

# Political activism 'off the charts' in Ozaukee County

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### Gorillas are family for this Dian Fossey

Playing the part of Dian Fossey, the famous primatologist who studied gorillas in Rwanda, 10-year-old Hadley Granrath kept an eye on her brothers Dane, Hudson and Miller during the Huntin' for Pumpkins event in Port Washington's Upper Lake Park on Oct. 25. The children's mother, Danielle Granrath, said Hadley wanted to be Jane Goodall for Halloween but her brothers weren't thrilled about dressing as the chimpanzees Goodall studied. *Photo by Sam Arendt*



### Sprinting to state

Port boys' cross country team wins sectional title on home course.

Sports



### The parks of Port are her gardens

Retired teacher Yvonne Klotz has found her dream job in retirement caring for the beautiful places in the city she calls home.

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## Letters to the Editor

### Trust Stroebel to help families meet the rising cost of living

To Ozaukee Press:

Many of us are finding it tough to balance our budgets when the essentials cost so much. When families are struggling under inflation, government needs to give us some relief to ease this burden.

Duey Stroebel is the candidate the 8th Senate District can trust to deliver this relief for middle class families. He has fought for Wisconsin families by supporting significant middle class tax cuts to help put more money in our pockets to help with the rising cost of living.

Stroebel has also worked to provide our seniors with a tax free retirement and expand the child and dependent care tax credit to help young families deal with the rising costs of child care. On top of that, Stroebel has also fought against Madison special interest groups to block legislation that would significantly jack up the price of our electric bills.

**Tony "Dukes" Duckert**  
Cedarburg

### Sinykin better reflects values in new Senate voting district

To Ozaukee Press:

While little kids raised money with lemonade stands to save Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve, Duey Stroebel did nothing in the Senate to release the \$2.3-million DNR-approved funding after one anonymous Republican voted to deny it.

Saved by Gov. Evers, the preserve will add to the local economy through visitors and enrich the regional quality of life. Developer Stroebel wanted houses there.

Manufacturing business owner Jody Habush Sinykin is running against Stroebel. She's also an environmental lawyer whose passion is protecting precious natural resources.

Stroebel's record on funding for public school education is abysmal. He has been the biggest proponent of the voucher program sucking funding from public schools. He has sadly defunded the UW System and K-12 education, forcing schools to go to referendums like ours on the back of the ballot in Mequon.

Stroebel forces others to live by his religious belief in right to life through his legislative votes. Unopposed in elections, he has imposed extreme views on his constituents for several years. Sinykin better reflects the people's values in the new and more competitive district.

**Larry Sanders**  
Mequon

### Voters need to 'read between the lies' in candidate's flyer

To Ozaukee Press:

If you found a Duey Stroebel flyer at your door, you need to read between the lies.

The flyer says, "Giving Our Children the Best" and then touts "choice." In my school district, we're already giving our children the best public education in the state despite efforts by Duey's party to cut funding. "Choice" is Republican code for vouchers that prop up private "academies," which have a terrible record for financial failure, don't hire qualified teachers, and rely on canned curriculums. (Because they're for profit, not for education.)

Flyers like Duey's soft-peddle lies and depend on readers to never fact-check. Jodi Habush Sinykin brings to the table real solutions, support for schools, protection for retirement savings, conservation initiatives and respect for the rights of women to control their own health and bodies. The clear choice is Jodi.

**Howard Schlei**  
Thiensville



**Duey Stroebel**

**Jodi Habush Sinykin**

**Dana Glasstein**

**Paul Melotik**



**Glen Grothman**

**John Zarbano**

**Jack Holzman**

**Robert Brooks**

### Stroebel's real estate expertise aided state housing legislation

To Ozaukee Press:

As election day approaches, you will hear many politicians talk about the housing crisis. Unlike a lot of those politicians, Sen. Duey Stroebel has actually done something to help address it. With over 30 years in the real estate industry at his disposal, Stroebel worked across the aisle to help pass a package of housing reforms this past session that were signed into law by Gov. Evers.

These reforms used one-time money to set up a series of revolving loan programs that will increase supply and drive down costs for home buyers. These common sense solutions will go a long way in providing many young families with a sense of hope as they look to live out their American dream.

**Alexander Lemke**  
Thiensville

### Don't overfeed 'sacred cow' by approving NOSD referendum

To Ozaukee Press:

I just finished voting early. That's a good idea. On the backside of the ballot is a referendum. NOSD is again asking voters to exceed state revenue limits. I guess the third try might be the charm. The NOSD board wants to exceed school revenue caps set by law. That is governmental speak for, "Can we raise your taxes?"

Since the last referendum in April 2024, the school aid that NOSD received from the state for the coming year came out and is up 35% over last year, while Cedar Grove lost 5% of their state aid. I know education is a sacred cow, but is it good to overfeed it? Vote no on the referendum.

**David Opitz**  
Belgium

### Meeting state's mental health needs a priority for Holzman

To Ozaukee Press:

As a mother of two young children, I am a strong supporter of Jack Holzman for Assembly District 59. Jack and I live in the same area. After chatting with him several times, I can attest to his down-to-earth personality and status as a true asset to this district.

Jack promotes the critical need for easy access to mental health resources. This issue hits particularly close to home for him, as he tragically lost his daughter to suicide. It's one of the reasons he ran for office—to help bring attention to the mental health needs that many families and individuals face.

He's a staunch advocate for women's reproductive rights and, as a retired educator, believes in the importance of high-quality education supported by sufficient funding for our public schools. He's committed to ensuring affordable health care for all and

protecting our state's natural resources.

In stark contrast, over the past nine years, incumbent Robert Brooks has consistently voted against essential initiatives, as anyone can see simply by looking up his voting record.

Supporting Jack Holzman is a step toward a brighter future for our families in this district and in Wisconsin.

**Margaux Caffa**  
Town of Belgium

### Economists say Harris plan better than Trump's

To Ozaukee Press:

According to a recent Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget report, Donald Trump's platform would cause the debt to spike by \$7.5 trillion.

In a recent letter, 23 U.S. winners of the Nobel Prize for economics favored Harris's agenda, calling it "vastly superior" to Trump's platform.

Harris has committed to not raising taxes on anyone making less than \$400,000 annually and to making corporations and the wealthy pay their share.

I'm looking forward to a Harris-Walz administration with Tammy Baldwin as senator and John Zarbano as congressman to support her proposals. Let's move forward.

**Nancy Camden**  
Mequon

### Dana and Jodi are dedicated to civil, bipartisan legislating

To Ozaukee Press:

I support Dana Glasstein for Assembly and Jodi Habush Sinykin for state Senate. As an independent voter, I value diversity of opinion. Opposing views often lead to better ideas when both sides engage in open, respectful dialogue aimed at learning and improving with the goal of solving problems.

Dana and Jodi are dedicated to work for common sense bipartisan solutions for Wisconsin. With a career in education, Dana understands the importance of an excellent education system to our workers and quality of life in Wisconsin. She is determined to strengthen and fund our schools.

For anyone who values our amazing state for hunting, hiking, fishing, boating, and clean water, Jodi is the person you want to protect our beautiful state. As an environmental lawyer, she has spent her career finding solutions to protect our water and our precious environment.

Both will work hard to protect our reproductive freedoms, protect our communities and support our police. I believe they will help restore civility to our Legislature. Their goal is to improve the lives of all in Wisconsin.

Please vote for Dana and Jodi.

**Vickie Silver**  
Mequon

## EDITORIAL

# Voting in the age of intimidation

**Librarians, jurors, school board members,** legislators, health workers, teachers, city officials, prosecutors, coaches, candidates for public office, judges, journalists and election workers populate a diverse cross section of any society, but they have something in common in America. They have all been targeted with death threats.

Death threats have become a gruesome fad as a response to daily irritations by a fringe of the citizenry that may be small in number but can be perversely influential.

In some cases, this behavior is the product of evil intent combined with mind-numbing ignorance. To wit, one of the latest additions to the list of death threat targets is meteorologists.

The threats have come from people who are convinced that meteorologists create hurricanes, which are then employed by the deep state to punish areas populated by people of the MAGA persuasion. This belief is based on a pronouncement to that effect by Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene. Greene has credibility among conspiracy-minded folks in matters of science because she also informed the nation that wild fires are caused by lasers from space.

The fallout from that unpleasant nonsense will probably be minimal—it's not likely to result in a mass exodus from the ranks of TV weathermen and women. But other death threats, like those aimed at election workers, have proven to be so effective that it is not an exaggeration to say they are threats to democracy as well as the lives of their targets.

A survey of election workers by the Brennan Center, a nonpartisan policy and legal institute,

found that about 40% of them had been targets of threats. More than half said they feared for the safety of their coworkers.

Attorney General Merrick Garland confirmed it at a meeting of the Justice Departments Election Task Force: "Election officials, workers and volunteers in communities across the country have been targeted with heinous acts and threats of violence."

FBI Director Christopher Wray said, "The fact that election workers need to be worried about their security is incomprehensible and unacceptable."

True enough, but the problem is that terrorizing election workers is quite acceptable to the morally bereft bad actors who are bent on undermining the foundation of the republic—the voting process.

It is an embarrassment to the nation that some voting districts have had to react to a wave of death threats by installing bulletproof glass at polling sites and planning to deploy armed guards during next Tuesday's election.

Death threats are popular among the criminally minded because they are so easy. Perpetrators can hide behind the anonymity of the internet. Few carry out their threats. They don't have to because making them is all that is needed to accomplish their purpose—to intimidate.

Wisconsin Supreme Court Justice Jill Karofsky, who has been a target of death threats since the high court rejected Donald Trump's lawsuit to overturn 220,000 Biden votes in 2020, described what it is like:

"Personally, it's terrifying. I worried for myself. I worried for my kids. It's not something you think

about. And when suddenly you are confronted with it, it stops you in your tracks."

Election workers can relate. It's why many of them have given up the work and others carry it on in fear.

In Wisconsin, the nonpartisan administrator of the state Election Commission, Meagan Wolfe, experienced a barrage of threats after legislators, without a scintilla of evidence, accused her of some vague wrongdoing in the 2020 election.

The BBC recently profiled an election volunteer in a tiny northern Wisconsin town who has been a target of threats.

If there have been similar issues in Ozaukee County, they haven't been made public. But just the thought that the county, city, village and town clerks who administer the elections here and the volunteers who help them could be subject to intimidation as they do their good work is a sad comment on the times.

It's not news that the unsettling tenor of these times derives from the falsehood being repeated to this day that victory in the 2020 presidential election was stolen from Donald Trump by voting fraud. This has been disproven in every forum where it has been examined, but the threats keep coming.

Threats against various targets, maybe even those hurricane-making meteorologists, will go on, but those intended to overturn elections can be mitigated. Candidates can do it with a single sentence: "I will accept the will of the voters and the outcome of the election, as should all citizens."

## Mayor owes an explanation for action against alderman

To Ozaukee Press:

John Sigwart, my alderperson, has been stripped of all city committee assignments by Mayor Neitzke. This hurts us, the constituents who voted for him.

Although Wisconsin statutes say nothing about committee appointments, they do state that "these issues are governed exclusively by local ordinances or bylaws." According to what bylaws did the mayor and the Common Council act in denying Sigwart his committee assignments? Was the Council consulted regarding this act by the mayor? This smacks of misuse of power.

To his credit, it was Sigwart who confirmed to Ozaukee Press that the aldermen signed a nondisclosure agreement with a company that was eyeing land in the Town of Port for a microchip production facility and would have sought annexation to the city. Was this a factor in the mayor's action against him?

Although a nondisclosure agreement is legal for public officials in Wisconsin, there are concerns about transparency when officials sign NDAs because they prevent the public from knowing important information related to government decisions. Does this not raise moral questions as to how business is conducted "on our behalf" in our city?

Sigwart has successfully served Port Washington residents since 2017, long

## Nov. 5 will come and go, and Port will still be a great city

To Ozaukee Press:

With everything going on in the world, I feel so grateful to live in Port Washington. It's exciting to live in a city with so many nature preserves in and around it, and to see the efforts to restore native habitat in places like Upper Lake Park.

I love the Paint on Port project—the murals add so much beauty and character to downtown.

All of my neighbors are genuinely awe-

# Letters to the Editor

before the election of Mayor Neitzke. He is an outstanding person and representative. He has tried multiple times to text, email and phone the mayor for an explanation, but has received no answer as to why he has been stripped of committee assignments.

I believe a call to action is needed by the citizens of Ward 7. We deserve better.

**Pat Morrissey**  
Port Washington

## Trump promises to do what dictators do to their countries

To Ozaukee Press:

We are shocked when we hear about foreign dictators who make an end run around their constitution, sic the army on their own people, politicize the justice system, cripple the media and crack down on political opponents and others who disagree with them. We think, "I'm glad I live in America."

But in his recent speeches, Donald Trump has promised to do all those things and more. And remember that, in July, his Supreme Court handed him a big, fat "get out of jail free card" with their ruling about presidential immunity.

Is that the America you want to live in?

**Kate Redmond**  
Oostburg

some people, and getting to know them has been a gift.

And last but not least, in an era when many local newspapers have gone out of business, I really appreciate the Ozaukee Press.

No matter what happens on Nov. 5, we have a great community and we can all keep working to improve it.

**Megan Ambros**  
Port Washington

## Do citizenship's hard work, save your freedom to think

To Ozaukee Press:

Our freedom to think is on the ballot this election. If you care about government that derives its just powers from the consent of the governed, be prepared to vote against hate, fear and violence on Nov. 5.

Don't wait until the next election to do the hard work of citizenship. Find the facts on issues. Reject partisan attempts to make voting harder for some citizens. Get megamoney out of political campaigns. Demand that all three separate but equal branches of government do their respective jobs. Educate yourself about ways to encourage, rather than discourage, 100% voter participation. Thank your local clerk for assuring voting integrity.

Children are awake and watching us.

**Louise Mollinger and David Franks**  
Port Washington

## Inflation is down, wages up, good economy can't be denied

To Ozaukee Press:

It's unfortunate that many Americans seem to be in denial about the state of the economy. In a nation as vast as the U.S., there will always be winners and losers, which means it's essential for voters to consider where we are headed as a nation.

Despite wild claims, the country is not in dire straits. Crime rates are declining, life expectancy is increasing, inflation is decreasing, wages are rising and the stock market is soaring. Manufacturing is coming back to the U.S.

A notable example of where we are going is the forthcoming \$3.3 billion Microsoft AI development center in Kenosha, supported by the efforts of the Evers and Biden administrations. This project is set to attract more tech investment and cul-

tivate local talent straight out of high schools.

Last week, The Economist, a respected publication, referred to the American economy as "the envy of the world."

Why wouldn't we want to support this positive momentum?

**Keith R. Schmitz**  
Milwaukee

## In this election, our duty is to vote for person over party

To Ozaukee Press:

Driving through Port and taking in the opposing political signs next door to one another, it's hard to ignore how this presidential election is so different. It's so charged with polarization.

I began to look back at other presidential races (1968 and on) and think about how it felt at the time. Some elections were more exciting than others, but spirited dialogue around opposing political views was normal. Disagreements were respected.

Now, in this political climate, to disagree means "we are a dangerous enemy from within and lunatics," as Trump stated in the Fox interview with Maria Bartiromo. Neighbors living side by side, sharing daily lives in Port with different political views, aren't enemies. Or they didn't used to be.

The America we know is the Constitution, rule of law, peaceful transfer of power and our three branches of government. For that America to continue, the only vote that matters is who we elect for president. In this election, our presidential vote will determine for us all if we continue as Americans. This election isn't about red or blue parties. It's about who we vote for to uphold democracy.

We are called to duty as Americans to vote for person over party. Liz Cheney reminded us that George Washington said, "Democracy is the last great experiment for promoting happiness." Vote this time so we're guaranteed the Constitution survives.

**Marian Baud**  
Port Washington

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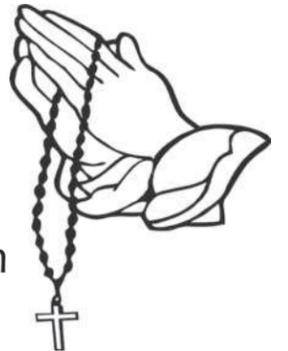
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- Sarah E. Campisi, 646 W. Hillcrest Rd. #104, Saukville, inattentive driving, \$187.90
- Jason A. Carroll, 579 County Road C, Grafton, bail jumping-felony, state prison, extended supervision, \$518.00
- Sabrina K. Derosier, 824 Dropseed Ct., Grafton, improper stop/RR stop sign, \$207.90
- James A. Doyle, 200 W. Theis St., Port Washington, operating while revoked, \$642.00
- Brandon J. Evans, 669 Lake Shore Rd., Grafton, improper stop/RR stop sign, \$121.90
- Ian P. Faulkner, 1063 Westport Dr. #245, Port Washington, speeding in 55 MPH zone, \$200.50
- Branden A. Flint, W53N576 Birch St., Cedarburg, speeding on freeway, DOT license suspended 15 days, \$515.50
- Aidan J. Gauthier, 2605 Northwoods Ct., Port Washington, underage drinking -possess - 17-20 (1st), DOT license suspended 30 days, \$263.50

- Evelynn E. Geis, 963 Fredonia Ave. #7, Fredonia, speeding in 55 MPH zone, \$175.30
- Sarah B. Gwidt, 1541 Parknoll Ln., Port Washington, speeding violations, \$225.70
- Owen J. Hackbarth, W4405 County Road A, Fredonia, underage drinking - possess -17-20 (1st), DOT license suspended 30 days, \$263.50
- David P. Hackbarth, 1707 N. Wisconsin St. #2, Port Washington, operating while revoked, \$547.50
- Jason N. Hechtel, 125 Liberty St., Belgium, speeding in 55 MPH zone, \$250.90
- Holly R. Herbst, 4433 Lakefield Rd., Cedarburg, negligent fail/provide water for animal, probation, sentence imposed, local jail, \$443.00
- Jonathan E. Hilgendorf, N58W6220 Columbia Rd., Cedarburg, disorderly conduct, battery, probation, sentence imposed, local jail, \$1,086.00
- Juan F. Huerta Gonzalez, W3462 Belgium Kohler Rd., Belgium, operating while revoked, \$579.00
- James C. Huff, 117 S. Tower St., Saukville, intimidate victim/dissuade reporting, disorderly conduct, probation, sentence imposed, local jail, \$1,086.00

## Prayer Service for All Souls

St. Nicholas Chapel  
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Sunday, November 3 at 1 pm  
Fellowship to follow

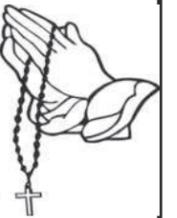


## PRAYERS FOR ALL SOULS

### Saturday, November 2

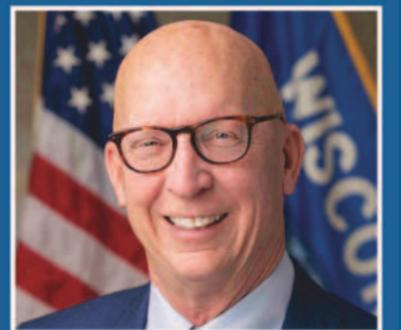
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  - St. Mary's Cemetery, Cascade at 11:00am
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## INSIDE SPORTS

### Spooky victory

Cedar Grove-Belgium's football team's playoff win felt more like a loss. 7A

### On cruise control

Grafton's football team easily handles overmatched opponent. 7A

### All four won

Local soccer teams each won a playoff game this season. 8A

# Sports PRESS



## Survive and advance

Big second half sends Port Washington football team into second round of the playoffs. See page 7A

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# Cross country sectional champs: Port Washington, Cedar Grove-Belgium boys' teams take top running honors



By MITCH MAERSCH  
Ozaukee Press Staff

It was the goal all season, and the Port Washington High School boys' cross country team crossed that finish line.

The Pirates wanted to get back to state as a team, and they did it in front of a home crowd last Friday.

Port won its Division 2 sectional with 43 points.

"They ran smart. They ran great. I'm proud of the whole team. A lot of train-

ing led up to this, and I'm glad it came to fruition," Port's top runner Alex Anewenter said.

Running on the home course helped, but not as much as running months ago.

"It was a pretty nice help to know the course inside and out," Anewenter said. "The real thing that got us there was all these guys being able to show up every day in the summer and put in that hard work."

Anewenter was second on the 5,000-meter. See **Speed** on page 9A



**PORT WASHINGTON RUNNERS** (left photo, from left) Connor Zinuticz, Pete Lotz, Alex Anewenter, Jameson Koebel, John Dohrwardt and Alexis Luna posed with their first-place Division 2 plaque at Tendick Park in the Town of Saukville on Friday. Above, Cedar Grove-Belgium's team (from left) of head coach Brandon Langer, Will Huenink, Wes Huenink, Jamison Velzke, Jack Krause, Nolan Brill, Noah Hopeman, Abram Brill, assistant coach Bob Fleuchaus stood with its first-place Division 3 plaque at Poynette on Saturday. Left photo by Mitch Maersch

By MITCH MAERSCH  
Ozaukee Press Staff

The Cedar Grove-Belgium High School boys' cross country team hope the third straight trip to state is the charm.

The Rockets finished fifth in 2022 and third last season. They enter this year as a Division 3 sectional champ after winning the Poynette sectional on Saturday.

The timing system was a little delayed, but parents and coaches figured the Rockets edged Pardeeville for the title.

"We kind of thought we had it so we were pretty happy after the race," senior Will Huenink said.

Minutes later, they knew.

"After cool down, we were very happy and very excited," he said.

The Rockets scored 54 points to Pardeeville's 84.

Huenink was second on the 5,000-meter course in 16 minutes 45.43 seconds. His younger brother Wes was third in 16:59.23.

See **Zoom** on page 9A

# Volleyball regional champs: Cedar Grove-Belgium, Grafton end postseason plaque droughts by winning home matches in four games



**CEDAR GROVE-BELGIUM'S** volleyball team (above) posed with its Division 3 plaque on Saturday. The team includes (front row, from left) Alyssa Chubek, Mackenzie Katte, Sydnee Kurth, Mia Grisolono, Audrey Lueth, Jolie Bialzik, Brooklyn Cherney, Aubrey Johnson, Caitlyn Schuknecht, (back row) assistant coaches Karly Kayon and Sierra Cashman, Jillian Sampont, Olivia Bahr, Kahleah Knight, Ava Peterson, Lauren Lueth, Laila Arrowood, Madisyn Johnson, assistant coach Jill Chybowski and head coach Cailey Jeske-Winker. Photo by Mitch Maersch

By MITCH MAERSCH  
Ozaukee Press Staff

What had been decades since the Cedar Grove-Belgium High School volleyball team won a division championship is now days.

The No. 3-seeded Rockets beat No. 7-seeded St. Mary's Springs, 25-13, 25-16, 23-25, 25-21, at home on Saturday to secure a Division 3 regional plaque.

It's amazing. It's all I could hope for, for my senior year," libero Audrey Lueth said.

"It means a lot for our team to have come

this far the past four years," senior Madisyn Johnson said.

"It feels really nice, especially senior year," Olivia Bahr said.

The Ledgers came in after upsetting No. 2-seeded Oostburg in five sets. The Rockets, who sometimes start slowly, made sure to come out hot this time.

"We were so ready to go into this game and win. We were so hyped," junior Jolie Bialzik said.

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**GRAFTON'S VOLLEYBALL TEAM** (above) posed with its Division 2 regional plaque on Saturday. The team includes (front row, from left) Avery Pierce, Abby Barthelemy, Emily Sewell, Izzy Pitre, Mary Weishan, Khiah King, Lillian Johnston-Fodor, (back row) assistant coach Ashley Wilson, Amelia Werner, Grace Tilley, Catherine Austin, Paige Proefrock, Kaitlin Muecke, Anna Holzer, Sophia Verplancke and head coach Will Hall.

By MITCH MAERSCH  
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One regional championship in the last eight seasons turned into two in the last nine for the Grafton High School volleyball team on Saturday night.

The No. 2-seeded Black Hawks beat No. 3 Kettle Moraine Lutheran at home, 25-18, 16-25, 25-23, 25-22, to secure the plaque.

Sophomore outside hitter Paige Proefrock had 17 kills, five aces, 12 digs and 22 serve receives with three errors. Senior Sophia

Verplancke had 12 kills, and senior Amelia Werner had six.

"Sophia had her best game of the year and was the difference-maker in the match," coach Will Hall said.

Senior Kaitlin Muecke had 18 assists and 10 digs. Senior Mary Weishan had 16 assists. Senior Izzy Pitre had six digs and 12 serve receives with one error. Junior Emily Sewell had 12 serve receives with two errors.

Grafton plays at No. 1-seeded Kewas. See **Plaque** on page 6A

# Plaque: Black Hawks start slow, heat up in Port win

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kum on Thursday for a spot in the sectional final. The winner faces the winner of the No. 1-seeded Luxemburg-Casco vs. No. 3 Freedom match for a state berth.

## Grafton opens playoffs with sweep

The Hawks advanced to the regional final after beating No. 7-seeded rival Port Washington last Thursday at home, 25-23, 25-11, 25-15.

“We’re trying to do something unique,” Hall said of advancing to the regional title match.

The Hawks have won one regional title in at least the last 23 years, the last one coming in 2015.

“I think the team’s really excited to be turning over a new leaf. To have a home game in the regional final is a big treat for us,” Hall said.

It took the better part of the first set for the Hawks to kick into gear. The Pirates took a 12-8 lead and, after ties at 15 and 16, went on a 3-0 run to lead 19-16.

Grafton battled to tie the game at 20 with an ace by Weishan, but two Grafton errors and an ace by Sierra Hoeft gave the Pirates a 23-20 lead.

A missed serve, tip kill by Proefrock and Port error knotted the set at 23. Another Port error and a Werner kill scored the win for Grafton.

That set the tone for the next two sets.

“Throughout yesterday at practice, we’ve always been trying to find a groove. And I think that was us continuing to find our groove,” Muecke said of the first game.

“The first set was really us just jelling and figuring out how we were going to continue through the game.”

Senior Anna Holzer said, “We were just really nervous going into our first match this week. And then we realized that we had to play for each other. We really built off each other’s energy and I think that’s what really contributed toward our success.”

Proefrock said necessary adjustments were made.

“We fixed our serve receive and put the ball in the court on our attacks, and made our serve more aggressive,” she said.

The Hawks swept the Pirates in an easier match during the regular season, but the second time was different.

“It’s interesting when you’ve got a long-term high school rival school in the first round. It can make you pretty nervous because anything can happen with those rivalries. I thought they played a really nice first game and I thought we held our composure really well. There were plenty of opportunities for us to have lost confidence in ourselves. They put a lot of pressure on us,” Hall said.

“I think we felt like we had it,” Port’s first-year coach Kevin Buettner said of the first game. “Once it kind of got snatched back for us was a little bit of a shock. It took us a while to find our feet again. We did and made set 3 tough.”

Port trailed 17-14 in Set 3 before the

Hawks pulled away.

Proefrock had 12 kills, Werner had seven and Holzer had five for the match. Muecke had 17 assist and 15 digs. Weishan served three aces and had 10 digs. Proefrock had 11 serve receives with no errors. Pitre had seven with one error and Verplancke had 11 with three errors.

Some of the Hawks’ most powerful kills came from Werner when Port’s passes would sail just a little over the net. Werner smacked the over passes down with authority, sending the bench and fans into hysterics.

“That’s my favorite type of kill. I just can feel it coming over the net and it’s like a really great feeling,” she said.

Once the Hawks got clicking, everything was working.

“You’re just playing with your friends and it’s just like one of the most amazing feelings,” Holzer said.

“It’s just amazing. Everyone gets excited for everyone else,” Muecke said.

Beating a rival, she said, was “just the icing on the cake.”

Norah Merow led Port with nine kills. Sierra Hoeft had four, along with four aces and nine assists. Maliiyah Tuskiewicz had eight assists. Cali Schultz had 11 digs and Summer Wille had 10. Schultz had 22 serve-receives with six errors and Wille had 18 with three errors.

It was the final match for Pirate seniors Schultz, Lillian Merow, Abby Zirbes, Kaitlyn Celmo and Jazmyn Runkel.

## Port dominates final home match

The Pirates walked off their home court winners after sweeping No. 10-seeded Berlin, 25-18, 25-10, 25-19, on Oct. 22.

“It meant a lot, not having the best season in the world. It meant a lot to get one last goodbye to the volleyball court at Port. It meant so much to me. I’ve been playing for six years. It was amazing,” Merow said.

“That definitely felt good,” Schultz said. “I loved the season and I’m really just hoping that I can continue to play.”

Norah Merow had 12 kills in Port’s final home match. Wille had six and Peyton Keller had four. Tuskiewicz fired four aces.

Schultz had 13 digs and Wille had seven. Claudia Ryder had 16 assists and Celmo had 10. Schultz had 19 serve-receives with no errors and Wille had nine with no errors.

“Everybody played, everybody played well,” Buettner said. “It was good to get everyone in one last time. To see everyone succeed in front of the home crowd is good.”

Port finished 14-19 and 1-8 in the North Shore Conference, tied for last with West Bend East.

But Buettner said the “heart and soul of the team” is back next season — middle hitters Norah Merow and Keller.

“When we were in system and could run middles, that kept us in every game,” Buettner said of the Grafton match.

“I feel good about the team going forward. We’re obviously going to miss our seniors. We have a deep roster and are returning most of them.”



GRAFTON'S SOPHIA VERPLANCKE (top photo) bumped a ball as Paige Proefrock (2) and Izzy Pitre (13) stood ready in last Saturday's home regional win over Kettle Moraine Lutheran. Above left, Port Washington's Jazmyn Runkel served against Grafton last Thursday. Above right, Port's Lillian Merow went for a kill in a home playoff win vs. Berlin on Oct. 22. Top and above right photos by Sam Arendt; above left by Mitch Maersch

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# Scoreboard

## BOWLING

### CEDARS III Lutheran Social League October 21

	W	L
Heidtke Builders	223	137
Circle B	213.5	146.5
Kooley's Klub	201.5	149.5
Ozaukee Disposal	183.5	176.5
Midwest Precision	175.5	184.5
Karthauser & Sons	159	201
Paloma Print Products	139	221
MacGillis Insurance Agency	136	224

**Team and Individual Scratch Game:** Circle B, 1,234; Kooley's Klub, 1,071; Midwest Precision, 1,033; Justin Wendtlandt, 265; Mark Doedens, II, 258; Austin Mertes, 249.

**Team and Individual Scratch Series:** Circle B, 3,925; Kooley's Klub, 3,153; Midwest Precision, 3,019; Bobby Phillips, 706; Justin Wendtlandt, 704; Brandon Mertes, 677.

### HARBOR HILLS Monday Men's Senior League October 21

**High Scratch Game:** Dennis Berndt, 236; Marv Van Treeck, 194; Peter Bares, 175; Joe Fenney, 167.

**High Scratch Series:** Dennis Berndt, 621; Marv Van Treeck, 505; Peter Bares, 499; Joe Fenney, 475.

### Tuesday Men's Major Classic October 22

	W	L
Busch Light	60	12
Da Boyz of Da Hill	47	25

PWSB	40	32
Harbor Hills II	36	36
J'Sports Bar	34	38
Allied Insulation	31	41
Harbor Hills I	31	41
Field 5	28	44
East Towne Landscape	26	46

**High Scratch Game:** Greg Mielke, 266; Tyler Lund, 264; Fritz Dowe, 258; Bob Nisleit, 258; Chad Smith, 258.

**High Scratch Series:** Bob Nisleit, 696; Greg Mielke, 674; Fritz Dowe, 665; Tom Hernandez, 662; Steve Wheelock, 659.

### Tuesday Women's Major League October 22

	W	L
Gopher One	38	11
Saukville Feed	33	16
John's Pizzeria	27	22
Centre Court	27	22
Shipyard	20	29

**High Scratch Game:** Amy Jo Schmit, 198; Sharon Zahnow, 161; Gabby Jurgilanis, 156.

**High Scratch Series:** Amy Jo Schmit, 574; Sharon Zahnow, 455; Gabby Jurgilanis, 454.

### Wednesday Night Ladies October 23

	W	L
Golden Oak Dental	7	0
Four's Company	7	0
Sassy Strikers	7	0
Bags to Balls	5	2
Striking Gals	4	3
Girls Just Wanna Have Fun	3	4
Gutter Gals	2	5

The OG's	0	7
Harbor Hills	0	7

**High Scratch Game:** Caitlin Flowers, 212; Angie Spindler, 192; Kathy Crain, 188; Ellen Biever, 180.

**High Scratch Series:** Caitlin Flowers, 578; Angie Spindler, 492; Kathy Crain, 484; Angela Lathrop, 479.

### Thursday Men's Handicap October 24

	Points
Jeff's Home Improvement	25.5
Burton's Bushwhackers	22
Allied Insulation	21
RJ Wood	19
Homeward Bound	18
Grand Ave.	18
Thierfelder Builders	12
The Outsiders	12
Juices Deuces	11
All Pro Maintenance	8
Fuel Powersports	4.5

**High Scratch Game:** Scott McTrusty, 245; Kyle Goetz, 245; Andy Taddy, 243; Sal Canzoneri, 239; Mike Mueller, 237.

**High Scratch Series:** Sal Canzoneri, 700; Dave Protzmann, 663; Jesse Johnson, 649; Joey Wheaton, 648; Mike Mueller, 645.

### Newcomer's Saturday Night League October 26

	W	L
We're on Strike	21	7
V-Squared	20	8
Not Related	18	10
Newbies	17	11
The B Team	15	13
Lickety Splits	14	14

Straight Shooters	14	14
High Rollers	14	14
Crapastics	11	17
Alley Gators	11	17
Ball Hogs	8	20
Gotta Ketcham All	5	23

**High Scratch Game:** Joel Spindler, 254; Jim Villeneuve, 252; Steve Footit, 245; Jen Eibs, 213; Jenny Dalzin, 187; Maggie Footit, 181.

**High Scratch Series:** Jim Villeneuve, 679; Bruce Bloemer, 647; Steve Footit, 640; Jen Eibs, 553; Jenny Dalzin, 467; Maggie Footit, 456

### CIRCLE B Wednesday Ladies Night Out League October 16

	W	L
Twizzlers	44	12
Bowling Bags	41	15
Gutter Girls	38	18
Splits & Giggles	37	19
Merged	34.5	21.5
We Were Framed	34	22
Dammit Jim	32	24
We Don't Give A Split	30	26
Surprise	27	29
Circle "B"	25.5	30.5
5 Corners Truck & Auto	23	33
Bowling Buddies	22	34
Blazin' Chicas	19	37
WTF	19	37
Living on a Spare	12	44

**High Scratch Game:** Jody Stolarczyk, 227; Nancy Tadzsch, 225.

**High Scratch Series:** Nancy Tadzsch, 662; Rachel Schemenauer, 577.

# Strong second half moves Port to second round

By MITCH MAERSCH  
Ozaukee Press Staff

It took something to turn the game around at halftime last Friday when Port Washington High School's football team trailed visiting Whitefish Bay, 21-8, in a Division 3 opening-round playoff game.

The Pirates had that something, and they outscored the Blue Dukes 19-0 in the final 24 minutes to keep their season alive with a 27-21 victory.

"Those boys had their heads down. I told them to put a smile on their face. We're going to go play. We've been playing since we were little," Jayden Lathrop, who made two momentum-building punt returns, said.

"We still believed in each other as a team. We still had that love for each other, that bond," Garrett Kawczynski said.

"It was beautiful. It came together so much."

Port picked up the pace on offense and scored on the first possession of the third quarter on a one-yard run by quarterback Cal Loose.

In the fourth quarter, Loose sprinted off tackle left for a 40-yard score. Port had the extra point blocked, and the game was tied at 21 with less than 11 minutes to play.

By now, Port's defense had stiffened. The Blue Dukes' offense was essentially Harry Bartolotti left, right and up the middle. He dashed for about 100 yards in the first half, but the Pirates nearly cut that in half in the second, forcing punts.

One of the game's key plays involved Bartolotti. He fumbled with less than nine

minutes to play on his own 39-yard line, and Port's Colton Struckman fell on the ball.

The Pirates had possession and momentum, and they started to work on the clock. They took 5 minutes, 44 seconds to score. Struckman took it in from three yards out, squeezing through a mass of high school humanity.

"It was wonderful. I haven't been in the end zone in my career yet. Beautiful blocks," he said.

Port again had the extra point blocked and led by six. It was their first lead of the game and the final lead change of the night.

While the Blue Dukes' offensive options were limited, Port was showing its versatility. It was a Loose up the middle, Sam Pasten on the counter, Kawczynski on the power run and Kiya Sullivan off tackle. Struckman rarely handles the ball, and Hayden Cottrell got a carry.

"We're playing a lot of guys on both sides and we're trying to substitute," coach John Bunyan said. "We can spread the ball out a lot — whoever's got the hot hand."

Neither team threw the ball well. Loose went 9-for-17 for 92 yards and Chase Wolter went 4-for-12 for 71 yards. Whitefish Bay's lack of an air attack made a difference on its final couple of possessions.

Port, a No. 3 seed, avoided losing its final home game to the No. 6 Blue Dukes.

"It really just came down to the captains picking each other up and saying we've got to fire up in the second half," Loose said.

"We just didn't quit. We were talking about it before the game. Playoffs are hard," Pasten, who had a one-yard touch-



PORT WASHINGTON'S CAL LOOSE got free for a 40-yard touchdown run that tied the game in the fourth quarter last Friday against Whitefish Bay.  
Photo by Mitch Maersch

down run, said.

Port wide receiver Josh Arnold nearly made two game-changing plays. He jumped a pass route in the first half and was a third of the way to the end zone before he realized he didn't have the ball and instantly put his hands on his helmet in exasperation.

On the last play of the first half, Loose lofted a Hail Mary from the Blue Dukes' 45-yard line. It was tipped and Arnold

caught it behind a defender. He dove and stretched for the pylon but was tackled out of bounds just short.

Loose ran 21 times for 118 yards and two scores. Sullivan had nine carries for 48 yards. Arnold caught four passes for 70 yards.

Bartolotti ran 35 times for 175 yards and a score.

Port will play at No. 2 Green Bay Notre Dame on Friday.

## CG-B football survives injury, Valders' pressure in 'eerie' win

By MITCH MAERSCH  
Ozaukee Press Staff

Cedar Grove-Belgium High School's home football playoff game didn't start well, and the mood carried into the locker room after the 21-14 victory over Valders.

Senior wide receiver and defensive back Nolan Aponte, already sporting a club from a broken hand, went down with a noncontact knee injury on the opening kickoff while chasing down a returner.

"You could have heard a pin drop in that stadium. It just took the energy out of everybody," coach Dan Schreurs said.

"My heart just dropped when I saw it, too."

The Rockets were already down Jonah Banton on defense, so Brayden Oelhafen had to adjust to outside linebacker from his inside spot.

The Rockets stopped Valders on their first drive, then went down and scored, but it

didn't feel the same as other playoff games.

"Nolan is definitely a vocal leader and the heartbeat of this team. You could tell when he wasn't out there, there was a lot of questions about what was going on," Schreurs said.

Valders, an 8 seed in Division 6, was giving everything it had to the top-seeded Rockets.

"They were onsiding every kickoff. They punted every ball out of bounds. They blitzed everybody every chance they got," Schreurs said.

The Rockets had two touchdowns called back due to penalties.

Wide receiver Griffin Knight, as he has for much of the season, stood out. He caught three passes for 92 yards and two scores. On one score, Knight was tackled, then got up and caught a tipped ball in the end zone.

"Griffin was the highlight of the night," Schreurs said.

Ira Hilbelink ran 24 times for 81 yards and a touchdown, and he caught four passes for 24 yards. Carter Schmitz went 9-for-20 passing for 129 yards and two scores.

Valders was pressing the Rockets' receivers and rushing eight defenders on each play. Sometimes, they caught Hilbelink from behind.

"The offensive line stayed in there, stayed focused," Schreurs said.

Ethan Minick led the defense with 11 tackles and a fumble recovery. Jackson Foster had 10 tackles and a sack.

The Rockets had the ball on Valders' 7-yard line with 1 minute, 40 seconds to go. Schreurs said an official asked him if he was kneeling on the ball, and the Rockets did. But that didn't run out the clock, and Valders got a couple of last-second chances to tie the game.

"If I knew I couldn't run out the clock I would have run plays and tried to get it in," Schreurs said. "It was just a weird vibe at the end of the game that was just not normal for us. It was just an eerie game."

After the game in the locker room, Schreurs said, it felt more like a loss than a win.

The Rockets host No. 5-seeded and Big East Conference opponent Howards Grove on Friday. The Tigers beat No. 4 Pardeeville, 26-15, last Friday. On Oct. 18, the Rockets beat the Tigers, 49-14.



CEDAR GROVE-BELGIUM'S Brody Halleman knocked a pass away from a Valders player last Friday.  
Photo by Sam Arendt

## Grafton rests starters in smooth playoff-opening victory at home

By MITCH MAERSCH  
Ozaukee Press Staff

The first game of the Division 3 playoffs was the easiest contest of Grafton's 10 games so far this season.

Coach Jim Norris only ran six offensive plays with his starters in a 48-0 victory over visiting Milwaukee North/Lifelong Learning last Friday.

Senior Tommy Lutz, who is 11th in the state in rushing with 1,588 yards, didn't even play, and many other starters had the near equivalent of a bye.

"It feels good from that perspective for sure, especially this time in the season, having a game like that where our starting guys didn't get sent through the wringer," Norris said.

The Hawks built a 42-0 lead in the first quarter and scored three defensive touchdowns in the game.

Tyler Deer and Jack Nelson each had pick-sixes, and Sam Cameranesi recovered a fumble in the end zone.

The Hawks had a chance at two more — on one play the quarterback was called for grounding on what was a borderline fumble and on another Hudson Miller returned an interception to the 5-yard line.

Nelson also had a 54-yard punt return for a touchdown.

Kayden Zimmerman and Jayden Smith-Kaylor had fumble recoveries, and Smith-Kaylor and Max Glab each had a sack. Miller led the team with five tackles. Sixteen Hawks made at least one tackle.

Quarterback Brady Hilgart went 3-for-3 passing for 81 yards and a touchdown. Gavin Lempke caught a short pass and took it 44 yards to the end zone.

Corbin Staszko led the team with 12 rushes for 42 yards and a score.

"That's awesome to see," Norris said of the scout team player. "He's a kid that absolutely gets after it Monday through Thursday, giving our defense a great look."

Jeremy Dickerson Jr. had two carries for 20 yards and a touchdown.

Norris said the backups were ready.

"We prepped in a way that got a lot of those guys reps. We prepped those guys on structure and what they need to do to be successful," he said.

Getting reserves and young players playoff experience becomes vital in the near future.



GRAFTON'S HUDSON MILLER (32) was a force on both sides of the ball in a 48-0 playoff victory over Milwaukee North at home last Friday.  
Photo by Sam Arendt

"It's huge. With our size school, you have to have sophomores who are developed and capable of playing on Friday nights in some capacity," Norris said.

Last year, the Hawks relied on a number of sophomores and juniors who got playoff experience in five extra games since Grafton advanced to the state championship.

"The junior and senior class started five games ahead of everybody else. It's a hidden bonus of the playoffs, more repetitions and game experience," Norris said.

The Blue Devils went 3-for-12 passing for six yards. They ran 17 times for 57 yards.

Milwaukee North, a No. 8 seed, finished the season 5-4.

Grafton, a No. 1 seed, hosts No. 4 Plymouth, which beat No. 5 Luxemburg-Casco, 49-21, last Friday.

The Hawks and Panthers have one common opponent this season. Plymouth lost to Port Washington, 28-14, and Grafton beat Port Washington, 45-6.

The winner of the Grafton vs. Plymouth game plays the winner of the No. 2 Green Bay Notre Dame vs. No. 3 Port Washington game.

# And you get a playoff victory!

Every local team notches one postseason soccer win before closing the year to a tough foe

By MITCH MAERSCH  
Ozaukee Press Staff

One blowout, one close comeback, an overtime victory and a shootout nail-biter summed up the local high school soccer teams' playoff openers last week.

Cedar Grove-Belgium had the thriller, winning in a 4-3 shootout after a 1-1 tie at Heritage Christian.

"That was just nuts," senior Caleb Heinen said.

Cedar Grove-Belgium's keeper Landon Altheimer came through with clutch play to win it after making two big saves.

The Patriots went first in the shootout and scored. The Rockets' Juan Castellon made his shot.

Altheimer saved the next shot by one of the Patriots' best players.

"That was their biggest threat. I was excited about that," Cedar Grove-Belgium coach Kyle Schultz said.

The Patriots' keeper then guessed the right direction and saved Grayson Prah's shot. The shootout score remained tied at 1.

Altheimer made another save, and Cameron Holle gave the Rockets a 2-1 lead. The Patriots scored, and Rockets' all-time leading scorer Caleb Heinen answered.

It came down to Altheimer, who has sharp offensive skills for a keeper.

"Landon placed it very well," Schultz said. "It was funny because it was actually to a side he never goes to in penalties."

"He's just insane at hitting, freakish," Heine said. "In practice, he makes them all the time. As soon as he came up, I knew he was going to make it."

It was the Rockets' first playoff win in years. "It's very exciting and very rewarding for them to get something like that," Schultz said.

The No. 9-seeded Rockets scored four minutes into the game at the No. 8-seeded Patriots in the Division 4 game.

Holle scored on a Heinen assist. "I was on the left side of the goal and played it across to him. He had a really good shot — he got it right in between the near post and the goalie," Heinen said.

The Patriots tied the game in the 74th minute.

Both teams soon faced an additional challenge than each other.

Unlike Michael Jackson's "Thriller," the midnight hour wasn't close at hand — it was around 5:40 p.m. when overtime started — but the field didn't have lights and darkness began to fall across the land.

Heinen said the officials tried to move the game along as fast as they could.

The Rockets last Saturday lost at top-seeded Shoreland Lutheran, 4-0. Shoreland Lutheran had been ranked No. 1 for much of the season in Division 4, according to the Wisconsin Soccer Coaches Association.

Cedar Grove-Belgium finished 13-9-2, its first winning record in years. Schultz remembers going from winning no games to flirting with .500 the past couple of seasons.

## Port Washington erases deficit

No. 8-seeded Port Washington fell behind to No. 9 Waupun by one goal early in a home Division 3 playoff game on Oct. 22.

But the Pirates came back for a 3-1 win.

"It was a great win to come back from some adversity. Even though we were down 1-0 in the game, it never felt like we weren't going to get back into it," coach Mark Burmesch said.

Senior midfielder Turner Styles sent a pass to junior Angel Ramirez, "who showed great composure in rounding the keeper and calmly finding the open net to find an equalizer," Burmesch said.

Styles scored to give Port 2-1 halftime lead.

Port had several chances in the second half, but it wasn't until freshman Scotty Bennett scored that the Pirates had a two-goal cushion.

"Scotty Bennett did very well after receiving a pass in a one-on-one situation and showing some great skill in beating the defender before finishing it off," Burmesch said.

Last Saturday, Port lost, 2-0, at No. 1-seeded Sheboygan Christian/Lutheran, which is ranked No. 2 in Division 3.

Port had chances but couldn't capitalize, Burmesch said. A Styles' goal was called off due to a questionable offsides penalty.

"I think we did create better chances than they had in the game, but it doesn't matter much if you don't finish off the chances. I definitely felt like we had as good of a team as anyone in this sectional, so to go out in the second round was pretty disappointing for us," Burmesch said.

Port finished 8-12-1 overall. **Grafton fires away at home**

No. 15-seeded Grafton smacked No. 18 Hmong American Peace Academy, 10-0, in a Division 3 playoff game at home on Oct. 22.

Senior Luke Jackson returned from injury and scored three times. Ethan Krueger had two goals. Carter Marien, Nikita Parsikovas, Charlie Lawrence, Will Heinz and Ethan Weinhold each had one.

Parsikovas had three assists and Nathan Mitchell had two. Marien, Lawrence, Christian Hansen, Christopher Giraldo-Carranza and Ty Mekelburg each had one.

"We had all 24 players suited and booted for the first time since August," coach Jake Wilde said. "The season didn't go as we hoped but we thought we were better than a typical 15 seed."

Last Thursday, Grafton lost at No. 1 Shorewood, 3-2. Jackson and Lawrence each had a goal, and Weinhold had two assists.

"We fought all the way to the end. We threw everybody forward at the end of the game. Just didn't get a chance to finish," Wilde said.

He praised the play of Mekelburg and Jayden Rathke, "two seniors who have been



**CEDAR GROVE-BELGIUM'S** Cameron Halle (orange, clockwise from top left), Random Lake/Ozaukee's Max Klaus, Port Washington's Scotty Bennett and Grafton's Luke Jackson all helped their teams to playoff victories last week. *Photos by Sam Arendt*

consistent all year long."

Grafton finished 6-11-1 overall.

## RLO wins in overtime

Gavin Wood scored twice in leading 16-seeded Random Lake/Ozaukee to a 4-2 win over No. 17-seeded Eastbrook Academy in Random Lake on Oct. 22.

Wood scored in the first half and in overtime. Joey Pierce scored in the first half on a Lucas Michael assist. Beau Langhois scored RLO's second goal in overtime.

RLO was up, 2-0, at halftime.

"It was an evenly played game, but the defense held in the first half of the game and

pushed the ball up to our forwards and mids to give them some nice opportunities on the offensive side of the ball," coach Matt Wilson said.

After a sluggish start to the second half, RLO picked it up — "I think the crowd got them going," Wilson said — and took over in overtime.

Last Thursday, RLO lost at Shoreland Lutheran, 8-0.

"We knew this was going to be a one sided game in the end, but I was happy with how the boys went after it and left it all on the field," Wilson said.

RLO finished 4-14-2.

# Rockets: Got back into their groove in set 4 to seal the match

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"We just wanted to come in really motivated and just get it right away so we don't get into a rut," Lauren Lueth said.

"I think the chance to make history was a big thing for them," first-year coach Cailey Jeske-Winker said.

"We were just really pumped," Johnson said. "We knew that they were super confident coming into this match and we wanted to make sure that we beat that down right away," Johnson said.

That they did. The Rockets blasted to a 23-8 lead.

Set 2 was closer, but a 5-0 run gave the Rockets a 21-15 lead.

"I think it was our communication. We were doing really well," Ava Peterson said of the key to the first two sets.

The third set was as tight as a youngster's grasp on Halloween candy when a sibling is trying to take it away. It was tied at 2, 4 through 15 18, 19, 22 and 23 before the Ledgers pulled it out.

The Rockets weren't going to let that happen again.

"We had to remind each other that this could be our last game and we don't want it to be," Mia Grisolono said.

"We just really wanted it and we knew that if we went to five there were no guarantees," Audrey Lueth said.

The Rockets jumped out to a 14-6 lead that went to 22-13 before the Ledgers made a 7-0 run. It reached 23-21 before the Rockets closed the game on a kill and a tip.

Once that last ball fell, they knew.

"It was just crazy. I can't even explain it. I was just so happy," Bialzik said.

"It was just amazing. We've never had this feeling in volleyball before," Grisolono said.

The Rockets haven't won a regional title since at least 2000, and one Ozaukee Press reader found an article in The Villager from 1985 that had the Rockets winning a regional.

Now, they've got another.

"Everything worked — the defense was great, hitting was great. Everything clicked. I'm super happy with it tonight," Jeske-Winker said.

Lauren Lueth had 15 kills, Peterson had 10, Bahr had nine and Grisolono had five. Johnson had 33 assists and Bialzik had 10. Grisolono had 23 digs, Lueth had 20, Bahr had 14 and Bialzik had 12.

The Rockets play at No. 1-seeded Kewaskum on Thursday with a spot in the state semifinal on the line.

On Oct. 22, the Rockets swept No. 6 Brillion, 25-10, 25-12, 25-17.

Peterson and Lauren Lueth each had nine kills, and Bahr had seven. Johnson had 13 assists and Bialzik had 10. Lueth fired nine aces. Audrey Lueth had 14 digs and Grisolono had 12.



**THE CELEBRATION WAS** on the instant the final ball hit the floor in Cedar Grove-Belgium's four-set win over St. Mary's Springs in a regional final in Cedar Grove on Saturday. From left, Olivia Bahr, Ava Peterson, Audrey Lueth, Jolie Bialzik (3), Mackenzie Katte and Mia Grisolono were overjoyed with the victory. *Photo by Mitch Maersch*

# Speed: Pirates run well

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ter course at Tendick Park in the Town of Saukville in 16 minutes, 4 seconds. Kettle Moraine Lutheran's Kyle Kieper won in 16:02.7. Anewenter was on Kieper's heels the entire race in cool conditions conducive to running.

"It felt great, and I felt strong," Anewenter said. "Kyle beat me in the kick. I kinda figured that might happen."

"He ran a very smart race and stayed in control until the last 400 meters. At that point he attempted to pull away from the KML runner, but he got out kicked by two seconds," coach Mark Pasten said.

Jameson Koebel was fifth in 17:05.9, bouncing back from an off day at the North Shore Conference race on the same course a week earlier.

Koebel said he passed KML and University School of Milwaukee runners, Port's two biggest competitors.

"I was still cramping the whole entire race today, but I really kept it in my head that I wanted to do it for the team today," he said.

USM had 52 points and KML had 76 in the 10-team race. Grafton was fourth with 76 points. The top two teams qualify for the state meet in Wisconsin Rapids.

Port's John Dohrwardt, who plays soccer and only runs when he can, was ninth in 17:12.9.

"It's my first year of doing cross country, so it's kind of cool to do something like this," he said.

"John really struggled the week before, so it was great to see him back to his old reliable self," Pasten said.

Alexis Luna was 12th in a personal-best 17:20.2. He said his mother had been tracking the finishers and told him she thought Port had won.

"I was like, 'This is it, it's all come to fruition,'" Luna said. "It's been in the works for the past three years and we finally got it."

"This was Alexis' best cross country race of his high school career. He executed his race plan to perfection," Pasten said.

Pete Lotz struggled with breathing issues the past few weeks but gutted it out and scored a personal-record, 17:46.3, good for 15th.

"This was no exception but it's part of running. It is what it is and you just push through it," Lotz said.

"Pete had an outstanding effort and solidified our win as the very important fifth and final scoring runner," Pasten said.

Connor Zinuticz was 38th in 19:24.1.

Now, Port has its eyes on another prize. Its times put it in the mix to make the podium at the state meet, which means finishing in the top two.

"The real race is next Saturday," Anewenter said.

## Grafton notches personal records

Grafton's Jackson Urbain was 14th in 17:31.5 and Alex Bergmann was 18th in 18:00.2.

"The boys had a great run as a team. Both Jackson and Alex both had their best race of the season, achieving their personal records by quite a bit," co-coach Celia Shaughnessy said.

Luke Hanson was 22nd in 18:31.6 and Tyler Swenson was 24th in 18:38.6. Both are season-best times.

Mason Volkman was 29th in 18:49.4 and Asher Kagamba was 30th in 18:53.1. Zach Swenson was 35th in 19:19.1.

"Our remaining runners had solid races," Shaughnessy said.

## Port, Grafton send trio to state

Port senior Parker Allen, whose family moved from Missouri before the school year, finished fourth in 19 minutes, 30.5 seconds.

"That was pretty much my goal," Allen said. But she has higher hopes on the horizon.

"It's really to place at state this year," she said.

She cracked the top 10 in Missouri and said the times are similar in Wisconsin, albeit the weather is a little colder here.

She didn't get into running until her freshman year and began taking it seriously as a sophomore.

Her teammate, sophomore Ellie Knepfel, is making her second trip to state after finishing eighth in 20:00.9. One second slower and she would have stayed home. The top five fastest runners not on state-qualifying teams make the trip.



**PORT WASHINGTON'S PARKER ALLEN** qualified for the Division 2 state cross country meet by finishing fourth at the Port sectional last Friday at Tendick Park in the Town of Saukville.

Photo by Mitch Maersch

"It's good. It was a close call though, which I wasn't really expecting," Knepfel said.

"I feel like I could have probably done a little better. I made it by one second so that was a little nerve-wracking. I didn't notice that one girl behind me."

Coach Joe Adamak said Knepfel was behind the girl she needed to beat — Shoreland Lutheran's Tempi Zondag — by about 50 meters at the mile mark. Knepfel later passed her but Zondag made a run at the end.

Another Pirate is glad she made it. Allen said she didn't have teammates who qualified for state in Missouri.

"It's been fun having her as my buddy," Allen said.

Adamak hopes Knepfel can repeat last year's performance.

"Ellie ran her best time of the year on this course. Hopefully, she can do that again," he said.

Port's Charlotte O'Brien was 28th in a season-best 22:23.3. Marietta Knepfel was 30th in 22:30.2 despite being sick all week. Payton Wysocki was 32nd in a season-best 22:47.5. Avery Newell was 37th in 24:12.7 and Ava Rutkowski was 42nd in 24:47.8.

"The kids ran really well there," Adamak said.

## Faust runs and sniffles her way to Rapids

Grafton junior Callie Faust qualified for her third trip to state with a little slower time and a good reason for it.

"I've had a cold for a week or so," she said. "I try to do the best I can. It's harder."

Still, Faust was fifth in 19:36.8. "I'm excited to get back there and show what I can do," she said.

"Callie is pretty tough. She took a day off running last week to continue to try to feel better. She did fantastic at sectionals — while maybe not the time she had wanted, it was a great run to qualify for state. She will be ready to go Saturday," Shaughnessy said.

Leanna Weinhold was 16th in 21:09.6 and Claire Wille was 23rd in 21:43.6 — both season-best times.

Ruthie Schmit was 27th in 22:17. Evelyn Brown was 34th in 22:38.1. Josstyn Durst was 35th in 23:42.7 and Mia McKinnis was 40th in 24:36.

"We were very proud of the girls," Shaughnessy said.

# Zoom: Rockets are hot

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Sand, wood chips and a hill in the third mile slowed the pace.

"Obviously, the times were a little slower, but the first two miles I felt the best I have all year and went the fastest," Will said.

"We wanted to assert the dominance," Wes said. "I got all my goals — top three and trying to be the fastest junior."

Jamison Velzke, in his second race after returning from a broken foot, was eighth in 17:24.94.

"It was much better than last week. I felt way better," he said.

Jack Krause was 20th in 18:21.51 and Nolan Brill was 21st in 18:24.13.

Noah Hopeman was 31st in 19:08.19 and Abram Brill was 35th in 19:21.72.

Coach Brandon Langer said the plan was to run strong but under control during the first mile, then move up during mile two.

"Once they reached the hill, it was strong up the hill and then put in a surge at the top to recover, then use the downhill to start their finishing kick over the last 1,000 meters," he said.

The Rockets come into the state meet among the top three teams in Division 3. Rib Lake and Phillips will be the favorites, Langer said, but "we will be in the mix."

The top two teams earn spots on the podium.

Ozaukee was fifth with 180 points, but Nick Schubert was fifth in 17:06.4 and Brice Schueller was 10th in 17:40.45. Both qualify for state.

"Nick and Brice both stuck to their race strategies," coach Andrew Pfeuffer said.

Schubert stuck near the lead group and Schueller stayed with others who might be in contention for a qualifying spot, he said.

Peyton Mueller was 47th in 19:29.51. Dylan Budzisz was 62nd in 20:02. Evan Caswell was 68th in a personal-record 20:09.95. Alec Krenz was 93rd in 21:29.56 and Otto Utecht was 91st in 21:53.68.

## CG-Belgium freshman qualifies

Cedar Grove-Belgium freshman Brynlee Schmidt said she didn't know individuals could qualify for state until the day of the Big East Conference race on Oct. 19.

Now, she's making the trip.

Schmidt was fifth in Saturday's Division 3 Poynette Sectional in 20:46.63, a personal re-



**CEDAR GROVE-BELGIUM'S Brynlee Schmidt** will compete in the Division 3 state cross country meet on Saturday in Wisconsin Rapids.

cord by 14 seconds.

"She executed the race strategy to perfection, as she really moved up during mile two," Langer said.

The Rocket girls scored 141 points and finished fourth. Kohler won with 44 points, followed by Lomira's 88 and Sheboygan Lutheran with 104.

Amara Beernink was 25th in 22:18.9. Evelyn Ramos-Garcia was 26th in 22:19.44. Ashleigh McCluskey was 40th in 23:14.92. Saige Ingelse was 45th in 23:30.41. Aubrey Nett was 53rd in 24:03.46 and Hannah Langer was 77th in 25:54.49.

Ozaukee was 10th with 233 points. Eva VanMinsel was 28th in 22:32.4 and Madison Glaeser was 29th in 22:35.01 — both personal records. Addison Schubert was 44th in 23:29.7. Emily Luza was 49th in a season-best 23:47.23. Katelyn Gomez was 83rd in 26:50.11 and Lilia Steinert was 90th in 29:11.57.



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## True Value Co. bankruptcy won't affect Port store

■ *Drews says national firm's financial woes, possible sale to rival won't have impact on his local hardware business*

By KRISTYN HALBIG ZIEHM  
Ozaukee Press staff

True Value Co. has started bankruptcy proceedings and agreed to sell its business, but that doesn't mean area residents will see changes to Drews True Value in Port Washington, owner Paul Drews said.

"It's business as usual," Drews said last week. "We're 100% independently owned and operated."

True Value, he said, supplies the store with merchandise and is continuing to do that.

"True Value is continuing to operate, the trucks are showing up," Drews said.

As part of its filing, he noted, True Value Co. has agreed to sell substantially all of its operations to Do It Best, a rival firm.

And Do It Best has agreed to continue True Value as an operating brand, Drews said.

True Value is a 75-year-old company that for years operated as a cooperative, Drews said. In 2018, an investment company purchased True Value and paid off the co-op members, he said.

Since then, Drews said, his store and others like it have been a customers of True Value, paying for use of the brand and services such as the customer rewards program and advertising.

In addition, True Value Co. has also



**DREWS TRUE VALUE** in Port Washington is independently owned and won't be affected by the pending bankruptcy of True Value Co. and its possible sale to a rival, owner Paul Drews said.  
Photo by Sam Arendt

served as a supplier, with stores purchasing the merchandise they wanted from the company.

"It's like going to a buffet," Drews said. "You avail yourself of the services you want and need."

"They've been a good supplier over the years."

True Value has been a part of Port Washington's business community for decades.

The building itself was constructed according to True Value plans by the Greisch family in about 1978, Drews said. It was Lauer's True Value for years, until Drews and his parents purchased the business in 1995. More recently, they purchased the building.

Do It Best has said that if its bid for True Value is approved, they will continue to operate the True Value brand, Drews said.

"If Do It Best ends up with the deal, there probably will be minimal change," he said. "They're a very conservative company. They've been around for a long time."

Do It Best has "considerable presence" in the industry, Drews said, noting that the company was the supplier for Stevlin's Hardware and Belgium Hardware when they were in business.

If another company is awarded the bid, he said, Drews True Value has "at least two or three options," including Orgill, a wholesaler that already sells to 800 True Value stores, and Emory Jensen, a wholesaler subsidiary of Ace Hardware that would not require use of the Ace name.

Do It Best has historically been strong in the lumber side of the industry, Drews said, while True Value's strength lies "more in the true hardware side of things."

For Do It Best, Drews said, acquiring True Value Co. "is a way for them to increase their presence very quickly. True

Value has considerable assets."

Those assets include a paint factory that makes products for other paint companies in addition to the True Value brands, he noted.

In its bankruptcy filing, True Value Co. said it is facing a significant cash crunch as the housing market has stalled, costs have increased and consumers have become more selective about discretionary purchases such as hardware.

Company officials said the bankruptcy filing was the best way to proceed to maximize the firm's value and serve its retail partners into the future.

The Chicago-based company entered bankruptcy with a so-called stalking horse, or lead, bid to sell substantially all its operations to Do It Best, a competitor.

However, bids for True Value will continue to be taken through Nov. 18, Drews said.

The company hopes to have things wrapped up by the end of the year, with the new ownership decided by then, Drews said.

## Williams leaves Belgium Chamber, Alexander hired as new director

By MITCH MAERSCH  
Ozaukee Press Staff

The executive director of the Belgium Area Chamber of Commerce and the marketing and communications consultant with the Luxembourg American Cultural Society has a new job that keeps her locally involved.

Tara Williams is the new brand marketing manager for Ansay Development Corp. and Ansay International in Port Washington.

"This role is a natural next step for my career as it allows me to continue promoting developments that benefit our Ozaukee County community as well as continue to tell the Luxembourg-American story and help our team further the connections and relationships between Luxembourg and America through our imported products," Williams said.

"Working with Ansay International allows me to continue learning more about Luxembourg, its products, people and its culture, which I've enjoyed doing through the Luxembourg American Cultural Society. Ansay International has made some impressive connections with amazing companies in Luxembourg and I look forward to working with our team to share their quality products with the rest of America."

One of Ansay Development Corp.'s major initiatives is its development in Saukville.

"ADC's Northern Gateway Community Collective is truly going to be a game changer for the county and will positively impact countless lives through our partnership with Mel's Charities and Balance, Inc. as well as the recreational and economic opportunities it brings for all, so I am thrilled and honored to be a part of that as well as the many other projects happening throughout our county," Williams said.

She will also continue to be involved with the Belgium Chamber.

"It was a very difficult choice to leave my positions behind as I've loved every minute of working with our Belgium community. I have been truly blessed to be able to raise my kids for the last 7 1/2 years in these roles as they were able to grow up immersed in learning the importance of being involved with our local nonprofits. I'm now looking forward to getting to experience it with them together as committed volunteers," Williams said.

Chamber President Anne Noster praised Williams' work with the Chamber.

"Tara had amazing new ideas for the BACC from the first day she started this position. We have been growing ever since Tara was hired in 2017," Noster said. "Tara will be missed in this position yet she is not stepping away as she will remain as an important part of our Chamber."

The Chamber has hired Melissa Alexander as its new executive director. Alexander was executive director of Port Main Street from 2019 to 2021.

The LACS hopes to have its marketing position filled by the end of the week.

"We really enjoyed working with Tara. She was our part-time marketing consultant for over five years and during that time she wrote countless exceptional articles for our Luxembourg American Gazette publication, making it an important part of our member's benefit. Tara also broadened Luxembourg Fest's visibility through securing television interviews and social media," LACS Executive Director Patricia Lutz said.

"She has been a valuable creative partner in growing the LACS membership base even through the unknown years of Covid. We wish her the best with her exciting new position with the Ansay group."

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# Public Notices

(Oct. 31, 2024)

## NOTICE OF REFERENDUM

Village of Fredonia

November 5th, 2024

### Referendum Election Details

At an election to be held in the Village of Fredonia on November 5th, 2024 the following proposed Resolution of the Village Board of Trustees will be submitted to a vote of the people:

**Whereas**, the State of Wisconsin has imposed levy limits on village, city, and county levies for 2024 (to be collected in 2025) and thereafter under s. 66.0602, Wis. Stat.;

**Whereas** s. 66.0602, Wis. Stat. limits the allowable local levy for 2024 (to be collected in 2025) to a percentage increase of no more than the greater of (a) zero percent of the 2023 payable 2024 adjusted actual levy as calculated under the state's levy limit law or (b) a percentage equal to the percent change in equalized value due to net new construction less improvements removed, which for the Village of Fredonia is 0.668%.

**Whereas**, the Village of Fredonia's 2023 payable 2024 allowable tax levy was \$1,148,520, and further whereas the state law would limit this year's increase to \$74,088 (2023 payable 2024 allowable levy of \$1,148,520 plus \$4,595 personal property aid less \$255,652 debt service adjustment x 0.668%), for a total allowable Village tax levy of \$1,222,608 with adjustments (\$1,148,250 plus \$5,995 net new construction increase plus a \$75,603 increase in debt service from the prior year less a \$7,511 increase in personal property aid) for 2024 (to be collected in 2025);

**Whereas**, the Village Board of the Village of Fredonia, Ozaukee County, believes that for the 2024 tax levy (to be collected in 2025) it is in the Village's best interest to exceed the state levy limit as described above funding hiring and retaining fire and emergency medical services personnel and capital purchases for the Village of Fredonia Fire Department's Joint ALS-Paramedic program.

**THEREFORE**, the Village Board of the Village of Fredonia, Ozaukee County does hereby resolve, and order as follows:

1. The Village Board supports an increase in the Village tax levy for 2024 (to be collected in 2025) that will exceed the amount allowed by the state levy limit, which would increase the Village levy by 16.359%, which is a dollar increase of \$200,000 for a total Village tax levy (after adjustments) of \$1,422,608. The requested increase would apply on an ongoing basis.

2. The Village Board directs that the question of increasing the allowable Village tax levy for 2024 (to be collected in 2025) by \$200,000 over the allowable levy be put to referendum at an election on November 5, 2024.

3. The question shall be submitted to the electors as follows: "Under state law, the increase in the levy of the Village of Fredonia for the tax to be imposed for the next fiscal year, 2025, is limited to 0.668%, which results in a levy of \$1,222,608. Shall the Village of Fredonia be allowed to exceed this limit and increase the levy for the next fiscal year, 2025, for the purpose of hiring and retaining fire and emergency medical services personnel and capital purchases for the Village of Fredonia Fire Department's Joint ALS-Paramedic program, by a total of 16.359%, which results in a levy of \$1,422,608, and on an ongoing basis, include the increase of \$200,000 for each fiscal year going forward?"

### Ballot Text

The question will appear on the ballot as follows: "Under state law, the increase in the levy of the Village of Fredonia for the tax to be imposed for the next fiscal year, 2025, is limited to 0.668%, which results in a levy of \$1,222,608. Shall the Village of Fredonia be allowed to exceed this limit and increase the levy for the next fiscal year, 2025, for the purpose of hiring and retaining fire and emergency medical services personnel and capital purchases for the Village of Fredonia Fire Department's Joint ALS-Paramedic program, by a total of 16.359%, which results in a levy of \$1,422,608, and on an ongoing basis, include the increase of \$200,000 for each fiscal year going forward?"

### Explanation

A "yes" vote will authorize the Village of Fredonia to exceed the levy limit specified in Wisconsin Statutes Section 66.0602 in order to pay for the hiring and retention of paramedic-level emergency medical services personnel, and related equipment. The Village is requesting a \$200,000 increase to the levy limit, which represents the anticipated cost of such personnel and equipment above and beyond available funding.

A "no" vote on the question is a vote to deny the Village of Fredonia the authority to exceed the levy limit specified in Wisconsin Statutes Section 66.0602.

Done in the Village of Fredonia on August 22nd, 2024

Michelle T. Johnson  
Village Clerk

Type C Notice for Referendum | 2021-06 | Wisconsin Elections Commission, P.O. Box 7984, Madison, WI 53707-7984 | 608-261-2028 | web: elections.wi.gov | email: elections@wi.gov

WNAXLP

(Oct. 31, 2024)

## NOTICE

On October 17, 2024, a resolution was offered, adopted and approved by the Village of Newburg, Ozaukee and Washington Counties, Wisconsin (the "Municipality"), whereby the Municipality authorized and directed the issuance and sale of up to \$2,080,475 Sewerage System Revenue Bonds, Series 2024. The closing on these Bonds will be held on November 13, 2024. A copy of all proceedings had to date with respect to the authorization and sale of said Bonds is on file and may be examined in the office of the Village Clerk.

This Notice is given pursuant to Section 893.77, Wisconsin Statutes, which provides that an action or proceeding to contest the validity of such municipal financing, for other than constitutional reasons, must be commenced within thirty (30) days after the date of publication of this Notice.

Dated: 10/24/2024.

VILLAGE OF NEWBURG, WISCONSIN  
Brandy Loveland Seelow, Village Clerk

WNAXLP

(Oct. 17, 24, 31, 2024)

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT  
OZAUKEE COUNTY  
Case No. 2024CV000137

Mortgage Assets Management, LLC Plaintiff,

v.

Estate of Clarence T. Richards, et al. Defendants.

## NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of a judgment of foreclosure made in the above-entitled action on August 6, 2024 in the amount of \$175,114.36, I will sell at public auction, located in the main lobby of the Ozaukee County Justice Center, 1201 S. Spring St., Port Washington, WI 53074, on

November 14, 2024

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Christy Knowles  
Sheriff of Ozaukee County, Wisconsin

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Attorneys for Plaintiff  
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WNAXLP

(Oct. 31, Nov. 7, 14, 2024)

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT  
OZAUKEE COUNTY  
Our File No. 1650750  
Case No. 24-CV-328

Jefferson Capital Systems LLC Plaintiff

vs.

Nathaniel Jenkins  
750 Delaware Ave Apt I  
Grafton WI 53024 Defendant(s).

## PUBLICATION SUMMONS

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You are hereby notified that the plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you.

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Dated: October 23, 2024  
GURSTEL LAW FIRM P.C.  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
Electronically signed by Chad Kowalewski  
State Bar No. 1032968

P.O. Address:  
622 N. Water St., Suite 400  
Milwaukee, WI 53202  
Phone: (877) 344-4002

WNAXLP

(Oct. 31, Nov. 7, 2024)

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TOWN OF PORT WASHINGTON  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Port Washington Town Board will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at 6:45 PM at the Town Hall, 3715 Highland Drive, Port Washington.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT the subject of the Public Hearing is to consider an application submitted by, Neumann Developments, Inc., to rezone properties from A-1 Agricultural to R-2 Residential. Tax keys 07-031-110-002.00, owned by Kenneth and Mary Lou Dommer, and 07-031-09-003.00, owned by Vince Anewenter, are both located east of 116 E. Sauk Road. Upon the close of the Public Hearing, a meeting of the Town of Port Washington Town Board shall be called to order, and the application shall be addressed per the agenda.

Dated this 28th day of October, 2024

Heather Krueger, Clerk  
Town of Port Washington

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(Oct. 31, Nov. 7, 14, 2024)

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CIRCUIT COURT, OZAUKEE COUNTY  
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR  
NAME CHANGE HEARING  
Case No. 24CV375

In the Matter of the name change of:  
Felix Stefania Johnson Vaitys  
By: Felix Stefania Johnson Vaitys

## NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition has been filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:

From: Felix Stefania Johnson Vaitys  
To: Fiona Stefania Johnson Felix Vaitys  
Birth Certificate: Felix Stefania Johnson Vaitys

## IT IS ORDERED:

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Ozaukee County, State of Wisconsin:

Judge's Name: Adam Gerol  
Place: Courtroom 228  
Ozaukee County Justice Center  
1201 S. Spring St.,  
Port Washington, WI, 53074  
Date: 11/25/2024  
Time: 9:15 a.m.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 262-284-8409 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

**BY THE COURT:**  
**DATE SIGNED: October 23, 2024**

Electronically signed by Adam Gerol  
Circuit Court Judge

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(Oct. 31, Nov. 7, 14, 2024)

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CIRCUIT COURT, OZAUKEE COUNTY  
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR  
NAME CHANGE HEARING  
Case No. 2024 CV 405

In the Matter of the name change of:  
Miccah Anne Leiphart

## NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition has been filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:

From: Miccah Anne Leiphart  
To: Miccah Anne Nowak  
Birth Certificate: Miccah Anne Leiphart

## IT IS ORDERED:

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Ozaukee County, State of Wisconsin:

Judge's Name: Judge Sandy Williams  
Place: 1201 S. Spring St., Room 253  
Port Washington, WI, 53074  
Date: 12-3-2024  
Time: 2:15 p.m.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 262-284-8409 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

**BY THE COURT:**  
**DATE SIGNED: October 21, 2024**

Electronically signed by Sandy A. Williams  
Circuit Court Judge

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(Oct. 31, 2024)

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING FOR THE TOWN OF PORT WASHINGTON, WI

Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, November 20, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. at the Town of Port Washington Town Hall, 3715 Highland Drive, Port Washington, WI 53074, a Public Hearing on the Proposed 2025 Budget of the Town of Port Washington, Ozaukee Co. will be held. The detailed Proposed Budget is available for inspection by appointment in the Town Clerk's office (Town Hall). The following is a summary of the proposed 2025 Budget.

	2024 YTD as of 10/1/24	2024 Projected Actual	2025 Proposed Budget	Percent Change
<b>REVENUES:</b>				
Tax Revenues	\$ 484,370.70	\$ 484,370.70	\$ 485,909.78	
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$ 77,930.84	\$ 161,770.00	\$ 165,970.00	
Licenses & Permits	\$ 26,729.29	\$ 27,444.20	\$ 22,455.00	
Public Charges for Services	\$ 2,322.50	\$ 2,322.50	\$ 2,000.00	
Miscellaneous Revenues	\$ 35,716.54	\$ 43,059.00	\$ 10,000.00	
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 627,069.87</b>	<b>\$ 718,966.40</b>	<b>\$ 686,334.78</b>	<b>-4.53</b>

## EXPENDITURES:

General Government	\$ 107,489.00	\$ 147,521.00	\$ 150,793.00	
Public Safety	\$ 151,069.90	\$ 155,012.60	\$ 177,488.80	
Public Works	\$ 129,438.92	\$ 143,600.00	\$ 143,998.00	
Health & Human Services	\$ 2,120.00	\$ 2,120.00	\$ 2,120.00	
Conservation & Development	\$ 13,477.82	\$ 13,600.00	\$ 14,147.00	
Capital Outlay	\$ -	\$ 220,000.00	\$ 201,000.00	
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 403,595.64</b>	<b>\$ 681,853.60</b>	<b>\$ 689,546.80</b>	<b>-1.12</b>

	Projected Fund Balance
General Fund	\$ 431,424.78
ARPA Fund	\$ 37,275.00

2024 BASE TOWN LEVY TO BE PAID IN 2025 \$ 485,213.00

## NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF THE ELECTORS OF THE TOWN OF PORT WASHINGTON, OZAUKEE COUNTY

Notice is hereby given that a Special Town meeting of the Town of Port Washington electors will be held on **Wednesday, November 20**, at the Town of Port Washington Town Hall, 3715 Highland Dr., Port Washington, WI 53074. The Special Town Meeting will follow the completion of the Public Hearing on the proposed 2025 Town Budget, which begins at 5:30 p.m. for the following purpose(s):

To approve the 2024 Town Tax Levy to be paid in 2025 pursuant to Wis. Stats. §60.10(1)(a)

Dated this 28th Day of October, 2024

Heather Krueger, Town Clerk, Town of Port Washington

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# Ozaukee Press

is the official newspaper of:

Ozaukee County  
City of Port Washington  
Village of Saukville  
Village of Fredonia  
Cedar Grove-Belgium School District  
Northern Ozaukee School District  
Port Washington-Saukville School District  
Town of Belgium  
Town of Fredonia  
Town of Grafton  
Town of Port Washington  
Town of Saukville

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(Oct. 31, 2024)

## CITY OF PORT WASHINGTON LOCATION AND HOURS OF POLLING PLACE

At the General Election to be held on November 5, 2024, in the City of Port Washington, the following polling place locations will be used for the wards indicated:

Location	Wards
ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH 1525 N. GRANT STREET	WARD 1 AND WARD 7
PORT WASHINGTON CITY HALL 100 W. GRAND AVENUE	WARD 2 AND WARD 3
GRAND AVENUE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 5, 505 W. GRAND AVENUE	WARD 4, WARD 5, WARD 6, WARD 8

**ALL POLLING PLACES WILL OPEN AT 7:00 A.M. AND WILL CLOSE AT 8:00 P.M. ALL POLLING PLACES ARE ACCESSIBLE TO ELDERLY AND VOTERS WITH DISABILITIES.**

If you have any questions concerning your polling place, contact the Municipal Clerk.

PORT WASHINGTON CITY HALL  
SUSAN L. WESTERBEKE, CITY CLERK  
100 W. GRAND AVENUE  
262-284-5585  
CITY HALL IS OPEN 8:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M., MONDAY - FRIDAY

## Notice of Meeting of the Local Board of Canvassers

At the close of voting on Election Day, pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 19.84, the Election Inspectors at each polling place will convene as the Local Canvassing Board for the purpose of conducting the local canvass pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 7.51. This meeting will be open to the public pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 19.81-89.

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## Notice of Location and Hours of Polling Place

At the General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 5th, 2024, in the Village of Fredonia, the following polling place locations will be used for the wards indicated:

Location	Wards
Fredonia Government Center 242 Fredonia Ave Fredonia, WI 53021	1-3

All polling places will open at 7:00 A.M. and will close at 8:00 P.M. All polling places are accessible to elderly and voters with disabilities.

If you have any questions concerning your polling place, contact the municipal clerk.

Michelle T. Johnson  
242 Fredonia Ave  
Fredonia, WI 53021  
(262) 692-9125  
Monday-Thursday 7:00AM-4:00PM

## Notice of Meeting of the Local and Municipal Board of Canvassers (MBOC)

At the close of voting on Election Day, pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 19.84, the Election Inspectors will convene as a joint meeting of the Local Board of Canvassers and the MBOC for the purpose of conducting the local and municipal canvasses pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 7.51 and 7.53(1). This meeting will be open to the public pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 19.81-89.

## Notice of Meeting of MBOC to Process Rehabilitated Provisional Ballots

If provisional ballots have been issued and are subsequently cured by the voter before 4:00 p.m. on the Friday after the election, the MBOC must meet no later than the following Monday at 9:00 a.m. to process the cured provisional ballots.

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(Oct. 31, 2024)

## Notice of Location and Hours of Polling Place

At the Fall Election to be held on November 5, 2024, in the Town of Grafton the following polling place locations will be used for the wards indicated:

Location	Wards
Town Hall – 1230 11th Avenue, Grafton, WI 53024	1, 2, 5
Town Hall – 1230 11th Avenue, Grafton, WI 53024	3, 4, 6

All polling places will open at 7:00 A.M. and will close at 8:00 P.M. All polling places are accessible to elderly and voters with disabilities\*.

If you have any questions concerning your polling place, contact the municipal clerk.

Sara Jacoby  
1230 11th Avenue, Grafton, WI 53024  
262-377-8500  
Monday – Thursday 8:30am to 4:30pm; Friday  
8:30am to 12pm

## Notice of Meeting of the Local Board of Canvassers

At the close of voting on Election Day, pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 19.84, the Election Inspectors at each polling place will convene as the Local Canvassing Board for the purpose of conducting the local canvass pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 7.51. This meeting will be open to the public pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 19.81-89.

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(Oct. 31, Nov. 7, 2024)

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Ozaukee County Comprehensive Planning Board on **Wednesday, November 20, 2024 at 11:30 am or 10 minutes following the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors meeting, whichever is later**, at the Ozaukee County Administration Center, Room A-200, 121 West Main Street, Port Washington, Wisconsin, at which time the Comprehensive Planning Board will hear public comment and review and take action on **A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County (4th Edition): 2050**.

The Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department, in conjunction with the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC) and the Comprehensive Planning Board, undertook the development of **A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County (4th Edition): 2050** during 2017-2024 extending the planning horizon to 2050. The updated plan was prepared under the framework of **A Multi-Jurisdictional Comprehensive Plan for Ozaukee County: 2035** and includes updated information relating to land use, population levels, anticipated growth and development, natural resources, and park and open space acquisition and development. The park and open space plan development included numerous opportunities for public involvement and input throughout the planning process. The Comprehensive Planning Board will consider recommending a resolution to the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors to adopt **A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County (4th Edition): 2050** at their meeting on November 20, 2014.

Copies of **A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County (4th Edition): 2050** will be available for review beginning Wednesday, October 30 2024, at the Ozaukee County Administration Center Planning and Parks Department Office, Room 220, during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and online at the Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department website (<https://www.ozaukee-county.gov/645/Park-Open-Space>). Written comments should be submitted prior to or at the public hearing on November 20, 2024. Any questions, written comments, or requests for copies of the plan should be directed to the Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department, 121 West Main Street, PO Box 994, Port Washington, WI 53074 or at 262-238-8257. Written comments will be addressed and will be given the same weight as oral testimony.

Published October 31st and November 7, 2024.

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(Oct. 31, 2024)

## Legal Notice

Notification is hereby given that JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., 1111 Polaris Parkway, Columbus, Ohio 43240 has filed an application with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (the "OCC") on or about October 31, 2024, as specified in 12 CFR Part 5, for permission to establish a domestic branch at the southeast corner of the intersection of Washington Street (aka Route 60) and Port Washington Road (aka County Highway W), Grafton, Ozaukee County, WI 54024. If you have any additional comments, you can send them to the Director for Large Bank Licensing, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 7 Times Square, 10th Floor Mailroom, New York, New York 10036 or [LicensingPublicComments@occ.treas.gov](mailto:LicensingPublicComments@occ.treas.gov), within 30 days of the date of this publication. The public portion of the filing is available upon request from the OCC. The public may find information about the filing (including the closing date of the comment period) in the OCC's Weekly Bulletin available at [www.occ.gov](http://www.occ.gov).

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(Oct. 31, 2024)

## NOTICE OF REFERENDUM VILLAGE OF BELGIUM November 5, 2024

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at an election to be held in the Village of Belgium, Ozaukee County, Wisconsin, on November 5th, 2024, the following proposed referendum question will be submitted to a vote of the people:

### RESOLUTION 06-24 RESOLUTION OF VILLAGE BOARD EXERCISING REFERENDUM OPTION

Whereas, the State of Wisconsin has imposed levy limits on village, city, and county levies for 2024 (to be collected in 2025) and thereafter under s. 66.0602, Wis. Stat.;

Whereas s. 66.0602, Wis. Stat. limits the allowable local levy for 2024 (to be collected in 2025) to a percentage increase of no more than the greater of (a) zero percent of the 2023 payable 2024 adjusted actual levy as calculated under the state's levy limit law or (b) a percentage equal to the percent change in equalized value due to net new construction less improvements removed, which for the Village of Belgium is 2.18%;

Whereas, the Village of Belgium's 2023 payable 2024 allowable tax levy was **\$1,529,754**, and further whereas the state law would limit this year's increase to **\$16,174** (2023 payable 2024 allowable levy of \$1,529,754 plus \$4339 personal property aid less \$583618 debt service adjustment x 2.184%), for a total allowable Village tax levy of **\$1,545,928** with adjustments (\$1,529,754 plus \$20,758 net new construction increase plus a \$4,152 increase in debt service from the prior year less \$8736 Act 12 personal Property Aid increase) for 2024 (to be collected in 2025);

Whereas, the Village Board of the Village of Belgium, Ozaukee County, believes that for the 2024 tax levy (to be collected in 2025) it is in the Village's best interest to exceed the state levy limit as described above funding the Village of Belgium's share of hiring and retaining fire and emergency medical services personnel and capital purchases for the Intermunicipal Joint ALS-Paramedic program.

THEREFORE, the Village Board of the Village of Belgium, Ozaukee County does hereby resolve, and order as follows:

1. The Village Board supports an increase in the Village tax levy for 2024 (to be collected in 2025) that will exceed the amount allowed by the state levy limit, which would increase the Village levy by 9.677%, which is a dollar increase of **\$149,600** for a total Village tax levy (after adjustments) of **\$1,695,528**. The requested increase would apply on an ongoing basis.

2. The Village Board directs that the question of increasing the allowable Village tax levy for 2024 (to be collected in 2025) by **\$149,600** over the allowable levy be put to referendum at an election on November 5, 2024.

3. The question shall be submitted to the electors as follows: "Under state law, the increase in the levy of the Village of Belgium for the tax to be imposed for the next fiscal year, 2025, is limited to 2.184%, which results in a levy of \$1,545,928. Shall the Village of Belgium be allowed to exceed this limit and increase the levy for the next fiscal year, 2025, for the purpose of funding the Village of Belgium's share of hiring and retaining fire and emergency medical services personnel and capital purchases for the Village of Fredonia Fire Department's Joint ALS-Paramedic program, by a total of 9.677%, which results in a levy of \$1,695,528, and on an ongoing basis, include the increase of \$149,600 for each fiscal year going forward."

Resolution introduced by Village President, Peter Anzia. Trustee Rose Sauers moved for its adoption. Seconded by Trustee Sarah Heisler AYES: Chris Plier, Roseann Geib, Kevin Schueller and Dan Wolff NOES: None ADOPTED: August 19, 2024.

Theresa Bartley, Village Clerk

The question will appear on the ballot as follows:

**"Under state law, the increase in the levy of the Village of Belgium for the tax to be imposed for the next fiscal year, 2025, is limited to 2.184%, which results in a levy of \$1,545,928. Shall the Village of Belgium be allowed to exceed this limit and increase the levy for the next fiscal year, 2025, for the purpose of funding the Village of Belgium's share of hiring and retaining fire and emergency medical services personnel and capital purchases for the Village of Fredonia Fire Department's Joint ALS-Paramedic program, by a total of 9.677%, which results in a levy of \$1,695,528, and on an ongoing basis, include the increase of \$149,600 for each fiscal year going forward."**

Yes or No

A "YES" vote on the question means that the elector is in favor of approving the tax levy increase of \$149,600 for each fiscal year going forward.

A "NO" vote on the question means that the elector is not in favor of approving the tax levy increase of \$149,600 for each fiscal year going forward.

Done in the Village of Belgium on this 19th day of August 2024.

PETER ANZIA  
Village President

Theresa Bartley,  
Village Clerk-Treasurer

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(Oct. 24, 31, Nov. 7, 2024)

## STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT, OZAUKEE COUNTY Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration) Case No. 2024PR127

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
LUDWIG F. MILLER II

### PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.  
2. The decedent, with date of birth August 7, 1939 and date of death September 9, 2024 was domiciled in Ozaukee County, State of WI, with a mailing address of 112 N. Milwaukee Street, Fredonia, WI 53021.  
3. All interested persons waived notice.  
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is January 27, 2025.  
5. A claim may be filed at the Ozaukee County Courthouse, 1201 S. Spring St., Port Washington, Wisconsin, Room 201.

DATE SIGNED: October 14, 2024

Electronically signed by Connie Mueller  
Probate Registrar

Beth M. Bant - BANT & ONCHUCK LAW OFFICE  
135 North Lake Avenue  
Phillips, WI 54555  
(715) 339-2149  
Bar No. 1077478

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(Oct. 17, 24, 31, 2024)

## STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT, OZAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 2024 CV 381

In the Matter of the name change of:  
Evelyn Grace Hintz

By: Evelyn Grace Hintz

### NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition has been filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:

From: Evelyn Grace Hintz  
To: Evelyn Louise Hintz  
Birth Certificate: Evelyn Grace Hintz

### IT IS ORDERED:

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Ozaukee County, State of Wisconsin:  
Judge's Name: Judge Sandy Williams  
Place: 1201 S. Spring St., Room 253  
Port Washington, WI, 53074  
Date: Nov. 11, 2024  
Time: 2:45 p.m.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 262-284-8409 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

BY THE COURT:  
DATE SIGNED: October 7, 2024

Electronically signed by Sandy A. Williams  
Circuit Court Judge

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(Oct. 24, 31, Nov. 7, 2024)

## STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT, OZAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 2024CV000403

In the Matter of the name change of:  
Shana Marie Mueller

By: Shana Marie Mueller

### NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition has been filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:

From: Shana Marie Mueller  
To: Shana Marie Pape  
Birth Certificate: Shana Marie Mulder

### IT IS ORDERED:

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Ozaukee County, State of Wisconsin:  
Judge's Name: Hon. Sandy A. Williams  
Place: 1201 S. Spring St., Room 253  
Port Washington, WI, 53074  
Date: December 3, 2024  
Time: 2:00 p.m.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 262-284-8409 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

DATE SIGNED: October 18, 2024

Electronically signed by Sandy A. Williams  
Circuit Court Judge

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(Oct. 24, 31, Nov. 7, 2024)

## STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT, OZAUKEE COUNTY Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration) Case No. 2024PR128

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
DONALD W. SMITH

### PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.  
2. The decedent, with date of birth 03/06/1932 and date of death 09/29/2024 was domiciled in Ozaukee County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W78 N674 Wauwatosa Road, Apt. 116, Cedarburg, Wisconsin 53012-1729.  
3. All interested persons waived notice.  
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is 1/23/2025.  
5. A claim may be filed at the Ozaukee County Justice Center County Courthouse, 1201 S. Spring St., Port Washington, Wisconsin, Room 201.

DATE SIGNED: October 10, 2024

Electronically signed by Connie Mueller  
Probate Registrar

Timothy S. Schoonenberg, Houseman & Feind, LLP  
1650 9th Avenue  
Grafton, WI 53024  
262-377-0600  
Bar No. 1080548

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## Personal Property AUCTION

(Live Auction On-Site)

Saturday,

November 9th,

2024 at 9:00 AM REGISTRATION & VIEWING STARTS AT 8:00 AM

Location: N5491 Cty Road G, St. Cloud, WI

(1/2 mile North of Sargento/Baker cheese Factory)

**Items for sale:** Metal fence posts, wooden benches, tool chests, hand tools, floor jacks, ladders, creepers, bench grinder, new adjustable tow bar, bell helmets, small drill press, angle grinder, heavy duty shelving, vise, bench drill press, 7 new rolls of 5' wire for garden etc, 2 wheel trailers, (5) 4x8 sheets pressboard, new stainless stock pots, bench top buffer, new games never opened, beach toys, 2 new Coleman portable toilets, 2 wheel carts, (Christmas decorations & lights new) New can lights, plumbing supplies, new patio heater, box of shotgun shells w/slugs & bird shot 20 & 12 gauge, new ceiling fans, garden tools, new countertop microwave, new roaster oven, 2 new huffy bikes, new wagner sprayer in the box, new sheets & quilts, new led Coleman lanterns, many pop up canopies, 2 cast iron wood burners, (14) 4x8 sheets 1/2 drywall, 6 canon cameras w/extra telephoto lenses, new charcoal grill, franklin heirloom dolls in original boxes, misc tires, 3 trailer Hitches and more still unpacking.

**Specialty:** Miller model 33A-BP arc welder w/helmets, Yamaha 400 motorcycle, Lakeland 17' fiberglass boat/trailer & Johnson outboard. Honda Odyssey model 350 dune buggy, pacer hero-majestic motorcycle, day break 1997 31' motorhome by Damon, 1999 Polaris sportsman 500 4 wheeler, 6500 EXL generator aerator w/50' hose on its own cart I 3hp.

**Cars for parts:** 2002 Ford Windstar, 1998 Toyota Camry, 1999 Cadillac Northstar, Dodge prospector, 1970 Ford van, and a few more vehicles parts or scrap, misc scrap iron.

**Road America Collectibles & Photos:** Over 20 totes CF Photo Albums, white coveralls, jackets, hats, t-shirts, SCCA mugs, skip barber mugs, couple banners, iron on patches, media programs Jeff Gordon & Jimmy Johnson autographed jackets, trophies and much more.

**Auctioneers Note:** Edmund was a photographer at Road America for over 20 years. Edmund & Andrea were members of SCCA for 30 years. The sheds are still full, unpacking, and running two rings majority of the day so bring a bidding partner!. 12 :30 selling large items, vehicles. Much of the merchandise is new. **NO RESERVES**. This sale has a lot of quality and variety of goods, do not miss this one! **Food and Beverages will be provided all day by our local Chester's Waterfront Food Truck!**

**Terms:** Cash or check - drivers licensed required with any and all check(s).

**Owners:** Andrea Lacin & Edmund Lacin Estate.

Bill Cain WI Lic# 504  
920 980-2388



Katy Cain WI Lic# 2583  
920 980-9302

LOCATION AND HOURS OF POLLING PLACE

Village Clerk, Theresa Bartley
104 Peter Thein Ave
262-285-7931
M-Thur. 8:00 am to 5:00 pm
F 8:00 am to 12:00 pm

At the General Presidential Election to be held on November 5, 2024, in the Village of Belgium, the following polling place location will be used for the wards indicated:

Table with 2 columns: Location, Wards. Belgium Village Hall, 104 Peter Thein Ave, Belgium, WI 53004 | Wards 1, 2, and 3

ALL POLLING PLACES WILL OPEN AT 7:00 A.M. AND WILL CLOSE AT 8:00 P.M. This polling place is accessible to elderly and disabled voters.

If you have any questions concerning your polling place, contact the municipal clerk.

Notice of Meeting of the Local and Municipal Board of Canvassers (MBOC)

At the close of voting on Election Day, pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 19.84, the Election Inspectors will convene as a joint meeting of the Local Board of Canvassers and the MBOC for the purpose of conducting the local and municipal canvasses pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§7.51 and 7.53(1). This meeting will be open to the public pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 19.81-89.

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(Oct. 31, Nov. 7, 2024)

VILLAGE OF FREDONIA BUDGET HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing on the proposed 2025 budget for the Village of Fredonia General Fund, Capital Projects, Debt Service, Fire Department, Paramedic program, TID No. 3, Lab Fund, Water and Sewer Utilities, will be held at the Fredonia Government Center Board Room, 242 Fredonia Avenue, Fredonia, Wisconsin on Thursday, November 21, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. The draft budgets in detail shall be available beginning Monday, November 4th for public inspection at the Fredonia Village Hall, 242 Fredonia Avenue, Fredonia, Wisconsin during regular business hours.

VILLAGE OF FREDONIA 2025 GENERAL FUND BUDGET SUMMARY

Table with 5 columns: Category, Contemplated 12/31/2024, 2024 Budget, 2025 Budget, % Change. Includes Revenues (Total: \$1,810,699.00) and Expenditures (Total: \$1,885,755.00).

Table with 2 columns: Category, Amount. Total 2025 Anticipated Expenditures: \$5,929,295.00. Includes General Fund, Debt Service, Capital Projects, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Category, Amount. Amount Required for Levy: \$1,392,398. Includes General Fund, Debt Service, TID Fund.

The 2025 capital budget includes: \$100,000 for a replacement GMC 3500 Mini Dump Truck, \$55,000 for a replacement to Fire Command Vehicle 656, \$50,000 for a replacement of the Marshal's Office Roof, \$70,000 for a replacement 1993 Pickup with Plow, \$100,000 allocated towards a future Fire Ambulance Replacement, \$307,000 to pave Wenzel Avenue, \$150,000 for a Sewer Jetter Trailer, \$15,000 for Security Cameras, \$13,000 for Ventrac Accessories, \$15,000 to Resurface/Crackfill Marie Kraus Footpath, \$65,000 for a replacement of John Deere Snowblower/Mower, \$35,000 for a Trash Pump, \$15,000 for a replacement Water Tower Receiver, and \$20,000 for a Milwaukee Street Water Lateral & Hydrant Project.

Water rates shall remain unchanged, and sewer rates are proposed to increase by 20% in 2025.

WATER and SEWER UTILITY, LAB, DEBT SERVICE, CAPITAL, FIRE DEPARTMENT and TID NO. 3 BUDGETS

Table with 5 columns: Category, Contemplated 12/31/2024, 2024 Budget, 2025 Budget, % Change. Includes Revenues (Total: \$6,712,866.00) and Expenditures (Total: \$5,545,569).

It is estimated that the proposed 2025 budgets will result in a mil rate of \$5.07 per thousand of assessed value. Village portion of taxes will result in \$1,268 on a house with an assessed value of \$250,000.

Christophe E. Jenkins | Melissa Depies | Michelle T. Johnson
Village Administrator | Village Treasurer | Village Clerk

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(Oct. 31, 2024)

NOTICE OF REFERENDUM NORTHERN OZAUKEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NOVEMBER 5, 2024

ted to vote, an elector shall:
• state their name and address
• show an acceptable form of photo identification\*
• sign the poll book\*\*

Referendum Election Details

At an election to be held in the Northern Ozaukee School District on November 5, 2024, the following proposed Revenue Limit Resolution of the School Board will be submitted to a vote of the people:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET TO EXCEED REVENUE LIMIT BY \$1,100,000 PER YEAR FOR FOUR YEARS FOR NON-RECURRING PURPOSES

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of the Northern Ozaukee School District, Ozaukee County, Wisconsin that the revenues included in the School District budget be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$1,100,000 per year for four years, beginning with the 2024-2025 school year and ending with the 2027-2028 school year, for non-recurring purposes consisting of operational and maintenance expenses, including to maintain current educational programs.

Ballot Text

The question will appear on the ballot as follows:

"Shall the Northern Ozaukee School District, Ozaukee County, Wisconsin be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$1,100,000 per year for four years, beginning with the 2024-2025 school year and ending with the 2027-2028 school year, for non-recurring purposes consisting of operational and maintenance expenses, including to maintain current educational programs?"

Explanation

The referendum election ballot will ask District electors to vote "yes" or "no" on the referendum election question as set forth above.

A "yes" vote on the question is a vote to authorize the Northern Ozaukee School District budget to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$1,100,000 per year for four years, beginning with the 2024-2025 school year and ending with the 2027-2028 school year, for non-recurring purposes consisting of operational and maintenance expenses, including to maintain current educational programs.

A "no" vote on the question is a vote to deny the Northern Ozaukee School District the authority to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$1,100,000 per year for four years, beginning with the 2024-2025 school year and ending with the 2027-2028 school year, for non-recurring purposes consisting of operational and maintenance expenses, including to maintain current educational programs.

In the event a majority of the electors voting on the question vote "yes", the District will be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$1,100,000 per year for four years, beginning with the 2024-2025 school year and ending with the 2027-2028 school year, for non-recurring purposes consisting of operational and maintenance expenses, including to maintain current educational programs; if a majority vote "no" on the question set forth above, the District will not be so authorized.

Location and Hours of Polling Places

Information as to the location of the polling places is available in the District Office at 401 Highland Drive, Fredonia, Wisconsin.

All polling places will be open at 7:00 A.M. and will close at 8:00 P.M. All polling places are accessible to elderly and disabled voters.

If you have any questions concerning your polling place, contact the municipal clerk:

Karen J. Niemuth
121 W. Main St., Room 128
Port Washington, WI 53074
262-284-8110

Notice of Meeting of the School District Board of Canvassers

By no later than 9 a.m. on the Tuesday after the election, the school district board of canvassers shall convene, pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 19.84, for the purpose of conducting the school district canvass pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 7.53(3). This meeting will be open to the public pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 19.81-89.

Information to Electors

Upon entering the polling place and before being permit-

\*If an elector does not have acceptable photo identification, the elector may obtain a free photo ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles.

\*\*If the elector is unable to sign the poll book due to disability, a poll worker may write the word "exempt."

If an elector is not registered to vote, they may register to vote at the polling place serving their residence if the elector provides proof of residence.

Where ballots are distributed to electors, the initials of two inspectors must appear on the ballot.

Upon being permitted to vote, the elector shall enter a voting booth or go to a machine and cast their ballot. The vote should not be cast in any manner other than specified here. Sample ballots or other materials to assist the elector in marking their ballot may be taken into the booth and copied. The sample ballot shall not be shown to anyone so as to reveal how the ballot is marked.

An elector who is a parent or guardian may be accompanied by the elector's minor child or minor ward.

An election official may inform the elector of the proper manner for casting a vote but the official may not advise or indicate a particular voting choice.

Assistance for Voting

An elector may select an individual to assist in casting their vote if the elector declares to the presiding official that they are unable to read, have difficulty reading, writing, or understanding English, or that due to disability are unable to cast their ballot. The selected individual rendering assistance may not be the elector's employer or an agent of that employer or an officer or agent of a labor organization which represents the elector.

Where Paper Ballots are Used

On referendum questions, the elector shall make a mark (X) in the square next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall make a mark (X) in the square next to "no" if opposed to the question.

Where Optical Scan Voting is Used

On referendum questions, the elector shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to "no" if opposed to the question.

When using an electronic ballot marking device ("Auto-mark," "ExpressVote," "Clear Access" or "ImageCast Evolution-ICE") to mark an optical scan ballot on referendum questions, the elector shall touch the screen or use the tactile pad to select "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall touch the screen or use the tactile pad to select "no" if opposed to the question.

Where Touch Screen Voting is Used

On referendum questions, the elector shall touch the screen at "yes" if in favor of the question, or the elector shall touch the screen at "no" if opposed to the question.

After Voting the Ballot

After an official paper ballot is marked, it shall be folded so the inside marks do not show, but so the printed endorsements and inspectors' initials on the outside do show. The elector shall deposit the voted ballot in the ballot box or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit and shall leave the polling place promptly. After an official optical scan ballot is marked, it shall be inserted in the security sleeve, so the marks do not show. The elector may insert the ballot in the voting device and discard the sleeve or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. If a central count system is used, the elector shall insert the ballot in the ballot box and discard the sleeve or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. The elector shall leave the polling place promptly.

After an official touch screen ballot is cast, the elector shall leave the polling place promptly.

Spoiling Ballots

If an elector spoils a paper or optical scan ballot, they shall return it to an election official who shall issue another ballot in its place, but not more than three ballots shall be issued to any one elector. If the ballot has not been initiated by two inspectors or is defective in any other way, the elector shall return it to the election official who shall issue a proper ballot in its place.

The elector may spoil a touch screen ballot at the voting station before the ballot is cast.

The following is a sample of the official ballot:

Official Referendum Ballot November 5, 2024

Notice to Voters: If you are voting on Election Day, your ballot must be initialed by two election inspectors. If you are voting absentee, your ballot must be initialed by the municipal clerk or deputy clerk. Your ballot may not be counted without initials. (See end of ballot for initials).

Instructions to Voters

If you make a mistake on your ballot or have a question, ask an election inspector for help. (Absentee voters: contact your municipal clerk).

To vote in favor of a question, make an "X" or other mark in the square next to "Yes," like this: [X]

To vote against a question, make an "X" or other mark in the square next to "No," like this: [X]

School District

Question: Shall the Northern Ozaukee School District, Ozaukee County, Wisconsin be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$1,100,000 per year for four years, beginning with the 2024-2025 school year and ending with the 2027-2028 school year, for non-recurring purposes consisting of operational and maintenance expenses, including to maintain current educational programs?

[ ] Yes

[ ] No

Persons with questions regarding the referendum election should contact David Karrels, District Administrator.

Done in the Northern Ozaukee School District on October 31, 2024
Suzanne Miller
District Clerk

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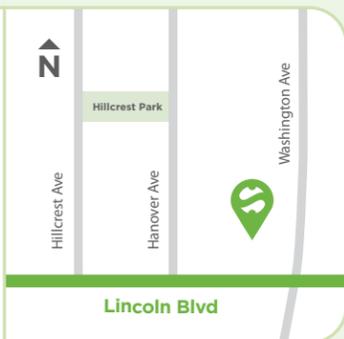
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# Public Notices

(Oct. 31, 2024)

### TOWN OF PORT WASHINGTON, WISCONSIN LOCATION AND HOURS OF POLLING PLACE

At the General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, in the Town of Port Washington, Wisconsin, the following polling place location will be used for the wards indicated:

Location	Wards
Port Washington Town Hall 3715 Highland Drive Port Washington, WI	1 and 2

**The POLLING PLACE WILL OPEN AT 7:00 A.M. AND WILL CLOSE AT 8:00 P.M.**

If you have any questions concerning this polling place, contact the Town Clerk.

Heather Krueger  
3715 Highland Drive  
Port Washington, WI 53074  
262-284-5235

Monday & Wednesday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

**This polling place is accessible to elderly and disabled voters.**

### Notice of Meeting of the Local Board of Canvassers

At the close of voting on Election Day, pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 19.84, the Election Inspectors at each polling place will convene as the Local Canvassing Board to conduct the local canvass pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 7.51. According to Wis. Stat. § 19.81-89, this meeting will be open to the public.

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### Notice of Location and Hours of Polling Place

At the 2024 Presidential Election to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, in the Village of Saukville, the following polling place locations will be used for the wards indicated:

Location	Wards
Feith Family YMCA 465 Northwoods Rd Saukville, WI 53080	Wards 1-7

**All polling places will open at 7:00 A.M. and will close at 8:00 P.M. All polling places are accessible to elderly and voters with disabilities.**

If you have any questions concerning your polling place, contact the municipal clerk.

Village of Saukville  
Julie Friede, Clerk  
639 E. Green Bay Avenue, Saukville  
262-284-9423  
Monday – Friday – 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

### Notice of Meeting of the Local Board of Canvassers

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING VILLAGE OF SAUKVILLE 2025 BUDGET PROPOSED BUDGET

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, November 19, 2024 at 6:45 PM at the Saukville Municipal Center, 639 E Green Bay Avenue, Saukville, Wisconsin, on the Village of Saukville's 2025 Proposed Budget in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes 65.90(3). The Village of Saukville Detail Budget Summary is available for public inspection at the Municipal Center at 639 E Green Bay Avenue, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

2025 PROPOSED BUDGET GENERAL FUND				
	2024 BUDGET	2024 ESTIMATE	2025 PROPOSED	% Change Increase (Decrease)
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Taxes (other than property taxes)	\$ 254,080	\$ 237,620	\$ 254,080	
Intergovernmental Revenues	1,022,762	1,036,070	1,021,813	
Licenses & Permits	33,000	33,550	37,000	
Fines, Forfeits & Penalties	44,000	45,800	46,000	
Charges for Services	146,027	146,332	167,050	
Miscellaneous	174,500	528,462	224,500	
Other Financing Sources	457,450	452,450	307,500	
Total Revenue	\$ 2,131,819	\$ 2,480,284	\$ 2,057,943	-3.47%
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				% of Operating Budget
General Government	491,851	498,647	513,247	11.3%
Public Safety	2,630,114	2,622,264	2,829,741	62.3%
Public Works	584,878	538,968	606,905	13.4%
Health and Social Services	7,417	7,529	7,727	0.2%
Culture, Recreation, Education	481,454	489,000	499,836	11.0%
Conservation and Development	83,452	67,526	87,110	1.9%
Total Expenditures	4,279,166	4,223,934	4,544,566	6.20%
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	2,147,347		2,486,623	
Local property taxes	2,147,347		2,486,623	
Net surplus (deficit)	\$0		\$0	
<b>UNASSIGNED</b>				
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,624,343		2,229,486	
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	2,229,486		2,633,183	

2025 PROPOSED						
	Tax Incremental	Cemetery Fund	Library Fund	CDA Fund	General Debt Service	ARPA Fund
Total Revenue	106,014	450	122,113	18,450	1,243,958	20,667
Total Expenditures	27,535	20,663	99,500	42,875	1,243,958	99,429
Excess (deficit)	78,479	-20,213	22,613	-24,425	0	-78,762
Fund Balance - Jan 1	-19,410	-18,723	120,724	55,387	8,038	27,334
Fund Balance - Dec 31	59,069	-38,936	143,337	30,962	8,038	79,406
Property Tax Contribution	\$ 271,303	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,243,958	\$ -

2025 PROPOSED						
	Park Fund	Capital Projects Fund	General Fund	Wisconsin Development Fund	Ambulance Training Fund	Permit Fund
Total Revenue	0	35,384	4,544,566	29,368	14,544	243,149
Total Expenditures	0	847,178	4,544,566	3,240	8,500	166,080
Excess (deficit)	0	-811,794	0	26,128	6,044	77,069
Fund Balance - Jan 1	10,679	2,459,754	2,229,486	185,026	85,431	-1,069
Fund Balance - Dec 31	10,679	1,647,960	2,633,183	211,154	91,475	76,000
Property Tax Contribution	\$ -	\$ 116,605	\$ 2,486,623	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

PROPERTY TAX LEVY DETAIL				
	2022	2023	2024	2025
General Fund		1,991,915	2,091,090	2,147,347
Capital Projects Fund		91,320	41,809	153,101
Debt Service Fund		1,224,647	1,217,311	1,235,999
Total		\$ 3,307,882	\$ 3,350,210	\$ 3,536,447

**VILLAGE BOARD MEETING**  
The Village of Saukville will have a Village Board meeting immediately following the conclusion of the Budget Hearing which will be held at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 19, 2024 at the Saukville Municipal Center, 639 East Green Bay Avenue, Saukville, Wisconsin to adopt the 2025 Budget and set the Village tax to be paid in 2025. Everyone is invited to attend.

Jacob Verhelst, Finance Director/Treasurer  
Dated this 31st day of October, 2024.

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With \$800K deficit looming, Fredonia school district asks voters again for levy help.

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Section B



A DEDICATED CORPUS of election workers was on hand at Port Washington City Hall to handle in-person early voting last week. They included (from left) Holly Ostermann, Joan Meyer, Pat Loose, Ralph Luedtke, Patti Luedtke, City Clerk Susan Westerbeke and Chief Election Inspector Mary Quentin.

Photo by Sam Arendt

## On the front lines of historic voting

■ Volunteer Port poll workers who generally receive thanks instead of threats are already busy with thousands of early voters as turnout predictions top 90%

By KRISTYN HALBIG ZIEHM  
Ozaukee Press staff

If you drove by Port Washington City Hall early this week, you might have thought it was election day.

Lines for in-person early voting stretched outside the building, with people lining up to vote before the doors of City Hall opened, City Clerk Susan Westerbeke said.

"You had to wait in line longer than you normally would (on election day)," she said, adding some people left, saying they couldn't wait as long as they had to and pledging to return when the lines were shorter.

On Tuesday, Oct. 22, the first day of in-person early voting, 452 people cast their ballots.

The process slowed to a crawl at one point as large municipalities came on to the WisVotes statewide computer system used to print voter identification labels that are affixed to the ballot envelopes, Westerbeke said.

A week later, more than 3,700 absentee ballots had been issued by the city, and Westerbeke said she expects that number to be close to 5,000 by the time early voting ends at 5 p.m. Friday.

Throughout the early voting period, Westerbeke added, there have been 15 to 20 people registering to vote each day, a number she expects to increase throughout the rest of this week.

Overall, Westerbeke said, she expects turnout to exceed 90%.

"There will be lines. It's a presidential election. You're going to have the maximum number of voters," she said.

Staffing the polls will be a corps of 50 to 60 volunteer poll workers.

At a time when questions are being raised nationally about the integrity of the election and threats are being made against election workers throughout the country, Port's poll workers generally haven't had to deal with these issues.

"We hear 'thank you for volunteering.' 'Thank you for your service' all the time, Chief Election Inspector Mary Quentin said. "No one has shared with me that they're nervous (about working the polls)."

"Our poll workers have been with us for a long time and they're very dedicated," Westerbeke said. "The voters recognize them, and that's comforting too. There's a trust factor there."

Given today's political climate, some people come to the polls with questions about the process, she said, and the poll workers will explain it to them.

"Often they've heard something on TV or read something



A BOX OF absentee ballots was checked by Port Washington Chief Election Inspector Mary Quentin (left) and City Clerk Susan Westerbeke on Friday.

Photo by Sam Arendt

and they come in with a perception," she said. "Or they've heard about something happening in another state. Every state has its own election laws. People repeat things and think it's happening in Wisconsin, or they hear something's happening in Milwaukee and think it's happening here.

"Sometimes it's just a matter of educating voters," Westerbeke said.

Poll workers also assure them that while things may happen elsewhere, "We can't control the national stage or what happens statewide. We manage our municipality," Westerbeke added. "There are layers and layers to the process here. There's a chain of custody for ballots from the beginning to the end. Elections are safe."

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## Political energy 'off the charts' in county

■ Local party leaders say they have never seen such levels of activism inspired not just by presidential race but those closer to home

By DAN BENSON  
Ozaukee Press staff

Ozaukee County is experiencing never-seen-before levels of political activism and, with one Wisconsin senate race setting a record for spending, it's not all about the presidential or other national races.

"People I've never seen before are signing up to volunteer, answer phones, knock on doors," said Deb Dassow, who has been chairman of the Ozaukee County Democrats the past four years. "Some of these doors have never been knocked on before. I have never seen such an overwhelming level of volunteerism in our party."

Her counterpart, Ozaukee County Republican Party Chairman Alex Leykin, agreed.

"Republicans are coming out in huge numbers," he said. "The energy is absolutely off the charts."

“The early voting has just been insane. It's been absolutely amazing.”  
Alex Leykin  
Ozaukee Republican Party chairman

That's apparent in early voting, with about 30% of registered voters having cast ballots in the first three days after in-person absentee voting began on Oct. 22, Leykin said.

"The early voting has just been insane," he said. "It's been absolutely amazing."

Leykin and Dassow both said there's no way to know who people are voting for, but both suspect Republicans are turning out in force to vote early, taking a page from the Democrats' playbook.

"I don't have a crystal ball as to who they (early voters) are voting for," Dassow said. "In the past, the Democrats have led in that category. Perhaps Republicans have learned their lesson."

"We have no one gauging who people are voting for," Leykin said. But in the past, the Democrats have voted early in disproportionate numbers. But a huge number of Republicans have been voting early, we know. We can't tell yet if we're getting new voters" or if early voters are merely those who have voted on election day in the past.

See Election on page 2B

# Ozaukee shared ride taxi shifts into high gear

By DAN BENSON  
Ozaukee Press staff

Ridership on Ozaukee County's shared ride taxi service continues to increase, nearing levels not seen since before the pandemic, figures show.

In September, ridership was 7,982, up 18.9% from September 2023 and just 7.3% lower than September 2019.

For the year through September, the taxi service has served 69,257 riders, for a monthly average of 7,695, well above 2023's monthly average of 6,993, county Transit Supt. Kara Ottum told members of the county Public Works Committee on Oct. 17.

In 2019, the monthly average was 8,976. It then cratered due to the pandemic in 2020 when monthly ridership averaged just 5,539.

The rising numbers have occurred in the wake of several changes to the service, including new software that has streamlined the reservation system, an electronic swipe

## ■ Ridership approaching pre-pandemic levels as county streamlines service, plans to buy 12 new vehicles

card instead of a punch card, and an effort to reduce the number of so-called "no-shows," riders who don't show up when they say they will.

Those changes have allowed officials to track ridership more accurately, Ottum said.

The Shared Ride Taxi does not operate on fixed routes. Passengers must call and make an appointment to be picked up and taken to their destination.

About 80% of Shared Ride Taxi users are people with disabilities or the elderly who need transportation to go shopping or for medical appointments.

The service also can transport riders to Washington County. In September, the number of riders taking advantage of that service was 133.

The taxi service currently has a fleet of 27 vehicles, with as many as 19 on the road

at any one time.

But thanks to a surfeit of federal funds that must be spent by next July, officials plan to go on a buying spree, purchasing 12 more vehicles for \$1.2 million.

To buy the vans, \$968,566, or 80% of the purchase price, will come from federal grants and the remaining \$242,142 in local match funds will come from the department's financial reserves, which currently total \$2 million, thanks to other federal grants.

Vehicles to be purchased include four Ford Transit vans outfitted to be used for bariatric use, four Chrysler Voyagers or Pacificas that are compliant with the American With Disabilities Act and four Ford VIP 2500 buses.

Three of the new vehicles will temporarily expand the service's fleet of 27 to 30.

Each of the new vehicles will be ADA compliant, which some of the vehicles being replaced are not, she added.

The transit reserve fund, a kind of savings account, has grown to nearly \$3.02 million thanks to a flood of federal money awarded to the county through the American Rescue Plan Act and other grants.

That money was used to help fund operations of the Ozaukee Express commuter bus until it was shut down earlier this year due to low ridership.

County officials also are spending close to another million dollars to purchase a tow truck for about \$180,000 for the taxi service, to remodel parts of the Transit Center and other facilities it shares with the county Highway Department and to purchase equipment, such as lawnmowers and laptops.

If the federal dollars aren't spent by July 2025, the money will be taken and distributed to other regional transit programs, Ottum said.

# Election: Run on yard signs shows voters are not shy about their choices

FROM PAGE 1B

If the number of yard signs being issued are any measure, this election cycle has seen the most engaged electorate in memory.

Leykin said his office has given out more than 7,000 yard signs this cycle in the predominantly Republican Ozaukee County, compared to just over 1,000 in 2020, touting GOP presidential candidate Donald Trump, U.S. Senate candidate Eric Hovde and other down-ballot Republicans.

"It's absolutely intense," he said.

Dassow said her office has handed out more than 1,500 yard signs, far less than Leykin's claim, but still the most her office has ever issued, she said.

"People are very passionate about these candidates," Dassow said. "Three times we've run out of (U.S. Senator) Tammy Baldwin signs."

She acknowledged that the Democrats' changing the top of their ticket, replacing President Joe Biden with Vice President Kamala Harris just before the party's national convention in Chicago, disrupted the issuance of signs but Harris' candidacy energized the Democrat base and drew more volunteers.

Most stunning, however, is the State Senate race in the Eighth District between incumbent Republican Duey Stroebel and Democrat challenger Jodi Habush Sinykin.

So far, \$2.5 million has been spent on the race, setting a record for money spent on a State Senate race.

Much of the money has come from outside the state, with Sinykin leading on the money front by an almost 2-to-1 margin.

"Jodi is collecting a lot of money from outside the state, a lot of money from non-traditional places, including from former Republicans who may be voting for her just because they like her," Dassow said.

Stroebel also has received money from outside the state.

"The spending in the Sinykin race for a local campaign is off the charts," Leykin said.

The newly drawn Eighth District includes Cedarburg, Port Washington, Mequon, Bayside, Butler, Fox Point, Grafton, Lannon, Menomonee Falls, River Hills, Thiensville, Whitefish Bay and most of Brown Deer and Germantown.

The Wisconsin Legislature has been controlled by Republicans for more than a decade, but Democrats last year convinced the

state Supreme Court to throw out Assembly and Senate district maps drawn by the GOP majority in favor of maps proposed by Democrat Gov. Tony Evers.

Under the new map, Stroebel and Dan Knodl, of Germantown, were drawn into the same district. Knodl, after defeating Sinykin in a special election, chose to run for an Assembly seat this year, leaving Stroebel

to fend off another challenge from Sinykin, from Whitefish Bay, an environmental law attorney who has never been elected to public office.

Stroebel, a builder and real estate developer from Saukville, was first elected to the State Senate in a 2015 special election after serving four years in the Assembly. In his last two elections, he has had no opposition, either in the primary or the general election.

"They specifically targeted Duey and Ozaukee County," Leykin said. "Because Duey was redistricted — gerrymandered, is the right word — he has a tough race. It pulled in a lot of Democrats into his district, voters that Duey did not represent previously. It's one of those things that was done intentionally by the Democratic Party with their Supreme Court."

A Marquette University Law School analysis concluded the new district leans approximately 53% Republican, rating the race a toss-up.

"Duey has never had to run a serious race. Ever," Dassow said. "All eyes are on this race."

That's because if Sinykin prevails, the Democrats would be one step closer to having a shot at winning the Senate in the 2026 election.

Republicans currently hold a 22-10 majority in the Senate with one district vacant. If Democrats want a realistic chance at winning the Senate, they'd need to flip three to four seats this year, and two or three more in 2026.



Duey Stroebel



Jodi Habush Sinykin



Paul Melotik



Dana Glasstein



Rob Brooks



Jack Holzman

Dassow handicapped the race as a three-point lead for Stroebel, which she thinks Sinykin can overcome in the final days of the race.

"The amount of doors being knocked on by volunteers is 50% ahead of where we were in 2022," she said. "I think we can overcome that" three-point gap.

Leykin called the Stroebel-Sinykin race a bellwether on how the other presidential and senate contests will fare in the county but was unsure whether Trump or Harris have coattails to carry either of the State Senate candidates to victory.

Dassow, however, said she is hopeful Ozaukee County, one of the GOP's vaunted WOW counties — so named after Waukesha, Ozaukee and Washington counties — has become bluer in recent years.

According to Dassow, 32% of the county voted for Barack Obama in 2012, 38% for Hillary Clinton in 2016, 43% for Joe Biden in 2020 and 44% for Evers in 2022.

"Ozaukee has moved toward blue the most quickly of the WOW counties. The numbers are moving in our direction," Dassow said.

Both Dassow and Leykin said the two northern Ozaukee races for the Assembly remain firmly in the GOP's hands.

Rep. Paul Melotik is seven or eight points ahead of challenger Dana Glasstein for the 22nd Assembly District, which includes Port Washington, Grafton, Cedarburg and portions of Mequon and Germantown.

Assemblyman Rob Brooks is handily leading in his race for the redrawn 59th Assembly District against Jack Holzman, Dassow conceded.

The sprawling district includes Saukville, Belgium, Fredonia, Cedar Grove, Random Lake, Kewaskum and extends as far west as Theresa and north to Eden, Osceola and Forest.

# Hearing on challenging county budget set for Nov. 4

## ■ Rising human services costs stress spending plan that calls for rare levy hike

By DAN BENSON  
Ozaukee Press staff

A public hearing on the 2025 Ozaukee County budget will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 4, at the county Administration Center in downtown Port Washington in the County Board meeting room, Room A-204.

In what officials called one of the most challenging budgets in memory, the proposed budget calls for spending \$101.5 million, a 2.06% increase from this year's budget, with revenues of \$78.6 million, a 1.98% increase, resulting in a \$23 million property tax levy, up 2.62% over 2024.

It's the first time the county has imposed a tax levy increase in several years.

The budget includes a 3% cost-of-living increase for county employees and a 5% increase in health insurance premiums.

Despite the levy increase, the 2025 county tax rate would drop a nickel to \$1.25 per \$1,000 of equalized value, a drop of 3.63%, from 2024.

That means the owner of a \$300,000 house would see a charge of about \$375 in county property taxes on their tax bill this December.

That's in addition to taxes levied by school districts, municipalities, technical colleges and other taxing entities.

Equalized value, which crosses municipal lines, is calculated by the state and differs from the assessed value, which appears on the property tax bills issued by the county.

Property owners in areas that do not have a municipal library pay an additional tax to support libraries in the county. For 2025, they will pay an additional 22 cents per \$1,000 of equalized value, or \$66 for a \$300,000 house, up 0.5% from 2024 under the proposed budget.

The \$591,316 of additional levy comes from accessing the state's allowable tax levy increase based on the value of its net new construction formula of \$257,907 for 2025 and \$333,409 for 2024, which the county is still eligible to use since it did not use it in the 2024 budget.

The two most significant factors affect See County on page 4B

# Food pantries looking for a vote against hunger

Election choices are taking center stage nowadays, but there is one thing everyone should agree on — hunger is not up for debate.

That's the message being sent by Family Sharing, the Ozaukee Food Alliance and the Food Pantry Inc. in Port Washington.

To combat hunger, the three agencies are

hosting a countywide food drive on election day.

Voters are asked to bring nonperishable food items to the polls, where donation barrels will be placed.

Barrels will be at the polls in the villages and towns of Grafton, Saukville, Fredonia and Belgium, the town and city of Port

Washington, village of Thiensville and cities of Cedarburg and Mequon.

The polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on election day, Tuesday, Nov. 5.

Turnout is expected to be heavy, so organizers hope they will be able to collect a significant amount of food in a single day during the election drive.

# Good-news budget comes with warning signs

By **BILL SCHANEN IV**  
Ozaukee Press staff

There is a lot for taxpayers to like in the budget approved by the Port Washington-Saukville School Board Monday.

The 2024-25 spending plan maintains academic and extracurricular programs, provides raises for teachers and other employees intended to retain and attract top talent in a highly competitive job market, invests money for future capital improvement projects and promises a modest tax decrease.

But some key components of a budget that was balanced without the use of reserve funds won't be available next school year, when the district could face a deficit of as much as \$1.2 million, Director of Business Services and Human Resources Mel Nettesheim said.

"We need to start looking at what we can

## ■ PW-S Board OKs spending plan that maintains programs, provides raises, promises tax break but deficit looms

do to offset that \$1.2 million," Nettesheim said, telling the board the district will conduct a staffing audit as well as audits of utility costs and health insurance and retirement benefits.

At the same time, declining enrollment continues to vex the district, which lost about 50 students this year and more than 180 over the last three years.

"Losing 50 students in a year is something we need to take seriously," Nettesheim said.

Enrollment is a key factor in calculating how much state aid districts receive and how much money they can raise in property taxes, and the loss of revenue over the years students spend in school is significant,

Nettesheim said.

"Over 12 years, that's a lot of money," she said.

The district will receive a \$600,000 declining enrollment exemption to its revenue limit this year, but that is a stopgap measure intended to protect districts from the sudden loss of students.

"It's really a one-time exemption," Nettesheim said. "We would need to have another big decline to receive it again next year."

The majority of students who left the district this school year moved away, primarily to communities in southern Ozaukee County and the middle of the state, as opposed to using the state's open enrollment

program to attend schools in other districts, Nettesheim said.

"It means we are legit losing students," she said. "Resident students are moving out."

But open enrollment, the state program that allows students to attend schools outside the districts where they live, continues to be a challenge for the Port Washington-Saukville School District.

This year, 185 resident students are attending schools outside the district while 160 students who live outside the district are using open enrollment to attend Port-Saukville schools. That difference — 25 more outgoing than incoming students — is the largest in the last five years.

School revenue limits are based on the number of students living in a district, so open enrollment does not affect them. But See **PW-S budget** on page 4B



A CREW OF volunteers worked Saturday to frame and raise the walls of Habitat for Humanity Ozaukee's newest home at 1028 Portview Dr. in Port Washington. This is the 13th house Habitat has built in Ozaukee County, and the 10th in Port Washington. The other three are in Grafton.

Photo by Sam Arendt

## Wall raising a milestone for Habitat

### ■ Work on 13th home built by Ozaukee County organization dedicated to providing affordable housing in full swing as fundraising, search for family continues

By **KRISTYN HALBIG ZIEHM**  
Ozaukee Press staff

There was an old-fashioned barn raising of sorts held Saturday as Habitat for Humanity Ozaukee raised the walls of its 13th house being built in Port Washington.

About 35 people gathered at the corner of Portview Drive and South Spring Street to help raise the walls of the 1,100-square-foot, ranch-style house, Habitat Executive Director Diana Eggold said.

"That's a good number of people," Eggold said, noting almost all the walls of the new home were installed Saturday. "Visually, this is a big milestone. Bam, suddenly the walls are up and you can see it's a house."

But, she said, the bigger milestone will occur in the coming weeks as the trusses and then the roof are put up, then the doors and windows installed.

"We're counting the days until the snow comes," Eggold said. "We want to get this house sealed up so we can work there all winter."

The goal, she said, is to have the house sealed up by the end of December.

The house is a little behind schedule and over budget, in large part because of

soil issues discovered when crews began excavating the site, Eggold said.

Because of that, the foundation work was more costly than expected, so Habitat is hoping to raise an additional \$35,000 for the project, she said.

The group has a number of large fundraisers coming up in the next month or so — including the Nov. 9 Fare and Flair event at the Ozaukee Nonprofit Center, the Dine to Donate event at Inventors Brewpub on Nov. 18 and the annual Thankful-giving campaign — and is hoping to reach that goal with those events, Eggold said.

"Then, hopefully, we can start raising funds for our next house and we can start on that project right after this house is completed," she said.

Habitat has land in Port Washington for its next house, but will have to start looking for land after that, she said.

Construction is being overseen by Andy Normile, who has taken over for former construction manager Bob Meier. Meier is still working on the project, Eggold said, but is no longer heading up the build.

Even as construction of the house takes

off, Habitat is continuing to look for a family to buy the house. Habitat offers no-interest mortgages to families, who are expected to provide 250 hours of so-called sweat equity in return.

That sweat equity often includes working on the house as well as helping with fundraising, Eggold said, adding that volunteers working on the build may have their hours contribute to that sweat equity.

Eggold said that Habitat's first round of applications for the house did not yield a successful candidate, someone who the organization believes could handle the mortgage.

Families need to have a gross income of \$4,000 to \$6,000 a month to handle a mortgage and escrow payment of about \$1,200 a month, she said.

"We want to make sure the owners succeed," she said. "And with the economy the way it is, we're being very careful."

This is the 13th house Habitat has built since its first home on North Park Street in Port Washington was constructed in 2003.

Three of the houses it has built are in Grafton and the rest of the homes are in Port.

## Man facing terrorist threat charge enters insanity plea

### ■ Grafton resident who posted bail is accused of saying he planned to shoot dentist, game warden

By **BILL SCHANEN IV**  
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A 61-year-old Town of Grafton man accused of threatening to shoot a dentist and his staff as well as a Department of Natural Resources conservation warden pleaded not guilty by reason of mental disease in Ozaukee County Circuit Court last week to the charges he faces.

Jeffrey M. Knapp, who was arrested Friday, Sept. 20, outside his home and business, Bucky's Taxidermy, after sheriff's deputies tased and shot him with bean bag rounds, technically pleaded not guilty and not guilty by reason of mental disease to felony counts of making terrorist threats and threatening to harm a law enforcement officer and a misdemeanor charge of obstructing officers during an Oct. 24 court hearing.

When a so-called insanity plea is entered, it must first be determined if the defendant committed the crimes he is charged with, then whether he is responsible for them.

Knapp, who was being treated in the behavioral health unit of an area facility when he was charged on Oct. 11, was subsequently booked in the county jail, then released after posting \$20,000 bail, according to court records.

The charges against Knapp are based in part on interviews with the dentist and one of Knapp's friends, who provided detailed accounts of the threats he made. His friend said Knapp even told him he had three scenarios for killing the dentist, saying he would either shoot him from a tree stand, go to his home and make his wife watch as he shot him or go to his dental clinic with a shotgun and shoot the dentist and everyone else there, according to a criminal complaint.

Knapp's friend said he was terrified the dentist and his family were in danger, noting that Knapp had numerous guns, was usually drunk and had threatened to kill himself after shooting the dentist, the complaint states.

After Knapp's friend called the dentist on Sept. 20 to tell him about the threats, the dentist, who was out of town at the time, informed his staff of the possible danger and his family left home and went into hiding.

The dentist told authorities that Knapp first threatened him on Sept. 14 when he went to Bucky's Taxidermy to pick up an See **Threats** on page 9B

# PW-S budget: Referendum could bring tax hike

FROM PAGE 3B

resident districts must transfer money — \$8,962 per student this year — to the districts that educate their students.

The Port-Saukville School District will receive about \$1.4 million this year in open enrollment transfers, but it will pay roughly \$1.7 million, a difference of \$300,000.

And while taxes will dip this year, that may not be the story next year. A survey asking residents if they support a \$66.7 million referendum to pay for a new Saukville Elementary School at a new site and fund major maintenance projects at the district's other schools closed Wednesday, and if the results suggest there is support for the plan the district is likely to put the question to voters on the April ballot.

Borrowing \$66.7 million — \$45.8 million for the school and \$20.9 million for maintenance projects — and financing it over 24 years at an interest rate of 4.75% is estimated to cost the district \$39 million in interest for a total obligation of \$105.7

million, Brian Brewer, managing director of Baird, told the School Board in August.

The impact on the tax rate is estimated to be 36 cents per \$1,000 of equalized property value, or about \$108 a year for the owner of a home and property valued at \$300,000.

The cost to taxpayers of borrowing \$66.7 million would be added to what they are already paying for debt the district incurred after the approval of the \$49.4 million referendum in 2015. The tax rate for existing debt payments is \$2.39 per \$1,000 of equalized property value, which costs the owner of a \$300,000 home about \$717 in taxes a year. That amount would climb to an estimated \$825 annually if the district borrows an additional \$66.7 million.

The projected tax rate impact of borrowing for a new elementary school and districtwide maintenance reflects the fact it would be offset by an adjustment made to payments on the 2015 debt. Because the district has been repaying more debt than it needs to annually, or pre-paying, it could

reduce those payments and redirect some of that money to the new debt.

If held in April, the referendum would come at what is likely to be a time of soaring City of Port Washington property taxes and promises a double hit for the majority of School District residents.

The city's proposed 2025 budget calls for a tax increase that would cost the owner of a \$300,000 home an additional \$383 in large part because of increased spending for emergency medical services approved by voters in a referendum earlier this year.

The following year, the city plans an even more significant tax hike, one that would cost the owner of a \$300,000 home an additional \$573 to pay for a public safety building.

That would amount to a \$956 city property tax increase over two years for the owner of such a home.

The city's plan to increase taxes isn't lost on school officials, who note that while the School District must hold a referendum seeking permission to borrow money for a new school and maintenance, the city does not need voter permission to borrow for a public safety building.

"So Port Washington with its safety building doesn't have to go to referendum but we don't have that luxury if we need a new school," School Board President Sara

McCutcheon said.

The School Board on Monday also approved the 2024-25 tax levy, which increased by \$522,655 (2.9%) to \$18.6 million in large part due to increases in salaries and wages.

The district is levying the maximum amount allowed under its revenue limit but in one sense is over-levying because it will make a \$6.1 million payment on the 2015 referendum debt, Nettesheim said. The district has been paying significantly more than is due on debt in recent years in an effort to reduce interest costs and provide capacity to borrow additional money while softening the blow to taxpayers.

"In fact, we are over-levying with the \$6.1 million payment," Nettesheim said. "We're trying to pay off our debt faster and reduce the impact of future referendums on taxpayers."

Although the levy is increasing, the tax rate will decrease by 18 cents per \$1,000 of equalized property value because of a 5.5% increase in the equalized value of property within the district. That means that the owner of a \$300,000 home will theoretically pay \$54 less in school taxes, although the actual amount will depend on where that home is and how much property values changed there.

## Voting: Work continues after polls close

FROM PAGE 1B

More common than voters questioning the election are people who try to vote in the wrong place, the women said.

Sometimes, it's people whose mailing address differs from their actual address, such as people on Port's south side who have a Grafton mailing address, or people who stop at City Hall to vote instead of Town Hall.

Quentin recalled once when some Milwaukee residents who were traveling through the city stopped to vote after seeing the "Vote Here" sign outside City Hall.

"It's usually people who vote every four years. They think, 'It's a federal election, what difference does it make where I vote?'" Westerbeke said.

Tuesday's election promises to be busy for poll workers, who stay after the last vot-

ers have voted to process the ballots and ensure every vote is counted.

Throughout the day, poll workers will feed the absentee ballots into the system when lines slow down, but those not processed during the day are handled after the polls close.

It's a process that takes hours, and it's followed the next day by canvassing.

"We check, check, check," Quentin said.

Early voting continues this week at Port City Hall from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Thursday, Oct. 31, and from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 1.

On election day, the polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. A photo ID is required to vote. All voters in line at 8 p.m. will be allowed to cast their ballots.

People may also register to vote at the polls.

## County: Positions won't be filled

FROM PAGE 2B

fecting the 2025 budget are the increasing cost of placements in the Human Services Department and a corresponding decrease in revenues from the state, County Administrator Jason Dzwinkel told supervisors.

Consequently, supervisors on the Executive Committee approved Dzwinkel's budget without any major changes.

The budget to be presented at the public hearing includes not filling five open positions in the Human Services Department,

cutting operating expenses there by \$279,471 and applying \$725,089 from general fund savings.

It also defunds eight Sheriff's Office dispatchers, saving about half a million dollars.

Plus, the Highway Department is being directed to not take on any new highway projects and solicit work from the state and local towns.

The County Board is scheduled to vote on the budget at 9 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6, in the County Board Room.



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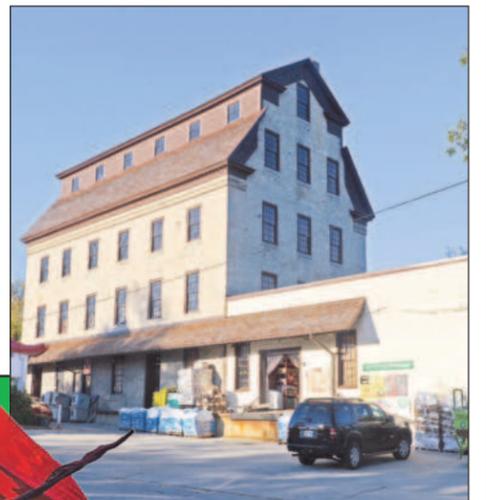
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# A lot at stake in third school funding vote

By KRISTYN HALBIG ZIEHM  
Ozaukee Press staff

Northern Ozaukee School District officials are hoping the third time's the charm for a referendum asking residents to approve increasing the tax levy to cover operational expenses.

"We certainly hope it will be," School Supt. Dave Karrels said. "I think we're optimistic. We have tried to do everything we possibly can to make sure people have the information they need when they go to the polls.

"This is really vitally important for the operation of our schools. What kind of schools do we want?"

The School District is asking voters on Tuesday to increase the school levy by \$1.1 million annually for four years, an amount officials say is needed to ensure the district can continue to provide a quality education.

Voters turned down referendums to increase the operating levy twice in the last 18 months — the last time by only 107 votes — but in an effort to make the question more palatable to residents the School Board voted earlier this year to reduce the amount they are asking from residents.

Officials trimmed the amount they are seeking from \$1.7 million to \$1.1 million, and to do that the School Board removed plans to update the track and maintenance shed from the question.

The board also factored in the impact an

## ■ Referendum seeks to increase levy to fund operations; no vote would force district to drain reserves of \$800K

increase in enrollment will have on state aid.

The referendum will impact the tax levy, but not the tax rate, officials said. That's because if the referendum is approved, officials will reduce the amount of money they are using to pay down the district's existing debt and use those funds to keep the tax rate stable.

The referendum funds are sorely needed, Karrels said, especially since the district is seeing an enrollment increase.

"With growing enrollment we're seeing growing class sizes that need to be addressed," he said, noting the second, fourth and seventh grade classes are "quite large."

"There's no way it can be done with our current budget," he said.

The School Board recently approved two budgets for the year, one that will be used if the referendum passes and the other in case it does not pass.

The difference between the two is that if the referendum isn't approved, the district will have to dip into its fund balance — a savings account of sorts traditionally used for cash flow purposes — to offset an

\$800,000 deficit it will experience.

The Department of Public Instruction recommends districts keep their fund balance at 15% to 20% of the operating budget, something the district has worked hard to achieve, Karrels said.

Spending the fund balance to finance operations is "not sustainable," Karrels said, and it's something that will quickly "snowball." If the district doesn't have the money needed to pay its bills until tax revenues and state aid arrive, it will have to borrow money to make ends meet. And that means it will have to pay interest on that money, costing taxpayers more in the long term.

It won't take long before the district will have to take steps to balance the budget, including freezing wages and cutting staff, Karrels said.

And that, he said, will likely mean losing high quality staff members, and that in turn could lead families to choose to send their children to other districts, exacerbating the district's issues.

"It takes a long time to build what we have here, a high quality district with a good reputation, and it can disappear quickly," Karrels said.

"No matter what, our teaching staff and

our support staff just keep working. But you know those types of things could change quickly. There are jobs everywhere."

Karrels said the School Board demonstrated its commitment to keeping the tax rate steady by approving a 2024-25 budget that, no matter the outcome of the referendum, has a tax rate of \$7.96 per \$1,000 of equalized property value, a decrease from last year's rate of \$8.35 per \$1,000.

"I think that was a strong way for the board to say if the referendum would pass ... they have demonstrated their commitment to follow through on their commitment," he said.

Karrels acknowledged that this may be a tough time to pass a referendum, especially since voters in the Village of Fredonia are also being asked to approve a tax levy increase to fund emergency medical services.

"That is an important service for the community as well," he said. "But what makes up a great community? It's government, it's emergency services, but it's a strong, quality school system too."

Northern Ozaukee is not the only school district seeking to increase its levy to pay for operational expenses this fall. The Mequon-Thiensville School District is asking voters to approve increasing the levy by \$5.5 million for the 2024-25 year, \$6.2 million for the 2025-26 year, \$6.9 million for the 2026-27 year and \$7.8 million for the 2027-28 year.

## Fredonia news

## Village voters to decide fate of paramedic funding request

### ■ Tax levy increase would pay Fredonia's share of joint EMS service

By KRISTYN HALBIG ZIEHM  
Ozaukee Press staff

Emergency medical services will be on the minds of Village of Fredonia residents Tuesday as they go to the polls on Nov. 5.

Residents will decide whether to increase the tax levy by \$200,000 in perpetuity to finance a joint paramedic program with the Village of Belgium and towns of Fredonia, and Belgium.

Increasing the levy will allow the combined department, which will be run through the Fredonia Fire Department, to hire three full-time and three part-time firefighter/paramedics, buy a paramedic vehicle and other needed supplies.

If the referendum is approved, village residents would pay \$75 per \$100,000 equalized valuation more in taxes for paramedic services, officials said.

The goal is to have a paramedic on duty 24/7 by the end of 2025.

Fredonia Fire Chief Brian Weyker told village officials earlier this year that the program is vital, noting the paid staff members will fill gaps in the service schedule caused by declining volunteer numbers and increased calls.

"We've been using volunteers for all these years and it's been free," he said. "But we don't have the volunteers now. You wouldn't go to a job for free, but we expect a service this important to be done for free or little pay."

The paramedic program was kick-started three years ago using American Rescue Act funds that Ozaukee County funneled to communities. Those funds will run out next year.

The program has already cut response times by an average of four minutes — something that's important when a person's health and life is on the line.

The paramedic service is being handled by four communities, with funding from each based on call volume, equalized value and population.



## 4-H Club arranges some scary fun for Halloween

Creatures of all sorts — some cute, others a little scary — filled the streets on a beautiful fall afternoon on Oct. 20 for the Waubeka 4-H Club's Halloween parade and trunk-or-treat event at the Waubeka Fire Station. Among the witches at the event were (top left photo, from left) Adelaide and Quinn Beneventi and Addie Siewert, as well as Katie Groth (above) who was at the firehouse with her children Hildy and Ira. Evelyn, Tabitha and Katie Harns, who were joined by Grayson Nennig, turned their vehicle into what looked like a spooky cave filled with skeletons for the trunk-or-treat event (right).  
Photos by Sam Arendt

# Public asked to help chart course of library

■ Feedback from Nov. 4 open house will be used by consultant to plan improvements for Oscar Grady facility

By **BILL SCHANEN IV**  
Ozaukee Press staff

The Village of Saukville is inviting the public to help plan the future of the Oscar Grady Library by attending an open house at the library from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 4.

Residents of Saukville and the surrounding communities are asked to attend what is being billed as a brainstorming session and provide input on the library and the services it offers.

That information will be used by HGA, a Milwaukee architectural and engineering firm hired by the village to conduct a library study, to make recommendations that could include the renovation and expansion of the library as well as the construction of a new facility, although officials are quick to point out the village has no plans to build a new facility.

Among new features being considered are small, private rooms that would be used for tutoring, online meetings, social service meetings, telehealth sessions and one-on-one training with librarians.

Also being considered are a multi-purpose room for presentations, programs and community gatherings and a technology-equipped room for computer training and

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online or hybrid group meetings.

People attending the open house can stop by the library at any time during the event and participate in Post-it note and voting dot exercises that will identify library features that should be retained, changed, removed and added.

Children are also invited to attend and can use a design table to create a collage that represents what they would like to see at the library.

In addition, organizers are encouraging representatives of groups that represent people with disabilities, the business community, educators, the social services community and volunteer organizations to attend.

The study and recommendations made by HGA will serve as what officials call an important planning “tool” for the village but will not necessarily bring immediate changes.

“Once the study is completed, it is a tool,” Village Administrator Dawn Wagner said last month. “It doesn’t mean we are going to do an addition.”

Instead, the plan will provide recommendations the village can act on when the time is right, “whether that’s in five years, 10 years or 20 years,” she said.

The study, which is to cost no more than \$30,650, is being paid for by impact fees,



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**A FORMER SCHOOL** at 151 S. Main St. in Saukville has been home to the Oscar Grady Library since 1987. The library and its predecessor, which was on Church Street, were named for a Saukville resident described as a humble and reclusive man who died in 1964 and left his estate of \$5,000 to the village to promote the education of the community by establishing a public library.

which are charged to the developers or builders of new homes for village projects.

In addition to helping the village plan the future of the library, the HGA study will provide information that will help it determine the future of impact fees for the library.

“It (the plan) is two-fold — looking at if we should continue collecting impact fees and letting us plan for the future,” Wagner said.

The library building, which long served as a school, and surrounding lots were purchased by the village in 1987, and on Aug. 22 of that year the new Oscar Grady Library was officially opened. The library had been on Church Street.

A decade later, an addition that doubled the size of the library was built while the existing facility underwent extensive renovation. The addition was dedicated on Oct. 25, 1997.

Oscar Grady, described as a humble and reclusive Saukville resident, died on Nov. 15, 1964, and left his estate of \$5,000 to the village to promote the education of the com-



Oscar Grady

munity by establishing a public library.

A 1972 newspaper article on the opening of the first Oscar Grady Library reported that Grady “always had a love of learning and nature,” and lived alone in the “wilderness” near Newburg, where he “communed with the wild animals, built bird houses and mounted them on all the fence posts ... and built several buildings of stone as well as an amphitheater.”

His property is now part of Riveredge Nature Center.

For more information about the Nov. 4 open house, contact Library Director Emily Laws at [elaws@oscargradylibrary.org](mailto:elaws@oscargradylibrary.org).

The library is at 151 S. Main St.

## Polls will be at the YMCA on Election Day

In-person absentee voting in Saukville continues at Village Hall this week, but on Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 5, the polls will be at the Feith Family Ozaukee YMCA in Saukville.

The Village Hall polls will be open for early voting from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 30, and Thursday, Oct. 31, and from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 1. Early voting began Oct. 22.

Village Hall is at 639 E. Green Bay Ave.

On Election Day, the polls at the YMCA, 465 Northwoods Rd., will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.



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## Launch of Reading Dragons program among November events at library

The Oscar Grady Library in Saukville is launching the Reading Dragons and Friends program as part of its November lineup of events.

The program, which runs through April 30, encourages children in kindergarten through fifth grade to read for fun during the school year by tracking their reading and collecting special dragon trading cards. To sign up, visit the library.

The Autumn Reading Challenge, another program that encourages people to cozy up with books as winter approaches, continues through November.

Adults and teenagers are encouraged to read four books by Nov. 30 and, after finishing each book, bring their reading logs to the library for a sweet treat. Reading logs are available at the library.

Children have the opportunity to tackle Lego challenges when the Lego Club meets at 3:30 p.m. Wednesdays through Nov. 27.

Kids in kindergarten through fifth grade and their families can use the library’s blocks to make a creation of their own or spin the idea wheel for a suggestion. Participants will show off their creation, some of which will be put on display at the library.

The club is free and registration is not required.

Another program for children in kindergarten through fifth grade and their families, Puzzle Play, will be held from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Mondays through Nov. 25.

Participants work together on a variety of jigsaw puzzles ranging from easy to challenging. Those who complete puzzles within an hour will earn a spot in the library’s Puzzle Play Hall of Fame.

An Art Sparks program for adults inspired

by the season and Brazilian artist Romero Britto will be held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6.

The program will explore the work of Britto, founder of the Happy Art Movement, and use his blend of cubism, pop art and graffiti to decorate pumpkins.

A version of the program for teenagers will be held at 5 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 7.

Registration can be done at the library or by calling (262) 284-6022.

The Recipe Club will focus on Thanksgiving side dishes when it meets at 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 14.

Participants should bring a side dish to pass and the recipe to share.

The Fiber Arts Group will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14.

Participants should bring their own projects to work on while connecting with other fiber art enthusiasts. There is no instructor.

Adults will have the opportunity to create harvest corn vases using pickle jars and paint at 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 15. To register, visit or call the library.

The STEM Club will challenge children in first through fifth grade to make zip lines that carry mini figures from the top of the line to the bottom in four seconds or less when it meets from 3:45 to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 19.

The club, which meets monthly, encourages children to apply the principles of science, technology, engineering and math while working on fun projects.

The deadline for registration, which can be done in person or by calling the library, is Nov. 12.

The adult book club will discuss James See **Library on page 9B**

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# Doggy day care is a go, vape shop is a no

By MITCH MAERSCH  
Ozaukee Press Staff

The Village of Grafton Plan Commission last week approved a conditional use permit for a dog day care, grooming and boarding facility and denied allowing e-cigarettes and cannabidiol businesses as a conditional use downtown.

Azeem Uddin Mohammed and Mumtaz Begum requested the vape and CBD amendment with plans to open a business at 1220 12th Ave. in the space previously occupied by a gun shop.

Grafton staff recommended denial of the amendment, saying it's not consistent with the village's "Quality Life. Naturally." brand,

## ■ Village Plan Commission, staff say business doesn't match Grafton's 'Quality Life. Naturally.' brand

is not consistent with other businesses in the downtown mixed-use zoning district and "family friendly, safe environment that the village has worked for decades to foster." Staff also cited the negative short-term health effects of e-cigarettes and said that allowing such a store within a 15-minute walk of Grafton High School would present a public health risk.

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Jessica Wolff added that it is difficult to distinguish between legal and illegal CBD products, which could create enforcement issues.

Three residents emailed the village expressing opposition to the business.

Mohammed said products would be from reputable sources and legal age limits for sales would be enforced. He owns similar stores in New Berlin, Milwaukee and South Milwaukee.

During a public hearing, building owner Chris Lukaszewski said she is more con-

cerned with gun and alcohol sales downtown than vape sales.

Commission members Jim Brunnuell, Mark Paschke, Scott Uhen and Carl Harms voiced opposition to the amendment.

Village President Dan Delorit, the commission chairman, voiced support for the business but said given prior denials and feedback he doesn't support the zoning change.

The Commission denied allowing vape businesses as a conditional use on Aug. 25 as well.

The amendment was denied.

Ashley Lyneis will be allowed to run Charming Paws at 2089 Wisconsin Ave. in a vacant space attached to the Verlo Mattress store.

The business will occupy 5,500 square feet inside the building and 7,000 square feet outside, with separate areas for large and small dogs.

Fourteen boarding rooms will be video monitored at all times.

The business will operate from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays and by appointment on Sundays.

Lyneis estimates having a maximum of 35 dogs at a time.

She runs Charming Paws at 1754 Wisconsin Ave. and plans to keep that and the new location open through spring 2026.

The new spot is expected to open by April.

Wolff must approve a fence design and new overhead doors, and deteriorating pavement on the north side of the building must be removed or redone by July 2026.

## Correction

The proposed Village of Grafton budget includes adding a patrol officer to the police department using money budgeted for a second school resource officer and from the backfill of a patrol officer with tax levy money after the resource officer is created.

It does not include a second school resource officer.



## Clubs send a sobering message during Red Ribbon Week

Sending a message about the consequences of driving while intoxicated or while distracted, members of the Grafton High School Leos Club and Grafton Lions Club arranged for a wrecked SUV to be placed outside the school along Highway 60 this week for Red Ribbon Week, the national anti-drug use campaign. Standing next to the vehicle were Leos officers (from left) Secretary Will Brouillette, Vice President Alm Xie, Treasurer Leo Chen and President Colin Garvey. Use of the vehicle was donated by Kirchhain Auto Parts and Recycling in Fredonia and it was brought to the high school by Eddie's Service in Saukville.

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# School tax rate to climb by a dime

By MITCH MAERSCH  
Ozaukee Press Staff

The Cedar Grove-Belgium School Board last week approved the 2024-25 levy after receiving updated financial information from the state.

The updated tax rate is \$6.73 per \$1,000 of equalized value, up 10 cents, or 1.5%, from last year.

That means the owner of a \$300,000 home will pay \$2,019 in school taxes.

It's the first tax rate increase the district has had since the 2015-16 school year.

"The board does not like the idea of raising taxes. However, the biggest impact is coming from the cost of the vouchers. This is money that we are not given by the state, but required to pay," District Business Manager Tera Rogers said.

"There are also no checks and balances put in place for us to verify these numbers. The state just tells us what to pay."

The voucher program provides public money for children to attend private schools.

This year, Cedar Grove-Belgium is paying \$137,738 more for the program for a total of \$628,468 and an impact of eight cents on the tax rate.

The tax levy is \$4.837 million, up \$223,490 from last year.

State aid is down nearly \$33,000 to \$6.382 million, due to a smaller enrollment in the state's three-year rolling average funding formula and district property valuation, Rogers said.

## Belgium news

## Charities get a treat

Two events that have become annual charity drives in Belgium and Cedar Grove were recently held. The Eerie Street Cemetery in Belgium — RJ Peszko, his family and friends turn his yard into a haunted house — raised \$493 for Mr. Bob's Under the Bridge for basic necessities for the homeless, \$276 for Dogs2DogTags to rescue and train service dogs for veterans with post-combat stress and anxiety, and had 215 cans of food donated for the Ozaukee Food Alliance. Left, Rhonda Peszko dressed as Winifred Sanderson from "Hocus Pocus." Above, Cedar Grove-Belgium High School held the Haunted Trail behind the high school and sold baked goods. More than 40 students were involved, and the event raised more than \$350 for the Boys and Girls Club. Students will also pull red wagons during trick or treating in Cedar Grove from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 31, collecting food and personal items for the food pantry.

Photos by Sam Arendt

# Paying for paramedic service is on the ballot

By MITCH MAERSCH  
Ozaukee Press Staff

Voters in the Village of Belgium will be asked Tuesday if they want to raise the levy by nearly \$150,000 a year in perpetuity to help pay for 24/7 paramedic service.

Each of four communities — the villages and towns of Belgium and Fredonia — have committed to come up with money to pay for a new joint paramedic service run through the Village of Fredonia's fire department.

The Village of Fredonia is also holding a referendum. The Town of Fredonia planned

to hold an elector meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 30, to ask for its portion and the Town of Belgium will hold an elector meeting in the future for the same purpose.

Representatives from the four municipalities and three fire departments that serve them came together over the past few years to develop an intermunicipal agreement for the service in response to lengthening response times amid a shrinking pool of volunteers.

The goal is to hire three full-time and three part-time firefighter/paramedics based at the Fredonia Fire Department to serve the

four municipalities.

Grant money from Ozaukee County via the American Rescue Plan Act started the joint effort, but that is quickly running out, and municipalities needed to develop their own funding models.

The village has committed to coming up with \$149,600 regardless if the referendum passes.

For more information, visit <https://fb.watch/vxs9vSJQpc/> or <https://www.belgiumwi.gov/referendum>.

The election is Tuesday, Nov. 5.

# Chamber's Celebrate Belgium to be held Wednesday, Nov. 6

Tickets are on sale for the Belgium Area Chamber of Commerce's annual awards banquet, Celebrate Belgium.

The event will be held from 5 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6, at Memories Ballroom in the Town of Port Washington.

Cocktail hour starts at 5 p.m. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. followed by awards and entertainment. Milwaukee comedian Chris Barnes will perform.

Award winners include Oostburg State Bank, Inventors Brewpub, Belgium Service

Center, Kwik Trip, Melvin Wester American Legion Post 412, Sandy Hubing, Kathy Bystricky and Evan Wilsnack.

The cost is \$40.

For tickets, visit <https://belgiumareachamber.org>.

# Halloween event, movie night set

A Halloween Haunted Ghoul Bus will be at Independence Park in Cedar Grove from 4 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 31.

Candy, tattoos and scares are the main attractions.

The Cedar Grove-Belgium Parent Teacher Student Organization will hold its inaugural movie night on Saturday, Nov. 2.

"If," starring Ryan Reynolds, Cailey Fleming and John Krasinski, will be shown in the high school gym at 6 p.m. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Snacks will be available for purchase. People are asked to RSVP at <https://forms.gle/kk58NfCXCot8ktix9>.

# Threats: Man arrested after being tased, shot with bean bags

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item he had ordered.

The dentist said at first Knapp appeared normal although drunk, but then he began to rant and threatened to kill him and conservation warden Tony Young, according to the complaint.

The dentist said Knapp told him a story about a confrontation that occurred when Young came to his house. Knapp said he grabbed the warden's gun out of his holster and told him to back off, adding that he would shoot Young if he came to his house again and said the wrong thing, the com-

plaint states.

Knapp made up the story, Ozaukee Undersheriff Marshall Hermann said.

"We spoke to the warden and there was no confrontation and he was not disarmed by Knapp," Hermann said. "It was a fabricated story that Knapp told the witness, possibly as a way to intimidate him or due to his mental health crisis."

The dentist said although he was very concerned about his Sept. 14 encounter with Knapp, he did not initially report the threats to authorities because he wanted to give Knapp time to deal with the recent death of

his daughter, according to the complaint.

The dentist did, however, report the threats on Sept. 20 after being told by Knapp's friend that he and his family were in danger.

That is when officers descended on Knapp's home and business on Trailway Court. His wife left the house followed by Knapp, who walked to a detached garage, got into his truck and drove to the end of the driveway at a high rate of speed, gesturing at and making derogatory comments to officers, the complaint states.

Knapp got out of the truck and walked toward officers. He initially ignored com-

mands, but then lied face down on the ground as he was ordered to do.

Knapp, however, then stood up, resisted officers and began walking back to his house. After an officer attempted unsuccessfully to tase Knapp, and because of his mental state, the homicidal and suicidal threats he made and his failure to comply with authorities, a deputy fired "less-lethal" bean bag rounds at him. The first round missed him. A second round appeared to strike him in the back but Knapp continued to ignore commands. A third round clearly hit Knapp and he went to the ground and was arrested, according to the complaint.

During the Oct. 24 court hearing, Knapp waived his right to a preliminary hearing and was bound over for trial by Ozaukee County Circuit Judge Adam Gerol.

As conditions of Knapp's bail, Gerol ordered him to surrender his guns to authorities, maintain absolute sobriety and wear an alcohol monitoring device.

Threatening to harm a law enforcement officer is punishable by a maximum three years in prison and three years of extended supervision. Making a terrorist threat is punishable by 1-1/2 years in prison and two years of extended supervision.

# Library: Giggle Grooves dance party set for Nov. 26

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McBride's "The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store" at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 19.

Copies of the book are available at the circulation desk.

The Teen Advisory Board, a group of teenagers who take an active leadership role in the library, will meet at 5 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21.

A graham cracker gingerbread house workshop will be held at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 23.

Participants between the ages of 12 and 18 will have the opportunity to use graham crackers, frosting and candy to build gingerbread houses they can take home. Register at the circulation desk or by calling the library.

A Giggle Grooves dance party for children ages 2 through 5 will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 26.

Registration is not required.

An Art Sparks program for children in kindergarten through fifth grade will explore

pointillism at 11:15 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 27.

Registration for the project, which will explore the painting technique that uses small dots of color to create an image, is due by Wednesday, Nov. 20, and can be done at or by calling the library.

The library is reminding people to mark their calendars for Wednesday, Dec. 4, which is when Santa will visit from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

The Oscar Grady Library is at 151 S. Main St.

## Dennis 'Cass' Pawling

Dennis "Cass" Pawling passed away in the early morning on Saturday, Oct. 26, 2024.

Cass was born in Port Washington on Aug. 29, 1946, to Tony and Myrtle (Thiel) Pawling.

He grew up in Ozaukee County and attended local schools before serving in the U.S. Army, spending three years in the Vietnam War from February 1968 to September 1970.

On July 13, 1985, Cass was united in marriage with Anne Jushka at St. Mary's Church in Port Washington. They spent more than 39 years together.

Cass was employed by the City of Port Washington Street Department and Water Department for 26 years.

Retiring in May of 2003, he enjoyed 21 years of retirement, spending time at his northern retreat in Athelstane and embarking on 18 years of trips out West to the Black Hills every fall. He enjoyed the outdoors and looking for wildlife, especially elk in the hills.

Cass leaves behind his wife Anne; brothers David (Faith), Rick (Debbie) and Bill; sister Elizabeth; mother-in-law Charlotte Jushka; brother-in-law Jim (Dee); and sisters-in-law Mary Jane and Janet; along with many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his sister Dianne Maxwell and brother Tony Pawling.

As per Cass' wishes, cremation will take place and no services will be held.

The family would like to thank the doctors, nurses and especially the hospice staff at Aurora Medical Center for their exceptional help and care.



Memorials, if desired, are suggested to the Salvation Army or a veterans organization.

Eernisse Funeral Home in Belgium is assisting the Pawling family.

Online condolences may be left at [www.eernissefuneralhome.com](http://www.eernissefuneralhome.com).

*When I am dead, cry for me a little  
Think of me sometimes,  
But not too much.  
Think of me now and again as  
I was in life.  
Leave me in peace and I shall leave  
You in peace.  
And while you live, let your  
Thoughts be with the living.*

## Richard D. Didier

Richard D. Didier passed away peacefully at his residence after a courageous battle with cancer on Wednesday, Oct. 23, 2024. He was 81 years old.

Richard was born on Feb. 13, 1943, in Port Washington, Wis., to the late Leonard and Ella (Last) Didier.

He attended Port Washington High school and graduated with the Class of 1961.

On Feb. 15, 1964, Richard was united in marriage to Phyllis Wessel. They spent more than 60 years together.

In his spare time, he was a volunteer firefighter and enjoyed playing sheephead with friends, family and his retired firefighter buddies. Richard's creativity shone through in his woodworking projects, showcasing his talent and attention to detail. He loved playing cribbage, camping and telling jokes, bringing joy and laughter to those around him. His jokes were always welcome at breakfast with his retired friends from Master Lock when they met for breakfast. Spending time with his family and friends was one of his most important pastimes.

Those left to cherish Richard's memory are his wife Phyllis; his children Thomas (Carol) Didier of Wheatland, Mo., Wendy (Erik) Anderson of Howard, Wis., and Jeffrey (Lorinda) Didier of Belton, Mo.; his daughter-in-law Anja Didier; and his grandchildren Steffen Heyne of Germany, Nicole (Dan) Flanders of Kansas City, Kan., Taylor Didier of Grandview, Mo., Cameron Didier of Fort Scott, Kan., Ella (Billy) Deutsch of Raleigh, N.C., Henry Anderson of Pikeville, Ken., Lewis Anderson of Minneapolis, Minn., Terry (Myciah) Cox of Kansas City, Kan., Garrett Didier of Belton, Mo., and Mackenzie Didier of Belton, Mo.; along with his great grandchildren Paige, Addie, Wyatt and Stella Flanders; brothers-in-law Harold (Arlene) Nothem and Warren Lemke; numerous nieces and nephews; friends; and family.

He was preceded in death by his par-



ents, in-laws Fred and Dorothy Wessel, son Todd Didier and siblings Robert (Lorraine) Didier, Bernice (Henry) Nault, Dorothy Nothem, Norma Lemke, Phillip Didier and Debra Didier.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, Nov. 1, 2024, at 5 p.m. at Eernisse Funeral Home, 1167 Washington Ave., Cedarburg, Wis. The family will greet friends and family from 3:30 p.m. until the service.

He will be laid to rest at Zur Ruhe Cemetery in Cedarburg on Saturday, Nov. 2.

The family would like to thank the staff at Compasses, especially Linnea, Tina, Laura and Katlyn, for the support and compassion they showed. Special thanks to Dr. Nand and the nurses in the oncology department at St. Mary's Hospital in Mequon.

Donations in Richard's name may be made to a charity of your choice.

Eernisse Funeral Home in Cedarburg is proudly serving the Didier family.

Online condolence may be left at [www.eernissefuneralhome.com](http://www.eernissefuneralhome.com).

## Doris E. Penzich

Doris E. Penzich of Cedar Grove passed away on Thursday, Oct. 24, 2024. She was 92 years old.

Doris was born Nov. 30, 1931, in Hurley, Wis., to the late Reino and Sylvia (Kangas) Koskell.

She was united in marriage to Joseph Kritz on May 31, 1952. He preceded her in death in 1980.

On May 25, 1983, she was united in marriage to Carl Penzich, who preceded her in death in 2000.

She enjoyed being active in her community. She participated in the Cedar Grove Garden Club and Fantastic Red Hats Society and was a member of the Finnish Society. Doris served as the treasurer for the American Legion Auxiliary in Cedar Grove along with the Finnish Society of Milwaukee.

She worked as a coordinator and billing clerk for the Visiting Nurse Association for 25 years.

Those left to cherish her memory are her children Jo Ellen (Stu) Hein, Linda (Jeff) Manis, Cindy (Todd) Kruis, Joseph (Doreen) Kritz and Jeff (Laura) Kritz; 10 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and her siblings Bill (Sue) Mattson, Ivy Nevala, Donna (Ron) Zuehl and Suzanne (David) Enguist; along with countless other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husbands Joseph Kritz and Carl Penzich, her grandson Sgt. Tyler J. Krits (KIA) and her brother Del Koskell.

The family would like to thank the staff in the emergency department, ICU and the



hospice team at the Aurora Medical Center Sheboygan County for the care and compassion they showed their mom and the family.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Doris' name can be made to Fisher House, P.O. Box 13768, Milwaukee, WI, 53213, or Being There Reaching Out, 8353 W. Watertown Plank Rd., Wauwatosa, WI, 53213.

A private family service was held. Doris was laid to rest next to her husband at Cedar Grove Cemetery.

Eernisse Funeral Home in Belgium assisted the family.

To leave an online condolence, please visit [www.eernissefuneralhome.com](http://www.eernissefuneralhome.com).

## Patricia A. Stoecker

Patricia Ann (Martin) Stoecker of Grafton passed away peacefully on Oct. 27, 2024, surrounded by her loving family.

She was born on Oct. 9, 1940, in Fond du Lac, Wis., to Robert L. and Audrey M. (Boehnlein) Martin.

She was united in marriage to John A. Stoecker on Aug. 11, 1962, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Fond du Lac. Their marriage was blessed with three children, Robert, Stephanie and Melissa.

Pat had a wonderful childhood growing up with her extended family on Lake Winnebago, where they owned and operated Club Luco.

She graduated from St. Mary's Springs Academy along with John in 1958. She attended Marian College to pursue teaching. Her first teaching assignment was at a one-room schoolhouse in Woodhull, Wis.

After raising her family in Grafton, she worked for several local banks and financial institutions.

Over the years, her hobbies included crocheting (she made many prayer shawls and blankets for her family), reading, bowling, golfing, watching British TV shows, card nights with friends, getting together with the "birthday group" and the Razzle Dazzle Chicks and an occasional trip to the casino. She also had a love of singing, which led her to the St. Joseph Church choir and the Golden Tones, where she made some wonderful friends.

"Fancee," as her sisters "Jezzie" and "Sissie" referred to her, took numerous trips throughout the United States together with their mother "Marmie."

After retirement, Pat and John enjoyed several winters in Destin, Fla., where they had the opportunity to spend time with both old and new friends and her brother Rick and his wife Deb.

John was the one true love of her life, as evidenced by their unwavering devotion and love for each other for over 62 years. Pat's greatest joy in life was spending time with her grandchildren and her family.



Pat is survived by her loving husband and best friend John; her son Robert (Susan) of Port Washington; daughters Stephanie (David) Shambeau of Waupaca and Melissa (Dean) Artus of Oshkosh; and grandchildren Thomas, Michael and Sarah Shambeau and Sophia, Henry and Ava Artus. She is further survived by her mother Audrey Martin; her sisters Jeanne Kebble and Mary Jo Berenz; her brother Richard (Deb) Martin; and her sister-in-law Anne Staton (Ken Mikich).

She was preceded in death by her father Robert Martin; three brothers-in-law, James Kebble, James Berenz and Michael Staton; and mother and father-in-law Alfred and Dolores Stoecker.

There will be a memorial Mass for Pat on Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2024, at St. Joseph Catholic Parish, 1619 Washington St., Grafton, WI 53024, at noon, with visitation from 10 to 11:45 a.m. at the church.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to St. Joseph Catholic Church or a charity of your choice are appreciated.

Please see [www.muellerfuneralhome.com](http://www.muellerfuneralhome.com) for online condolences.

Music can add beauty, consolation and hope to the funeral service. It can be an important part of the ceremony. Instrumentalists, vocalists or special music can be provided to fulfill the family's wishes. Musical selections are made by the family; some choose songs that were favorites of the deceased. Suggestions are also available from the clergy and funeral director.



Jill Eernisse, Marc Eernisse & Joe Eernisse

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## Edward Kohn

Edward Kohn, 89, of Port Washington passed away peacefully on Tuesday, Oct. 22, 2024, at Aurora Medical Center in Grafton from complications of congestive heart failure.

Ed was born to Carl and Hazel Kohn in North Lake, Wis., on Aug. 23, 1935.

As a teen, Ed began work on his parent's and uncle's farms in the Sussex area. After graduating from Menomonee Falls High School in 1953, he enlisted in the U.S. Army and was deployed to England and Germany, where he was a heavy equipment operator.

Following his enlistment, Ed worked in assembly at American Motors in Milwaukee and Simplicity Manufacturing in Port Washington. Later, he returned to school to study CNC machine operation. Ed completed his career as a CNC machinist at H&R Tool in Fredonia, where he retired in 2016, a few days before his 81st birthday.

When not at his full-time job, Ed worked part-time during many winters plowing snow for Nate's Lawn Maintenance, his grandson's company, in Belgium, Wis.

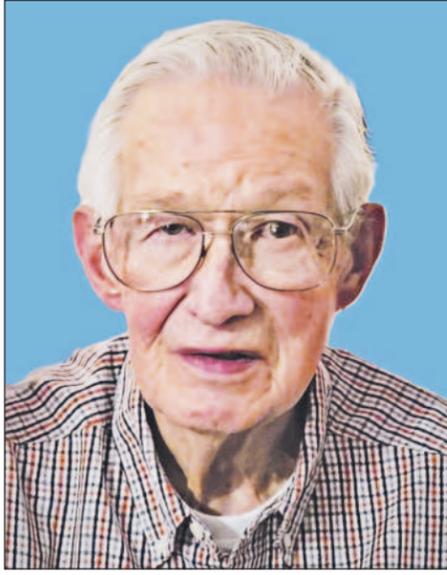
Ed married Lila Silvers on Dec. 14, 1957, at Friedens Church in Port Washington.

Ed and Lila resided in Port Washington the remainder of their lives and had a special place in their hearts for children, opening their home as foster parents to dozens of infants, small children and teenagers.

Ed especially enjoyed the company of his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He often insisted on being their go-to handyman, grounds maintenance technician and/or construction leader on projects at many of their homes.

Ed was a member of Friedens Evangelical Church, where he enjoyed serving as a greeter and assisting his wife as a youth leader.

He was a lifelong softball and baseball player, coach and fan. Ed played with, coached and managed recreational adult softball teams for many years. As an avid Milwaukee Brewers fan, Ed rarely missed a televised game and enjoyed Brewers spring training trips to Arizona with his son. Ed was a lifelong Packer fan as well.



He will always be remembered for his big bear hugs and final words of "I love you. Enjoy yourselves!"

He is survived by his son Kent (Pat) of Eagle River; daughters Lisa (Dick) Krier and Litha Mueller, both of Port Washington, and Janet (Mike) Cook of Montello; 12 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren.

Ed was preceded in death by his wife in 2004, daughter Marlinda and son-in-law Gary Mueller.

Friends and family will be greeted on Saturday, Nov. 9, from 11 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. at Friedens Evangelical Church. A celebration of life will be held at 1 p.m. The Rev. Brandon Lemmons will officiate.

Interment will be at Union Cemetery in Port Washington.

In lieu of flowers, the family has suggested memorials to the American Heart Association.

The family is grateful to the staff at Aurora Medical Center in Grafton for the exceptional care they provided Ed.

Eernisse Funeral Home is assisting the family.

Online condolences may be left at [www.eernissefuneralhome.com](http://www.eernissefuneralhome.com).

## Mary H. Federspiel

Mary H. Federspiel passed away peacefully at Aurora Medical Center in Grafton on Oct. 22, 2024. She was 93 years old.

Mary was born in Port Washington to John and Mary (nee Donas) Kartanas on Nov. 7, 1930.

She attended Port Washington High School, Class of 1948, and earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. She proudly graduated from college with a 4.0 grade point average.

On May 14, 1955, she married Joseph Federspiel at St. Ambrose Church in Port Washington.

Mary spent her career doing paralegal probate work, much of which was at von Briesen & Roper, S.C. She volunteered at Lincoln Elementary School and the W.J. Niederkorn Library.

She loved watching her grandchildren in sporting events, concerts and plays, as well as traveling and going on long walks, especially on the beaches in Port Washington. Mary loved meeting new people and was a ravenous reader of mysteries and an avid Packers and Brewers fan.

Mary is survived by daughter Janet (Mike) Yuhas; grandchildren Mallory (Tyler) Metoxen, Alex (Danielle) Metoxen, Trevor Metoxen and Cassidy Yuhas (Zack Snyder); and one great-grandchild, Roon Dean Metoxen.

She was preceded in death by her husband Joseph Federspiel; her parents; brother John Kartanas; sister Ann (Howard) Schuknecht, nephew James Schuknecht; nephew Richard Schuknecht's wife Dawn Schuknecht; brothers-in-law Norbert (Hiltrude) Federspiel, George (Angie) Federspiel, Brother Conrad Federspiel CP and Carl (Loretta) Federspiel; sisters-in-law Margaret Federspiel and Rita Federspiel; and nephew Richard Federspiel.



A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at noon Saturday, Nov. 30, 2024, at St. John XXIII Catholic Parish, St. Peter of Alcantara Church, 1800 N. Wisconsin St., Port Washington, WI 53074. The family will receive visitors at the church from 10 a.m. until the service at noon.

Mary will be laid to rest next to her husband at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Port Washington.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested in Mary's name to the Food Pantry Inc. in Port Washington or the Ozaukee Food Alliance.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to Lincoln Village, Port Washington, and Aurora Medical Center, Grafton, for their care and support.

Eernisse Funeral Home of Port Washington is assisting the family with arrangements.

Online condolences may be left at [www.eernissefuneralhome.com](http://www.eernissefuneralhome.com).

## Gale Ann Wellenstein

Gayle Wellenstein of Port Washington passed away peacefully on Wednesday, Oct. 23, 2024, at her residence. She was 77 years old.

Eernisse Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

A complete obituary will be published in next week's Ozaukee Press.

## Violet M. Ryan

It is with great sadness that the family of Violet Mae "Pat" Ryan of Port Washington announce her passing on Saturday, Oct. 19, 2024. Pat was 87 years of age.

Pat will be loved and missed by her children Gregory Ryan, his wife Cynthia Ryan and her daughter Sherry Ryan; her grandchildren Nicolas Gonzalez and Mathew Gonzalez, his wife Megan Gonzalez and Tessa Ryan; and her great-grandchild Miles Gonzalez.

Pat had a wonderful passion for life and a great sense of humor. She had a love for God's word, the Bible, and she enjoyed sharing her hope for the future with others. She loved to reminisce and tell old stories about her life. Therefore, we ask that you simply pause and think of a special memory that you may have shared with our dear Pat. May that bring you as much joy as it does us.

Pat did not desire a public funeral; instead, a private family memorial service will be held in the near future.

If you'd like to make a donation to the



worldwide preaching work that Pat cared so much about, please visit [JW.ORG](http://JW.ORG).

## Frank J. Balistreri

Frank J. Balistreri of Grafton passed away on Monday, Oct. 28, 2024, at the age of 85 years.

He was born on Oct. 11, 1939, in Milwaukee, the son of the late Joseph and the late Mary (nee Saggio) Balistreri.

Frank married Betty Toll on Oct. 4, 1975, at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Grafton.

He was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church and the Rose-Harms American Legion Post 355, Grafton.

He was employed at Badger Meter Inc., Brown Deer, for the entirety of his career and was a member of the Quarter Century Club.

Frank is survived by his daughter Lynn (Todd Kitchen) Marsellis, brother Jude Balistreri, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife Betty (nee Toll) Balistreri and sister MaryAnn Wing.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, Nov. 2, 2024, at noon at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 701 Washington St., Grafton. Visitation will take place on Saturday at the church from 10 to 11:45 a.m.

Private inurnment will take place at St.



Paul Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to the American Legion Rose-Harms Post 355 are appreciated.

For online condolences, please visit [www.muellerfuneralhome.com](http://www.muellerfuneralhome.com).

## Judith A. Reagles

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of our beloved Judith Ann Reagles (nee Lecher) on Oct. 24, 2024.

Born on Feb. 3, 1944, in Port Washington, Wis., to Alois and Henrietta Lecher (nee Baumann), Judith lived a full and vibrant life.

She was the loving wife of Dennis Reagles. Together, they raised a family of four children who will forever cherish her memory.

Judith was a devoted mother and grandmother who took great pride in caring for her family. She was an exceptional cook, known for her delicious meals and her ability to beat her children and grandchildren at solitaire and dominos. She enjoyed spending time with her children, grandchildren and her great-granddaughters.

In her free time, Judith enjoyed going to the casino, playing on her iPad, shopping for the best deals she could find, going out to lunch with her family and making sure that her candy jar was always full.

She was a kind and generous soul who always put others before herself. Her family and friends will remember her for her warm smile, her gentle nature and her un-

wavering love.

Judith was preceded in death by her father Alois Lecher, her mother Henrietta Lecher and her husband Dennis Reagles.

Judith is survived by her four children, Jacqueline (Peter) Janus, Jeannie Sciachitano, Janette (Rick) Biertzer and Ryan (Maria) Reagles. She is further survived by four grandchildren, Christopher (Karly) Biertzer, Brittany (Blake) Bronkhorst, Cody Janus and Cortney Janus; and five great-granddaughters, River, Dahlia, Evelyn, Esther and Edith.

She is also survived by her six siblings, Mary Ann Bintzler, Barbara (Wayne) Brix, Eileen (Clifford) Behm, Susanne Rexford, Michael (Lisa) Lecher and Mark (Bonnie) Lecher, and as well as many nieces and nephews.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date.

Rest in peace, dear Judith. You will be forever missed and always remembered.

Myrhum-Patten Funeral Home has been entrusted with Judith's arrangements.

Additional information and a guest book may be found at [www.myrhum-patten.com](http://www.myrhum-patten.com).

## Donna Mae Vold

Donna Mae Vold (nee Werlein), age 77 years, was born to eternal life Oct. 26, 2024, at her West Bend home.

She was preceded in death by her husband Melvin, brother Lawrence Werlein and grandson Linkin.

She was the beloved mother of Tracy (Dennis) Fisher and dear grandmother of Alexis Kemp and Dawson, Xavier, Jada,

Emmanuel and Layla Fisher. She is further survived by other relatives and friends.

Visitation will be Saturday, Nov. 2, 2024, at St. Frances Cabrini Church, 1025 S. 7th Ave., West Bend, from 10:30 a.m. until a Mass of Christian Burial at noon.

A private interment will be held.

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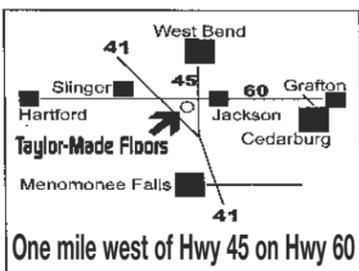
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# Good Living

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## The parks of Port are her gardens

By MITCH MAERSCH  
Ozaukee Press Staff

Yvonne Klotz eyes the scene from Rotary Park — the lake, the lighthouse, St. Mary’s Church, Port Washington’s downtown, trees and flowers punctuating the panorama, all reflecting sunlight or revealing their cornucopia of colors below the clouds.

“This is my office. Isn’t it just great?” she said. “I take pictures all the time of beautiful sunrises and flowers.”

Klotz’s sacrifice for her slice of serene scenery is backbreaking work to maintain some of that magnificence.

The longtime Cedarburg teacher and Port Washington resident traded pupils for poppies several years ago and is grateful for both her career and part-time job with the city’s Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department.

“I have a blast. I can’t complain,” Klotz said.

Klotz is one of the caretakers of plants and flowers in the parks and other areas.

Rotary Park is a priority given its prime lakefront

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Yvonne Klotz drives a utility vehicle with her garden equipment to help keep the city’s parks in pristine shape. Photo by Sam Arendt



Retired teacher Yvonne Klotz’s second career is keeping Port park plantings beautiful



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## Pastel artist is featured at Cultural Center

Pastel artist Mark Price is the November artist in residence at the Cedarburg Cultural Center.

Price is a signature member of the Pastel Society of America and the Master Circle in the International Association of Pastel Societies.

Price, who lives in Cedarburg, started his career working in watercolors, but after moving to Florida he realized the potential of pastels. His watercolors quickly became an underpainting for pastels.

He will demonstrate his art at the center from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays, Nov. 2, 9, 17, 23, 24 and 30.

He will also teach the class "Soft Pastels" from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6.

During the class, he will help students explore some of the creative possibilities with soft pastels to convey landscapes and abstracts. Those attending are asked to bring a landscape photo to work from. All other supplies are provided, although students may bring their favorite pastels. Aprons and nitrile or latex gloves are optional.

Students of all skill levels may sign up for the class, which costs \$72 for center members and \$86 for nonmembers.

The Center at W62 N546 Washington Ave. is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays and noon to 4 pm on Sundays.

For more information or to register for Price's class, visit [www.cedarburgcultural-center.org](http://www.cedarburgcultural-center.org).

## Nonprofit Center is topic for Woman's Club

The Ozaukee Nonprofit Center will be discussed during the Port Washington Women's Club meeting Monday, Nov. 11, at Grand Avenue United Methodist Church in Port.

Following a social time, lunch and monthly meeting, Nonprofit Center Executive Director Martha Putnam will give a program.

The meeting will also be the last opportunity for members to purchase raffle tickets since the winners will be drawn following the meeting. New members are always welcome.

For more information, contact Kathy at (262) 261-5250.

## Cookie book to be distributed on Nov. 8

We Energies' cookie book will be distributed during a drive-through event in Port Washington on Friday, Nov. 8.

The book will be given out from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the utility's 700 Sunset Rd. facility.

The cookie book follows the theme "childhood memories," highlighting recipes that span several generations.

Cookie books will also be available for download at [we-energies.com](http://we-energies.com) beginning Nov. 2.

The We Energies Cookie Book began as a way to promote electric appliances in 1928.

## Two local students earn degrees at UW

Two area students earned degrees from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in August.

Joseph Willman of Grafton graduated from the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences with a bachelor of science degree in wildlife ecology.

Karina Lukosius of Port Washington graduated from the College of Letters and Science with a bachelor of arts degree in psychology.



## Celebrating an icon in jail literacy

Nina Walker, who in 1992 co-founded the Ozaukee County Jail Literacy Program with Judy Johnson, was honored by the program Saturday with a special honor — the classroom the program uses at the Ozaukee County Jail will be named after her. Ozaukee County Sheriff Christy Knowles (above right) showed Walker the plaque that will hang over the classroom door. The honor was bestowed on Walker during the Jail Literacy Program's annual benefit and auction, held at the Cedarburg Cultural Center. Katherine Nemetz and Jon Wallenkamp (right photo) checked out the auction items during the event.

Photos by Sam Arendt



## Cultural Center hosts two new exhibits

Two new exhibits will run through Dec. 1 at the Cedarburg Cultural Center.

"A Journey to the Far Side of Imagination" is an exhibit of paintings, mixed media assemblage, sculpture and ceramics by local artists Joan Hollnagel and Karla Byl.

The other exhibit, "Reminiscence," features the works of Wisconsin artist Terri Field, who was the 2022 Best of Show winner in the center's annual "Little Show."

Hollnagel is a mixed media artist who is known for her humorous and fantasy-themed paintings and whimsical clay sculptures of animals and people.

"Human expression and our relationship to nature have given me a lifetime of subject matter. I want to remind people to look at the positive and funny side of life. To be human is an understanding of ourselves and our relationship to each other and nature," Hollnagel said.

Her training includes courses at Cardinal Stritch University, a sculpture conference in Arrowmont, painting classes at Spring Maid

in North Carolina and an independent study at University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee at West Bend.

She participated in an art co-op in Cedarburg for more than 20 years and has been an active member of the Cedarburg Artists' Guild for many years.

Byl describes her work, "Simply Doll Face," as a reflection of herself — colorful, fun loving, whimsical and a people person.

"I love life, love to laugh, and love the creative process. Shopping flea markets and antique shops to find old, worn treasures to repurpose and give them new life is my passion," she said.

Byl is a retired elementary art teacher and mixed media and collage artist who creates whimsical faces and people to celebrate the lives of all of those around us.

Field grew up in Brown Deer and graduated from Milwaukee Institute of Art and Design with a double major in illustration and drawing.

Before graduating, she began a career as a graphic designer/illustrator and eventually

full-time illustrator. Her work was featured regularly in magazines and on several covers, including Astronomy, Earth, Birder's World, Bead & Button, Model Railroader and The Writer.

Field then pursued a career in freelance work and fine art while taking time at home with her two young children and being named an artist in residence at local schools and painting sets for local theaters.

In 2018 she designed and created a 15-foot sculpture, "Where the Waters Meet," near City Beach in Oconomowoc.

Field's show features three series from her current work — "Tree Series," "Abstract Spirits" and "Reminiscence."

Field will perform in a jazz quartet during a "Jazz & Cocktail Reception" from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14. Sample-size versions of some of the cocktails featured in her abstract paintings will be available.

The center at W62 N546 Washington Ave. is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays and noon to 4 p.m. Sundays.

## The Cover Story

### From hero to zero with sweet potato experiment

By Erin Schanen

I enjoy a good garden experiment. It's fun to grow something that you know isn't necessarily meant to grow where you garden and see if you can make it work. And part of that fun is that there's no shame in failure because that plant was never really meant to grow there in the first place.

Which makes what is perhaps my biggest garden failure ever so gut wrenching, because it's hardly unheard of to grow sweet potatoes in Wisconsin.

I've been holding off on digging in the raised bed where I planted slips — seedlings, basically — way back in June because sweet potatoes need a lot of time in the ground. And although I could have left them there until after frost, my curiosity got the best of me and I just had to do a little digging to see what I'd grown.



### THE IMPATIENT GARDENER

Thanks to previous experiments, I went into this sweet potato attempt with a lot of confidence. I grew excellent crops of ginger and turmeric for a couple years, and I delight in surprising visitors with the two enormous red Abyssinian bananas (*Ensete ventricosum* 'Maurelli') that you can't miss in the garden. I've had good luck with figs, bromeliads and, so far, a gorgeous chartreuse jasmine called 'Fiona Sunrise.' None of these plants are "supposed" to grow in Wisconsin, but I've coaxed them into performing well.

So as I walked over to the vegetable garden last weekend with my mini spade and garden hod — the big one, so as to fit my harvest in one load — I was already envisioning being the hero of Thanksgiving dinner. "Why yes, I did grow these delicious sweet potatoes that are clearly the star of this meal."

Peeling back the very healthy looking vines that overflowed the 4-by-8-foot raised bed (have I mentioned that I rarely dedicate an entire raised bed to experimental plants?), I carefully plunged my spade into the soil, far from the base of the vine. I didn't want to accidentally spear any potatoes. The rich soil gave way and as I pried it up, the spade came up empty. So I moved a little closer and dug a little deeper. Still nothing.

Finally, I plunged my hands into the soil to root around. Surely my spade was missing something. Nothing. Not even a small potato was lurking. I repeated this over and over again, at one point digging out a root that was maybe a half-inch thick. And that was as close as I got to a potato.

One garden bed, \$24 in plants and four months, and the only thing I had to show for it was dirt up to my elbows and an empty garden hod.

A cool summer and a bit more shade than I expected from the tomatoes planted to the south of the potato bed probably contributed the problems but can hardly be entirely blamed for this epic failure.

Experiments are called that for a reason; sometimes they just don't work.

I'll still be licking my wounds on this failure come Thanksgiving, when there will be no heroic sweet potato moment. But I'll stick to bringing pies. The person who provides dessert is always a hero.

*Erin Schanen lives and gardens in the Town of Belgium. She is the author of the blog The Impatient Gardener.*

## She's met people from all over the world in Rotary Park

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location and its popularity with local walkers, tourists, fishermen and anyone who appreciates splendid Lake Michigan views.

"This is one park where I have to do a really good job," Klotz said. "This is two or three days of work."

The goal is to keep some color for at least three seasons.

"We have different flowers blooming at different times," Klotz said.

Children's author Barb Joesse, who lives nearby, helps select some of the flowers, including the poppies.

"People love these poppies. They ask for seeds," Klotz said, pointing out some orange ones that were standing tall.

"Look at that. They're reaching for the sun."

Klotz embraces a couple of the jobs many gardeners dread — weeding and cutting back plants.

"I get thistles and burrs in my hair," she said.

It helps that she is in good shape. "I'm up-down all the time. It is physical work," she said.

Klotz walks to the lighthouse once a week and takes photos of what she calls "a gorgeous community." Her daily strolls can reach as many as 10 miles.

Klotz also can handle Wisconsin's temperature extremes. "I love it when it's 90 out," she said.

Her hands sometimes hold a gas-powered hedge trimmer that she learned to safely operate and "is nice for the roses".

She gets around in a utility vehicle and has driven one of the department's big lawnmowers.

When Klotz was getting ready to retire in 2019, she carefully pondered her next move.

"You just don't retire and do nothing. I did lots of learning myself. What do I want to do?" she said.

Klotz talked to Jon Crain, the city's superintendent of parks and forestry, about a part-time gig. When he asked what she was able to do, she told him she was "fast learner," Klotz said with a laugh.

The 30-year educator who taught world geography to sixth-graders



"THIS IS FOR the roses, but they're beautiful," Yvonne Klotz said of operating a hedge trimmer. Parks, Recreation and Forestry Supt. Jon Crain taught her how to use the tool.



YVONNE KLOTZ worked beside a bronze statue of a fisherman at the fishermen's memorial in Rotary Park.

Photo by Sam Arendt

happily became a student.

Crain sent Klotz to workshops at Riveredge Nature Center and classes at Lakeshore College in Sheboygan, and Klotz got a bunch of books on trees.

She had worked with a local nursery and now has developed her own plan. She is formulating a design for the space that used to be where the birch tepee stood in Rotary Park.

"She's taken the lead as our horticulture specialist," Crain said. "She's really brought a lot of new ideas and helped us transform numerous annual gardens into pollinator beds. She's an incredibly hard worker. Getting these beds established is basically weeding but you've got to keep up with it."

He added, "She has brought incredible value to this department."

Klotz's early days working for the city were during the pandemic when the parks were virtually empty.

"I'll tell you it was weird going to work that springtime. It was like a

ghost town. It was kind of eerie at first," she said.

Once normality started to resume, so did the visitors. Then Klotz's bubbly personality really came to life, greeting anyone who walks by and asking if the fish or biting and saying hi to the dogs.

"I'm a very social person. I've spoken to people from all over the world here," Klotz said of Rotary Park.

Many ask about the flowers. If Klotz doesn't know an identity, she uses an app to check.

Summers are the busiest. Klotz can work as many as 45 hours per week, sometimes cleaning bathrooms in addition to plant maintenance and working on weekends.

"In the summertime we're in at 5:30," she said, to beat the trucks making deliveries to downtown businesses.

Klotz said she typically starts on one side of the city and works her way in. Regardless of where she is, it's safety first. Klotz can often be found in the median on the way into Port along Grand Avenue and Highway 33 wearing a safety vest or green shirt.

"When we are working out there with college kids, you're facing the traffic and it's not going the speed limit," she said.

Other times, she gets to witness milestones. She recently saw a wedding at the beer garden in Upper Lake Park.

"I get to be part of that. Isn't that cool?" she said.

She also loves watching children enjoying Possibility Playground.

Klotz started working for the city at the same time as her brother Tom Schleg, a former local police officer. He handles the lawn cutting.

Even after her teaching career, Klotz is serving education as a member of the Port Washington-Saukville School Board.

Klotz sometimes shares the passion for her new job with her former colleagues, and the jealousy is palpable.

"My teacher friends still teaching say, 'Oh shut up, Yvonne.'"

## Warm your fall menu with pumpkin spices

■ *This blend of five common spices is a way to add a signature autumnal warmth to foods and drinks*

As the crisp air of fall hits our senses, it seems as if we start craving comfort — and for some people, that means the warm flavors of pumpkin pie spice.

The spice blend has soared in popularity in recent years, in part due to certain coffee houses spiking their joe with the flavor.

But there are plenty of other ways to enjoy pumpkin pie spice.

At its core, pumpkin pie spice is a blend of five spices commonly found in homes — cinnamon, ginger, cloves, allspice and nutmeg.

Making a jar of this blend at home is much more affordable than buying a mix at the store. There are plenty of reci-



pes — a popular one calls for two tablespoons ground cinnamon, two teaspoons of ground ginger, one teaspoon each of ground cloves and allspice and one-half teaspoon ground nutmeg — but they are endlessly customizable.

If you're a big fan of cloves, add another 1/2 teaspoon or so of it. If ginger is your jam, add a little more of that. Just go easy on the nutmeg, as it is particularly strong.

Making pumpkin pie spice at home also allows you to make small batches. You're more likely to use up the blend before the spices lose their flavor.

Pumpkin pie spice can be substituted for a number of other spices. It's particularly good in items that call for cinnamon, including classic cinnamon rolls, or it can be mixed with sugar and dusted over churros for a fall-flavored twist.

You can also use it in pumpkin pies, pumpkin spice lattes, pumpkin spice muffins, sweet potato pie, oatmeals, granolas ... the list goes on.

Following are a few recipes that feature pumpkin pie spice from mccormick.com.

### PUMPKIN SPICE BREAD

- 3 cups flour
- 3 cups sugar
- 1 tablespoon pumpkin pie spice
- 2 teaspoons baking soda
- 1-1/2 teaspoons salt
- 4 eggs
- 1 15-ounce can pumpkin
- 1 cup vegetable oil
- 1/2 cup orange juice
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 cup chopped pecans

#### DIRECTIONS

Mix flour, sugar, pumpkin pie spice, baking soda and salt in large bowl. Set aside. Beat eggs in medium bowl. Stir in pumpkin, oil, orange juice and vanilla. Add to flour mixture and stir just until moistened. Stir in 1/2 cup pecans. Divide batter evenly between two 9-by-5-inch greased and floured loaf pans. Sprinkle top of each loaf with 1/4 cup pecans.

Bake in a 350-degree oven 55 to 60 minutes, until toothpick inserted into center comes out clean. Cool in pans 10 minutes. Remove from pans and cool completely on wire rack.

### PUMPKIN PIE SPICE LATTE

- 2 cups whole milk
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 2 tablespoons canned pumpkin
- 1/2 cup strong brewed coffee
- 2 tablespoons vanilla extract
- 1/2 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice

#### DIRECTIONS

Bring milk, sugar and pumpkin to simmer in medium saucepan on medium heat, stirring to dissolve sugar.

Carefully pour mixture into blender container. Add coffee, vanilla and pumpkin pie spice. With center part of blender cover removed to let steam escape, blend on medium speed until smooth and frothy. Pour into mugs. Serve immediately.

### LAYERED PUMPKIN CHEESECAKE

- For graham cracker crust:*
- 1-1/2 cups graham cracker crumbs
- 1/3 cup butter, melted
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 2 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice
- For cheesecake filling:*
- 3 8-ounce packages cream cheese, softened
- 1 cup sugar
- 4 eggs
- 1 cup sour cream
- 1 15-ounce can pumpkin
- 1/4 cup flour
- 1 tablespoon pumpkin pie spice
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract

#### DIRECTIONS

Mix crust ingredients in medium bowl. Press evenly onto bottom and up sides of nine-inch springform pan.

Beat cream cheese and sugar in large bowl with electric mixer on medium speed until fluffy. Add eggs, one at a time, mixing on low speed after each addition just until blended. Add sour cream and mix well.

Place one cup batter in a medium bowl, then beat in pumpkin, flour and pumpkin pie spice until smooth. Stir vanilla into remaining plain batter. Pour half the vanilla batter into crust. Gently pour pumpkin batter over top. Top with remaining vanilla batter.

Bake in a 325-degree oven for 50 minutes, until center is almost set. Turn off oven and let cheesecake stand in oven two hours or until cooled. Remove from oven.

Refrigerate four hours or overnight. Run small knife around sides of pan to loosen crust, then remove sides of pan. Store leftover cheesecake in refrigerator.

### FETTUCCINI PUMPKIN ALFREDO

- 1 16-ounce package fettuccine
- 3 cups milk
- 1 cup canned pumpkin
- 1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice
- 1/2 teaspoon chipotle chili pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 8 slices bacon, chopped
- 1 small onion, chopped

#### DIRECTIONS

Cook pasta as directed on package. Drain well. Mix milk, pumpkin, Parmesan cheese, flour, pumpkin pie spice, chipotle chili pepper and salt in medium bowl until well blended. Set aside.

Cook bacon in large skillet on medium-high heat until slightly crisp. Remove bacon. Drain on paper towels. Set aside.

Remove all but two tablespoons bacon drippings from skillet. Add onion and cook, stirring, three minutes or softened. Stir in pumpkin mixture. Reduce heat to low and simmer 10 minutes, until thickened, stirring occasionally.

Place pasta in serving bowl. Add pumpkin sauce and toss to coat well. Top with crisp bacon.

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## Port Washington High School Class of 1969

Members of the Port Washington High School Class of 1969 gathered at the Patio in Port on Sept 21 for a reunion. Those attending were (front row, from left) Dave Brewer, Nora Brophy, Joanne Beck Lang, Dave Prom, Sue Wittkopp Depies, Linda Demge Braun, Terri Schmitz Bialzik, Joan Schuknecht Nicholas, Sallie Decker Schulz, Vickie Kolocek Konitzer, Robin Koenig, Betsy Allen-McPhedran, Sandy Maehtle Blumenberg, Joann Schober, (second row) Tom Blumenberg, Jane Hubbard Fellenz, Ed

Depies, Dan Lanser, Kevin Holt, Kris Hurst, Wendy Klever Leece, Dave Stricker, Anne Wallisch, Ron Bartelt, Bill Roehr, Jim Debroux, Alberta Sudbrink Mess, Roger Klein, Dave Haack, (back row) Joe Schneider, Scott Gabrich, Paul Pujanauski, Dan Bolz, Myron Kellar, Gerry Johansen, Paul Maehtle, Dan Last, Paul Ewig, Bob Schmit, Howard Bichler, Mary Penkwitz and Mike Watry. Missing from the photo were Glenn Stroessner, John Daniel and Phil Lorge.

Photo by Sam Arendt

## Documentation day set at Quilt Museum

Documentation day will be held at the Wisconsin Museum of Quilts and Fiber Arts in Cedarburg on Saturday, Nov. 2.

The event is intended to help preserve the stories of quilts that have been made through the years.

An expert volunteer will look at each quilt that is brought in, record its history, create a detailed description and a digital image and save the information in the museum archives.

Information about the quilt will be kept in an online database, the Quilt Index, where it can be accessed and studied.

The volunteers can tell those attending when and how their antique quilts were made and offer suggestions on proper care and storage.

Quilt owners must sign up for a time slot online at [www.wiquiltmuseum.com/products/documentation-day/11/2/2024](http://www.wiquiltmuseum.com/products/documentation-day/11/2/2024).

There is a \$20 fee.

The museum is at N50 W5050 Portland Rd..

For more information, call (262) 546-0300.

## Prohibition to be topic for Nov. 4 talk

Prohibition will be discussed during the quarterly meeting of the Ozaukee County Historical Society on Monday, Nov. 4.

The 7 p.m. meeting will be at the Peter Wollner American Legion Hall in Cedarburg, W57 N481 Hilbert Ave.

Patrick Steele, a retired college professor, will discuss the impact of Prohibition on Wisconsin.

The talk will look at how the nationwide ban on alcohol was enacted and enforced in the state, touching on everything from the northwood hideouts of Al Capone to the thriving network of underground speakeasies.

While many consider Prohibition a failure, Steele will challenge those attending to consider whether its legacy was how it shaped Wisconsin in lasting ways.

## Youngsters to make DIY holiday gifts

Riveredge Nature Center in the Town of Saukville is hosting two Handmade for the Holidays sessions in November.

A session for teens will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 15, while a workshop for children ages 2 to 12 will be held from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16.

Those attending will use natural materials to make do-it-yourself holiday gifts. They will try their hand at woodworking, watercolor, wood-burning or ornament making.

All supplies and instruction are provided.

The cost is \$15 per child for the children of Riveredge members and \$20 for the children of nonmembers. Supervising adults are admitted at no charge.

For more information and registration, visit [riveredgenaturecenter.org](http://riveredgenaturecenter.org) or call (262) 375-2715.

Riveredge is at 4458 Hwy. Y.

## Kids' art quilts, history talk set at Museum

The Museum of Quilting and Fiber Arts in Cedarburg is hosting an exhibit of items by the Milwaukee Art Quilters and a talk by noted textile artist, researcher and teacher Rebecca Devaney.

The exhibit by the Milwaukee Art Quilters, titled "Kid Art," is on display through Saturday, Nov. 2.

The 40-plus members of the group make contemporary art quilts, pursue exhibit and competition opportunities and support each other's artistic growth.

The group's 2020 Challenge was "Kid Art," which members planned to submit to the AQS

Ultimate Guild Challenge in 2020. However, due to the pandemic, the meeting was canceled.

Each panel is about 36 inches square and features a technique or topic that conforms to the theme of children's art.

This exhibition is the first time the quilts have been shown.

Devaney will discuss "From an Empress to a Marquise" online at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 9.

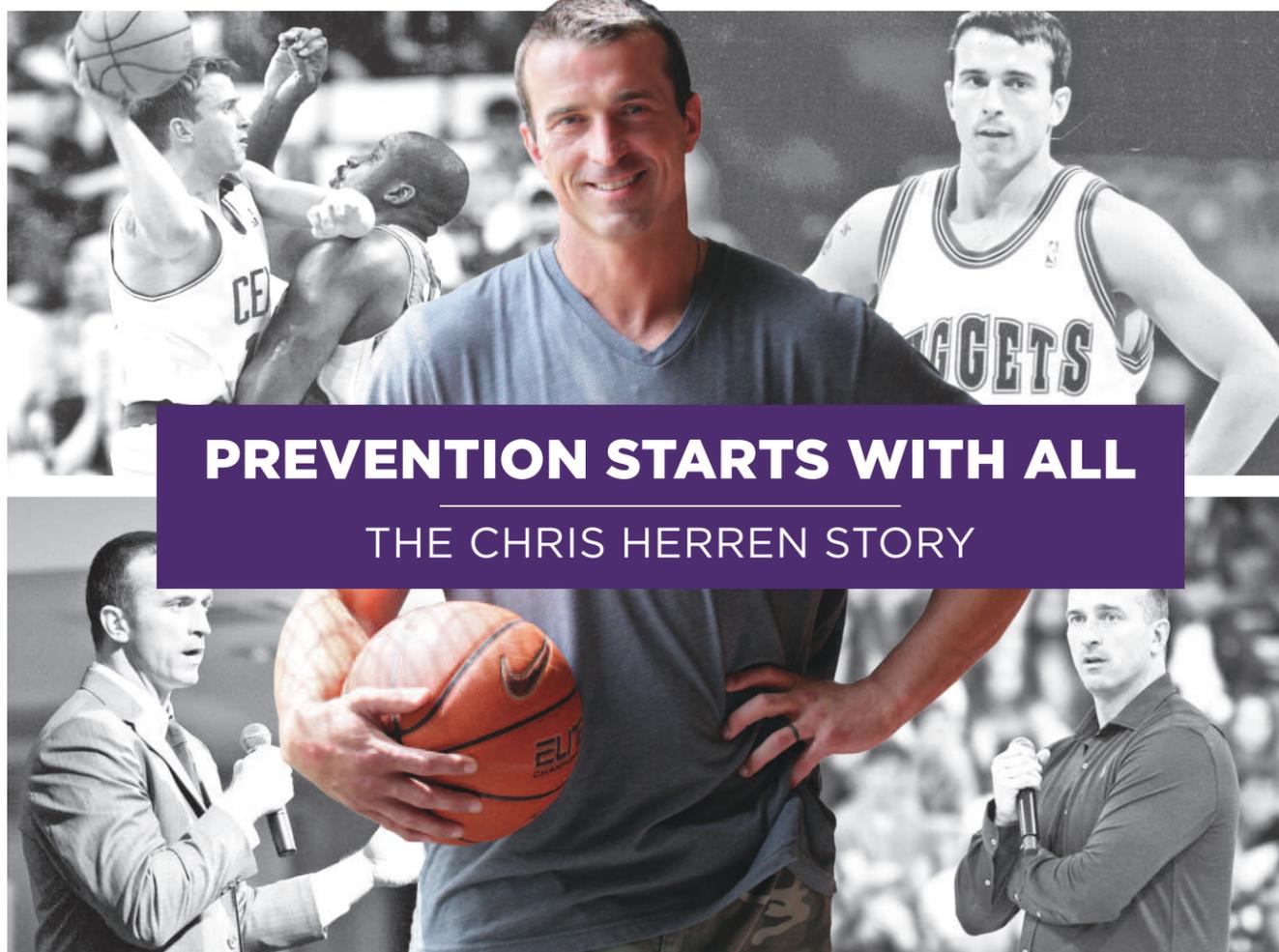
Devaney is a leading expert in the history of haute couture embroidery. Her talk will center around a story of an inquisitive empress in an ancient Chinese dynasty. The talk will describe

the journey along the Silk Road trade routes and the Ottoman Empire before arriving at the Royal Court in Versailles, where it captivated the Marquis de Pompadour.

Those registered for the talk will receive an email with links weeks before the lecture, which will be recorded and accessible with a code for participants who are unable to attend the Zoom session.

The recording will be available for up to two weeks after the lecture.

For more information or to register, visit [www.wiquiltmuseum.com/products/rebecca-devaney-lecture-4t759](http://www.wiquiltmuseum.com/products/rebecca-devaney-lecture-4t759).



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### Port Washington High School Class of 1984

The Port Washington High School Class of 1984 gathered at the Patio in Port on Oct. 12 for a reunion. Those attending were (front row, from left) Debra Risch Gierach, Sue Krueger Dowe, Tracie Bartz Schroeder, Tracy Mayer, Jill Bley-Klink, Debbie Guldan Brahm, Lisa Flynn Ross, Jon Wallencamp, Rod Millonzi, (second row) Mary Campmann, Jackie Pinkowski Hill, Stu Blanchard, Patrick Nehrbass, Sharon

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*Photo by Sam Arendt*

## Book clubs, social time set at library

November activities at the Niederkorn Library in Port Washington include a program on scam prevention, a craft and social time, book clubs and a program on the state's tribal nations.

The D&D PW Bookwyrms will meet from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays.

The group is for game enthusiasts of all experience levels who enjoy D&D or RPG games.

A grief support group will be held from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Nov. 6 and 20, in the community room.

The group is facilitated by Colson Leach, bereavement coordinator with Compassus Hospice.

The Friday Morning Book Talk group sponsored by the Senior Center will meet at 9:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 8, in the quiet room.

Copies of the featured book are available for check out.

The Novel Ideas Book Club for fiction lov-

ers will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 18, in the quiet room.

Copies of the featured book are available for check out.

Port Conversations will discuss Wisconsin's tribal nations at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 7, in the community room.

University of Wisconsin professor Annie Jones will offer an introduction to Wisconsin's tribal nations and explore key concepts of the Indigenous world view.

Those attending will leave with an action plan for engaging with Native American people and communities that will be developed using a Native American medicine wheel.

A program on scam prevention will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6.

The session, led by a representative of Kohler Credit Union, will discuss issues with phone, email and social media fraud as well as scammers who impersonate the government and AI-generated scams.

A fall adult craft and social session will be held at 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14.

The craft will be dainty dishware painting. Those attending are asked to bring "boring" ceramic dishware and leftover nail polish, or they may use the supplies provided.

Advance registration is required and may be done online at <https://www.wjnlb.org> or by calling (262) 284-5031.

Treats and refreshments will be available.

A Monarch Memory Cafe will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, Nov. 18.

The cafe is a social gathering for individuals living with memory loss, Alzheimer's or dementia and their family members, friends and professional caregivers.

To register, contact Sarah Prohuska of the Ozaukee County Aging and Disability Resource Center at (262) 284-8124 or [sprohuska@co.ozaukee.wi.us](mailto:sprohuska@co.ozaukee.wi.us)

The library is at 316 W. Grand Ave. For more information, call (262) 284-5031.

## Fare and Flair auction, tasting set for Nov. 9

Tickets to Habitat's Fare & Flair Auction and Tasting event from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9, are available.

The event will include a wine pull, silent auction, raffle and games.

There will also be an online auction that starts at 5 p.m. Monday, Nov. 4, and runs through 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9.

Food and drinks from local vendors — including Boots BBQ and Catering, Carnivore Craigs, Fiddleheads, Fork & Tap, Inventors Brewpub, Jolly Good Soda, Kyote's Bar & Grill, L'eft Bank Wine & Spirits, MJ's Bar & Grill, Man Shed Brewing, Miss Molly's Catering, Moonlight Tavern, Prime Minister, Tello's Grille & Café and Toast — will be served.

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**702 COUNTY ROAD D RD BELGIUM**

This 3-family property is a great addition to any investment portfolio. All 3 units are fully rented and tenants pay all utilities. The property has been well maintained with updates located in the documents tab. Proximity to Harrington Beach State Park allows for a great potential as a short term rental. Complete professional photos will be uploaded on Tuesday, Sept. 24th. Rents have not been raised in 7, 9, and 10 years and are way under market rents. \$269,900



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**350 E SEVEN HILLS ROAD PORT WASHINGTON**

Vacant parcel with over 360' of frontage on I-43. Sewer/water located at the street, and daily traffic count exceeding 10,000. Located less than 1,500 feet from McDonalds, Subway, Mobil and more. 1.36 acres. The parcel has been rezoned RM4 by the city. RM4 allows for dense, multi-family housing to be built. The area has a shortage of affordable workforce housing making this a great opportunity for a developer. \$399,900.



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VACANT LAND/LOTS



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<p><b>NEW LISTING</b></p> <p><b>201 Allen St., Random Lake</b> For Lease <b>\$5,000</b> monthly 5 year minimum lease contract.</p>	<p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>W5715 Summit Woods Ln. #22, Plymouth</b> 3 BR, 3 BA, 2,070 Sq.Ft. <b>\$599,000</b></p>	<p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>3214 Cty. Rd. W, Saukville</b> 3 BR, 2.5 BA, 2,866 Sq. Ft., 18 acres. <b>\$860,000</b></p>	<p><b>SOLD</b></p> <p><b>405 Lake Dr., Random Lake</b> 3 BR, 2.5 BA, 2,866 Sq.Ft. <b>\$900,000</b></p>		



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**NEW LISTING**

**210 S. ORCHARD ST., THIENSVILLE**

3 BR, 2 BA, LR w/vaulted ceilings, updated windows, new carpet & pad. Dining area & KIT w/new vinyl plank flooring, patio doors to backyard. New water heater, new vinyl siding on west portion of the house, fully remodeled BA's & more! **\$472,500**

**NEW LISTING**

**1491 ASTER ST., PORT WASHINGTON**

4 BR, 3.5 BA, huge LR w/GFP, working KIT w/black chrome appliances & snack bar, spacious dining area w/patio doors to deck. Main level laundry, finished lower exposed FR, upper master w/walk-in closet & private BA, 1st floor 9 foot ceilings. **\$569,900**

**NEW PRICE**

**4509 W. PLEASANT VALLEY RD., CEDARBURG**

3 BR, 1.5 BA on 3.13 acres w/Mole Creek frontage. New roof 2019 tear off & gutter guards, new furnace & A/C 2018. Large working KIT w/appliances. 3 BR up w/large closets & full BA. LL FR w/GFP, patio doors to deck. **\$399,900**

**NEW PRICE**

**290 N. SWEETWATER BLVD., PORT WASHINGTON**

4 BR, 2.5 BA, MOVE IN ready! DR & LR with awesome Lam/Wood floors & GFP. Huge working eat-in KIT w/SS appliances & flush snack island, dining area w/patio doors to deck. 1st floor laundry, 6 panel doors. Spacious master w/walk-in closet & private BA. 3 more BR's w/large closets & family BA. 1801 sq.ft. **\$424,900**

**NEW PRICE**

**156 SPRING ST. 2, BELGIUM**

Maintenance free 3 BR, 1.5 BA, large LR w/bow window, eat-in KIT w/patio door to private patio, breakfast bar, built-in pantry, 1st floor 1/2 BA, open bannister to upper 3 BR & full BA, each w/own closets. Full basement, new hot water heater 5/2024, 2 car attached garage, newer roof 2017, manicured yard. **\$244,850**

**NEW LISTING**

**3601 N. 98TH ST., MILWAUKEE**

4 BR, 1.5 BA, KIT w/granite tops, SS appl., eat-in area & spice cabinets. Finished basement w/dry bar, small ref. & carpeted. Fenced in backyard, nicely landscaped. Updates: 2023 furnace, 2020 A/C, added sump pump 2018. **\$275,000**

**NEW LISTING**

**4151 W. CHERRYWOOD LN., BROWN DEER**

2 BR, 1.5 BA south facing end unit condo. Spacious LR w/new carpet & paint, working KIT w/fresh paint & appliances, large dining area w/slider doors to rear fenced patio. LL rec. room, huge laundry room w/washer & dryer included. **\$112,324**

**716 HUMMINGBIRD CT., GRAFTON**

3 BR, 2.5 BA, gracious foyer to main level 9 ft. ceilings & pitched ceilings in foyer, LR, Kit/dining & tray ceilings in master. Huge working KIT w/snack island & walk-in pantry. 1st floor mud & laundry, office /Den with Fr. doors, GR w/GFP. Master w/large walk-in closet & private BA. Main level family BA. **\$699,990**

**403 W. SPARROW WAY, GRAFTON**

3 BR, 2.5 BA, massive foyer to huge GR w/pitched ceilings & GFP. Main level 9 ft. ceilings, massive working KIT w/walk-in pantry & flush snack island. Master BR has tray ceilings, walk-in closet & private master BA. Two more large BR's & family BA. Lower exposure w/window per plan, radon system. **\$689,990**

**828 KOHLWEY DR., GRAFTON**

3 BR, 2 BA, pitched ceilings in foyer, LR, KIT/dining area. Open split ranch, huge KIT w/island, granite or equivalent, crown, staggered cabinets & punch out dining area. Spacious master BR w/tray ceilings, massive walk-in closet & private master BA. 2 more large BR & full family bath. **\$579,990**

**804 KOHLWEY DR., GRAFTON**

4 BR, 2.5 BA, w/massive open concept living/dining area & KIT + 9 ft. ceilings. Huge working KIT w/snack island & walk-in pantry. Bonus office & laundry room. Upper has large master w/walk in closet & private BA & 3 more BR w/large closets & full BA. **\$579,990**

**240 MULLBERRY LN., GRAFTON**

4 BR, 2.5 BA, massive open LR w/GFP, huge KIT w/large dining area, snack island & walk-in pantry, 1st floor mud/laundry room. Upper has large master BR w/huge walk-in closet w/transom window & master BA, 3 more BR w/spacious closets & full BA. **\$589,990**

**692 HUMMINGBIRD CT., GRAFTON**

4 BR, 2.5 BA on huge lot. Massive GR w/tons of windows & GFP, massive KIT w/snack island, walk-in pantry & huge dining area w/patio doors. Main level Den/Office & master w/walk in closet & private BA. 1st floor 9 Ft. ceilings. Main level laundry and mud room. **\$689,990**

**728 HUMMINGBIRD CT., GRAFTON**

4 BR, 2.5 BA, 2 story foyer, open living, dining and kitchen area & all 9 ft. ceilings on main floor. 1st floor Flex/Office. Huge working KIT w/island & walk-in pantry. Main level mud room with lockers and a upper full laundry room. Upper master w/pitched ceilings w/his/her walk-in closets & master BA. 3 more BR's w/walk in closets. **\$689,990**

**1019 CANDLEBERRY LN., GRAFTON**

3 BR, 2.5 BA, foyer w/pitched ceilings to huge LR w/GFP, main level has 9 ft. ceilings. Massive open KIT w/large snack island & walk-in pantry, dining area w/patio doors to rear yard. Master BR w/tray ceilings, walk-in closet & private BA. Main level mud & laundry. 2 more BR & family BA. **\$639,990**

**PENDING**

**1966 BLUE SPRUCE CT., PORT WASHINGTON**

3 BR, 2 BA condo, open concept w/vaulted ceilings. Massive KIT w/SS appl. & walk-in pantry. LR w/GFP w/patio doors to private patio, spacious dining area, master BR w/private BA & walk-in closet. Main level laundry. **\$459,900**

**ACCEPTED OFFER**

**264 MULLBERRY LN., GRAFTON**

4 BR, 2.5 BA, open concept w/towering GR w/tons of windows & GFP, massive eat-in KIT w/snack island & walk-in pantry, mail level master w/large windows, walk-in closet & private master BA. Bonus Flex room on main, 1st floor laundry and mud area. **\$649,990**

**ACCEPTED OFFER**

**1011 CANDLEBERRY LN., GRAFTON**

3 BR, 2 BA, open concept w/huge LR w/10 ft. ceilings & GFP, dining area w/patio doors to rear yard. KIT w/flush island & walk-in pantry. Master BR w/tray ceilings, huge walk-in closets & master BA with access to laundry room. Two other BR's & family BA. Bonus Flex Rom & Laundry on Main. **\$629,990**

**ACCEPTED OFFER**

**783 HUMMINGBIRD CT., GRAFTON**

4 BR, 2.5 BA, open concept w/1st floor 9 ft ceilings, huge LR w/boxed ceilings & GFP, massive KIT w/island, pantry & dining area with patio sliders to rear yard. Main level office w/fr. doors, 1st floor mud and laundry, main level master w/tray ceilings, walk-in closet & private BA. 3 huge BR upper level w/full BA. **\$689,990**

**ACCEPTED OFFER**

**836 KOHLWEY DR., GRAFTON**

3 BR, 2 BA, 9 Ft. ceilings on main & pitched foyer, LR, KIT & a 9 ft. poured wall foundation with exposure. Open design w/huge LR w/GFP, huge working KIT w/island & walk-in pantry. Main level laundry. Large master w/walk-in closet & private BA. 2 more BR w/large closets & full BA. **\$579,990**

**ACCEPTED OFFER**

**1313 VILLA PARK DR., WEST BEND**

4 BR, 3 BA, massive GR w/vaulted ceilings, huge eat-in KIT w/snack bar & bonus work island, large dining area. LL rec room w/pool table & GFP. Roof tear off 2014, Water Heater 2021, Furnace 2023, Water Softener 2018, newer carpeting. **\$389,900**

**ACCEPTED OFFER**

**220 MULLBERRY LN., GRAFTON**

4 BR, 2.5 BA, open concept w/massive LR w/GFP, large working KIT w/walk-in pantry, dinette area w/patio doors to rear yard. 1st floor 9 ft. ceilings + laundry w/lockers on main. Upper master w/tray ceilings w/pr. master BA. Home offer tons of storage. LL has egress window sliders. **\$564,990**

**ACCEPTED OFFER**

**206 W. MONROE ST., PORT WASHINGTON**

3 BR, 1.5 BA, open LR & DR w/refinished HWF, working eat-in KIT w/all appliances, spacious FR with NFP, huge BR's w/large closets & HWF. LL rec room. Water Heater 2020, Furnace 2020, updated 1/2 bath on main w/storage. **\$325,000**

**ACCEPTED OFFER**

**848 KOHLWEY DR., GRAFTON**

4 BR, 2.5 BA, open concept w/large front porch, huge LR w/GFP, eat-in KIT w/large island & walk-in pantry. Mud room w/lockers & laundry on main. Upper offers spacious master w/large walk-in closet & private BA. 3 more BR w/large closets & full BA. LL offers a full bath rough, Radon System installed. **\$569,990**

**SOLD**

**1561 GLORIA LN., GRAFTON**

4 BR, 1.5 BA on .82 acres with partial exposure, redwood siding (Per Seller) & brick. Slate tile foyer, huge LR w/large window, Eat-in KIT w/updated lam. floors, all appliances included. All BR's with HWF. Roof updated w/tear off 2012, LL family room w/wood burner, full size window & access to patio. **\$399,900**

**SOLD**

**232 MULLBERRY LN., GRAFTON**

3 BR, 2 BA, open concept w/10 ft. ceilings in LR w/GFP, flex room and kitchen/dinette + 9 ft. main floor. Large working KIT, flush island w/sink, walk-in pantry + dinette with patio doors to rear yard. Master w/tray ceilings & spacious walk-in closet, mud/laundry room main w/lockers! **\$594,990**

**SOLD**

**788 KOHLWEY DR., GRAFTON**

4 BR, 2.5 BA, huge open GR w/GFP connected to KIT & dining area. 1st floor has 9ft ceilings, laundry/Mud room. KIT w/massive island & walk-in pantry. 2nd floor master w/tray ceilings, huge walk-in closet & private BA. 3 more BR with walk in closets!! 2nd full BA on upper w/double vanity. **\$574,990**

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**2183 PINE RIDGE CT., GRAFTON**

3 BR, 2 BA, fully updated, open concept KIT w/granite counters, black SS appl. & snack bar, dining area w/vaulted ceilings, huge LR w/vaulted ceilings & GFP. Primary BR w/walk-in closet & private BA, 2nd BR has private BA. 1st floor utility w/washer & dryer. **\$299,900**

**SOLD**

**202 MULLBERRY LN., GRAFTON**

4 BR, 2.5 BA, Madison "Elite Series" w/2nd floor laundry, primary BR w/double walk-in closets, massive GR with GFP. Huge eat-in KIT w/island & walk-in pantry. Open dining area w/patio to rear yard. All BR w/walk-in closets. Bonus school desk area in kitchen. **\$609,990**

**SOLD**

**1654 NEW PORT VISTA DR., PORT WASHINGTON**

1st floor condo, 3 BR, 3 BA, lower finished + a patio & deck! Lots of newer LVP flooring on main, newer appl., new furnace & A/C. Open concept LR w/GFP & dining area. Large working KIT facing liv/dining area, SS appl. & flush snack island. 1st floor laundry, large master w/walk-in closet & private BA. LL FR w/wet bar. **\$349,900**

**SOLD**

**3965 BLUE GOOSE RD., SAUKVILLE**

4 BR, 3 BA on 7.68 acres, split BR design, GR w/12ft ceilings, full wall field stone FP great KIT w/SS appl., pantry & breakfast bar. Private ensuite, walk-in closet & jacuzzi. 1st floor laundry, HWF throughout, LL w/bar & GFP. Pole building w/concrete floor, electric, horse stalls and fencing. **\$799,000**

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**NEW LISTING**



**1651 S. PINE ST GRAFTON**

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**NEW LISTING**



**632 SANDUR PL. WEST BEND**

Don't miss out on this warm inviting 3 bedroom ranch condominium, with all the comforts of home. Open concept living with many amenities such as wood flooring thru-out, tray ceilings, gas fireplace, att 2 car garage, & a finished lower level w/family/rec area, 3rd bedroom & full bath. Upper deck offers wonderful panoramic views of sunsets and green space. Great location! Won't last long! **\$430,000**

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