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Firework shows to be held over the Wolf River

By Anya Kelley
Winneconne News

The Winneconne Chamber of Commerce is hosting the Winneconne Annual Fireworks Display over the Wolf River and their annual Summer Fun raffle.

A daylight fireworks show will begin at 3:30 p.m. Friday. The daylight show is about 15 minutes long and suitable for young children. It will feature colored smoke, a fireball and a few small fireworks.

Wolf River Resorts Piers will host music at 9 p.m., and the nighttime fire-

works display starts at 9:45 p.m. The show can be seen from a variety of local businesses and public parks. The Chamber suggests watching the show from the fishing piers, Wolf River Resorts docks, the shores of Lake Winneconne Park and others.

Residents of the Village of Winneconne are only permitted to use sparklers within the Village limits unless they hold a valid fireworks permit. Anyone looking to use their own fireworks can purchase a permit by calling the Village at (920) 582-4381 or emailing the clerk at clerk@winneconnewi.gov.

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Summer Fun raffle tickets can be purchased up until the drawing at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at Tiny's Sports Bar. Prizes include a gas grill, kayaks, a Yeti cooler and more.

Raffle tickets can be purchased at The Talk of the Town, Woodeye's Bar and Grill, Fin 'n' Feather, Tilly's Too Tavern, Red's Boutique, The Pub, Jackie's Parkside, Wolf River Resort, The Landing on the Wolf, The Hill and Butte des Morts Supper Club. The funds raised during this year's raffle will go toward next year's show.

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Photo by Doug Sasse

Volleyball for a cause

Organizers said the Serves for Suicide volleyball benefit event Saturday at Woodeye's raised a total of \$17,355. The money supports H.O.O.A.H., whose goal is to eliminate suicide with a proactive approach to the overall wellness of service members, veterans and their support systems through programs and certified professionals. The event, which is in its third year, is dedicated to the memory of Sgt. Austin Millard, a member of the Wisconsin National Guard who took his life on Nov. 6, 2022.

Oshkosh to drop emergency medical services to seven communities

By Anya Kelley
Winneconne News

The City of Oshkosh announced their emergency medical services (EMS) would no longer cover seven surrounding communities after 2025, including both the town and the village of Winneconne.

Last year, Oshkosh added a fourth ambulance unit to their fleet in hopes of improving service to the outlying communities.

Oshkosh City Manager Rebecca

Grill said they have not been able to staff that unit.

"We've had discussions about the impact on who we're contracting with," Grill said. "The contract does go through the end of 2026; we're just very challenged with the fact that we don't think we will be able to provide the service past the end of this year."

The Oshkosh Common Council decided during its June 24 meeting that with three ambulance units, the city would only be able to serve the

three communities directly contiguous to them – the town of Black Wolf, the town of Algoma and the town of Nekimi.

According to Wisconsin state statute, all towns must have the ability to provide EMS to their community and as of January 1, 2026, neither the town nor the village of Winneconne will have services unless a resolution is found elsewhere.

A new Ambulance Board, which is working to establish the Southern

Winnebago Emergency Medical Service District that includes the towns of Omro, Poygan, Utica, Black Wolf, Rushford and Nekimi along with the city of Omro, met June 26 to discuss a plan moving forward.

The town of Winneconne and the village of Winneconne have been included in all the communications regarding the creation of the Ambulance Board, but as of that meeting have not

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Sovereign State Days Tap House to open January 2026

By Becky LaDue
Winneconne News

Winneconne will soon welcome a new gathering place that celebrates community pride and culinary craft - Sovereign State Days Tap House, slated to open January 1, 2026, on the east side of town.

Spearheaded by local resident and WCSD Maintenance Chief Jordan Dunham, the Tap House is already generating buzz thanks to its unique business model, blending village nostalgia, family friendliness, artisanal pizza and some great frosty brews.

“My wife Emily and I had been talking about doing some type of business together,” Dunham said. “At that time, we were considering a full-on restaurant on the east side of town. There’s a lot of growth on this side of the bridge – and we both felt the village needed something over here. This type of establishment ultimately just felt right.”

The project officially began in October 2023 when the Dunhams created the Sovereign State Tap House LLC, settling on a location in one of the large suites within the strip mall building at 908 E. Main St. The space — once part of the old press room for Rogers Printing — is roughly 1,700 square feet and will feature an industrial vibe with open ceilings and a large, custom-built bar designed by Dunham himself. “It’ll [the bar] run about three-quarters of the length of the restaurant with two, big eight-person bump outs,” he explained. “People love the bump outs.”

Another signature highlight of the Tap House will be its wood-fired pizzas, complete with a large, custom-made pizza oven located near the bar so patrons can see their pies being made. Dunham has taken a culinary class to perfect artisan pizza-making (keeping up his skills baking several pizzas weekly at home and perfecting a signature sauce and dough). The restaurant will offer five or six staple options tied to the spirit of Sovereign State Days along with rotating specials.

“We’ll have themed pizzas like the Sheepshead pizza, the Skunk, Dodo Bird, and Poison Ivy,” he said with a smile.

One particularly bold creation features baked haddock, garlic butter sauce, a sprinkle of dill relish, and a squirt of mayonnaise — “a phenomenal ‘Sheepshead’ pizza,” according to Dunham.



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Sovereign State Tap House owner Jordan Dunham stands next to his newly acquired pizza dough mixer, soon to be put to work at the business in January 2026.

In addition to its pizzas, the Tap House will offer 25 to 30 rotating craft tap beers, mostly from Wisconsin but including a few out-of-state selections. “I’m open to people’s suggestions for feature beers too,” Dunham noted. A tap of cream soda and root beer will cater to the kids, and domestic bottles will be fully stocked.

Despite the emphasis on beer, Dunham is quick to underscore the Tap House’s family-oriented mission. “This isn’t going to be a late-night bar,” he said. “It’s about socializing with your family and friends.” Regular hours will run from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., extending to 10 p.m. on weekends.

With a design created by Hoffman Planning, Design & Construction out of Appleton, and plans already approved by the state and village, construction is moving forward steadily. Dunham is completing much of the work himself, including HVAC installation, often working evenings after his day job.

“I decided to take the project on myself with the background I have,” he said.

The décor will be a tribute to the beloved Sovereign State Days festival, featuring a mural of the iconic flag and a display of nearly every themed shirt from past celebrations.

“I want it to be a living museum of what makes Winneconne so famous,” Dunham said. “I’ll be looking for many, many photos from past years to feature as well.”

Comfort is key, too, with a mix of high and low tables, a lounge corner with couches, and even a carpet ball game. Future plans include outdoor seating and dog kennels with viewing windows so pet owners can enjoy their time while keeping an eye on their furry friends.

“I want to create something on the east-side of Winneconne that draws people in and showcases Winneconne’s claim to fame,” Dunham said. “I want it to be family friendly and for people to come here and feel comfortable no matter what your age. Come experience what made Winneconne famous. Sovereign State Days is truly precious to me, and I love what it does for Winneconne. I love it here.”

Back in the Day



Back in the month of July 2003, the Winneconne-Poygan Fire District dedicated its station after an expansive addition and remodeling project.

Fire Chief Bill Wright served as the master of ceremonies and Pastor John Covach of First Presbyterian Church gave the dedication prayer, while town and village representatives Marty Johnson, Harvey Rengstorf and John Rogers cut the ribbon on the facility, welcoming the community inside.

The remodeled station added a large addition to house fire engines/response vehicles, training rooms and a working kitchen.



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Kids fishing

The Poygan Conservation Club organized the Kids Fisheree Saturday morning on the east fishing pier in Winneconne. Kids under 14 received a free fishing rod and each family received a tackle box. Ticket sales for the Summer Raffle, which had a drawing during the event, helped to raise funds for the Fisheree and other community assistance.

Town board discusses ordinance revisions, votes to vacate a portion of Dowling Road

By Anya Kelley
Winneconne News

The Winneconne Town Board met June 19 to vote on ordinance revisions, a revision proposal regarding shoreland zoning from Winnebago County and vacating a portion of Dowling Road.

Town Chairman Eric Lang tabled a discussion regarding the boat launch fee at Lake Butte Des Morts. The town received a grant of \$98,000 from the Wisconsin DNR to build the launch, and as part of the agreement, the DNR requires a usage fee.

Stantec Engineering representative, Matt Clementi, informed the board that per state statute, the non-resident price cannot exceed 150% of the resident fee and the base rate cannot exceed \$13.

The board originally had set the resident fee to \$5 and the non-resident fee to \$8, but to keep the base rate at \$5, the non-resident fee must be \$7.50 or lower.

When asked if it would be easier to have a season pass available, Lang said, “No, we’re doing this because the DNR is requiring it. It’s a boat launch fee, and we have to have some type of fund for maintenance. I don’t want to have a season pass for the people that actually launch their boat once, and then go park their trailer and keep it on the lake. We’re trying to be fair.”

The board plans to reconsider and vote on the fees next month.

Winnebago County has proposed a zoning code tax amendment that would give townships more power to regulate their shorelands. This is not the first time an amendment like this has been proposed.

With 12.7 miles of shoreland in the town of Winneconne, Lang said past boards have been against the zoning change.

“We never wanted any change due to the fact that we do not have the staff to monitor it,” Lang said. “We don’t have the staff to collect the fees; we don’t have a lot of things.”

The board decided to abstain from taking any action because the county is holding a public hearing and will move forward with a decision regardless of the board vote.

The board voted to vacate a portion of Dowling Road that goes through an abandoned barn. The new owner is attempting to rezone the property but can’t because the road is the property of the town. The town of Winneconne will use \$1,575 from the road budget to remove it from the map.

The board also made a revision to Ordinance 2025-05-Driveways and Culverts removing all restrictions on the types of materials property owners can use to pave the approach to their driveway. The homeowner is responsible for any repairs necessary.

The next town board meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. July 17 in the Town Hall.

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The Oshkosh Fire Department, which has been providing EMS services with three ambulance units to 10 area municipalities, is considering terminating the services to those municipalities.

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asked to join.

The board will consider new members until July 22 when they start applying for grant funding. The amount of grant money that can be awarded will depend on both population size that the EMS will cover and an estimate of the amount of care each mu-

nicipality involved might need for the coming year.

“I think we have to consider the cost of the grant funding,” said Frank Frassetto, Ambulance Board chairman and town of Black Wolf board member. “If they don’t opt in by whatever deadline ... I think we have to at least consider that in order to come in after that, we would be charging them.”

At the town of Winneconne board meeting on June 19, Town Chairman

Eric Lang said he would like the town attorney to review all of their options before making any decisions. That was before Oshkosh had made its announcement.

The Ambulance Board is drafting a letter to notify surrounding communities that a decision to join needs to be made by July 22 at the latest, or they will not be eligible for immediate membership.

Construction apprenticeships cited by Miron

Winneconne News

Miron Construction celebrated 24 young adults taking the next step in their construction careers during a career signing day event in June.

Five of the new registered apprentices signed with the North Central States Regional Council of Carpenters and one signed with International Union of Operating Engineers Local 139.

Dominick Donabar from Winneconne High School was one of the youth apprentices bridging to registered apprentices, participating in the program as an operators apprentice. Connor Ryf from Winneconne High School is among the youth apprentices continuing the second year of their youth apprenticeship.

Career Signing Day, which took place June 18, is when high school and college graduates officially begin employment with a construction contractor who will sponsor them throughout their apprenticeship and provide on-the-job training. They also will receive classroom instruction from their des-



Photo from Miron Construction

Dominick Donabar from Winneconne High School participated in Miron Construction’s construction apprenticeship program as an operators apprentice.

igned union training center as part of their apprenticeship.

The celebration highlighted several stages at the start of a construction career, including youth apprentices advancing to registered union apprenticeships, apprentices transitioning

into full-time roles, those beginning their second year of training, and new apprentices starting their programs.

In the past two years, Miron’s youth apprenticeship program has grown by more than 89% and now includes several satellite offices.

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By Matt Harp
Outdoor Reporter



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A funny thing happened to us last week. Through no fault of our own, we were plan-less, event-less and kid-less.

"That must happen all the time, you're retired," you might argue. Not really, not for us at least. There is always something in the way of shopping, errands, work in two yards, recent fishing trips, fun with friends, improvements at the deer land, etc.; the list can run long.

Somehow the stars aligned where everything seemed to drop off the radar. "Let's spend a few extra days in Winneconne," we quickly agreed. No need to rush out on a Friday and back on a Sunday per usual.

"Let's act like we're on vacation in Winneconne." The actual realization sunk in a couple days in, but then it was our inside joke.

"Hey, I hear there's a great cheese factory in this little town called Zittau," Ellen joked. We headed to Union Star Cheese for some of their famous, fresh-made cheese curds. The guys were even nice enough to snap a few photos while they were finishing another batch of that gooey goodness.

Another day, when the winds were up, we decided against plowing waves over to the river and upstream to Fremont. Instead, we took some friends on the short ride to park the boat in Winneconne and do a walking tour of the downtown area. A Red Stripe at The Landing, a drink at The Fin, a quick stop at Tiny's and a great dinner at Off the Wolf made for a nice afternoon and evening. Impending darkness stopped us from venturing to Talk of the Town and The Pub.

A favorite route also takes us to Woodeye's, The Hill, Jorgie's and into Poy Sippi. If time allows, you may as

well complete the circuit to Beck's and Bloomfield Bar and Grill, and all the fun stops in Fremont. We usually make that a separate trip, though.

The route to Fremont is littered with stops like The Bee Hive, Larsen Tavern, The Winchester, Winchester Hills Golf Course, Antlers, Whiskey River Pub and Grill, Drew's Tavern, the Country Store, Union Star Cheese, Fort Fremont, Anglers (catch the lawn mower races sometime), Clemin's Resort, Bridge Bar, The River Deck, Hotel Fremont, The Boathouse, Buss Stop and Nauti Turtle. There are a couple new gift, apparel, ice cream and coffee shops in Fremont, too.

A short hop to Weyauwega is in order for some more cheese and provisions at Weyauwega Star Dairy and JD's Café. Omro and Eureka are also just a hop, skip and a jump down the road the other way. Stretch the legs for a quick stop in Ripon or Berlin, too. Again, there are all kinds of stones to turn over in all of these neighborhood villages, but so much is right in Winneconne.

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Just this past weekend Ellen's niece and nephew revealed that they were at their place in Boom Bay for a full 10 days. Our knee-jerk reaction was, "Hey, should we take them up north, or on some type of day trip to Door County." Then it hit us, "No, let's vacation right here, in good ol' Winnebago County.

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Tales From The Land of Retirement

Weeds beware

By Jeanne Lehr

What's one of the main reasons your elderly parents might sell their house?



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Yard work. You can hire professionals to clean your house, fix your appliances, cut your grass and shovel your snow, but the line gets drawn when it comes to pulling weeds and cutting back overgrown plants.

If you have not pulled weeds lately, those are the ugly things growing down by your feet. Getting them requires bending and stooping. Well, bending and stooping is fine until you've done it over and over for an hour or more.

I keep telling myself that I just made \$20. I offered every kid I ran into \$10 an hour to pull weeds for me, but they had their own lives and were too busy. It does not matter if I collect my pay or not, the weeds keep growing.

I do have a handy-dandy garden bench I can sit or kneel on to handle the task, but I must stand up and keep moving it and sometimes it's not on level ground. WARNING: If the bench is on uneven ground a backward somersault may occur. These benches are also good for helping you get up because the legs function as braces to push up on. Old bodies don't spring up as well as they used to.

I have a little red wagon I pull behind me with all my garden tools, and I also use it to toss the clippings and waste. It is easier to handle than a wheelbarrow. I farm out my garden to someone who wants to grow vegetables, otherwise it would be green grass. I did not maintain a garden the way it needs to be. I had to laugh when my zucchini co-mingled with my tomato plants years ago. My grandson went in there with a golf club and came out with six huge zucchinis. Zucchini I could not see through all the leaves.

Don't get me wrong. I would be lost without my yard work. It gets me outside with a purpose and it's good exercise. When the sun shines, I have to be out there, and I have to be moving. Sunshine, hard work, exercise and a job well done (or at least done).

Before we know it, it will be fall, then winter and the weeds and overgrown plants will be put to sleep for another year. Oh, by the way! I recently saw a snake in my garden. I could not believe my eyes, I have not seen a snake in like, forever! I don't know what kind it was, but it was a pretty mix of black and yellow. It was also a good reminder to always wear gloves and look where I am reaching.

Snakes and weeds aside, summer is still my favorite season.

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Youth participate in Winnebago County 4-H Clothing Review

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The annual Winnebago County 4-H Clothing Review was held June 16 at the James P. Coughlin Center in Oshkosh.

Youth, ranging from beginner sewers to those with seven or more years of experience, took the stage to model garments they designed, constructed and styled.

In addition to showcasing their sewing skills, some participants joined the Consumer Savvy – Thrifty Threads Challenge, where they created a budget and shopped local thrift stores to put together complete outfits, including accessories. The challenge promotes sustainability and creativity while helping participants develop money management and fashion sense.

The Clothing Review encourages participants to build self-confidence, improve presentation skills, and learn how to explain the construction and care of their garments during face-to-face judging. Youth are evaluated on posture, poise, creativity, garment fit, construction, workmanship and overall presentation.

This year's event was coordinated by Winnebago County 4-H Sewing Project Leaders Anita Eichman and Jenni Hostettler. Becky Gutzman served as judge, and Arianna Buehring emceed the evening's show. All participants received a clothing and textiles pin and judging feedback to recognize their strengths and identify areas for growth.

Golden Thread awards were pre-



Submitted photo

The participants in the 4-H Clothing Review include (front row) Auggie Wurzbach, Madison Mitchell, Teagan Hopp, Anna Westphal, Margaret Morris and Briella Milan, along with (back row) Emily Hunter, Paige Woelfel, Gabby Hostettler, Zoe Skadah, Lizzy Parker, Lucy Wurzbach and Jodie Skadah wearing an outfit sewn by Zoe Skadah.

sented to beginner Auggie Wurzbach (4-H Friends), intermediate Teagan Hopp (White Cedars 4-H Club) and advanced Lizzy Parker (Westward 4-H Club). Best of Show awards went to Emily Hunter (Golden Oak 4-H Club) in the Thrifty Threads category and Gabby Hostettler (White Cedars 4-H Club) in the Sewn Category.

A special 4-H Fashion Show will be held during the Winnebago County Fair at 2 p.m. Aug. 2 inside the Expo Building.

Garden Walks offers tours of six private gardens

Winneconne News

The Oshkosh Garden Walk will provide a unique opportunity to view six private gardens across the city.

Visitors can travel to the gardens on their own schedule and in any order during the event from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. July 13.

Each of this year's featured gardens offers its own unique style and charm, according to event organizers. In addition, expert gardeners will be on hand to answer questions and provide tips and tricks growing gardens.

"The Garden Walk is more than just a chance to admire beautiful flowers and plants," said Oshkosh Garden Club member Kim Willman. "It's also an opportunity to connect with others in your community who share your love of gardening. Bring your family and friends and spend a delightful afternoon strolling through these beautiful gardens."

Advance tickets are \$8 for adults. Tickets are available at uBloom, 930 Witzel Ave. and House of Flowers, 1920 Algoma Blvd., Oshkosh. Advance tickets are also available online at oshkoshgardenclub.org/garden-walk. Tickets for \$10 will be available on the day of the event at each of the garden locations. Children under 18 are free.

Get more information and maps to the gardens on the Oshkosh Garden Club website.

Art After Dark event postponed to September

Winneconne News

The Bergstrom-Mahler Museum of Glass in Neenah postponed its Art After Dark: Renaissance Faire to Sept. 18.

The event had been scheduled for June 26, but museum officials decided earlier last week to postpone it due to ground conditions and the likelihood of potentially dangerous storms.

"We apologize for any inconvenience and look forward to seeing everyone on the new date in September," the museum said.

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Three new officers join police department

By Anya Kelley
Winneconne News

The Winneconne Police Department welcomed three new police officers to their team on June 18.

Officers Hayley Ackerman, Andy Lohman and Noah Brandl come with prior experience serving communities around Wisconsin. Ackerman was a Community Service Officer with the Appleton Police Department while she was finishing school, and Lohman has spent 13 years in law enforcement. Brandl served Waupaca County before coming to Winneconne.

“A good friend of mine is friends with the Police Chief Ben (Sauriol) and contacted me about the opening that they had,” Lohman said. “So I took his advice. He is kind of a mentor of mine, and I wanted to be in a small town similar to where I’m from, and it really clicked.”

Ackman also came to Winneconne to experience the small-town charm.

“I love that small town atmosphere,” she said. “I like a tight-knit community where trust is built with knowing who your law enforcement (officers) are.”

Brandl was recommended to Winneconne by friends and family in the

area who said it would be a great place to work.

“Living in Oshkosh, I’ve been [to] Winneconne many times and love the area,” Brandl said.

Ackman comes from a background in Veterinary medicine and spends time on her dad’s farm taking care of the horses, barn cats and other animals.

Lohman enjoys camping and fishing, and anything else that gets him outdoors.

Brandl said he grew up in Oshkosh with three siblings and has always enjoyed the outdoors.

“I enjoy finishing, snowboarding in the winter, spending time with my friends and family, hiking and just being outside in general,” Brandl said.

Sauriol said all three of the new officers are starting out part-time and will fill in on special assignments as needed.

Lohman wants the community to know he is community-oriented and is looking to build strong relationships with the public. Ackman wants the community to know that she is here to help.

“I’m a very understanding, listening

called the sheriff’s office after their trail camera captured a photo matching Reif’s description. The photo was taken half a mile south of where his car was found.

The Lincoln County Sheriff’s Office is asking anyone in that area to check their trail cameras for possible signs of Reif and to report any information to 715-536-6272.

Reif is approximately 5 feet, 8 inches tall, 250 pounds with brown hair and blue eyes. As of Monday, Reif had not been located.



Photo from Winneconne Police Department

Officer Hayley Ackerman and Officer Noah Brandl took their oaths of office June 18 during the Village Board meeting. Both officers will be working part-time.

type of person,” Ackman said. “Don’t be afraid to approach us if you have questions or concerns or even just to say hi.”

Sauriol said all three are settling in

well and learning all about the community.

“We’re happy to have them on board,” Sauriol said.

Golfers earn academic all-state honors

Winneconne News

Three members of Winneconne’s conference championship winning golf team garnered academic all-state honors from the Golf Coaches Association of Wisconsin.

Sawyer Krueger, Parker Groff and Brody Pepler were among the 424 golfers from 128 different high schools around the state to earn the honors.

In order to qualify for the honors,

the student-athletes must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.25 or higher while also participating in at least 75% of the team’s varsity matches during the 2025 season. Golfers must also be in good standing regarding athletic and school codes.

The academic all-state team is open to sophomores, juniors and seniors only and golfers are nominated by member coaches of the GCAW.

Winneconne man reported missing

Winneconne News

The Lincoln County Sheriff’s Office located missing Winneconne man Mitchell S. Reif’s car abandoned on private land in the Town of Somo on June 25.



Mitchell Reif

Reif had been the subject of a wellness check in Winnebago County on June 22 but was unable to be

located at the time.

A landowner on Homestead Road

Winneconne Police issue scam warning

Winneconne News

The Winneconne Police Department is warning citizens to be cautious of call scammers pretending to be bankers.

According to police, a citizen of Winneconne recently reported a caller posing as a credit card company. She told police that there was possible fraudulent activity on her account and told her to purchase \$1,500 in Target gift cards. Police said the citizen gave the scammers her access codes, and Target was not able to refund her.

Police said the phone number of the alleged scammer was (808) 202-9109, and the caller said they were in India.

The scammer also said the company was B-P Interactive and acted hostile toward the victim.

The Winneconne police asks that people do not open and immediately delete any suspicious texts or emails. If someone answers a suspicious phone call, police said to hang up immediately and dial the phone number on the back of their debit or credit card to have the financial institution lock down accounts.

The Winneconne police said anyone who has been a victim of a scam should immediately notify an officer. The police station can be reached at 920-582-9944 or at 30 S. 1st Street.

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Masonic Lodge honors 2025 scholarship recipients

Winneconne News

The members of Winneconne Masonic Lodge No. 186 gathered June 24 to celebrate three students from the Winneconne Community School District who were selected as the Lodge's 2025 scholarship recipients.

Madeline Anderson, Camille Braman and Mary Wallenberg were each awarded \$1,000 scholarships in recognition of their academic achievement, leadership and dedication to their future goals. The students joined Lodge members for a special evening of recognition and conversation inside the Lodge Hall, located above Red's Boutique on First Street.

Winneconne Lodge No. 186 is one of the oldest community organizations supporting local students through scholarships, having begun its awards program in the late 1970s. The Lodge continues to view educational support as a key part of its mission to serve and uplift the community.

"We believe that education is a cornerstone of a better future," said Worshipful Master Earl Peterson. "These



Submitted photo
Worshipful Master Earl Peterson presented Madeline Anderson, Camille Braman, and Mary Wallenberg with scholarships from the Winneconne Masonic Lodge No. 186.

young women exemplify the kind of excellence and character we're proud to support as Freemasons."

For more information about Winneconne Masonic Lodge No. 186

or to learn about future scholarship opportunities, contact winneconnelodge186@gmail.com or visit their Facebook page.

Winneconne FFA Alumni host dinners

By Anya Kelley
Winneconne News

The Winneconne FFA Alumni and Supporters hosted a dinner on June 23 for 175 educators from the Wisconsin Association of Agricultural Educators at Woodey's.

Educators from across the state were in Oshkosh for their monthly professional development. The Winneconne FFA Alumni and Supporters made a three-year commitment to putting on the dinners every Monday of development week.

Mark Kunde, the Winneconne FFA Alumni and Supporters treasurer, said this was the third dinner of the third year.

"Tonight's a less formal thing that kind of gets them out [into the community]," Kunde said.

Kunde said joining the local FFA chapter is a great way to start getting involved with Wisconsin's agriculture.

"Anyone who has an interest in serving the community can be involved," Kunde said.

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County Board OKs early transfer of Tri-County Arena

By **Bethanie Gengler**
Winneconne News

The Winnebago County Board of Supervisors has approved transferring ownership of Tri-County Ice Arena in Fox Crossing to the nonprofit organization that operates it, four years ahead of schedule.

The board voted in favor of the early transfer to Appleton Ice at a meeting June 17 following a recommendation from the Facilities & Property Management Committee, which supported the move contingent on Appleton Ice raising the funds needed to renovate the facility.

The contingency was changed in the resolution approved by the County Board last week to state that Appleton Ice agrees to restrict use of the property to an ice arena for 30 years after the transfer of ownership.

Appleton Ice board member Tommy Wroblewski said the 30-year operating agreement was added to reassure

the community that Appleton Ice has no plans to sell, flip or repurpose the property.

“Without question, it’s our long-term vision – based on what we’re trying to do and what the founders did with the building in its first instance – that it will be an ice arena for as long as we operate it,” he said. “The intention is one hundred percent to continue having it be that way in perpetuity.”

Appleton Ice, which operates both Tri-County Arena and the Appleton Family Ice Center in Memorial Park, is about six months into a \$4.1 million capital campaign and has already raised about \$1.3 million.

Wroblewski said that Appleton Ice taking over sole ownership of Tri-County Arena not only reassures donors that Tri-County will remain under Appleton Ice’s control long-term, but also gives lenders confidence that the land can be used as collateral if fundraising falls short.

“It’s also a nice sign of confidence from the county that our organization has been good stewards of that building and they envision us as the kind of group that will continue the legacy that’s been there,” he said.

Built in 1974 at 700 Shady Lane, Tri-County Arena was originally intended to be owned by Winnebago, Outagamie, and Calumet counties. However, Calumet backed out of the project and Outagamie later sold its share to Winnebago County for \$1 in 2012.

Under a 2014 agreement, Appleton Ice has leased the facility from the county for \$1 per year and agreed to maintain it at its own expense. The original deal called for the county to transfer ownership in 2029 if Appleton Ice continued to operate the building as an ice arena.

Proposed renovations at Tri-County include replacing the ice surfaces, improving insulation and energy efficien-

cy, and upgrading the boiler system, at a cost of roughly \$2.25 million. The Appleton facility will receive a new roof and floor, with estimated costs of just under \$2 million.

Renovations at the Appleton Ice Center are already underway and were initially expected to be wrapped up in October but may be completed ahead of schedule. Work at Tri-County in Fox Crossing is expected to begin next summer, though could begin sooner if fundraising goals are met.

Wroblewski said the improvements are to ensure Appleton Ice can continue operating the two ice centers for years to come.

“We’re making significant investments into the building for hockey only,” he said. “We’re committing to putting ice sports in a position to thrive here for decades.”

To support the Appleton Ice fundraising campaign, visit appletonice.org/fundingthefuture or follow Appleton Ice, Inc. on Facebook.

Obituaries

Owen Clarkson Russell January 23, 1933 – June 26, 2025

Owen Clarkson Russell, 92, of Butte des Morts, Wisconsin, passed away on June 26, 2025, after a brief illness.



He was born in Idabel, Oklahoma, to Paris Owen and Marie (Clarkson) Russell and had

one sibling, Joyce (Russell) Besson. At 16, Owen set a goal to design the engine that would win the 500-mile race—and achieved it at 36 as a design engineer for Ford’s NASCAR team, contributing to the 1968–69 Boss 429 racing engine.

A licensed pilot and certified flight instructor, Owen worked for Mooney Aircraft in Kerrville, Texas, and later retired from Mercury Marine in 1991. His retirement was filled with hands-on projects: building a Murphy Rebel experimental plane with amphibious floats, a Van’s RV-9, a 1965 GT-40 kit car, and restoring vehicles with his son Brian.

Owen married Josephine Little in 1953 at the Grand Avenue Church of

Christ in Okmulgee, Oklahoma. He is survived by Josephine, his wife of 71 years; children Carol Allen (Mansfield, OH), Steven Russell (Indianapolis, IN), Pamela Ford (Jenks, OK), Brian Russell (Winneconne, WI), and Sylvia Brennan (Muskogee, OK); 11 grandchildren; and 5 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his sister Joyce, and grandson Mathew Allen.

Owen and Josephine were longtime active members of the Mason Street Church of Christ in Appleton, Wisconsin.

McClendon-Winters Funeral Home is assisting the family with burial arrangements in Okmulgee, Oklahoma. There will be a small family graveside service.



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Call to Order

Meeting called to order by President Boucher at 6:39 p.m.

Roll Call: Olson, Bouras, Janikowski, Stelzner, Krings, Miller, Boucher – all present.

Also present: Administrator Fuller and Attorney Chad Wade.

Pledge of Allegiance said in unison.

New Business

Motion by Boucher, second by Miller to appoint two village residents, Angel Elmer and Ian Livingstone, to the Historic Preservation Committee pending background check and majority board vote

Trustee Stelzner shared there is a third individual, Janet Eiler, interested in becoming a committee member once obtaining Village residency.

When Janet Eiler becomes resident of Village, her appointment can be placed on the agenda – or ordinance can be reviewed for possible amendment on residence requirements.

Motion passes by roll call vote:

Olson-aye, Bouras-aye, Janikowski-aye, Stelzner-aye, Krings-aye, Miller-aye, Boucher-aye – 7-0-0

Motion by Janikowski, second by Bouras to refer back to the Planning Commission the review of Katy's coffee trailer request to operate a non-conforming business at the Bieser Reality parking lot

Trustee Stelzner inquired about the timeline of events outlined in packet; President Boucher and Administrator Fuller described timeline, including the Planning Commission's efforts since the business idea was presented in January 2025.

President Boucher discussed how Katie's coffee trailer (Kat's Kafe) does not align with the Village's Transient Merchant Ordinance (Chapter 469), due to the fact Katie intends to have a permanent residence at Beiser Realty, LLC and does not plan to be mobile.

Continued discussion ensued regarding the Planning Commission's efforts in reviewing local municipality ordinances, including Green Bay's ordinances and requirements which are included in the meeting's packet.

Trustee Janikowski agreed with President Boucher's position that Katie's coffee cart does not align with the current Village Transient Merchant ordinance.

Trustee Stelzner inquired if Katie had considered a brick-and-mortar location in the Village. Administrator Fuller discussed conversation with Katie in which Katie shared that a brick-and-mortar location is not a financially viable option currently; Katie does hope to become a brick-and-mortar business in the future.

Village hasn't received copies of county and state documents. President Boucher made a recommendation to the Planning Commission to update the transient merchant ordinance, including requiring applicable Winnebago County licenses, which encompass health inspections, as well as reviewing the creation of a peddler's permit for extended stays, and establishing a map to delineate suitable locations for vendors. The Planning Commission will meet May 12th at 5:30 p.m.

President Boucher stated he is optimistic that the Planning Commission will have a recommendation on the matter ready to be brought to the Village Board during May 20th meeting.

Motion to table and refer to Planning Commission passes by voice vote 7-0-0

Confirm next meeting: May 20th, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Olson, second by Bouras

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Motion passes by voice vote 7-0-0

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**MINUTES
VILLAGE BOARD
TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2025, 5:30 PM
VILLAGE BOARD ROOM, 30 S. 1ST
ST., WINNECONNE**

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 5:31pm.

Roll Call: Olson, Bouras, Stelzner, Janikowski, Krings, Miller, Boucher – All present.

Also present: Administrator Fuller and Attorney James Kalny.

Pledge of Allegiance said in unison.

Open Public Hearing

Hear public comment on Resolution 0415 – 6th Avenue and Adams

Street Resurfacing: Resolution by the Village Board of the Village of Winneconne adopting the final resolution declaring intent to exercise special assessment powers under section 66.0703, Wisconsin statutes, for street resurfacing on 6th Avenue (Main Street to Twin Harbor Drive) and Adams Street (Second to Third Street), Winneconne, Wisconsin.

1st call: No public comment.

2nd call: No public comment.

3rd call : No public comment.

Motion by Olson, second by Bouras to close the public hearing.

Motion passes by roll call vote:

Bouras (aye), Stelzner (aye), Janikowski (aye), Krings (aye), Miller (aye), Olson (aye), Boucher(aye) 7-0-0

Regular Business

Motion by Olson, Second by Bouras to approve to approve consent agenda and payment of bills:

April 30, 2025, Treasurer's Report/ Budget Comparisons

April 2025, Check Register

Motion passes by voice vote: 7-0-0

Motion by Bouras, Second by Olson to approve March 31st, 2025 Village Board Minutes

Motion passes by voice vote: 7-0-0

Motion by Bouras, Second by Olson to approve April 15th, 2025 Village Board Minutes

Motion passes by voice vote: 7-0-0

Motion By Olson, Second By Miller to approve April 23rd, 2025 Village Board Special Meeting Minutes

Motion passes by voice vote: 7-0-0

Communications

Mr. Tim Fitzgerald reached out to the Village regarding recording management and current policy.

Written policy for State standard for maintaining recordings has been created.

Public Participation

Katie Harter of Kat's Kafe (resides at 6375 Dowling Road, Omro, business at 140 W. Main Street) – Regarding the proposed ordinance for Mobile Food Vendors, Ms. Harter stated that the proposed fee for mobile food vendors was too high, noting that other municipalities in the area have

lower fees, and that the value of her coffee trailer should be taken into consideration in the fee. Additionally, she encouraged the Board to review the proposed hours in the ordinance, as the proposed hours would be difficult for her business that benefits from early commuters, school traffic, etc. Ms. Harter shared her disagreement with having to list the Village as an additional insured entity, as well as location requirements within the proposed ordinance.

Karen Foster (307 S. 1st Street) – Ms. Foster attended the Village's first Collaboration Meeting on May 15th, 2025 and stated the meeting was well presented and provided excellent information. Ms. Foster encouraged all Board members and residents to attend the next meeting (date TBD).

Jill Verich (resides in Town of Winneconne, business at 140 West Main Street) – As a representative of Mr. Andy Beiser, Ms. Verich expressed concern about the situation regarding Kat's Kafe, stating that she believes Katie is going through an undue, complex process. Ms. Verich requested that the Board reviews the proposed fee, stating that the cost should be tied to the administrative costs incurred in facilitating the licensing; she also encouraged the Board to review the proposed hours in the ordinance.

Ms. Verich expressed that she is not aware of any brick-and-mortar storefront that would be feasible for Ms. Harter to rent/buy.

Administrator's Report

Business Update

Wolf Run Estates continues to progress, with plans for multi-family development behind Klein Ford reviewed at the latest Planning Commission meeting. Renderings and drawings are expected by summer's end, with board review in early fall and construction starting no later than next spring.

Precision Plumbing's one-acre parcel, sold in March, is on track to break ground this year, with updates to follow.

Future land use discussions for the waterfront property in front of Village Hall are scheduled for the July Planning Commission meeting, where initial concepts will be presented.

Operations Update

Village Hall will be closed in observance of Memorial Day (5/26/2025).

Over 10 policies and procedures have been developed as part of this year's initiatives.

The week of May 5th was National Clerk's week, and the week of May 12th was Police Appreciation week.

Key Meetings & Events

Last week's County IDB meeting focused on expanding economic development partnerships.

Trustee Miller attended the EMS meeting, hosted by the Oshkosh City Manager and new Fire Chief.

Administrator Fuller and Michael Schoenberger participated in a housing market forecast with NAI Pfefferle.

Administrator Fuller attended the GOEDC 10-year anniversary with the Board meeting on the following day.

Administrator Fuller led the quarterly WCMA meeting, sharing updates and gaining insights from peers.

The first collaboration meeting was held on May 15th, covering CIP, General Fund budgeting, and infrastructure planning.

The Board workshop is scheduled for Friday, May 23rd with the agenda available online.

Finance Update

The Village is currently operating at 30% of the budget, remaining well below the 42% target projected by the end of May—consistent with the same point last year.

The wage study update was presented to PFC and will serve as a key reference in the budget process.

The final 2024 audit from CLA has been received, with their findings scheduled for presentation at the

board workshop later this week. The 2026 annual budget process will commence in mid to late July, incorporating reviews of the five-year CIP, wage study, and all fund sources. BOE and support activities are underway.

Committee Reports

Beautification – Working with the Albright family for the bridge lighting ceremony on May 22nd, including creating a schedule for colors/patterns for events/holidays, training on the functionality of lights and researching restrictions on colors due to being on water way; Trustee Stelzner inquired about Joann Loy's seat on the committee – Joann was inadvertently removed and will be added back to the committee list.

Cemetery – April 1st was cemetery cleanup day; preparation for Memorial Day continues including putting up flags and completing landscaping. The Cemetery Board has been discussing digitization of cemetery information, status of graves on hold, and options to purchase a duplicate cemetery map. Next meeting is June 2nd at 12:00pm.

Fire District – Met on May 12th; Trustee Bouras commented on the good effort on the open house. Ed provided updates on National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) tire replacement requirements (all tires of fire trucks must be replaced every 7 years). Annual hose testing will be conducted on June 7th, with last year's testing was done at Fox Valley Technical College – this year's testing will be at home base.

Historic Preservation – Met on May 28th and finalized efforts for cemetery dedication – June 7th at 2:00pm; invitations mailed for event to Board/donors. Next meeting will be May 29th.

Library – Did not meet in May. Staff is preparing for summer reading program.

Parks - Village landscape contractor is working on the restoration for the seawall and paving project this week at LWP. Fundraising for Marble Park master plan, Phase one is continuing. Oshkosh Area Community Foundation is working with the Village to find ways to fund our outdated comprehensive 5-year outdoor recreation plan.

The Reworld company had a crew volunteer at Marble Park for Earth Day on April 22nd – thank you to the crew for the generous donation of time and energy.

Personnel & Finance- PFC reviewed draft wage study. Additionally, a draft Fund Balance Policy was presented. If interested in more information regarding municipal accounting/ budget, consider attending the next Collaboration Meeting (date TBD).

Plan Commission- The Commission reviewed downtown ordinances (commercial district), discussed interest in allowing the sale of a parking lot, and conferred regarding establishing a Planned Unit Development "PUD" ordinance.

Additionally, the Commission drafted the proposed Mobile Food Vendor ordinance.

Public Safety- Did not win T-Mobile Hometown grant, however, will reapply for grant. New PT Officer Hayley Ackerman has started and continues to train. Established 2 new parking zone to address safety concerns. PD is looking for fundraising ideas for operating/ equipment cost – suggests a police vs firefighter soccer game.

Public Works- Met May 12th, and provided the following updates - work on 6th Ave commences, storm sewer on 5th Ave to prevent flooding issues, tracking 2,092 safe days, CMAR report received (resolution and report in packet), confirmed still on track for Ben, who will be graduating soon and planning to work full-time with Village. Additionally, long term plan to update wastewater plant (last updated 15 years ago) was discussed; State recommends updating every 20 years– Village is determining what

needs to be updated/capacity in the next 5 years.

Old Business
None.

New Business

Motion By Bouras , Second By Olson to approve CMAR Resolution 5.1-2025 for 2025

Report for Wastewater Treatment Facility – Village received all "A's" and one "B" – will work towards achieving all "A's" for future reviews.

Motion passes by voice vote: 7-0-0

Motion By Krings , Second By Miller to approve the Alcohol licenses as presented for the licensing year July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026

Alcohol license applicants in packet and as published.

Motion passes by voice vote: 7-0-0

Motion By Krings, Second By Miller to approve the Cigarette, Tobacco and E-Vaping licenses as presented for the licensing year July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026

Motion passes by roll call vote: Bouras (aye), Stelzner (aye), Janikowski (aye), Krings (aye), Miller (aye), Olson (aye), Boucher (aye) – 7-0-0

Motion By Olson , Second By Janikowski to approve the Operator licenses as presented for the licensing year July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026

Background checks completed for all applicants.

Motion passes by voice vote: 7-0-0

Motion By Janikowski , Second By Olson to approve a Temporary Class "B" picnic license for the Winneconne Youth Diamond Club for weekends of:

June 6th - 8th, 2025

June 13th -15th, 2025

June 20th – 22nd, 2025

The Winneconne Youth Diamond Club (WYDC) completed all necessary documents for the Temporary Class "B" picnic license; additionally, the WYDC will have a licensed bartender on the premises.

Motion passes by voice vote: 7-0-0

Motion By Krings, Second By Miller to appoint Lori Allcox to the Cemetery Board as a resident member.

Motion passes by voice vote: 7-0-0

Motion By Olson, Second By Krings to approve a Direct Seller's Permit for Larae Monel Simonis (Dauntless Soul Brew, Co.)

The direct seller's permit will be issued for May 31st from 10am-12pm to sell coffee at 118 E Main Street.

Background check was approved; health certificate received.

Motion passes by voice vote: 7-0-0

Motion By Bouras, Second by Olson to accept proposed Mobile Food Vendor Ordinance with the amendments below, including amending fee to \$500.

President Boucher shared that from initially learning about the business proposal (Kat's Kafe) less than 120 days ago, Administrator Fuller and the Planning Commission spent many hours researching and crafting a new ordinance that would not only be applicable to Kat's Kafe, but future similar uses. The draft ordinance (based on the Village of Fox Crossing) was presented and received the below comments/ amendments by the Village Board:

Insurance (5) (A)

Trustee Olson inquired with insurance company – original insurance amounts were likely related to car insurance for traditional mobile vendors

\$1,000,000 for general liability insurance was recommended as revision.

Application for License (3) (B)(10) "Written authorization from any permanent merchant retailing a similar product, if the mobile food establishment will be selling within 200 feet of permanent merchant" - reduced to 50 feet.

Mobile Food Vendor ordinance will require approval from Village (D) – amended to state "if approved by Village board".

License Fee
License fees are normally based on administrative burden/cost,

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not penalty – the fee should be commensurate with the application effort (including staff hours, inspections, anticipated police regulations, etc.) and typically can exceed \$250 plus range.
 Board agreed that a fee of \$500 (revised from \$650 from Planning Commission recommendation) is appropriate.
 Business conduct regulations (8) (D) In consideration with current noise ordinance (7am to 10pm), Chief Sauriol described that excessive noise is considered on a "case by case" basis – discretionary in nature.
 The Village Board recommended the hours be amended to 6am-9pm – vendors must still comply with all noise ordinance requirements.
 (M) "...other than on permissible property"
 Cannot have chairs, etc. on village property/sidewalk, etc.
 Definitions (2)
 Mobile Food Establishment - "edible goods are sold from movable..."
 Amended to add "which has the ability to change location".
 Removal of word "boat".
 Zoning Restrictions
 "150 feet of Public entrance" – amended to 50 feet.
 (G) –strike sidewalk or curbside (all

requirements below G stay)
 Motion passes by roll call vote: Bouras (aye), Stelzner (aye), Janikowski (aye), Krings (aye) Miller (aye), Olson (aye), Boucher (aye) 7-0-0
 Confirm next meeting
 Tuesday, June 17, 2025, 5:30 pm – Village Hall Board Room
Important Dates:
 Bridge Lighting Ceremony – Thursday, May 22nd from 7:00pm to 9:00pm
 Board Workshop: Friday, May 23rd from 9:00am to 2:00pm
 Memorial Day Parade – May 26th at 10:00am
Adjourn
 Motion By Bouras, Second By Olson to adjourn the meeting.
 Motion passes by voice vote: 7-0-0
 Meeting adjourned at 7:33pm.

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**MINUTES
 VILLAGE BOARD WORKSHOP
 FRIDAY, MAY 23, 2025, AT 9 AM
 VILLAGE BOARD ROOM, 30 SOUTH
 FIRST STREET**

Call to Order
 Meeting called to order by President Boucher at 9:00 am.

Roll Call: Olson, Bouras, Stelzner, Krings, Miller, Boucher –present.
 Janikowski – absent.
 Also present were Administrator Fuller and Treasurer Schoenberger.
 Pledge of Allegiance said in unison.
New Business
 09-10:00 CLA Audit Review and Financial Brief
 CLA was unable to brief the audit due to a family emergency. CLA will attend the next board meeting to review the audit.
 10:00-11:00 Legal Brief and "how to be an effective board member"
 Attorney Jim Macy gave a presentation on the responsibilities/expectations of the Village Board.
 11:00-11:10 Break
 11:10-12:00 Policy and Procedures Review
 Administrator Fuller gave a high-level brief of municipal finance, CIP, and the tax levy.
 12:00-12:30 Lunch
 12:30-1:30 Working Groups, Refine and Develop Near and Far Range Goals/Initiatives
 1:30-2:00 Final Comments and Alignment
 2:00-2:10 Agenda Item
 Motion by Olson, second by Krings to approve a Temporary Class "B" picnic license for the Saint Mary's Parish

picnic on June 8th, 2025
 Motion passes by voice vote 6-0-0
 Administrator's Note: Public participation, including questions, comments, or interruptions, will not be permitted during this workshop. The session is dedicated to refining the governing body's roles, expectations, and operational capabilities.
Adjourn
 Motion to adjourn by Miller, second by Krings
 Meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm
 Motion passes by voice vote 6-0-0

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**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT
 WINNEBAGO COUNTY
 IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME
 CHANGE OF
 ASHLEE BETH HOPPERDIETZEL
 BY PETITIONER
 ASHLEE BETH HOPPERDIETZEL**

Notice of Name Change Hearing Case No. 2025CV000550

NOTICE IS GIVEN:
 A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:

FROM:
 First – Ashlee
 Middle – Beth
 Last – Hopperdietzel

TO:
 First – Ashlee
 Middle – Beth
 Last – Beiser

BIRTH CERTIFICATE:
 First – Ashlee
 Middle – Beth
 Last – Hopperdietzel

This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Winnebago County, State of Wisconsin:
 Judge's Name: Michael S. Gibbs
 Place: Winnebago County Courthouse, 415 Jackson St., Room 211, Oshkosh, WI 54901
 Date: 7-17-25
 Time: 2 p.m.
 If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 920-236-4868 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

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Church Notes

St. Mary's Catholic Church
 210 Pleasant Drive
 Winneconne
 Priest Celebrants
 Fr. Tom Long
 and Fr. Ben Pribbenow
 Deacon Paul Vidmar, Pastoral Coordinator
 Saturday: 6 p.m. - St. Thomas Poygan Mass.
 Sunday, July 6: 8:30 a.m. - Mass/Fellowship.

Monday: 7:30 a.m. - LOW w/communion.
 Wednesday: 7:30 a.m. - LOW w/communion.
Immanuel Lutheran Church
 9077 North Road
 Zittau
 Pastor Tauna Roth
 Sundays: 9 a.m. - Worship.
 Mondays: 10 a.m. - Bible Study.
Lord of the Lakes
 (ELCA) Church

6090 Harbour South
 Winneconne
 Pastor Kevin Heffernan
 Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - Bible Study.
 Sunday, July 6: 8 and 10 a.m. - Worship.
 Monday: 5 p.m. - Narcotics Anonymous.
 Tuesday: 9 a.m. - Busy Hands.
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
 8 South Fourth Street
 Winneconne
 Pastor Ben Berger
 Pastor Darin Warnecke
 920-582-7772
 Thursday: 9:30 a.m. - Bible Study.
 Saturday: 4:30 p.m. - Worship/Lord's Supper.
 Sunday, July 6: 8 and 10:30 a.m. - Worship/Lord's Supper. 9:10 a.m. - Bible Study.
 Monday: Contemporary music practice.
 Tuesday: 6 p.m. - Fellowship Mtg. 7 p.m. - Education Mtg.
St. Peter's Lutheran Church, WELS
 8630 County Road MM
 Larsen
 Pastor Paul Ibisch
 920-878-3001
 Sundays: 10 a.m. - Service w/Bible Study; Fellowship to Follow.
 Also online through Facebook.
 Free Little Food Pantry 24/7 at North Entry of Church.

First Presbyterian Church
 32 S. Third Avenue
 Winneconne
 920-706-0047
 Pastor Emily Lueder
 Sundays: 8:30 a.m. - Sunday Services. Services are livestreamed on Facebook/recordings uploaded to YouTube.

Bible Baptist Church
 At First Presbyterian Church
 32 S. Third Avenue
 Winneconne
 Pastor Robert Hatch
 920-582-7100
 Sundays: 10:45 a.m. - Sunday School.
 Noon - Worship.

Messiah Evangelical Lutheran Church – Omro
 Evangelical Lutheran Synod
 7394 Liberty School Rd.
 Omro
 www.messiahomro.com
 920-875-0755
 Pastor Philip Geiger
 Sundays: 9 a.m. - Regular Sunday Worship, with Fellowship to Follow
 Wednesday Prime Service
 Wednesday Bible Study
AA and Al-Anon
 St. Mary Church Basement
 Thursday: 7 p.m. - Al-Anon.
 Please refer to the district website for available AA meetings in the area.

Calendar

Thursday, July 3: 8 a.m. - Summer School Cheer and Dance/WES. Noon - Youth Girls' Basketball Camp/WHS Gym. 1 p.m. - Pop-up Programming/Game Day/Public Library. 5 p.m. - Volleyball Open Gym.
Friday, July 4: Happy Fourth of July, Winneconne. Enjoy fireworks at dusk.
Saturday, July 5: Shop and dine locally and enjoy Winneconne.
Sunday, July 6: Worship at the church of your choice. Noon to 4 p.m. - Historical Society Museum Open/Marble Park.
Monday, July 7: 8 a.m. - Summer School Cheer/Dance, WES. 10:30 a.m. - Storytime w/Ms. Jackie/Public

Library. Noon -Youth Girls' Basketball Camp/WHS Gym. 2 p.m. - Youth Boys' Basketball Camp/WHS Gym. 5 p.m. - Boys' Basketball Open Gym/WHS Gym.
Tuesday, July 8: 8 a.m. - Summer School Cheer/Dance, WES. Noon - Youth Girls' Basketball Camp/WHS Gym. 1 p.m. - Make Your Own Baseball Hat/Public Library. 2 p.m. - Youth Boys' Basketball Camp/WHS Gym.
Wednesday, July 9: The News is out. Subscribe today at winneconne-news.com. Noon - Youth Girls' Basketball Camp/WHS Gym. 1 p.m. - Movie Day/Unbreakable Boy/Public Library. 2 p.m. - Youth Boys' Basketball Camp/WHS Gym.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO RESCIND AND RECREATE CHAPTER 310 THE ZONING CODE OF THE TOWN OF WINNECONNE

The Town Board of the Town of Winneconne will hold a Public Hearing at the Winneconne Town Hall, 6494 County Rd. M, Winneconne on Thursday, July 17, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of rescinding and recreating Chapter 310, Zoning Code of the Town of Winneconne.

A full copy of the proposed Chapter 310 is available for inspection at the office of the Town Clerk, 6494 County Rd. M, Winneconne during the following hours: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00p.m.

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Yvonne Zobel, Clerk

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Winneconne FFA travels to state convention

By Madelyn Melby

Winneconne FFA Reporter

A group of 13 Winneconne FFA members and two FFA advisors traveled June 9 to 12 to Madison to participate in the 96th annual Wisconsin State FFA Convention.

This convention included various activities that FFA members from all over the state got to be a part of. These activities included general sessions, workshops, agricultural career fair and more.

Lindsey Mathison and Hailey Domke represented the chapter as official delegates during the convention. As delegates, they provided votes on state level resolutions. Also, Mathison was honored with the Three Star Leader Award. This award is given to FFA members who make positive impacts in their chapter, use and initiate leadership skills in activities, and positively influence the school and community.

Four Winneconne FFA members earned and received their State FFA Degree. These members included Addie Gilson, Ryan Welwitschia, Kat Skadahl and Elyse Brehmer. On the state level, this degree is the highest degree an FFA member can earn.

Winneconne FFA Supporter Mark Kunde received his Honorary State Degree as well. This degree is selectively awarded to individuals who provide outstanding service and contributions to the FFA.

Ryan Selwitschka and Layne Fox were selected and performed with the



Submitted photo

Members of the Winneconne FFA Chapter participated in the 2025 State FFA Convention.

Wisconsin State FFA Band at the convention. They will also be performing with the same group at the Wisconsin State Fair in August.

Madelyn Melby entered the State Art Contest with a drawing of the Melby/Karpinski Farm Grain Harvest and earned a blue ribbon. Melby also carried the Winneconne FFA Chapter Flag in the Flag Ceremony in the Convention Opening Session Flag Proces-

sional.

Chapter advisor Jim Melby celebrated with his teammates from the 1999-2000 Wisconsin State FFA Officer Team. They were recognized for reaching their 25th anniversary. The officer team participated in the fifth general session during opening ceremonies and ran through the tunnel with the current State FFA Officer Team.

The 2024-2025 Winneconne FFA

Scrapbook was submitted and received a gold ranking. Brehmer, the 2024-2025 Winneconne FFA Chapter reporter, worked throughout the year on putting the scrapbook together.

The Winneconne FFA Chapter was also recognized as a Silver Rated Chapter in the National Chapter Award Area. This award recognizes Winneconne's standing as one of the premier FFA chapters in The Badger State.

This is going to be a blast.

4th of July Festivities in Oshkosh... picture perfect.

NEW! Fireworks will be launched from Ames Point this year! Rain date for the fireworks show is Sat, July 5.



Parade

9am
The Annual Oshkosh 4th of July parade will kick off from Waugoo Ave and N Main St, traveling north on Main and east on Irving Ave, ending at Hazel St.

Menominee Park July 4 Festivities

Continue your tradition of spending the day with family and friends at Menominee Park!

Menominee Park Zoo

9am-6pm
Children's Amusement Center 11am-7 pm

Food Truck Rally
20+ food trucks throughout the park from 3-10pm

Reetz Ball Diamonds Concessions 3-10pm

Lakefly Cafe 11am-6 pm

Festival Foods
Fireworks Show
Begins at Dusk!



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