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Tractor Supply announces July 30 opening in Merrill

TINA L. SCOTT
 EDITOR

Tractor Supply Company announced the new store in Merrill will open July 30, 2022.

Self-described as a “rural lifestyle retailer,” Merrill’s newest large retailer, located at 3404 E. Main St. in the former Piggly Wiggly building, includes a new greenhouse, propane station, and other amenities. Store hours will be 8:00 a.m. to 9:00

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Barnes Creek Daylilies: Hybrid blooms blossoming all over

TINA L. SCOTT
 EDITOR

Jack and Sherry Kleinschmidt are well-known in the Merrill community as former Main Street business owners, and with the sale of their businesses, many thought they would go gently into retirement, spending more time with family and enjoying life. And they did. Sort of.

Somehow they took that time with family and enjoying life gardening and started a new business. Barnes Creek Daylilies is a bit of a Merrill secret, as they don't advertise it a lot, and yet, word is spreading that Jack and Sherry and their grandchildren are selling hybrid daylilies.

“During our years serving the public in retail sales, we were blessed to have our son and daughter working side by side with us,” Sherry said. “As the grandchildren came along, they were ‘raised in the business.’ They learned firsthand about work ethic and stellar customer service.”

“When we retired and began to dabble in hybridizing our own daylilies, we found the perfect opportunity to involve our whole family again. Barnes Creek Daylilies was born,” she said.

“Now in our third year, we all work together to offer nearly 600



Braylon Kleinschmidt and his grandfather, Jack Kleinschmidt, working in the field on one of the “Dig Days.” Photo courtesy of Barnes Creek Daylilies.

daylilies each year in our sales field (the majority being our own creations),” Sherry said.

“Our grandchildren love to show and sell their own original hybrids to our customers while at the same time earning money for college, and we get to watch our grandchil-

dren grow right along with their daylilies. We think it's a win-win situation.”

Jack and Sherry's grandchildren – Jalie Severt, age 16; Jazlin Severt, age 14; Jillian Severt, age 11; and

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22nd Annual Summer North Woods Art Tour is July 22, 23, and 24

The 22nd Annual Summer North Woods Art Tour will take place Friday, July 22; Saturday, July 23; and Sunday, July 24, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The free, self-guided tour is organized into 37 unique studios located along the beautiful backroads of Lincoln, Oneida, Iron, and Vilas Counties. Visitors and residents are invited to travel through charming small communities and visit the seldom-open-to-the-public private workspaces of participating artists. The event provides a unique opportunity to experience where, why, and how artists create; ask questions of artists about process and inspirations; and share thoughts and ideas about art.



Area artist Louise Schotz hopes visitors will join her at her Outback Studio located in the woods behind her house at W4884 County Rd. J in Irma for this year's North Woods Art Tour. Photos courtesy of Louise Schotz.

Artists will demonstrate in their studios, and guests can delight in original works created in many forms: all painting and drawing media, and functional and decorative works in fiber, clay, wood, glass, and natural materials. Explore collections of creative photography, designer jewelry in precious metals, and other unique media.

The tour is pleased to welcome two new studios this year. Wendy Ahnen of Artwerq Studio and Dave Miess of Natural Spaces Photography, both of Eagle River, have joined the tour.

Ahnen creates original handmade quilts she describes as “improv pieced.” She begins by creating a painting or drawing of what she plans first and then studies it to put fabrics together and hand quilts to represent the painting in an abstract or artful way. Ahnen was a mural artist for over 25 years. Since moving to the north woods, she has found a new medium that forces her to be creative in a new way. “I live on a river, so naturally my subjects come from my love of



Jewelry created by Louise Schotz, Outback Studio, Irma.

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Boys & Girls Club starting in Merrill

Church Mutual to provide \$100,000 in funding

Thanks to a major funding commitment from Church Mutual Insurance Company of Merrill, a new after school program will be available for Prairie River Middle School (PRMS) students starting this fall.

The Boys & Girls Club (BGC) of the Wausau Area has committed to working with Merrill Area Public Schools (MAPS) to launch the Boys & Girls Club of Merrill—Prairie River Pilot Program for the 2022-2023 school year, which could transition to a permanent site in 2023-2024.

Church Mutual will provide \$100,000 in funding for the program over the next two years. Church Mutual President and CEO Rich Poirier is a strong supporter of the program and a member of the Wausau club's Board.

"Church Mutual is proud to be the

cornerstone investor in this program to benefit Merrill children and families," Poirier said. "This investment underscores Church Mutual's commitment to education and to the Merrill community. It seems especially appropriate to launch the program this year, when we are celebrating our 125th anniversary and our deep roots in Merrill, a city we proudly call home."

Kim Larsen, Chief Operating Officer of the BGC Wausau Area, expressed thanks to Church Mutual and Poirier for the initial investment.

"We are grateful to Church Mutual Insurance Company for the significant founding investment to make the site possible," Larsen said. "Rich (Poirier) has been one of the single biggest advocates of having a site in Merrill. He sees what this means for Merrill, including

Church Mutual employees who have children in the district."

Matt Jameson, Chief Executive Officer of the BGC Wausau Area, highlighted the necessity to obtain and grow continued investment and community support to permanently establish the school site at PRMS.

"I appreciate Rich's belief and Church Mutual's leadership on this pilot program," Jameson said. "Getting the project launched this fall will allow investors to visit the site, see the impact, learn about the outcomes, and build long-term sustainable investment."

The discussion of bringing the Boys & Girls Club to Merrill originated about a year ago with the Merrill community action groups, Aware and Active Citizens and the Youth Justice Collaborative Committee, who reached out to BGC Wausau Area. Those discussions connected the Club with now-retired MAPS Superintendent John Sample and led to the proposal for the program at PRMS.

"A lot of people in this community recognized we needed a place for our older students to go after school and be engaged," Sample said. "We have a responsibility to our students. As a district, we recognized that need and wanted to get involved."

The Boys & Girls Club of Merrill program will be a partnership between MAPS and the Boys & Girls Club. "This program provides our students with worthwhile activities and something to engage in, and allows for social and emotional growth," Sample said. "I see the Boys & Girls Club as an extension of their school day."

Serving grades 5-8, PRMS is an ideal

site, Larsen noted, because a primary audience of Boys & Girls Clubs are middle school aged students. With the discontinuation of the After the Bell after school program at PRMS, the timing was right to pursue a pilot club within the school.

The Boys & Girls Club of Merrill—Prairie River Pilot Program will operate from 3:30 to 6:00 p.m. on school days. Those are key hours after school when many parents are still at work, Larsen said.

At the PRMS site, the club will provide after school programming, including help with homework and hands-on learning activities. Through Boys & Girls Club, students learn citizenship and life skills, Larsen said.

"The Boys & Girls Club helps young people grow into adults by teaching them to make good choices, gain leadership skills, supporting academic success, encouraging healthy lifestyles, and developing career and workforce skills while giving them a creative outlet and an opportunity to build mentoring relationships with staff and volunteers," she said. "It goes so far beyond what happens within the four walls of the facility. The benefits can be lasting and life changing."

According to Larsen, the organization plans to begin hiring lead positions and youth development staff for the Merrill program as soon as possible to allow for opening at the start of the 2022-2023 school year.

"We are looking forward to continuing to build our partnership and collaboration with Merrill Area Public Schools, the students and families of Prairie River Middle School, and the Merrill community," Larsen said.

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988 National Suicide Prevention Lifeline launches

TINA L. SCOTT
 EDITOR

A new three-digit phone number to the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline is now in place, enabling individuals to receive help and support by just calling 988.

Dialing these three

numbers will instantly connect callers to the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline in the same way that simply dialing 911 connects callers to their local emergency dispatch center.

988 will be staffed 24/7 in the United States via a national network of more than 180 crisis centers with trained counselors and will provide free, confidential emotional support and help to individuals having a mental health crisis or substance abuse issue, experiencing emotional distress, or thinking of suicide. Callers can call themselves or on be-

half of others.

Nearly \$300 million in federal funding provided the means to create the three-digit initiative and connect the centers nationally to facilitate this support network.

Since the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 10-digit number was launched in 2005, it has received more than 20 million calls. The new 988 number will make it faster and easier for individuals in crisis to get help.

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Deputy Coroner Caylor announces run for Coroner

Lincoln County Deputy Coroner Valerie Caylor announced she will run for the elected office of Lincoln County Coroner in the November 2022 election. She will be unopposed on the ballot.

Caylor is currently a Deputy Coroner for Lincoln County, selected for that position by current Coroner Paul Proulx, who will be retiring and endorses Caylor.

Proulx speaks highly of Caylor's work as Deputy Coroner and said he has full confidence in her abilities.

"Prior to and while she was one of my Deputies, Valerie was a member of the Marathon County Medical Examiner's Office," Proulx said. "She has been involved in hundreds of death investigations between our two offices, and she clearly has the understanding and ability to serve as Coroner. In the past few years, I have appreciated her knowledge and the gentle approach she has taken with families. This job is a difficult one to balance between the need to analyze complicated data and the needs of a family during the worst time of their lives. I feel strongly that Valerie has that ability, and I unequivocally support her candidacy for Coroner in 2022."

Caylor completed paramedic training at Mid-State Technical College and then started her career at Lincoln County EMS - Tomahawk Division. There she responded to thousands of 911 calls and also assisted in the emergency room and on the acute care floor, and in doing so has been involved in the care of thousands more patients. Caylor is currently employed as a Critical Care Flight Paramedic and is a trained Medical Death Investigator, having worked for both the Marathon County Medical Examiner's Office and the Lincoln County Coroner's Office.

During her combined five years with the latter two agencies, she has been involved in hundreds of cases ranging from hospice deaths to homicides. Caylor said she has a strong professional working relationship



Valerie Caylor, candidate for Lincoln County Coroner.

Submitted photo.

with the law enforcement community and her expertise has been relied upon in complex cases.

Besides investigating the cause and manner of deaths, Caylor said she feels very strongly about working with families to keep them informed and to educate them. "I recall a case where the cause of a young man's death was quite apparent; however, thanks to the work of the pathologist and my ability to work with the family, we discovered a genetic trait that could put surviving generations at risk," Caylor said. "This family is now better informed and taking proper steps to monitor for this condition, most likely saving lives."

In addition to her paramedic education, Caylor has attended courses related to death investigations and graduated from Medicolegal Death Investigators Training, an in-person program held at Saint Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri.

Caylor continues to seek additional education to complete her training as an American Board Certified Medicolegal Death Investigator, an achievement no Lincoln County Coroner has ever obtained.

"The Office of the Coroner has changed dramatically over the last few years," Caylor said, "and now faces increasing demands from the Wisconsin Department of Health, the CDC, insurance companies, and families. With 98% of the local deaths being caused by medical conditions rather than criminal actions, I feel strongly that this office needs to have a person who understands the human body, can interpret medical records, and most importantly, can relate to the family how this person died. It is my belief that I can take my education and the training I have received from incumbent Coroner Proulx and lead this office into the future. I look forward to your support in the upcoming elections."

The Coroner's race is considered a partisan office and Caylor is seeking the office as a member of the

Lincoln County Republican Party. If elected, she will be the first woman ever to hold this post in Lincoln County.

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p.m. Monday through Saturday, and 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Sundays, and the store will also offer a "Buy Online, Pickup In Store" option with pickup times in as little as one hour, either in the store or through contact-free curbside pickup.

"Tractor Supply Company is excited to bring a new store to serve and meet the needs of the Merrill community," a press release from the Brentwood, Tenn., corporate office said,

"At Tractor Supply, we understand the value of providing essential needs like pet food, animal feed, and home supplies to our customers in the Merrill community," said Brenda Davis, Manager of the Merrill Tractor Supply store. "Our team members live the same lifestyle as our customers, and we're excited to supply them with the tools, information, and resources they need to live life on their own terms."

In reference to the rural lifestyle, Tractor Supply also uses the phrase "Life Out Here" and offers "essential, everyday products" that rural customers need.

"The Merrill Tractor Supply will provide a one-stop shop for the community, serving farmers, livestock and pet owners, ranchers, part-time and hobby farmers, gardeners, homeowners, tradesmen and others," the release said. Products include pet and animal feed and supplies, propane

tanks, fencing, cleaning supplies, gloves, garden supplies, home supplies, some food items, name brands including Purina, Carhartt, Blue Buffalo, and Hobart, as well as Tractor Supply exclusive products, and much more.

"In addition to supplying dependable products for farm, ranch and rural customers, the Merrill Tractor Supply Company values community engagement and is delighted to have the opportunity to support local animal shelters, area 4-H clubs and FFA chapters, and more," the release said.

Tractor Supply also offers a Neighbor's Club loyalty program. Those who sign up are eligible for birthday and membership offers, personal purchase summaries, and receipt-free returns. www.NeighborsClub.com.

Tractor Supply

Company is the largest rural lifestyle retailer in the United States, in business for more than 80 years, with 2,003 brick-and-mortar Tractor Supply stores in 49 states and 46,000 employees [as of Mar. 26, 2022]. The company has a mobile app and an e-commerce website. www.TractorSupply.com.

The company also owns and operates Petsense, a small-box pet specialty supply retailer located primarily in small and mid-size communities, with 178 brick-and-mortar Petsense stores in 23 states [as of Mar. 26, 2022]. www.Petsense.com

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Ruth Ann Jaeger, 75, of Gleason, Wisconsin was taken home to be with her Lord and Savior, Jesus, on July 7, 2022. Ruth was born and raised in Merrill, Wisconsin, the daughter of Palmer and Ruth (Kohloff) Jaeger. She graduated from Merrill High School in 1964 and went on to become a teacher. She taught in the elementary grades for over 40 years in the Beloit Turner School District where she made many friends. While in Beloit she served as the President of the Meadowlark Manor Condominium Association. In her retirement, Ruth helped with 5th Grade Outdoor

Education at Camp Upham Woods and many other things within the school district. Over the years she spent her summers at her parents' lake home in the Harrison Hills near Gleason. For the last several years it became her year-round home. Ruth loved her students and enjoyed that so many kept in contact with her. She had a passion for quilting, giving many of her quilts to family and friends. She was a very active member of Luther Memorial Lutheran Church in Gleason.

Ruth is survived by the cousins on her mother's side: William Berndt, Eagle; Linda Phelps, New Berlin; Joanne Wolff, Delafield; Walter Kohloff, Merrill; and Robert Kohloff, Merrill. She is also survived by the cousins on her father's side: David Jaeger, Manitowoc; Dean Jaeger, Merrill; Jon Jaeger; Walter Prey, Merrill; and Ronald Prey, Merrill and niece Kim Englehardt, Atlanta Georgia. Ruth had two beloved young people who were her godchildren: Sara Clark, Beloit and Blaine Hollibush, East Troy. She also had many longtime friends from her field of education. She was predeceased by her parents and her older brother Frank Jaeger.

A Celebration to Eternal Life service was held on Saturday, July 16, 2022, at 2:00 PM at Luther Memorial Lutheran Church in Gleason, WI. Pastor Greg Laska officiated. A visitation was held from 12:30 PM until the time of service also at the church. Interment followed the service at Luther Memorial Cemetery on Town Hall Road in Gleason. Instead of flowers, it is preferred that memorial donations be made to the Luther Memorial Church Building Fund.

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.



John D. Turner, age 91, of Merrill, passed away Sunday, July 10, 2022, at Woodland Court Elder Services, Merrill, four days short of his 92nd birthday. John was born July 14, 1930, in Merrill, son of the late Alfred and Grace (Londerville) Turner. He graduated from Merrill High School in 1948. While in high school, John played baseball. He was also involved in boxing and was awarded the golden gloves.

John served his country in the United States Army and was stationed in Korea.

John married Lorraine Hase on May 7, 1955, at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, Merrill. She survives. John was employed at the former Ward Paper Mill, Merrill, and while still employed at the paper mill, he began working at the United States Postal Service. After more than 22 years, he retired from the U.S.P.S. People remember John as the smiling face behind the window at the post office.

John and Lorraine enjoyed camping at Fox Fire Campground in Woodruff for 20 years. They also wintered in Florida for 22 years. John was a member of St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, Merrill, where he volunteered often. John was a member of the Knights of Columbus, and he was a lifetime member of V.F.W. Post 1638, Merrill. John loved the Milwaukee Brewers and enjoyed watching their games. He also enjoyed snowmobiling, hunting, and fishing. John also volunteered at Bell Tower Residence cutting grass.

Survivors include his wife of 67 years, Lorraine Turner of Merrill; his children, Jill (Jim) Pike of Three Lakes, Denise Latzig of Merrill, and Tom (Jodi) Turner of Merrill; seven grandchildren, Kristen (Josh) Coan of Roberts, WI, Leah Turner of Wauwatosa, Josh 'JJ' Pike of Three Lakes, Jennifer (TJ) Aures of Ringle, Charlotte Pike (Ryan Iwamoto) of Waukesha, Garrett (Makayla) Hameau of Merrill, and Searra Turner of Merrill; seven great-grandchildren, Gracen, Turner, Aria, Veda June, Cayden, Max, and Kane; sister-in-law, Cleone Turner of St. Paul, MN; and several nieces and nephews. John was preceded in death by his parents, Alfred and Grace Turner; son, Peter Turner; and siblings, Eugene Turner, David Turner, Alfred Turner, and Sylvia (Floyd) Lemon.

The Funeral Mass was held at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, July 18, 2022, at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in Merrill. Father Mike Hayden presided. The family received friends from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. on Monday, July 18, 2022, at the Taylor-Stine Funeral Home, Merrill.

The family wishes to thank Woodland Court Elder Services, Merrill, and Bernie from Palliative Care for the care and kindness they have shown John and his family.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the charity of your choice.

Online condolences may be made at www.taylorstinefuneralhome.com



Carol Mae Heimerl, 73, of Tomahawk, passed away Wednesday, July 13, 2022, under hospice care at Milestone Senior Living surrounded by her loving family.

Carol was born March 28, 1949, in Burlington, WI to Harold and Margaret (Reitz) Lahn. She was united in marriage on November 25, 1967, in Hartford, WI to Steven J. Heimerl. Carol and Steve moved to Merrill, WI in 1975 and built their retirement home in Tomahawk in 2005. While living in Merrill, Carol worked

as a transport clerk at Pinecrest Nursing Home, managed United gas station, and was a Pizza Hut manager. Carol enjoyed her life as a homemaker and raising their four children. Besides being a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, Carol dedicated her life to taking care of Stacie, their special daughter.

Carol enjoyed playing Oh Hell, Hand & Foot, and Sheephead card games with her family and getting together weekly with her ladies' poker club. She really ruled the table when the word games came out. Two of her favorites were Bananagrams and Quiddler. Carol and Steve also enjoyed watching the Young and the Restless together every day and have been fans of Survivor and CSI for years.

Carol was very involved with the Tomahawk Food Pantry and the Happy Kids Backpack Program, which provides food and personal necessities to local students. She loved being able to help the community, while enjoying fellowship with the other volunteers.

Carol was an avid historian and her passion was digging into family genealogy. She spent many years researching public records, visiting graves, and listening to the stories of her family members to build out the family tree and pass their stories on.

Most of all, Carol enjoyed many years of grouse hunting with family, friends, and their beloved dachshund, CoCo, at their cabin in the town of Fence.

Surviving Carol Heimerl is her loving husband, Steve, and four children, Lisa (Dale) Elliott of Tomahawk, Paul (Wendy) Heimerl of Columbia Falls, MT, Stacie Heimerl of Tomahawk, and Eric (Amy+) Heimerl of Merrill. She is further survived by eight grandchildren, Rachel (Marcus) Elliott, Jackie Elliott, Jake (Jolee) Heimerl, Phil (Zoey) Heimerl, Chad (Montana) Heimerl, McKenzie (Isaac) Heimerl, Madey (Nick) Heimerl, Eli (Nyomie) Heimerl and seven great-grandchildren Finley, Ellis, Ryatt, and Hazen Heimerl, Riley and Emmery Heimerl, Liam Heimerl, Dalton and Carter Cole. Carol is also survived by two sisters, Donna (David) Schmid of Suwanee, GA, and Jo Ann (Mitch) Moyle of Horicon, WI and sister-in-law Kristine (Harry Stein) Heimerl of Madison, WI and brother-in-law Tony (Chris) Heimerl of Kewaskum, WI and their families.

A Celebration of Carol's Life will be held on Saturday, July 23 at 11:00 a.m. at the Krueger Family Funeral Home, Tomahawk. The Rev. Amy Heimerl will officiate. The family will receive friends at Krueger Family Funeral Home on Saturday morning from 9:00 a.m. until the hour of service at 11:00 a.m. All are welcome to wear something purple in honor of Carol. Memorials are appreciated to the Salvation Army Happy Kids Backpack Program in Tomahawk.

Carol's family thanks the doctors, nurses, and staff at Marshfield Medical Centers- Minocqua and Weston, Milestone Senior Living, and Compassus Hospice Care for their exceptional care of Carol and her family. They also deeply thank Ties That Bind Us and the many friends who supported and cared for Carol and them during her cancer journey.

You may view the obituary and share online condolences at kruegerfamilyfuneral.com

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BY THE COURT:
DATE SIGNED: 07/08/22
/s/ HONORABLE JAY R. TLUSTY
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE, BR I
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT LINCOLN COUNTY
Notice and Order for
Name Change Hearing
 Case No. 22-CV-100

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF
 Addisynn Marie Mae Bohman
 By (Petitioner) Stephanie Rose Williams
 By (Co-Petitioner) Brandon Michael Thompson

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
 A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
 From: Addisynn Marie Mae Bohman
 To: Addisynn Marie Mae Thompson
 Birth Certificate: Addisynn Marie Mae Bohman

IT IS ORDERED:
 This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Lincoln County, State of Wisconsin:
 Judge's Name: Honorable Greg Grow
 Place: Lincoln County Courthouse Branch 1
 1110 East Main Street, Merrill, WI 54452
 Date: 08/11/2022
 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 Foto News a newspaper published in Lincoln County, State of Wisconsin.
 Published: 7/21/22, 7/28/22 & 8/04/22
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BY THE COURT:
DATE SIGNED: 6/30/22
/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-98

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF
 Kayley Mae Bean
 By (Petitioner) Kayley Mae Bean

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
 A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
 From: Kayley Mae Bean
 To: Joseph Alexander Bean
 Birth Certificate: Kayley Mae Bean

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 2
 Merrill, WI 54452
 Date: August 12, 2022
 Time: 11:00 AM

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:
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STATE OF WISCONSIN
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STATE OF WISCONSIN
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LINCOLN COUNTY
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Notice to Creditors
(Informal Administration)
 Case No. 2022-IN-30

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 Sabrina Bachi
 702 N. State St.
 Merrill, WI 54452
 Phone 715-921-4128
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STATE OF WISCONSIN
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Notice to Creditors
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 Case No. 2022IN25

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
 1. An application for informal administration was filed.
 2. The decedent, with date of birth 10-02-1962, and date of death 1-24-2022, was domiciled in Lincoln County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N4875 Town Hall Rd.
 3. All interested persons waived notice.
 4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is November 4, 2022.
 5. A claim may be filed at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Merrill, Wisconsin, Probate Office.
 Rachel Zwicky
 P.O. Box 353
 Iron River, WI 54847
 715-292-7586
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STATE OF WISCONSIN
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III. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
IV. Roll Call was taken and the following alderperson's were in attendance:
 Paul Russell – First District Present
 Michael "Gus" Caylor – Second District Present
 Rick Blake – Third District Present
 LaDonna Feranich – Fourth District Present
 Dick Lupton – Fifth District Present
 Mike Rick – Sixth District Present
 Mark Weix – Seventh District Present
 Steve Sabatke – Eighth District Present

V. Public Comment—There was no public comment.
VI. Minutes of previous Common Council meeting—June 14, 2022
 Alderperson Rick made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 14, 2022 Common Council meeting. Alderperson Lupton seconded and the motion passed.

VII. Revenue & Expense Reports:
 Alderperson Sabatke made a suggestion regarding the TID information asking if a clearer explanation could be provided in the future.
 Alderperson Russell made a motion to approve the revenue and expense reports ending June 30, 2022. Alderperson Blake seconded and the motion passed.

VIII. Merrill Enrichment Center:
1. Consider a request to begin working on a proposal for an endowment fund for the Merrill Enrichment Center.
 Director Mrachek asked for approval to start working on an endowment. She stated committee members have asked for this. She also stated she wants the Enrichment Center to continue on after she's gone. This enrichment fund would be funded by donations. Finance Director Unertl stated this endowment fund would be different than the library endowment fund and provided further clarification.
 A motion was made by Alderperson Caylor to approve the request to begin working on a proposal for an endowment fund for the Merrill Enrichment Center. Alderperson Sabatke seconded and the motion carried.

IX. Health & Safety Committee:
1. Consider a Street Use Permit for Gesundheit Bar to close South Park Street between E. 1st St and Main St from 6:00 PM to 11:00 PM on Friday, July 15 for a live band event.
 Alderperson Rick made a motion to approve the street use permit for Gesundheit Bar. Alderperson Caylor seconded and the motion passed.

2. Consider a Temporary Class "B" picnic license for Merrill Youth Softball Association (Merrill Fast pitch) to sell fermented malt beverages for July 22, July 23 and July 24 at the MARC in conjunction with the Merrill Fast pitch Tournament.
 Alderperson Weix made a motion to approve the Temporary Class "B" picnic license for Merrill Youth Softball Association. Alderperson Lupton seconded and the motion passed.

3. Consider a Temporary Class "B" picnic license for Lincoln County Fair Association to sell fermented malt beverages for the dates of August 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 in conjunction with the 2022 Lincoln County Fair.
 Alderperson Russell made a motion to approve the Temporary Class "B" picnic license for Lincoln County Fair Association. Alderperson Caylor seconded and the motion carried.

4. Consider a Temporary Class "B" and "Class B" picnic license for Merrill Youth Hockey Association to sell fermented malt beverages and wine on August 25 and August 26 at the Merrill Enrichment Center in conjunction with the Wisconsin Evergreen Convention.
 Alderperson Rick made a motion to approve the Temporary Class "B" and "Class B" picnic license for Merrill Youth Hockey Association. Alderperson Blake seconded and the motion carried.

5. Consider a Temporary Class "B" picnic license for Merrill Youth Hockey Association to sell fermented malt beverages on September 17, 2022 at the Merrill Festival Grounds in conjunction with Pork in the Park.
 Alderperson Lupton made a motion to approve the temporary Class "B" picnic license for Merrill Youth Hockey Association. Alderperson Weix seconded and the motion carried.

X. Place Committee Reports on File: Consider placing committee reports on file: Committee of the Whole (various months in 2021), Committee of the Whole (May training session), City Plan Commission, Library Board, Merrill Enrichment Center Committee, Historic Preservation and Marketing & Communications June 16th joint meeting, Transit Commission, Health & Safety Committee, Personnel & Finance Committee, Board of Public Works, Redevelopment Authority and Historic Preservation and Marketing & Communications June 30th Joint meeting.
 Alderperson Russell made a motion to place the committee reports on file. Alderperson Lupton seconded and the motion carried.

XI. Ordinances:
1. Consider amending Code of Ordinances No. 2021-18-Section 2: Non-Union Compensation in the 2022 City of Merrill Budget and Establishing CDL Step (after Step 11).
 City Attorney Hayden read the ordinance. Alderperson Caylor made a motion to suspend the rules and read the second and third readings by title only. Alderperson Rick seconded the motion and the motion carried.
 City Attorney Hayden read the ordinance by title only. Alderperson Rick made a motion to approve amending Code of Ordinances No. 2021-18-Section 2: Non-Union Compensation in the 2022 City of Merrill budget. Alderperson Feranich seconded and the motion carried on an 8-0 roll call vote.

2. Consider adding Sec 36-95: The parking of unregistered motor vehicles prohibited on highways, to the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 36, Article II, Division 3, System of Parking and Safety Zones.
 City Attorney Hayden read the ordinance. Alderperson Caylor made a motion to suspend the rules and give the second and third readings by title only. Alderperson Blake seconded the motion and the motion carried.
 City Attorney Hayden read the ordinance by title only. Alderperson Caylor

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asked Police Chief Bennett to explain the reasoning behind the ordinance addition. Police Chief Bennett explained the reason behind the addition of the ordinance and brief discussion followed. Alderperson Caylor made a motion to approve adding Sec 36-95: The parking of unregistered motor vehicles prohibited on highways, to the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 36, Article II, Division 3, System of Parking and Safety Zones. Alderperson Weix seconded and the motion carried on an 8-0 roll call vote.

XII. Resolutions:
1. A resolution approving a final plat for residential development between Eugene, Alexander, and Heldt Streets aka Alexander Estates in the City of Merrill.
 City Attorney Hayden read the resolution. Alderperson Russell made a motion to approve for discussion. Alderperson Weix seconded.
 There was confusion regarding this resolution since it was part of the revised agenda. Alderperson Russell made a motion to amend his motion since he thought he was motioning for the second resolution.
 Following discussion, Alderperson Russell made a motion to approve the final plat for Alexander Estates. Alderperson Blake seconded and the motion carried.

2. A resolution authorizing a development agreement by and between the City of Merrill, Wisconsin and Plant Garden Center, LLC.
 Alderperson Blake made a motion to approve the resolution for discussion. Alderperson Weix seconded.
 Alderperson Sabatke voiced questions regarding the but/for provision for the development and how the \$30,000 amount was determined. Finance Director Unertl explained the reasoning for the development agreement and mentioned this was discussed at the Redevelopment Authority meeting.
 Alderperson Blake and Mayor Hass concurred regarding the information was discussed at the Redevelopment Authority meeting.
 Without objection, Mayor Hass asked Hollie Stoerzer to come to the podium to answer any questions from council members. She explained the development and answered all questions favorably.
 After discussion, the motion passed without objection on an 8-0 voice vote.

XIII. Mayor's Appointments:
1. Alderperson Michael Caylor to Chairman of Personnel & Finance Committee until January 1, 2023.
 Alderperson Feranich made a motion to approve the appointment of Alderperson Caylor to Chairman of the Personnel & Finance Committee. Alderperson Lupton seconded and the motion carried.
2. Alderperson Paul Russell from Chairman of Personnel & Finance to committee member until January 1, 2023.
 Mayor Hass asked Alderperson Russell to explain the reason for the change. Alderperson Caylor made a motion to approve the appointment change. Alderperson Feranich seconded and the motion carried.

XIV. Mayor's Communications:
 Mayor Hass made the following announcements:
 July 17th there are five veterans from Bell Tower that will be given a ride on a by-plane at the Merrill Airport at 9 AM. He encouraged elected officials to be there to honor the veterans.
 July 27th Brats for the Brave will be at the Veterans Post
 July 30th Lobsterfest at Ballyhoos. This year the proceeds go to the Boys & Girls Club.
 August 5th & 6th The Festival of Quilts will be at the Enrichment Center
 August 13th Food for Kids at the Veterans Post
 September 17th Pork in the Park
 The City Band plays every Wednesday night at the Gazebo in Normal Park and Gazebo Nights are on Thursday's except for the week of the fair.

XV. Adjournment:
 Mayor Hass asked for a motion to adjourn. Alderperson Rick made a motion to adjourn. Alderperson Lupton seconded and the motion passed.
 The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 PM. Minutes respectfully submitted by Lori L. Anderson-Malm – City Clerk.
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NOTICE IN REPLEVIN
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
LINCOLN COUNTY
Case Code 31003
Case No. 22-SC-151
 To: BRANDEN ERICKSON
 You are hereby notified that a summons and complaint has been issued to recover possession of the following described goods and chattels, to wit: **2006 Ford Mustang – VIN: 1ZVHT80N065246320**, of which I, the plaintiff am entitled to the possession, and which you have unjustly taken and unlawfully detain from me.
 NOW THEREFORE, unless you shall appear in the Circuit Court of Lincoln County, in the Lincoln County Courthouse, 1110 E. Main Street in the City of Merrill, State of Wisconsin, on August 4, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. before the calendar judge or any other judge of said court to whom the said action may be assigned for trial, judgment will be rendered against you for the delivery of said property to the plaintiff and for damages for the detention thereof and for costs.
 Dated at Milwaukee, WI this 8th day of July, 2022.
 COVANTAGE CREDIT UNION
 Plaintiff

By: Joshua J. Brady, Attorney
 State Bar# 1041428
 839 N. Jefferson St., #200
 Milwaukee, WI 53202
 Tele: 414-271-9556
PO No.: 7778.67
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TOWN OF MERRILL

BID NOTICE

The Town of Merrill, Lincoln County Wisconsin will be accepting sealed bids for removal of logs, slash & grubbed materials from D.N.R. designated wetlands within Black Alder road right of way. The work shall consist of furnishing all equipment & labor. Removal operation shall meet D.N.R. standards. Contractor to provide certificate of insurance showing liability & workers comp. coverage.

Sealed bids can be submitted to the Town of Merrill
 W4594 Progress Ave, Merrill, WI 54452.
 Bids will be opened
 on August 8, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. town board meeting.

The Town of Merrill reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to accept any bid deemed to be in the best interest of the town.

TOWN OF MERRILL BOARD
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TOWN OF MERRILL

MERRILL, WISCONSIN

REQUEST FOR BIDS

The Town of Merrill, Lincoln County Wisconsin Will be accepting sealed bids for Approx. 1500 cubic yards 1 1/4" road base w/ binder & Approx. 500 cubic yards 3/4" road base w/ binder
 To be placed on various town roads provide a minimum of 3 truck hauling & spreading. Contractor to provide certificate of insurance showing liability & workers comp. coverage.
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MILWAUKEE BREWERS

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PUBLISHER'S LETTER

Choices on the Road

DEAR READER,

Once upon a time, I looked into the hazel eyes of a beautiful woman. She was the catch of all catches. Leaving college with her on one's arm would be something. The life she promised was one of magic, wonder, and delight.



Today, I look into the hazel eyes of a woman... and think of the road not taken... and feel grateful for this road, with all of its magic, wonder, and delight.

PATRICK J. WOOD PUBLISHER

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

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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.

TO THE EDITOR:

Be on fire to "Fill the Gazebo" at Normal Park on Aug. 6, 2022, from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

As a community of churches in the Merrill area that used to do the Crop Walk to restock the food pantries of Merrill, we now do "Fill the Gazebo" for this result.

Our goal is to see if we can get enough boxes to Fill the Gazebo. We will divide all foods, toiletries, paper products, and monetary gifts between the Merrill Community Food Pantry, Trinity Food Pantry, New Testament Food Pantry, Food For Kids, MAC Home, HAVEN, and St. Vincent de Paul's Outreach Center.

We are hoping to have a fire truck at the event for everyone to come see and learn about our City Fire Department.

- Cheryl Buck and the Fill the Gazebo Committee Merrill, Wis.

TO THE EDITOR:

The road to freedom from gas prices

DEAR EDITOR, FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS:

My grandmother raised her children in The Great Depression of the 1930's. She would say: "Use it up, wear it out, make it do, do without." And so it is today as we deal with our changing automotive needs in a world threatened by a changing climate. It takes a lot of energy to produce a car or truck, so we're not likely to just discard our half-used gasoline or diesel vehicles. But we can start using them less. And when it comes time to get a new car or truck, consider this.

Freedom from gas prices is liberating! I have a 2004 Dodge pickup. I now use it only for dump runs and chores; it costs about 35 cents a mile for gas. I still shudder each time I have to pull in and fill it up. Until recently it was what I drove everywhere. My wife drives a Toyota hybrid which is not nearly as painful to fuel, but we still cringe at the price. By contrast my Chevy E-car is liberating. It releases an unexpected sense of freedom: a hundred-mile round trip on \$4 worth of electricity. A trip to town used to cost me \$5, now it costs me 60 cents. When I got the E-car about a

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One of the finished art pieces at Chalk It Up! at Normal Park.

Tina L. Scott photo.



Young artists at work at Chalk It Up!

Tina L. Scott photo.



Students with the Merrill High School Business Club helped organize fun events at Normal Park like these sack races as part of the Chalk It Up! event. Tina L. Scott photo.



Many members of the Merrill City Band donned hats to add to the festivities at the concert on Wednesday, July 13, 2022, in conjunction with the Chalk It Up! event. Joseph Frederick photo.



The concession stands were open early for Chalk It Up! and in preparation for the band concert later that evening. Tina L. Scott photo.

Merrill City Administrator Johnson announces retirement

TINA L. SCOTT EDITOR

Dave Johnson, Merrill's City Administrator, announced he will retire from the position, with his last day of work for the City being Oct. 4, 2022.

Johnson began working for the City in April 2012.

"After 40+ years in public sector management, 10+ years of which were spent as Merrill's City Administrator, I have decided it is time to retire and have submitted my notice to Mayor Hass," Johnson said in a July 13, 2022, email.

"I am grateful for the opportunity to serve as Merrill's City Administrator for more than 10 years. I will miss working with our employees and the citizens and businesses of our city. I am leaving with the knowledge of having contributed greatly to the success we have achieved in making our city a better place to live," Johnson said in his letter to Mayor Steve Hass notifying him of his decision to retire.

"I wish all the best for the City of Merrill in the years to come," he closed in his letter.

Challenges and successes

Johnson said he was aware of the challenges of his position before he started in the role, having been born and raised in Wausau and with relatives in Merrill.

Merrill had a reputation for good schools, "a fantastic



Johnson

scholarship program," and being the City of Parks, he said.

But, he added, "Rightly or wrongly, Merrill had always been labeled as a community that did not respond well to change and that preferred not to change."

"One of my greatest challenges was trying to convince more people that Merrill needed to change. We needed to actively seek new businesses and grow existing businesses, build new homes and apartments, replace aging infrastructure, annex adjoining areas, provide new infrastructure, provide new and updated amenities," Johnson said.

"I was absolutely dumfounded by those residents who opposed the new Super Walmart shortly after I started working in Merrill," he said. Johnson credits Val Mindak at Park City Credit Union with the success of that project and added: "That project was the driver in Tax Incremental District (TID) 3 that provided the funding to allow us to move forward with other development projects."

Johnson said he also faced resistance to some projects from elected Aldermen and appreciates the Aldermen and former Mayor Bialecki who supported both his position and the projects and changes that occurred during his tenure.

"I was equally dumfounded by Aldermen who

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Ken Neff celebrated his retirement from the Chamber of Commerce the end of June. Members visited throughout the day for brats and hot dogs, cake and cupcakes, and to wish him well.
Tina L. Scott photo.

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opposed development and spoke against projects such as the purchase of 6.5 acres of Whispering Pines Trailer Park that contained 9 trailers and now has 4 businesses, the purchase of the Fox Point site that now has 56 apartments, the purchase of the Rock Ridge site that now has 72 new apartments and will soon see 15 new single-family homes completed, the purchase of the far west side Webster Street project that will soon have 36 new apartments, 7 duplexes, and 15 single-family homes," he said.

Johnson described it as disheartening and said some Aldermen also "oppose the position of City Administrator saying it has too much power and is overpaid."

In his opinion, "Merrill needs a professional administrator to run the City on a daily basis," Johnson said. "Aldermen are not elected to manage the City on a daily basis; they are the legislative body that represents the interests of their constituents, makes policy, and approves the budget."

"There are those who are now working to either weaken the position of City Administrator or do away with it altogether," he said. "If this is allowed to occur, the City will suffer by that action."

"City employees do not need micro-management by the Mayor or Aldermen," he added, suggesting that might occur without a City Administrator.

When asked what advice he would give to the next person who fills his role, Johnson said: "to follow their conscience, do what they know is right, and do the best they can for our community. Throughout my public service career it has always been my objective to do whatever provides the greatest good for the greatest number of citizens."

Asked what two things he would most like to be remembered for, Johnson said, "The positive changes that have occurred in Merrill" and "my contribution toward positively changing the image of Merrill both internally and externally."

"I am proud of our team of Department Heads whom I have supported and who have supported me through some trying times," he added. "The positive changes that have occurred in Merrill have been the result of a group effort."

I regards to specific achievements, "I am proud of my effort and success in getting a new fire station, the Aquatic Center, renovations at the Festival Grounds, the

Enrichment Center/Expo Hall, the adoption of the River Bend Trail as a Merrill linear park, the development of the former Whispering Pines property, the Weinbrenner expansion, and the housing projects completed and currently underway," Johnson said. "Merrill needs to continue moving forward in a positive direction, and it is my hope that the majority of citizens in Merrill will vocally support the direction we have going as a community."

Johnson noted that many successful Merrill projects were also made possible by the Bierman Foundation. "I would like to thank the Bierman Family Foundation for the many things that their generosity has brought to this community such as the Aquatic Center, the Enrichment Center and Expo Hall, the new restrooms at the Festival Grounds, as well as renovation of the Cattle Barn, Steckling Building, and Sell Building, a new fire/rescue pumper for the Fire Department, Jay Stadium, the addition to the Merrill Historical Society, a major contribution to the new Humane Society Building, just to name a few," he said.

"My thanks go out to the many Merrill business leaders who have supported me over the past 10 years," Johnson added.

"The City of Merrill would like to thank Administrator Johnson for his years of service to the City and wish him well with his retirement," Mayor Steve Hass said in response to Johnson's notice of retirement.

Succession planning

"It would behoove us as a Council to review all of our top positions regularly to see if they need to be expanded, reduced, or even consolidated," said Mike Caylor, newly appointed Chair of the City's Personnel and Finance Committee, "I think with a progressive mayor such as Mayor Hass running the City, we will see such an evaluation being done shortly."

"We will be holding a Committee of the Whole meeting in the near future for succession planning for the position," Mayor Hass said.

Retirement plans

"My wife, Jana, will continue working," Johnson said. "I intend to spend more time volunteering in the community, spend time in outdoor activities, revamp the four websites that I constructed and maintain, and travel. We already have a trip planned to Italy, and are discussing a trip to Australia and New Zealand. More trips to Europe are in the offing."

would not have gone. This E-car has set me free.

- George Einar Busséy
Town of White River
Ashland County, Wis.

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year ago, I hadn't realized how liberating it would be. I now go places and do things that in my old pickup, due to gas cost, I

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Free bus rides will be available on the Merrill-Go-Round with pick-ups during the 5:00 hour; the bus will return at 6:45 p.m. to take riders back. Reservations for a bus ride must be made before 4:00 p.m. on August 30, by calling 715.536.7112.

Both the Merrill Police Department and the Merrill Fire Department will be present. Crime Stoppers has participated in this event since the very first year.

Tomahawk Shred Day in September

A "Shred Day" will be held in the parking lot at the Crossbridge Community Bank (formerly Tomahawk Community Bank) in Tomahawk on Saturday, September 10, from 9:00-11:00 a.m. A donation of \$5 per box or bag of materials to be shredded is requested. On-site shredding will be provided by Confidential Records, a certified shredding company.

Beware: 8 Red-Hot Frauds

Google Voice scams among new nuisances that threaten consumers

By Sari Harrar

In their never-ending pursuit of your money and identity, criminals are constantly coming up with new cons. Here's a closer look at eight relatively new types of scams that are becoming more common, along with expert advice on avoiding them. Check out the list of today's hottest emerging frauds.

1. GOOGLE VOICE SCAM

Let's say you've posted a notice online — an item for sale, for example, or a plea to find a lost pet — and included your phone number. In this scam the crook will call you, feign interest, but say they want to verify first that you aren't a scammer. They tell you that you are about to get a verification code from Google Voice (their virtual phone and text service) sent to you, and ask you to read it back. What's

really going on: They are setting up a Google Voice account in your name. "They can go on to perpetrate scams and pretend to be you, hiding their footprint from law enforcement," says Eva Velasquez, CEO of the Identity Theft Resource Center.

How to stay safe: "Never share verification codes with anyone," Velasquez says. If you have fallen for this scam, you'll find steps to reclaim your account at the [Google Voice Help Center](#).

2. RENTAL ASSISTANCE CONS

As eviction bans in cities and states expire, renters should be on the lookout for [rental assistance scams](#), says Deborah Royster, assistant director at the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. Over 583,000 older adults were behind on their rent in mid-2021, opening the door for scammers to impersonate government or nonprofit employees and to request personal info and money up front for applications.

How to stay safe: Apply only to legit rental assistance programs run by government or nonprofit groups, Royster says. Find programs in your area at [cfpb.gov](#).

3. FAKE-JOB FRAUDS

Scammers harvest contact info and personal details from résumés posted on legit job websites like Indeed, Monster and CareerBuilder. Then, pretending to be recruiters, they call, email, text or reach out on social media with high-salary or [work-at-home job offers](#). Sometimes the goal is to get additional info about you; other times it's to persuade you to send money for bogus home-office setups or fake fees.

How to stay safe: Use a separate email address just for job hunting, and set up a free Google Voice phone number that rings on your phone but keeps your real number private, says Alex Hamerstone, advisory solutions director for the information security company TrustedSec. If you get a sudden job offer, independently call the company's human resources department to verify it is real, suggests Sandra Guile, spokeswoman for the International Association of Better Business Bureaus.

4. FAKE AMAZON EMPLOYEES

One-third of business-impostor fraud complaints involve [scammers claiming they're from Amazon](#), the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) reports. Older adults are four times more likely to lose money and get hit harder — losing a median of \$1,500, versus \$814 for younger adults — in such scams. "Amazon is the biggest, best-known company in the [online sales] space," Hamerstone says. So the impersonator scams "feel real" to people.

How to stay safe: Ignore calls, text messages, emails and social media messages about suspicious account activity, raffles or unauthorized purchases. If you think you may have a

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5. CRYPTOCURRENCY ATM PAYMENTS

Those ATMs cropping up in convenience stores, gas stations and big retailers are scammers' newest payment method. Pretending to be government officials, utility agents or sweepstakes representatives, they direct you to pay a purported fee, bill or handling charge by sending [cryptocurrency](#) bought at these ATMs to an untraceable digital wallet. "It's irreversible. There's no way to get your money back," says Lisa Cialino, an attorney with the New Jersey State Commission of Investigation.

How to stay safe: According to the FTC, "nobody from the government, law enforcement, a utility company or prize promoter will ever tell you to pay them with cryptocurrency. If someone does, it's a scam, every time."

6. LOCAL TAX IMPOSTORS

Scammers are impersonating state, county and municipal law enforcement and tax collection agencies to get you to share sensitive personal information or [send money to "settle your tax debt."](#) They may call, email or mail letters threatening to revoke your driver's license or passport. Some pretend to offer state tax relief.

How to stay safe: Ignore any such calls and emails. Real tax agencies, from the IRS to your town tax collector, do business by mail and won't ask you for passwords or bank account or credit card info. They also won't threaten to call the police or ask you to pay with gift cards, peer-to-peer (P2P) payment apps or cryptocurrency.

7. 'FAVOR FOR A FRIEND' GIFT CARDS

You receive an email from a friend asking for a quick favor. She's having trouble with a credit card or store account and, annoyingly, can't buy a gift card she needs for a birthday present. Will you buy the card and call her with the numbers on the back? She'll pay you back. But this favor's really a fraud, as it's almost always an impostor sending the request, the Better Business Bureau (BBB) warns. If you do as told, you'll never see the money again because [gift cards](#) don't have the protections that debit and credit cards have.

How to stay safe: Call or text your friend to confirm the person really needs the favor. Target, Google Play, Apple, eBay and Walmart were the top cards used by scammers in 2021. "Always double check before sending someone money," the BBB advises.

8. P2P PAYMENT REQUESTS

Scammers are increasingly demanding payment via [money-transfer apps](#) like Venmo, Zelle and Cash App. It's so convenient — you pay in seconds from your phone or computer. But these payments usually cannot be canceled.

How to stay safe: Only use P2P apps to send money to friends and family. And turn on the security-lock feature that requires entering a passcode to make a payment.

Payment by gift card? It's a scam!

Gift cards are popular and convenient... and not just for gifts. Con artists have latched onto gift cards as a convenient form of payment in their scams. In 2022, 1 in 3 adults said they or someone they know had been asked at some point to purchase a gift card to pay a bill, fee or some other debt or obligation or to claim a prize. About one in four adults who were contacted reported they bought the cards, or approximately 13 million U.S. adults ages 18 and older.

Signs to watch for

1. You're redirected to buy one or more gift cards — often referred to as "electronic vouchers" — as a quick means of making payment.
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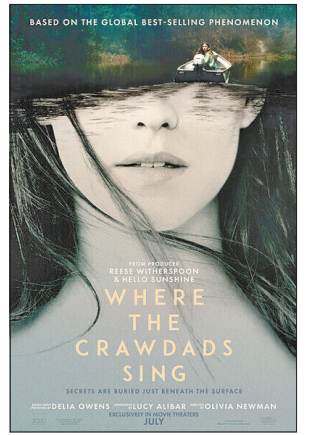
Where the Crawdads Sing

(Now showing in theatres)

★★★★★
This film is rated PG-13 –
for language, violence against women,
and adult themes

This week, my friends, I am very happy to bring you my review of *Where the Crawdads Sing*. Where to start? This film is beautiful, smart, incredibly well told, and very well acted.

From the very first moments, as we are made passive viewers from a birds-eye view of the vast marshes of North Carolina and we listen to the opening narration by the main character, Kya “Marsh Girl” Clark, this film captivates you. From there, the film gently moves forward, never rushing through its most



important aspect – its characters.

Having grown so weary of the slam bang big action movies that have as much depth as a puddle, I am ecstatic to have seen this film. Based on the novel of the same name, *Where the Crawdads Sing* tells the story of Kya (Marsh Girl) from her abusive childhood though her early twenties. (The abuse actually never really stops – it just changes form.)

I will, as always, refrain from telling you too much, but I will say the story focuses on a death that may or may not have been accidental and the arrest and trial of Kya.

Having traveled within North Carolina, I can say the cinematographers captured the raw beauty of that state, and I expect we will hear their names when they announce nominations for awards in that category. Some of the cinematography is, frankly, breathtaking.

Now this film moves slowly, but it never drags. It is contemplative and takes its time to tell the story and, as mentioned, the filmmakers tell that story with real depth of emotion. You feel for the character; you see how her exile and abuse can happen. It never feels cheap, and no shortcuts are taken.

Though it is two hours and five minutes long, I can honestly say I never at any point felt antsy or bored. This movie doesn't so much grab you to hold your attention, as it gently takes your hand and guides you through the story, and I, for one, am thankful for that kind guidance.

Five full stars out of a possible five stars for *Where the Crawdads Sing*. This film is, simply put, wonderful.



Charlie Berens

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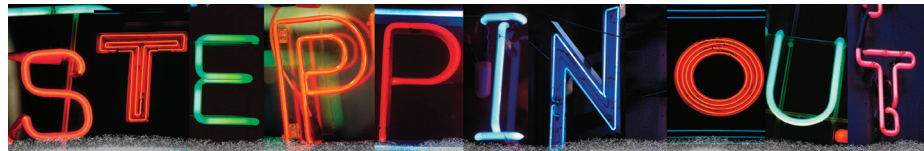
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DAYLILIES from page 1

Braylon Kleinschmidt, age 13 – are an integral part of the “crew” at Barnes Creek Daylilies. Their parents, the “middle generation” as they describe themselves – Karli and Jess Severt and Kory and Ahn Na Kleinschmidt – are the “support staff.”

Customers can come out to the field at N2611 Norwegian Rd. in Merrill to shop their “2022 Dig Days!” Customers identify the daylilies they wish to purchase, and the crew will dig and prepare the plant for the trip home with the client to be planted in its new home. Dig Days continue this weekend, July 23 and 24. The field will be ready for customers on Saturday, July 23, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on Sunday, July 24, from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.



Left: The “middle generation” – Ahn Na and Kory Kleinschmidt and Karli and Jess Severt – are the “support staff.” **Center:** The first and third generation “crew” at Barnes Creek Daylilies, from L to R: Jillian Severt, Sherry Kleinschmidt, Jalie Severt, Jazlin Severt, Jack Kleinschmidt, and Braylon Kleinschmidt. **Right:** Customers select the daylilies they would like, and the crew digs the plants and prepares them for transport and purchase.

Photos courtesy of Barnes Creek Daylilies.

TOUR from page 1

the north woods,” Ahnen said.

Miess focuses his camera on the natural beauty of Northern Wisconsin, Upper Michigan, and Lake Superior. He started out as a film photographer in the early 1970’s and still tries to keep the “film sensibility” in the digital world by trying to do most of his work behind the lens rather than on the computer. Miess describes his inspiration: “I grew up and lived in southern Wisconsin up until two years ago. However, I was always up in the North Woods and along Lake Superior shooting. Moving to the North Woods permanently has let me immerse myself in the beauty literally out my back door.”

Locally, artist Louise Schotz said this is her last year on the tour, as she will be moving out of the area soon. She is hoping many visitors will join her at her Outback Studio located in the woods behind her house at W4884 County Rd. J in Irma. Located just across the tracks from the village, her studio will welcome visitors for this year’s Art Tour in July [and then again in Oct.], she said.

“The new barn will be hung with over 50 original quilted pieces along with many textured paintings,” Schotz said. She will also offer jewelry, note cards, bookmarks, and more. And, because this is her last year, she will be giving a 20% discount for all purchases totaling \$100 or more, she said.

All the artists on the tour look forward to sharing their new work with visitors, meeting new people, and welcoming back returning friends.

Whether visitors on the tour are looking for a special gift or a new piece for their collection, or are just curious about art and all the different ways of making and seeing, they will be greeted with a welcoming smile, organizers say.

Brochures with a map and driving directions to individual studios are available at local chambers of commerce, visitor centers, local businesses, and online at www.northwoodsarttour.com. Schotz will also have brochures available at her Outback Studio to guide visitors to the other studios on the tour.

Tour information and features about artists can also be found on Facebook. Search for North Woods Art Tours.



Artwork by Louise Schotz, Outback Studio, Irma. **Photo courtesy of Louise Schotz.**



Flower Explosion, 11x14, mixed media. Acrylic, gel prints, buttons and fibers by Lisa Krueger, Oak View Studio, Tomahawk. **Submitted photo.**



Pink Art Quilt, 35 x 50” by Wendy Ahnen, Artwerq Studio, Eagle River, Wendy starts her quilting process with a painting or drawing of her design plan and then puts fabrics together to represent the painting in an abstract or artful way. **Submitted photo.**



One of the textile art pieces Louise Schotz has created in her Outback Studio. **Photo courtesy of Louise Schotz.**



Boat Sculpture, stoneware by Jillayne Waite, the Waite studio, Arbor Vitae. **Submitted photo.**

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