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By Becky LaDue

Beloved Winchester resident Mildred “Millie” Thorson Mathison celebrated a century of living on Saturday, April 5, surrounded by her large family and many longtime friends. The celebration took place at Henrietta Apartments, where she still resides, and included a menu personally selected by Millie to include...drumroll please...shrimp, chicken, Hawaiian pizza, and

Winchester’s Millie Mathison celebrates 100



Millie Mathison celebrates a century of living on April 5. Pictured here with her family, from left to right, back row: Sandy Peterson, John Mathison, Bonnie Rennich, Deb Pingel, Dave Mathison, Barb Mathison. Front row: Janis Mathison, Mary Harrington, birthday girl Millie Mathison, Jean Janssen.

of course, cake.

“She loves it all,” said her daughter, “and we told her she could have anything she wanted. She was thrilled.”

Arriving remarkably sharp and fit to the age of 100 (her actual birthday was April 7), Millie’s personal story has been preserved in the Winchester

Area Historical Society’s recent book, “It Takes Strong Women.” Her history is shared with love and admiration by her eldest daughter Janis “Matty” Mathison and Janis’ siblings:

Mildred “Millie” Mathison was one of 10 children born to Charles Thorson and Sadie (Reier) Thorson, and the

first to be born in a hospital. Charles suffered severely from complications with arthritis and as a result, Sadie and her children, along with hired hands and sometimes hobos, all pitched in to keep the family’s Town of Clayton farm going – developing in Millie traits of frugality, tenacity and a Norwegian spirit she’s retained all her life.

Millie attended Lonely Oaks School for eight years, walking a mile and a half each day to and from the one-room schoolhouse.

When her father died in 1936, her mother moved Millie and her three younger siblings to Winchester, leaving Millie’s brother, Willis, to run the farm. The move to Winchester required her to leave Neenah High and attend her senior year at Winneconne – becoming the first person in her family to graduate from there.

Millie remembers, “When I was a senior at Winneconne, they had a work-study program where I was learning typing and shorthand, and I was offered a job at Larsen Cooperative. Later I worked there for several years.”

Millie and her future husband, Nor-

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Spring election brings people to the polls

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Wisconsin Supreme Court race votes in Crawford

In the race for Wisconsin State Supreme Court, the contest was called



Submitted
Gordon Hintz is Winnebago County’s newly elected County Executive.

just over an hour after the polls closed on April 1. Candidate

Susan Crawford captured 1,301,128 (55%) of the votes to Brad Schimel’s

1,063,244 (45%) for the ultimate victory and 10-year

term on the state’s largest court.

At least \$107 million was spent overall in the race — shattering the

previous national record set only two years ago in Wisconsin, according to WisPolitics. About \$24 million of that came via Elon Musk and related PACs, the tally showed. Dems had their rich donors, too.

Crawford’s victory retains a liberal majority on the court. A 4 to 3 edge was gained two years ago after 15 years with a conservative lean.

Schimel told those at his gathering the race was over and they needed to accept the outcome. “God bless you. God bless the State of Wisconsin,” he stated.

State Superintendent of Schools
Incumbent candidate for State Superintendent of Schools Jill Underly captured 1,148,451 (53%) statewide to Brittany Kinser’s 1,022,350 (47%) for a closer statewide race, earning another 4-year term.

During her speech, Underly touted

the highest graduation rates in state history, as well as higher standards in math and science, under her watch.

While officially a nonpartisan race, Kinser had the backing of many Republicans in Wisconsin and is a supporter of private school vouchers and the state’s charter school program and has been critical of incumbent Jill Underly’s decision to change standardized testing benchmarks and scoring thresholds for school district performance report cards last year.

Winnebago County Executive

Roughly 3,000 votes separated challenger Gordon Hintz and incumbent Jon Doemel in the race for Winnebago County Executive.

Hintz, the former Wisconsin Assembly Minority Leader, defeated Doemel in the spring election with 30,832 (53%) votes to Doemel’s 27,374 (47%).

Doemel has served as county executive since 2021. Hintz’s victory reinforced his strong showing in the primary earlier this year.

Hintz indicates his priority is working closely with local municipalities and to increase public engagement.

“Working with the towns, working with the cities, working with the villages, but also really engaging the public,” he said. “We want to bring county government to the public.”

Doemel, in a Facebook statement, said, “That’s a wrap. We did amazing things over the last four years. Thank you for giving me some time to fix our county and get us back on track. It was never about me. It was about making government work for you.”

Village of Winneconne

As for the Village Board of Trustees, three candidates filed papers for two

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Millie Mathison

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ris, met at the cooperative and both attended Grace Lutheran Church. The two married in 1944.

After living in an upstairs apartment in the area early in their marriage, the couple eventually saved enough money to purchase a home of their own, the old post office/general store in Winchester. The couple filled the residence with nine children—Janis, Mary, Jean, Barb, Bonnie, Sandy, Debbie...and finally two boys...John and David—and that house on Highway 110 was always alive and filled with energy!

“There was signing, piano lesson, school events, 4-H, paper routes, horses, cooking, canning, laundry, an orchard, a huge garden and of course church activities,” remember her children.

When her kids got older, Millie

worked as a cook at the elementary school and helped her husband with tax collection among the multitude of housekeeping jobs and thousands of meals cooked for her large family.

As the kids grew up and left home, Millie and Norris kept busy with home projects, their cottage in Iola, traveling, and enjoying their grandchildren. Later, Millie took a class in rosemaling and became an instant natural and a true artist in the craft. Many in the area have some of her artwork.

Eventually the post office home became too big for them, and the couple moved to Ann St.— where her flower gardens, listening to the church carillons, trips to Frank & Darlene’s, cards, Friday fish fries and Packers games served to keep them busy. Norris passed away on Dec. 13, 2008, which was also the couple’s 65th wedding anniversary.

Thanks to her faith and strong connection to her church, Millie has gone

on to survive many health challenges—always returning to her beloved Henrietta Apartments—where she is still enjoying happy hours with her friends or beating her kids at a rousing game of cards.

One daughter remarked, “Mom is a true hero. Not the hero who rushes into a burning building to save people, but the kind of hero who each day exemplifies integrity, conviction, selflessness, determination, honesty, and faith.”

A housemate at Henrietta added, “As soon as Millie wakes up, I hear her say, ‘This is the day the Lord has made; I will rejoice and be glad in it.’ Those words fill my heart as Millie recites them, and then lives by them.”

If you would like to make this milestone even more memorable for Mille, please send a birthday card to:

5300 Ann Street, Apt 102, Larsen, WI 54947.

Happy birthday, Millie!

Spring election

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open seats. Of the 1,555 votes cast, current Trustee Steve Foster received 511, while candidates Mary K. Krings captured 527 and Brian J. Miller 517, ostensibly earning two-year terms.

The six-vote split between Foster and Miller spurred Foster to request a recount, which the village conducted on April 4. The initial counts held, placing Krings and Miller on the board of trustees for the next three years.

Town of Clayton
Supervisor 1 Kay Lettau has retained her seat (857 votes) over challenger Terry Haase (729) for a total of 1,586 votes cast.

Town of Vinland
In the Town of Vinland, the Supervisor 2 position, incumbent Mike McNamee retained his seat, earning 404 votes, while challenger Bob Marquart captured 363, with 767 votes cast.


Winneconne Community School District School Board
The Winneconne Community School District Board of Education’s race had three candidates for two seats.

Challenger Katie Calewarts captured the most votes at 2,389; Mark Kunde the second most at 2,340, and Meghan Keller, who declared in her candidate statement she would not accept the seat if elected, 2,227. Calewarts and Kunde will serve three-year terms for WCSD.

Voter ID
Wisconsin’s photo ID requirement for voting will be elevated from state law to a constitutional amendment under a proposal approved by voters. Sixty-three percent of voters were in favor of the measure, while 37 percent were opposed.

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SkillsUSA Wisconsin Conference delivers local success stories



The slate of medal winners from Winneconne at the state SkillsUSA conference.

The 52nd annual SkillsUSA Wisconsin State Leadership and Skills Conference, held in Madison on April 1-2 at the Alliant Energy Center and Madison Area Technical College (MATC) featured more than 1,750 middle, high school, and college students competing in over 75 competitions. “The best day ever” as labeled by Technology & Engineering Instructor Chris Arps, delivered several success stories for Winneconne High School (WHS) students who tried their hands at a variety of challenging skills competitions.

WHS students competing/results:

- Samantha Kraft, Welding Sculpture – 1st place; advanced to Nationals
- Dominick Donabar, Electrical Construction Wiring - 3rd place

- Garrett Nelson, Industrial Robotics – 3d place
- Kellen Young, Industrial Robotics – 3rd place
- Donald Parker, Sheet Meta – 3rd place
- Tracy Leichtfuss, Advertising Design – 3rd place
- Madison Morgan, Criminal Justice
- Connor McDonald, Electrical Construction Wiring
- Ryan Juers, Facilithon
- Adyson Vanier, Medical Terminology
- Ryan Juers, Power Equipment Technology
- Carter Lund, Related Technical Math
- Isabelle Bonilla, Technical Drafting
- Conner Jeffords, Technical Drafting
- Taylor Noffke, Technical Drafting
- Diesel Haemmerle, Welding
- Gabryel McDonald, Welding

After day one of competition, state championships were held on April 2, conducted under the direction of industry experts, trade associations, and labor organizations, testing competencies that are set to industry standards. Those earning first place awards go on to compete in the National SkillsUSA Championships June 23-27 in Atlanta, Ga.

“[In preparation for competition] we had a police officer from Neenah come down and work with one of our students for the criminal justice competition. We had an instructor from FVTC come down and prepare another student for the medical competition,” said Arps. “What makes our school great is the fact that we have

awesome people around here willing to give up their time and talents to prepare the next generation.

The preparation for, and competition in, SkillsUSA gives these kids a purpose and a plan. The growth, maturity, and humility the challenges generate outside the classroom and in front of industry professionals is remarkable. It’s really cool to see these kids grow!”

More than 200 corporations, trade associations, businesses, and labor unions support SkillsUSA Wisconsin. Programs are integrated into career and technical education through a framework of personal, workplace, and technical skills grounded in academics.

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Vex Robotics teams shine at state tournament

The Winneconne VEX Robotics Club sent 14 teams to the State VEX Robotics tournament held in March at the Resch Expo Center, Green Bay. The club was represented by seven elementary and six middle school teams, along with one high school group.

The high school team, Tech-No-Logic (Owyn Zanto, Nathaniel Bunc, Will Nigl, and Isak Zanto), had one of their best days, posting their highest skills ranking of the year. The team placed 9th in skills and earned an invite to the VEX Robotics High School World Championships, held in Dallas, Texas May 6-8. This is the first high school team in the club's history to achieve this goal.

At the middle school level, Team N-Squared (Marty Derginer, Nolan Keller, Henry Newton, and Hayden

Sall), made it to the finals in a best of three fashion. They too were able to post a very high skills ranking, coming in second and earning an invite to the VEX Robotics Middle School World Championships in Dallas May 9-11. The group also received the day's "Think Award".

For other middle school teams, Lucky Duckies (Evelyn Gende, Abigail Barnes, Paige Leaedtke, and Zoe Skadahl), received the Sportsmanship Award. In other special recognitions, Aces (Max Fischer, Evelyn Herman, Adelynn Hudack, and Carson Reese), and the Swooping Falcons (Alexis Doughty, Farron Carter, Eli Lauer, Jory Bastian) received honors.

At the elementary VEX IQ level, the event is all about collaboration as teams align and go for the highest

combined score. Winneconne's teams went out and showed the state their P.A.W. principles and what it means to follow the Winneconne WAY, and at the end of the day also brought home some awards.

Team Lightning Bots (Spencer Fischer, Charlie Houlihan, Blake Jentz, Bryson Reese, and Jordan Schmeling) was awarded one of the Judges Awards, and the highlight of the day came when the Sportsmanship Award was presented to all the Winneconne teams collectively, versus one single team selection—a first in the event's history!

The Robotics Club is solely funded by donations. If you wish to offer support or learn how to get involved, reach out to Angela Zanto



The high school team, Tech-No-Logic, captured a 9th at state and is headed to worlds this May.

The middle school team N-Squared is also headed to worlds in Dallas, TX to represent Winneconne.

(zantoa@w-csd.org) or Mike Nielsen (nielsenm@w-csd.org).

I read it in
The Winneconne News

The Weekly Whisk

Garlic Parmesan Roasted Carrots

With Easter right around the corner, I thought I would share a delicious, flavor-packed way of roasting carrots. I always suggest using whole carrots instead of the baby carrots you get in a bag. They have so much more flavor. When slicing the carrots, try to keep them as uniform as possible so they cook evenly. Keep an eye on them while they are roasting, times may vary and you don't want them overcooked.

- 2 pounds carrots, washed, peeled, and diagonally cut into 3-inch pieces
- 4 tablespoons butter
- 4 cloves garlic
- 1 teaspoon Italian Seasoning
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1/3 grated parmesan cheese
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley

Preheat oven to 425 ° F. Grease a rimmed baking sheet with cooking spray or line it with foil and set aside.

Place prepared carrots in a large mixing bowl; set aside. Melt the butter in the microwave. Once melted, add minced garlic, Italian Seasoning, salt, and pepper to the melted butter and whisk until thoroughly combined. Pour the butter mixture over the carrots and toss to coat. Add in the grated parmesan cheese and mix until combined.

Transfer carrots to the baking sheet and arrange them in a single layer. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes or until tender. Mix them around halfway through cooking. Remove from oven. Sprinkle with fresh parsley and serve.

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Tales From The Land of Retirement

Election etiquette, please

By Jeanne Lehr

Another one of my favorite sayings is, “A word to the wise should be sufficient.”



Lehr

Do you need to be reminded twice not to do something?

A perfect example was demonstrated during last week’s election. I’ve written before about how unau-

thorized write-ins cause time-consuming disturbances for poll workers. Well, it happened this year in spades.

We had a near record turnout at the Municipal Center with citizens voting for several local, county and state positions. We processed 1,130 ballots and it was an extremely busy day.

At eight o’clock we announced the polls were closed and started the process of closing things down. One task is to sort the ballots into separate piles and count them: absentee, regular ballots and write-ins. Our totals must match our books, envelopes and machine tally. This is usually an easy enough task, until you have to locate and tabulate ALL the write-in votes.

During this election we had a total of 126 write-ins. We had to sort through every ballot to secure them, so the total matched the printout. After we found them, they needed to be recorded as to what the vote was intended for.

Out of 126 ballots, only THREE votes were for a registered write-in, the rest were local names, Elvis Presley, Mickey Mouse, John Lennon, etc. You get the picture.

If you do not like the candidate, just leave it blank. Please.

So, two hours after closing, we were finally at a point where our totals matched. People, there were still other steps to take to finalize the election; we do not need your sense of humor added to our work.

Poll workers are all paid positions, even though this is mainly a civic duty. We did not want to extend our time to make more money, we wanted to do our job and go home. The next time you go out to vote, take the workers into consideration and don’t fool around with your ballot.

This is the last election for 2025, so you might need reminding again in February or April.

It is an honor to work with my fellow poll workers. When we were busy, we were all busy. When it was slow, it was a joy to spend time with them. A thank you goes out to our Clerk of Courts; she has been a great help in training us to do our jobs. She was there whenever help was needed, always with a smile on her face. And finally, a shout out to the Fin ‘n’ Feather for furnishing our sandwich meals for the last six elections. It was delicious and we were grateful.

Next year’s elections will be seeking more poll workers to help. If this is something you are interested in, go

down to the Municipal Center and get signed up. An email will be sent regarding training dates.

I’ll be looking forward to the 2026

election season—minus the write-in shenanigans.

Reach Jeanne at genie6364@yahoo.com

Shallow Lakes Chronicles

Old friends

By Matt Harp, Outdoor Reporter

The beginning of April of course means Shallow Lakes walleyes, but it also kicks off the walleye tournament season. First on the docket is always the Red Banks tournament, just north of Fremont.



Harp

For the past four years or so, I’ve been the guest on Boom Bay Dan’s boat for this and other April tournaments. I think it all dates back to the year when Donni, Dan’s better half, was able to build a snowman on the gunnel of the boat. That’s the year she tapped out.

Oh, and what a run it’s been. We might have finished “in the money” a time or two, but by far, our stringer of memories dwarfs any monetary compensation that may have occurred. I won’t pretend that we’re the only guys that can finish

each other’s sentences, let’s just say, it’s unique and rare.

We see each other a lot in April, but only occasionally the rest of the year. Life just seems to get in the way; he’s got his, and I have mine. Nothing intentional, we both have busy days.

Then suddenly the sap runs, the snow melts, the river rises, and there we are again, another year through the hourglass. We run through the same litany of jokes, one-liners, code names for rods, jigs, and other fishermen. “Does that ever get old?” you might ask.

Not for a second. In a world full of chaos, change, and dysfunction, there’s Dan pulling up to the boat ramp in April again.

Once again, all is in order and right with the world.

If you’re lucky enough to have even a single one, old friends are priceless and deserve our utmost reverence.

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February 2 – SUSPICIOUS SITUATION

An officer assisted a female who was found upset and in tears, who stated she was fine but was having relationship problems. Alcohol appeared to be a factor. A family member arrived shortly afterwards to transport the female home.

February 3 – DEATH
An officer was dispatched to a welfare check on Cleveland St. The reporting party hadn't been able to reach a family member for a few weeks and was concerned. Upon entry, a female was found in an advanced state of decomposition. The death was estimated to have occurred approximately 2-3 weeks prior. The family was notified.

February 6 – MEDICAL
An officer assisted First Responders with a male patient following a fall from a roof. Oshkosh Fire and Rescue

transported the male for follow-up care.

February 7 – FIRE CALL
An officer was dispatched to the report of a structure fire on Division St. Flames and smoke were visible outside the attached garage. All residents were evacuated. There were no injuries.

February 10 – DISTURBANCE
Dispatch notified an officer of a disturbance on S 5th Ave. The reporting party stated they heard yelling and furniture being thrown around the apartment. Officers made contact with the female resident, who stated she had a verbal disagreement with her husband. She stated nothing physical had taken place and her husband was not at home. No further action was taken.

February 12 – ASSIST
An officer was dispatched to a report of a resident whose phone had been hacked. The reporting party stated she had received a package she did not

order. After unsuccessful attempts at contact with local delivery services, a phone number for an online company was found. After calling the number, she was told to download a mobile phone app. This allowed the other party access to manipulate her phone. There was no financial loss. Dispatch provided phone numbers attached to the name on the packages, but the officer was unsuccessful at reaching anyone. Follow-up continues.

February 13 – ADVISE/MEDICAL
An officer responded to an address on Birch St. after being notified of a female complaining of abdominal pain and shortness of breath. Contact was made with the female. First Responders and EMS took over care, who was ultimately transported to Aurora for further treatment.

February 13 – ASSIST AGENCY
An officer assisted with a traffic stop which resulted from observing the driver cross the solid yellow line twice. The driver performed field sobriety tests and when asked about medications, admitted to being on a fentanyl patch. No illegal drugs were found following a vehicle search. The driver was transported to Oshkosh, where they were picked up by a friend. No further action was taken.

February 14 – ANIMAL
While on patrol, an officer observed a vehicle parked on Grant St. and a dog in the ditch near the vehicle. The driver was approached, who stated the dog had bitten someone at the dog park. The dog ultimately ran to a home on Grant St. Contact was then made with the dog's owner and quarantine order as well as an animal at large citation was issued.

February 17 – DISTURBANCE
Officers were dispatched to S. 3rd Ave. to the report of an adult son caus-

ing a disturbance inside the home. Upon arrival, the officers talked separately with the parents and the adult male. He was encouraged to seek assistance through his employer's EAP.

February 21 – ASSIST
An officer followed up with an individual with questions regarding parking violations at the elementary school. The officer advised that the school establishes the parking zones at the school.

February 26 – ACCIDENT
A two-vehicle accident with no injuries or blockages occurred when a vehicle was backing into the roadway and struck a parked vehicle. The parked vehicle was not occupied. Both vehicles were able to be moved from the scene.

February 26 – ORDINANCE
Dispatch notified an officer of an illegal dumping complaint on W. Main St. Employees reported that an unknown person had placed several items in their recycling dumpster without permission.

February 27 – VIOLATION COURT ORDER
An officer was conducting traffic safety on E. Main St. and observed a vehicle traveling westbound. The plates on the vehicle returned to an individual with a revoked driver's status. The driver was identified and confirmed that he knew he was revoked. Driving violated his bond conditions, and he was placed under arrest for felony bail jumping and transported to jail without issue.

February 28 – DEATH
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Sports

Winneconne golfers look to be strong again

Winneconne News

With three players returning from last season's state qualifying team, Winneconne should be set to once again be a powerhouse in the WIAA Division 2 field.

Except this season, the Wolves will be competing at the Division 1 level when the postseason tournament series starts.

After qualifying for the last three state tournaments – and finishing no worse than third in any of the trio of trips – Winneconne was bounced up a division because of WIAA's competitive balance plan implemented before the 2024-25 school year.

It was a move Wolves head coach Chris Peters has known about since last June and said that his team will hit the links and do its best against whatever competition it goes up against.

"Golf is a game of constant adjustment and 'playing the ball as it lies.' This is our lie," Peters commented. "We will play to the best of our abilities and demonstrate how strong of a program we have in Winneconne – regardless of division."

Winneconne will compete in the East Central Conference one final year before moving to the Bay Conference next season and will aim to challenge for the title once again after finishing second last season.

However, its in the regionals and

sectionals where the move will be felt as the Wolves – who have qualified for state in six of the last eight seasons – will face a changed route and new opponents in order to earn a trip to University Ridge in early June.

"We are excited to see how we stack up," Peters commented. "It's unfortunate since we believe we are one of the top Division 2 teams in the state and have proven we can compete with any of them. Now we are starting over in showing who we are."

Winneconne does bring back a strong nucleus from last year's squad with three returning golfers who earned all-ECC honors in juniors Austin Dobbe and Parker Groff along with sophomore Brody Peppler.

Dobbe and Groff were the Wolves top two individual finishers on last year's state team that finished third in the Division 2 field. Dobbe finished tied for 14th in the weather-shortened event held at Blackwolf Run, while Groff placed 22nd overall.

That trio will be joined by sophomores Sully Ramthun, Jackson Larson and Sawyer Krueger who will be vying for the final two spots in the varsity rotation.

It's a group that Peters has confidence in entering the season and believes the team will shine against an amped up schedule before the postseason starts.

"We should compete for the final

ECC championship ... (and) we are hosting regionals and can compete for a regional championship," Peters commented. "We will be participating in several events that are Division 1 heavy and we will have a very good idea of where we fit prior to the tournament series."



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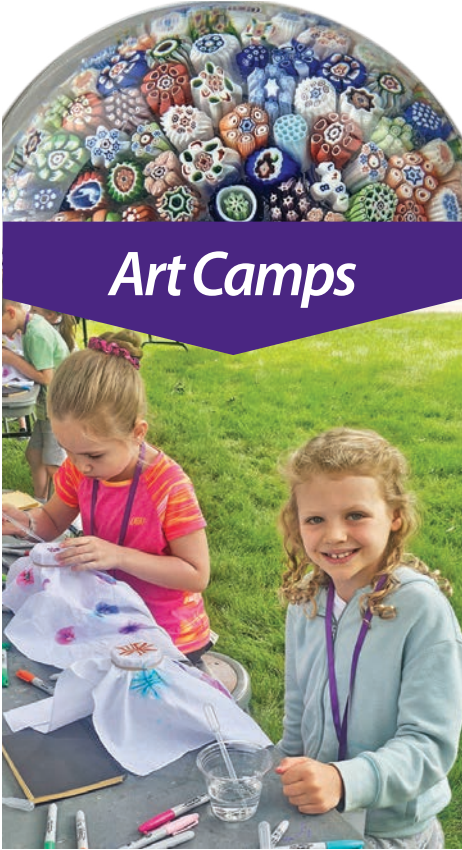

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Prep Sports Roundup

TRACK AND FIELD Winneconne boys claim title at ECC indoor meet

Winneconne put on an impressive show in claiming the team title at the East Central Conference indoor meet, more than doubling the point total of second place finisher last Friday at the Willmore Center in Ripon.

The Wolves won the title with 184 points, while runner-up Plymouth totaled just 79 points. Kettle Moraine Lutheran was third with 75.5 points.

Cody McLeod and Brody Schaffer each won two events, while Winneconne had the first and second-place finishers in five different events.

McLeod and Schaffer produced one of the 1-2 finishes as McLeod won the 60 meters and Schaffer took second. McLeod also won the 400 meters with Jack Quigley taking second.

Schaffer posted his wins in the 200 meters and the long jump. In the 200 meters, Koltyn Kachur followed Schaffer in second place.

The Wolves also posted a 1-2 finish in the pole vault with Trey Zemke winning the event and Silas Sarbo taking second.

Grant Wenzelow in the 800 meters, Colten Tisler in the high jump and Hudson Samolinski in the shot put also won their events for Winneconne, while Wenzelow in the 1,600 meters and Kachur in the 60-meter hurdles each earned second places.

The Wolves also picked up sec-

ond-place finishes in two of the three relays. The foursome of Hawthorne, Jovan Zeller, Joseph Hutchison and Plotz took second in the 800-meter relay, while Zeller, Meyer, Nettekorn and Quigley were second in the 1,600-meter relay.

Carlee Hart and Ruby Kuehn each won events and placed in multiple events to lead the Winneconne girls, who were fourth among the seven teams. Hart finished first in the pole vault. Kuehn posted her win in the 800 meters, while taking third in the 1,600 meters.

The Wolves had a top finisher in the 3,200 meters with Lauren Weidemeier taking second.

BASEBALL Wolves top Lourdes Academy in season opener

Aaron Zimmer went 3-for-4 in his first varsity game and three pitchers combined to hold Lourdes Academy in check as Winneconne collected a 7-4 win in its season opener last Tuesday.

Winneconne never trailed in the game, scoring three runs in the bottom of the first inning and took a 5-0 lead after three innings. Lourdes Academy scored three runs in the top of the fourth, but the Wolves held on the rest of the way.

Ethan Duel drove in three runs, while Colson Kleinschmidt, Lucky Pahl and Zimmer each scored two runs. Noah Bouras and Zimmer each

collect a double as Winneconne finished with eight hits.

Ben Tesch struck out five and walked one in four innings, while Bouras and Pahl combined to pitch the final three innings without allowing an earned run.

The Wolves fell to Lomira, 10-0, on Thursday as the Lions broke the game open with a seven-run fifth inning.

On Friday, the Wolves rallied for a run in the top of the seventh but couldn't complete the comeback in a 6-4 loss on the road at Oshkosh North.

The Wolves scored two runs in the top of the third to take the lead, but the Spartans tallied three runs in the bottom of the inning and added a run in the fifth for a 4-2 lead. Winneconne pulled within a run in the top of the sixth, but North came back and held off the Wolves in the seventh.

Pahl finished 2-for-4 to lead the Winneconne offense, while Duel had an RBI and a double in the game.

Pahl struck out four and allowed just two earned runs in five innings but took the loss on the mound.

SOFTBALL Offense erupts in easy win over Iola-Scandinavia

Winneconne fell behind by a run after the top of the first but exploded for 17 runs over the first three innings to pound out a 17-1 win over Iola-Scandinavia on Friday.

Libby Jahnke led the 14-hit attack by going 4-for-4 with three runs scored and three RBIs. Two of Jahnke's hits were triples.

Winneconne also notched seven stolen bases in the game as Jahnke and Clare Schaffer led the way with two apiece.

Youngbauer struck out seven in the three-inning game and allowed just one hit to pick up the win.

The Wolves opened the season with a 5-4 loss at home to Kewaskum.

SOCCER Winneconne opens season with win over Menasha

Four different players scored goals as the Wolves topped Menasha, 4-1, in a non-conference match to open the season on Thursday.

The Wolves got goals from Kellyn Kreysal, Abbie Oleson, Olivia Godfroy and Brooklyn Messerschmidt.

TRAPSHOOTING The Winneconne trapshooting team split a pair of matches to open the season posting a 232-221 win over Laco-

nia. Troy Anderson led Winneconne with a score of 48, followed by Jacob Lytle with a 47. Gus Reindl and Chase Schricker each tallied scores of 46 with Noah Jaeger adding a 45.

Winneconne then hosted Winnebago Lutheran on a breezy Thursday at the Fox Valley Trap Club but came up just short of a victory, falling 228-226.

Lytle led the way in this match for Winneconne with a 48 with Schricker tallying a score of 47. Ashlee Hopperdietzel was the next highest shooter for the Wolves with a 45.

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Friday, April 11: 9 am - V. Golf @ Hartford Union. 10 am - JV Golf @ Lake Breeze. 4:30 pm - V. Baseball, Home/Iola Scandinavia. 4:30 pm - V. Softball, Home/Lomira. 7 pm- Shrek Jr. Performance/WCAC.

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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: Pretzel dog, baked beans, sweet potato fries. **MS:** Cheese bites/sauce, grains, garden bar.

Tues.: ES: Bosco breadsticks/sauce, Sun chips, broccoli. **MS:** Soft shell taco, rice pilaf, winter blend veggies.

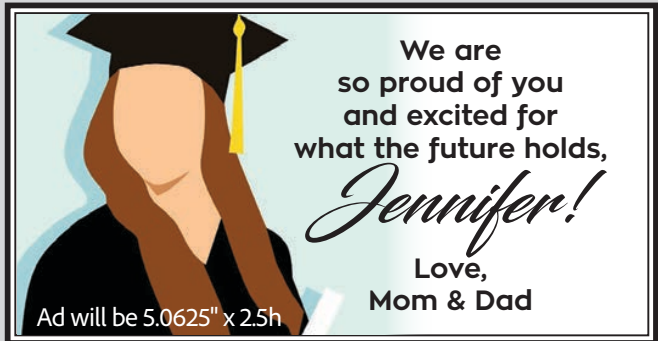

Wed.: ES: Chicken tenders, potato wedges, California blend veggies. **MS:** Mashed potato bowl, corn, assorted grains.

Thurs.: ES: Philly beef pinwheel, corn, sugar cookie. **MS:** Ravioli, cheesy potatoes, baked beans, sugar cookie.

Fri.: NO SCHOOL TODAY.

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Obituaries

Barbara Viola Luedtke Eckstein

Barbara Viola Luedtke Eckstein, 93, of Zittau, died Sunday, March 30, 2025, at ThedaCare Regional Medical Center



in Neenah. She was born December 1, 1931, on the home farm in Larsen to Loyall and Georgina (Schaefer) Larson. Barbara attended a one-room school next to the farm.

Barbara was a 1949 graduate of Winneconne High School, where she enjoyed the scholastics part of school and the band. Following graduation she worked at the Farmers State Bank in Larsen.

In September of 1952 Barbara married Ralph Luedtke, who she had dated in high school and years after. Barbara and Ralph moved just six miles away to the Luedtke family farm near Zittau. Barbara and Ralph were married for 45 years until he preceded her in death in 1997.

Barbara's faith was strengthened through her Christian parents and three Lutheran churches, Grace Lutheran, Winchester, where she was baptized, confirmed, and married; St. Peter's Lutheran, Larsen, where she and Ralph raised their family to adulthood; and in retirement, St. Paul's Lutheran, Winneconne. Her involvement in these churches included teaching Sunday School, choir, organ playing, Ladies Aid, Guild, and Lutheran Women's Missionary Society.

Barbara's community involvement included: 4-H organizational leadership and sewing project leader of 27 years, Winchester Area Historical Society and the Library Committee through the years, and the county homemaker clubs and a local club for 58 years.

On October 22, 2000, Barbara married Warren Eckstein. Their acquaintance went back from their youth. It was a good blending of their lives and their families. Warren preceded her in death in 2023.

She did enjoy sending greeting cards

and keeping years and years of picture albums. Homemaking and all that pertains to it was rewarding in itself. Faith and family were of the upmost factors in her life.

Barbara is survived by: son-in-law, Richard Zieman, of Beaver Dam, and his family, Ted (Alison) Zieman and children Avery and Luella, Thomas (Katelyn) Zieman and children Adeline, Jonah, Maximilian, Hannah, and up and coming Baby Z; son, John Luedtke, of Fayetteville, Arkansas; son, Dean (Mary Ann) Luedtke, of Zittau, and their family, Liz (Tom) Rehberg and children Laura, Clara, and Roy, Char (John) Canalle, Phillip (Kendra) Luedtke, Abigail (Eric) Weltzien and child Owen; daughter, Gina (Jeff) Crispell, of Milwaukee, and their family, Ethan (Debra), Sam, and Drew Crispell. She is also survived by stepsons, Terry (Susan) Eckstein, Menasha; Jeff (Jan) Eckstein, Havana, Florida; sister-in-law, Mary Rebman; and other relatives and friends.

Preceding Barbara in death were her parents; husbands, Ralph Luedtke and Warren Eckstein; daughter, Nancy Zieman; brothers-in-law, Roy Luedtke and Richard Rebman; sisters-in-law, La Mae Luedtke, Ileta Luedtke; stepmother, Evelyn Larson; stepbrother, Richard Cross; a nephew, Roy Luedtke Jr.; a special cousin, Theda Eckstein, and many other dear relatives and friends.

A visitation for family and friends was held on Saturday, April 5, from 9 to 11 a.m. at St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church 8 S. 4th St. Winneconne. A funeral service was held on Saturday at 11 a.m. at the church with Pastor Ben Berger officiating. Inurnment will follow in the Winneconne Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial gift to the American Cancer Society and Preborn.

Mueller Funeral Home-Winneconne is assisting the family. If you wish, please submit online condolences/memories to muellerfh.net.

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Kenneth J. Immel

Kenneth J. Immel, 91, of Zittau, died Thursday, April 3, 2025. He was born on September 13, 1933, in Fond du Lac



to the late Irvin and Grace (McCarty) Immel.

Ken was a 1952 graduate of

Winneconne High School. After graduation

he joined the Army serving with the Airborne Unit 187 in Korea. After his time in the service Ken built his home and started a family near Zittau. For 34 years he was employed with Miller Electric, retiring in 1994. In December of 1970 Ken married Marilyn Hoehne and the family continued to grow. Ken and Marilyn enjoyed traveling annually to Branson, Missouri and enjoying trips to Yellowstone and many other western locations. Ken's yard and shop were his sanctuary, this is where he spent much of his retirement time creating his own yard décor and "inventing new gadgets". His happy place was anytime he could get on his garden tractor.

Ken loved his family dearly and is survived by: his wife, Marilyn Immel; children, Laurie Schuh (Dave Heinrich) Alan (Shannon) Immel, Jimmy Immel,

Amy Weigand (Phil Koepke); son-in-law, Jim Angell; daughter-in-law, Nancy Immel; stepson, Jeff Hoehne; grandchildren, Kasi (Ryan) Wautlet, Daniel (Maddy) Angell, Brianna (Jerred) Friday, Luke Immel, Cody Miller, Liz (fiancé, Cody Ballard) Immel, Melissa (Chad) Gruenwald; great-grandchildren; two nephews and a niece; and many friends.

Along with his parents, Ken was also preceded in death by a daughter, Gail Angell; a son, Paul Immel; three grandchildren, Nicky and Kellie Plummer, Andrew Immel; and a brother and sister-in-law, Irv and Joan Immel.

A visitation for family and friends will be on Thursday, April 10, from 10 a.m. until 12 noon at Mueller Funeral Home 904 E. Main St. Winneconne. A funeral service will be held on Thursday at 12 noon at the funeral home. Military honors will follow. Burial will be in the Grace Lutheran Cemetery, Winchester.

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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 of Annual Meeting 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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AIM Weekend Walleye Series comes to Winneconne

Winneconne will be the site of the second 2025 Wisconsin Division tournament for the AIM Weekend Walleye Series on April 27 on the shores of Waterfront Park. Awards will take place at Woodey’s Bar and Grill at approximately 4:30 p.m.

In 2013, a small group of professional walleye anglers had a vision: revolutionize the sport of tournament walleye fishing with a totally new concept called the AIM Weekend Walleye Series. Bring it to some of the country’s most productive lakes, bays and rivers, utilize a catch-and-releases format that preserves the fishery, and design it so that it is easy and affordable to participate.

“Those seeds sowed the formation of the AIM Weekend Walleye Series which has become the most lucrative affordable tournament in walleye fishing, with more than 1,000 active anglers in four divisions and more than 34,000 Facebook fans who tune in on tournament weekends to watch their

favorite teams,” said Denny Fox, AIM National Tournament director. All AIM events utilize the now-famous and trademarked Catch-Record-Release® format, guaranteeing the fishery in each AIM tournament will be unaffected. Fish caught are measured, photographed, and released into the same water, ensuring they will still be there for local anglers after the tournament is over.

For the fans, AIM culminates with a stage weigh-in announcing the weights of the top 10 teams and interviews with the top 5. The entire day can be followed on Facebook.

Anglers fishing events in one of four divisions are shooting for a spot in the 2026 National Shootout Championship where the winning team takes home a V193DC Warrior boat, powered by a Yamaha 200SHO four-stroke outboard. The package is loaded with a Garmin bow mount, twin Garmin 93SV graphs, and a bundle of Rosemore Outdoor Products rods aboard,



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