



# THS highlights impacts of partnerships between tech ed classes, local businesses

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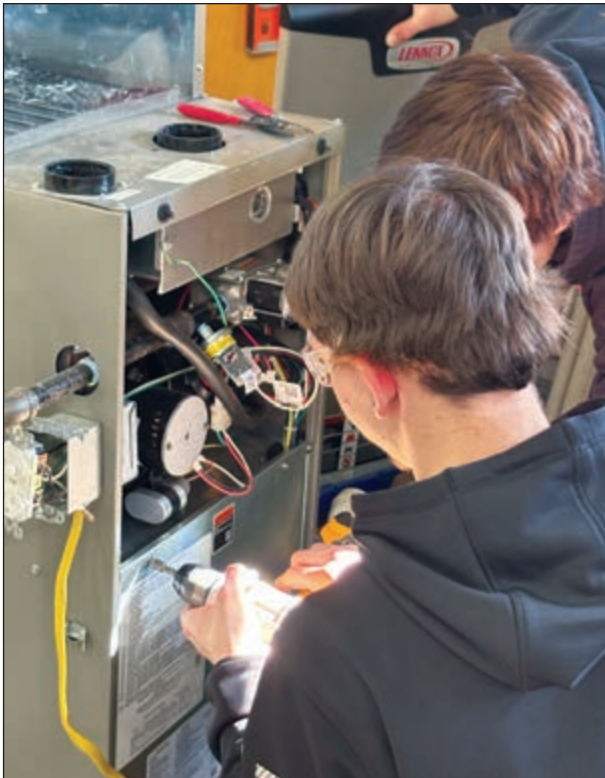
TOMAHAWK – Last week, Tomahawk High School (THS) shined a light on partnerships between its technology education classes and local businesses and how these collaborations impact students.

Technology Education Instructor Andy Peissig explained that by working with area industry professionals, such as Myre Electric, DM Plumbing and Home Comfort Systems, THS's curriculum goes beyond traditional classroom learning and empowers students with hands-on technical skills through its dedicated training programs focused on electrical work and plumbing, as well as heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC).

Peissig said the courses “provide students with the practical knowledge and experience needed to thrive in critical trades, positioning them for successful careers in high-demand industries.”

“Students engage in real-world training, where they master the fundamentals of electrical systems, plumbing repairs and installs and HVAC installations and maintenance,” he stated. “This experience equips them with not only technical expertise, but also problem-solving abilities that are crucial for each field.”

In addition to technical skills, Peissig noted, the programs emphasize safe-



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ty standards and effective communication, “both essential for any trade.”

Graduates are well-prepared to enter the workforce immediately or pursue further certification, contributing to the growing demand for skilled professionals in the local community and beyond, he added.

“A special thank you goes out to Ricky Myre, Don McMeekin and Eric Lear,” Peissig said. “Without their support and drive to pass on these skills, the curriculum would not be where it is today.”



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Pictured, from left, are 2024 Member of the Year nominees Wayne Kinnally, Russ Berg and Phil Puestow.

Jackie and Brian Luttrupp

Dakota Jelinek

Paul Scheffler

Tom Gohre

Photos courtesy of the Nokomis Volunteer Fire Department

# Nokomis Volunteer Fire Department holds annual ‘Mary’s Dinner’ awards ceremony

**FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER**

TOMAHAWK – The Nokomis Volunteer Fire Department recently held its annual awards ceremony, where members and volunteers were recognized for their service.

Each year, the department holds “Mary’s Dinner,” named after Mary Muckerheide, a medical first responder on the department from 1993 until her passing in 2002. Muckerheide left an endowment

fund to be used for an annual banquet for member socialization and recognition.

This year’s dinner was held at the Loop Hole Bar in Tomahawk on Sunday, April 27.

Individuals nominated for 2024 Member of the Year were Wayne Kinnally, Russell Berg and Phil Puestow. Department members voted in March, and it was announced during the ceremony that Berg received the honor.

The department also

gave out its Booster Award, which goes to a non-department member who stepped up the help the department. Members this year selected Jackie and Brian Luttrupp, owners of The Loop Hole Bar, for their support and for including the department in a variety of community events throughout 2024.

Two retirees – Paul Scheffler, with 27 years of service, and Tom Gohre, with 13 years – were honored during the dinner.

The department revived its Hoser Award this year, which the department said in a Facebook post is “respectfully awarded to a member that had some kind of ‘oopsie’ learning experience worthy of mention.”

“Without going into details, Dakota ‘Bumper Bender’ Jelinek won the award this year,” the department stated. “The plaque reads, ‘The recipients of this yearly award have provided some memorable moments

that we would rather not remember.’”

The department said attendees enjoyed a video, put together by Jelinek, highlighting trainings, calls and events from last year.

“Many thanks to Jackie and Brian, along with the staff at The Loop Hole, for an amazing dinner and wonderful evening,” the department stated. “We also want to thank local businesses that donated door prizes for the dinner: The

Windmill Ice Cream Shoppe, Kwik Trip (Tomahawk), Trig’s Tomahawk, Kracker Barrel and Ingman’s Service LLC. We appreciate your support of our department and our members.”

The department noted that it currently has roster spots available. To learn more, contact the department by visiting [www.facebook.com/Nokomisvolfiredept/](http://www.facebook.com/Nokomisvolfiredept/); or by calling Chief Joe Jelinek at 715-612-0447 or Beth Lekfield at 715-453-1381.

## LINCOLN COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

As reported by the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office Monday, April 28:

On 4/21/2025 a deputy on patrol stopped a vehicle on CTH Q near CTH K in the Town of Scott for a traffic violation. In making contact with the driver, a Merrill female, 17, the deputy noticed signs of impairment. The deputy requested the driver perform some sobriety tests, which she agreed to do. As a result of those tests, the driver was placed under arrest for a first offense OWI. She was later released to her mother.

On 4/22/2025 deputies were sent to the area of Joe Snow Rd. and Scott Rd. in the Town of Scott for a report of a vehicle in the ditch. Upon arrival and making contact with the driver, a Merrill woman, 26, the deputy noticed signs of impairment. The deputy then requested the driver do sobriety tests, which she agreed to do. As a result of those tests, the driver

was placed under arrest for a second offense of OWI. The driver was later booked into the Lincoln County Jail.

On 04/23/2025 deputies were dispatched to the Lokemoen boat landing for a fisherman's worst nightmare. The Sheriff's Office received a call of a vehicle, along with a boat and trailer, submerged in the Wisconsin River. According to the deputy who responded, the owner, a Black Creek man, 58, was attempting to put his boat in the water when he backed up a little too far and his truck hit a slippery spot that prevented the vehicle from gaining traction and drive back out of the water. As a result, a wrecker was needed to recover the unit, along with the boat and trailer. No injuries were reported.

On 04/26/2025 deputies were sent to the area of the N5900 block of STH 17 in the Town of

Russell for a motor vehicle crash. It was further reported to the Sheriff's Office that a truck had gone off the road and struck a tree. As first responders arrived on scene, they reported that it appeared as though the driver, a Gleason man, 63, was impaired. When a deputy arrived on scene, he noticed signs of impairment and requested the driver to do some sobriety tests. The deputy reported that the driver was cooperative with the tests, but appeared to be so impaired that he just couldn't do them. The driver was arrested for a first offense OWI. He was unable to find a responsible party to pick him up, so he was held at the Lincoln County Jail for 12 hours.

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Mother’s Day!

Dear Reader,

Mother’s Day is upon us—a moment to pause and honor the women who gave us life, love, and guidance. Each of us owes our existence to a mother, through whom, by the grace of God, we came into this world. In that miraculous birth was a sacred gift: a bond of love that begins even before we take our first breath.

The umbilical cord may be cut at birth, freeing us to pursue our own paths, yet the connection to our mothers never truly ends. It lives on in her care, her wisdom, her sacrifices, and in the quiet ways she has helped shape our lives.

To have a mother—or to have had one—is an infinite blessing. From the moment of our conception, her presence, seen or unseen, known or unknown, is a source of strength and grace that remains with us forever.

So this Mother’s Day, take a moment to celebrate your mother—whether with a gift, a word of thanks, a loving gesture, or a prayer whispered in her memory. Whether she is near or far, here or gone, let your heart speak.

And to all the mothers out there—please take a bow. You are the quiet heroines of the human story. Have a joyful and well-deserved Mother’s Day.

PATRICK J. WOOD

Publisher

Author of “Reflections” a new book now available on Amazon.



BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

A son, Henry Scott, was born to Megan and Tristan Turner, Tomahawk, on Friday, April 25, 2025. He was born at 10:35 a.m., weighed five pounds, 12 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Lincoln County residents encouraged to take part in Social Connection Challenge

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LINCOLN COUNTY – In recognition of Mental Health Month, the Healthy Minds for Lincoln County Coalition, Aspirus Merrill Hospital and the Lincoln County Health Department (LCHD) are encouraging county residents to join the Social Connection Challenge.

A release from LCHD said the challenge, which will take place through May and June, encourages community members to prioritize social connection by limiting screen time, reaching out to friends, family and neighbors, seeking opportunities to help others and finding ways to get involved in the community.

“When we have strong relationships and feel connected to others, our mental health improves,” LCHD stated. “Even the smallest of actions can make a difference and help provide meaning and purpose in our lives.”

LCHD said the public can take part by picking up a challenge form at the Toma-



hawk Public Library, 300 W. Lincoln Ave., Tomahawk; the T.B. Scott Free Library, 106 1st St., Merrill; or LCHD, 607 N. Sales St., Suite 101, Merrill.

The form can also be accessed online and printed by visiting [www.bit.ly/LCConnectionChallenge](http://www.bit.ly/LCConnectionChallenge).

The challenge form includes a list of 65 ways to connect with others, LCHD explained. Once 20 activities are completed, forms can be dropped off at any of the pick-up locations or mailed to LCHD.

Participants must submit forms by Thursday, July 11 to be entered in a raffle to win a \$50.00 Tomahawk or Merrill Chamber gift certificate, which can be used at local businesses. There will be a total of 40 winners who will be contacted the week of Monday, July 21, according to LCHD.

“We know that social connection is essential to our mental health,” said Kristin Bath, LCHD Public Health Educator and Lead for the Healthy Minds Coalition. “We hope this challenge provides a fun way for families, friends and our community to become more connected and take part in activities that make us feel good and bring us together.”

News Briefs

**LCVSO holding Tomahawk visits through end of year**

Lincoln County Veterans Service Officer Matthew Pultz will be available at Tomahawk City Hall, 23 N. 2nd St., on Thursday, May 15, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Pultz will also be available at City Hall two Thursdays per month through the end of the year. Upcoming dates include Thursday, May 29; and Thursday, June 12. To schedule an appointment, call 715-539-1083.

**ICAC and sextortion presentation**

The School District of Tomahawk will host presentations, sponsored by the Oneida County Sheriff’s Office, on internet crimes against children and sextortion in the district auditorium on Wednesday, May 28. The middle school presentation will be held at 1 p.m., followed by the high school presentation at 2:10 and the families/parents presentation from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. The presentations will be suitable for all ages.


**Historical Society seeking volunteer greeters**

The Tomahawk Area Historical Society is seeking volunteer greeters for its two historical museums on E. Washington Ave. in Tomahawk. Museum hours are from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and

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OBITUARIES

Obituary updates are posted at [www.tomahawkleader.com](http://www.tomahawkleader.com)



**Dorothea Steppler Konkol** passed away peacefully on April 29, 2025, in Greenfield, Wis. The youngest of five children born to Fred and Eulalia (Doyle) Steppler, Dorothea had a happy childhood on the family farm in Highland, Wis. She was an accomplished musician and vocalist who attended Edgewood College in Madison. She graduated earning her Teacher’s Certificate from what is now the University of Wisconsin-Platteville.

After graduation, she went on an epic trip west to Montana (in her new Ford) with her siblings and treasured Uncle Paul Steppler. There she sang a long-remembered version of “The Indian Love Call” at a community dance at the Grange Hall near Polebridge, Mont. She returned to Wisconsin to begin her career, teaching high school in Augusta. She was younger than some of her students; she skipped a few grades in middle and high school and enrolled in double sessions in college, attending classes alongside soldiers who were returning from WWII.

Upon being hired as the traveling music teacher for the Country Day Schools throughout Jackson County, she moved to Black River Falls where she met her future husband Allan at breakfast at Hilda’s Café. She and Allan raised their daughters in West Allis where they were members of St. Rita’s parish. They lived briefly in Beaver Dam before moving to their retirement home on Killarney Lake near Tomahawk, after spending many summers and weekends at the A-frame they built in the Northwoods they loved.

Prior to moving to her retirement community in Greenfield, Dorothea lived once again in Black River Falls where she was known to enjoy a good book and a bowl of butternut squash soup. In Black River Falls (member, St. Joseph’s parish), she was grateful for the assistance and support she received from Interfaith Caregivers and their helpers. She considered herself blessed to live near and become friends with Rhonda Ammann and the entire Ammann family who she called “the best neighbors ever.”


Dorothea is survived by her daughters, Julie (husband, William and son, Will and partner, Bokai) and Karen (husband Devon) as well as cousins and many devoted (grand) nieces and nephews, all of whom she was very fond.

Dorothea’s family is grateful for the care provided mom in her later years by Jennifer, Renee M., Julie W., Jan, Eileen, Kelly, Alex, Bob, Ramona, Eddie, Karyn, Diab, Frank M. and the many aides in Spring House and helpers throughout Layton Terrace who, with their caring hearts, showed mom kindness every day. The family would like to especially thank Pam and Jim, Ann and Bob, Rhonda, Patty and Mary Lou. The family is grateful for Allay Hospice.

May Dorothea always be remembered as having a song in her heart.

The funeral services for Dorothea will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, May 7, 2025, at Guardian Angels St. Joseph’s Catholic Church in Black River Falls, Wis. A visitation will be held at the church from 10 a.m. until the time of the service. Burial will follow at Riverside Cemetery in Black River Falls, Wis.

Buswell Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.



**Joanne “Grandma Joan” P. Kasmierski**, age 86, of Tomahawk, passed away peacefully surrounded by family on Wednesday, April 30, 2025 at Milestone Senior Living in Tomahawk under the care of Aspirus Comfort Care and Hospice Services.

She was born on Feb. 24, 1939 in Chicago to the late Edward and Estelle (Kopaczewski) Mielicki. She grew up in the Chicago area and was a 1956 graduate of Lindblom Technical High School in Chicago, where she was in choir and drama. She loved dancing and singing and met her future husband Joseph Kasmierski while out dancing. They were later married on May 2, 1959; he passed away March 26, 1989.

She and Joe raised their five children with all of their names beginning with a J. She had her own beauty shop that she operated out of her dream house in Oak Lawn until she and Joe moved to Tomahawk to build and own Kas’s Lounge where, she graciously accepted the nickname “Ma Kas.” She finished her career as a cook at Sacred Heart Hospital in Tomahawk.

She loved to give back to her church family by baking for breakfasts at St. Mary’s and was famous for her pumpkin bread. She also would bake for and help the funeral luncheon committee at St. Mary’s. Grandma Joan volunteered at the senior center with the red vested volunteers. Whenever someone would call her on the phone, she always answered it by saying “Grandma’s Kitchen.”

Over the years she enjoyed traveling with friends, maintaining her beautiful flowers and yard, taught CCD and was a Girl Scout Leader for her granddaughters. Grandma Joan always welcomed visitors offering a treat and her hospitality was unmatched. Grandma Joan has been described as a sassy, straightforward lady, calling a spade a spade. She was a strong matriarch who was always willing to lend a hand and she will be greatly missed.

Survivors include Son, Joseph Kasmierski, three daughters, Julie Thompson (Dave), Jackalyn (Mark) Arseneau, and Jennifer (Curt) Ruffert, her sister, Mary Powers, and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren, along with nieces, nephews, and many other beloved relatives.


She was preceded in death by her parents, Edward and Estelle, her husband, Joseph, sisters Barbara, Sally and Florence, son-in-law Tom and granddaughter Kassie.

Her family wants to thank Aspirus Comfort Care and Hospice Services for their comforting care, Milestone Assisted Living for their wonderful care, and a special shout out to Tiffany for the amazing care she gave to Grandma Joanie and the residents at Milestone Assisted Living.

Mass of Christian Burial for Joanne “Grandma Joan” Kasmierski will be held on Friday, May 9, 2025 at 1 p.m. from St. Mary’s Catholic Church in Tomahawk. Fr. Aloysius Royan Anthony will officiate. Her family will receive friends for visitation at St. Mary’s from 11 a.m. until the time of Mass at 1 p.m. Burial will take place at Calvary Cemetery in Tomahawk.

Memorials may be given in Grandma Joan’s name to St. Mary’s School of Tomahawk or Milestone Alzheimer’s Team.

Generations Funeral Home & Crematory is assisting the family.



**Clarisse Marie Dieter (LaVoi)**, age 88, of Tomahawk, passed away peacefully into our Heavenly Father’s arms on April 11, 2025. Clarisse was born on June 25, 1936 in Fosston, Minn., to Donald and Elizabeth LaVoi. She was the eldest of nine children; her youngest (twin) siblings were born on her 17th birthday. Clarisse’s family moved around northern Minnesota 17 times during the 18 years that she lived at home. Besides helping to raise her siblings and keeping up with her many chores, Clarisse was active in the 4H Club. At age 11, she won a trip to the Minnesota State Fair for her demonstration on the proper way to wash a sweater. Clarisse’s first paid job, at age 13, was plucking turkey feathers.

After high school graduation, Clarisse completed the Communications Program at the Gale Institute in Minneapolis, Minn. She excelled in her classes, and could take shorthand at over 200 wpm, and type up to 120 wpm. Clarisse quickly secured the position of a switchboard operator at the Santa Fe Railroad in Chicago, Ill. After moving to Chicago, she met Walter (Wally) Dieter, who took her bowling on their first date. Soon after, they were married on May 10, 1958. Within the first five years of marriage, they had three children, bought a house in the suburb of Franklin Park, and then welcomed a fourth child a few years later. While raising kids and managing a household, Clarisse also worked full-time outside the home as an Office Manager at Clad-Rex Steel. Two employees needed to be hired to take her place when she left that position.

In 1975, Wally and Clarisse moved their family to Tomahawk, where they owned and operated the Fish Trap Bar & Resort until 1988. After a short stint making levels at Johnson Level & Tools, Clarisse went on to become a travel agent at Spirit Travel until her retirement in 2003. During the summers after that, she and Wally became a sales team at the Powder Keg Fireworks store in Tripoli. Clarisse was active in several clubs with Wally, including the Ham Radio Club, Gold Wing Motorcycle Club, Top Down (convertible car) Club, and Indian Hills Airpark Association, often serving as the secretary or treasurer. She volunteered at the Thrift Cellar and assisted with a stillborn baby layette ministry. Clarisse also enjoyed shooting pool, bowling, boating, Swedish weaving, reading, dancing (she once got in trouble her senior year for dancing on the tables in the science lab), and was a crossword puzzle queen.

During their retirement years, Clarisse and Wally divided their time between Tomahawk and Salome, Ariz. They celebrated 63 years of marriage, before Wally’s death in 2021. Clarisse moved to Broadwell Senior Living in Plymouth, Minn., in 2024.

Clarisse is survived by her children, Deb Basco of Plymouth, Minn.; Ray Dieter of Naples, Fla.; Gregg Dieter of Tomahawk; seven grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her son, Walter (Buddy) Dieter Jr.; brother, Rene LaVoi; daughter-in-law, Laurie Dieter; and son-in-law, Mark Basco.

The Mass of Christian Burial for Clarisse Dieter will be held at 10 a.m. on Monday, May 12, 2025 at St. Mary Catholic Church (320 E. Washington Ave., Tomahawk), with a 9 a.m. visitation beforehand. Interment directly after the service will be at Calvary Cemetery, with a luncheon following. An additional visitation for Clarisse will be held the night before on Sunday, May 11 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Krueger-Nimsger Funeral Services (101 N. 2nd St., Tomahawk). Online Condolences for the family may be directed to [www.nimsgerfuneral.com](http://www.nimsgerfuneral.com).



# Klug receives Sheriff's Letter of Commendation for actions after February crash

## FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

LINCOLN COUNTY – An area teen was recently recognized for his actions following a vehicle crash that occurred in February.

According to a post on the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office Facebook page, on Monday, Feb. 10, Noah Klug, 17, was driving by the scene of a crash that was later identified as fatal. When Deputy Vogel arrived on scene, she observed Klug giving chest compressions.

"Noah was calm and collected and provided her with an update on what he had done so far in checking for a pulse and other signs of life and initiating CPR," the Sheriff's Office said. "Noah identified himself as being certified in CPR and coordinated in handing over lifesaving measures to Deputy Vogel and other emergency responders."

The Sheriff's Office said Klug remained on-scene and provided information upon request.

"We are impressed with his composure and his actions, given the seriousness of the situation and the fact that he is 17 years old," the Sheriff's Office stated. "Noah's actions reflect great credit upon



Pictured are Noah Klug and his parents, Josh and Megan Klug.



Pictured are Klug and Lincoln County Sheriff Ken Schneider. Photos courtesy of the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office

himself, his family and the members of this community. Congratulations,

Noah, on receiving the Sheriff's Letter of Commendation."

## NEWS BRIEFS

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Thursdays, from mid-June through mid-August. Shifts are two hours. Knowledge of local history is not necessary. For more information, contact Historical Society President Pat Pietila at 715-966-4801 or Gordy Lovsletten at 715-453-4783.

### Lincoln County road work

Lincoln County Highway Commissioner Jason Lemmer advises that the following roads will be closed for chip sealing, paving and replacing culverts, weather permitting. Local traffic only. Expect lengthy delays. Paving to include gravel application, pulverizing and shaping, paving, shoulder, paint and finish work approximately through Thursday, July 3: County Rd. A, from Erickson Rd. to Willow Rd. (1.54 miles); County Rd.

C, from County Rd. JJ to County Rd. K (1.5 miles); County Rd. CC, from U.S. Hwy. 8 to Somo Dam Rd.; County Rd. E, from State Rd. 86 south to the Spirit River Bridge (1.48 miles); County Rd. U, from U.S. Hwy. 8 to County Rd. A (2.11 miles). Chip sealing, from approximately Tuesday, Aug. 5 through Thursday, Aug. 7: County Rd. D, from U.S. Hwy. 51 to County Rd. B (9.2 miles). Culvert replacements (month of August): County Rd. W.

### THS Class of 1975 50th reunion

The Tomahawk High School (THS) Class of 1975 will hold a 50th reunion at American Legion Post 93, 327 W. Wisconsin Ave., Tomahawk, on Saturday, July 5 at 5 p.m. A chicken dinner with beverage will be served. Cost is \$20.00 per person. Spouses and significant others are invited. To RSVP, Venmo

jean@ths50 or mail a check to Jean Whalen, N7249 County Rd. H, Irma, Wis., 54442. For more information, contact Whalen at 715-966-3956.

### Open Arms Community Meal served Tuesdays

Open Arms Community Meal is served each Tuesday at St. Mary's Corpus Christi Center, 320 E. Washington Ave., Tomahawk, at 5 p.m. All are welcome. For more information, call Teri at 715-218-7776.

### Donations to cover student lunch debts being accepted

A Park City Credit Union account established to cover student lunch debts at the School District of Tomahawk is continuing to accept donations. To contribute to the account, visit Park City Credit Union.

## Tomahawk joins all Aspirus hospitals in earning 2024 Tree Campus recognition

### FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

WISCONSIN – The Arbor Day Foundation recently named all 18 Aspirus Health hospitals, including the health system's Tomahawk location, as 2024 Tree Campus institutions.

A release from Aspirus said its locations were recognized for their "dedica-

tion to enhancing community well-being through tree investment, education and community engagement."

Aspirus Tomahawk Hospital joined 17 other Aspirus hospitals, including Merrill and Rhinelander, in earning the recognition. Currently, only 59 hospitals in the nation are designated as Tree Campus

institutions, Aspirus noted.

To earn Tree Campus recognition from the Arbor Day Foundation, a healthcare institution must maintain a tree advisory committee, have a facility tree care plan, complete a community forestry project, educate the

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# Valerie Caylor: Caring for the living and the deceased

BY TINA L. SCOTT  
MMC STAFF

LINCOLN COUNTY – Lincoln County Coroner Valerie Caylor may have an unusual job, but for her, it’s all about caring for people – whether they’re fighting for their lives or have already lost that battle.

“I think a lot of it is just telling their story,” said Caylor when asked why she transitioned from saving lives as a paramedic to investigating deaths as Coroner. “Everybody has a story. It’s making sure that their story is told, but on top of it, it’s making sure that a family gets answers.”

### Balancing two demanding careers

Caylor divides her professional life between two demanding roles.

She works as a flight paramedic at Lifelink based at the Rhinelander airport three days a week while also serving as Lincoln County’s elected Coroner. Both positions require her to be ready at a moment’s notice, though in very different capacities.

“We’re always on call,” said Caylor about her Coroner duties. “You never know what’s going to happen. It’s definitely not a nine-to-five job. I can get called multiple times during the night and be up most of the night and during the day. So you never really know what your day or your night is going to hold.”

### From childhood inspiration to medical career

Her path to becoming a medical professional began



Caylor  
Contributed photo

in childhood. Growing up in the Arpin community outside Marshfield, Caylor was immersed in emergency services because her mother served as a volunteer first responder.

“I grew up in it. That was something my mom was in for years,” said Caylor. “As a kid growing up, we were part of the fire department, because that’s what you did. It’s a family. It’s a huge family.”

Initially heading to UW for college with different plans, Caylor’s true calling became clear during an English assignment about future career goals. After writing about becoming a paramedic, her professor asked, “Why are you here? Why are you wasting your time? I can tell this is what you want to do.”

### Flight paramedicine

Caylor enrolled at Mid-State Technical College and earned her associate degree in paramedicine in 2009. She continued advancing her medical training, obtaining her critical care license and flight paramedic certification.



A view of the new Lincoln County morgue, where Caylor works as Coroner.  
Tina L. Scott photo

“It’s more schooling, more tests, more things to prove that you’re at that critical care level,” Caylor explained. “The flight paramedic certification is actually a board certified test to show that pretty much you have the most knowledge that a paramedic can get at their level.”

### Taking on the Coroner’s role

Before becoming Lincoln County Coroner, Caylor worked for Marathon County as a Deputy Medical Examiner and later served as a Deputy Coroner in Lincoln County under the previous Coroner. When he decided to retire, she ran for the position and was elected.

In addition to her Lincoln County duties, Caylor also mentors the newly appointed medical examiner in Oneida County.

“They had some turnover with their Medical Examiner’s Office up there, and I was approached by their county just to help, just to be somebody that

they could bounce ideas off of,” said Caylor. “If their new medical examiner has questions, she calls me. We kind of talk over everything together.”

### Improving Lincoln County facilities

One of Caylor’s proudest accomplishments as Coroner was securing a cooler facility for Lincoln County – a significant upgrade that benefits both the Coroner’s office and the community. During COVID, the need for secure storage became apparent, as hospitals and funeral homes have limited capacity, she said.

“Our hospitals don’t have a ton of storage, and the same with our funeral homes,” said Caylor. “We needed something secure, especially for criminal cases, to make sure that we were doing everything correctly.”

After researching options and negotiating with suppliers, Caylor managed to acquire a cooler for \$17,000.00 – less than



Caylor’s work environment.  
Tina L. Scott photo

half the initial quote of \$40,000.00. The facility now provides secure, dignified storage for up to 12 deceased individuals.

### Working to prevent future deaths

Beyond investigating deaths, Caylor participates in a Death Review Committee that examines trends and works on prevention strategies.

Recent focus areas include suicide prevention targeting appropriate age groups, addressing financial stress as a suicide factor and improving safe sleeping practices to prevent infant deaths.

“The whole point of the Death Review Committee is what can we prevent, what death can we prevent for the county,” Caylor explained.

### Beyond county lines

Her work as Coroner extends beyond Lincoln County’s borders.

When necessary, Caylor transports deceased individuals to Madison for autopsies and stays throughout the procedure, working directly with forensic pathologists.

“I stay during the autopsy. I’m actually in the autopsy suite right with the pathologist while they’re doing the autopsy,” said Caylor. “And then I will bring [someone’s] loved one back home to our county.”

### Maintaining balance amid difficult work

Despite handling life and death daily, Caylor maintains her mental health through simple pleasures like reading fiction, gardening and taking walks. Her employer, Lifelink, also provides excellent support for staff dealing with traumatic situations.

“We have a specialty care team that is day or night that are there for us. If we want to pick up the phone, we can call, we can text, they’re there,” said Caylor. “Our bosses are on the phone with us, ‘Hey, are you okay? Do you need a break? Do you want to talk about it?’”

Whether she’s helping save lives or investigating how they ended, Valerie Caylor approaches her work with the same care and dedication – serving area residents at their most vulnerable moments.

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## Track and Field

Pictured, back row, from left: Lucas Haring, Jonah Dickens, Lukas Morrison, Joseph Zastrow, Jeremiah Johnson, Braxton Stromberg, Beau Stromberg, Hudson Seymour, Elliot O'Connor, Ryan Sundquist, Nathan Rosenmeier, Michael Samundsen, Kaiden Kapellusch, Dominic Boos, Cameron Dahm; middle: Sam Zastrow, Dawson Jones, Owen Oates, Landon Plantenberg, Kael Oates, William Boneck, Siannah Calkins, Kinsley Lange, Bailey Turner, Alli Palmer, Kaylynn Sandry, Elise Gibeault, Faith Derleth, Kami Gabrich, Sophia Lacina; front: Kaylee Roberts, Elizabeth Long, Jennie Frederickson, Madilynn Tobias, Elizabeth Arnott, Aliyah Nelson, Joa Reilly, Keyra Ramsbacher, Lydia Shaney, Alison Derleth, Sophie Roberts, Reese Molitor, Norah Mann, Alicia Voermans, Claire Albert, Reagan Gorell, Ellie Micke. Not pictured: Shelby Borowski, Tristan Bridges, Liam Dickrell, Bruce Peetz, Mason Riebe, Edwin Riese, Abigail Rosenmeier, Mason Towle.  
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**Middle School Girls' Track**  
Pictured, back row, from left: Abigail Doleshal, Matilda VanAsten, Madyson Horwath, Elena VanRyen, Rory Molitor, Charlee Lund, Macie Quesinberry, Lauren Riebe; Emma Perdue, Alaina Stogbauer, Lucy Nelson, Leigha Vassar, Lily Meurer, Vanessa Pattereson, Hallie Pierce, Autumn Pankow, Lexi Palmer, Kortney Busterud, Chloe Williamson, Margaret Hackel, Madeline Nieman; front: Delaynie Doleshal, Allie Reiff, Ellie Manowski, Addison Hess, Alyse Arndt, Stella Tormohlen, Kamryn Black, Willow Cordova, Elaine Huber, Gigi Messer. Not pictured: Lillian Rigby  
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MOVIES YOU GOTTA SEE

With ‘Dazed and Confused,’ Richard Linklater captures a moment in time

**BY JALEN MAKI**

Everyone’s been asked this question before: “What movies would you bring with you onto a desert island?”

Although it’s not a very easy question to answer, if you can hypothetically bring, say, ten movies, there’s not a terrible amount of pressure. I mean, most people could feel pretty confident in their ability to compile a list of ten films that they would be able to watch for the rest of their lives. Picking five movies, however, is tougher. You’re cutting your original list in half and leaving behind films that are almost certainly important to you. Three? Now that’s just a cruel proposition, and narrowing your list down even further is a nearly impossible task. But, in the three-movie desert island scenario, I think one of mine would be *Dazed and Confused*.

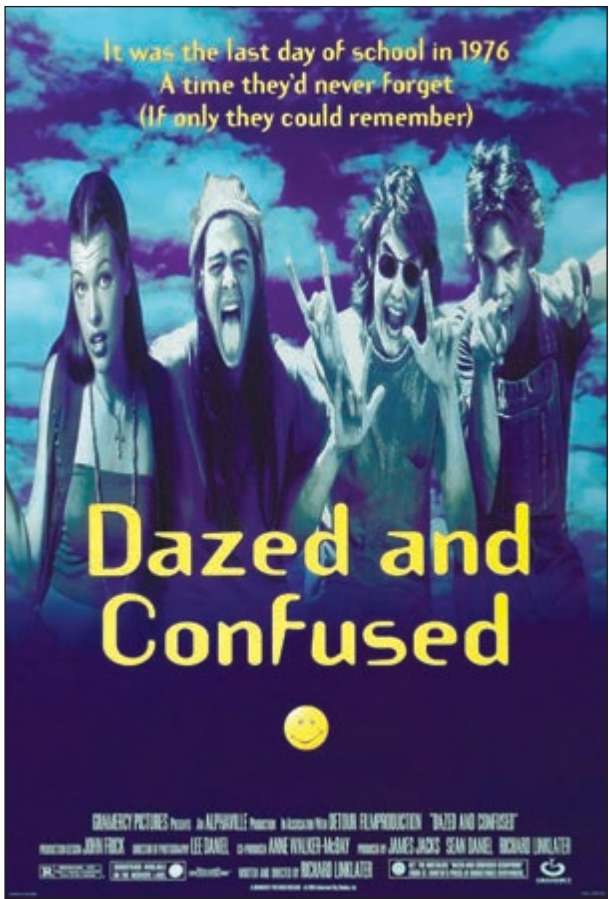
I saw Richard Linklater’s 1993 coming-of-age comedy *Dazed and Confused* for the first time when I was probably 13 or 14 years old, but I didn’t fall in love with it until a few years later. By the time I was a junior in high school, it was a key text for me; one of those films that was steadily in my movie-watching rotation.

*Dazed and Confused* takes place over the course of one day in 1976 Austin, Texas, following the conversations and activities of various teenagers on the last day of school. That’s pretty much it. The movie doesn’t re-

ally have a plot in the sense that there’s no hero, there’s no villain, there’s no singular goal that’s trying to be achieved, and there’s no overarching problem someone’s trying to solve (unless you count “Where can we have a party?” as the film’s central conflict). It’s a hangout movie, through-and-through. We’ll talk more about that in a bit, but first, a disclaimer: I, Jalen Maki, hereby declare that I do not condone any of the illicit activities depicted in this film. Alright, now that we’ve gotten that out of the way, let’s dive into this classic.

You can’t talk about *Dazed and Confused* without talking about its soundtrack. Folks: it rips. You’ve got Led Zeppelin, Jimi Hendrix, Creedence Clearwater Revival, Black Sabbath, Bob Dylan, Rush, Deep Purple, Dire Straits, Foghat, Alice Cooper, Head East, ZZ Top... it’s just banger after banger on a level that I don’t think any other movie has been able to rival. Largely, I think it’s a factor of the time period the film takes place in. I’m aware that it’s corny and lame for someone to be like, “I was born in the wrong generation, man! New music sucks!” and then fire up a rare vinyl pressing of *The Dark Side of the Moon* or something. But what does the soundtrack of the 2025 version of *Dazed and Confused* look like? I gotta say: it’s probably not as good!

Also, the cast of this thing



is pretty awesome. *Dazed and Confused* finds numerous actors ahead of their eventual fame, including Matthew McConaughey in what might be his definitive role (although I’d argue his turn as Rust Cohle in *True Detective* is more deserving of this accolade), Ben Affleck, Parker Posey, Cole Hauser, Adam Goldberg, and Joey Lauren Adams. Heck, even Renée Zellweger pops up on screen a few times. It’s cool to watch this collection of young actors

do their thing in *Dazed and Confused*, knowing now that they’d find success in the years that followed.

Something that, to me, elevates *Dazed and Confused* above many other high school movies is its portrayal of the high school social framework. Most movies in the genre feature very rigid and arguably unrealistic separations between the athletes, and the brains, and the burnouts, and so on. But in *Dazed and Confused*, the social circles are more like Venn diagrams, with kids sort of floating from one group to the next, and everyone intermingling to various degrees. For example, Randall Pink (who they call Pink Floyd, because, you know, the ‘70s) is the quarterback of the football team. He’s obviously got pals on the team, but he also runs with a more intellectual crowd, and he spends plenty of time with the kind of kids his parents probably warned him about when he was younger. This somewhat amorphous social structure feels like a much more realistic depiction of what the high school experience is really like, and

it’s a crucial component in the “everyone’s just kind of hanging out” vibe.

Speaking of which: what makes a good hangout movie? Well, people hanging out would be a pretty solid place start; we can go ahead and check that off the list. The overall feel is important, too – you gotta have the right music, and visual style, and dialogue, and attitude, each of which this film has in spades. But hangout movies that *really* work have characters that you’d *actually* want to spend time with. Anyone can watch *Dazed and Confused* and see themselves or someone they know in a character – but that doesn’t mean they’re just a bunch of hollow archetypes. In several moments, Linklater finds real depth within them. They’re more than just run-of-the-mill stoners, or jocks, or nerds – they’re real people dealing with real issues that high school-aged people experience, and *Dazed and Confused*, like other great teen movies, is able to thread the needle by creating familiar, relatable characters while making them unique individuals.

You ever think about what you were like in high school? I can speak for myself, and the assortment of people I hung out with, and most of us were various degrees of Morons. I don’t mean we were actually, literally dumb people; we were just kids who did dumb things in pursuit of a good time, and I think that’s an important distinction. *Dazed and Confused* captures this idea with more honesty and authenticity than maybe any movie I’ve ever seen. Characters will complain about wasting their fleeting youth, or wax poetic about the mundanity of impending adulthood, and shortly thereafter chug some beer or get in a fight. It’s just so funny yet endearing to see people who are *so completely confident* that they’ve got life figured out, like they’re the first 17-year-olds in the history of 17-year-olds to nail down how the world works. There’s a version of this

movie where these conversations wade into cringe-inducing waters, but Linklater, a master of writing dialogue, injects every interaction – short exchanges and heart-to-hearts alike – with a true-to-life charm.

*Dazed and Confused* doesn’t carry nearly the emotional weight of *The Outsiders*. It’s not a *Breakfast Club*-style character study. We don’t get a lot of the classic teen rom-com beats in the vein of *Say Anything...* And there certainly isn’t an adult role model figure, à la *Dead Poets Society*. Why not? Quite simply, the film doesn’t want or need these things. *Dazed and Confused* is just *fun* – it’s about as fun as you can have watching a movie. It’s just so cool, and lighthearted, and funny, and genuine, and original, and completely deserving of its cult classic status.

There might not be a filmmaker better than Linklater at capturing a moment in time. With *Dazed and Confused*, the beloved *Before* trilogy, and *Everybody Wants Some!!* – the absolutely wonderful and criminally under-appreciated spiritual sequel to *Dazed and Confused* – Linklater has demonstrated time and time again that he’s an alchemist, combining a few basic elements (setting, music, dialogue, etc.) to conjure pure nostalgia. I don’t think Linklater is the stereotypical “high school was the best thing that ever happened in my life” guy, and I don’t think his message with this movie is that those people are correct in their assessments of their lives. But I do think *Dazed and Confused* is a testament to Linklater’s distinctive talent for creating moments that are worthy of fond reflection; assuming that you can actually remember them.

Jalen’s columns, “Movies You Gotta See” and “The Free Play,” can be found online at [www.medium.com/@jalenmaki](http://www.medium.com/@jalenmaki).

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**Crossover ceremony**  
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Photos courtesy of Christina Schultz

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You are hereby notified that the Plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The complaint, which is also served upon you, states the nature and basis of the legal action. Within 40 days after April 23, 2025, you must respond with a written answer, as that term is used in chapter 802 of the Wisconsin Statutes, to the complaint. The court may reject or disregard an answer that does not follow the requirements of the statutes. The answer must be sent or delivered to the Court, whose address is Lincoln County Clerk of Circuit Court, 1110 East Main Street, Suite 205, Merrill, WI 54452 and to Scott D. Nabke, Diaz Anselmo & Associates, P.A., Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is P.O. BOX 19519, Suite 309, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33318. You may have an attorney help or represent you. If you do not provide a proper answer within 40 days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the complaint. A

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STATE OF WISCONSIN  
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Defendants.  
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Case No. 24-CV-000167  
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure entered on February 21, 2025 in the amount of \$90,733.69 the Sheriff will sell the described premises at public auction as follows:  
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715-453-4233  
NOTICE OF MONTHLY MEETING  
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Nicolet College's engineering bootcamp aiming to help learners explore futuristic careers

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

RHINELANDER – This summer, Nicolet College in Rhineland will launch a new, free Intro to Engineering Experiences Bootcamp for high school students and adults.

The bootcamp will run from Tuesday, June 10 through Thursday, June 12; and Tuesday, June 17 through Thursday, June 19, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day.

A release from Nicolet said learners in the six-day bootcamp will apply engineering principles through hands-on robotics and drone activities while building leadership, collaboration and teamwork skills. They will also earn one free college credit by completing Nicolet College's Introduction to Engineering course via the bootcamp.

“This bootcamp will open the door to exciting possibilities and help learners make decisions to launch into engineering and associated fields in drones and robotics,” said Gary Zarda, Dean of University Transfer and Liberal Arts.

Superior Diesel, a Rhineland-based diesel engine and products company,

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING  
Crossbridge Mutual Holding Company

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of members of Crossbridge Mutual Holding Company (the “Company”) will be held in the Crossbridge Community Bank Professional Center Community Room located at 15 East Wisconsin Avenue, Tomahawk, Wisconsin, 54487, Entrance #1, at 5:45 P.M. on Monday, May 19, 2025. The matters to be considered at the meeting include election of directors and review of financial condition.

REQUEST FOR BIDS  
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The TOWN OF SCHLEY, LINCOLN COUNTY, will be accepting sealed bids for approximately 5,000 cubic yards of ¾ inch road base gravel to be placed on various Town roads. Project must be completed by 8/31/2025. Minimum of 6 quad axel trucks.

For Further information please contact: Tim Klimek, Chairman at 715-921-2543.

Bids will be opened Monday, May 12, 2025 at the Schley Town Hall at 6:00 p.m.

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## Black and White Gala

St. Mary's School hosted its Black and White Gala at Inshalla Country Club in Tomahawk on Friday, April 25. The night featured dinner served by Outboards Bar and Grill, as well as a dessert auction and numerous raffles, with proceeds going towards educational field trips and learning opportunities for students. "We are thankful for all the wonderful businesses that sponsored such amazing prizes and/or monetary donations for prizes," said St. Mary's School Principal Juanita Skubal. "We are truly blessed."

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## First Holy Communion

St. Mary's School and Parish students made their First Holy Communion on Sunday, April 27 at the 9:30 a.m. Mass. **Photo courtesy of Juanita Skubal**



# Leader Sports & Nature



**Women's One-on-One Pool League**  
The Tomahawk Women's One-on-One Pool League last week announced the results of its recently-concluded season. Maday's Fish Trap took first place, followed by Cockatiels, Prairie Rapids, Holly's, Billy Bob's, VFW and Floyd's. Pictured, from left, are Maday's Fish Trap team members Penni Maday, Shawn Augustine and Amy Steinbach. Not pictured: Gladys Salo and Chris Foster. **Photos courtesy of Misty Bergsrud**



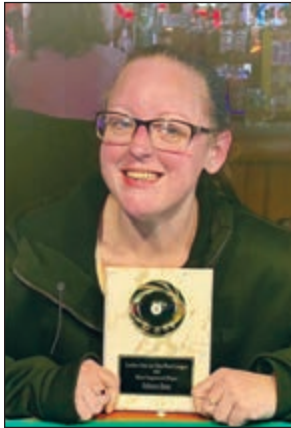
Pictured are Cockatiels team members Pam Hatina, Misty Bergsrud, Marie Rell, Sadie Heitschmidt and Sue Buchanan.



The VFW team was recognized for Best Sportsmanship. Pictured are team members Bobbi Lewis, Mary Flatka, Tina Mani, Lori Quinn, Mary Nuernberger and Jessica Decker.



Shawn Augustine of Maday's Fish Trap was the top shooter.



Prairie Rapids Tavern's Rebecca Renn received the Most Improved award.



Pictured are the top ten shooters: Shawn Augustine, Misty Bergsrud, Marie Rell, Sadie Heitschmidt, Amy Steinbach, Joyce David, Sue Buchanan, Mary Jones, Penni Maday and Tina Mani.

## Fishing Report: Couldn't have asked for a better start to the season

**BY GEORGE LANGLEY**  
NORTHERN WISCONSIN – What a fantastic start to the 2025 game fishing season!

After a stretch of unpredictable openers in recent years, this one felt like a true return to form. The weather was nearly ideal – although we had a couple of cold mornings Saturday and Sunday, generally we saw mild temps, calm winds and sunshine all day Sunday.

The fish responded just the way we hoped they would. In fact, for the first time in quite a while, many anglers were making second trips to the bait shop by Saturday afternoon.

Lake levels are higher than we've seen in recent years, and most landings are in great shape. You'll even spot the first signs of green weeds starting to grow on some lakes – another good sign for what's to come. Water temperatures ranged from 48 to 55 degrees, depending on lake size and sun exposure, which puts us about two to three weeks ahead of last year.

Walleye fishing was especially strong throughout the area. Most lakes had fish off the shorelines already, with them finished with their spawn and aggressively feeding.

Large minnows like tuffies or bigger walleye suckers were working, but many anglers also had success with leeches. All in all, there was consistent action, especially for those who adjusted their depth throughout the day. Some anglers reported good numbers holding in the deeper holes, while others found success moving shallower toward evening. As the weeds start to reestablish, we can expect walleyes to move into that developing cover in search of food and shelter.

Northerns were active as well, particularly in shallow bays, around brush piles and anywhere there's early-season weed growth. These guys are always eager after ice-out, and a lot of them are caught by walleye anglers – which can be frustrating, but it's a good change of pace! We saw a lot of action with big minnows like chubs or larger walleye suckers.

Bass surprised more than a few people this weekend, with smallmouth and largemouth both cruising the warm shorelines. They're not spawning yet, but they're definitely feeding up, checking the beds and can be caught on stickbaits and smaller jigs. Leeches work great for these fish, too.

Crappie activity picked up over the weekend, too. Fishing on the Chain, we saw them transitioning between deeper holes and shallow wood cover, particularly during the warmer parts of the day on Sunday. With a few more sunny days, they'll be coming in for the spawn. Now's a great time to target them. For best size, try using larger fatheads instead of crappie minnows.

Bluegill are still a while out from spawning, but they'll be up shallow soon. Expect them to move in over the next week or two as water temps climb up – hopefully! When they do, shoreline fishing for gills becomes some of the most accessible and fun action of the year. Anyone can do it, from any pier in the area.

All in all, we couldn't have asked for a better opener. This is shaping up to be one of the best springs we've seen in years. With temperatures predicted to remain on a slow and steady spring increase and nighttime temps above freezing, we could see lakes heating up quicker than usual. Now is a fantastic time to get out there and enjoy the quiet on the lakes before the Memorial Day crush of traffic hits. The month of May is pretty magical out on the lakes.

Good luck and good fishin'!

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# Wisconsin residents encouraged to ‘be bear aware’ this spring

FOR THE TOMAHAWK LEADER

WISCONSIN – As the weather warms and people across the state begin spending more time outside, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is encouraging the public to be bear aware and take steps to prevent potential conflicts with black bears this spring.

“Every spring, Wisconsin’s estimated 24,000 black bears emerge from their winter torpor and leave their dens in search of food and potentially new territory,” DNR said in a release. “These explorations sometimes cause unexpected interactions between black bears and the public. Bears are normally solitary forest animals, but their powerful sense of smell can lead them into urban areas in search of food, especially in the spring and fall.”

To avoid potential conflicts, DNR said it’s important to recognize what attracts black bears and take steps to reduce these attractants when-

ever possible. Black bears are known for returning to locations where they’ve found good food sources, so prevention is the best tactic.

Although black bears are much more common in the northern half of the state, southern Wisconsin has seen more black bear activity in recent years.

“No matter where in Wisconsin you live or play, follow these basic steps from our friends at BearWise to avoid attracting black bears around your home or campsite,” DNR said.

- Never feed or approach bears. Never feed a bear, whether intentionally or not. The risk of unexpected interactions increases when bears begin to associate people with food. If bears find a consistent food source around people or people actively feed a bear, the bear will make a habit of visiting the area or approaching people.
- Secure food, garbage and recycling. Food and food odors attract bears, so don’t



To avoid potential conflicts, it’s important to recognize what attracts black bears and take steps to reduce these attractants whenever possible, DNR said.

Photo courtesy of Wisconsin DNR

- reward them with easily available food, liquids or garbage.
- Remove bird feeders when bears are active. Birdseed and grains have lots of calories, so they’re very attractive to bears. Removing feeders is the best way to avoid creating conflicts with bears.
- Never leave pet food outdoors. Feed pets indoors

when possible. If you must feed pets outside, feed in single portions and remove food and bowls after feeding. Store pet food where bears can’t see or smell it.

- Clean and store grills. Barbecue grills and picnic tables often have leftover food scraps or residues on them that can attract black bears. Clean surfaces after use in public spaces to reduce nega-

tive human-bear interactions. Store clean grills and smokers in a secure area that keeps bears out.

- Alert neighbors to bear activity. See bears in the area or evidence of bear activity? Tell your neighbors and share information on how to avoid bear conflicts. Bears have adapted to living near people; now it’s up to us to adapt to living near bears.

Know what to do if you encounter a bear

If a black bear is near your home or cabin, from a safe location, try to scare the bear away by making loud noises (like clanging pots and pans together) or throwing objects in the bear’s direction, DNR said.

“Black bears tend to avoid interactions with people if escape is possible, so make sure it has a clear escape route – never corner a bear,” SNR said. “Do not turn your back to a bear or run away. Once the bear is gone, remove any items that may have attracted the bear in the first place.”

If you encounter a black bear while in the woods, stay calm and do not run.

“Wave your arms and make loud noises to scare it away,” DNR stated. “Back away slowly and seek a safe location from where you can wait for the bear to leave. Never approach a bear. For your safety, do not attempt to break up a fight between a pet and a bear.”

If unable to resolve a recurring issue with a nuisance bear, contact the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)’s Wildlife Services toll-free lines:

- USDA Wildlife Services, Northern Wisconsin: 800-228-1368 (in-state) or 715-369-5221.
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For more information about avoiding unexpected interactions with black bears, visit the DNR’s Black Bear Management webpage at [www.dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/WildlifeHabitat/bear-management](http://www.dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/WildlifeHabitat/bear-management).

## Natural Connections: The Sparrow’s Songs

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A faint string of birdsong filtered through closed windows on a recent morning. It was well after dawn, but thick gray clouds made it feel like the Sun had yet to rise. “Song sparrow!” I exclaimed. “They must have arrived overnight!”

My friend, who started birding last summer, looked skeptical. “That doesn’t sound like what I remember.” He pulled out his phone and opened the Merlin Bird ID app from the Cornell Lab of Ornithology to play an example of a song sparrow’s song. The recording started with a pair of notes and then a couple more, and then devolved into a messy, buzzy trill. Outside, the bird sang with the same quality, but not exactly the same pattern.

Back in my college field ornithology class, we’d been taught the mnemonic “Maids! Maids! Maids! Put on your teakettle-etle-etle.” The maids representing the first notes, and the

tea kettle mimicking the trill. It helped if we sounded a little like a spoiled heiress when we said it, to match the loud, brassy tone of the sparrow.

While the funny mnemonics I learned in that class were helpful, they were useless without also noticing variations in tone quality of the birdsongs. Repetition was also key. Before quiz days, we’d all sit around a tape player and listen intently to the mixtape our teaching assistant had made for us.

With song sparrows, the repetition came naturally. They are one of the first birds to return in spring. They are quite common around lakeshores, marshes, road edges, fencerows, yards, and pretty much anywhere there are some bushes and some grass. And they live up to their name, *Melospiza melodia*, which means “melodious singing sparrow.” One male was observed singing for 10 hours in a single day, which meant completing 2,305 songs.

With brown, white, and gray stripes on their head



Song sparrows have brown stripes on their head and breast, and a little black bow tie under their chin.

Photo by Emily Stone

and breast, song sparrows resemble many sparrows who are brown and stripey, and somewhat hard to tell apart. The pattern I look for is a particularly dark spot under their chin where their chest stripes meet up. My TA taught me to remember this like the bow tie on an opera singer.

I was quite familiar with song sparrows by the time

I moved from the Midwest to California in 2007, but I remember the experience of confusion the first time I heard one there. The song that emanated from a shrub in the coastal grassland of Salt Point State Park wasn’t the pattern I remembered, but the tone was the same, and my binoculars revealed the black bow tie.

As it turns out, song

sparrows are widespread, and well-known to have regional accents. The variation is likely a result of picky females, who prefer to mate with males who demonstrate an ability to learn new song components from other males.

I guessed that the odd-sounding song sparrow outside the window on that gray morning was on migration to somewhere else, somewhere his accent would fit in. I also guessed that he’d been part of a larger wave of migrating birds who’d sailed in on a south wind overnight. Hoping that the rain would hold off, we headed out to Artist’s Point in Grand Marais, MN, where Lake Superior concentrates birds who’d rather not cross the open water.

Song sparrows were the first thing we heard from the parking lot, and we followed their melodies to a thicket of willows and red-

osier dogwood. One sparrow swooped away with a characteristic tail-bobbing flight, landed in the top of a small tree, and belted out a few songs. Before long, though, he swooped back into the brush to join his buddies scavenging for seeds on the ground. With competing needs to refuel for the next leg of migration and to satisfy their raging hormones, the guys sang even from the middle of the thicket.

Cameras poised for the moment a sparrow posed for a clear photo, we spent several minutes there, just observing. That’s nothing compared to what Margaret Morse Nice did on May 11, 1935. On that day, she followed a single song sparrow from midnight to midnight, recording his behavior for 24 hours straight. She’s the one who observed him singing 2,305 complete songs for

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community on the connection between trees and human health and invest in a campus tree program.

“As a health system, we recognize the critical importance trees play in the health of individuals and communities,” said Andrew Miller, Director of System Facilities Management and Security for Aspirus Health. “We believe planting and caring for trees is the right thing to do and aligns to our mission of healing people, promoting health and strengthening communities.”

Aspirus said the Arbor Day Foundation is a global nonprofit with a mission to inspire people to plant, nurture and celebrate trees.

“Its network of more than a million supporters and partners has helped the organization plant more than 500 million trees in forests and communities across more than 60 countries since 1972,” Aspirus stated. “The Tree Campus program recognizes schools, universities and health-care facilities that utilize trees to improve their communities.”

“Healthcare institutions like Aspirus Health’s 18 hospitals are



Aspirus Tomahawk Hospital is among the Aspirus locations recognized as 2024 Tree Campus institutions.

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at the forefront of recognizing the profound impact nature can have on human health,” said Michelle Saulnier, Vice President of Programs at the Arbor Day Foundation. “By integrating trees and green spaces into their campuses, facilities like Aspirus Health’s are not only creating healing environments today, but they are also building a foundation for healthier, more resilient communities in the future.”

Aspirus noted that trees and green spaces are proven to improve health outcomes and reduce stress for both patients and caretakers.

“Trees also provide profound layers of good for the greater community, including combating

extreme heat, improving air quality and reducing flooding impacts,” Aspirus stated.

“The landscape and grounds program of our Aspirus Health campuses sets the stage for the exceptional care we deliver to our patients,” Miller said. “Our facilities teams take pride in ensuring we provide high-quality services and an excellent patient experience for everyone who visits our campuses. I commend our facilities team members for their hard work and dedication that earned Tree Campus designation for all 18 of our hospitals.”

To learn more about the Arbor Day Foundation’s Tree Campus program, visit [www.arbor-day.org](http://www.arbor-day.org).

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donated the funds needed to run the bootcamp and to provide opportunities for learners interested in high-demand careers in engineering.

Nicolet noted that engineering education in the Northwoods doesn’t stop at bootcamps.

“Future engineers can start their studies at Nicolet College,” Nicolet stated. “Thanks to a partnership between Nicolet College and University of Wisconsin-Platteville, learners can complete an Associate of Science degree at Nicolet College and transfer seamlessly into a primarily online engineering Bachelor of Science



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program with junior status with UW-Platteville. Partnerships like these between Nicolet College and four-year universities help learners achieve their career goals while saving money and building confidence alongside

highly-credentialed college instructors close to home, which is especially beneficial for young learners or working adults.”

To sign up for the bootcamp, visit [www.nicolet-college.tfaforms.net/665](http://www.nicolet-college.tfaforms.net/665).

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a total of 10 hours—which was more time than he spent roosting (9 hours) or feeding (5 hours).

That birdwatching marathon was part of an eight-year study in which Nice, both a trained zoologist and mother of five, trapped, marked, and observed 870 different song sparrows in her Ohio backyard. Before her groundbreaking work, many bird books contained “facts” conjured up by Aristotle, and the study of birds

focused on “collecting” them—with shotguns.

Nice banded her birds with plastic from children’s toys and created a new standard for scientific research by observing hundreds of marked individuals over many years. In her studies, she learned to recognize individual males by their distinctive songs and pick out the phrases they’d learned from their neighbors. Her work inspired a new generation of ornithologists—and me—to be more observant.

Emily’s award-winning

second book, *Natural Connections: Dreaming of an Elfín Skimmer*, is available to purchase at [www.cablemuseum.org/books](http://www.cablemuseum.org/books) and at your local independent bookstore, too.

For more than 50 years, the Cable Natural History Museum has served to connect you to the Northwoods. Our Summer Calendar is open for registration! The Museum is closed for construction until May 1. Follow us on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and [www.cablemuseum.org](http://www.cablemuseum.org) to see what we are up to.

Ask the PASTOR

Readers are invited to submit questions about God, the Bible, and religion. I shall try to answer them for you, using the Bible as my final authority.

This Sunday is Mother’s Day. So I shall interrupt my series on Proverbs 9:10, *The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding*, for a look at the subject of this special day.

Motherhood is about a lot of things. The most important thing about being a mother is how one raises her children, influencing the next generation for good or for evil. Evenwomen who have never given birth to children of their own, but have had a hand in shaping the lives of the children of others, are often a mother to someone. As a father, I have been grateful to certain women who have been like grandmothers to my own children. But most of all I thank God for my wife, the mother of my children, who has made our children the focus of her life.

When we think of motherhood, what do we think of? To some, motherhood is a continuous pile of dirty dishes, dirty clothes, and messy kids to tend to. To others, motherhood is the adventure of helping young minds and characters grow to maturity, shaping the future *one young life at a time*. Some women see motherhood as keeping them from a career. While others see motherhood as a career of helping a young life to develop into someone successful. Motherhood is what one makes of it and puts into it.

A famous American once said: *When all is said, it is the mother, and the mother only, who is a better citizen than the soldier who fights for his country. The successful mother, the mother who does her part in rearing and training aright the boys and girls who are to be the men and women of the next generation, is of greater use to the community, and occupies, if only she would realize it, a more honorable as well as more important position than any man in it. The mother is the one supreme asset of the national life. She is more important, by far, than the successful statesman, or businessman, or artist, or scientist.*

These are not words to take lightly, especially coming from a man who served our country as a soldier, explorer, businessman, state assemblyman, governor, and president. His name was Theodore Roosevelt. I really appreciate his remark that the mother occupies in the community, *if only she would realize it, a more honorable as well as more important position than any man in it*. The most important part of this phrase is, *If only she would realize it*.

There is much that has changed in cultural thinking since the *culture wars* of the 1960’s, changes that have done much to denigrate our culture’s understanding of motherhood to the harm of our children and future leaders. If you have a good mother, praise her, pray for God’s grace in her life, and thank God for her.

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“Pastor’s Corner”

Are You Awake Yet?

This world is getting tired. We can all feel it—in the tears that fall, in the bones that ache, in the tension rising in our cities. These are the very moments when Christians need to be most awake, most alert, and standing guard against the attacks of the enemy. And yet, somehow, most of us are asleep.

Jesus once told the story of ten virgins waiting through the night. All believed. All were part of the wedding party. But when the cry rang out at midnight, only half were ready. The others fumbled too late for oil—and the door was shut. Not because they were evil, but because they were unprepared.

This wasn’t just a story. It wasn’t just a parable. It was a warning—and it’s aimed directly at us.

When it comes to the book of Revelation and Bible prophecy, we are not the first church—we are the last. The next chapter in history isn’t another great awakening—it’s the return of Jesus Christ. And when that moment splits open the sky, sleepy religion won’t be enough. Simple belief is not the same as true readiness.

Revelation describes the final church just before the end—rich, self-assured, and blind. They think they’re fine. They think they have all the truth in the world. But they are lost. Jesus isn’t in their hearts—He’s outside, knocking, waiting to be let in. And if that doesn’t shake you, it should.

You’ve seen the cross. You’ve heard the resurrection story. Praise God! But have you let it change you—or are you still pressing snooze?

The warnings in scripture aren’t meant to scare us. They’re meant to wake us up. There’s a prophetic alarm sounding. The day is already at hand.

So here is the question: Is there oil in your lamp? Have you let Jesus in—or is He still standing on the porch?

The final warnings don’t always come with lightning and thunder. More often, they come through the still, small voice of the Holy Spirit as you open God’s word.

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