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X-travaganza X-citement *Winter Huskies Host 2-Day Sno-Cross Event*



Connor Beissel soars over a snow-mogul during the Winter Huskies Sno-Xtravaganza held in Winter on January 21 & 22. A total of 152 racers ranging in age from 4-61 competed in 13 different classes on a track constructed at Thompson's Field. Roughly around 250 came through the gates as spectators throughout the weekend in addition to all the racers, their friends and families. Due to press time, a full thank you to everyone who helped or donated in any way to make the event a success will appear in next week's Gazette along with photos. Results can be found at the Midwest Sno-Cross Racing website at <http://www.midwestsnocross.com>. The Huskies would also like to remind everyone of the Vintage Ride on February 11! -Photo by Sue Johnston

County Receives Status of Disaster Relief, Preliminary Costs

By Ross Pattermann

A month ago one of the worst winter storms in living memory battered its way through Sawyer County, leaving hundreds of homes without power, and thousands of dollars in damages. As the scope of these damages became clear, the Board of Supervisors approved a disaster declaration at its last monthly meeting to assist in recovering cleanup costs and to advise the state of Wisconsin of the county's emergency conditions.

County administrator Andy Albarado delivered the progress on the county's efforts to secure relief funds, as well as some of the preliminary costs and numbers related to the county wide clean up during January's monthly meeting last Thursday at the Sawyer County Courthouse.

"We had to submit preliminary numbers to Wisconsin Emergency Management by this past Monday. Just as an update total from Sawyer County, this is all units, all municipali-

ties, is \$853,912, which is a \$47.25 per capita amount," Albarado told the board. "Which is ten times the amount that we needed to meet for the minimum threshold, which is \$4.44."

Albarado told the board that he expected to hear back from Wisconsin Emergency Management that December's winter storm was indeed a disaster, and that the county will receive some recovery of its costs. Albarado then went on to list the preliminary estimates for the costs of the cleanup and recovery.

"The amount just from the county government was \$413,415," Albarado said. "\$279,000 of that is the estimate from the highway department of what the total debris cleanup will cost. So we have been really working with Wisconsin Emergency Management in communicating that a lot of the clearing was done in the immediate aftermath in the storm."

Albarado said there will be

additional clean-up in the spring to clear downed trees and branches. Albarado said the county is also exploring asking for additional funds to help offset the costs of cleaning ski and snowmobile trails.

Supervisor Tom Duffy told the board later in the meeting that the Birkie ski trail is open, but that the costs to clean and remove the debris from the trail exceeded \$70,000, and that the Birkie Foundation would be looking for outside sources to offset those expenses. Duffy did note that the abundant snow will make for excellent conditions for this year's Birkie, with over 11,000 participants already signed up for next month's race.

Board president Tweed Shuman pressed Albarado on when they could expect to begin to see those recovery funds flow into the county. Albarado said the funds would not be available until sometime in the spring. Albarado also said there

WINTER HUSKIES FISHFEST Ice Fishing Contest Update

By Barb Wellnitz, Club Secretary

Due to the poor conditions on Fishtrap Lake, the outdoor fishing contest has been cancelled for January 28th at Trap 'n Fish.

We will still be holding inside raffles and will host an indoor radar run!! Be sure to join us at Tap 'n Fish for indoor fun, food and raffles starting at noon to 4 p.m. followed with music by Lassos and Lace at 8 p.m.

Hope to see you there.



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WINTER SCHOOL to Host Community Appreciation Dinner

Mark your calendars for Friday, February 3rd, for a free community appreciation dinner at Winter School. This is our way to say thank you to the community for stepping up to help us open our school up as a warming shelter for area residents who lost their power for multiple days. Whether you helped at the school, brought in food, ran errands, or helped out your neighbors during this time, we appreciate everyone's thoughtfulness in making this difficult time more bearable.

On Friday, February 3rd, we will be having a spaghetti dinner at the Winter School. We will be serving dinner from 4:00-5:00 pm. Afterwards, you are invited to stay and watch some basketball action, as the Warrior boys and girls take on the Birchwood Bobcats. The Warrior boys start off the night at 5:45 pm for the first game. The Lady Warriors finish up the evening with their game starting at 7:15 pm.

Spend Super Saturday AT DRAPER'S CABIN FEVER RELIEVER

By Lynn Scala, Draper Community Club Member

Draper Community Club is pleased to announce the return of our annual Cabin Fever Reliever. Make a note on your calendar because you are not going to want to miss this fun filled day.

Cabin Fever Reliever will be held on February 11, 2023, at the Draper Town Hall, from 10am to 3pm. Kick off the Super Bowl Weekend in style with this local happening.

Registration for the Snow Shoe Shuffle begins at 10am. The shuffle runs from 11am to 12 noon and includes a scavenger hunt along the Tuscobia Trail. Registration is \$10 and covers the shuffle and hunt.

For you chili cooks, try out your skills and see if you can make the best chili at the event. Register your chili by 11am. The chili registration fee is \$5. Judging begins at 11:30. Categories include: Traditional,

Spicy, Wild Game, and Most Unusual. Trophies will be awarded to the winners of each category. Following the judging, you will be able to try out the various chili and see which one you think is super. For a mere \$5, you can see if you agree with our judges.

The afternoon will also bring about fun games, like Bingo and Giant Jenga. Raffle baskets will be on display and you may purchase your raffle tickets for a chance to win a basket. Raffle drawings will be near the end of the event. See if you qualify to be Draper's Super Raffle Winner!

Make this year's Super Bowl even more Super by spending Super Bowl Saturday at the Draper Town Hall. Let's make the most of our winter and enjoy a Super Saturday at Cabin Fever Reliever.

If you would like to donate or volunteer, please contact Brenda Adler at 715-266-5779.

29th Annual Candlelight Ski

Cross-country skiing at night by candlelight will be offered for the twenty-ninth year at the Flambeau River State Forest. The event will be held from 6:00-9:00 p.m. on Saturday the 4th of February 2023, at the Flambeau Hills Trail Head.

A 1.8 kilometer loop of trail will be groomed, tracked and lit with candles. The trail is for skiers or hikers and winds through the heart of the forest. The trail is wide enough for diagonal striders and skate skiers. Hiking and snowshoeing are also permitted during this event.

Picnic tables and a large barbecue grill will be available near the trail head for persons who wish to cook their food.

Food and a hot refreshment will be provided. Large warming fires will also be built and maintained throughout the night.

The Forest Staff promotes this as a casual family-type outing and hopes that families and friends come and spend the evening with them. The candles should provide a luminescent atmosphere for all to enjoy.

Starting at 5:00 p.m. that Saturday all day-use fees at the trail head will be waived. The Flambeau Hills Trail Head is located on County Highway "W" 21 miles west of Phillips and 15 miles east of Winter.

Note: This event will take place regardless of snow conditions. If there is no snow, take a candlelight walk.

JULY JUBILEE Committee Meeting Notice

The public is invited to attend the first July Jubilee Committee meeting for the 2023 July Jubilee. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 31st, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. at the Winter Depot. Call the Winter Area Chamber of Commerce if you have any questions at 715-415-1966.

THANK YOU!

By Elna Korinke

Thank you to everyone who braved the roads last Tuesday evening, January 17, to participate in a delicious ham dinner. A special thank you to all who cooked and served the meal. Also thank you to the men and women of the Lutheran churches who did the clean up. You are very much appreciated. Thank you Pastor Terri for the blessing before the meal.

I am proud of our community for working together for these gatherings.

Park Center Welcomes Shane Nelson to First ‘First Thursday’ of 2023



By Paul Mitchell,

Twin Ports-area musician Shane Nelson will kick off the Park Center’s First Thursday concert series for 2023 on Feb. 2.

On the First Thursday of most months, starting at 7:30 p.m., the Park hosts local musicians, giving them a chance to hone their musical skills on the Park stage. There is no admission charge for audience members, and musicians play free of charge.

“They just come to play,” said Ron Hobart, president of the Park board of directors. “It’s a chance for people to come in, experience the theater, and hear some great regional talent.”

Lady Warriors Suffer Back to Back Losses

By Ross Pattermann

Two weeks ago the Lady Warriors were able to escape from Frederic with a narrow victory, and then proceeded to dominate Cornell at home. A week later, and the roles were reversed, as Winter took on the top two teams in the conference. Winter dropped a narrow loss to New Auburn on Tuesday, Jan. 17, and then took a lop-sided defeat at the hands of state ranked Prairie Farm on Friday that moves their record to 5-9 overall and 4-5 in the East Lakeland Conference.

NEW AUBURN, 49-46

The Winter Warriors girls basketball program was eager to make it three straight on Tuesday, Jan. 17, when they walked into New Auburn (12-2; 7-1 ELC) for another East Lakeland contest. A victory here would give them a winning record in league play, and some momentum as they enter the final weeks of their 2022-23 campaign.

The Lady Trojans had no desire to be another notch on Winter’s belt, and the Lady Warriors found themselves in a back and forth game that could have gone either way. Through much of the first and second halves, it was Winter who was dictating the game, and giving the second best team in the conference all that it could handle.

It’s no lie to say that the Lady Warriors have three of the finest players in the East Lakeland, with seniors Kate Pasanen, Hai-

ley Coss and Cassie Bishop routinely putting up big numbers and guiding Winter to victories. And it was no surprise that it was Winter’s Big Three that helped the Lady Warriors to a 21-18 advantage at the break.

But while Bishop, Coss and Pasanen provided the bulk of Winter’s offensive firepower, the rest of the Lady Warriors were as cold as the weather outside, and scored just five of Winter’s 46 points last Tuesday. New Auburn had a more balanced team, and had six different players score.

Winter did not allow a single Lady Trojan to score more than 14 points, but five Trojans had at least six points or more, and their balanced offense kept the home team in the game. New Auburn slowly erased their early deficit and began to take control late in the second half.

The Lady Trojans put on one final charge, and managed to out-score Winter 31-25 in the final frame for the 49-46 victory, snapping Winter’s two game winning streak.

Coss led all players with 19 points. Pasanen finished with 12 points and Bishop also

scored double digits, adding ten points. But again, the story of the game was the rest of Winter could manage only five points, with Ariana Patenaude chipping in with three and Holly Cecil adding two points.

PRAIRIE FARM, 73-25

If Winter was going to have any chance of upsetting last year’s reigning East Lakeland champions on the road they would need to play perfect. Instead, it was the Prairie Farm Panthers who remained perfect, improving to 15-0, and 9-0 in league play, on Friday.

The Lady Panthers are easily the toughest team Winter will face all season. Prairie Farm boasts several next level players, and is currently ranked third in the state in the WIAA D-5 standings. On Friday, they looked every bit the part of a state title contender.

Try as they might, nothing seemed to go Winter’s way on Friday. Shots were blocked, the Lady Warriors turned the ball over, and Prairie Farm’s offense was clicking on all cylinders. Marnie Kahl, an NCAA D-3 commit to St. Norbert, paced the Panthers with a 17 point ef-

fort on 8 of 11 field goal attempts. She was just one of four Panthers to finish in double digits.

Hailey Coss splashed a triple, and a Reiley Kavanaugh three made it 12-6 with 12:20 left in the first, but this was as close as Winter would come to even terms. It was all Prairie Farm from them on as they raced out to a 43-15 advantage at halftime.

Winter’s offense continued to struggle in the second half. Coss hit a shot high off the win-

dow, Cassie Bishop and Kate Pasanen scored a pair of buckets, and Arianna Patenaude scored from the floor and the charity stripe, but the Lady Warriors managed just 10 points in the second half. Complete stats for Winter were not available upon publication.

The Lady Warriors will be looking to put last week behind them, and with nine games left in the regular season, there’s still plenty of time left for Winter to finish with a winning record in 2023.

A View from Maple Ridge



By Ed Peters

The days on Maple Ridge seem to be running together. By now, a month after the winter solstice, we had hoped for some inkling that the days would seem longer, but the cloudy conditions have almost seemed to push back the sunrise and hasten the sunset; because, according to my notes, there have been precious few sightings of the sun this month. But, according to the forecast, we may have a couple more chances to bask in actual sunlight during the coming week.

However, sitting with a warm cup of coffee near the windows overlooking our bird feeders brings fun to every morning. It starts with the trudge through the snow to refill the feeders. As I reach the feeders, I generally hear the “dee-dee” call of the Chickadees from nearby trees. It almost sounds like they are announcing; “seeds, seeds, seeds.” More often than not, several will zoom in before I can get the tube feeder hung up and as I head back to the house a flurry of Chickadees descend. Then come the Hairy Woodpeckers, Downy Woodpeckers, White-breasted Nuthatches; all in their grey, white and black plumage, which seem to match the dominant colors of the season. Only the Blue Jays and occasionally some Evening Grosbeaks lend a very welcome bit of color to the scene.

On the other hand, we do get to observe a lot of interesting interactions around the feeders.

The Chickadees zoom in to pick a single seed from the tube feeder and then fly off to extract the oil rich nutmeat from within. The woodpeckers really enjoy the suet, but they also perch on the tube feeder, pick out a seed and then fly to one of the poles that support the feeder and wedge the seed in a crack in the wood to remove the contents; then they repeat the process over and over again. This activity goes on for most of the day, or at least until the supply of sunflower seeds is depleted. Then, it seems, a Chickadee or two will fly up to a window ledge as if to alert us that they want more seeds; or a Hairy Woodpecker may start pecking away at the log siding on our house.

Over the past week or so we have noticed a lack of small birds around the feeder area; this often coincides with the Presence of a single chunky grey, white and black bird, a Northern Shrike. Shrike are not seed eaters; their hooked, hawk-like beak and swift flight pattern make them excellent predators on grasshoppers (during the summer) and small birds (like Chickadees or finches) during the winter. Therefore, when the Shrike arrives in the area, the Chickadees retreat to the relative safety of the undergrowth or the tree tops, and then they return when the Shrike departs. This “dance” may be repeated multiple times during the day.

I looked to an older book on “Birds of North America” published in 1924 and found an almost poetic description of the Northern Shrike, written by the naturalist Ernest Thompson Seaton; “He is so well known as a bird of hawklike, sanguinary character that most students are astonished when they find out that toward springtime he develops into a vocalist of no mean powers.” The description continues by characterizing the Shrike as a “loquacious songster.” I will leave it to you to open your dictionary (as I had to); to appreciate the meanings of the words, sanguinary and loquacious.

WALDO News



By Carol Aumann

We have a lot going on here at our Community Center and I think (hope) I have figured out a way to simplify it for you. It is a given that we are open Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10 to 3pm. Stop in the coffee is always on. That being said, here goes.....

YOGA

with Brenda Montero

Tuesdays 10-11am, suggested donation \$10.

CHAIR YOGA

with Brenda Montero

5 weeks \$50, single class \$17, Tuesdays from 6:30-8pm. January 31, February 7, 14 and 21.

OPEN BEFORE WINTER HIGH SCHOOL GAMES

3:30-5:30pm

COOKIE CLASSES with Winter Delights Bakery

“Sledding and Cocoa with Friends,” January 25, 6:30-8pm \$40.

“Sweets for the Sweet” January 28, 12:30-2pm. \$40

“Gnome and Only” February 8, 6:30-8pm. \$40

QI GONG

with Brenda Montero

Thursdays 10-11am, suggested donation \$10.

MEDITATION/PRAYER

with Brenda Montero

Saturdays 3pm. Suggested donation \$10

SPAGHETTI FEED

Patti’s on 70 on January 31 from 5-8pm. Adults \$10 Children \$5 All proceeds go to WALDO Community Center.

DOG BEHAVIOR CLASSES

with Claire Anderson

Humans only, at 6pm, free will donation:

February 2: Canine Body Language

February 9: Mental Enrichment

February 16:

Confidence Building for Fearful Dogs

February 23: Surviving Puppyhood and Adolescence

REIKI

with Linda Magnuson

45 min. classes by appointment only, February 6 from 9-12pm, February 15 from 4-7:30pm, February 22 from 4-7:30pm and February 27 from 9-12pm.

JEWELRY CLASSES

with Libby Fandry

February 13, 6pm - \$25.

FOOD PANTRY

February 18, always the 3rd Saturday from 10-12pm.

Again, I will mention that we rely on your donations to keep the Center running for you:

WALDO Community Center

P.O. Box 381

Winter, WI 54896

Senior Citizen Lunch Menu
Winter & Exeland 715-943-2990 Stone Lake 715-865-2025 Hayward 715-634-4680 <i>Alternative meals are available upon request. Please contact site manager at least one day in advance</i> ALL MEALS INCLUDE BREAD AND MILK
Monday, January 30 Sloppy Joe on a bun, hash brown patties, cottage cheese with peaches, broccoli and grapes.
Tuesday, January 31 Breaded pork cutlet, macaroni and cheese, peas, carrots and cherry turnover.
Wednesday, February 1 Chicken tetrazzini, romaine mandarin orange salad, green beans, garlic bread and pumpkin crisp.
Thursday, February 2 Vegetable beef barley soup, sliced turkey and cheese on Croissant square, crackers, apricots and oatmeal raisin cookie.
Friday, February 3 Open face beef sandwich, potatoes and gravy, Monte Carlo vegetables, 3-bean salad, Vienna bread and cook’s choice dessert.



This Northern Shrike paid a visit to Maple Ridge!
-Photo by Ed Peters

COMMUNITY CALENDAR		
THURSDAY, JANUARY 26	Friends of Tuscobia Trail Meeting	Winter Depot 6:30 pm
SATURDAY, JANUARY 28	Winter Huskies Fishfest	Trap ‘N Fish 6am-4pm
TUESDAY, JANUARY 31	July Jubilee Committee Mtg.	Winter Depot 4:00 pm
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3	WALDO Center Spaghetti Feed	Patti’s on 70 5-8 pm
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4	Winter School Appreciation Dinner	School 4-5 pm
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7	Candlelight Ski	Flambeau Hills Trail Head 6-9 pm
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8	Winter Huskies Member’s Meeting	Pat’s Landing, Chief Lake 6:00 pm
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11	Winter Huskies Vintage Run in Remembrance of Dave Keller	Winter Huskies Groomer Shed on Grove St. 9:00 am
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13	Draper Community Club Cabin Fever Reliever	Draper Town Hall 10am-3pm
	Town of Ojibwa Public Test of the Voting Equipment	Town Hall 10:00 am
	Winter Area Lions Club Meeting	Tuscobia Trails ATV Bldg. 5:30 social - 6:00 pm meeting

Northwoods Humane Society News



By Deanna Persson, NHS President

Last week’s article began with a story about Bella, a stray dog that gave birth at our home 26 years ago. It all had a happy ending. This article will start with a story about Gloria, a stray dog that came to the Northwoods Humane Society from the Sawyer County Pound, several months ago. Gloria was an emaciated, pregnant German Sheppard.

Gloria went to a super foster home. Bonnie, the mother and her husband have three children under the age of 10, two dogs and a cat. They have a warm and inviting home and are ‘super fosters’ that embrace animals in need. Each animal that leaves their home has been loved and socialized.

Gloria gave birth to ten puppies in their home and were cared for, along with Gloria until it was time to return to the shelter. All puppies have been adopted. Pre adoptions were done, vet checks accomplished, meet and greets were successful and a week ago all ten puppies went to their new homes spayed or neutered, age appropriate vaccinations, vet checked and fecal checked. Gloria has also found her forever home.

Most of us don’t expect to have a dog that is pregnant but as the saying goes ‘you never know!’

The following was taken from “Dogs for Dummies”.

Most dogs are natural whelpers and may not need help with birthing the puppies. But emergencies can happen. The mama dog gives birth, cleans her puppies and begins feeding them. But what if that doesn’t happen?

Puppies have to be freed from their amniotic sacs within 30 seconds or so and you need to

help them breathe on their own. Clean the fluid from their mouths and noses by supporting their heads and swinging them between you legs – stop sharply to start the breathing. You can also remove the fluid with a bulb syringe. Rub the puppy with a clean towel and put her on a nipple. Above all, keep the puppies warm.

If the mother doesn’t sever the umbilical cord, you may need to do that too: Tie it off an inch from the puppy with a thread soaked in alcohol and then snip with clean scissors. Dab the end with an antibiotic.

Mama dog should take over now.

However if that doesn’t happen, it will be time for an emergency visit to a vet if: She fails to enter labor 24 to 36 hours after her temperature dips to 99 degrees. She’s in labor and more than four hours lapse with no puppy being born, especially if a dark green fluid passes. She seems very uncomfortable and is panting heavily. A puppy may get stuck while being delivered. She has a puppy and 30 minutes pass without another puppy being born yet she’s having strong contractions. If she doesn’t expel an afterbirth, or placenta for each puppy. Retained afterbirths can trigger infections. If in doubt about anything call your vet. She may need more help than you can give, including a cesarean section.

If everything goes well, clean the mother up with Betadine while she cleans up the nest – eating the afterbirths is a normal part of the process.

An important after-birth problem to look out for: If your nursing mom becomes restless, agitated and trembling, call the vet and tell them you are on the way. She may need calcium treatments for a condition called eclampsia.

I have a dear friend who breeds fabulous labs. When it is time for birthing of a litter, she is on it 24/7. No games of scrabble, no glass of wine and no Packer parties. It is all about the dogs.

Winter Pool League

1-18-23		W	L
Patti’s on 70-1		76	32
Trap ‘N’ Fish		71	37
Bottom’s Up-2		65	43
Wannigan-1		60	48
Bucktail Lodge		57	51
Bottom’s Up-1		50	58
Wannigan-2		48	60
The Blind Pig		47	61
Patti’s on 70-2		39	69
North Country		27	81
Individual Standings			
Bob Kulff		29	7
Jeff Kirkland		26	10
Ron Rambo Jr.		26	10
Sonny Altman		25	11
Stosh Vaverka		25	11
Dave Jenkins		24	3
Casey Bartold		23	13
Marty Ewert		23	13
Joe Johnson		22	14
Richard Herbst		21	12
Bev Kulff		20	16
Joe Huth		19	17
Wayne Nelsen		19	17
Roger Schmitt		19	14
Rich Bartold		18	18
Ron Rambo Sr.		17	19
Jesse TenEyck		17	13
John Peterson		16	20
John Minto		16	17
Nancy Carter		15	21
Ryan Wright		15	21
Joe Schnering		12	24
Larry Simpson		11	25
Chuck Solem		11	22
Rick Howard		10	20
Hunter Karaszewski		9	12
Tex Burt		8	28
Alex Gillespie		8	28
Dave Zett		8	28
Patti Helsing		4	32
Andi Helsing		4	5
Laurie Simon		4	2
Bob Manke		3	3
Bill Eck		3	0
Francis Kakazu		3	0
Deven Blair		2	4
Derrik Kriesel		2	4
Keith Decorah		2	1
Tim Hochmuth		1	2
Jody Johnson		0	3
8 Ball Run			
Casey Bartold			

Cub Scout Update



Winter/Radisson Cub Scout Pack #55 had its first meeting of the new year on Monday, January 23rd at the Winter School. Special guest speaker was Mike Mattmiller who is pictured at far right. Mike is the Forest Service Fire Management Officer for the Chequamegon-Nicolet West Zone, and he came to talk to the kids about forest fires and fire management.

Thursday Night Dart League Standings

1/19/2023		W	L
Blind Pig		105	27
Trap ‘N Fish		106	38
Patti’s 1		81	39
BuckTail Bulls		92	52
Rustic 2		49	83
Rustic 1		44	88
Patti’s 2		42	90
Julie’s Trailside		31	77
Bottoms Up		26	82
High Score			
Patti - 151			
Wheenie			
Julie & Lisa - 0			
69			
2 - Lisa, Dave M., Joe H.; 1 - Mike H., Danna, Mike D., John H., Steve			
Hat Trick			
1 - Jaime, Randy, Kris, John H.			
7 Dart Out			
1 - Kris			
9 Dart Out			
1 - Steve			



The Cub Scouts learned about the type of equipment forest fire fighters use in the field and had a chance to try out some of the gear. Thanks to Mike Mattmiller for coming to visit and sharing his knowledge with the students. If your child is interested in joining the scouts, please reach out to Shaun Melarvie at 414-795-6192 for more info!

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Monday, January 30	
Breakfast	Cereal, yogurt, fruit, juice and milk.
Lunch	Tater tot casserole, veggie, fruit and milk.
Tuesday, January 31	
Breakfast	Cook’s choice, fruit, juice and milk.
Lunch	Pigs in a blanket, veggie, fruit and milk.
Wednesday, February 1	
Breakfast	Biscuit and gravy, fruit, juice and milk.
Lunch	Cook’s choice, veggie, fruit and milk.
Thursday, February 2	
Breakfast	Breakfast cake, fruit, juice and milk.
Lunch	Hot ham and cheese, veggie, fruit and milk.
Friday February 3	
Breakfast	Cinnamon roll, string cheese, fruit, juice and milk.
Lunch	Nacho’s, veggie, fruit and milk.

Music by
LASSOS & LACE
Starting at 8:00 pm

WINTER HUSKIES SNOWMOBILE CLUB

2023

FISH FEST

Saturday, January 28, 2023

Join us from Noon - 4 p.m. for Indoor Fun... Raffles, Food and Indoor Radar Run! For Info Call: 715-266-2787

Trap’n Fish Lodge Winter, WI

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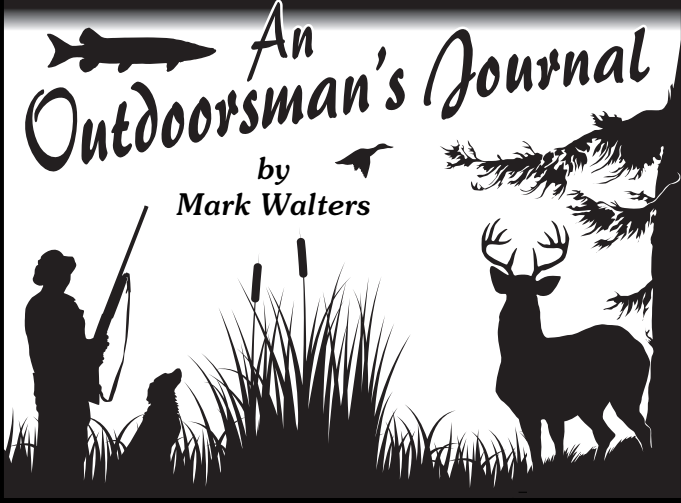
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by **Mark Walters**



My Buddy Rod



Selina Walters, Ruby and Rod Bensley enjoying a pheasant in 2020.

By Mark Walters

Hello friends,

My good friend Rod Bensley of Burnett "Beaver Dam area" told me back in early June of 2021 that he had rectal and prostate cancer and would probably die by September. Rod owned and managed Roosters Run pheasant preserve and did an excellent job of managing it, as well the 212

acres of land that his wife Wendy Vick and him owned.

I decided on the day that I found out about Rod's future that I was going to be the best friend that I could be to him in the last months of life. In July of 2021 Rod gave me his Ravin R 29 crossbow as he was sure that he would not see that falls bow season. In September, Rod was still alive, and I returned

the crossbow and he harvested a buck with it and was told he would "maybe" make it until December. In December I muzzleloader hunted on his property and Rod was still very much alive as I was also there for the first day of the doe season and I watched him shoot two antlerless deer. I left his home with the Ravin 29 as he was sure he would be gone by March. This past August I returned the Ravin as Rod refused to die and was tough as ever and our friendship had really grown to a very mutual admiration.

Long story short, my dear friend Rod Bensley passed away on November 27th and on the last week of Wisconsin's bow season I did a tribute hunt to Rod with his cross bow to Pepin County on the Chippewa River bottoms west of Durand.

THURSDAY,
JANUARY 5TH
HIGH 28, LOW 14

Even though Rod taught me how to shoot the Ravin, I have never shot it by myself, and I have to admit I was scared. Yesterday, I scratched that itch and I shot it better than I do my 22.

Today was very difficult, my plan was to drive to paradise, build camp on the ice, put out tip ups and bow hunt in the afternoon. I drove in a snowstorm and that really sucked. Next, I drove in an area on a hillside where no one had driven yet this winter and got my truck stuck at least 30 times. I put out tip ups and when I checked them, every one of my minnows was dead, a sure sign of oxygen depletion which generally means there will be no living fish in the area.

Quite possibly my largest challenge was that I planned on traveling about a mile with my/Rod's, Ravin and hunting where I knew a humongous buck would give me a great shot. The ice was stupid bad and I wore a life jacket, had ice spikes around my neck, and carried a chisel which hit the ice in front of me with each step. I would have zero phone reception and if my body fell through the ice, it was up to me to pull my body out of the predicament.

I was very proud of myself when I reached my destination which is a long beaver dam separating a flooded forest and a ridgeline and in the fall the beaver dam is a deer highway.

Other than a large amount of coyote and otter sign there were no deer tracks, which is not a good if you are hunting deer. I made an executive decision that I was going to spend the afternoon hiking which was crazy difficult due to terrain that was froze enough to hold a mouse but not me and in some cases not a mouse. Naturally, I was wearing hip boots with trash bags for liners. I had patched the boots the day before and they held up well for this hunt.

By the time I made it back to camp I felt I had traveled 4 miles from the time I left camp

and it was a challenge in deep snow, slush and open water but I was proud that I had tried and determined that the deer had been sucked up by aliens until next September.

I closed out the daylight hours with a bit of tip up fishing and naturally all of my minnows died upon lowering them into the water.

The following day, I knew my situation was not good, but I switched to calling coyote at sun up. My lips got so cold I could not blow into my dying rabbit call and I did not harvest any coyote with Rod's Ravin.

I cleared the slate and headed north of Durand and explored The Lower Chippewa River state natural area and let me tell you this is beautiful country. I had high hopes, it was about 15 degrees as I watched day become night but no deer or coyote were spotted.

I honestly miss my buddy Rod Bensley, his nickname for me was Outdoor Boy and every time he answered the phone that's what he called me!

Sunset

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gional recognition, winning Junior Achievement's Battle of the Bands at the DECC in Duluth, and playing three to four nights a week at venues throughout the Northland.

Crescent Moon was together for more than 10 years, opening for national acts such as Toad the Wet Sprocket, Survivor, Confederate Railroad, and touring throughout the midwest, until the unexpected passing of the band's drummer and Nelson's best friend, Zachary Ross, in the summer of 2022.

Now focused on a solo career, Nelson is captivating audiences with original music and mesmerizing guitar playing. The music that Nelson writes comes from the heart, and he tells stories about real people, experiences, and places that audiences relate to. To listen to Nelson's

lyrics is to know him.

Nelson's songwriting skills have won numerous awards including the Highway 61 Singer Songwriter Contest, Dylan Fest Songwriter Contest two years in a row, Wussow's Singer Songwriter Contest, and several battle of the bands competitions.

In 2019, Nelson was selected out of hundreds of local performers to represent Duluth/Superior in Nashville and play for "American Idol." In 2020 he released his first self-titled album and will be releasing his second album in 2023 titled, "The Music Saved My Life."

Nelson has attended a show at the Park and wanted to perform there since.

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The Postscript Complimenting Strangers...



By Carrie Classon

"I have to say, that is a very nice hat!" I told the man as he passed me on the sidewalk.

The man in the snazzy blue fedora had a serious look on his face, as if he was thinking deeply about something far more important than the indigo-blue hat with the red feather sitting on his head.

But whatever less-than-cheerful thought had been preoccupying him (the gathering clouds? The declining stock market? His expanding waistline?), it was whisked away when I complimented his dapper blue hat, and his face broke into a genuine smile.

I know people who say you shouldn't compliment strangers.

"It is intrusive," they say. "It's fake." "Nobody wants a stranger commenting on their appearance!"

I think this is a load of nonsense.

Everyone likes a compliment. I think it means even more coming from a stranger. I don't interrupt conversations to compliment someone. I don't make things up or compliment something I don't genuinely admire. I don't think anyone has ever looked offended when I told them they looked good or something they were wearing was attractive.

I find myself complimenting strangers several times every day. I try to pay attention when I'm on my walks. I try to savor whatever is interesting or beautiful and, much of the time, this is either dogs (because dogs are always interesting and beautiful), or people. I have also complimented gardens, but the people responsible are rarely around to get these compliments. The nice thing about

complimenting clothing is that the person associated with it is right there, ready to receive the positive feedback.

"Thank you!" the man in the blue hat said.

I'm sure he knew it was a good-looking hat. It was probably an expensive hat; I haven't bought enough hats to know. But it doesn't really matter. Even if someone has paid a lot for something—or perhaps especially if they have—they like to know that it was money well spent, that they look good and that someone has noticed. So, I try to notice.

I've complimented older women on their coats and scarves, young women on the color of their hair (especially if it is blue or green), and tough-looking men on their clever T-shirts. It is always surprising how the people who look the most withdrawn are usually the ones who seem the most pleased. The young man may have forgotten what T-shirt he put on that day, but he's pleased to know it met with an appreciative audience—even if that audience was the slightly odd, cheerful older woman.

"Thanks!" he'll say, looking both a little embarrassed and absurdly pleased.

It doesn't matter if it's odd, I've learned. It doesn't matter where the comment comes from. It really does not matter at all.

We all want to be seen. We want to know that we do not walk invisible in this world. No one wants to feel alone in a crowd. Compliments may seem trivial or superficial, but sometimes they are the easiest way to throw a line to someone and say, "I see you! Seeing you makes me happy." It costs nothing. And I think it can be more important than we will ever know.

The man in the blue hat had a little more bounce in his step as he walked past me. I have no illusions that I changed his day significantly. But that's not my job. My job is to be more like that little bird who sings the same song, day after day, and makes the world just the smallest bit sweeter.

Till next time,
Carrie

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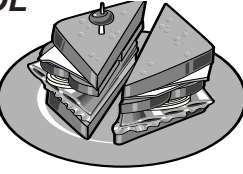
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Stone Lake NEWS



By Christine Maestri
BIRD FEEDERS
I hope you have the joy of feeding the birds. It is so easy this time of year – no bears or other critters to worry about. So what are the joys of bird watching – the beauty of the birds, wondering how DO they survive the cold, so sweet to hear their chirping, and of course, my favorite...about 3 in the af-

ternoon, chair by the window, a glass of wine - watching them fly back and forth, back and forth to the feeder. I am a busy, busy person. Yet this pastime, does pass the time, and I am amazed at how long I am not busy, busy.
I am blessed to have 4 pairs of cardinals, many chickadees, juncos, morning doves and an occasional pileated wood pecker and blue jay. Birds are messy eaters and flick sunflower seeds here and there – the perfect sharing with the squirrels.
This joy is so affordable and so easy to implement, how could one not have a bird feeder? I wonder.
If you get your first bird feeder, remember it takes awhile for the birds to learn that it is there. Be patient, they will find it. And you will feel as blessed as I am!

SLEDS
I don't know why, but I love

pulling a sled. My favorite is having young children in the sled enjoying wintry time. Then of course one looks for a hill,even a small hill works. And down the hill you go. Just flat in your area, a sled ride is still fun.
I like doing errands with a sled as well. A sled is such a nice efficient tool. I am fortunate to live in town so I can walk to the store and bring back my groceries in a sled. And it is so easy to walk my dog and pull the sled at the same time. I just saw my neighbor with her two little girls in the sled, leash in hand with her big Akita dog, and around the block they went. What a wonderful memory for all.
I think that's why “Jingle Bells” is such a favorite, maybe the only carol that people know all the verses to. I'm sure that every time we sing “Jingle Bells”, we can all imagine with the words lilting through the air - how that must feel - how thrilling and how much fun it is. Just so you know, “Jingle Bells” was written by James Lord Pierpoint in 1857 with the original title “The One Horse Open Sleigh”.

POETRY & SONG
I heard this song for the first time at Music Nite last Saturday. I was struck by its beauty and thus am sharing it with you. Yes, Steve Trude and Beth Jandro gave a special magic to it, that touched everyone at the hall. Reading it is good, hearing it sung by clear, gentle voices is better. Wish you had been there.

“Summer's End”

Song by John Prine
Summer's end is around the bend just flying
The swimming suits are on the line just drying
I'll meet you there per our conversation
I hope I didn't ruin your whole vacation
Well you never know how far from home you're feeling
Until you watch the shadows cross the ceiling
Well I don't know but I can see it snowing
In your car the windows are wide open
Come on home
Come on home
No you don't have to be alone
Just come on home
Valentines break hearts and minds at random
That ol' Easter egg ain't got a leg to stand on
Well I can see that you can't win for trying
And New Year's Eve is bound to leave you crying
Come on home
Come on home
No you don't have to be alone
Just come on home
The moon and stars hang out in bars just talking
I still love that picture of us walking
Just like that ol' house we thought was haunted
Summer's end came faster than we wanted
Come on home
Come on home
No you don't have to be alone
Come on home
Come on home
No you don't have to be alone
Just come on home

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"I wonder if the snow loves the trees and fields, that it kisses them so gently? And then it covers them up snug, you know, with a white quilt; and perhaps it says, 'Go to sleep, darlings, till the summer comes again.'" — Lewis Carrol

DATES TO REMEMBER
• Stone Lake Food Shelf - Sat. Jan. 28 - 11-1PM Lions Hall

Northwoods MUSIC SCENE



By Sean Okamoto
Hello music lovers,
We have flown through another month and the live music keeps on coming. Here is what I know this week.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 25TH
Open Mike/The Somewhere Else Bar/7PM/558-7006

FRIDAY JANUARY 27TH
Sean Okamoto/Journeys Bar at Heartwood Resort/7PM/466-6300
Friday in the Gazebo/The Rivers Eatery/4:30PM/798-3123
Big Fish/The Somewhere Else Bar/7PM/558-7006

SATURDAY JANUARY 28TH
Margarittaville/Teds Timberlodge/9PM/595-4424
Sonofmel/Out of the Woods Winery/2PM/699-1709
Crazy Larry/The Caberet/8PM/259-4440

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 1ST
Open Mike/The Somewhere Else Bar/7PM/558-7006

This is all I know right now. Support live music and I'll catchya on the flipside.

Natural Connections: Two Shades of Nuthatch



By Emily Stone
Naturalist/Education Director at the Cable Natural History Museum

Bang bang bang. Rattle. Bang bang bang.
On some mornings, my alarm clock wears a little down jacket, wields a piercing peak, and makes a lot of noise.
That’s the downside of having a bird feeder suction cupped to my bedroom window. The upside, of course, is that I often wake up to the cuteness that is a red-breasted nuthatch.
Like clockwork, a few minutes after sunrise (whether I can see it through the thick, gray clouds or not) small birds start landing with small thuds on my feeder. Soon, the runway becomes as busy as an airport with little wings coming and going. Chickadees gurgle at each other aggressively, and nuthatches add their yank-yank calls and adorable little squeaks to the mix.
Chickadees are my favorite, of course, but the red-breasted nuthatches are a close second. Their size is endearing, I think. Red-breasted nuthatches are almost an inch shorter than chickadees and weigh a gram less. That may not seem like much, but since chickadees measure just 5.25 inches long and weigh only 11 grams, the result feels tiny.
I admire the red-breasted nuthatch’s color scheme, too. The slate gray of their back always looks fashionable, while the rusty orange on their belly feels warm and lovely. Add in the sharp black-and-white stripes on their head, and I give a smitten sigh.

My parents, too, appreciates these little guys. Their well-stocked feeders in northeast Iowa have plenty of cardinals, tufted titmice, and bluebirds all winter, but they almost never see red-breasted nuthatches. They do have plenty of white-breasted nuthatches, another bird who lands with a larger thud on my feeder.
White-breasted nuthatches weigh more than twice their little cousins. More handsome than cute, their black head grading into a gray back and mostly white belly is quite natty.
Beyond size and color, these two cousins have some interesting similarities and differences. They both eat mostly insects in the summer, and feed insects to their chicks as well. Both find those bugs by clinging to tree bark with their super strong feet and long claws, and moving headfirst down the trunk. Their short tail stays out of the way.
This behavior is thought to give nuthatches a different perspective than the woodpeckers and brown creepers who they often feed near. Those birds, who don’t have feet adapted to climbing down, are stuck moving up a tree by using their stiff tails to brace against the trunk. They see food hidden on the underside of bark flakes, while nuthatches see lunch from the top down and extricate it with long, pointy, upturned bills.
Both shades of nuthatch switch to seeds in the winter when insects (thankfully!) decline. Red-breasted nuthatches eat conifer seeds and prefer conifer forests, while white-breasted nuthatches are more often found in deciduous woods and focus on eating the seeds and nuts found there.
Red-breasted nuthatches have another reason to live in the pines. When a pair is readying their nest cavity, they coat the entrance hole with conifer resin—sometimes even using a piece of bark as a tool to help keep their beak clean. Scientists think that this deters predators and competitors, while the homeowners just dive right through without touching the resin.
In a similar bid to deter predators, white-breasted

nuthatches smear their nest entrance with bits of fur, plants, crushed insects, and mud. These materials may work by masking their scent.
So, with habitat preferences ingrained, the range of each nuthatch species overlaps and separates in concert with coniferous and deciduous forests. Red-breasted nuthatches nest across Canada, the northern U.S., and down through the Rocky and Appalachian Mountains. White-breasted nuthatches are common yard birds in both summer and winter throughout most of the United States.
Since these birds are widespread and common, even increasing in recent decades, it’s difficult to detect one of their other habits—about every two years the northernmost individuals head south for the winter and hang out with the nuthatches already in residence there. Their movement is probably necessitated by low seed years in their breeding habitat. This is reported to be one such “irruptive” year. I feel like maybe I’ve noticed more nuthatches at my feeder this winter, but maybe I’m just filling it more consistently?
Whatever the reason, I’m enjoying the abundance of cute alarm clocks at my window
Emily’s award-winning second book, Natural Connections: Dreaming of an Elfin Skimmer, is now available to purchase at www.cablemuseum.org/books and at your local independent bookstore, too.
For more than 50 years, the Cable Natural History Museum has served to connect you to the Northwoods. The Museum is now open with our exciting Growing Up WILD exhibit. Follow us on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and cablemuseum.org to see what we are up to.



Red-breasted nuthatches prefer habitat with conifer trees, and so generally live farther north. They do occasionally head south in search of food, like this one who was photographed in Iowa. Photo by Larry Stone



Check out the long rear toes on this white-breasted nuthatch. They enable nuthatches to climb head-first down tree trunks looking for food. Photo by Larry Stone

Down on the Farm



Our delicious breakfast gift box. Photo by Kara Berlage

When Frozen is Fresher

By Laura Berlage

The phone rings. “Farmstead Creamery, this is Laura,” I answer cheerily. “Do you guys have meat?” comes across the line. It sounds like someone is in their car, as I can hear road noise. “Yes, we do!” and I share the story of our farm and the different types of products that we have. This person wants to know about our farming practices and how the butcher processes the meats, and then they ask, “So, can I get some fresh?” “All the meats come back to us from the butcher frozen,” I explain. The caller immediately loses interest and soon hangs up. Why?

Perhaps folks like this caller are not aware of the bigger picture of meat production and packaging in our country—from the industrial systems down to small producers like us—and how that impacts their food choices. Let’s start with the concept of “fresh” meats. Back in the day, with small-town butchers who slaughtered on premises (a practice that is almost non-existent today), you might have been able to buy meats that came from the steer that was butchered yesterday and enjoy it authentically fresh. But as our food system has become ever-more industrialized, animals are slaughtered often states or countries from where you buy your meat. Sides of beef arrive to the supermarket already frozen then made into cuts or ground. So “fresh” for supermarket meats does not mean never-frozen; it means that you are buying thawed product.

Being able to freeze meats revolutionized our country’s abilities to ship, store, and preserve foods in a safe way, a huge step up from previous industry practices that included lethal chemicals like formaldehyde and borax added to foods to keep them “fresh” longer or hide the fact that they were spoiling. To learn more about this and the man who fought to expose these horrors and regulate food additives, read *The Poison Squad* by Deborah Blum, or watch the PBS American Experience documentary based on the book. And yet, the desire for the convenience of non-frozen meats continues to drive industry to invent new ways to make meats look fresh longer. Part of how we identify the freshness of meats visually is a rich, pink color. But sliced or ground meats change color with exposure to oxygen, turning an unappetizing brown or gray color. To counteract this phenomenon, grocery store protocol now includes injecting gasses into the packaging that prevent color change. These include carbon dioxide, nitrogen (which creates an almost fluorescent look

to the meat and turns into nitrates), and most recently carbon monoxide. Ick! These gas additives extend shelf life for the product, typically 10-14 days. You then buy this product, and it sits in your fridge...how long? All this sitting out of thawed meat is an invitation for bacteria heyday for the aggressive germs present in the horrific factory living conditions of the animals. 99% of America’s meat comes from factory farms, so that grocery store, super-pink meat is undoubtedly from animals raised in confinement. Alternately, you can skip this whole chemical and biological mess by purchasing frozen meats from individual, small producers who work with a local butcher. We deliver our animals to the local slaughterhouse just hours before processing time. Our butcher then processes and packs the meats, freezing it in their locker facility to seal in the freshness and stop any potential bacterial activity. When our order is complete, we pick up the yield from our own animals. This is a process we typically must schedule nearly a year in advance. For the small-scale livestock farmer, offering meats fresh like a grocery store is not practical. The packaging has not been gassed, so the meat will oxidize quickly. And the rotation of having thawed product available for 10-14 days before it needs to be discarded is terribly wasteful. Why not keep it in the freezer, safe from degradation, until you are ready to purchase the exact cut you want? This way, the freshness

has been naturally (rather than artificially) locked in. In essence, frozen is actually fresher. Perhaps the potential client on the phone was looking for the convenience of already thawed meat. Perhaps he was not experienced at successfully or safely thawing meats. So here are four different options: **THAW IN THE FRIDGE:** Plan ahead and move the package from the freezer to the fridge to defrost. Place the cut into a water-tight container to prevent condensation on or leakage from the package. **THAW IN COLD WATER:** In a water-tight container, submerge meat in cold water. The water transfers the temperature difference faster than air. Keeping the water cold helps to keep the meat out of the temperature danger zone while thawing. **THAW IN THE MICROWAVE:** Many modern microwaves now offer a defrost setting. This reduces the strength of the energy being directed at the food, so it thaws the product without cooking it. You may have to pause and flip the meat. **THAW IN THE COOKING PROCESS:** This is especially useful for crock pot dinners. You can add all your ingredients into the pot along with the sill frozen meat. Budget more time when cooking to accommodate the meat thawing. I hope that this week’s story helps to share the real story about “fresh” meat and also helps you feel empowered to make informed choices about how and what you choose to

purchase for your family’s table. Time to thaw some heritage pork sausages for breakfast! See you down on the farm sometime.



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WEATHER

	Hi	Lo
Jan 15	37	27
Jan 16*	36	33
Jan 17*	35	31
Jan 18*	31	28
Jan 19*	32	23
Jan 20	26	20
Jan 21	23	17

**There was .26" of precip on 1/16, .04" of precip and .25" of snow on 1/17, .02" of precip and .25" of snow on 1/18 and .64" of precip and 9.75" of snow on 1/19.

WEEKLY TOTALS:
PRECIP: .95"
SNOW: 10.25"

** Precip (Rain & Snow) includes the daily snowfall accumulation melted then measured as liquid inches of precip. Snowfall daily accumulation is snow depth measured with a ruler and reset daily.

WEEKEND FORECAST FOR WINTER WI.

Cold front coming this weekend, lasting thru mid February. **Friday, January 27th:** 60% chance of snow, about an inch. Cloudy, with a high near 26, low around 2. Breezy, with a south wind up to 30 mph. **Saturday, January 28th:** Mostly cloudy, with a high near 9, low around -8. **Sunday, January 29th:** Mostly cloudy, cold with a high near 4, low around -15.



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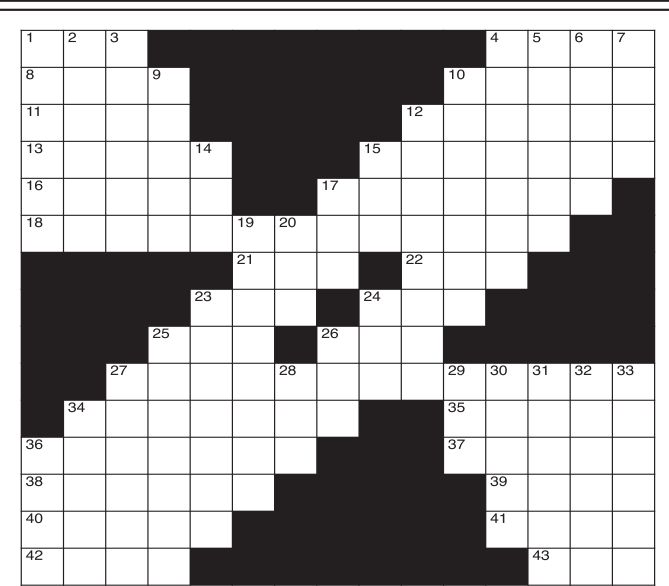
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CROSSWORD PUZZLE



CLUES ACROSS

1. Tax collector

4. Fishes without the line touching water

8. Brooklyn hoopsters

10. Actress Lathan

11. A metric for athletes

12. Food storage location

13. Colossus

15. Desolations

16. Accustom to something unpleasant

17. ___ Kubrick, filmmaker

18. You might ask this at Thanksgiving

21. Arkansas city

22. Gave food to

23. Request
24. V-shaped open trough

25. Make lively

26. It accompanies feather

27. Blonde bombshell

34. One who revolves

35. Bluish greens

36. Charity

37. Having the shape of a cube

38. Unwind

39. Believed by some to be the supreme being

40. Checks or guides

41. Leak slowly through

42. Top-quality

43. Midway between south and southeast

CLUES DOWN

1. Part of your foot

2. It's at the back of the eyeball

3. Where things stand

4. Offered

5. Contains pollen

6. Boisterous get-together

7. Asserts out loud

9. They're in the sky

10. Canonized

12. A politician's official stances

14. It can catch fish

15. British thermal unit

17. Helps little firms

19. Where patients go for treatment
20. Large red deer

23. Pokes holes in

24. "Star Wars" hero Solo

25. One in a hospital

26. Scandinavian god of battle

27. Famous cat

28. ___ Angeles; City of Angels

29. Type of drug (abbr.)

30. City along the Rhine

31. Animal disease

32. Martini ingredients

33. Get away

34. Rare species of rodent

36. Suppress

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did not submit costs or have enough expenses to clear the per capita threshold. Albarado said the municipalities that do not submit paperwork would not be eligible for recovery funds. Albarado told the board that the county has reached out to the tardy municipalities to receive their preliminary numbers.

"These numbers will move, but I don't expect we'll see any recovery until spring, and it's a 70/30 percent recovery," Albarado said, meaning the county will still be responsible for paying thirty percent of the recovery costs.

COURTHOUSE UPDATE

County administrator Albarado gave an update on the progress of the new courthouse, informing the board that \$4.7 million of work was completed with pay orders submitted. There is approximately \$4.1 million remaining, with a few issues related to the costs of furniture and electronic locks, but that everything remains within the budget.

The Owner Contingency fund is currently \$198,131. RFI/Change orders in process will bring the fund to roughly \$190,000. Albarado said construction remains on schedule, with the new courthouse projected to open on March 10.

OTHER BUSINESS

The board approved a resolution to appoint Nicole Ripczynski as the county's emergency management director.

The board made a motion to approve a speed zone extension on County Hwy. CC at the

Chippewa Flowage. The motion adjusts the speed limit from 35 miles an hour down to 25 miles an hour for vehicles operated on County Road CC in Sawyer County, from 745 feet north of the CTH CC South Boat Landing to 75 feet north of Lake Chippewa Campground, a distance of .814 miles. Any person violating any provision of the ordinance may suffer forfeiture of no less than \$30.00 nor more than \$300.00, plus costs, or imprisoned not more than 30 days upon failure to pay such fine or forfeiture and costs.

Construction on the Sawyer County airport runway has been pushed back from the spring of 2023 to the spring of 2024.

Gross timber sales in the county exceeded the county's projected target of \$1.5 million, ending the year at just over \$1.9 million.

A resolution was passed to approve the list of Emergency Fire Wardens in the county. The board passed additional resolutions allowing the county to apply for a Knowles-Nelson Stewardship grant, and the 2023 Sawyer County Forest annual work plan approval, which includes grants that will secure fifty percent of the salary and benefits of Sawyer County forest administrator Greg Peterson.

The county has received \$121,000 in opioid settlement funds thus far. A third WCA opioid summit was held last week, which focused on potential uses for the settlement funds, which will include prevention, harm reduction, treatment and recovery plans.

9:04:28 - A vehicle was reported in the ditch on Rainbow Rd. and Anderson Rd. in Bass Lake Township.

10:04:33 - A welfare check was made on CTH M in Draper Township.

10:19:36 - A DNR complaint was reported on USH 63 and Cook Rd. in Lenroot Township.

10:21:36 - A power line issue was reported on South Reserve Lane.

11:37:08 - A 911 hang-up call was reported at LCO College on Trepania Rd. in Bass Lake Township.

12:40:03 - A vehicle was reported in the ditch on Round Lake School Rd. and School House Circle in Bass Lake Township.

12:40:34 - A property damage accident was reported on Trepania Rd. in Bass Lake Township.

13:04:40 - A 911 hang-up call was reported on CTH B and Tower Rd. in Hayward Township.

13:06:46 - An animal complaint was reported on Bacon Strip and Round Lake School Rd. in Bass Lake Township.

13:14:49 - An unwanted subject was reported on Neezh St. in Hayward Township.

13:25:51 - A citizen requested assistance on Namekagon Lane in Hayward Township.

13:28:33 - A keep the peace request was made on Highline Rd.

14:26:18 - A theft complaint was reported on Crawford St. in the Village of Winter.

15:13:14 - A driving complaint was reported on CTH B.

15:57:35 - A disabled vehicle was reported on Mosquito Brook Rd. in Hayward Township.

18:29:40 - A disabled vehicle was reported on CTH E and Gurno Lake Rd. in Bass Lake Township.

19:56:56 - A suspicious vehicle was reported on Bumblebee Rd. in Winter Township.

21:46:20 - A road hazard complaint was reported on CTH E and Thoroughfare Rd. in Sand Lake Township.

22:51:04 - A driving complaint was reported on STH 77 in Hayward Township.

23:28:49 - A threat complaint was reported on Clover Rd. in Draper Township.

Friday, December 23

0:53:11 - An alarm was reported on Chippewa Flowage Rd. in Hunter Township.

3:08:54 - A power line issue was reported in New Post.

3:27:41 - A power line issue was reported on Warner Dr. in Hunter Township.

4:28:19 - A citizen requested assistance in New Post.

6:03:18 - A disabled vehicle was reported on Pinecrest Lane

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Winter School District Bd. Proceedings

The monthly meeting of the Winter School District Board of Education was held on Monday, December 19, 2022.

MINUTES

Roll call by Brad: Board members Present: Brad, Armstrong, Winiarczyk, Bodo, and Fuhrman. Absent: President Kinsley and Vice President Heath.

Chairperson nomination: Fuhrman nominated Winiarczyk as chairperson. Second by Bodo. Nomination passed unanimously. 5-0.

Call to order and roll call: The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Winiarczyk at 7:00 p.m.

Members in the audience: 3

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge was recited.

Certification of agenda posting and approval of agenda: Motion by Fuhrman to add Bus Safety as action item #14. Second by Armstrong. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Armstrong to accept revised agenda. Second by Fuhrman. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of previous meeting minutes: Fuhrman moved to approve November 28, 2022 board meeting minutes. Second by Bodo. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

Audience recognition: None.

Executive session: Motion by Fuhrman to table closed session to January's meeting due to lack of board member attendance. Second by Armstrong. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

Communications: None.

Administrative reports:

Principal Report: Lindquist expressed her thanks to staff for assisting with the opening up of a warming shelter over the past week. She also wanted to express her appreciation to the many volunteers, families and community members who donated their time and food. It was an amazing outpouring of genuine kindness. Attendance: Elementary 93.30 percent, Middle School 92.23 percent and High School was at 91.97 percent.

Time-Keeping Update: A work in progress. There has been a slowdown due to waiting for Skyward to provide codes.

Evaluation System: The second round of observations have

been completed. Community and Staff Outreach: The community outreach team meeting was rescheduled due to weather issues. A tentative meeting is scheduled on December 19. Accountability: Continuing to work on discipline data tracking. Some areas of concern were found and strategies are being developed to address them. The annual report to the office of school safety will be complete before the due date, January 1.

Athletics Update from Mr. Delabar (as of December 14) Girls and boys varsity basketball are in full swing. Girls are hurting with some injuries but still fighting and staying in games early in the season. When they are back to full strength, they will be more competitive. There will likely be two separate 1,000-point scorers on this team, along with a 500-rebound player. All 3 are seniors. Boys have transformed their playing style to an up-tempo, high-scoring, aggressive style of play. They are fun to watch and have some new-found talent on the floor. Middle school boys wrapped up their season on Tuesday against LCO with Parent's night in between games. They ended with a very strong record on the 8th-grade side. Two new tournaments have been added later in the year to get the boys as much competitive gym time as possible to be ready for next year. Middle school girls will start on Monday. Shawna White has been planning and preparing for the season for months now and is very excited to get started with the girls. Currently, 4th and 5th-grade girls are not allowed to participate in middle school ball. If numbers are low, this idea may be revisited, but numbers should not be an issue. Discipline Update (As of December 12).

Elementary: 10 (bus, disrespectful behavior, fighting) Middle School: 5 (minor) High School: 6 (disrespectful behavior) 10 less than last month at this time. Scheduling for Next Year A survey went out to staff for willingness to try a trimester schedule for 23/24.

District Administrator Report: Finance: In reviewing E-Rate funding over the last two years, the district received E-Rate money in the amount of \$75,000 two years ago and \$52,000 last year to reimburse for the new network and new chromebooks. We are working with CESA 12 to anticipate another \$39,000 this year for the last round of chromebooks. All of this money over the last two years went into fund 10. The referendum account is closed. We never did tap into the \$25,000 that the board allotted for bleachers. With e-rate money, the district is still on the plus side of the referendum.

Communication/Community Outreach: The community outreach meeting was canceled due to school closure and will be rescheduled after break. In collaboration with the county and state, the building was opened for a warming shelter. The Queen of Angels residents were housed through the weekend. Grimm gave thanks to Jennifer Wergeland, Kelli Loser, Julie Ray, Jeff Suralski, Stephanie Schick, Tom Lardinois, Tony Casello, Patti Conley, Stephanie Steinborn, Dee Schleusner and the countless other volunteers that helped or donated food. Grimm will be working with WASB on a proposal to assist the district in implementing a strategic plan. Goals update: Working to increase proficiency scores by 5 percent. There has been a small percentage increase of just under 2 percent. A few areas of improvement have been identified and the district is in communication with the company, I-Ready, to pilot their reading program next semester. Communication has improved between the school and parents. We are working to improve our connection with the community as a whole, which is the purpose of the community outreach committee.

Transportation Report: The district is in need of purchasing a replacement sand spreader. The new bus is on its way. A sight inspection will be conducted on January 12. There are some concerns with the building's current generator. It will run the boilers and pumps, emergency lights, and kitchen equipment but it is unable to run the air handler units. Discussion was had.

Action Items:

2023 School Board Annual Agenda Planner - Bodo moved to approve. Second by Armstrong. Motion carried 5-0.

WASB Strategic Plan: Tabled to January 9, 2023 Committee of the Whole Meeting.

Early Graduation Request: Table for January Meeting.

Full Time Substitute - Discussion. Table for January Meeting.

Retirement: Fuhrman moved to accept the retirement request from Randi Bodo, high school secretary, effective June 30, 2023. Second by Brad. Roll Call: Bodo-abstain, Fuhrman-yes, Winiarczyk-yes, Brad-yes, Armstrong-yes. Motion carried. 4-1 abstain.

Employment: Brad moved to hire Jennifer Marten, high school secretary, to begin employment January 3, 2023. Second by Bodo. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

Armstrong moved to hire Lisa Humbertson, paraprofessional, to begin employment January 3, 2023. Second Fuhrman. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

Computer Laptops Purchase Request: Fuhrman moved to approve the quote from company CDW-G, quote #NCKG205 for the amount of \$19,000. Second by Brad. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

CESA 10 Contract for Camera and Door Security RFP: Motion by Bodo to approve CESA 10 RFP for the hourly rate of \$112 plus time and material to seek bids for cameras and door security. Second by Fuhrman. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

Copier Lease Proposal: Fuhrman moved to approve the 63 month lease contract from Integrated Office Solutions to lease 2 Toshiba-E-Studio 7516ACT copiers, 1 Toshiba-E-Studio 7516AC and 3 Lexmark printers for the amount of \$717.15 per month. Second by Armstrong. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

Early College Credit Course Request: Fuhrman moved to approve the early college credit course request, Sociology 101 at UW Barron County. Second by Brad. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

2023-2024 School Year Calendar: Be it resolved that the Winter School District will start school prior to the state statute September 1st. The district would start its first day of academics for students on August 24, 2023. Armstrong moved to approve. Second by Fuhrman. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

Employee Job Descriptions: Fuhrman moved to approve the employee job description handbook as presented. Second by Brad. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

Bus Safety: Discussion was had.

Financial Report and Bills Payable: Motion by Brad to approve vouchers 121211-121291 and wires 202200095-148 for a total aggregated amount of \$536,893.33. Second by Fuhrman. All in favor. Motion carried. 5-0.

Suggested items for January 2023: Full-time substitute teacher, early graduation request, bus safety, staffing, dean position, and camera and entry door security.

Adjournment: Motion by Fuhrman to adjourn at 9:04 p.m. Second by Armstrong. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted:
Ruth Brad, Clerk
Mike Kinsley, President
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SAWYER COUNTY

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D/D: 07/18/2022

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Yesteryears... Memories From The Bygone Days

January 14, 1998

At 5:20 p.m. on Monday, January 12th, the Winter Fire Department received a call that a mobile home at the Norwood Trailer Court in the Village of Winter was on fire. The residence of Larry and Laurie Hunt and family was gutted by a fire and is a total loss. The family was home at the time of the fire and left the home when they discovered smoke coming from the furnace/utility room.

Bob and Barb Thidemann of Thorp, WI are proud to announce the birth of their son,

Ryan Robert. Ryan was born at Sacred Heart Hospital in Eau Claire at 10:05 a.m. on December 23, 1997. He weighed 7# 7 oz. and was 19 inches long.

Ryan's grandparents are Dick and Lanice Fuhrman and Harold and Jean Thidemann of Winter.

The second annual Island Lake Ice Bowl was held on January 1, 1998. Tee time started officially at 1 p.m.

With gorgeous weather and "practiced" golfers, the outing proceeded from Linnie' Lodge on the lake. Golfers then com-

pleted 9 holes of golf on the ice. Contestants included Dan Hoesly, Mark Hoesly, Marcus Torgerson, Bill and Sherry, Tom Torgerson, Darlene and Wally Steinke, Amy, Steve Hoesly, Tami Hoesly, Tod Torgerson, Dan, Donna and Roger Rivers, Josh R., Mary D., Sean G., Colleen B. and Steve and Lynn Scala.

The winners of the Island Lake Ice Bowl were:

Tod Torgerson - 1st Place with a score of 42

Tom Torgerson - 2nd Place with a score of 57 tied with Steve Hoesly also with a score of 57

These golfers put their golf skills to use to usher in the New Year and celebrate the nice winter. Happy 1998!

February 8, 1973

The Head of the Planning Function of the Wisconsin Department of Local Affairs and Development, or his agent, will hold a public hearing in the Winter Town Hall of the unincorporated community of Winter, Sawyer County, Wisconsin, on Tuesday, February 13, 1973, at 9:00 a.m. to provide an opportunity for all interested persons to be heard concerning the proposed incorporation of the Village of Winter.

Mrs. Jeannette Squires and son, Bruce and Floyd Squires were Sunday guests at the John Jespersion home.

Miss Gayle Denenny brought her grandmother, Mrs. Alex Dantzman for a visit Sunday at the Darwin Denenny home. Mrs. C.C. Denenny was also present and Mrs. Phyllis Bucek.

A special town meeting of the

Town of Winter was held on Thursday, February 1st, at 3:00 p.m. at the Winter Town Hall for the purpose of giving the Winter Town Board the authority to advertise for sealed bids for the sale of Town owned property on the shores of Lake Winter.

A snowmobile birthday party was held on the dyke on Saturday evening for Larry Roberts, Nina and Pete Clements.

Airman Victor A. Jarosz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Jarosz of Ojibwa, has graduated at Sheppard AFB, Texas, from the U.S. Air Force air cargo specialist course conducted by the Air Training Command.

February 5, 1948

Appraisal is learned that Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Hopkins of Ojibwa, have received word that body of their son, Pfc. Dallas H. Hopkins, who made the Supreme Sacrifice while serving with Army in France during World War II, will be received this week permitting that permanent burial ceremonies may be conducted this coming Sunday afternoon at the village hall at Exeland at two o'clock. Arrangements have been made thru which Rev. Harvey Anderson, Methodist pastor at that neighboring place will officiate at the services to be conducted and military rites thru preparations which have been accomplished by Mark Harris Post No. 425 of the American Legion with support in that regard being given by county organization and posts.

Thomas O. Veness, Charles L. Cole and Wayne B. Solberg, all of Exeland, have enlisted in the Army air corps and left the recruiting station at Eau Claire, where they enrolled, on the "400" Monday for Fort Sheridan.

Dale Stanhope, Jr., who had been in the Navy for about three and one-half years and recently had been with the fleet forces in Florida and other atlantic stations came with his complete discharge from the branch of the service.

Walter Wiley came home since the first of the week from Madison where he is enrolled as a student at the state university and has since been visiting a few days with his parents, also other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Doyle of Milwaukee spent several days with Mrs. J. Neubauer at Oxbo this week.

Dick Harz moved his ice machine to Island Lake on Tuesday to cut ice for Wilderness Resort.

There are some interesting figures concerning Sawyer County and various portions of same which are made available in a most recently issued book

compiled by the Wisconsin crop reporting service of the U.S. and Wisconsin Departments of Agriculture - facts that all citizens as well as other people will wish to learn. Pointed out is the distinction that Sawyer County ranks fifth in size among counties of the state - being exceeded only (in order) by Marathon, Bayfield, Marinette and Douglas counties. The actual land area is 838,405.99 acres. This does not include at least 52,000 acres in surveyed lakes so that the total area within the county boundaries is about 890,500 acres. Further, as to the large expanse within this territory, a fair percentage roundabout as well as elsewhere knows that the Town of Winter has the distinction of being the largest civil town municipality in Wisconsin. Statistics in that regard are given within a chapter concerning relative sizes in the mentioned data, it being pointed out that our local township unit encompasses 180,951.19 acres.

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Becky's Books



By Becky Moe

Here is this week's review...

FAIRY TALE
BY STEPHEN KING

Fairy Tale indeed. A story of magic and wonder awaits anyone who opens this six-hundred-page book! Summon all the fables and myths you've ever heard or read throughout your life, and you will get an idea of what this new Stephen King adventure offers.

Meet Charlie Reade, the narrator of this story, now in his late twenties, telling the unbelievable events of when he was seventeen. Living in Sentry, Illinois with his widowed, recovered alcoholic father, Charlie comes to the rescue of Howard Bowditch, an elderly grump in the neighborhood who has fallen on his back porch and broken a leg. Charlie winds up becoming Mr. Bowditch's caretaker, along with his old dog Radar. Radar becomes almost as much of a character in this book as Charlie.

One day Charlie and Radar hear an alarming scrabbling sound coming from the shed in Bowditch's backyard. Bowditch takes care of it by locking himself in the shed with whatever is in there and shooting it. This is a foreshadowing of the marvels and horrors to come. After

Mr. Bowditch dies, Charlie becomes heir to his property and a bucket full of gold nuggets that Charlie finds in the house. A box of cassettes Mr. Bowditch leaves for Charlie explain what awaits in the shed and beyond.

Inside the shed is a nightmarishly mammoth (now dead) cockroach and a hole in the ground with steps that lead down. Wayyyy down. Charlie learns from the cassettes that this is a "well to the worlds". Charlie decides to travel there with Radar because of the promise of a magic sundial that could turn back time for the beloved yet ailing dog. There is also supposedly more gold which will help Charlie pay taxes on the Bowditch property - this is important because Charlie knows instinctively that this other parallel world cannot be discovered by our world. And also, because Charlie is seventeen.

In this other world called the land of Empis, Charlie finds a city of magic called Lilimar operating under a curse. People who live there are suffering under some sort of sickness or disease called the Gray. Charlie encounters giant bats, big-hearted faceless people, telepathic crickets, mermaids, evil giants, talking horses, princesses, and demons. Charlie finds himself transforming into the prince that the people of this land need to rescue them from the curse; he has just enough darkness in him (along with lightness) to build up the courage he needs to defeat the otherworldly adversaries he meets in the land of Empis. Charlie experiences the perils and stunners of a lifetime, or many lifetimes.

King's novel pulls from and alludes to the likes of Alice in Wonderland, Jack and the Beanstalk, Rapunzel, Three Little Pigs, Hansel and Gretel, Rumpelstiltskin. The delight in these tales of yore and the horror found especially in older versions come to play throughout Charlie's adventures in Empis. King writes with his usual accessible style while taking the reader on a fantastical literary ride through a supernaturally delightful journey. I recommend snuggling in with this tome, which is perfect for the deep, dark days of winter (or anytime)!

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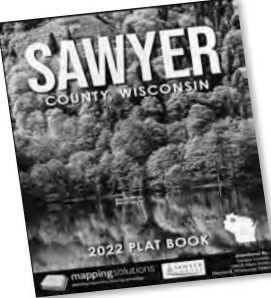
On the morning of January 16, 2023, Carl Richard Carlson, known to most as Richard or “Rich,” passed away at home under the care of his loving family in Shawano, WI. Originally from Winter, WI, Richard lived a long and very eventful life and loved to tell his many stories from years past to anyone who would listen. He loved his family; his children and grandchildren fondly remember sitting and listening to him sing Swedish folk songs. He worked as a logger for most of his adult life from the Oregon timberland to the Menominee Reservation in Wisconsin. He retired at the age of 75 but not before passing his knowledge of the trade down to his son, and later his grandson. In his retirement, he turned to wood carving, having made dozens of animals, cars and trucks, and pieces of logging equipment. Richard was one of Jehovah’s Witnesses, being baptized in 1951 and taught his family and others about his faith. He was faithful up until the very end of his life and was confident in the resurrection and everlasting life in a perfect world, Acts 24:15. Richard loved to tell others, “I made it to 90 years old, had two good wives, and raised four good kids” who were with him until his final moments.

He is survived by his brother, Jack (Karen) Carlson; his second wife, Karen Irene Jeske Carlson; his four children, Edye (Greg) Maske, Theresa (Keith) Christensen, Jodi (Bill) Harris and Jamie (Charity) Carlson; three grandchildren, Morgan (Brady) Hanson, Sawyer Maske and Taylor (Jasmine) Maske; stepdaughter Becky (Dan) Carpenter; two step-grandchildren, Bruce Sadler and Jesse Sadler; and three step-great-grandchildren, Draven Sadler, Seth Tupper and Autumn Tupper.

Richard was preceded in death by his parents, Gustaf Herman Richard Carlson and Lilly Louisa Augusta Laefgren Perry; three siblings, Oscar Carlson, Dale (Shirley) Carlson and Virginia (Bill) David; and his first wife and mother to his children, Lois Elaine Bishop Carlson.

There will be a memorial service held at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah’s Witnesses at N4764 Willow Lane, Shawano, WI 54166 on Saturday, January 28, 2023, at 4:00 pm with visitation at 3:00 pm.

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in Bass Lake Township.
7:19:26 - A welfare check was made on Conger Rd. in Hayward Township.
8:38:14 - A road hazard complaint was reported on Williams Rd. and Old 27 Rd. in Bass Lake Township.
10:05:39 - An animal complaint was reported on STH 27/77 in Hayward Township.
10:11:31 - A disabled vehicle

was reported on Barker Lake Rd. and CTH B in Winter Township.
12:13:37 - A citizen requested assistance on STH 77 and Olson Rd. in Lenroot Township.
12:15:21 - An alarm was reported on Summers Point Lane in Hunter Township.
12:43:56 - A disturbance was reported on CTH A in Round Lake Township.
13:15:03 - A disabled vehicle

was reported on CTH B and Round Lake School Rd. in Hayward Township.
14:46:58 - A disturbance was reported at the Hayward Hospital on STH 77 in Hayward Township.
14:48:37 - A disabled vehicle was reported on CTH B and CTH K in Hayward Township.
17:02:10 - An alarm was reported on Moreland Rd. in Hayward Township.
17:06:33 - A 911 hang-up call

was reported on CTH K in Bass Lake Township.
18:32:53 - A harassment complaint was reported on Main St. in the Village of Winter.
19:14:02 - A 911 hang-up call was reported on CTH CC.
19:17:01 - A pornography complaint was reported on STH 27/70.
19:19:17 - A road hazard complaint was reported on CTH W and Everson Rd. in Winter Township.
20:11:45 - A juvenile alcohol complaint was reported at the Stone Lake Pub in Sand Lake Township.
20:31:31 - A property damage accident was reported on CTH B and Round Lake School Rd. in Hayward Township.
20:55:16 - A disabled vehicle was reported on CTH F ½ mile north of STH 48 in Edgewater Township.
23:49:05 - A disabled vehicle was reported on USH 63.
23:56:16 - A fire request was made on USH 63 in Hayward Township.

Saturday, December 24
0:00:45 - A disabled vehicle was reported on STH 77 and O'Brien Hill Rd. in Hayward Township.
7:18:02 - A disabled vehicle was reported on CTH C in Meteor Township.
13:41:16 - An injury accident was reported on STH 27 and Stephanie Lane in Hayward Township.
14:09:24 - A 911 hang-up call was reported on STH 27/77 in Hayward Township.
16:12:19 - A road hazard complaint was reported on STH 27 in Sand Lake Township.
16:26:28 - An unwanted subject was reported at the LCO Casino on CTH B in Hayward Township.
16:31:22 - A 911 hang-up call was reported on Hoffman Rd. in Weirgor Township.
16:51:51 - A vehicle was reported in the ditch on CTH E and Victory Heights Circle in Sand Lake Township.
17:05:34 - A property damage accident was reported on Polish Rd. and Berhausen Rd. in Radisson Township.
18:37:39 - A property damage accident was reported on CTH E and CTH K in Bass Lake Township.
20:09:43 - A 911 hang-up call was reported on Veness Lane in Meteor Township.
21:07:40 - A 911 hang-up call was reported on STH 77 in Hayward Township.

Sunday, December 25
0:59:58 - A disabled vehicle was reported on STH 40 and Blomberg Rd. in Weirgor Township.
1:42:29 - A disabled vehicle was reported on Highland Dr. and Church St. in the Village of Radisson.
2:44:02 - A civil matter was reported on CTH E in Bass Lake Township.
2:51:21 - A disturbance was reported on Nor Wis Rd. in Bass Lake Township.
3:44:09 - An unwanted subject was reported on Gurno Lake Rd. in Bass Lake Township.
7:18:40 - A fire request was made on Wilkie Rd. in Bass Lake Township.
8:55:23 - A welfare check was made on CTH B.
10:57:35 - A disabled vehicle was reported on STH 27 and

Rainbow Rd. in Bass Lake Township.
13:29:38 - A suspicious person/circumstance was reported on CTH E in Bass Lake Township.
14:21:13 - A welfare check was made on Bacon Square in Hayward Township.
15:16:10 - A theft complaint was reported on Gurno Lake Rd. in Bass Lake Township.
15:39:03 - A 911 hang-up call was reported on STH 27 in Bass Lake Township.
16:05:13 - A 911 hang-up call was reported on Blossom Rd. in Edgewater Township.
16:30:12 - A motorist requested assistance at the CTH CC north boat landing.
17:27:15 - A disabled vehicle was reported on STH 27/70 and CTH CC in the Village of Couderay.

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This past weekend our youth program hosted the tournament at home. It was a great turnout and wanted to thank all the parents and community that showed up to support our youth boys and girls team. We also wanted to give a huge shoutout to all the middle school and high school athletes and their coaches for all the hard work helping run the tournament!



The girl's played hard and went undefeated in the tournament beating LCO 36-6, Flambeau 20-8 and Bruce 26-12! The boys have made huge improvements and have been scoring a lot more points. They lost both games but once again are learning so much and giving 100% effort. This next Saturday we will be in Flambeau so come on out and show your support for our future athletes! -Coach Brandon Heath

Warriors Swept by East Lakeland Rivals

Winter falls to Trojans & Panthers

By Ross Pattermann

Not too long ago, the Winter Warriors boys basketball team picked up its fifth victory of the season. This was significant because it surpassed last year's win total. But if the Warriors are to have a winning season, they'll need to play a better brand of basketball than last week, which saw them lose double-digit road games to New Auburn and Prairie Farm as they fell to 5-8 overall and 3-6 in league play.

NEW AUBURN, 60-45
The Warriors were hoping to start a new win streak on Tuesday, Jan. 17, when they travelled to New Auburn to take on the Trojans for the first time this season. On paper, the Warriors should have been the favorites, with the Trojans coming into the East Lakeland contest with a 3-6 record. Meanwhile, Winter was coming off its best win of the season, a 85-63 shellacking of Cornell.

Unfortunately for Winter, the game did not go according to plan, and much of the fault lies with the Warriors and their inability to execute their offense and defense. The Warriors turned the ball over more times than they shot it through the first five minutes, and found themselves playing catch up for much of the night.

"It was a rough and tough week for the Warrior boys," head coach Josh Hautamaki said. "Our fast and furious/space and pace game only works when we are firing on all cylinders. Last week we did not have that as a team."

The first half was hotly contested by both teams. An early Gunnar Greuel three gave Winter its first lead at 6-5, but the Warriors could not stop New Auburn's 6'4" wing Justin Meland, who scored a game high 26 points.

Greuel and Carter Roberts kept things close with threes or put-backs. An Albert Blair triple late in the first half gave Winter a 24-23 advantage, but it was short lived as the Trojans took advantage of Winter's turnovers for a 29-27 lead at the break.

The second half got off to an awful start for Winter. The Trojans effectively smothered Blair, limiting Winter's second leading scorer to a season low three points. Winter settled for threes, but could only connect on 6 of 34 three point attempts, and their offense failed to click. The Warriors converted just 17 of 68 field goals, and despite finishing with 14 steals, they had 17 turnovers and 19 fouls.

"There seemed to be a lack of hustle from most players," Hautamaki declared. "We did have players sick, but no excuses because we have a great team to take their places. But they seemed to be in a funk energy-wise."

The Trojans brought enough energy for both teams, and opened with a 13-4 run in the

final frame. Winter pulled to within five at 42-36, but from there it was all New Auburn. Brayden Lotts added 16 points and Andre Gotham had ten as New Auburn outscored the Warriors 31-18 in the second half for a 60-45 victory.

Greuel led Winter with 16 points and 19 rebounds. Carter Roberts finished with eight points, Bednorski added six points and Carter Petit and Jared Melton finished with four points apiece. Blair had three, and Jacob Rudnicki and Sawyer Melchert scored two apiece.

PRAIRIE FARM, 95-47
There's no other way to say it. Winter received a good, old fashioned butt-kicking on Friday, Jan. 20, courtesy of the Prairie Farm Panthers. It didn't help that Winter was unable to play Mercer the night before, and that might have something to do with Winter giving up a season high 95 points to potential league champion Prairie Farm on the road.

Nevertheless, the Warriors did themselves no favors, turning the ball over thirty times. This would have been fine if the shots were falling, but Winter finished a meager 3 of 20 on three point attempts, and 17 of 52 overall.

Prairie Farm took advantage of Winter's turnovers and hit from nearly every corner of the court as they took a 16-0 lead. Nobody did more damage to Winter's upset hopes than Elec Klefstad.

Klefstad came into the contest as one of the East Lakeland's leading scorers, and he showcased his offensive wizardry early, dropping threes and mid-range shots left and right. Klefstad's career high was 34, and he nearly matched that in the first half, pumping in 32 points to give the Panthers a 55-17 advantage after one half of play.

The hits kept coming in the second half, and Klefstad was the driving force behind the Panther's offense, scoring a new career high of 43 on Winter. Gunnar Greuel and Carter Petit were able to hit some tough shots, or battle for rebounds and putbacks, and Winter scored 30 points in the second half, but it was not nearly enough to overcome the first half deficit.

Greuel finished with another big stat line of 23 points and 24 rebounds. Carter Petit finished with a respectable 13 points, seven rebounds and four assists. Albert Blair had just five points, and Jacob Rudnick and Carter Roberts added three apiece.

Hautamaki said the boys were disappointed with last week, but said the Warriors are ready to put last week behind them and focus on the future.

"We are focused on the next game, and one game at a time to get these boys back to getting dubs and playing at the level we know they can play at."



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