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City presses on with Arrowhead plan

Soil will be analyzed for PCBs and contaminants

By Bethanie Gengler
NEENAH NEWS

The downtown development of Arrowhead Park is moving forward, despite vocal opposition from one member of the Common Council.

The city budgeted \$1 million for Arrowhead Park construction this year, which includes utilities, parking and design engi-

neering for park access, funded from last year's carry-forward balance.

At a meeting last week, the council approved spending \$71,290 on geotechnical borings to analyze site conditions, and \$12,700 to modify the Arrowhead master plan. The approval was unanimous with the exception of District 3 Alderman Bill Pollnow Jr., who voted against both expenditures.

"As well thought out and as much work is going in there in that park, I realize I just don't think all the time, energy and mon-

ey for this over the last 10 years has been money well spent," he told the council. "I think the energy that's been utilized could be used in other city items, so I will be voting against this."

Situated along the shores of Little Lake Butte des Morts and the Fox River, the Arrowhead site dates to the mid-1870s with the settlement of Neenah. It was first the location of a flour mill and then Winnebago Paper Co.

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Photo by David Hall

Sturgeon success

The first sturgeon catches are registered at Payne's Point on opening day of the spearfishing season Saturday on Lake Winnebago. There were 52 sturgeon registered at that station south of Neenah through Monday, including one above 100 pounds. Last year only one fish was registered at Payne's Point the first day. Fishermen were reporting cloudy water with visibility of only 3 to 5 feet.

Innovative program supports trauma-impacted students

Police notify schools of incidents involving kids

By Bethanie Gengler
NEENAH NEWS

In an effort to better support students who have gone through a traumatic experience, a national Handle With Care (HWC) initiative has been implemented in Neenah and Fox Crossing.

The program aims to support children by facilitating communication among law enforcement and school social workers and ensure children receive the resources and care they need after difficult situations.

HWC works by having law enforcement proactively notify school social workers whenever they encounter a child who may have experienced or witnessed trauma. Only limited details are communicated to the schools without breaching confidentiality.

Winnebago County HWC facilitator Jennifer Skolaski said the referral allows social workers to discreetly assess the student's needs and provide support; whether that's



Skolaski

connecting the family to housing and food assistance, or ensuring the child has a safe space to rest and process their emotions at school.

"If law enforcement feel that the child may have experienced some sort of trauma, they make a referral to the school social worker to tell that school social worker, 'Handle this child with care, they may have experienced a traumatic event,' and then that information allows the school social worker to assess the child for trauma and provide resources that they may need," she said.

The program was implemented at the recommendation of the county's Over-

dose Fatality Review team, which reviews cases of residents who've lost their life to an overdose.

Skolaski said the team noticed that children were often at the scene of an overdose or lost a parent due to an overdose. The team also found that many of the people who fatally overdosed were victims of childhood trauma themselves.

"We know people are isolated and we know that they're struggling, and here's a way that our community can really rise to the occasion to help," she said.

Any incident involving law enforcement

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Doty Island intersection eyed for roundabout

Neenah News

The cities of Neenah and Menasha are considering a roundabout at the five-leg intersection of Nicolet Boulevard and First, Commercial, Sanford and Washington streets.

The intersection on Doty Island is on the border of Menasha and Neenah and known for traffic congestion and backups that impact both cities.

Last August, Menasha temporarily closed Washington Street for traffic signal reconstruction at River Street, while road construction on Interstate 41 shut down exits and caused additional traffic to divert through the two cities.

The Tayco Street bridge in Menasha was also temporarily closed, leaving the Racine Street bridge the only intercity connection between Neenah and Menasha. Boat traffic has priority over vehicular traffic on the Racine Street bridge, causing traffic congestion with commuters backed up into both cities at Nicolet Boulevard and Commercial Street.

Neenah added traffic cameras at that intersection last year that analyze real-time traffic patterns of all legs of the intersec-

St. Paul church opens daytime warming shelter

Neenah News

A local church has opened its doors to provide a new daytime warming shelter for the community's homeless population.

St. Paul Lutheran Church at 200 N. Commercial St. will be open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on days when the morning temperature is 10 degrees or colder, with a sign out front notifying patrons that the warming shelter is open. The location has space for 25 people.

The warming shelter is staffed by volunteers who provide coffee, hot cocoa, tea, water and snacks to anyone that comes in. According to the Winnebago County website, the only other warming location



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The Neenah-Menasha intersection of Nicolet Boulevard and First, Commercial, Sanford and Washington streets is being studied for a potential roundabout.

tion and use artificial intelligence to adjust signal length and collect traffic safety data.

Neenah's former traffic safety engineer James Merten, who is now Menasha's Public Works director, said at the time that the intersection was selected for the new cameras due to complaints about the signals.

in the city is the Neenah Public Library.

The new shelter comes at a time when the city is seeing a surge in the number of homeless residents but few services to offer them. The Neenah Common Council implemented ordinances targeting the homeless last year by prohibiting camping on city-owned property and outdoor cooking and recreational fires in rights of way.

Neenah doesn't have a homeless shelter and the closest shelters for residents are in Appleton and Oshkosh. For more information on local warming locations, hot meals, winter clothes or other community resources, dial 2-1-1, text your ZIP code to 898211 or visit 211wisconsin.org.



Neenah Historical Society photo

Namesakes

Have you ever wondered about the namesakes of Neenah's landmarks? Learn about Clara Shattuck, the woman who spearheaded Shattuck Park and other notable individuals, at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 20 at the Neenah Public Library. Faces Behind the Names will be presented by Kara Rothkegel.

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Neenah and Menasha have agreed to conduct a study to determine the feasibility of a roundabout at that five-leg intersection. The study costs \$15,000 and will be equally shared by both cities, with Menasha also agreeing to pay a 10% administration fee.

Calendar of events

Friday, Feb. 14

Valentine's Day Music Laser Show, 7 and 8:15 p.m., Barlow Planetarium, UWO Fox Cities campus

Saturday, Feb. 15

Great Backyard Bird Count field trip with Winnebago Audubon, 9 a.m., Kimberly Point

Night at the Museum: Baccarat, 7 p.m., Bergstrom-Mahler Museum of Glass

Monday, Feb. 17

Big Band Reunion, 7:30 p.m., Cranky Pat's, 905 S. Commercial St.

Friday, Feb. 21

Michael O'Connell: Down in the Boonies art show, The Hang Up Gallery, 204 W. Wisconsin Ave.

Saturday, Feb. 22

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Program continues seven meals but limits delivery days

By Jonathan Richie
NEENAH NEWS

Inflation and rising food costs have forced regional support agency Advocap to shift from delivering meals every day to just three days a week. Participants in the program still receive seven meals a week with the changing delivery schedule.

Last year, the program delivered more than 130,000 meals to Winnebago County residents. The home-delivery meal program relies on federal and state funding, along with local donations. It does not turn anyone away who meets the requirements, such as living in Winnebago County, being 60 or older and being homebound.

These deliveries are often much more than just a meal; they are often a time when participants can talk to someone and in the age of social isolation contact is pivotal to people's well-being.

"One of our biggest concerns with the changes is that participants will have less contact with people because we don't just drop off meals and go," Dawn Paterson said. "In most cases, the driver is the only person they will see. We have quite an impact on these people and they become more like friends and family."

Paterson is nutrition director for Advocap. The company recently announced in a letter to recipients there would be changes to the program to deliver meals three days a week instead of five. She noted, however, that much of the program isn't about the meals but the built-in wellness checks.

One participant fell at her home and was on the ground until the meal delivery driver arrived on Wednesday to help her. Another participant took too much medication and collapsed into the delivery

driver's arms when they got to the house.

Instead of delivering meals for every day of the week along with two frozen meals for Saturday and Sunday, the new schedule will have meals delivered on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. On Monday and Wednesday, a hot meal will be delivered along with a frozen meal for Tuesday and Thursday. On Fridays, a hot meal will be delivered along with two frozen meals for the weekend.

The meals are approved by an Advocap nutritionist and follow dietary guidelines from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and Department of Agriculture. The meals change so that participants do not receive the same menu every day.

Winnebago County has a contract with Advocap and receives federal funds through the Older Americans Act. Paterson said those funds along with county funds support the meal program. Advocap also receives funds from program participants.

"Advocap and Winnebago County are doing the best we can to meet the nutritional needs of our seniors with the resources available to us," Paterson said.

Changes in Advocap funding come from rising inflation and food costs along with the costs of having vehicles that make the deliveries, including fluctuations in gas prices and higher vehicle maintenance costs.

Funding cuts have led Advocap to eliminate staff at meal sites across Winnebago County and the sites are now staffed by volunteers.

"COVID really hurt us and totally changed things," Paterson said.

During the pandemic, people became worried about eating at the meal site



Advocap photo

Advocap meal delivery driver Maureen Debyl packs meals for the agency's program.

and that is when the grab-and-go option gained popularity. Paterson said three meal sites will shift from congregational locations to meal pickup sites as they were seeing fewer than 10 people daily.

"It's nice to see that smiling face every

day, for the drivers and the people receiving the meals," Paterson said.

Those interested in volunteering at meal sites can call 920-725-2791 and ask for Melissa. To donate, go to advocap.org/Donate-2.

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State court upholds murder conviction

Neenah News

A state appeals court has upheld the 2021 murder conviction of a Menasha man who fatally shot a patron at a bar in Neenah while robbing the business.

Casey Cameron, 42, is serving a 40-year prison term at Dodge Correctional Institution for the Oct. 14, 2019, killing of Kevin "Hollywood" Hein. Cameron robbed the Short Branch Saloon at gunpoint, shot Hein who was trying to leave the bar, and fled the scene.

Police received a tip identifying Cameron as a suspect and an officer followed him while he was driving and collected DNA from a cigarette he threw out the window. The DNA matched a bandana left at the scene by the perpetrator and a sample taken from under Hein's fingernails, who had struggled with Cameron before he was shot.

Cameron pled no contest and was convicted in April 2021 of felony murder and

six counts of first-degree recklessly endangering safety. His mandatory release date is in 2059, when he's 76.

Cameron filed a motion for post-conviction relief in September 2022, asking a judge to withdraw his no contest pleas and vacate the conviction based on prosecutorial vindictiveness. He argued that he was initially charged with three felonies before the prosecutor dismissed the charges and refiled them with four additional felonies as retaliation for refusing to withdraw a motion to dismiss.

In front of a courtroom filled with Hein's friends and family, Circuit Court Judge Scott Woldt dismissed Cameron's motion for post-conviction relief in Oc-



Cameron

tober 2022, stating that as long as there is probable cause to support the offenses charged, there's no vindictiveness.

Cameron then appealed the decision. The Wisconsin Court of Appeals reviewed the case and issued a decision in late December.

The court wrote that Cameron's claim of vindictive prosecution was forfeited by his no contest plea and even if he hadn't given up his right to challenge his conviction, the court could not determine he was a victim of prosecutorial vindictiveness based on the record.

The court concluded Cameron's motion to dismiss did little more than delay the inevitable and did not motivate the state to punish him with additional charges, affirming both the judgment and order.

Cameron filed a petition for review last month. The Court of Appeals has until the end of February to reconsider its decision.

Fox Crossing drug-deal shooting brings charges

Neenah News

A Fox Valley woman has been charged in connection to a shooting in Fox Crossing in November.

Fox Crossing police responded to a Nov. 19 incident in the 1000 block of Racine Road involving an adult male who was injured in the leg by a firearm and received medical treatment for non-life-threatening injuries, according to a media release.

The victim met 27-year-old Neesha Ruiz Moreno in the parking lot of a business on West Airport Road in Menasha to buy drugs from her, according to the criminal complaint. The victim got in the vehicle with Ruiz Moreno and two other men

and was beaten and robbed. The assailants stole an estimated \$170.

During the struggle, one of the men shot the victim in the leg. The victim was able to escape by jumping out the window of the moving vehicle. Responding officers found him lying in the street near Racine Road and State 441 just south of St. Mary's Cemetery.

Ruiz Moreno, whose recent addresses include Neenah, Menasha and Apple-

ton, was already facing 23 misdemeanor and three felony drug and bail jumping charges in five open cases in Brown and Shawano counties when she was arrested on a warrant in relation to the incident in Fox Crossing.

She's been charged in Winnebago County with felony counts of armed robbery as a party to a crime, second-degree recklessly endangering safety as a party to a crime and bail jumping.

Neenah man charged with sixth OWI

Neenah News

A Neenah man is facing his sixth operating while intoxicated (OWI) charge and drug charges after driving without a front license plate.

Donald Flenz, 45, will make his initial appearance Monday on felony counts of OWI, operating with a restricted controlled substance (sixth) and possession of methamphetamine, along with misdemeanor counts of possessing drug paraphernalia, operating while revoked and failing to install an ignition interlock device.

Flenz was arrested in June after an officer pulled him over in the 200 block of North Lake Street for driving a vehicle without a front plate. He was previously convicted of OWI in 2000, 2001, 2003,

2010 and 2017 and admitted to the officer that his license was revoked due to OWI.

While speaking with Flenz, the officer noticed suspected drug paraphernalia in the vehicle and a search uncovered methamphetamine and paraphernalia.

Flenz's preliminary breath test did not detect alcohol but a blood analysis revealed amphetamine and methamphetamine.



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Students make connections

A field trip brought online students statewide to Neenah for a recent afternoon of skating and other activities at The Plaza at Gateway Park downtown. Wisconsin Connections Academy students, including this second-grader Dan and his mother, took part in the event.

Public input will help shape district's strategy for success

Earlier this year, I hosted listening sessions across the district to gather input from stakeholders. These included four community-wide and staff sessions at each school. I am deeply grateful for the engagement and feedback from our staff, families and community members. Your insights have been invaluable in shaping our next steps.

I want to share the actions we are taking to strengthen communication, enhance student learning and ensure long-term success for the Neenah Joint School District.

Communication, transparency

Trust is built on transparency and consistency. To improve communication across the district, we will implement standardized protocols to ensure information is accessible, timely and clear. This includes continuing regular district newsletters, creating an improved website and establishing clearer communication channels among administrators, teachers and families. Additionally, we will continue hosting superintendent listening sessions to foster direct dialogue with our community.

Strategic vision

A strong district needs a clear roadmap. The current NJSD Plan for Success will evolve into a comprehensive strategic plan with measurable goals, actionable steps and accountability measures. Over the next three months, we will gather community and staff input to ensure this plan reflects our stakeholders' priorities. The final plan will focus on key areas: engagement, collaboration,



Steve Harrison
NJSD superintendent

well-being, responsibility and student success. With clear benchmarks and ongoing progress monitoring, we can align every initiative with our mission and values.

Literacy instruction

Literacy is the foundation of academic success. In February, we will launch a collaborative evaluation of our 5K-6 English Language Arts (ELA) program. This process will engage staff in identifying strengths, areas for improvement and strategies to enhance literacy instruction. The evaluation will include classroom observations, teacher and student feedback, and analysis of student performance data. Our goal is to implement the most effective instructional strategies to support diverse learning.

School improvement plans

Each NJSD school has unique strengths and challenges. To drive continuous progress, we will develop data-driven school improvement plans using Root Cause Analysis (RCA) and the Plan-Do-Study-Act (PDSA) cycle. These plans will be created in collaboration with teachers, parents and community members to ensure a well-rounded approach to addressing challenges and promoting student success.

Professional development

Our educators' success directly impacts student success. We are committed to a multiyear professional development strategy that equips our staff with the latest instructional practices and district initiatives. These opportunities will align with our focus areas to ensure we build capacity in the areas that matter most.

Long-term facilities needs

Our learning environments must support student success. We will refine our multiyear facilities plan, collaborating with the central office team to address

capital improvements and future needs, particularly at the elementary level. This plan will prioritize safety, functionality and sustainability to meet the evolving needs of our district.

The best part about these initiatives is that they came directly from the insightful feedback provided by our staff and community. They reflect our unwavering commitment to making NJSD a place where students thrive, educators feel supported and families remain confident in our schools. Thank you for being part of this journey. Together, we will build a stronger future for NJSD.



NJSD photo

Robotics program boost

The Neenah Joint School District robotics program at both the middle and high schools is the recent recipient of a \$12,458 grant from the state Department of Public Instruction. The district has about 50 students involved in the program at the middle school and about 40 at the high school. The teams have won state titles and qualified for world competitions. The grants are part of Robotics League Participation funding that goes toward fees, kits, supplies and travel expenses related to competitions.

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An office building at 219 E. Wisconsin Ave. is now a pile of rubble after a crew razed the structure this month.

Downtown office building demolished

Neenah News

The demolition of a former office building directly across from the Neenah Public Library has sparked curiosity among residents who are eager to learn what new development will replace it.

Over the last few weeks workers have razed the building at 219 E. Wisconsin Ave. on a parcel between Twin Cities FreeMasons Lodge No. 61 and Copperstill Bourbon Bar. The commercial structure was built in 1940 on just over a half-acre, with additions constructed in 1961 and 1989, according to city tax records.

The building was previously occupied by the Remley & Sensenbrenner law office. Nicolet National Bank purchased it in 2020 for \$500,000, records show. The city listed the assessed value of the property at \$651,000 in 2024, though the land without the structure and improvements is valued at \$170,000.

Community Development director Chris Haese said the decision to raze the building was made due to the lack of a clear plan for reuse.

“As a landowner, it can be a little bit problematic when you have an empty building, and recognizing that there was not a plan for reuse of the building, it was better to take the next step and just clear the site for now,” he said.

As for what will eventually go on the vacant parcel, Haese quashed rumors that it would be turned into a parking lot for the library, noting the city owns some of the parking around the Masonic Temple and “there’s quite a bit of parking there right now,” he said.

Haese emphasized the property is privately owned and while specific plans remain uncertain, he is optimistic the demolition will pave the way for a future development.

PB&J food campaign returns to region through end of March

Oshkosh Herald

With hunger statistics for Wisconsin continuing to show an increase in food insecurity among children, Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin is kicking off its 22nd annual two-month fundraising, donation and awareness campaign aimed at providing nutritious food to children.

The campaign that runs through March 31 encourages supporters to make monetary donations or collect jars of peanut butter and jelly to donate to help Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin stock the shelves at food pantries, meal programs and shelters for families.

Serving as the ambassador for a third consecutive year is Milwaukee Bucks forward Bobby Portis Jr., who has partnered with the organization to raise funds and awareness of childhood hunger.

Supporters can also make a difference at Pick ‘n Save and Metro Market locations by asking their cashier or scanning a card



Photo from Feeding America

Bobby Portis Jr. of the Milwaukee Bucks returns as the PB&J Challenge campaign’s ambassador.

at self-checkout to donate \$5 worth of peanut butter and jelly.

Residents, companies and organizations can support the campaign by visiting FeedingAmericaWI.org/PBJ.

In addition to being shelf-stable, peanut butter and jelly are two of the most requested items from pantry partners across eastern Wisconsin.

Winnebago ice report

By Jim Nobbe

PAYNE’S POINT HOOK & SPEAR FISHING CLUB

As of Wednesday, we are seeing 16 to 19 inches of ice in the northern half of the lake. The main north south crack has three truck bridges and an ATV bridge on it 0.3 miles off our landing at Payne’s Point Hook & Spear Fishing Club. We also have a truck bridge and ATV bridge on the same crack in Cowling Bay out from the Winnebago County boat landing on Grundman Lane between Neenah and Oshkosh. We have a plowed road out

to the end of our tree line at 5 miles. We also plowed from the boat landing to the bridges and south to Garlic Island area. The big east-west crack from Wheeler Point to just south of Faro Springs Road is really working and multiple vehicles have went through the ice trying to cross it, so be careful around that area. Otter Street Fishing Club has four truck bridges off Merritt Street and four ATV bridges as well. They have a plowed road and tree line out for miles where they meet up with Quinney Fishing Club’s tree line.

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Student support

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with a child present at the scene triggers the program. That includes domestic violence, situations involving drugs and alcohol, death of a family member, arrests and emergency medical issues.

Fox Crossing Police detective Meredith Birmingham said before HWC was implemented in the county, if an officer responded to a domestic violence situation and children were in the home but unharmed, the children may not be assessed or receive services.

"It definitely has helped the schools be more aware of issues that the students are having, that it's not just the students that are acting out that are having issues, it can still be your straight-A student who's in three sports year-round," she said. "But it's allowing the school district to then offer, does that family or that individual need some services and how can we provide that for them."

Traumatic events that occur in childhood are considered adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which reports that about 64% of adults in the United States had experienced at least one type of ACE before age 18.

Neenah police captain of operations

Amy Wagner said ACEs have been shown to significantly impact youth and increase the need for mental health services.

"Our goal is to provide information to school social workers and counselors to intervene early to help lessen the long-term impact on our vulnerable youth," she said.

As an example of the program's effectiveness, Wagner shared a story of a school social worker who checked in with a child after receiving a HWC notification.

"The student used the opportunity to share issues that were occurring at home and the student seemed relieved to have a safe space to share at just the right time," she said. "If this program was not active, this teacher may have never known the child's situation and the wellness mechanisms would not have been achieved."

Ashley Kolb, who is Neenah Joint School District's director of student growth and support programs, said HWC is part of a trauma-informed care model.



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Trauma-informed care focuses on understanding trauma and responding to its impact on mental, emotional and physical well-being.

"We recognize that students, from our youngest learners to our graduating seniors, often carry heavy emotional burdens that can impact their ability to engage in learning," Kolb said. "Instead of penalizing distraction or emotional responses, we respond with empathy and support."

HWC was initially piloted in Oshkosh and in the first year, social workers received 70 referrals between November 2020 and June 2021.

"What was so interesting is when we asked the school social workers if any of those kids were on their radar, they said no," Skolaski said, highlighting a gap the initiative aims to fill.

After the successful launch in Oshkosh, the program has now expanded throughout Winnebago County. If officers from any jurisdiction have contact with students in Winneconne, Omro, Oshkosh, Neenah or Menasha public school districts, that triggers an HWC notification. Though the program is only at public schools, plans are in the works to expand

to private schools.

The 2024-2025 school year marks the first year of implementation in the Neenah area after the launch of the pilot program. Skolaski said police are doing an excellent job with referrals.

"I think it's got to be hard as an officer to see these situations over and over and feel like they can't do anything about it, right? And this program is a way of doing something about it," she said.

Because the program is new in Neenah, Skolaski was unable to share data on its effect, but noted early indications suggest it's having a meaningful impact for students dealing with substance abuse and domestic violence at home.

"It's a program that identifies kids that were falling through the cracks and gives them those resources needed," she said.

Kolb said feedback from the Neenah school district's principals has been overwhelmingly positive and they appreciate receiving a heads-up about challenging situations, as it helps mobilize resources and support systems.

"Most importantly, Handle With Care reflects our commitment to seeing and supporting the whole child," she said. "We understand that our students' lives extend beyond our classroom walls, and by acknowledging their experiences with compassion, we create a more supportive and effective learning environment."

Arrowhead Park

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In 1904, Detric W. Bergstrom and his son purchased the property and established Bergstrom Paper Co. Bergstrom Paper began disposing of paper sludge in the southern edge of Little Lake Butte des Morts in the 1950s, which contaminated the land and water with polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs).

PCBs are synthetic chemicals that were used in the paper making process and can cause cancer and other health challenges, according to the Environmental Protection Agency, which banned the use of PCBs in 1979.

Bergstrom Paper was sold to P.H. Glatfelter Co. in 1979 and the Glatfelter Paper Mill continued operating there until it closed in 2006 and moved operations to other facilities.

The site has seen several buildings, including the paper mill and surrounding infrastructure needed for operation, a powerplant and smokestack to the east, and the Fox Valley Energy Center to the south.

The state deeded the landfill to the city for a public purpose in 1951 and the 30 acres known as Arrowhead Park was designated by the city as a public recreational area in 1975.

Redeveloping Arrowhead is seen as a crucial step in the city's broader strategy to turn the downtown area into a regional attraction for tourism and recreation. The city began demolishing structures at Arrowhead in the early 2000s, razing the paper mill in 2008 and Fox Valley Energy

Center in 2016.

In the past 10 years, developments included Plexus Corp. headquarters constructed on what was formerly the Glatfelter Mill, and establishment of the 3.5-mile Loop the Little Lake Trail, which links Fox Crossing, Menasha and Neenah. A new pier with benches and a quiet water boat launch for kayaks, canoes and paddle boards, was added to the park in 2023.

Since the 1980s, the city has had several concept plans for Arrowhead. The most recent was in 2023 when the city paid RDG Planning & Design \$47,000 to come up with a new plan.

RDG used feedback from residents who completed an online survey or attended an open house to come up with the latest Arrowhead master plan, which suggests adding an amphitheater, community building, celebration lawn, sculpture garden and playground among the amenities at Arrowhead.

With the park bordered to the south by an active Canadian National Railroad line, one of the focal points of the plan is creation of a pedestrian overpass above the rail line, connecting downtown Neenah, The Plaza and Gateway Park to Arrowhead and the Fox River.

Community Development director Chris Haese said moving forward on redevelopment of the park has been challenging due to site conditions and Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) requirements for PCB contamination.

The city contracted with Graef Engineering last September to complete preliminary engineering, design and feasibility analysis of several components of the

master plan, which will be submitted to the DNR for approval.

In a memo, Haese wrote that the preliminary engineering work identified the need for an estimated 30,000 cubic yards of additional material to be placed on Arrowhead to provide sufficient cover over planned utilities and the existing landfill material.

At the same time, the city is nearing completion of excavating Douglas Park for a stormwater pond and Haese said staff recognized that the fill material from Douglas Park could be used at Arrowhead.

About 15,000 to 20,000 cubic yards of material from Douglas Park has been transported to Arrowhead where it is being stored while awaiting DNR approval and weather conditions conducive to spread it. The fill is expected to reduce overall development costs at Arrowhead by about \$160,000.

In addition, the city will have 22 geotechnical borings collected and analyzed to better understand site conditions, particularly in areas where buildings are proposed.

Haese explained that each cylindrical boring contains about 8 feet of sludge material contaminated with PCBs. After analysis, the borings will need to be trucked to Texas to be incinerated. Disposing of the borings makes up a significant portion of

the \$71,000 cost, though Haese noted the city is continuing to explore less costly options for disposal that meet state and federal regulations.

Haese said Arrowhead Park is one of the most complex redevelopments the city will undertake.

"It is very unique to have development of what we are proposing on a landfill that was a former lake bed, so it carries a fair amount of regulatory hurdles that we need to clear in order for things to move forward," he said, "and it is not anything that either the city has undertaken, and I don't believe the state has ever been asked to be a partner in a project of this scale and complexity."

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SWIMMING

Rockets' reign over conference continues

Drew Gaerthofner was a part of four of Neenah's five first-place finishes as the Rockets dominated the Fox Valley Association Meet at Appleton North on Saturday.

It was the sixth straight FVA title for the Rockets and 10th in the last 11 years. Neenah totaled 560 points in the meet to easily outdistance Appleton West/Kimberly, which finished with 402 points.

The Rockets had a strong start to the meet where the team of Gaerthofner, Tanner Trustem, Julian Kuehn and Burke Wendell set a pool record of 1 minute, 38.69 seconds in winning the 200-yard medley relay. The time was about six-tenths of a second off the conference record.

The Rockets also finished first in the 200-yard freestyle relay with a team of Gaerthofner, Wendell, Trustem and Joshua Youngwerth.

In addition to being a part of the two relay wins, Gaerthofner posted a pair of individual wins for the Rockets. He set a conference and pool record with a time of 57.78 seconds in winning the 100-yard breaststroke. He finished nearly four seconds ahead of the rest of the field.

Trustem finished third in the event, while Wendell came in fifth.

Gaerthofner also added a win in the 100-yard freestyle, with Youngwerth placing fifth in the event.

Kuehn also picked up an individual win for the Rockets, placing first in the 50-yard freestyle.

Trustem and Youngwerth finished second and third, respectively, in the 200-yard individual medley, while Wendell and Gideon Benner took second and third, respectively, in the 500-yard freestyle.

Other top finishers for the Rockets were: Ryker Zarda, second in the 100-yard backstroke; Kuehn, third in the 100-yard butterfly; Benner, fourth in the 200-yard freestyle; and Zarda, fifth in the 200-yard freestyle.

Neenah relay teams also placed second and fourth in the 400-yard freestyle.

GIRLS WRESTLING

Neenah dominates conference tournament

Six Rockets claimed titles and a total of eight wrestlers reached the finals as Neenah dominated the Fox Valley Association Meet in winning the team crown at Appleton East on Saturday.

The Rockets racked up 193 points in the tournament with Kimberly finishing a distant second with only 86 points. Appleton West was third with 83.5 points.

Of Neenah's six champions, only Julia

Rangel had to win three matches to claim her title. She pinned Appleton West's Stella Somers in the first round and then edged Oshkosh North's Maddy Ketola, 8-5, in a sudden-victory period. Rangel then beat Oshkosh West's Samantha Bryant, 6-2, to claim the 132-pound title.

Ashlynn Scheidermayer went 2-0 with one pin to claim the 114-pound title, edging Appleton West's Annaleah Jacobson, 6-4, in a tiebreaker period for the title. Amari Richard also beat a pair of opponents to win the 126-pound crown, notching both wins by pin, including a 48-second victory over Kimberly's Ava Benning in the title match.

Rounding out the champions for Neenah were Kylee Kurszewski at 120 pounds, Ava Armatti at 138 pounds and Janet Sorto at 145 pounds. All three pinned the only opponents they faced in their respective title matches.

Maya Ives (107) and Emma Verbrick (235) each took second for the Rockets, while Cassidy Steinberg (114), Jenson Kurszewski (138) and Lluvia Carrillo (165) each finished third.

HOCKEY

Rockets edge Ledgers to claim Badgerland title

Mark Sutton scored a pair of goals and Neenah/Hortonville/Menasha held off a late charge from St. Mary's Springs to claim a 2-1 win in the championship game of the Badgerland Conference tournament on Saturday in Fond du Lac.

Sutton opened the scoring late in the first period on an assist from Preston Liedke and then picked up his second goal less than five minutes into the second period off an assist from Ty Laabs.

The Rockets held the Ledgers scoreless until there was just more than a minute left in the game when St. Mary's Springs was able to get on the scoreboard. But that would be all the Ledgers would get as the Rockets held on for the win.

Owen Debbert made 17 saves in net to earn the win.

The Rockets reached the title game by beating Homestead, 5-0, in the semifinals. Neenah/Hortonville/Menasha led 1-0 heading into the third period but erupted for four goals to break the game open.

Sutton finished with a pair of goals, including the Rockets' first tally in the second period while making it 2-0 early in the third period. Liam Kelly, Zach Verhagen and Laabs also scored for the Rockets, while Calvin Zinda and Cooper Zinda each finished with two assists in the game.

Debbert needed to make just nine saves to earn the shutout.

BOYS WRESTLING

Koch, Herm claim FVA titles to lead Rockets

Declan Koch and Jacob Herm stormed through the competition en route to

claiming titles at the Fox Valley Association meet Saturday at Appleton East.

Koch pinned his first opponent at 157 pounds and then scored a pair of technical falls for the title. Koch outscored his final two opponents by a combined margin of 41-9, including a 19-4 win over Kaukauna's Ryan Schmidt in the title match.

Herm went 4-0 and pinned all four of his opponents to win the 165-pound title. His first three wins all came in the first period, while he stopped Kolin DeGroot of Kaukauna in 3:08 in the title match.

Landen Sheppard (144) and Kaden Roth (190) each went 2-1 to place second at their respective weights. Roth notched both of his wins by pin, while Sheppard registered one pin on the day.

Jackson Lichty (150) earned a third place, while Alex Zuehlsdorf (120), Steven Czechanski (132) and Khalid Williams (215) were each fourth.

Neenah totaled 185.5 points in the meet to finish third, just seven points behind Hortonville. Kaukauna won the meet with 292.5 points.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Rockets roll to road win over Terrors

Ellie Buss knocked down six 3-pointers and finished with 22 points as Neenah cruised to a 74-25 win over Appleton West on Monday.

It was the 300th career win for head coach Andy Braunel.

The Rockets led 14-9 midway through the first half and then went on a 26-6 run to take a 40-15 lead at intermission.

Alissa Ebel added 17 points in the win, while Rowan Klesmit finished with 10 points and eight rebounds.

Buss also led the way for the Rockets in a lopsided 79-41 win over Oshkosh North on Friday. The junior hit seven 3-pointers to total 21 points to lead four players in double figures for Neenah.

Klesmit finished with five 3-pointers and 17 points for the Rockets with Celia Gentile adding 13 points. Rae Schoultz also reached double figures with 10 points.

Zephyrs roll to three easy wins

St. Mary Catholic improved to 20-2 on the season and 11-1 in the Big East North with a trio of easy wins over the past week.

The Zephyrs outscored Reedsville 37-14 in the second half to pull away for a 71-37 win last Thursday.

Lauren Ripley led the way with 14 points, while Emily Vogel finished with 13 points. Autumn Crowe totaled 12 points and 10 rebounds in the win, while Brityn Voss chipped in nine points.

On Friday, St. Mary Catholic scored a 67-29 win over Howards Grove behind 18 points from Ripley.

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Hard work leads Rockets' Scheidermayer to success

By Steve Clark
NEENAH NEWS

Ashlynn Scheidermayer found herself in a tough situation at the end of last year's wrestling season.

After posting a team-high 32 wins during the regular season, the then junior lost in a wrestle-off for the team's 114-pound spot in the postseason lineup which meant her season was over.

Some wrestlers would have immediately jumped into the offseason, bringing an end to the grueling practices and constant weight watching, while some might have even walked away from the wrestling mat for good after that type of disappointment.

Scheidermayer chose a different path. "It was tough, but I realized I needed to be there for my teammates to help them get ready for regionals and state and stuff," Scheidermayer said. "I don't like to give up. It's just not who I am."

Scheidermayer's never-quit attitude is something that has rubbed off on the rest of those in the Rockets wrestling room, too.

"That's the best thing about Ashlynn – she doesn't give up. She's one of the grittiest wrestlers on our team. She just refuses to quit and that's what has made her so successful," Neenah head coach Madison Ruckdashel said. "Ashlynn is going to be one of those stories we talk about after she leaves here because she has worked so hard. She's going to make an impact on this program far beyond her time here."

Scheidermayer hasn't let last year's frustration affect her senior season either.

She is likely going to make it back-to-back 30-win seasons as she stands at 29 victories this year heading into the WIAA Regional Tournament and capped off her regular season by winning the 114-pound title at the Fox Valley Association tournament last Saturday.

In her title match, Scheidermayer beat a wrestler – Appleton West's Annaleah Jacobson – who handed her a loss earlier this season and she did it by basically outlasting Jacobson, winning the match with a takedown in the ultimate overtime period.

"It felt really good. I ended up getting at it and getting her," the soft-spoken Scheidermayer said. "I think it was just my determination in general (in the overtime). I get strength from the support of my coaches and teammates and that really pushed me to finish that match strong."

Scheidermayer has not been a lifelong



wrestler and went out for the sport as a sophomore, choosing wrestling because it was simply "something new."

"I think at first people thought I was psychotic that I wanted to try wrestling out of all sports," said Scheidermayer, who had played soccer for 10 years before moving to wrestling. "I just really wanted to learn something new and wrestling, it has taught me a lot."

She took some lumps starting from scratch in a new sport.

Her sophomore season she won only two matches but just kept learning and working to turn things around as a junior. Scheidermayer also credits those who shared the time with her in the Rockets' practice room for helping her improve.

"Getting better was just determination. I wanted to put in the work and I did and it led me to have more success," Scheidermayer said. "It really came down to my hard work to the support of my coaches and teammates."

Although wrestling is considered an individual sport, Scheidermayer likes the team aspect of it the most.

Not whether the Rockets pull out a win in a dual meet or hoist the team trophy for taking first at a tournament. But rather the relationships that are formed working tirelessly with each other in the practice room and away from competitions.

"One of our core values is FAMILY – Forget about me, I love you – and that's a big part of (our chemistry)," Scheidermayer said. "We all love to support each other and want to see the best out of each other."

Scheidermayer has felt firsthand that support from her team.

Earlier this season, the Rockets trailed by three points entering the final match of a dual meet against Badger at a quadrangular at UW-Stevens Point. Scheidermayer took the mat for the final match and ended up winning by pin to lift Neenah to the victory.

"I could feel them supporting me and I felt that push to be able to win my match," Scheidermayer said. "It meant a lot to me that they were supporting me and had



Neenah News

Ashlynn Scheidermayer is on the verge of back-to-back 30-win seasons for the Neenah girls wrestling program and captured the 114-pound title at the FVA tournament last Saturday.

confidence in me. That support really does help in matches."

With what she's accomplished the past two seasons, Scheidermayer has emerged as one of the leaders of the Rockets' blossoming program.

It's not something she set out to do, it's just that her work ethic and approach has led her there.

"I never felt like I had to be (a leader) but I felt like I was. It's just my natural self," Scheidermayer said. "I've always helped the new people, helped them grow. I'm not just going to beat them down in prac-

tice because I can. And when I work with the more experienced girls and girls that are better than me, I'm not just going to give up pushing them.

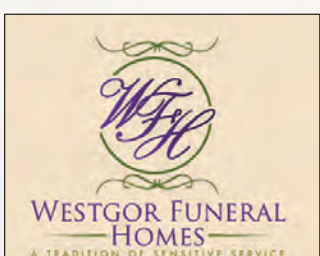
"We have a youth girls program and I try to help out the practices as much as I can. I never thought I would be such a big part of a growing program and it's really great to see."

Scheidermayer hopes to continue that approach in the future as well.

Although she doesn't plan to continue as a competitor on the mat, Scheidermay-

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Vogel added 16 points and nine rebounds, while Crowe finished with 11 points and Elianna Brenn chipped in seven points.

The Zephyrs capped the three-game win streak with a 72-26 win over Hilbert, bolting to a 40-12 lead at halftime before coasting in the second half.

Crowe paced the win with 20 points and eight rebounds, while Vogel added 17 points in the win. Lucy Norville with eight points and Luci Nackers and Brenn with seven points each helped spark the victory.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Rockets nearly knock off top-ranked Vikings

Luke Jung hit a 3-pointer with 26 seconds left to give Neenah a one-point lead but Wisconsin Lutheran answered with a basket about 10 seconds later and then held the Rockets on the final possession to pull out a 46-45 in Neenah on Saturday.

After each team took a timeout with 7.1 seconds to play, the Rockets inbounded the ball to Jung who passed the ball to Joey Daun on the wing. Daun drove baseline and put up a shot while being sandwiched by a pair of Viking defenders, but the at-

tempt fell short as time expired.

Jung finished with 14 points and seven rebounds, while Daun chipped in 13 points. Roan Koeper added nine points for the Rockets.

The 46 points was the lowest output of the season for the Vikings – their previous low was 64 points – while this was just the second time this season Wisconsin Lutheran has won a game by fewer than 10 points.

It was the second straight loss for the Rockets, who dropped a 69-41 decision to Oshkosh North last Friday night.

Neenah was held to just 13 points in the first half and trailed 36-13 at intermission.

Jung scored 12 points and Daun added nine to pace the Rockets.

Balanced attack lifts Zephyrs past Wolves

Ten different players scored as St. Mary

Catholic downed Hilbert, 58-34, in a Big East North game Tuesday night.

Mason Uhlenbrauck hit three 3-pointers and finished with 11 points and was the only player in double figures for the Zephyrs.

Mason Wagner, Luke Fairweather and Preston Fields each finished with nine points in the win.

St. Mary Catholic was coming off a heartbreaking 60-58 loss to Reedsville on Friday.

Fields hit a driving layup with about a minute left to play to knot the score at 58. The Panthers then held for the final shot and converted an offensive rebound with two seconds left for the winning margin.

Wagner scored a season-high 22 points to lead the Zephyrs, while Fields finished with 15 points. Tarver Trinkner and Maddox Dwyer chipped in nine and eight points, respectively.



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er is hoping to remain around wrestling rooms moving forward and pass along the knowledge of the sport she has built up.

“I am going to pursue coaching because I really enjoy helping the younger girls enjoy wrestling,” Scheidermayer said. “I don’t think I could leave the sport yet. My little sister is coming on to the team next year hopefully, so I can continue my Neenah wrestling passion through her.”

No matter what her involvement is with the sport in the future or how her high

school career ends in the coming weeks, wrestling certainly has made an impact on Scheidermayer.

“I think I have become more mature with it. My thought process has changed a lot because of wrestling and taught me morals and how much I understand things in my life,” Scheidermayer said. “Sometimes emotions can get in the way and when you really get into something, if you don’t succeed, it can really make a hardship for you. I feel like wrestling has taught me to control those emotions a bit and push those emotions to a different effort. So like frustration and sadness are put toward effort into continuing on and keep building for what is ahead.”

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IN THE MATTER OF THE

ANNA C. KLIMES REVOCA-BLE TRUST AGREEMENT DATED JULY 1, 2011

Anna C. Klimes, whose date of birth was August 20, 1927, died on December 22, 2024. Pursuant to §701.0508 of the Wisconsin Statutes, notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing claims for payment of the debts of Anna C. Klimes with the Trustee of the above trust is on or before May 31, 2025. The name and address of the Trustee is:

Janice Michel

W6366 Moon Shadow Drive, #6 Greenville, WI 54942 Dated this 22nd day of January, 2025.
Janice Michel, Trustee
Runs: Jan. 31, 2025, Feb. 7, 2025 and Feb. 14, 2025

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT WINNEBAGO COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF: Antonio Esteban Boils

Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing Case No. 2025CV000083

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Antonio Esteban Boils
To: Tyler Anthony St. James
Birth Certificate: Antonio Esteban Boils

IT IS ORDERED:

This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Winnebago County, State of Wisconsin: Judge's Name: Hon. Michael S. Gibbs
Place: 415 Jackson St. Room 211, Oshkosh, WI 54901
Date: March 3, 2025
Time: 10:00 am

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 920-236-4868 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Neenah News a newspaper published in Winnebago County, State of Wisconsin.

BY THE COURT: DATE SIGNED: January 24, 2025 /s/ Hon. Michael S. Gibbs Winnebago County Circuit Court Judge, Branch IV Runs: January 31, 2025, February 7, 2025 and February 14, 2025

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, SHEBOYGAN COUNTY

Amended Summons and

Complaint (Small Claims) Case No. 25SC0001

FIVE POINT DEFENSIVE ARTS LLC
1924B CALUMET DRIVE
SHEBOYGAN WI 53081
Plaintiff,

v.

STEVEN W. MIER
375 S. GREEN BAY RD,
ROOM# 25
NEENAH WI 54956
Defendant.

Amended Publication Summons and Complaint

To the Defendant(s):

You are being sued as described on the attached complaint. If you wish to dispute this matter:

You must file a written answer and provide a copy to the plaintiff or plaintiff's attorney on or before the date and time stated.

When to Appear/File an Answer: February 25, 2025 at 8:30 am.

Place to Appear/File an Answer: CLERK OF COURTS, 615 N 6th Street, Sheboygan WI 53081.

If you do not appear or answer, the plaintiff may win this case and a judgment entered for what the plaintiff is asking.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

Dated this 23rd day of January, 2025.
By: /s/ Steven De Spain
Steven De Spain
1435 Georgia Avenue
Sheboygan, WI 53081
(920) 395-2992

Runs January 31, 2025, February 7, 2025 and February 14, 2025

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT WINNEBAGO COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF:

Miles Eddison Gahl
By (Petitioner): Miles Eddison Gahl

Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing Case No. 2025CV000012

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Miles Eddison Gahl
To: Beaslehub Iris Gahl
Birth Certificate: Miles Eddison Gahl

IT IS ORDERED:

This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Winnebago County, State of Wisconsin:

Judge's Name: Hon. Michael D. Rust
Place: 415 Jackson St. Oshkosh, WI 5490, Room 410
Date: February 14, 2025
Time: 10:30 am

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 920-236-4811 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class

3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Neenah News a newspaper published in Winnebago County, State of Wisconsin.

BY THE COURT: DATE SIGNED: January 6, 2025

/s/ Hon. Michael D. Rust Winnebago County Circuit Court Judge, Branch I

Runs: January 31, 2025, February 7, 2025 and February 14, 2025

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT WINNEBAGO COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF: Shaniah Marie McNaughtan Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing Case No. 25CV73

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

From: Shaniah Marie McNaughtan
To: Shaniah Marie-McNaughtan Hoefs
Birth Certificate: Shiania Marie Hoefs

IT IS ORDERED: This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Winnebago County, State of Wisconsin: Judge's Name: Hon. Daniel J. Bissett
Place: Winnebago County Courthouse 415 Jackson St., Room 53, Oshkosh, WI 54901
Date: February 28, 2025
Time: 8:45 a.m.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 920-236-4912 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Neenah News a newspaper published in Winnebago County, State of Wisconsin.

BY THE COURT: DATE SIGNED: January 22, 2025

/s/ Hon. Daniel J. Bissett Winnebago County Circuit Court Judge, Branch VI Runs: February 7, 2025, February 14, 2025 and February 21, 2025

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT WINNEBAGO COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF: Megan Elizabeth Keyes By (Petitioner): Megan Elizabeth Keyes

Notice and Order for Name Change Hearing Case No: 2025CV000072

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:
From: Megan Elizabeth Keyes
To: Meghan Elizabeth Keyes
Birth Certificate: Megan Elizabeth Keyes

IT IS ORDERED:

This Petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Winnebago County, State of Wisconsin:

Judge's Name: Hon. John A. Jorgensen

Place: Winnebago County Courthouse 415 Jackson St. Oshkosh, WI 54901
Date: February 28, 2025
Time: 11:00 am

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 920-236-4866 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Neenah News a newspaper published in Neenah, WI. Winnebago County, State of Wisconsin.

BY THE COURT: DATE SIGNED: January 23, 2025

/s/ Hon. John A. Jorgensen-Winnebago County Circuit Court Judge, Branch V Runs: February 7, 2025, February 14, 2025 and February 21, 2025

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STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT COUNTY OF

MARINETTE: BRANCH Case No: 24-CV-311 Code No: 30405

DOUGLAS E. WAGNER and JAMIE K. NOLAN
N8090 Tipperary Lane
Crivitz, WI 54114
Plaintiffs,

vs.

KEITH FRALEY
1150 Jonathan Lane, Apt 16
Neenah, WI 54956
Defendant.

PUBLICATION SUMMONS THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, TO THE PERSON NAMED ABOVE AS RESPONDENT:

You are hereby notified that the Plaintiff named above has filed a Complaint to Foreclose Land Contract against you.

You must respond with a written demand for a copy of the Complaint within 40 days from the day after the first date of publication. That demand must be sent or delivered to the court, whose address is:

Clerk of Circuit Court
MARINETTE COUNTY COURTHOUSE
1926 Hall Avenue
Marinette, WI 54143
and to ATTORNEY KIM A. COGGINS , plaintiff's attorney, whose address is:
COGGINS LAW
1701 Dunlap Avenue
Marinette, WI 54143

It is recommended, but not required, that you have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not demand a copy of the Complaint within forty (40) days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

Dated this 6th day of February, 2025.
By: /s/ Kim A. Coggins Kim A. Coggins (1010831) Plaintiff's Attorney COGGINS LAW 1701 Dunlap Avenue Marinette, WI 54143 (715) 732-8880 kim@cogginslaw.net

Runs February 14, 2025, February 21, 2025 and February 28, 2025

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Notice of Child Find Activity:

Neenah Joint School District

The Neenah Joint School District must locate, identify, and evaluate all resident children with disabilities, including children with disabilities attending private schools, regardless of the severity of their disabilities. The school district has a special education screening program to locate and screen all children with suspected disabilities who are residents of the district and who have not graduated from high school. The district conducts monthly developmental screenings of preschool children. Upon request, the school district will screen any resident child who has not graduated from high school to determine whether a special education referral is appropriate. A request may be made by contacting Valerie Hurm, Director of Pupil Services, at 751-6800 Ext. 10130 or by writing to her at 410 S. Commercial Street, Neenah, WI 54956. A physician, nurse, psychologist, social worker or administrator of a social agency who reasonably believes a child brought to him or her for services is a child with a disability has a legal duty to report the child to the school district in which the child resides. Before referring the child, the person making the referral must inform the child's parent that the referral will be made. The referral must be in writing and include the reason why the person believes the child is a child with a disability. Others who reasonably believe a child is a child with a disability may also refer the child to the school district in which the child resides. A referral of a child residing in the Neenah Joint School District may be sent to Valerie Hurm at the school district address above.

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Kid Scoop Together: Silly Valentine Game

All you need is a small bag or bowl and three or more friends to play with!

Directions:

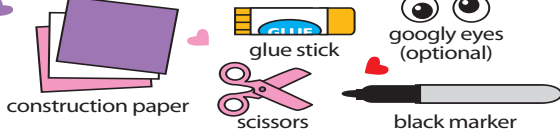
- ♥ Cut out the coupons below.
- ♥ Fold them in half and put them into a bag, bowl or box.
- ♥ One by one, players select a piece of paper from the container.
- ♥ Two at a time, the players start performing their actions, without laughing. The first person to laugh is out.
- ♥ Repeat this until only one person is left in the game.

Valentine's Day Crafts

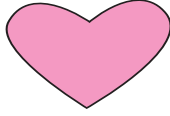
How many hearts can you find on this page in three minutes? Have a friend try. Who found the most?

Hearty Mouse

STUFF YOU'LL NEED:

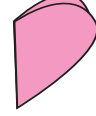


STEP 1:



Cut out a big pink heart.

STEP 2:



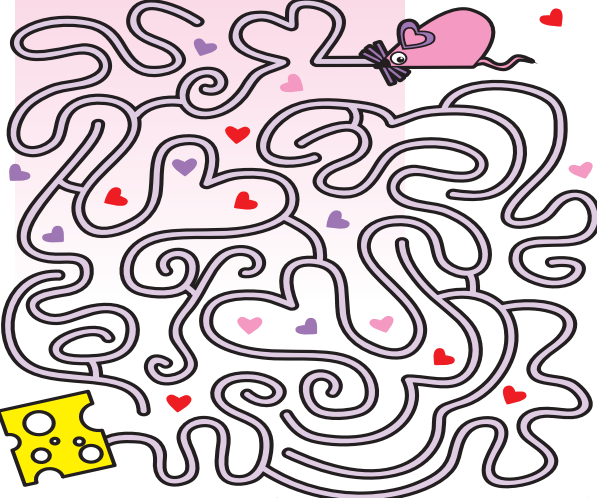
Fold the heart in half.

STEP 3:



Cut out two smaller hearts.

Help the mouse reach the cheese.



STEP 4:



Glue small hearts to make an ear. Glue on a googly eye or draw an eye.

STEP 5:



Cut out six little strips to make whiskers. Cut out a squiggly tail.

STEP 6:



Glue on whiskers and tail. Use marker to make a black nose.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written step-by-step directions.

Love Bugs

STUFF YOU'LL NEED:

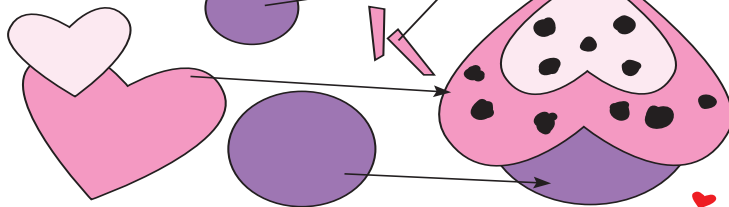


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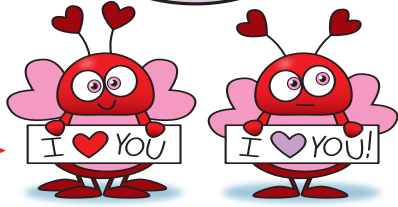
Cut out a large and a small heart shape, a large and small circle, and two small strips.

STEP 2:

Glue together as shown. Add spots and eyes with marker.



How many differences can you spot between these two love bugs?



Valentine Butterfly Pencil Topper

STUFF YOU'LL NEED:



STEP 1:

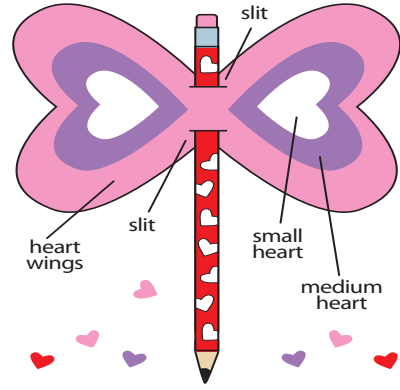
Cut out heart-wing shape, two medium sized hearts and two small hearts.

STEP 2:

Glue a medium and a small heart on each wing.

STEP 3:

Make two small horizontal slits at center of heart wings. Insert pencil through slits.



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Happy News

Look through the newspaper for one to three pictures, words or articles that make you feel happy.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

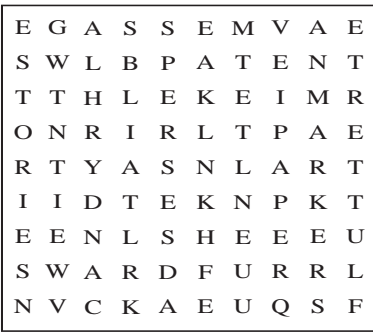
Draw a line from each Valentine's Day message to the animal who wrote it.



Double Double Word Search

VALENTINE
WHISKERS
MESSAGE
STORIES
FLUTTER
HEARTS
PATENT
SQUEAK
MARKER
PAPER
CANDY
TAIL
DARK
DRAW
BELL

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.



Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Write On!

Animal Valentine's Day Messages

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