money on dream renovations.

Do your homework

Getting the best price typically require shopping around and not settling on the first bid. Experts recommend getting at least three estimates on the same job and be sure to let each contractor know that you are soliciting multiple bids. This alone may entice a specific contractor to give you his or her best offer up front.

Avoid simply choosing the lowest bid

Look at quality of work, reputation and reviews. If you like a costly contractor more than another, see if that contractor is willing to match a lower bid to win the job.

Pick the right season

As with other industries, home renovation work heats up during certain seasons or times of year. General contractors may be more willing to negotiate for a lower price depending on when their busy season may be. Jobs may slow down in winter, for example.



Talk about supplies

Even after getting a good bid, you may be able to speak with your contractor about lowering costs even more by choosing less costly supplies. Find out if contractors can source materials from a low-cost supplier. In addition, discuss if you can purchase your own supplies.

Ask to do a portion

Be honest with the contractor about your budget and figure out if there is any way for you to do some of the work to lower costs. The contractor can give you jobs that are within your abilities, which can shave dollars off the final price.

Know your rights and laws

Understand the laws governing contract language in your state or province. Contracts should also spell out the change order process so that expectations of changes and costs will be known in advance. These are just some of the tactics homeowners can use when negotiating the price of home remodels or improvements.

How to add shade to a deck or patio



Homeowners eagerly await the arrival of the warm weather so they can cast off the remnants of cabin fever and bask in the sunshine. However, as summer nears its dog days, the same sun homeowners once coveted can contribute to uncomfortable conditions in outdoor entertaining spaces.

Homeowners who want to be able to enjoy their outdoor spaces in an array of temperatures can think about investing in shade solutions. Sun-blocking ideas like awnings, shade trees and large umbrellas can help people enjoy their yards all day long.

Canopy: A patio canopy is typically a freestanding unit that can be installed over a patio or a deck. Some people prefer to bolt it down so it will not be knocked over in windy conditions. The fabric on the canopy can be removed during the offseason, helping to improve its longevity.

Awning: Awnings may be stationary or retractable. Many are installed directly onto a home and can cast shade on specific areas of outdoor entertaining spaces.

Shade sail: Similar to an awning but a bit less structurally rigid, shade sails are large pieces

of triangular fabric installed over areas of a patio, pool or landscape, according to The Family Handyman. Shade sails are light and airy and can be customized.

Trees: A natural way to increase shade in a yard is to plant more shade trees. If sun glare is an issue all year long, and it's not just the heat of the sun that is troublesome, think about planting evergreen trees. Deciduous cousins will drop their leaves in fall and only be effective during the warm weather.

Patio umbrellas: Many umbrellas start at around \$25. Umbrellas can be paired with patio tables, while stationary cantilever umbrellas sit out of the way on their own heavy-duty stands. A cantilever umbrella tends to provide more shade than patio table umbrellas.

Curtains: Homeowners can block sunlight outdoors the way they do inside, offers MSN. Hang curtains from the sides of canopies or between posts on a deck to provide shade and cozy spaces.

Shade is in high demand when the sun is hot. Options abound for making outdoor areas more comfortable.

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come as container-grown perennials, which already have been established in the soil. Bare-root perennials are

just roots that are often packed in peat moss. In order to plant bare-root perennials, soak the roots in water for several minutes before gently planting in the ground,

indicates the how-to resource Tip Bulletin.

Perennials should be watered deeply, especially during the first growing season. However, the soil should

never be overly dry or wet. Most perennials do not need to be fertilized heavily. A single application in the spring typically is all that's needed.

Care along the way can include deadheading spent flowers so that plants can use their energy on seed production and reblooming. Perennials

should be divided when they grow large, every three to four years when the plants are not in bloom. Perennials produce fewer flowers or may look sickly when the time has passed to divide them. Early spring often is a good time to divide perennials, advises The farmer's Almanac.

A thick layer of mulch can help perennials to overwinter successfully. Perennials planted in containers will need to be transplanted into the garden before it gets cold because most containers cannot thoroughly insulate perennial roots.

Apart from these strategies, perennials pretty much take care of themselves. As long as sunlight requirements match plant needs, the perennials should thrive.

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Outdoor improvements that boost home value

Whether home improvement projects are design to improve the interior or exterior of a house, focusing on renovations that make the most financial sense can benefit homeowners in the long run. The right renovations can be assets if and when homeowners decide to sell their homes.



So how does one get started? First and foremost, speak to a local real estate agent who is knowledgeable about trends in the community. While a swimming pool may be something coveted in one area, it may impede sales in another. It also helps to study generalized trends and data from various home improvement industry analysts to guide upcoming projects.

The following outdoor projects are just a few renovations that tend to add value.

Fire pit: A fire pit is a great place to gather most months of the year. Bob Vila and CBS news report that a fire pit realizes a 78 percent return on investment, or ROI.

Outdoor kitchen: Many buyers are looking to utilize their yards as an extension of interior living areas. Cooking, dining and even watching TV outdoors is increasingly popular. Outdoor living areas can be custom designed and built. In addition, prefabricated modular units that

require a much smaller commitment of time and money are available.

Patio: Homeowners who do not already have a patio will find that adding one can increase a home's value. Patios help a home look neat, add useable space and may help a home to sell quickly. The experts at Space Wise, a division of Extra Space Storage, say that refinishing, repairing and building a new patio offers strong ROI.

Deck: Deck can be as valuable as patios. A deck is another outdoor space that can be used for entertaining, dining and more. Remodeling magazine's 2018 Cost vs. Value report indicates that an \$11,000 deck can add about \$9,000 in resale value to the home, recouping around 82 percent of the project's costs.

Door update: Improve curb appeal with a new, high-end front door and garage doors. If that's too expensive, a good cleaning and new coat of paint can make an old door look brand new. These easy fixes can improve a home's look instantly.

New landscaping: The National Association of Realtors says an outdoor makeover that includes well-thought-out landscaping can net 105 percent ROI. Installing a walkway, adding stone planters, mulching, and planting shrubs are ideas to consider.

Many different outdoor projects can add value to a home.



Low-maintenance lawn alternatives

A traditional lawn may not be right for every property nor desired by every homeowner. There is no denying that lawns take time and effort to establish and daily or weekly maintenance to thrive. Homeowners who find that a traditional lawn is not practical can explore some low-maintenance alternatives.

Wildflower meadow

Homeowners with wide swaths of property may discover meadows are cost- and time-efficient. Stores sell special wildflower meadow mixes of seeds or homeowners can use wildflower plug plants throughout areas where grasses are left to grow longer. This natural area can be a home to wildlife and an idyllic backdrop to a home. Most meadows only require a spring or summer and autumn cut to thrive and look good.

Ornamental grasses

Partition areas of the property for ornamental grasses to grow. The gardening resource Elemental Green says ornamental grasses tend to be drought-resistant and low-maintenance. They won't need much fertilizer and are often resistant to pests as well. Ornamental grasses grow in tufts or sprays and will not require mowing. However, they are not ideal for areas that get foot traffic.

Moss

Moss can thrive in shady areas and ones where the soil tends to stay a bit damp. Moss is velvety soft and green, so it can mimic the look of a traditional lawn but won't require mowing and other upkeep. Because it spreads quickly, moss can take over quite rapidly. You will need to protect areas where you do not want moss by creating barriers to stop spread.

Gravel

Stone and gravel areas can reduce maintenance in the landscape and require very little upkeep. When gravel is installed correctly, weeds may not grow readily. Gravel installation may include laying heavy-duty, semi-permeable landscape fabric, which is available in-home improvement centers. Gravel is cheaper than pavers and can be just as beautiful.

Artificial turf

If the desired look is a lawn without all the upkeep, there are various artificial grass options on the market. Homeowners who opt for artificial turf can save money and space devoted to lawn mowers and other lawn tools.

Grass may be ideal for some, but there are alternatives for people who have troublesome landscapes or desire a low-maintenance product for their homes.

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How to choose the right lighting inside your home

Lighting in a home serve both practical and aesthetic purposes. It's easy to maneuver around a well-lit home, reducing the risk of slips and falls, and the right lighting can help homeowners create their desired ambiance, which typically changes depending on which room you're in.

When choosing lighting for their homes, homeowners must walk a fine line between appearance and functionality. A fixture in the foyer that instantly impresses visitors likely won't prove as awe-inspiring if it's installed in the living room. When choosing lighting for a home, some general rules about what works in each room can help homeowners make the most informed decision.

Kitchen

Kitchens are often the busiest room in a home, so lighting here can be especially important. A kitchen often benefits, both practically and aesthetically, from different types of lighting. For example, pendant lighting above kitchen islands can make meal preparation easier and safer, but such lighting likely won't work in breakfast nooks and informal dining areas in the kitchen. Recessed lighting works best in such areas. In kitchens with no island, under-cabinet lighting can be used to illuminate countertops and simplify meal preparation.

Formal dining room

Many people enjoy the look of chandeliers in formal dining rooms, and such fixtures can be installed directly above the dinner table. The interior design experts at Better Homes & Gardens advise hanging chandeliers roughly 33 inches above the table in dining rooms with eight-foot ceilings, adding three inches for each additional foot above eight feet. Darkened dining areas may be ideal in restaurants, but homeowners may want to split the difference at home and choose dimmable chandeliers for their dining rooms. This allows homeowners to dim the lights for romantic dinners but turn them up for family gatherings with lots of people around the table.

Living room

Adaptability also is important in the living room, where homeowners may host anything from movie



nights to book clubs to parties for the big game. It can be a tall order to accommodate such a wide range of activities, and many homeowners come down to deciding between recessed lighting and track lighting. If the living room currently has neither style, homeowners should recognize that it will cost considerably less to install track lighting than recessed lighting. Better Homes & Gardens notes that flexible track lighting provides ambient, task or accent lighting, and track lights can even be moved to change lighting schemes at any time, making them a budget-friendly option for homeowners whose living rooms are multi-purpose spaces. Recessed lighting also works well in living rooms, especially ones with low ceilings. That's because recessed lighting is installed into the ceiling, meaning it does not take up any visual space in the room. That can help living rooms feel bigger.

Bedroom

The home improvement experts at BobVila.com note that bedroom lighting should provide enough light when getting dressed, but also be able to be toned down as residents prepare for their bedtime routines. Both portable and installed lighting can be used in bedrooms to serve these various functions. Recessed fixtures that dim can ensure there's ample light to get dressed in the morning, but they also can be dimmed at night as residents try to get ready to sleep. Portable nightstand lights can make it easier for couples sharing a bedroom, allowing one person to stay up and read while the other goes to sleep.

Homeowners have many options and many needs when choosing lighting for their homes. A professional consultation with a lighting expert or interior decorator can help homeowners find lights that provide both practical and aesthetic appeal.

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How to cut costs on home renovations

Do you still have an avocado green kitchen? Is your living room dank and dark? Perhaps there is only one bathroom for a family of six? Answering yes to any of these questions could serve as the catalyst for a home renovation project.

Home improvement projects come in all shapes and sizes, some with huge budgets and others that are more cost-conscious. Regardless of what homeowners hope to achieve with their renovations, a common goal across any price point is a desire to save as much money as possible. Home renovations can be expensive, but there are ways to cut costs.

Assess the merit of the project

Remodeling magazine annually publishes a Cost vs. Value Report that lists the average cost and return on investment homeowners can expect of various types of projects. If you're planning to sell your home soon, it may be best to focus on repairs and renovations that will generate the most substantial ROI.

Hire a contractor

Even avid do-it-yourselfers can sometimes benefit from a contractor's expertise, particularly for complex tasks. Don't waste money by trying tough jobs yourself; rely on an experienced contractor who can get supplies for less money and will do the job right the first time. Compare bids from several different



contractors and figure out the best value.

Refurbish existing features

Rather than a complete gut and rebuild, figure out where you can revitalize existing fixtures and more. For example, refinishing existing cabinets can save you up to 50 percent compared with the cost of new cabinetry, according to Angi (formerly Angie's List), a cost comparison and business review resource.

Choose midgrade materials

Certain materials may be all the rage but they come with a higher price tag. Angi reports that granite counters could be \$60 to \$100 per square foot. However, a composite or laminate that looks like granite and wears well may be \$10 to 40 per square foot. Figure out where you can choose middle-of-the-road materials for maximum value.

Avoid peak seasons

You'll pay more to install a deck or a pool right before the outdoor entertaining season. There also may be a premium to get work done right before a major holiday. Therefore, consult the calendar to find an off time for a renovation and book it then to save.

Do some prep work

You might be able to save by doing some of the demolition and preparatory work yourself. For example, you can tear up old carpeting before the installation of new tile floors. Perhaps you can mend and patch up walls before a paint job.

Buy a display item

Former showroom kitchens and baths often

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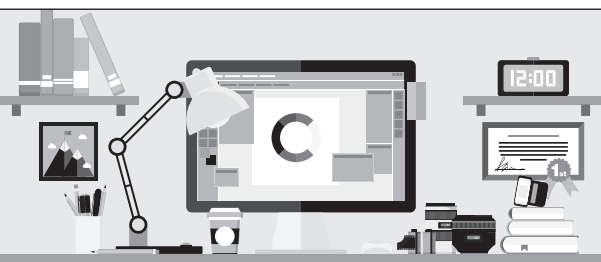
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Announcements 7005

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Announcements 7005

WCAN (Wisconsin Community Ad Network) and/or the member publications review ads to the best of their ability. Unfortunately, many unscrupulous people are ready to take your money! **PLEASE BE CAREFUL ANSWERING ANY AD THAT SOUNDS TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE!** For more information, or to file a complaint regarding an ad, please contact **The Department of Trade, Agriculture & Consumer Protection 1-800-422-7128 (WCAN)**

City Wide Rummage Sale 7000

MARATHON CITY WIDE GARAGE SALES!
April 28-29, 7AM-7PM.
Some houses open Wed.- Sat.
Maps available at houses.

Rummage Sales This Week 7200

301 N. State Street Merrill April 23, 9 am - 3 pm. Avon, Houseplants, X-Mas items, Kids clothes, Books, Storage Containers, Crafting Supplies, Gardening Pots, and Much More!

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Rummage Sales Upcoming 7202

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The Gleason Bowling Center recently concluded their five-week youth bowling league. Todd and Cricket Schram at Gleason Bowling Center want to thank all of the kids who came out to participate. **Submitted photo.**

Turenne signs with St. Norbert College

Merrill High School Senior Bailey Turenne recently signed a letter of intent to continue his academic and athletic career at the collegiate level and committed to playing football for St. Norbert College next fall.

"I think my signing went great. My family, friends, and coaches all attended," Bailey Turenne said. "It meant a lot to see them all there supporting me. They always have been great at supporting me throughout my high school career."

"My plans for the future are to attend St. Norbert, major in Business, and play football for them," he said. "After college, my goal is to continue my football career at the next level. It has always been a dream of mine to play in the NFL."

"My career goal is to utilize my Business degree in the stocks and investment arena," Bailey added.

Bailey is the son of Jim and Lisa Turenne of Merrill.



Bailey Turenne signed a letter of intent to compete at the college level at St. Norbert College next fall. Shown with Bailey (seated) are his family members: Jim (dad), Lisa (mom), and sister Mariah. His other sister Allie was away at college. **Submitted photo.**

Four MHS athletes place at April 12 WVC indoor meet Schmidt is setting new Merrill records again

TINA L. SCOTT
EDITOR

The Merrill High School (MHS) Varsity Track and Field Team traveled to the UWSP Multi-Activity Center (MAC) on Tuesday, April 12, 2022, where the Wisconsin

Valley Conference (WVC) held an indoor meet. As a result, this was one April 12 event that didn't have to be shut down due to lightning.

MHS athletes competed against athletes from Stevens

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Anna Bowe, a Sophomore at Merrill High School (MHS), has been named Athlete of the Week. Anna began playing soccer in the first grade for the City League. She played on the Prairie River Middle School (PRMS) team in middle school, advanced to the MHS Girls JV Soccer team as a freshman where she then split her time between JV and Varsity, and is on the MHS Girls Varsity Soccer team this year. Similarly, she began playing volleyball in the fourth grade for the Junior Jays, played for the PRMS team in middle school, split last year between JV and Varsity at MHS, and this year plays for the MHS Girls Varsity Volleyball Team. She also plays Club Volleyball for Medford Storm.

At school, Anna likes chemistry and U.S. History, is a member of LEAD, and just got accepted for the LINK Crew. She works at Auntie Ray's Coffee Shop as a barista and also volunteers at her church, St. Stephens UCC, for Vacation Bible School and Messy Church. She will be confirmed later this year and is also active with the Youth Group. In her free time, Anna enjoys hanging out with friends, going camping, and swimming.

The daughter of Dean Bowe and Kristine Bowe of Merrill, Anna has a 4.0 GPA and plans to go to college after high school to become a physical therapist.

Anna Bowe

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Spring weather messes with spring sports schedules

April 12 outdoor events shut down due to lightning

TINA L. SCOTT
EDITOR

Wisconsin's rapidly fluctuating spring weather has been messing with some of the Merrill High School (MHS) Varsity sports schedules, resulting in postponements and rescheduling of games and meets. In the last week, Merrill and central Wisconsin have had to contend with snow and ice, rainstorms, lightning strikes, and flooding.

Varsity Girls Softball

The MHS Varsity Girls Softball Team had barely begun their scheduled game against SPASH at the Merrill Area Recreation Complex

(MARC) last Tuesday, April 12, before they were shut down and had to postpone/reschedule the game. "Weather has postponed everything for us," said Alison Krohn, MHS Girls Varsity Softball Coach. "We only played eight outs against SPASH before it got postponed due to lightning." All of the games so far for Varsity have been rescheduled, she added. If the weather cooperates this week, the Lady Jays will have a pretty packed week, with multiple games to play between previously scheduled games and make-up games.

Bluejay Varsity Trap

The Merrill Bluejay Trap Team had likewise just started their match on Tuesday, April 12, before they were also shut down due to lightning. Make-up was then scheduled for Friday, April 15, but then that was also canceled due to Friday's storm.

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Point, DC Everest, Marshfield, Wausau East, Wausau West, and Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln high schools.

Four Merrill athletes stood out from the competition and placed in the meet, with two athletes taking first place finishes and one setting three new school records.

Ashton Voermans had a second place finish in the boys 400 meter dash with a time of 53.86 seconds.

Elexa Emmer took third place in the girls shot put with a distance of 32'8". Madi Crossman took first place in

the girls 200 meter dash with a time of 27.38 seconds.

And Liz Schmidt is already setting new school records early in the season, after breaking a number of school records last year. Schmidt took first place and set a new school record on April 12, 2022, in the 800 meter with a time of 2.22.85. She then took second place and set a new school record in the 1600 meter with a time of 5.11.84 and took second place and set a new MHS record in the 3200 meter with a time of 11.35.72.

"These three were NEW Merrill High School Indoor Records," MHS Varsity Track and Field Head Coach Alec Oestreich said.

Merrill Varsity Boys take two in double header against the Tigers

TINA L. SCOTT
EDITOR

The Merrill Varsity Boys Baseball Team played a double header against Marshfield at Merrill's Athletic Field on Monday, April 11, 2022, and won both games, making for "A great start to the season" in the words of Shawn Schultz, MHS Head Baseball Coach.

In game one, Merrill brought in twelve total runs.

Merrill brought in the first score of the game in the second inning and Marshfield tied it up with a score in the third. Then Merrill ramped it up big time in the fourth inning, bringing in eight more runs to take an eight-point lead. Marshfield pulled in a second score in the fifth inning, but that was all they could manage for the game, and Merrill went on to score three more runs in the sixth and final inning, ending with a 12-2 Merrill win.

Eight Merrill players scored one run each in game one, with Henry Reimann (2R, 2H) and Erik Mann (2R, 2H, 2RBI) bringing in two runs apiece. Henry Reimann pitched the entire game.

In game two, the Bluejays and Tigers both made it through the first two innings without a run. In the third inning, Merrill amped things up, bringing in five runs, then scored three more runs in the fourth, while Marshfield remained scoreless. Merrill maintained that eight-point lead into the sixth inning when Marshfield finally made it onto the board. The Tigers played hard in the sixth, landing four runs for Marshfield, but the Bluejays were still four points up going into the seventh, and then Merrill brought in three more runs in the final inning. Final score: Bluejays 11-Tigers 4. This game seven Merrill players scored individual runs and two players again brought in two runs each: Henry Reimann (2R, 2H, 1RBI) and Nathan Brzoznowski (2R, 1H, 2RBI).

This game Henry Reimann shared some mound time with pitchers Isaak Clapper, who pitched three innings, and Fletcher Ellenbecker, who had the mound for two of the game's seven innings and a partial, while Reimann pitched one inning and part of another.

Box Score

Game 1: Marshfield 2 @ Merrill 12

Box Score

Game 2: Marshfield 4 @ Merrill 11

Merrill Varsity Girls Soccer Team loses to the Tigers in a single-goal game

TINA L. SCOTT
EDITOR

The Merrill Girls Varsity Soccer Team headed to Marshfield where the Lady Jays took on the Tigers on Tuesday, April 12, 2022. Merrill's defense was working hard. While the Tigers took 22 shots on goal, and made 5 corner kicks, they only made 1 goal at just under 4 minutes into the first half of the game.

"Our girls played tough all night and can be proud of the fact they only gave up one goal against a solid Marshfield team. Historically, Marshfield is a team that doesn't have trouble finding the back of the net against us," said Girls Varsity Soccer Team Head Coach Kyle Hahn. "Apart from their goal short of the four-minute mark, our girls played great defense all around."

"Anna Bowe played a great game in goal, only giving up one goal from 12 shots on goal," he said. "Unfortunately, her night ended early when she was forced off with an injury early in the second half."

"McKenna Smith threw on the gloves and did a superb job filling in," Hahn said, "allowing zero goals from 10 shots on goal."

"There were a couple nifty instances throughout the game where a ball barely bounced through or we were lucky to not be called for a handball in the box, but our girls did what they had to do to shut down a potent Marshfield attack," he added.

"My hope is the defensive performance gives us confidence and allows us to be more attack-minded in our games going forward," Hahn said.

Merrill only had the opportunity to take one shot on goal, and Marshfield blocked it.

Box Score:

Merrill 0 @ Marshfield 1

The Thursday, April 14, game against Wisconsin Rapids was rescheduled to Friday, May 13, due to icy/unsafe field conditions.

2022 Merrill High School Spring Sports Schedule

Baseball-Boys (Varsity, JV & JV2)

Thurs. April 21	WI Rapids Lincoln (Varsity & JV)	Home	4:30 pm
Fri. April 22	Altoona (Varsity & JV)	Away	5:00 pm
Sat. April 23	Lake Linden-Hubbell (Varsity) DBL	Home	12:00 pm
Mon. April 25	Abbotsford (Varsity)	Home	4:30 pm
Tues. April 26	Stevens Point (Varsity & JV)	Home	4:30 pm
Thurs. April 28	Stevens Point (Varsity & JV)	Away	4:30 pm

Softball-Girls (Varsity & JV)

Thurs. April 21	D. C. Everest (Varsity & JV)	Away	4:30 pm
Mon. April 25	Medford (JV2) DBL	Home	4:30 pm
Thurs. April 28	Marshfield (Varsity & JV)	Away	4:30 pm

Soccer-Girls (Varsity & JV)

Thurs. April 21	D. C. Everest (JV)	Home	5:00 pm
Thurs. April 21	D. C. Everest (Varsity)	Home	7:00 pm
Sat. April 23	Rhineland (Varsity)	Away	10:00 am
Thurs. April 28	Wausau East (JV)	Home	5:00 pm
Thurs. April 28	Wausau East (Varsity)	Home	7:00 pm

Track & Field-Boys (Varsity & JV)

No Scheduled Events For This Week.

Track & Field-Girls (Varsity & JV)

No Scheduled Events For This Week.

Golf-Boys (Varsity & JV)

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