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## BJ's Nursery sells to Outdoor Expressions



Far left, Jackie and Bill Slaasted, owners of BJ's Nursery for 27 years and far right, new owners Kayla Marten and Brian Hamilton.

### Comprehensive yard maintenance & beautification services coming to area

By Becky LaDue

Longstanding landscape and nursery business, BJ's Nursery, has officially sold to Neenah based company Outdoor Expressions as of March 6.

BJ's owners Jackie and Bill Slaasted, who have been in the business for 27 years after purchasing the 5-acre dairy

farm on Lakeshore Rd. and converting it into a multi-greenhouse and tree/shrub enterprise, put the business up for sale late last year. After a few serious inquiries, the two settled on Outdoor Expressions—owned by Brian Hamilton and Kayla Marten—as the perfect “next chapter” for their life’s work.

“We had a few other offers, but we liked what we heard from them,” said Bill. “Some people just wanted the

land and to not continue the business – but that’s not what we wanted. It’s meant too much to us.”

Outdoor Expressions will continue all the much-loved aspects of BJ's Nursery while adding a new slate of services with an expanded crew.

In addition to having the yearly greenhouses with annuals and peren-

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## City cracks down on motorboat sports on Fox River

By Jonathan Richie  
Oshkosh Herald

The Oshkosh Common Council voted unanimously to prohibit water skiing, wakeboarding, aquaplaning and similar water sports in the Fox River due to concerns over erosion.

“No person shall operate a motorboat towing a person or persons on water skis, aquaplane or similar device, nor shall any person engage in water skiing, aquaplaning, wakeboarding or similar activities on the (Fox River),” the ordinance states.

Oshkosh parks director Ray Mauer said the updated ordinance applies to

the entirety of the river from 900 feet east of the Canadian National (CN) railroad bridge to a point about 1,900 feet upstream from the Congress Avenue bridge.

The issue was first brought to the Advisory Parks Board by a homeowners group along the river that had concerns about the boat traffic and potential shoreline erosion.

The board discussed implementing a slow-no wake zone throughout the river in the city. Boaters, boat clubs and marina owners along the river, however, told the board the erosion is mainly caused by the aquaplaning and not the

speed of boats.

The Winnebago County Sheriff's office is responsible for law enforcement on the river system, along with the state Department of Natural Resources. Boat patrol coordinator Lt. Tim Eichman of the sheriff's office said a lot of the traffic that will be prohibited is the tow-along tubes.

“There will be an educational period as the season starts, but if someone is really pushing the speed then we may move forward with the citation,” he said. “It will be incident-specific for issuing boating violations as it is with policing any area.”

He said for most stops the deputy will stop the boat, identify the people and inform them of the ordinance violation. But since the sheriff's office can't enforce city ordinances, the citations need to be issued by an Oshkosh police officer.

“Most of the citations are mailed out and that has been the case for the last two seasons,” Eichman said.

Mauer is also working with local boat clubs and marinas to get the word out about the ordinance change. The city will be posting information at kiosks near boat launches.

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## BJ's Nursery sells

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nials along with trees and shrubs for purchase and installation, Outdoor Expressions—a six-year-old company—offers a full array of additional services including lawncare (mowing, grading, rolling, aeration, detaching, overseeding), custom curb installation, bed maintenance, spring and fall clean up and even snow removal.

“We’ve been looking for a permanent location for some time,” said Hamilton, “and the shop, the land and the nursery and greenhouse possibilities really gave us an opportunity to expand. We are keeping everything BJ’s offered and hoping to do even more for the area, including fall pumpkins and décor and maybe even Christmas trees in the future.”

Hamilton, Marten and the Slaasteds expect the greenhouses to open in a few weeks. Jackie and Bill will help the new crew transition this spring then slowly phase out, but you will see their son Billy on the grounds, offering his greenhouse expertise.

“I have mixed emotions,” shared Jackie about the sale of BJ’s. “I’ve been working in greenhouses since the age of nine, starting first for my father. He had a massive enterprise in Skokie, IL that fed many of the stores in the Chicago area. It’s going to be hard to give up.”

As for Outdoor Expressions, Marten assures the community, “We’re here! Our crews are ready to serve, and we’ll



The crew of Outdoor Expressions, ready to serve the greater Winneconne area.

soon have the property designed with a new flow, offering more room for product and parking.”

“We want to be your one stop yard and landscaping shop,” said Hamilton. “We will take care of all your needs.”

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# WMS to present Shrek Jr.

Winneconne Middle School (WMS) is excited to present the musical production of 'Shrek the Musical JR.' next Thursday through Sunday at the Winneconne Community Arts Center.

Fifty-four students in grades sixth to eighth, under the direction of WMS choir director Chris Vander Pas and assisted by Dillon Moore, will take the stage for four performances from Thursday, April 10 to Sunday, April 13. Eighteen high school students will also provide production assistance in blocking, choreography, costumes, sets and technical support.

Based on the Oscar-winning DreamWorks Animation film and the hit Broadway musical, Shrek The Musical JR. is a fantastic fairy tale adventure that brings the beloved characters you know from the film to life on stage.

"Once upon a time, in a faraway swamp, there lived an ogre named Shrek. One day, Shrek finds his swamp invaded by banished fairytale misfits who have been cast off by Lord Farquaad, a tiny terror with big ambitions," explains the playbill. "When Shrek sets off with a wisecracking donkey to confront Farquaad, he's handed a task — if he rescues feisty princess



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A collection of cast members for Shrek Jr. cannot wait to entertain audiences next weekend.

Fiona, his swamp will be righted. Shrek tries to win Fiona's love and vanquish Lord Farquaad, but a fairytale wouldn't be complete without a few twists and turns along the way."

All four performances are open to the public and tickets can be reserved either online at [winneconne-community-arts-center.ticketleap.com](http://winneconne-community-arts-center.ticketleap.com) or by visiting the WCAC Box Office beginning one hour prior to showtime. Tickets are free and donations will be accepted at the door. Show times are next Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m., with a matinee on Sunday at 2 p.m.

# Farm Show returns to EAA grounds

Wisconsin Public Service (WPS) is continuing its legacy of helping farmers grow and thrive with its 63rd WPS Farm Show this week on the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) grounds in Oshkosh.

The show opened Tuesday and continues from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. today (Wednesday) and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday. Admission is free. There is a \$5 charge to park on the grounds.

A second outdoor exhibitor tent will be open this year, adding nearly 30 exhibitors and dozens of products. About 20,000 are expected to attend with more than 400 exhibitors from

21 states presenting animal nutrition products, large farm machinery, precision planting technology and robotic milking equipment.

WPS agricultural consultants will be available throughout the show to answer questions, discuss energy needs and share strategies to manage energy use on farms.

Additional attractions this year include a food tent operated by state nonprofit groups, a children's tractor pull event Wednesday, a silent auction benefiting the Wisconsin FFA Foundation and free health screenings from UW-Oshkosh nursing students.

# Academic Awards Night set

Winneconne High School will hold its Academic Awards Evening on April 9 to honor students who have achieved outstanding academic success. Students who have reached a certain level of achievement will be invited to attend the event with their families.

The evening will recognize each student's individual academic accomplishments. As students reach specific academic point levels, they are awarded a certificate, letter, medal, and for the highest achievers, a plaque.

Hors d'oeuvres will be available to students and their families from 6-6:30 p.m. in the high school commons. The doors to the WCAC auditorium will open at 6:30 p.m. accompanied by a beautiful display of student artwork. The award ceremony will begin promptly at 6:45 p.m.

Be sure to mark your calendars for other spring academic events:

- National Honor Society Induction & Senior Ceremony will be held on May 7.
- Senior Recognition Night will take place on May 14.

Questions may be directed to the High School Student Services department at 920-582-5810, ext. 1109.



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# Shallow Lakes Chronicles

## Be heard – it’s easier than ever

By Matt Harp, Outdoor Reporter

I often hear sportsmen complain that the DNR has poor season structure, crazy bag limits, or just plain dumb regulations and management of lands. Their complaints fall in the category of ‘they have no say in how the rules are made.’ These days, that can’t be further



Harp

from the truth.

A few weeks ago, the DNR hosted meetings around the state and virtually to hear duck hunters’ thoughts on the season structure for 2026 - 2031. There are several options under the federal framework that allow for multiple zones, splits in the season within the zones, etc. Taylor Finger, the DNR duck czar, would always say at these meetings that he wants whatever the duck hunters want as far as the seasons go. I assure you; your voice is heard.

Another great opportunity for your input is the spring hearings. The Wisconsin Conservation Congress (WCC) and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) encourage the public to attend spring hearings on Monday, April 14 at 6 p.m. to learn about resource management through the annual fish and wildlife spring hearing process. Additionally, an online opportunity for

public input will be available from 7 p.m. April 14 through 6 p.m., April 16.

DNR staff and WCC delegates will be on hand at these hearings to discuss local issues of importance, answer questions from the public and open a dialogue between the public, the DNR and the WCC about areas of interest and concern.

The WCC will also hold their delegates elections at each meeting. Two of the five WCC seats will be up for election in each county.

Finally, the public is invited to provide feedback on a variety of fish, wildlife and other natural resources-related topics as part of the spring hearing process. The public is encouraged to provide input online from 7 p.m. April 14 through 6 p.m. April 16. For those who prefer to do so in person, several paper ballots will be available at each in-person meeting.

More information is available on the Wisconsin Conservation Congress Spring Hearing webpage.

The Wisconsin Conservation Congress is the only statutory body in the state where the public elects delegates to advise the Natural Resources Board and the DNR on responsibly managing natural resources for present and future generations. The Congress accomplishes this through open, impartial, broad-ranged actions. Learn more about the WCC and how to become involved in resource management decisions on the Wisconsin Conservation Congress’s webpage.

Don’t be one of those people that go

around complaining that your opinion doesn’t matter. It does and you can be heard.k

Reach Matt at lakeandpond2@gmail.com

# Tales From The Land of Retirement

## Push it...

By Jeanne Lehr

I have a new label added to my name. I am a **PUSHER**. I tend to push things I believe in. Anything from clothes to Jesus. If it works for me, I will push it.



Lehr

Some of the best results come from word-of-mouth suggestions, passing on good and bad ideas. Let others know what you have discovered. If I find a great recipe or secret ingredient, I will share the secret with everyone. I want them to be as happy with my findings as I am.

I was passing out pamphlets on the Veterans Walkway recently installed at the Legion Hall. I am so excited to have my loved ones honored there, and I want others to feel that joy too. It reminds me of when I visit Memorial Park and see the paver with my mother and father’s names engraved. I can touch it and feel their love.

I can go up to Suring by the newly erected memorial located in the park and see the work my brother put into making it real. He was a pusher too. They placed a monument there thanking him for his work. It gives me great pride to see my family “etched in stone”.

While I was handing out pamphlets, I

was also asking people if they would like to join the Legion or the Auxiliary. Our local chapters send out checks regularly to different organizations honoring vets, their families, the homeless, etc. Membership activities and dollars impact the state and national divisions but also right here at home. Why wouldn’t I push that?

Whenever possible, I also push my faith. I will say “God bless you”, “Praise the Lord”, and “Pray about it.” I believe that I could not do what I do without His help, so I push it.

And yes, I do push my personal set of beliefs. What is right and what is wrong? What is common sense? I don’t go with the flow; I am usually off wandering around seeing what else I can see and discovering the truth of the matter.

I may be a pusher, but I am polite about it. I won’t jam my ideas down your throat. I plant the seed and hope it grows. I guess I’m okay with my new label—I’m happy to “push it”.

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# Winnebago county to test outdoor warning sirens

Winnebago County's outdoor warning sirens will be tested every Saturday at noon starting Saturday, April 5 and will continue through September 2025.

Tests will be cancelled if severe weather or other serious conditions are imminent.

Outdoor warning sirens are designed to warn people who are outdoors that a severe weather situation is happening, or is likely to happen soon. They should then seek shelter immediately inside a sturdy building. Everyone should remain alert to the potential for rapidly changing weather conditions.

For more information, contact the Winnebago County Office of Emergency Management at (920) 236-7463.

Winnebago County will participate in the statewide mock Tornado Drill on April 10, 2025.

# Community Foundation partners with Beiser Realty

'All Things Local Real Estate' free educational event

The Winneconne Area Community Foundation (WACF) will present a free educational program with Beiser Realty and "Linda the Lender" Williamson on Thursday, April 24 at 5 p.m. at the Winneconne Public Library.

"Collaborating with Beiser Realty in 'All Things Local Real Estate,' we strive to provide an educational edge to residents planning to relocate within the area," says Board member and event co-organizer Candice Olson. The program will feature information and tips for anyone navigating the current market, whether a first-time or seasoned homebuyer.

'All Things Local Real Estate' will feature the expertise of locals Lori Meyerhofer-Fisher and Danielle Cottrell from Beiser Realty and Williamson. "I was born and raised in Win-

neconne and have deep roots in the community," said Meyerhofer-Fisher. "I'm passionate about helping people find their perfect place to call home." Meyerhofer-Fisher is also a current

board member of WACF.

Refreshments and onsite childcare will be provided. WACF asks attendees to register by visiting its website at WinneconneAreaCF.org.



From left to right, real estate experts Lori Meyerhofer-Fisher, Linda Williamson and Danielle Cottrell.

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# Sports

## Heffernon leads Winneconne powerlifters at Nationals

Aleyna Heffernon earned a third-place finish in her division to highlight the Winneconne High School Powerlifting team's performance at the USA Powerlifting Nationals held at the Fox Cities Exhibition Center in Appleton March 20-23.

Heffernon competed in the Girls Raw 100 kg weight class and posted a total lift of 395 kg to earn the impressive finish. She recorded personal records in

both the bench and squat as well as on her total lift at the meet and helped the Winneconne girls Raw Varsity Team place fifth overall.

Kendal Vette added a 13th place in the 75 kg weight class with a total lift of 312.5 kg, while Camryn Becker also competed for Winneconne in the 82.5 kg weight class. Vette also posted PRs on both the bench and squat, while Becker notched a PR on her bench.

For the boys, Hudson Samolinski was the only Winneconne lifter to earn a place, taking 12th in the 125 kg weight class with a total lift of 617.5 kg. That total was a PR for Samolinski, who also posted a PR on his squat.

Other competitors for Winneconne were John Grewe (90 kg weight class), Waylon Hernandez (75 kg), Brody Cross (67.5 kg) and Mason Mathe



submitted

Aleyna Heffernon.



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The Winneconne High School powerlifting team sent eight competitors to the USA Powerlifting Nationals held March 20-23 at the Fox Cities Exhibition Center in Appleton. Pictured are: (front, from left) Aleyna Heffernon, Mason Mathe, Kendal Vette, Coach David Loukidis; (back from left) Coach Jamie Jacobson, Camryn Becker, John Grewe, Brody Cross, Waylon Hernandez, Hudson Samolinski. Not pictured was Coach Ben Mathe.

(67.5 kg). Grewe and Hernandez posted PRs in the squat at the national meet, while Cross and Mathe notched PRs in the bench competition.

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# Sports

## Baseball program on the rise Softball & soccer programs ready to roll

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Second-year head coach Kevin Meyer is hoping to make the Winneconne baseball program's final season in the East Central Conference a memorable one.

The Wolves finished 4-15 last season and have not had a winning season since 2021. Meyer, a former Winneconne standout, hopes to change that in his second season with the program.

"A team goal is to have our wins for the season in the double digits and place in the top three overall in this very tough conference," Meyer commented. "We need to make sure we are playing our very best baseball moving into the end of May and into regional action."

The Wolves graduated their top five hitters from last year's lineup and will be looking to a mix of returning players and varsity newcomers to produce at the plate.

Junior Lucky Pahl is the top returning hitter with at least 50 at bats last season, while fellow juniors Halen Olson and Colton Kleinschmidt and sophomore Ethan Duel were also regulars in the varsity lineup a year ago.

Other returning players that saw limited varsity action last year were seniors Ben Tesch and Charlie Roubidoux along with juniors Cal Volp and Dallas Walker.

Meyer also expects a handful of newcomers to contribute for the Wolves as

well. Junior Noah Bouras along with freshmen Aaron Zimmer, Hunter Doll, Broderick Stille and Logan Binder are all expected to see playing time this season.

One of the strengths for the Wolves may be their pitching depth as Winneconne will boast an array of players who can take the mound.

Tesch, Kleinschmidt and Pahl may be the hurlers with the most experience from last year, but Meyer will certainly have some options if a backlog of games occurs.

Meyer, who will be assisted by Ryan Olson, Ryan Koss and Zach Schmitz, is hoping to build numbers in the program moving forward since Winneconne will not be able to field a junior varsity squad this season

"I would love to have two teams but having only 18 players, that's not possible at this point," Meyer commented. "... I am in the process of developing the program in the younger ages and we have very strong numbers coming up."

Winneconne was slated to open its season at home on Tuesday before four straight road games starting Thursday at Lomira and Friday at Oshkosh North. The Wolves open ECC play on Tuesday at Waupun.

### Soccer

Chris Guido takes over a Wolves program that is coming off another strong

season and returns a solid nucleus of players to help build on last year's success.

Winneconne finished 15-5-1 a year ago and finished second in the East Central Conference behind only Plymouth – the WIAA Division 3 state champion. The Wolves captured a regional title before falling in a sectional semifinal to Green Bay Notre Dame.

Two of the leaders for this year's group will be in the midfield where co-captains Millie Braman and Suri Hottman return. Braman is a senior who is coming off a standout season on the basketball court, while Hottman, a junior, is the top returning goal scorer for the Wolves.

Junior defender Kellyn Kresal will also serve as a co-captain for the team and will anchor the back line along with returning sophomore Brooklyn Messerschmidt and Ainsley Tate.

Guido is also counting on freshmen Abbie Oleson at forward and Olivia Godfroy in the midfield to contribute this season.

"We will be a young team but very competitive," Guido commented. "The focus will be to build a strong team atmosphere and use that to build a strong culture."

Winneconne will also have to fill a big void at goalkeeper where two-year starter Macy Dodd was lost to graduation. Dodd finished with 12 shutouts last season.

The Wolves will open the season on Thursday at Menasha but are home just

once in their first seven matches – the Wolves host Pulaski in a nonconference match on Tuesday – and have only two home matches in the month of April.

### Softball

The Wolves will bring the bulk of their roster back from last season as they look to take a step forward in the ECC standings.

Winneconne finished 6-6 in the conference a year ago – and 12-12 overall – but returns its top three hitters as the Wolves take aim at adding to their win total.

Senior Claire Kollat was the team's leading hitter last season with a .470 batting average and a team-high 11 stolen bases, while sophomore Grace Mitchell also hit over .400 and led the team with 22 RBIs. Sophomore Libby Jahnke also returns after finishing with a .311 batting average a year ago,

Senior Clare Schaffer and junior Audra Schaffer are also back from last season after each played in all 24 games for the Wolves.

In the pitching circle, sophomore Julia Youngbauer finished last year with a 3-1 record and a 2.28 earned run average as Winneconne's No. 2 pitcher. She is expected to take on the lead pitching role for the Wolves this season, while fellow sophomore Jaidyn Halder could also pick up some innings.

Winneconne was scheduled to open the season on the road at Plymouth on Tuesday before hosting Kewaskum on Thursday, Iola-Scandinavia on Friday and Waupun on Tuesday.



WINNECONNE BOYS BASEBALL WINNECONNE WOLVES		
April 1	Lourdes Academy	4:30pm
April 3	@Lomira	4:30pm
April 4	@Oshkosh North	5:00pm
April 7	@Wautoma	5:00pm
April 8	@Waupun	4:45pm
April 10	Waupun	4:45pm
April 11	Iola-Scandinavia	4:30pm
April 15	Ripon	4:45pm
April 17	@Ripon	4:45pm
April 19	@Weyauwega-Fremont	1:00pm
April 22	@Berlin	4:45pm
April 24	Berlin	4:45pm
April 25	@Omro	4:30pm
April 29	Shiocton	4:30pm
May 2	Manitowoc Lincoln	4:30pm
May 5	@Winnebago Lutheran	4:30pm
May 6	Kettle Moraine Lutheran	4:45pm
May 8	@Kettle Moraine Lutheran	4:45pm
May 13	@Plymouth	4:45pm
May 15	Plymouth	4:45pm
May 16	@Menasha	4:30pm
May 19	Oshkosh West	4:30pm
May 20	Kewaskum	4:45pm
May 22	@Kewaskum	4:45pm
May 23	@Mayville	5:00pm
May 27	St. Mary Catholic	4:30pm

Home games in bold.

WINNECONNE GIRLS SOFTBALL WINNECONNE WOLVES		
April 1	@Plymouth	4:45pm
April 3	Kewaskum	4:45pm
April 4	Iola-Scandinavia	4:30pm
April 8	Waupun	4:45pm
April 10	@Ripon	4:45pm
April 11	Lomira	4:30pm
April 14	Omro	4:30pm
April 15	Berlin	4:45pm
April 17	@Seymour	4:30pm
April 22	@Kettle Moraine	4:45pm
April 28	Wautoma	4:30pm
April 29	@Kewaskum	4:45pm
May 1	@Waupun	4:45pm
May 3	Invitational- multiple teams	10:00am
May 5	@Waupaca	4:30pm
May 6	Ripon	4:45pm
May 8	@Berlin	4:45pm
May 9	St Mary Catholic	4:30pm
May 13	@Shawano	5:00pm
May 15	Kettle Moraine Lutheran	4:45pm
May 16	@Laconia	5:00pm
May 19	Plymouth	4:45pm
May 20	Southern Door	5:00pm

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# Sports

## Prep Sports Roundup

### McLeod shines for boys track and field team

Cody McLeod was a part of three victories as the Winneconne boys track and field team tied for third among the 25 schools at the Ripon College Showcase meet on Saturday.

The Wolves tied with Marquette University with 63 points in the overall standings, three points behind Stevens Point and four behind champion Wisconsin Lutheran. Winneconne was first in the Small School Division, finishing nearly 20 points ahead of Kiel.

McLeod spearheaded the Wolves' efforts posting a pair of individual wins as well as running a leg in a relay victory.

McLeod finished first in the 60 meters – winning by one-hundredth of a second – while also placing first in

the 200 meters by four-hundredths of a second. The senior then joined Jack Quigley, Koltyn Kachur and Grant Wenzelow in winning the 1,600-meter relay.

Karter Hawthorne also picked up a first place on the day for the Wolves, winning the long jump competition with a leap of 20-feet, 8.75-inches, which was nearly four inches further than the runner-up finisher.

A trio of Wolves added top-five finishes on the day with Colton Tisler taking second in the high jump, Wenzelow finishing third in the 1,600 meter and Trey Zemke tying for fourth in the pole vault.

Camden Plotz, Hawthorne, Jovan Zeller and Quigley added a fifth place in the 800-meter relay, while the foursome of Cailin Yingling, Joey Shep-

herd, Conor McDonald and Merrick Heise picked up an eighth place in the 3,200-meter relay.

The Winneconne girls were short-handed at the meet and totaled four points in the small school competi-

tions.

The Wolves' best individual finish came from Kat Skadahl, who placed 16th in the long jump, while Lydia Luce placed 19th in the 400 meters.

## DNR's spring magazine out

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) spring issue of Wisconsin Natural Resources magazine is now available in print and online, full of compelling stories and important information for the season.

The latest issue celebrates "marsh madness," focusing on the marvels of marshlands in Wisconsin.

Also in the spring issue, you'll find fascinating tales of fun history in the Wisconsin State Park System, which is marking its 125th anniversary this year. State wildlife areas are highlighted, too, as is the Northern Highland-American Legion State Forest, which also has an anniversary in 2025.

Pheasants, Arbor Day, gardening,

flood awareness and hunting are all covered in the issue. You also can learn where to find paved trails perfect for hiking without a muddy mess and read about some upcoming Natural Resources Foundation of Wisconsin field trips. There's a story on how the DNR helps food pantries by donating salmon from spawning facilities. Plus, learn about lookalike wildlife such as foxes, coyotes and wolves and how to tell them apart.

Check out the digital magazine online at [wnrmag.com](http://wnrmag.com) or subscribe to the print edition, just \$8.97/year for four quarterly issues. Call 1-800-678-9472 or check the website to sign up, renew or give a gift today.

## Order native plants to support Wisconsin's pollinators

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) announced that native plant sales are popping up around the state now through June. By planting native plants in your outdoor space, you can support the entire ecosystem by providing the most beneficial food for pollinators.

Native plants come in a wide variety of colors, shapes and sizes, giving you endless options to create beautiful landscaping that suits your style.

"Introducing native plants to your yard is a wonderful way to provide habitat for butterflies, bees, birds and other wildlife," said Amy Staffen, DNR conservation biologist for the DNR's Natural Heritage Conservation Program. "These sales by local organizations and Wisconsin native plant nurseries offer an easy way to exercise your green thumb, whether you're a beginner or more experienced gardener."

Native plant sales are offered across Wisconsin this spring as local non-profit organizations and governments host online preorders and in-person sales. Wisconsinites have a chance to buy plants in advance while benefiting local organizations. While most sales occur in May and June, some require orders in advance that are due in March or April.

The DNR has compiled a list of this year's native plant sales on the [Native Plants webpage](http://NativePlants webpage) so you can order your native plants in time for late spring and early summer planting. Check the webpage periodically for new listings. Producers and plant sale hosts can contact Amy Staffen at [Amy.Staffen@wisconsin.gov](mailto:Amy.Staffen@wisconsin.gov) to get their native plant sale listed on the webpage.

More information on native plant sales, native plant nurseries, rain gardens, pollinator gardens, how-to guidance documents, plant lists and more is available on the DNR's [Native Plants webpage](http://NativePlants webpage).



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# 2025 Girls Soccer



## GIRLS SOCCER

## WINNECONNE WOLVES

Thu Apr 3	MENASHA V	6:30 p
<b>Tue Apr 8</b>	<b>PULASKI V</b>	<b>4:30 p</b>
Thu Apr 10	NEW LONDON V	6:30 p
Sat Apr 12	OSHKOSH WEST V 12	Noon
Tue Apr 15	WAUPUN V	4:45 p
Thu Apr 17	FOND DU LAC V	7:00 p
Tue Apr 22	RIPON V	4:45 p
<b>Tue Apr 29</b>	<b>BERLIN V</b>	<b>4:45 p</b>
Fri May 2	V Invite UW-EAU CLAIRE	8:00 a
Sat May 3	V Invite UW-EAU CLAIRE	10:00 a
	V Invite EAU CLAIRE MEMORIAL HS	Noon
<b>Tue May 6</b>	<b>FREEDOM V</b>	<b>4:30 p</b>
<b>Thu May 8</b>	<b>XAVIER V</b>	<b>4:30 p</b>
<b>Sat May 10</b>	<b>WAUPACA Invite V</b>	<b>10:00 a</b>
<b>Tue May 13</b>	<b>KETTLE MORAINE LUTHERAN V</b>	<b>4:45 p</b>
	<b>SENIOR NIGHT</b>	
Sat May 17	V Invite HORTONVILLE	9:00 a
<b>Tue May 20</b>	<b>PLYMOUTH V</b>	<b>4:45 p</b>
<b>Thu May 22</b>	<b>WAUTOMA V</b>	<b>4:30 p</b>
Tue May 27	KEWASKUM V	6:45 p
Thu May 29	OZAUKEE V	4:30 p

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# Church Notes

**St. Mary's Catholic Church**  
 210 Pleasant Drive  
 Winneconne  
 Priest Celebrants  
 Fr. Tom Long  
 & Fr. Ben Pribbenow  
 Deacon Paul Vidmar, Pastoral Coordinator

Thurs.: 2 pm - Stations of the Cross.  
 Fri.: 4 to 6:30 pm - Fish Fry/Kaudy Hall.  
 Sat.: Voting Trustees.  
 Sunday, April 6: 8:30 am - Mass/  
 CLOW/3rd Scrutiny Our Father/5th Sunday  
 of Lent/Voting Trustees.  
 Mon.: 7:30 am - LOW w/communion. 6  
 pm - No Greater Love/Kaudy. 6 pm - Ladies  
 Nite Out.  
 Tues.: 1 pm - Staff Mtg. 4:30 pm - Stewardship  
 Mtg. 7 pm - KC's Mtg.  
 Wed: 7:30 am - LOW w/communion.  
 3:10 pm - ES, FF. 6:30 pm - HS Passion  
 Play/Xavier HS.

**Immanuel Lutheran Church**  
 9077 North Road  
 Zittau  
 Pastor Tauna Roth  
 Sundays: 9 am - Worship.  
 Mondays: 10 am - Bible Study.  
 Wednesdays: 6 pm - Lenten Meal. 6:40  
 pm - Worship.

**Lord of the Lakes**  
 (ELCA) Church  
 6090 Harbour South  
 Winneconne  
 Pastor Kevin Heffernan  
 Thurs.: 8:30 am - Bible Study. WCSD pre-  
 school activities.

Sunday, April 6: 8 & 10 am - Worship. Boy  
 Scout Eagle Scout presentation.  
 Mon.: 5 pm - Narcotics Anonymous.  
 Wed: 5:30 pm - Soup Supper. 6 pm -  
 SWAG. 6:30 pm - Lent Service.

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church**  
 8 South Fourth Street

Winneconne  
 Pastor Ben Berger  
 Pastor Darin Warnecke  
 920-582-7772  
 Thurs.: 9:30 am - Bible Study. 1 pm- La-  
 dies Aid. 6 pm - Bible Basics Class.  
 Saturday: 4:30 pm - Worship/Lord's Sup-  
 per.

Sunday, April 6: 8 & 10:30 am - Worship/  
 Lord's Supper. 9:10 am - Bible Study/Fami-  
 ly Impressions.  
 Mon.: Contemporary Music Practice.  
 Tues.: 8:30 am - Quilters. 6 pm - Fellow-  
 ship Mtg. 7 pm - Education Mtg.  
 Wed.: 5 pm - Lenten Supper. 6 pm - Lent-  
 en Worship. 6:30 pm - Catechism study.

**St. Peter's Lutheran Church, WELS**  
 8630 County Road MM  
 Larsen  
 Pastor Paul Ibisch  
 920-878-3001  
 Sundays: 10 am - Service with Bible  
 Study/Fellowship to Follow.  
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 try of Church.

**First Presbyterian Church**  
 32 S. Third Avenue  
 Winneconne  
 920-706-0047  
 Pastor Emily Lueder  
 Sunday, April 6: 8:30 am - Sunday Service  
 with communion. Sunday Services are lives-  
 treamed on Facebook/recordings uploaded  
 to YouTube.

**Bible Baptist Church**  
 At First Presbyterian Church  
 32 S. Third Avenue  
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 Pastor Robert Hatch  
 920-582-7100  
 Sundays: 10:45 am - Sunday School. 12  
 pm - Worship.

**Messiah Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
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 920-875-0755  
 Pastor Philip Geiger  
 Sundays: 9 am - Regular Sunday Worship,  
 with Fellowship to Follow  
 Wednesday Prime Service  
 Wednesday Bible Study  
**AA and Al-Anon**  
 St. Mary Church Basement  
 Thurs.: 7 pm - Al-Anon.  
 Please refer to the district website for  
 available AA meetings in our area.

# Calendar

**Thursday, April 3:** 4:30 pm - Trap @  
 FV Trap Club. 4:30 pm - Varsity BB @ Lo-  
 mira. 4:45 pm - JV/V Softball, Home/Ke-  
 waskum. 6:30 pm - V. Soccer @ Menasha.

**Friday, April 4:** 4 pm - Track Confer-  
 ence Meet/Ripon College. 4:30 pm - V.  
 Softball, Home/Iola Scandinavia. 5 pm -  
 JV/V Baseball @ Oshkosh North.

**Saturday, April 5:** Shop Locally & En-  
 joy Winneconne!

**Sunday, April 6:** Worship at the  
 Church of Your Choice. STEAM Awards  
 Night/WCAC.

**Monday, April 7:** 11 am - Public Works  
 Mtg./Municipal Ctr. 2:30 pm - Golf  
 Meet @ Lake Breeze. 4 pm- MS Track @  
 Waupaca. 4:30 pm - Public Safety Mtg./  
 Municipal Ctr. 5 pm- V. Baseball @ Wau-  
 toma.

**Tuesday, April 8:** 4:30 pm- V. Soccer,  
 Home/Pulaski. 4:45 pm - Varsity BB, @  
 Waupun. 4:45 pm - JV/V Softball, Home/  
 Waupun.

**Wednesday, April 9:** The News is out!  
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 1 pm - Mahjong group/Public Library. 1  
 pm - Personnel/Finance Mtg./Municipal  
 Ctr. 4 pm - Parks Mtg./Municipal Ctr. 6  
 pm- Academic Awards/WCAC.

# Lunch Menus

**April 7-11**  
**Advocap Lunch Menu**  
**Mon.:** Brat, German potato salad,  
 baked beans, banana.

**Tues.:** FROZEN: Tarragon chicken,  
 baby red potatoes, green beans,  
 applesauce, chocolate pudding.

**Wed.:** Ham slice, baked beans, broccoli,  
 tropical fruit.

**Thurs.:** FROZEN: Salisbury steak,  
 mashed potatoes, carrots, pears, cherry  
 squares.

**Fri.:** Baked haddock, baked sweet  
 potato, peas/mushroom, fruit cup, dinner  
 roll.

**Winneconne Community School**  
**District**

**ES:** Along with main entrée and  
 rotating vegetable, garden bar, assorted  
 fruit, PB&J pocket, chef salad, and milk  
 are offered daily.

**MS:** Along with main entrée, chef salad,  
 rotating salad, fruit bowl, PB&J pocket,  
 turkey (or ham) and cheese sandwich,  
 snacks, garden bar, assorted fruit and milk  
 are offered daily.

**Mon.:** **ES:** Popcorn chicken, buttered  
 pasta, corn. **MS:** Cheese quesadilla,  
 assorted veggies & grains.

**Tues.:** **ES:** Nachos Grande, rice pilaf,  
 fruit. **MS:** French toast, potato chunks,  
 sausage patty.

**Wed.:** **ES:** Soft pretzel/cheese, yogurt,  
 peas. **MS:** Pasta bowl, California blend  
 veggies, grains.

**Thurs.:** **ES:** Spaghetti/meat sauce,  
 garlic bread, broccoli. **MS:** Grilled cheese,  
 tomato soup, peas/carrots.

**Fri.:** **ES:** Grilled cheese, tomato soup,  
 peas/carrots. **MS:** BBQ chicken totchas,  
 green beans.

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# Obituaries

## Richard Milton Hertzberg

Richard Milton Hertzberg, a much-loved husband, father, and proud grandfather, left this world on Sunday, March 23, 2025, at the age of 90, surrounded by his loving family to be with Jesus. He was born on June 11, 1934, in Omro, Wisconsin and resided the past 37 years in Winneconne.



Richard graduated from Oshkosh High school in 1952, where he played football. His greatest accomplishment was marrying his high school sweetheart for 72 years. Richard played semi

pro football for the Oshkosh Giants and enjoyed playing and watching all sports, especially the Packers, Brewers, and Badgers. He loved to fish wherever he was and spent the winters in Florida for the past 33 years. Many family trips and great memories were made throughout his lifetime. His quick wit, and sharp mind will be always remembered. Richard retired in 1989 from Kimberly-Clark and was a member of St. Mary Catholic Church in Winneconne.

Richard is survived by: his wife Lorraine (Ruedinger); his children, Deborah (John) Girtman, Gregory (Debora) Hertzberg, James (Linda) Hertzberg; eight grandchildren, Adam (Megan) Girtman, Tyler (Ashley) Girtman, Aimee (Brian) Birkholz, Aaron (Amy) Hertzberg, Matthew (Jennifer) Hertzberg, Mark Hertzberg, Jessica (Rich-

ard) Belt, Emily (Alex) Feistel; twelve great-grandchildren; sister, Loretta Strehlow; and many other family and friends.

Richard was preceded in death by parents Adrenna "Jane" and Milton Hertzberg; special aunt and uncle, June and Bud Swisher; daughter-in-law, Sandra Hertzberg; brother-in-law, Rolland Strehlow.

A visitation will be held at Mueller Fu-

neral Home, Winneconne, on Sunday, April 6 from 1 to 3 p.m. with a service at 3 p.m. A celebration of life will follow the service.

In lieu of flowers, please support the Larsen-Winchester Lions Club.

If you wish, please submit online condolences/memories to muellerfh.net.



# Village Board meetings, April

The following is a list of upcoming Village of Winneconne board meetings for the month of April. As noted, meetings are subject to change.

April 2025 Village of Winneconne Board Meetings				
Committee	Chairperson	Meeting Day/Date	Time	Location
Beautification	B. Kubasta	Thur Apr 10	5:30 pm	Board Room
Cemetery	J. Janikowski	Mon Apr 21	3:00 pm	Board Room
Fire District	K. Allcox	(Mon May 12)	6:30 pm	Fire Station 28
Historic Preservation	J. Stelzner	tbd		
Library	J. Janikowski	Mon Apr 14	5:30 pm	Library
Parks	S. Foster	Wed Apr 09	4:00 pm	Board Room
Personnel & Finance	B. Kubasta	Wed Apr 09	1:00 pm	Board Room
Plan Commission	C. Boucher	Mon Apr 14	5:30 pm	Board Room
Public Safety	M. Bouras	Mon Apr 07	4:30 pm	Board Room
Public Works	P. Olson	Mon Apr 07	11:00 am	Board Room
Village Board	C. Boucher	Tues Apr 15	5:30 pm	Board Room
ad hoc Fee Review				
Marble Park Committee	J. Broderick			

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#### Town of Vinland

Notice is hereby given in accordance with §60.11(3)(b) of WI State Statutes that the Annual Town Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 16th at 7:00pm

Vinland Town Hall  
6085 County Rd T  
Oshkosh, WI

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### NOTICE

#### ANNUAL MEETING

#### TOWN OF WINNECONNE

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Sec. 60.11(2) (b) Wis. Statutes that the Annual Town Meeting will be held on Thursday, April 17, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

Winneconne Town Hall  
6494 County Rd. M, Winneconne, WI  
The Regular Town Board meeting will commence immediately following the Annual Meeting

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### NOTICE

The Town Board of Wolf River will meet at the Wolf River Town Hall Friday, April 4, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. for the annual Road Check

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan J. Gilbert, Clerk

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# Public Notice

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING WINNECONNE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT WINNECONNE HIGH SCHOOL- LARGE GROUP LECTURE 100 WOLF RUN WINNECONNE WI 54986 MARCH 03, 2025 – 6:30PM**

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Board Vice- President, Jill Verich called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Meeting notices were sent to members of the press, members of the school board and were posted on the front and/or in the vestibules of the district buildings. This is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public hearing. There may be a time for public comment during the meeting as indicated in the agenda. The meeting will also be available to watch live at <https://www.youtube.com/winneconne>

Board Member Roll Call

Board Member Present: Jaci Stelzner, Jill Verich, Meghan Keller, Earl Peterson, Dean Ackmann, Mark Kunde  
Absent: Donna Hanson

Administrative Team and Visitor Recognition and Open Forum  
District Administrator, Peggy Larson, High School Principal, Leah Michaud, Assistant Elementary Principal, Mike Meunier, Technology Director, David Jerabek, Buildings and Grounds Director, Steve Cady

**VISITORS:** (See Visitor List on file)

**OPEN FORUM-** Nothing brought forth

OPEN SESSION

**5. CONSENT ITEMS:**

- Approve Minutes from February 17, 2025, Regular School Board Meeting
- District Checks #10016241 to #10016279 in the Amount of \$1,008,097.66
- Student Activity Checks #915587 to # 915599 in the Amount of \$5,243.49
- District ACH Payments \$179,492.12
- SA ACH Payments \$5,629.94
- Credit Card Transaction Report \$ 28,643.32
- Acknowledge \$500 grant from the Wesley W. and Evelyn C. Weinkauff Fund within the Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region to support a WHS Student attending a Technical College.
- Acknowledge \$245.00 donation for WCS D Band Program in memorial of Dan Pontow
- Approve HS Science Teacher #1. Effective 2025/2026 School Year
- Approve HS Science Teacher #2 Effective 2025/2026 School Year

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Kunde to approve Consent Item A-J  
Roll Call: Stelzner-Aye, Keller-Aye, Peterson-Aye, Ackmann-Aye, Kunde-Aye, Verich-Aye  
Motion approved: 6-0

**6. Norbert Rich Forest Tree Library**

School Forrester, Pat Kolbe gave a presentation on the current happenings at the Norbert Rich Forest. Mr. Kolbe reviewed the tree identity that's being used in areas for Logging to maintain a healthy forest. Line items were gone over based on donations, and or needed budget dollars for continuous upkeep. Kolbe also discussed the new idea of having a Forest Tree Library. Board member Kunde praised the program, and how the use of the forest is being implemented into the 4k-12 Curriculum and the restoration, regeneration, and preservation as was the wishes of the family when the Forest was given to the Winneconne Community School District.

**7. Middle School Schedule 2025/2026 School Year**  
Continuation of evaluating schedules, staffing, overall efficiencies to ensure best outcomes for students and staff is reason to review scheduling for the middle school. Like the High Scholl Scheduling this should assure better student outcomes among all education. Families will have to adapt to schedule changes. Board members biggest concern is to maintain instructional minutes and be assured efficiencies and academic outcomes.

**8. High School Sky Light Replacement**  
The High School was built in 1998, the main idea for the sky lights was for natural lighting, there are 4 sky lights. The cost to repair a sky light is around \$130,000, the recommendation by the finance committee is to replace one sky light per year for the next 4 years. The Funding source would be from fund 41 with a current balance of \$728, 324.00. Each year at the annual meeting, if the budget allows, there can be approval for additional money to be put in account 41. This fund has been designated for roof repair. Board member Kunde mentioned looking at the scope of the project, and job completion, his recommendation is to replace all 4 skylights for a potential cost savings, having contractor on premise, and done complete at once. Building and Grounds Directors agreed there would potentially be a cost savings, but keep in mind roof repair needed. With the discussion of the Board, if there was a consensus to do full replacement the Finance committee would agree if a motion came forward for the recommendation. Kunde recommended to take half of the cost of sky light replace-

ment from fund 41, and the other half the cost from Fund 10. Further discussion from the rest of the board was in agreement.

Motion by Kunde, second by Ackmann to approve the funding for the 4 Sky Lights at the High School, for an approximate cost of \$450,000.00 with half coming from fund 41 and half from fund 10.  
Roll Call: Keller-Aye, Peterson-Aye, Ackmann-Aye, Kunde-Aye, Stelzner-Aye, Verich-Aye  
Motion approved: 6-0

**9. WCS D Track Resurfacing**  
The Finance Committee brought forth the recommendation of the High School Track Resurfacing project. The last time the track had any major upkeep was in 2015. With the resurfacing being approved this would extend the life of the track potentially another 7-10 years. The cost of resurfacing would be around \$107,000.00. Fund 46 would be the source of the funds. This fund has a balance of \$884,362.00. The project would take place in July 2025, and the track will be out of use for about two weeks.

Motion made by Peterson, second by Stelzner to approve the recommendation of the Finance Committee to resurface the High School Track, for an approximate cost of \$107,000, taken from Fund 46  
Roll Call: Peterson-Aye, Ackmann-Aye, Kunde-Aye, Stelzner-Aye, Kell-Aye, Verich-Aye  
Motion approved: 6-0

**10. Public Hearing/ ACT 95**  
Motion by Kunde, second by Stelzner to go into public hearing  
Pursuant to Wis. Stat s. 118.38, for Winneconne High School for waiver of the following requirements under Wisconsin Guaranteed Admission Program, Wis. Sec. 118.58, prepare a class ranking of pupils enrolled in the high school as of the class's completion of grade 11. Pupils shall be ranked on the basis of academic achievement and the sole criterion for ranking pupils shall be the pupils grade point average.

Roll Call: Ackmann-Aye, Kunde-Aye, Stelzner-Aye, Keller-Aye, Peterson-Aye, Verich-Aye  
Motion approved:6-0

Discussion on Act 95 was the timing of implementation (2026), Act Scores, weighted classes, guaranteed acceptance, school ranking, tie Breaker determination, and test optional till 2027  
Motion made by Keller, second by Kunde to close the Public Hearing on Act 95

Roll call: Kunde-Aye, Stelzner-Aye, Keller-Aye, Peterson-Aye, Ackmann-Aye, Verich-Aye

Motion approved: 6-0

**11. Resolution Seeking Waiver from Requirement of Wisconsin Guaranteed Admission Program, Wis. Stat Sec 118.58, to allow Winneconne High School to prepare a class ranking for Act 95 by applying tie-breaker criteria of ACT composite scores and if needed, ACT Subscores**

Motion made by Peterson, second by Ackmann

**RESOLUTION SEEKING WAIVER FROM REQUIREMENT OF WISCONSIN GUARANTEED ADMISSION PROGRAM, WIS. STAT. § 118.58 MOTION REQUESTED:**  
WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Guaranteed Admission Program, Wis. Stat. Sec. 118.58, requires schools to "prepare a class ranking of pupils enrolled in the high school as of the class's completion of grade 11" and directs that "[p]upils shall be ranked on the basis of academic achievement and the sole criterion for ranking pupils shall be the pupil's grade point average;" and WHEREAS, Winneconne High School ("WHS"), does not apply a weighted grading system and as a result needs a way to break ties between students who have earned a 4.0 grade point average in order to comply with the statutory requirements in Wis. Stat. Sec. 118.58; and WHEREAS, in order to break ties for purposes of the Act 95 class ranking, WHS will apply tie breaking criteria of ACT composite scores and if needed, ACT subscores; and WHEREAS, these criteria align with the Academic Excellence tiebreaking criteria. NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved By The School Board Of The Winneconne School District As Follows:  
Winneconne High School is directed to seek a waiver from DPI to apply tiebreaking criteria of ACT composite scores and if needed, ACT subscores for purposes of Wisconsin's Guaranteed Admission Program, Wis. Stat. § 118.58

Roll Call: Stelzner-Aye, Keller-Aye, Peterson-Aye, Ackmann-Aye, Kunde-Aye, Verich-Nay  
Motion approved 5-1

**12. Policies**  
The Policy Committee met and reviewed all the policies and recommendation is for approval.  
Policy # 2210- Curriculum Development  
Policy # 2270- Religion in the Curriculum  
Policy # 2271.01- Start College Now Program  
Policy # 2416- Student Privacy and Parental Access to Information  
Policy # 2440.01- Summer Interim School Attendance  
Policy # 2462- Advanced Learning Instruction (Gifted and Talented)

Motion made by Kunde, seconded by Peterson to approve the Policies as presented  
Roll Call: Keller-Aye, Peterson-Aye, Ackmann-Aye, Kunde-Aye, Stelzner-Aye, Verich-Aye  
Motion approved: 6-0

**13. Administration Reports- (See updated reports on file)**

**14. Board Reports**  
Board Member Kunde Thanked the Winneconne High School Polka Band, 2/5th Party Band, FFA, The FFA Alumni Members and Supporters, and Community for the continuous support put forth for the support of our annual Chili Feed, where all proceeds support a Graduating Senior Scholarship, and the WCS D Agriculture Programs.

• Communications- There was a letter read from a group of Music Parents in support and Thank you towards High School Band Director, Ms. Rahn on her Excellence for the band program and the students

- Committee Reports:
- HR/Financial Planning- will present during closed session
- PR/marketing- Have not met
- Policy- Policies will be on March 17th agenda, the committee will be meeting at 5:30 pm in the High School Library prior to the regular meeting.

**Executive Session**  
Motion made by Kunde, second by Peterson to move into Executive Session under 19.85 to approve Executive Session Minuets from February 17, 2025. Pursuant to Wis. 19.85 (1)(c) to discuss employee retention, including confidential data related to employment matters, performance, and strategies for improving retention within the district. The board will move into open session and may take action on items discussed in closed session.

Roll Call: Keller-Aye, Peterson-Aye, Ackmann-Aye, Kunde-Aye, Stelzner-Aye, Verich-Aye  
Motion approved: 6-0

**Open Session**  
The Board of Education moved back into the open session at 8:00 pm

Motion made by Keller, second by Ackmann to adjourn meeting of the WCS D Board of Education.  
Motion passed- All Ayes

Mark D. Kunde  
WCS D- Board Clerk  
8:05 pm

4-2-25  
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## VILLAGE OF WINNECONNE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

The Planning Commission of the Village of Winneconne will conduct a public hearing on Monday, April 14, 2025, at 5:30 pm in the board room at Village Hall 30 S. 1st St., Winneconne, WI, 54986.

A public hearing will be held to present the conditional use permit request of John Simon, 125 S. 7th Ave., Winneconne, WI, Parcel No. 191-004027, to operate a small business in a residential area. The taxidermy is focused on a variety of fish species. Mr. Simon will be the only owner and employee. Surrounding property owners abutting or opposite the property will be notified by mail as required. All interested persons objecting to or supporting this conditional use permit are requested to be present at the hearing.

Planning Commission  
Village of Winneconne

Submitted by: Logan Fuller, Village Administrator

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