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Celebrating teachers at Kelch Aviation Museum

World Teacher's Day was Oct. 5, and at Kelch Aviation Museum they celebrated the amazing teachers who inspire, support, and educate folks of all ages around the world. At right, Executive Director Pat Weeden makes the basics of flight fun for a school group. This is one of many ways teachers have made a difference at the museum. Other ways the museum has taught children are: organizing and leading dozens of school tours ages K to 12; adapting displays, tours, and spaces for all-ages, all-abilities inclusivity; demonstrating aerodynamics with their wind tunnel; teaching rocketry principles with their hands-on rocket activity; creating flight path projection simulations to teach and explore engineering skills; interacting with hundreds of kids at aviation education events; and offering information about aviation opportunities and careers to girls and minorities.



Volunteer Michael John shows young visitors how to launch paper rockets along with the basics of aerodynamic principles at Kelch Aviation Museum.

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Humane Society offers \$50 adoption fees

The Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin will offer \$50 adoption fees from now through Sunday, Oct. 15 thanks to the Bissell Pet Foundation's #EmptyTheShelters national adoption event.

Adoption fees will be \$50 for most dogs six months and older and adult cats. Bissell Pet Foundation will sponsor the difference.

The special adoption price will only apply to pets at the main shelter location at 4700 S County Trunk G, Janesville and foster homes.

Additional fees such as city of Janesville licensing, cat carrier, leash and collar are not included, and adopters are still required to complete a standard adoption application.

Bissell Pet Foundation's

"Empty the Shelters" event is the largest funded adoption event in the country. With a goal of encouraging more families to choose adoption, this lifesaving effort has helped more than 190,000 pets find loving homes since 2016. As their largest program, a total of 687 animal welfare organizations in 49 states and Canada have participated throughout the years. During the quarterly national events, an average of 1,225 shelter pets are adopted each day.

"Our nation's animal shelters are facing an overcrowding crisis unlike anything we have experienced in more than a decade. The devastating increase in owner surrenders and stray intakes has left tens of thousands of socialized, house-

trained, and leash-trained pets desperate to find a home," said Cathy Bissell, founder of Bissell Pet Foundation. "Our fall national 'Empty the Shelters' will support the adoption of thousands of pets across the country, helping shelters in this critical time. Opening your home to a shelter pet saves a life and creates space to give another pet a chance."

Due to the frequent turnover of available pets at HSSW during the week of the "Empty the Shelters" event, potential adopters are encouraged to regularly check the website, which is always up to date: www.PetsGoHome.org/adopt

For more information, please contact Kaitie Swedlund at kswedlund@petsgo-home.org.

Haunted RCHS program to reveal historical paranormal evidence

The Rock County Historical Society (RCHS) is partnering with the Society for Anomalous Studies (SAS) to present "Rock County Historical Hauntings," a program that explores paranormal findings in Rock County.

The presentation will be offered at 7 p.m. on Oct. 11, and again at 7 p.m. on Oct. 25. Each of the 90-minute pro-

grams will be held at the Tallman Carriage House, 440 N. Jackson Street in Janesville.

SAS, a Janesville-based paranormal research team, will share the history, their stories, and the paranormal evidence they have captured from the many locations they have investigated in Rock County. Some of the historic buildings they have explored include

the Main Hall in Milton, the Hanchett-Bartlett Homestead in Beloit, and Janesville's Veterans of Foreign Wars clubhouse. The evening will conclude with a look into the haunted happenings they have captured at the Lincoln-Tallman Museum.

Join SAS and RCHS for

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Candlelight vigil sheds light on the darkness of domestic violence

In an effort to raise awareness about the issues of domestic violence and honor survivors and victims, Family Services of Southern Wisconsin's DEFY program is hosting a Candlelight Vigil on Thursday, Oct. 19 at the Harry C Moore Pavilion at 1240 Riverside Drive, Beloit, beginning at 7 p.m.

This event is open to the public and aims to bring together community members, advocates, and allies to reflect on the impact of domestic violence. Refreshments will be served and are sponsored by Ms. Connie Holmes of Bu2bfull Hypnosis and Coaching.

Domestic violence affects individuals and families across all walks of life, leaving physical and emotional scars that can last a lifetime. It is a pervasive issue that knows no boundaries, affecting people of all genders, ages, races, and socioeconomic backgrounds. The candlelight vigil is an opportunity for the community to unite and send a powerful message that domestic violence will not be tolerated, and survivors will be supported.

For any who would like to take part in this important event or learn more about domestic violence and the support services offered by Family Services, please join in. Together all of us can shine a light on domestic violence and collectively work towards its eradication.

Family Services will provide free luminaries for anyone wishing to honor their loved one or themselves. The program will conclude with a roll call of names, first names only, to be honored with the lighting of the luminaries. If interested in a luminary for oneself or a loved one, please contact Paige Allen at pallen@sarpwi.com for details and how to participate.

For more information about Family Services and the program, please contact them at 608-365-1244 or visit the website at www.familyservices1.org.



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The Columbia Energy Storage Project would utilize an innovative design by Energy Dome to deliver 10 hours of energy storage capacity by compressing carbon dioxide gas into a liquid. The facility will be built south of Portage in the town of Pacific, near the current Columbia Energy Center.

First of its kind energy project in U.S. expected to be constructed in Wisconsin

Alliant Energy to receive federal grant for cutting-edge energy storage system

Columbia County in Wisconsin may soon be home to one of the most sustainable, advanced energy storage systems in the country, according to Alliant Energy.

Recently, the company announced it has been selected for a grant of up to approxi-

mately \$30 million from the U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations (OCED) for a proposed 200-megawatt hour energy storage system.

Alliant Energy's new battery system, known as the Columbia Energy Storage

Project, would be the first-of-its-kind in the United States and represents a significant advancement toward a more sustainable, reliable and cost-effective energy future.

"Guided by our purpose-driven strategy, we continue to invest in cost-effective, sustainable energy solutions for the customers and communities we proudly serve," said John Larsen, board chair and CEO of Alliant Energy. "As we diversify our energy mix, the added capacity and unique capabilities of energy storage solutions will strengthen our generation portfolio, increase grid resilience, improve reliability and help us continue to meet customer needs. We appreciate the DOE's support and investment in this advanced energy storage technology."

The Columbia Energy Storage Project would utilize an innovative design by Energy Dome to deliver 10 hours of energy storage capacity by compressing carbon dioxide (CO2) gas into a liquid. When that energy is needed, the system converts the liquid CO2 back to a gas which powers a turbine to create electricity. This highly efficient, zero-emissions, closed loop battery system can power approximately 20,000 Wis-

consin homes.

According to Larsen, the unique design and capabilities of this energy storage system aligns with the company's Clean Energy Vision goals while delivering incredible value to customers. He notes, "The Columbia Energy Storage Project is just one way we are investing in the communities we serve while building a stronger, smarter and more sustainable energy future."

Development of the Columbia Energy Storage Project is being led by Alliant Energy in partnership with WEC Energy Group, Madison Gas and Electric, Shell Global Solutions US, Electric Power Research Institute, UW-Madison and Madison College.

The facility will be built south of Portage, in the town of Pacific, near the current Columbia Energy Center. Alliant Energy expects to submit project plans to the Wisconsin Public Service Commission in the first half of 2024.

Pending approval, project construction could begin in 2025 with completion in 2026. For more information on Alliant Energy's energy storage projects, visit alliantenergy.com/battery.

Obituary

MARY SEVERSON

Mary Louise Severson, age 88, passed away on Oct. 7, 2023.

Mary was born on June 12, 1935, in Brodhead, the daughter of Orson and Elma (Richards) Robertson Sr. She married Kenneth Severson on Nov. 20, 1954, in Renton, Wash.

Mary worked in the medical office of Dr. Stuessy in Brodhead for over 15 years before retiring from the Green County Bank in Brodhead after 22 years in 1996. Mary enjoyed golfing, playing Bridge, watching the Green Bay Packers and UW Badger football teams and beating the pants off everyone in Yahtzee. Mary was also a member of the Brodhead Optimist Club and the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Brodhead.

Mary is survived by her two children, Kurt (Terri) Severson and Carmen Davies; two grandchildren, Carson (Kiza) Davies and Kyra (Kyle) Marshall; several great grandchildren; three sisters, Lois Draney, Eva Penniston and Nancy Gleason and many



other nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents, her husband,

Kenneth in 2010; a great grandson, Kai Davies and 8 siblings, Jeanette Robertson, Charlotte Johnson, Bernette Robertson, Goldie Brugger, Charles Robertson, Orson Robertson Jr., Merle Robertson and Dorothy Provoast.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be directed to the family in her memory.

Funeral services will be held at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 405 E. 9th Ave. in Brodhead on Friday, Oct. 13, at 11 a.m. A visitation will also be held at the church on Friday from 9 a.m. until the time of services. Burial will conclude at the Greenwood Cemetery in Brodhead with a luncheon following at Bethlehem Lutheran Church. The DL Newcomer Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements.

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Students judging in a soil pit. The 2023 Green County Land Judging Contest was held Sept. 27 at the Nick Hartwig farm north of Monroe along Hwy. 81.



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The Juda team received third place. From left to right: Grace Gold, Katie Brooks, Micheal Hosch, and Brilley Swedlund.

Green County land judging contests held in Monroe

The 2023 Green County Land Judging Contest was held Wednesday, Sept. 27, at the Nick Hartwig farm, located on the northside of Monroe along Hwy. 81.

Those participating were FFA students from Bay Port, Beaver Dam, Blackhawk, Cassville, Cuba City, Dodgeville, Evansville, Fenni-

more, Juda, Lancaster, Milton, Monticello, Mt. Horeb, Pecatonica, Platteville, Potosi, Prairie du Chien, River Ridge, Seneca, and Shullsburg. There were a total of 180 students.

The students reviewed four soil pits and determined the position in landscape, slope of the field, determined type

and degree of erosion or if there is deposition, evaluated soil properties, such as texture, structure, and drainage, estimated slope, ranked land classes, observed soil limitations, checked for invasive species, and recommended conservation practices. Soils ranged from silt loam to sand to clay, which made for a very

challenging contest. A perfect score for the contest is 400 and only 3 of the 180 students got a score of over 300.

The results are as follows: top individual was Sydney Recker of Potosi, second place went to Aiden Uppe-na of Potosi, third was Reid Stalsberg of Fennimore, fourth was Brendon Jentz of

River Ridge, and fifth place went to Havanna Jantzen of Potosi. In team results, Potosi placed first, Fennimore second, Juda third, River Ridge fourth, and Monticello fifth.

A thank you goes to Rufer and Son for digging the pits for the contest. Jeff Deniger of the Natural Resources Conservation Service was the

official judge of the contest. Local Land and Water Conservation staff Tonya Gratz, Tess Wallner, and Todd Jensen, as well as local NRCS staff Emily Colson, Ashley Letcher, Chelsea Gruber, and Kristin Fischer ran the contest. And a final thank you to Nick Hartwig for agreeing to host the contest.



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RCHS retiree honored

On Sept. 29, Sen. Mark Spreitzer visited the Rock County Historical Society and helped present Stan Milam a legislative citation with Rep. Sue Conley. Stan's tireless work in the community will be remembered for years to come, and everyone there wished him the very best during his well-deserved retirement. Spreitzer thought it was also great to see Quint Studer and former Sen. Tim Cullen joining them for this special presentation. Both shared stories of their personal work with Stan over the years, and it was wonderful to have them join the event to help celebrate Stan.

State businesses see another worker's comp premium drop

Significant reduction is 8th straight annual savings; 10th in the last dozen years

Wisconsin businesses are enjoying an eighth straight year of savings in their worker's compensation insurance premiums as of Oct. 1.

The latest substantial rate reduction is an 8.4% drop, which the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD) estimates is worth nearly \$150 million in premium savings for state businesses.

The Worker's Compensation Ratings Bureau (WCRB), an unincorporated association of insurers recognized in Wisconsin law, proposes rate adjustments each year, and those proposed rates are reviewed and approved by the Wisconsin Commissioner of Insurance.

In the WCRB's 2022 State of the State, WCRB President Bernard Rosauer touted the announcement of the rate reduction taking effect: "The consecutive worker's compensation rate decreases are remarkable and are partially driven by important factors in which Wisconsin excels compared to

many other states. Wisconsin's results are partially driven by superior return to work, low litigation rates, low benefit delivery expenses, and superior (injured) worker satisfaction."

"Wisconsin's worker's compensation system continues to shine as a national success story for both businesses and workers," said Wisconsin Medical Society Chief Policy and Advocacy Officer Mark Grapentine, who is one of four health care liaisons to the Worker's Compensation Advisory Council (WCAC).

"Despite having a workplace injury rate worse than the national average, Wisconsin workers who get hurt doing their jobs return to the workplace quickly and satisfied with their care. That's a win-win for everyone in the system."

Despite the latest in a long string of cost reductions – the 10th drop in the last 12 years – business interest representatives to the WCAC are once again proposing a simplistic

health care fee schedule as a "cost savings."

Artificially reducing appropriate health care fees for services will make it much harder for the state's healers to take care of worker's compensation patients.

"There are reasons why Wisconsin's work comp system is a national model," said Wisconsin Hospital Association President and CEO Eric Borgerding. "Instead of copying systems like Medicaid that actually cause hospitals and providers to lose money on every patient visit, Wisconsin's system has remained much more fair for all involved: injured workers can get care quickly, health care providers are paid fairly, and businesses enjoy reductions in their premiums."

"We hear from our patients who were injured on the job that they are grateful for the excellent health care available to them through the worker's compensation program," noted John Murray, CEO of the

Wisconsin Chiropractic Association. "Policymakers should be very wary of another government rate-setting process designed to shift money to business despite their reduced premium costs."

"Tinkering with health care payments will cause some providers to reduce their participation in the program," Murray said. "That's what the data from other states show so clearly."

"Rolling the dice with a system that works doesn't make sense," added Annie Early, government affairs consultant for the Wisconsin Chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association. "Especially when it puts at risk injured workers' treatment and care, worker satisfaction, and Wisconsin's excellent return to work rates."

The Wisconsin Legislature is expected to consider changes to the Worker's Compensation program before they adjourn the current legislative session in spring of 2024.

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Left: This old-fashioned hearse was pulled by horses. Right: A park phaeton was a sporty open carriage.

Go back in time at carriage show

All are welcome to attend a carriage show from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 14 on the campus of the beautiful Rock County Historical Society, 440 N Jackson Street in Janesville. There is no charge for the event.

Held in partnership with the Dairyland Driving Club, a host of carriage owners will be at the show to display and talk about their historic carriages. All types of carriages will be on display, including cutters and even a hearse carriage.

The Visitor Center and Gift Shop, including the Rock County Legacies Museum: The People of Janesville's General Motors, will also be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more tour information, including pricing, please visit rchs.us.

borhood, the Rock County Historical Society's mission is to bridge past and present through capturing and sharing stories about Rock County, Wisconsin. Its sites include the award-winning Lincoln-Tallman House, Helen Jeffris Wood Museum Center, RCHS Archives and Preservation Facility, Tallman Carriage House, Wilson King Stonehouse, and the Frances Willard Schoolhouse.



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One of the many carriages on display is a cutter sleigh meant for racing.

Bring the family, take photos, and plan to attend this fun and educational event.

About RCHS

The Lincoln-Tallman Museum will be open for tours on Oct. 14 from 10 a.m. to

4 p.m. Home to six uniquely different historic sites on a 3.5-acre campus in the historic Look West Neighborhood, the Rock County Historical Society's mission is to bridge past and present through capturing and sharing stories about Rock

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this educational and at times chilling presentation. Tickets are \$15 general admission and \$10 for RCHS members. To purchase tickets, please call RCHS at 608-756-4509, ext. 1005. Tickets will also be available at the door. All proceeds for the event will benefit RCHS.

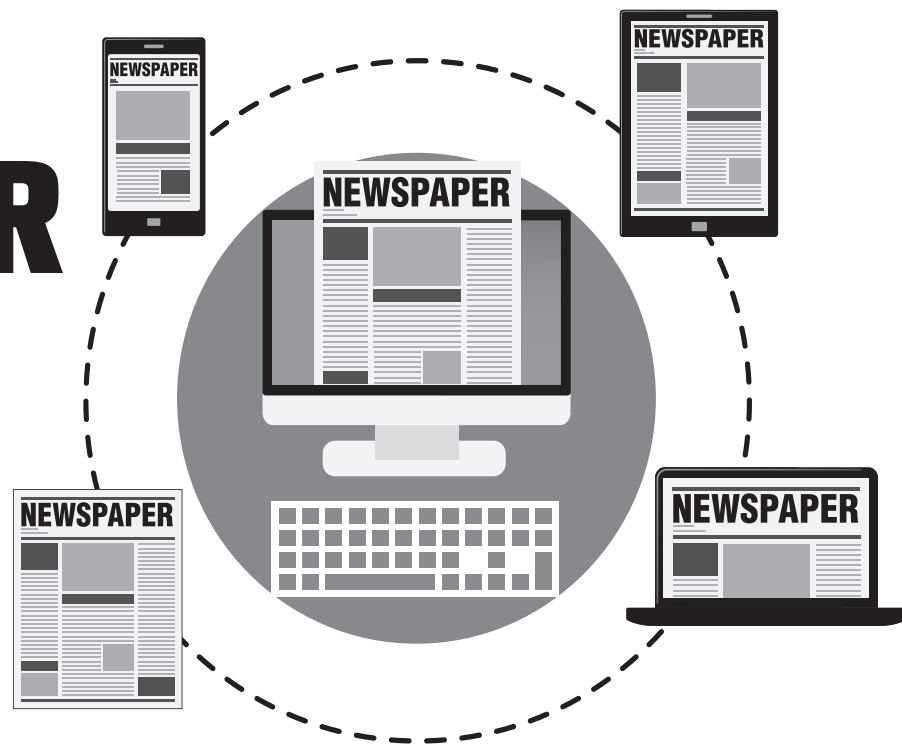
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Gov. Evers proclaims National Disability Employment Awareness Month in October

Recognizes employers for diversity hiring practices

Gov. Tony Evers has proclaimed October as National Disability Employment Awareness Month in Wisconsin to acknowledge the vital role people with disabilities play in supporting and enhancing the state economy.

“Wisconsin employers that recruit, retain, and support the success of workers of various abilities are serving as good examples for others to follow,” Gov. Evers said. “We want to help all Wisconsin employers build a workforce that reflects the diversity of our state, and we believe that when we all work together, we can create a more inclusive and equitable Wisconsin for everyone.”

On Thursday, Oct. 5, the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD) recognized SKCO McDonald’s of West Allis as an exemplary employer for its diverse and inclusive hiring practices that welcome individuals with disabilities into the workplace. The company’s seven locations across the greater Milwaukee area have hired 20 people with disabilities in the past year.

The exemplary employer award from Gov. Evers is one of more than two dozen being presented this month to Wisconsin employers. The awards celebrate the employers’ outstanding efforts to recruit and hire people with disabilities, and they encourage other businesses to provide opportunities for this skilled, dedicated, and capable workforce.

“Exemplary employers demonstrate that hiring people with disabilities is not only the right thing to do, but it’s good for business, too,” DWD Secretary Amy Pechacek said. “We applaud the positive impacts that exemplary employers such as SKCO McDonald’s are having on our state’s communi-

ties, workforce and economy.”

All Wisconsin employers are encouraged to reach out to DWD’s Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) to meet with a local Business Services Consultant who can connect them with a variety of free resources to help recruit and hire people with disabilities, build staff diversity, and retain well-trained employees.

DVR helped over 3,350 Wisconsin residents with disabilities find work over the past year. Individuals with a disability looking for ways to find a job, keep a job, or get a better job are encouraged to contact DVR at 800-262-0050, visit a local DVR office, or visit the DVR website.

New job training

To help provide employers with educational resources to diversify their workplace and create work environments that help retain employees, and to give employees information about their rights and responsibilities in the workforce, the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development’s Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) has created new online accommodation trainings for employers, workers, and job seekers.

The Accommodation Training Library consists of brief, informational videos that cover topics, including hiring people with disabilities, the reasonable accommodation process, disclosing a disability, disability discrimination, and other topics related to employment law. The new accommodation training videos can be found on the DWD Career Pathways website.

The videos were created as part of a U.S. Department of Education Career Pathways Advancement (CPA) Initiative grant awarded to DVR in 2021. The CPA Initiative is allowing DVR to create resources and opportunities to support DVR consumers as they advance in their careers.



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Hwy 11 could be renamed after Orfordville soldier

On Sept. 27, the Senate Committee on Transportation held a public hearing on the bipartisan bill to rename Highway 11 after Corporal Benjamin Neal of Orfordville. Corporal Neal is an American hero who served the country in the U.S. Army and was killed in action in 2012. Rep. Clinton Anderson, left, and Sen. Mark Spreitzer, right, testified in support of the bill in committee. Spreitzer also wants to recognize the ongoing and passionate advocacy of Post Commander Kurt Stuvengen of Orfordville American Legion Post 209. The bill has been scheduled for an upcoming Senate committee vote to advance the bill out of committee and before the full Senate.

Uzbekistan trade team learns about Wisconsin soybeans, dairy industry

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Soybean meal is traditionally a staple of poultry and swine operations throughout the United States. But in dairy-rich Wisconsin, tradition is flipped on its head.

That’s why bringing a dairy-focused trade team from Uzbekistan isn’t as big of a head scratcher as some might find it to be.

“You’d traditionally bring in a poultry trade team in cases like this,” said Adam Kask, manager of strategic programs for the Wisconsin Soybean Marketing Board. “However, our farmer leaders are very supportive of agriculture throughout the state.”

While poultry, swine and turkeys consume the majority of soybean meal in the United States, that isn’t the case in Wisconsin. According to the Soybean Meal Info Center, livestock consumed 679 thousand tons of the state’s soymeal in 2021. Of that, dairy accounted for 58%, followed by broilers (17%), layers (9%), turkeys (7%), swine (6%) and beef (2%).

The trade team is the first in a larger project to increase

Wisconsin soybean exports to Uzbekistan. In 2024, WSMB will join a regional project to showcase Wisconsin soybean farmers, its strong ports and infrastructure and the quality of soybeans grown in the state.

Uzbekistan, a landlocked

country, has strong poultry

and a growing dairy industry. In 2022, the first shipment of U.S. soybean meal, 700 metric tons, reached Uzbekistan via the St. Lawrence Seaway. The waterway is the perfect outlet between the two countries for upper-Midwest soy-

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“The Marketing Board does a great job assessing new projects and looking for opportunities for Wisconsin soybeans,” Kask said. “We look forward to seeing how this project progresses with our friends from Uzbekistan.”

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Local legislators tour large solar project

On Oct. 2, Sen. Mark Spreitzer toured Alliant Energy's newest large-scale solar development, the Paddock Solar Project in Beloit. Slated to finish construction by the end of the year, the solar field is in its final stages of construction. It was great

to tour the project with legislators from around the state and representatives of the union workers building it. When completed, the project will generate enough power for around 17,000 homes through the 150,000 solar panels installed on site.

DNR announces 2024 wild turkey, pheasant and waterfowl stamp design contest winners

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) recently announced the winners of the 2024 Wisconsin wild turkey, pheasant and waterfowl stamp design contest. Many talented wildlife artists from around the state have submitted over 30 pieces for judging, which took place on Aug. 26 at the Wisconsin Waterfowl Expo in Oshkosh.

Each year, talented Wisconsin wildlife artists enter to have their paintings featured on the next renditions of the wild turkey, pheasant and waterfowl stamps, which are available for purchase through Go Wild and license agents. By purchasing stamps, hunters, conservationists and stamp collectors fund habitat management and restoration around the state.

While hunters are required to purchase stamps to pursue these birds, anyone interested in sup-

porting grassland, wetland and forest management activities is encouraged to purchase a Wisconsin wild turkey, pheasant or waterfowl stamp to support conservation in the state.

This year's judges were Paul Smith, an outdoor news writer for the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, Mark Kakatsch from the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation and Bill Koelpin, Jr., a professional wildlife artist.

Kenosha resident Jim Tostrud won first place in this year's wild turkey stamp competition with a portrait featuring a close-up of a gobbling tom. Tostrud has been an avid outdoorsman, turkey hunter and a professional wildlife artist for much of his life and he has competed in Wisconsin's salmon and trout stamp contests in prior years as well.

Robert Wilkens of New Holstein took first place in the pheasant design contest with artwork depicting a rooster pheasant in the snow. Wilkens has been creating wildlife artwork since he was approximately 18 years old. His interest in wildlife stamp design contests began with the federal duck stamp

competition and has only grown since. Wilkens has won Wisconsin wildlife stamp design contests in the past, along with the Wisconsin trout stamp contest.

Ryan Rickaby of Suamico took first place in the waterfowl design contest with a portrait of a lone blue-winged teal. Rickaby has a passion for the outdoors including wildlife photography. In fact, the inspiration for his painting came from a photo he had previously taken. Rickaby inherited his passion for wildlife art from his father, Jon Rickaby,

who himself has previously won Wisconsin wildlife stamp contests.

Robert Wilkens of New Holstein won second place in the wild turkey design contest and third place in the waterfowl design contest. Robert Andrea of Spooner won second place for the pheasant design contest and Robert Luem of Holmen won third place. James Pieper of Iron Ridge won second place in the waterfowl design contest and Mark Kanitz of Markesan won third place in the wild turkey de-

sign contest.

Please note that an electronic "stamp approval" is printed on the licenses of wild turkey, pheasant and waterfowl hunters at the time of purchase. Customers will not receive an actual stamp except upon request. To obtain a physical copy of a stamp, visit the DNR's page on wildlife and fish collector stamps or go to any open DNR Service Center.

For more information regarding Wisconsin's wildlife stamps, visit the DNR's website.



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Hunting webpage offers one-stop shop for hunting resources

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) reminds hunters that the DNR's Hunting webpage is a one-stop shop for everything a hunter needs to know before heading afield this season.

Hunters can find relevant information on hunting regulations, hours, public lands and more on the mobile-friendly webpages. Hunters can also register harvests on GameReg, the DNR's online game registration system.

Here's what hunters can find:

- Go Wild! – Buying a license is the first step to hunting this fall. If they haven't already, hunters should buy their hunting licenses online on the Go Wild website (or in person at a license agent). Bonus harvest authorizations can also be purchased through Go Wild.
- Hunting Regulations and

Hours – The Fall 2023 to Spring 2024 Combined Hunting Regulations pamphlet is available online now, which includes hunting hours for the northern and southern parts of the state. View a map of the zones on this webpage.

• Lands – Hunting is allowed on many of the DNR's public properties. Additionally, some private lands are open to public hunting through programs like the Voluntary Public Access program, and they can all be found on the maps on this webpage.

• Safety Education – Whether new to hunting or wanting a refresher before the season, this hunter education-themed page connects hunters to hunter safety resources. The DNR especially recommends the Learn to Hunt classes for newer hunters.

count – If it's a hunter's first time hunting (or their first time in the last decade), they can receive a discount on their hunting license this year. Don't miss this opportunity.

• Season Dates and Application Deadlines – Hunters can look through the season dates for all game species and print a handout for easy reference.

In June, the DNR announced the retirement of the Hunt Wild app, pushed a notification through the app, and directly emailed all users who registered an account with Hunt Wild.

In case anyone missed those messages or has automatic updates turned off, the DNR encourages hunters to use the mobile-friendly hunting resources above. Most of these resources are also downloadable for offline access.

LEGAL NOTICES

GREEN COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that on Monday, October 30, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in County Board Room, of the Historic Green County Courthouse, 1016 16th Avenue, a Public Hearing on the annual reports for the Broughton Drainage District, Decatur Drainage District, Green County Drainage District #1 and Green County Drainage District #2 will be held. All interested citizens are invited to attend.

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VILLAGE OF ORFORDVILLE Planning Commission Meeting

The Planning Commission for the Village of Orfordville will meet on Wednesday, October 18th at 6:00 p.m. at the Village Hall at 303 E. Beloit Street for two applications. Applicant Zach Knutson of NG Mill Valley Land LLC, is requesting to have zero lot line duplexes at 309 and 311 Teri Lee Lane, Orfordville, Wisconsin. Property is located in the Mill Valley Subdivision. Applicant Brian Bowditch of MBNAB LLC, is requesting to review his Conditional Use Application to add purchased property at 737 Genesis Drive, Orfordville, Wisconsin. The Planning Commission will make a recommendation to the Village Board which will be heard at the Regular Board Meeting on Monday, October 23, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Vil-

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Sherri Waeye Village Clerk

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Public Hearing will be held by the City of Brodhead Board of Appeals on **Tuesday, October 24, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.** in the Brodhead City Hall, 1111 W. 2nd Avenue, Brodhead, to consider the following request for variance to the zoning/building codes:

Request by Aaron Wuthrich & Jerry Elmer for a variance to the vacant lots on the corner of 21st Street & W 4th Avenue. The applicant is requesting the rear building setback to be reduced from the required 40 feet to 10 feet. This would allow each business to operate independently. Legal description is: **CSM 2167 (V7-P130) LOT 3 BNG LOT 7 & PRT LOT 5 BLK 235 OP; CSM 2167 (V7-P130) LOT 2 BNG PRT LOT 3 & N 44 FT LOT 5 BLK 235 OP; CSM 2167 (V7-P130) LOT 1 BNG PRT LOTS 1 & 3 BLK 235 OP; CSM 3556 (V13-P199) LOT 1 BNG PRT LOT 4 CSM 2167, BLK 235 OP; CSM 3556 (V13-P199) LOT 2 BNG PRT LOT 4 CSM 2167, BLK 235 OP; CSM 3556 (V13-P199) LOT 3 BNG PRT LOT 4 CSM 2167, BLK 235 OP.**

All persons, their agents or attorneys will be given an opportunity to be heard in relation thereto.

Nikolai Wahl, City Clerk City of Brodhead

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