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**STURGEON SEASON CHALLENGED BY POOR ICE** – Wisconsin DNR technicians measure the length of a lake sturgeon speared on opening day of the 2024 season Feb. 10. The DNR reported a count of just over 450 shacks and pop-ups on Lake Winnebago on opening day, compared to 3,000 on opening in 2023, and 6,000 in 2022. Still, two fish over 100 pounds were registered on opening day, one from Lake Winnebago and one from Lake Butte de Morts. – photo by Les Tension

## JMKAC given \$500K as 50th year nears

The John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Sheboygan, is the recipient of a two-year grant totaling \$500,000 from the Mellon Foundation to support general operations.

“We are grateful to the Mellon Foundation for its generosity,” said John Michael Kohler Arts Center Director Amy Horst. “The funds will strengthen our ability to create dynamic connections between the public and artists through our exhibi-

tions, programming, and collection.”

In 2024, the first year of funding, the Mellon grant will help support the 50th anniversary celebration for the Arts Center’s Arts/Industry residency program, which is hosted by Kohler Co. in its Kohler, Wis., factory.

JMKAC will showcase the dedication of past and present artists-in-residence and industrial artisans through a series

of exhibitions at the Art Center and related programs that engage visitors’ creativity and imagination in immersive experiences.

The Arts Center is nationally recognized for nurturing artists in the creation of new work, annually presenting approximately 20 original exhibitions of contemporary art, and preserving and sharing its renowned collection of artist-built environments at the Art Preserve.

# Governor tours novel mental care facility

by **Jeff Pederson**  
for The Beacon

Wisconsin Gov. Tony Evers made a stop in Sheboygan Falls on Monday, Feb. 5 to tour the The Production Farm’s (TPF) new facility located at 621 Broadway St. in downtown Sheboygan Falls.

Upon Evers arrival, Sheboygan Falls Mayor Randy Meyer, Sheboygan Falls Chamber-Main Street Director Tammy Meyer and The Production Farm staff members extended a warm greeting.

After a 90-minute tour of the 17,000 square foot facility, which provides non-traditional mental and behavioral healthcare and wellness services such as psychotherapy, experiential learning opportunities, skill development, and other trauma-informed services, Evers was impressed with how The Production Farm operates within a small community like Sheboygan Falls.

“It’s great to be here with a group that is focused on bettering our kids’ needs,” Evers said. “Kids struggle with various needs and mental health challenges throughout Wisconsin and this is a great program to help our youth and adults.”

The former Plymouth resident, who has been very involved in education and supportive of the needs of children throughout his professional and political career, was very thorough in his tour of The Production Farm’s food pantry, musical rooms, computer labs, kitchen and the basement recreation room.

TPF opened in late July 2023 with a grand opening of the new Sheboygan Falls building, which most recently housed Pentecostals of Sheboygan County.

In August 2023, The Production Farm was serving 15 clients a day and now has grown to accommodate the needs of 45 clients.

Under the direction of CEO Wyatt Kuether and CFO Muse Seymour, The Production Farm’s primary objective is to work with children and adults in need of support through pantry services, clothing needs and outreach programs.

The Production Farm is also a partner with Rogers Behavioral Services in Sheboygan giving proper help to those seeking mental health services.

The Production Farm originated in New York City with a group of celebrated figures of stage, television and film, who wanted to give youth in need of mental and behavioral health care alternative opportunities to learn, grow and heal.

Kuether, who is a Sheboygan native, launched a variation of the original pilot program in 2014. The initial success of TPF in Wisconsin led to the 2016 purchase of a 10-acre farm in Manitowoc County.

By 2018, Kuether’s leadership team expanded to include Seymour, Kayla Lampereur Hohmann (COO) and Director of Behavioral Health Kathryn Heinzen, MS LPC, each of whom are Wisconsin natives.

Together, they built a team of professional counselors and therapists committed to TPF’s innovative mental and behavioral health programs.

TPF started with a staff of four and has grown to 45 interns from various schools, including UW-Green Bay, UW-Milwaukee, UW-Oshkosh, UW-Superior, Lakeland University, St. Norbert College and the University of Illinois.

The global COVID-19 pandemic in 2019 and 2020 created an increased need for affordable, accessible and effective mental health care services.

During the pandemic, TPF fed about 55 families and made sure that everyone had the resources they need.

“We did whatever we can do to help,” Kuether said. “Our hope is to lead people to a better way of life.”

TPF has also stepped up to reach young people, especially in rural areas, by doubling programming and training additional creative care teams.

Throughout this period of growth, TPF continues to deliver specialized behavioral health and wellness programs, both on- and off-site, while remaining committed to an out-of-the-box approach tailored to each client’s needs.

“This community has been amazing,” said Kuether. “So many organizations have reached out to help and donate time to help us.”

Kuether thanked each of the area churches, Love INC of Sheboygan County, The Salvation Army and the area food pantries for their assistance in advancing TPF’s overall community support initiatives.

“Homelessness is everywhere,” said Hohmann. “We want to get the people the help to get back to regular way of life. This isn’t the 1980s. There are some people that don’t have a place they can call home these days.”

Emily Kunde of TPF stated that the community needs support and The Production Farms has the expertise and resources to led a helping hand.

“We’re always in need of donations of clothing, especially youth size coats and adult size men’s pants,” Kunde remarked. “Donations can be left at our back entrance on Buffalo Street or by calling 920-242-1920.”



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# Fundraiser seeks to help boy who endured nine surgeries following lawnmower accident

by **Dave Boehler**  
for The Beacon

Anne Hernandez says Brendyn Rochon's story still tugs at her heartstrings.

"As a mother and grandmother, I realize this was a tragic accident with long-term consequences and could have happened to any of our children or grandchildren," she said. "As a business owner and member of the Plymouth community, I want to raise awareness to the fact that this family still needs support."

The then-5-year-old Rochon was riding his bike Aug. 27 in Plymouth when someone cutting grass turned the lawnmower 180 degrees to go the opposite direction and struck the child as he passed by.

Rochon lost his hand after it went underneath the mower as a result of the accident, and has had to endure nine surgeries - with more to come.

So Hernandez, who owns Books and More (214 E. Mill St.) but has never met the Rochon family, created "Hearts for Brendyn."

"It's nice to see, with all the negative things that go on in this world," said Brendyn's father, Jeff. "It's nice to see that there are still good people out there that want to help, there's a lot of people who care. ... For somebody to reach out and offer to do something like that makes you feel good."

Hernandez recently noticed Rochon's GoFundMe page (www.gofundme.com/f/donate-to-help-the-rochon-family) was at just 10% of its goal.

She then collaborated with Plymouth High School's We-Act program and students joined her Tuesday to make 500 Valentine's Day orna-

ments, featuring four different decorations, that will be sold at various downtown businesses as a fundraiser.

They cost \$10 each and are currently on sale at Books and More, Allechant Boutique, the Cheese Counter, Generations, Hartman's Bakery and Over Easy Flipping through the end of the month (or until sold out).

All the proceeds go to the Rochons.

"My daughter just had a baby on Saturday, and I think I've been thinking it's from the standpoint of, you know, this could have happened to anybody's kid," Hernandez said. "I mean, it was really terrible, terrible, tragic accident. ... I'm hoping to rally the support of the community to meet this financial need. ... He's gonna have to deal with this disability for the rest of his life. Any picture I see of this child, he's just always smiling, and he seems to just be taking circumstances in stride. And I think he's just kind of an inspiration to people."

"I'm in a position now with the store that I could kind of do something more public. So I decided on these ornaments that we could make to sell and raise some money, and highlight that there is a GoFundMe and that the goal has not been met. The ornaments (in the stores) will have a QR code to the GoFundMe page, so in case anyone wants to donate that way, it's just kind of to raise awareness of this all."

Brendyn is making progress and doing very well, according to his dad.

"He's had so much bone loss, he's going to have a bone graft done in the upcoming months because his arm is never going to fully heal," Jeff said. "He's got at least

one more surgery to go. We've been battling infection for the last I don't know, month and a half, probably close to two months. But we're finally making some progress on that."

"He's happy, considering what happened. I mean, he's very positive. I can't ask for anything better. His mom and I are grateful for everybody who reached out to us, and the community support. It's been amazing. It's like this lady now (Hernandez). We're very thankful for everybody who's reached out to us and been supportive through all of this."



HEARTS FOR BRENDYN is a fundraiser for 6-year-old Brendyn Rochon, above, who has had nine surgeries since an accident in August. - submitted photo

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# COURT REPORT

January 29, 2024 to February 2, 2024  
**Forfeitures**  
**Chandler, Alexis J.**, 5/1985, Sheboygan, Violating County Institutional Rule, \$232.00.  
**Jensterle, Alex M.**, 6/1994, Sheboygan, Trespass to Land, \$263.50.

**Ousley, Dimitri**, 10/1994, Sheboygan, Petty Theft, \$389.50.  
**Sevilla Cruz, Laura F.**, 3/2004, Sheboygan, Retail Theft, \$389.50.  
*Traffic*  
**Anzures, Ashley**, 9/2003, Sheboygan, Operate Motor Vehicle w/o Proof of Insurance, \$10.00.  
**Barnes, Nicholas C.**, 9/1972, Sheboygan, Fail/Stop for Unloading School Bus, \$326.50.

**Foerster, Denise M.**, 1/1967, Sheboygan, Fail/Yield Right/Way from Stop Sign, \$175.30.  
**Leraen, Devon M.**, 6/1992, Sheboygan, Passenger Fail/Wear Seat Belt, \$10.00.  
**Lopez, Estephani C.**, 7/1997, Sheboygan, Operate w/o Valid License, Fail/Stop At Stop Sign, \$375.80.  
**Rangel, Angel G.**, 12/2002, Sheboygan, Operating while Suspended, Operate Motor Vehicle w/o Insurance, \$401.00.  
**Serna, Isiah C.**, 6/27/2005, Sheboygan, Operate w/o Carrying License, \$967.10.  
**Sessions, Jr., Andrew K.**, 11/1987, Sheboygan, Operate after Revocation/Suspension of Registration, \$175.30.  
**Simmerman, Jasmine S.**, 8/1993, Sheboygan, Speeding on Expressway, (16-19 mph), \$250.90.  
**Steele, Barbara Ann**, 9/1975, Sheboygan, Operate Motor Vehicle w/o Insurance, Display Unauthorized Vehicle Registration Plate, \$438.80.  
**Stevens, Chester Lee**, 5/1979, Sheboygan, Operate w/o Valid License b/c Expiration, Vehicle Operator Fail/Wear Seat Belt, \$172.70.  
**Taubenheim, Ronald R.**, 3/25/1955, Sheboygan, OWI (3<sup>rd</sup>), Jail 60 days, License Revoke 36 months, Ignition Interlock 36 months, \$1781.00.  
*Operate Motor Vehicle w/o Proof of Insurance, Vehicle Operator Fail/Wear Seat Belt*  
**Crosson, Dylan W.**, 4/1970, Sheboygan, \$20.00.  
**Ziegelbauer, Robert J.**, 3/1962, Sheboygan, \$20.00.  
*Vehicle Operator Fail/Wear Seat Belt*  
**Andrus, Nicholas A.**, 9/1999, Sheboygan, \$10.00.  
**Drain, Jeremiah**, 1/1968, Sheboygan, \$10.00.  
**Ungrodt, Lucas D.**, 9/2002, Sheboygan, \$10.00.  
*Operating while Suspended*  
**Brown, Marquice D.**, 6/1997, Sheboygan, \$200.50.  
**Jimenez Garcia, Alondra M.**, 12/2000, Sheboygan, \$200.50.  
*Operate w/o Valid License*  
**Quiroz Zambrano, Elia M.**, 7/24/1985, Cedar Grove, (2<sup>nd</sup> within 3 years), \$591.00.  
**Reyes Jaen, Jose I.**, 5/1/1999, Sheboygan, (3<sup>rd</sup> within 3 years), \$654.00.  
*Non-Registration of Vehicle-Auto*  
**Lutzke, Michael S.**, 11/1992, Sheboygan, \$175.30.  
**Nelson, Brian J.**, 2/1988, Sheboygan,

\$175.30.  
*Speeding in 55 mph Zone*  
**Brava, Adem**, 4/1983, Sheboygan, (16-19 mph), \$200.50.  
*Speeding on Freeway*  
**Soulivong, Jerri S.**, 8/1987, Sheboygan, (16-19 mph), \$250.90.  
**Zander, Jared P.**, 2/1979, Sheboygan, (11-15 mph), \$175.30.  
*Exceeding Speed Zones*  
**Enders, Melissa L.**, 10/1970, Sheboygan, (11-15 mph), \$175.30.  
**Steinbock, Gretchen F.**, 8/2004, Sheboygan, (11-15 mph), \$175.30.  
**Xiong, Lue**, 9/2006, Sheboygan, (25-29 mph), \$250.90.  
*Misdemeanors and other charges*  
**Miller, Calveon S.**, 3/31/2005, Sheboygan, Possession of THC (Misdemeanor), OWI (2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>), (Traffic), Jail 23 days, License Revoke 40 months, Ignition Interlock 40 months, \$13,721.10.  
**Walker, Jacquez S.**, 10/17/1997, Sheboygan, Operate w/o Valid License (3<sup>rd</sup> within 3 years), {Traffic}, Bail Jumping, Carry Concealed Weapon, {Misdemeanors}, \$1,552.00.  
*Misdemeanors*  
**Disorderly Conduct**  
**Guerrero Gomez, Eddie**, 8/26/1975, Sheboygan, \$455.00.  
**Tercero Pablo, Miquel A.**, 5/28/2002, Sheboygan, Jail 3 days, \$591.00.  
*Misdemeanors and Felonies*  
**Oetzel, Sung Min**, 1/3/1982, Sheboygan, Possession of Narcotic Drugs (2<sup>nd</sup> + Offense), Bail Jumping (3 counts), (Felonies), Bail Jumping (Misdemeanors), Prison 2 years, Extended Supervision 2 years, Firearms/Weapons Restrictions, \$2,539.00.  
*Felonies*  
**Tryon-Polk, Claudiel D.**, 3/10/1994, Possession of THC (2<sup>nd</sup> +Offense), Maintain Drug Trafficking Place, Prison 18 months, Extended Supervision 2 years, Firearms/Weapons Restrictions, \$1,064.40.  
 February 5 to February 9, 2024  
*Forfeitures*  
**Pena Henrickson, Angela C.**, 2/2004, Sheboygan, Possession of Marijuana on State Land, \$263.50.  
**Stutleen, David M.**, 4/1987, Sheboygan, Place, Use, Hunt Wild Animals with Bait (<5 gal), \$343.50.  
*Operate Vehicle w/o Park Admission Sticker*  
**Gunderson, Kathleen K.**, 4/1949, Sheboygan, \$162.70.

**Williams, Rhea Kay**, 11/1992, Sheboygan, \$162.70.  
*Traffic*  
**Chan Rosario, Leandro**, 5/2002, Sheboygan, Operate w/o Valid License, \$200.50.  
**Chavarria Talavera, Walter M.**, 9/1989, Sheboygan, Operate Motor Vehicle by Permittee w/Another Person in Vehicle, Operate Motor Vehicle w/o Insurance, \$401.00.  
**Conkrite, Casey Z.**, 6/23/1989, Sheboygan, Hit and Run, \$843.00.  
**DeJesus, Irvin A.**, 6/7/1999, Sheboygan, Hit and Run, \$858.00.  
**Lee, Jason**, 12/9/1984, Sheboygan, Operate w/PAC (3<sup>rd</sup>), Jail 120 days, License Revoked 28 months, Ignition Interlock 28 months, \$2768.00.  
**Sieracki, Alex D.**, 12/1981, Sheboygan, Operate Motor Vehicle w/o Insurance, Speeding on Freeway (35+ mph), License Suspension 15 days, \$716.00.  
*Fail/Stop for Unloading School Bus*  
**Fryman, Kelsey J.**, 12/1998, Sheboygan, \$326.50.  
**Niehaus, James L.C.**, 12/1997, Sheboygan, \$326.50.  
**Strausser, Callynn E.**, 2/2007, Sheboygan, \$326.50.  
*Operate w/o Carrying License*  
**Tramte, Domenic D.**, 9/11/1989, Sheboygan, \$200.00.  
*Speeding in 55 mph Zone*  
**Schneider, Dominick J.**, 4/2005, Sheboygan, (20-24 mph), \$225.70.  
*Exceeding Speed Zones*  
**Lor, Hope**, 8/1987, Sheboygan, (11-15 mph), \$175.30.  
**Htoo, Saw Christsay**, 12/1993, Sheboygan, (11-15 mph), \$175.30.  
*OWI*  
**Polzin, Journey L.**, 3/2001, Sheboygan, (1<sup>st</sup>), License Revoke 7 months, Ignition Interlock 12 months, \$999.50.  
*Misdemeanors*  
**Velsor, Kerri N.**, 9/30/1987, Sheboygan, Battery, Disorderly Conduct (Domestic Abuse), Resisting/Obstructing an Officer, Jail 60 days, \$1,757.40.  
**Vue, Pao**, 10/15/1986, Sheboygan, Criminal Damage to Property, Disorderly Conduct (Domestic Abuse)-2 counts, Bail Jumping, Jail 5 days, \$1,806.00.  
*Misdemeanors and Felonies*  
**Lemens, William S.**, 4/1/1975, Sheboygan, Resist Officer-Substantial Bodily Harm-Soft Tissue Injury (2 counts-Felonies), Disorderly Conduct, (Misdemeanor), Prison 2 years, Extended Supervision 3 years, Jail 90 days, Firearms/Weapons Restrictions, \$1607.40.

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Sunday, February 25	11:00am-3:00pm
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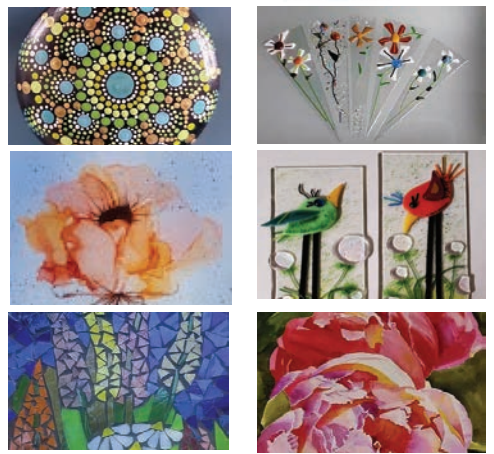
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# Something to cheer about

## ■ South squad finishes sixth at nationals in Orlando

Sheboygan South finished in sixth place in the U.S. National High School Cheerleading Championship Feb. 9-12 in Orlando.

It is the second time in three years the Redwings came in sixth (they did not reach the finals a year ago) and the eighth straight season of reaching nationals.

“Our goal all year was to make finals, was to qualify and to make finals,” coach Ben Roelse said.

“We hit our goal and the team pulled it together at the right time to put on their best performance to date.”

South, which competed in the varsity co-ed non-tumble category in Division 2, qualified in early December.

“It was nice going down there,” Roelse said. “This year we had, I want to say, probably close to 15 teams from Wisconsin down there. So that was good having having support down there from the home state.”

The Redwings also got to spend time at various attrac-



**SOUTH'S CHEER TEAM** poses with a sixth-place trophy from nationals. - Submitted photo

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Ellie Daharsh	12
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Emma Rami	10
Dayanara Rodriguez	12
Edgar Ruiz	10
Denver Santos	10
Julius Spivery	12
Leif Thompson	12
Yesenia Vera	12
Lila Vue	9

tions around the area as well.

“It’s just a very unique experience for everybody,” Roelse said.

“And it may not happen again for some individuals, you know? It’s kind of like this might have been all once in a lifetime thing.”



Hey! That’s my ball

**NORTH'S TEAGAN PEITZMEIER (left)** fights for the ball. - Photo by Kasey Levinsohn

## South to have new league?

Plans to move South sports (except football) to a new conference have moved forward, as the WIAA Conference Realignment Task Force conducted hearings for modified requests and finalize solution proposals to advance to the Board of Control.

The new conference, to be named later, was created to provide Plymouth and Kewaskum with league affiliation after the East Central was dissolved by the Task Force. It will also include the Redwings as well as current North Shore Conference teams: Grafton, Port Washington, West Bend East and West Bend West.

The Board of Control will hear any appeals of plans modified or rejected and will vote on the recommendations of the Task Force at its meeting March 5. The Board has the options to approve, reject or remand realignment recommendations back to the Task Force.

If approved, the modifications will be implemented for the 2025-26 sports seasons. If remanded, the Task Force will reconvene to make appropriate changes to the plan before presenting it to the Board of Control again in April. If rejected, the conferences will remain in their current configuration.

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# Zylstra is second to get 1,000 points

## Christian's only other girl to do it was Hanah Modahl

Sheboygan Christian's Maria Zylstra became the second girl in school history to score 1,000 points and the first since 2017.

The senior reached the milestone Feb. 9 at Oostburg, but she almost had to wait for another game.

Zylstra was fouled on a three-point shot late in the contest, and she missed her first two free throws.

The third went in and history was made.

"Well, I was really stressed



MARIA ZYLSTRA holds the ball she used to score her 1,000th point for Christian. - Photo by Chris Hendrikse

out and honestly I wasn't really thinking straight, but I'm just glad the last one went in because it was a great relief," Zylstra said. "There was amazing support I got from fans, and also the way the Oostburg fans also encouraged me as well. Actually like two weeks earlier, one of the Oostburg players got their 1,000th point at our school when we played them. "So it was just kind of cool that we could like turn around and kind of flip-flop, so I got my 1,000 points there."

"Also knowing that I'm leaving like a legacy at Sheboygan Christian. There's a lot of little girls that look up to me, so being able to reach that goal in front of them is just really cool."

## She plays soccer, too

Zylstra recently announced she will play soccer at Dordt University in Iowa next season.

She talked with a few other schools, and a couple others wanted her to play basketball instead.

"I just felt really at home there and really comfortable there," Zylstra said. "There's a lot of familiar faces there and I just heard so many great things about it. I visited three times and I knew that that was probably a really good place for me."

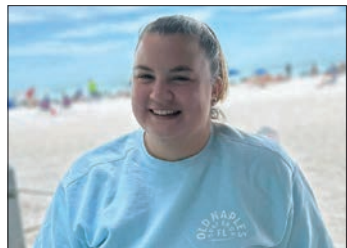
"And I chose soccer because I think that's maybe what I have the most potential in to grow, and their coach is really encouraging to me, and I just like how the team culture sounds there."

# Eagles no longer have to share

## Track team at Christian was co-op with Kohler

After competing in track and field as a co-op with Kohler, Christian will field its own team for the first time this spring. And the Eagles just hired Sheboygan resident Lauren Delray to oversee the boys and girls program.

"It's always really been a passion of mine, track and field has, just overall," she said. "And I saw a job posting that they were looking for it. There was word on the street that they



LAUREN DELRAY is the new track and field coach at Christian. - Submitted photo

were going to be coming out with a program on their own, and it just felt like it was really the opportunity to throw my name in the ring.

Delray, who competed in the

pole vault and discus all four years at Kewaskum, says the key to starting a standalone program is tackling it head on.

"You're going to have some challenges," she said. "It's going to be a new journey for all involved, but I think it's exciting. I think it's exciting to get a program, especially a standalone program back in the school."

"And I think it's just going to be really great to work with those student-athletes and kind of get them all on the same age to build a program at the school. I think that's the No. 1 important thing, to just build this program and make something out of it."



Redwings visit Bucky

SOUTH'S WRESTLING TEAM attended a Wisconsin Badgers' match in Madison for the first time. UW's head coach visited South early in the season and ran a clinic for the Redwings. He then invited the squad to attend a dual.

"Their coaches are using this experience to grow wrestling across the state of Wisconsin," South coach Josh Becker said. "We thought it was a great opportunity to get our team interested and see what college wrestling is about."

"The kids took a lot from the dual, like the experience and techniques they can use, and we plan to do this every year if possible." - Submitted photo

# Sheboygan wins award for boat races

The City of Sheboygan has received the 2023 American Power Boat Association Best Race Site Award for hosting the inaugural Mercury Racing Midwest Challenge in August.

Designed to acknowledge excellence and improve relationships with race sites, the award recognizes and salutes the best venues and organizations supporting American Power Boat Association-sanctioned races. P1 Offshore Ad-

visor Stuart Halley attended and presented Mayor Ryan Sorenson with the award at a recent Common Council Meeting.

The event brought together two powerboat race series - P1 Offshore and Formula One tunnel-boat racing - for a three-day festival that attracted thousands of spectators to the area and generated more than \$4.5 million in visitor spending.

"We are truly honored to re-

ceive this prestigious award," Sorenson said. "We were thrilled to have had the opportunity to showcase the beauty and hospitality of our city, and this recognition is a testament to the collaborative efforts of our community. We are looking forward to continuing to be a premier destination for the exhilarating P1 Offshore race series and to welcoming back the teams to our shores this August."

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# Hockey season ends after triple overtime loss

The clock struck midnight on Sheboygan's hockey season - and was also the time the Red Raiders finally got home after a triple-overtime loss at Ashwaubenon in the first round of the playoffs last Tuesday.

"Obviously, for all the seniors and all the kids, this was a close-knit family," coach Avery Huijbregtse said. "It was tight. We were growing towards the end of the season. We were

playing really, really well. ... We were winning a lot of games that weren't probably winnable in anyone else's eyes. We were going to overtime with teams that were high-end programs in the state.

"I kept telling him, if we keep playing like this, it's going to be tough to stop us."

Sheboygan held a 2-1 lead when Ashwaubenon tied the score on a power-play goal in

the third period.

Neither squad scored in the first two overtimes, which consisted of 5-on-5 for 8 minutes.

The third overtime was 4-on-4, and Ashwaubenon scored on the first shift.

"The kids on the bench right after the game and in the locker room were just like, 'that's how it ends?'" Huijbregtse said. "It was more of a shock, I think, than realization.



**ZANE VANDEHEY (right) tops gloves with Gaven Marx.** - Photo by Kelley McAndrews

## That was then ...

■ Highlights from the past two weeks ...



**JOSEPH DUWELL (top) wins South's first regional wrestling championship since 2019.** - Photo by Stacy Schiesl

South wrestler Joseph Duwell became his school's first regional champion since Trey Klessig in 2019 when he won the 138-pound title at West Bend West on Feb. 10.

Duwell pinned Samuel Merrill of West Bend East in 3 minutes 8 seconds in the semifinals and then won by decision, 8-4, over Brody Rehbein of West Bend West.

Sectionals were held this past weekend (after deadline).

### SWIMMING

#### Conference championships

North freshman Aadin Terrazas won the 500-yard freestyle, the 50 free and was on two first-place relays on Feb. 3.

The 400 free relay also con-

sisted of sophomore Griffin Pond, junior Pascal Kirchner and senior Trevor Graham, and the 200 free featured sophomore Mason Pond, Kirchner and senior Owen Smith.

Graham chipped in as well by winning the 100 backstroke and placing third in the 100 butterfly.

Fifth went to Smith in the 50 free and the 200 medley relay of Graham, Mason Pond, Griffin Pond and Smith.

Griffin Pond was sixth in both the 100 fly and 200 free, and Mason Pond ended sixth in the 200 individual medley.

Sixth also went to the 200 free relay of juniors Ryan Lang, Noah Bauer and Sam Biddle, and senior Thomas Drew.

South's highest finish was seventh, compliments of the



**AADIN TERRAZAS dominated the conference swim meet for North.**

- Photo by Abram Van Der Puy

400 free relay of sophomore Chase Paral, senior Skyler Kallstrom, junior Cater Krueger and senior Jack Even.

Even also took eighth in the 100 backstroke and sophomore Nick Weser was eighth in the 100 fly.

In diving, Redwing senior Peter Gerrits edged junior teammate Jesus Guadalupe-Ramey as the only competitors.

In the team standings, North finished as Fox River Classic runner-up and South ended sixth.

#### State meet is held

A number of athletes made it to the Division 1 championships Saturday (after deadline), including Terrazas in the 200 and 500.

Also at state, Graham raced

## This is now

and for the next two weeks

Girls basketball playoffs begin Tuesday, and North and South just happen to be one of the first-round matchups.

Because the Golden Raiders received a No. 16 seed, they get to host the No. 17 Redwings at 6 p.m.

North averaged 62.5 points per game in beating South twice this season.

The winner of the game, however, has to face top-seeded Brookfield East on Friday. The Spartans are ranked eighth in the state and were 20-3 entering their game Friday.

#### Lutheran has first-round bye

The Crusaders are seeded No. 2 in Division 4 and will face either No. 7 New Holstein or No. 10 Southern Door on Friday.

Lutheran, which has won 12 of its final 14 regular-season games (both losses were to first-place Oostburg), is expected to meet top-seeded Kewaunee in a sectional semifinal at 7 p.m. Feb. 29 at South.

The Crusaders are sixth in last week's state poll, and the Storm were unranked.

#### Christian is seeded third

The Eagles host No. 14 Ozaukee in a Division 5 contest at 7 tonight, and would likely take on No. 6 Beaver Dam Wayland Academy in Round 2 on Friday.

Salam is seeded second and Albany/Monticello is No. 1 in the bracket.

### BOYS BASKETBALL

#### Playoffs begin

Teams were seeded last weekend; regionals begin next Tuesday.

in the 100 back and North's 200 and 400 free relays swam as well.

And South's Gerrits and Guadalupe-Ramey were in the diving competition.

#### Stricker is injured

Lutheran senior and Ripon recruit Alex Stricker will need surgery after tearing her ACL in her left knee in a basketball game Feb. 9. She says was going for a fastbreak layup when she planted her foot on the ground, only to have it give out.

The hope, according to Stricker, is to try to play in the

postseason and then have surgery.

Stricker added she is thankful for all of the support she's received.

"Besides my family, I'd say definitely my team," she said. "My coaches, like my head coach especially, because they've all just been very supportive. ... My dad told me that he was talking to the assistant coach of Ripon, because I was worried that they were going to take the offer away, but he said the coaches are excited to have me there and excited for me to play, which is nice, reassuring."



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**Tai Chi Chih:** Tuesday & Thursday, 1:15pm. Must pre-register.

**Tat & Chat:** Monday, 1:00pm. Must pre-register.

**Wii Bowling:** Tuesday & Thursday, by appointment. Must pre-register.

**Ceramics:** Wednesday, 9:00am. Must pre-register.

**Knitting & Crocheting Club:** 2nd Friday of the month, 11:00am. Must pre-register.

**Ping Pong:** Monday & Wednesday, 10:00am. Must pre-register.

**Strength and Conditioning:** Monday & Wednesday 7:15am. Must pre-register.

**Yoga Flow:** Monday & Wednesday 9:00am. Must pre-register.

**Yoga for Balance and Stability:** Friday 9:00am. Must pre-register.

**Book Club:** 4th Monday of the month, 3:00pm. Must pre-register.

**Dog Club:** 2nd Friday of the month, 11:00am. Must pre-register.

**Hiking/Snowshoe Club:** Thursday, 2:00pm. Must pre-register.

**Cribbage:** Monday, 1:00pm. Must pre-register.

**Hand and Foot Canasta:** Monday, 1:00pm. Must pre-register.

**Duplicate Bridge:** 1st & 3rd Monday, 1:00pm. Must pre-register.

**5 10 15 Sheepshead:** Tuesday, 1:00pm & Monday & Friday, 8:00am. Must pre-register.

**Farkle:** 1st & 3rd Thursday, 1:00pm. Must pre-register.

**Party Bridge:** 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 1:15pm. Must pre-register.

**Dominoes:** 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 1:00pm. Must pre-register.

**Bingo:** Wednesday, 1:30pm. Must pre-register.

**Chorale:** Thursday, 9:30am. Must pre-register.

**Mah Jongg:** Thursday, 1:00pm. Must pre-register.

**Widow or Widower Support Group:** Monday, 11:00am. Must pre-register.

**Travel Program - Various trips:** Call 920-892-4858 for more information.

**EVERY SUNDAY**

**Alanon Meeting:** 6pm. Rite Way Club, 4627 S. 12th St, Sheboygan.

**EVERY MONDAY**

**T.O.P.S. Weight Loss Support:** 9:45am-11:00am. St Paul's U.C.C., Sheboygan. Call Noreen for info 920-467-1248.

**T.O.P.S. Weight Loss Support--Chapter WI 1363:** 10:00am-11:15am. Fountain Park UMC, Sheboygan. Call Doreen for more info: 920-893-8118.

**Al-Anon Meeting:** 4-5pm. Do you worry about someone else's drinking? Help and hope are available. Al-Anon meeting for those affected by another's

alcoholism. Rightway Club, 4627 S 12th St, Sheboygan. Call 1-888-425-2666 or visit alanon.org for more information.

**SECOND MONDAY OF THE MONTH**

**Compassionate Parents: Grief Support for Families that lost a child.** 6:00pm. Hosted by MHA Lakeshore at Mental Health America 410 S. Milwaukee St., Plymouth.

**THRIVE: Women's Chronic Pain Support.** 6:30pm. Hosted by MHA Lakeshore virtual through ZOOM. Contact MHA Lakeshore 920-458-3951 for more information.

**THIRD MONDAY OF THE MONTH**

**Christian Women Connect After 5:** Al & Al's Steinhilf, 1502 S. 12th St, Sheboygan, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m., buffet meal, features a business, organization or interest in our county, and an inspirational speaker affiliated with Stonecroft Ministries. Call Lynn for reservation or more info at 920-467-4929.

**LAST MONDAY OF THE MONTH**

**Here Comes the Sun: Support for family and friends of an adult with mental illness.** 5:30-7:00pm. Hosted by MHA

Lakeshore at Mead Public Library-Rocco Room. 710 N. 8th St., Sheboygan.

**EVERY TUESDAY**

**Camo Quilt Project:** 439 Factory St., Plymouth. 9am-3pm. Quilts are donated to soldiers. Linda, 627-3460, linda.camo-quilt@gmail.com.

**GriefShare Support Group:** Evangelical Free Church, 1710 N. 15th St., Sheboygan, 9:30am-11am. Support for those who've lost a loved one. 920-452-6520.

**Plymouth Food Pantry:** 2225 Eastern Ave., 2-5pm. Elkhart Lake & Plymouth school districts. Call 893-2989 for information.

**Knight Chess:** Sheboygan Falls Library, Lower Level. 4-7pm. Information (920) 234-2010.

**T.O.P.S. Weight Loss Support:** 5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. 1st Presbyterian Church, 1429 N. 5th Street, Sheboygan. Call Jane for info: 1-414-698-6346.

**LGBTQ+ 12 Step Recovery Program:** 6:00pm. The Right Way Club, 4627 South 12th Street, Sheboygan. Ask for Dan L. 920-226-8145.

**Al-Anon:** 6:30pm. Alliance Church, 1203 Fairview Dr, Plymouth, 6:30pm. Use the south door. 920-254-2097

**The Sheboygan Railroad Museum:** 6:30 to 9:00 PM. 1001 North 10th St., Sheboygan.

**Dreaming of Baking**

**No-Bake Raspberry Torte**



Myra Stokdyk Eischen  
Certified Advanced Baker

light and fluffy rather than rich and sweet. Perfect recipe for this group.

Note #1: Instead of the graham cracker crust- I ground up 15 "Golden Oreos" and put into the springform pan. Next time I'd add 2 T. melted butter. Put in fridge to chill while making filling.

Note #2: I chose to use powdered sugar in whipping cream instead of granulated, it tends to dissolve better.

Note #3: If you wanted to make this more colorful, you could add a few drops of red food color, or a little maraschino cherry juice to the marshmallow mixture before folding it together.

Note #4: I chose to use course broken candied pecans rather than fine ground pecans. (I candy mine with egg whites, salt, sugar, cinnamon)

Note #5: I garnished with fresh raspberries and pecans on alternate pieces instead of crumbs as called for.

Note #6: I made this 2 weeks ahead and froze it. I took it out 1 hour before guests were to arrive.

Note #7: I know there was some recent discussion on a social media site about what a "Torte" really is. Webster dictionary doesn't even list it. "Le Cordon Bleu Professional Baking" lists it as a "German word used for various types of cakes, usually layered cakes." I commented that "In Sheboygan we tend to think of it as a layered dessert, most often at least one layer containing whipped cream." This recipe was labeled as a torte- so I rest my case. Most other areas of the United States, they have no clue what a torte is when you ask them. Wisconsin is truly the best place to live! We know what REAL cheese, brats, hard rolls, old fashions, a tortes and other yummy desserts are.

*Sweet Dreams!*

One of the things our family decided to do this year, is get together once a month with the 1st cousins and my Aunt and Uncle. We might play cards, games, go out for breakfast, a nice dinner, a picnic- or whatever the host for that month chooses.

This month we will be playing cards and having pizza sliders for our meal. I decided to find something to go along with Valentine's day, and chose a raspberry torte recipe that I hadn't tried before. This group prefers something

**No-Bake Raspberry Torte**

*"The Joy of Raspberries" Theresa Millang*

Mix together:  
2 c. graham cracker crumbs  
¼ c. sugar  
½ c. melted butter

Reserve ¼ c. mixture for garnish on top. Press remaining crumbs in bottom and 1 ½" up sides of 9" springform pan.\*

In large pan over medium low heat, stirring constantly, until melted, mix:  
16 oz. pkg. miniature marshmallows  
1 c. whole milk

Remove from heat, cool completely in large glass bowl.

Whip: 2 c. heavy whipping cream  
2 T. granulated sugar\*  
1 t. vanilla extract

When marshmallow cream is cooled, gently fold in:  
Whipped cream  
12 oz. fresh raspberries  
½ c. finely chopped pecans or almonds\*

Pour mixture into prepared crust. Top with reserved crumbs.\* Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate 8 hours before serving.  
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**FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH**

**Alliant Energy Wives and Widows of Retirees Breakfast:** 9:00 a.m. Sheboygan Family Restaurant. 2704 S. Business Drive.  
**Lemonade: Widow's support group.** 6:00-7:30pm. Hosted by MHA Lakeshore at Roger's Behavior Health (Main Entrance) 1108 S. Wildwood Ave., Sheboygan.

**SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH**

**Going Further: Mental health recovery support.** 5:00-7:00pm. Hosted by MHA Lakeshore at Roger's Behavior Health (Main

Entrance) 1108 S. Wildwood Ave., Sheboygan.

**THIRD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH**

**Christian Women Connection:** Sheboygan Yacht Club, 214 Pennsylvania Ave, Sheboygan, 9:30 - 11:00 a.m., brunch, features a business, organization, or interest in our county, and an inspirational speaker affiliated with Stonecroft Ministries. Call or text Ann for a reservation or more info at 920-946-3898.

**FOURTH TUESDAY OF THE MONTH**

**Going Further: Mental health recovery support.** 5:00-7:00pm. Hosted by MHA Lakeshore at Roger's Behavior Health (Main Entrance) 1108 S. Wildwood Ave., Sheboygan.

**LAST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH**

**There is Hope Suicide Loss: Support for those who have lost a loved one to suicide.** 6:30pm. Hosted by MHA Lakeshore at Mental Health America 410 S. Milwaukee St., Plymouth.

**EVERY WEDNESDAY**

**TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly): Weight Loss Support Meeting:** 9:00-10:30 a.m. Sheboygan Falls Library. 9-10:30 a.m. First meeting is FREE! For more info, please call Riki at 920-946-2425 or check out [www.tops.org](http://www.tops.org).

**Camo Quilt Project:** 439 Factory St., Plymouth. 9am-3pm. Quilts are donated to soldiers. Linda, 627-3460, [linda.camo-quilt@gmail.com](mailto:linda.camo-quilt@gmail.com)

**Al-Anon Wednesday Winners:** 1907 Club, N 21st St., Sheboygan, 9:30am. Call 920-838-5249 for more information.  
**Al-Anon Serenity Seekers:** Meets at Right Way Club, 4627 S. 12th St, Sheboygan, 9:30am. Call 920-918-6324 for information.

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### A meatless meal to enjoy during Lent

The forty days and nights of Lent are a time for reflection and anticipation of Easter's arrival. Fasting, which for many Christians includes skipping meat and animal products each Friday, also is part of the preparation. Individuals who are unaccustomed to going meat-free may need to expand their culinary repertoire to ensure Friday meals continue to be filling and tasty.

This recipe for "Herby Rice and Black Bean Salsa Burrito Bowl" from Niki Webster's "Rainbow Bowls" (Sourcebooks) is full of protein-rich beans, flavorful herbed rice and satisfying avocado. It can be enjoyed as a quick and easy, meatless lunch or dinner.

**Herby Rice and Black Bean Salsa Burrito Bowl**  
 Serves 2

Splash of olive oil  
 100 grams sugar snap peas  
 1 avocado, flesh sliced  
**For the rice:**  
 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil  
 250 grams cooked basmati rice

Juice of 1/2 lime  
 1 teaspoon maple syrup  
 40 grams fresh herbs, such as coriander, flat-leaf parsley, mint and/or dill, chopped  
 Sea salt and black pepper  
**For the black bean salsa:**  
 240 grams canned black beans, drained and rinsed  
 2 tablespoons sun-dried tomato paste  
 100 grams cherry tomatoes, chopped  
 Juice of 1/2 lime  
 4 tablespoons fresh mint, shredded  
 1/2 teaspoon sea salt flakes  
 Pinch of chili flakes

To make the rice, add 1 tablespoon of the oil to a frying pan with the cooked rice, lime juice and maple syrup. Fry for 1 to 2



minutes on a medium heat, then add the fresh herbs. Add the remaining tablespoon of oil and season with salt and pepper. Set aside and keep warm.

Set a small frying pan or griddle pan on a medium heat. Add a splash of olive oil and the sugar snaps and fry for 2 to 3 minutes until a little charred.

To make the black bean salsa, add all the ingredients to a bowl and stir to combine.

To serve, load two bowls with the rice mixture, black bean salsa, sugar snaps, and sliced avocado.

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**Coffee Hour & Chat:** Elkhart Lake Public Library, 40 Pine St, 10am. 920-876-2554.

**Family Nights:** \* **NOT IN JUNE, JULY OR AUGUST**

\* Plymouth Alliance Church, 1203 Fairview Drive, 6:00-7:30pm. Family night offers something for everyone! Kids PreK-5th meet for Rooted, youth 6th-12th grade meet for Anchored, and adults meet for small groups. Nursery is also available for infants and toddlers. 920-893-5525.

**Christian Science Reading Room:** 6:30-7:30pm. A quiet place to pray & read the Bible. Christian Science publications and to study other books,

pamphlets and materials. All are welcome! First Church of Christ Science, 2512 N 9th St., Sheboygan. 920-458-2673.

**Christian Science Testimony Meeting:** 7:30 pm. We invite you to share testimonies of healings, experiences, and/or remarks on Christian Science. All are welcome! First Church of Christ Science, 2512 N 9th St., Sheboygan. 920-458-2673.

**Divorce Care:** A faith-based program offering help, hope & healing for those in all stages of

divorce. Will meet on Wednesday nights as interest/need demand. Please contact Dana at 920-980-7637 for meeting details and see divorcecare.org for program information.

**FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH**

**Vollrath Company Retirees Breakfast Club:** Fountain Park Restaurant, 922 N. 8th St, Sheboygan. 8:15 am. Call 920-287-7419 for more details.

**Over 60+ in our county?** (AACC) Adell Area Community Center, 510 Seifert St, Adell (920) 994-9934, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Mary Kempf your Elder Benefit Specialist from the Aging Disability Resource Center. Please give Mary a call at 920-467-4076 before stopping to make sure she has an open appointment or send an email to mary.kempf@sheboygancounty.com.

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According to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America, "a meeting in 1911 with Sir Robert Baden-Powell, the founder of Boy Scouts, inspired Juliette Gordon Low to establish Girl Scouts the following year. In a time of cultural change—but before women had the right to vote—Girl Scouts emphasized inclusiveness, the outdoors, self-reliance, and service." Today, the focus areas of the Girl Scouts still encourage those same values, but they have expanded to include areas like science, computer coding, business skills, and agriculture.

Both the Girls Scouts and Alice in Dairyland programs have changed over the years, expanding focus areas to keep up with changing times. Highlighting women's impacts on the world and encouraging the next generation have remained strong goals of the program. To build on these shared goals, since 2022, the Badgerland Girl Scouts and Alice in Dairyland have been teaming up to host the Girl Scouts Dairy Badge program, highlighting aspects of the dairy industry while teaching lifelong skills.

This year, we have hosted four different educational sessions with the theme of "Adventures in the Milky Whey." In September, we traveled to Hoard's Dairyman Farm in Fort Atkinson to learn more about the his-



## DAIRY DELIGHTS

Ashley Hagenow, 76<sup>th</sup> Alice in Dairyland

### On the Road with Alice - Girl Scouts Learn All About Wisconsin Dairy!

tory of the dairy industry in Wisconsin and how dairy farmers use skills, technology, and science to protect the environment and provide all of us with fresh, nutritious, and wholesome milk. There, Girl Scouts sampled different flavors of milk, including a Pumpkin Spice flavor that was a crowd favorite! Hinchley's Dairy Farm, located in Cambridge, served as the host of our October session, focused on dairy industry technology and sustainability. Girl Scouts learned how 21<sup>st</sup> century equipment, such as

robotic milking systems, keep dairy cows healthy and happy, and they also made butter on the farm! Another highlight of this visit was the chance for every Girl Scout to milk a cow with supervision from farm owner, Tina Hinchley.

In January, we visited Seven Acre Dairy Company in Belleville to learn about the science of making dairy products, such as yogurt, cheese, and butter. We learned about how milk travels from the dairy farm to the grocery store, and the Girl Scouts experimented with

cheese making and toured the micro-plant for butter and ice cream. Our final program will take place at Sassy Cow Creamery in Columbus, with a focus on entrepreneurship and ice cream. Girl Scouts will develop plans for their own ice cream shop and tour the ice cream and other dairy processing facilities at Sassy Cow.

Girl Scouts who participate in the program will receive an "Adventures in the Milky Whey" patch, and a patch for each lesson they attend. A special thank you to the dairy

farms and processors who have hosted, or will host, Badgerland Girl Scouts and Alice in Dairyland: Hoard's Dairyman, Hinchley's Dairy Farm, Seven Acre Dairy Company, and Sassy Cow Creamery. Each of these farms and businesses play an integral role in Wisconsin's \$45.6 billion dairy industry, and have allowed the Girl Scouts to explore farms; milk a cow; experiment with making dairy products; tour their dairy processing facilities; and enjoy butter, ice cream, and milk along the "whey!"

Follow along on the Alice in Dairyland Facebook, Instagram, or LinkedIn accounts to see highlights from my next Girl Scouts visit. If you know a Badgerland Girl Scout, encourage them to sign up for upcoming sessions of "Adventures in the Milky Whey" through the Girl Scouts of Wisconsin Badgerland website.



The Hoard's Dairyman Farm allowed Girl Scout troops to learn about the history of the dairy industry! (Credit: Alice in Dairyland)



Hinchley's Dairy Farm was a great place to learn about different types of technology in the dairy industry! (Credit: Alice in Dairyland)



At Seven Acre Dairy Company, Girl Scouts learned about dairy product processing, which included making homemade cheese! (Credit: Alice in Dairyland)

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**AA Step & Tradition Study:** Grace Episcopal Church, 1011 N 7th St., Sheboygan, 10am. Use the Ontario Street entrance. **North Side Christian Food Pantry:** 2133 N. 22nd St., Sheboygan, 12:30-2pm. Call 920-458-7070 for information.

**Overeaters Anonymous Meeting:** 4:30pm - 5:30pm. Our Redeemer Church, 1808 Eastern Avenue, Plymouth. OA is a fellowship of individuals who through shared experiences, strength and hope, are recovering from compulsive overeating. Please use back door with key coder. 920-889-3719.

**Spirit Within:** Rogers Behavioral Health, Community Room, 1108 S Wildwood Ave, Sheboygan. 4:45 PM. A meeting of collective, spiritual support for anyone interested in exploring their spiritual path, whatever that means to them. All beliefs and views are welcomed. No cost or need to register.

**GriefShare Support Group:** Evangelical Free Church, 1710 N. 15th St., Sheboygan. 6:30-8pm. Support for those who have lost a loved one. 920-452-6520.

**HHT A cappella** (Plymouth Chapter of Barbershop Harmony Society) meets every Thursday at 7 pm to 9:00 pm at

Generations, Intergenerational Center, 1500 Douglas Drive, Plymouth (enter on north side of building) All singers wel-

come. Free voice lessons. No need to read music as learning CD's are provided. Rehearsing for our upcoming Christmas

### SECOND WEDNESDAY

#### OF THE MONTH

**Fostering Support: Support for parents and guardians in the fostering and kinship care world.** 6:00-7:00pm. Hosted by MHA Lakeshore at Mental Health America 410 S. Milwaukee St., Plymouth.

### THIRD WEDNESDAY

#### OF THE MONTH

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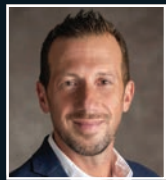
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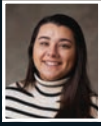
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# The ice wasn't nice



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*Hello friends,*

I have all the right tools to be doing some heavy-duty ice camping/fishing this winter, and unfortunately keeping good ice has made travel (at least coming home alive) a bit of a challenge. One of my newest toys is the Ion “Alpha” and mine is with a 10-inch auger.

Last winter I used an Ion for the first time and was amazed at how easy and quiet it was to handle. I got an extra battery and have not had to use it and to be perfectly honest, I do not miss my propane auger at all.

Since the ice in the north this winter is pretty sketchy for a snow machine, ATV, or pickup truck, I had to pick a spot to camp where I thought I could catch fish and hike in by foot. My hikes would require two round trips, and each time I would be pulling two fully loaded Otter sleds.

I chose the Trempealeau Lakes, which is a backwater of the Mississippi River and is literally a sportsman’s paradise. I had camped about 8 years ago and caught several northern pike, including a 40-incher, and did well on panfish.

**Wednesday, February 1st**  
**High 52, low 30**

There was 7 inches of solid ice for what is my favorite sport, and that is camping fishing

on the ice. Naturally I had my golden retrievers Ruby and Red along, and they were as excited as me as we began trek one (about 700 yards pulling maybe 200 pounds).

Both treks went well, and I put out two tip ups for gators and rigged a Finicky Fooler with a large “goldy” for perch.

I was over about 4 feet of water that had a muck bottom. I had 2 hours of daylight left and lots of work to build camp. I caught one jumbo perch and a little one, no action on the tip ups, and no cares as I had two nights in paradise and knew I would figure out the fish. The pups sleep in my Eskimo “Fat Fish 4” with me, and I have them sleep in an Otter sled so they stay dry. It was so warm tonight that for maybe the first time ever I did not use my heater.

**Thursday, February 2nd**  
**High 54, low 31**

Today would have been my girlfriend’s 52nd birthday and my guess is that had she not passed away, she would have been on this trip with me. I was up long before daybreak; it was very foggy and my holes from the day before were not iced over. I did the two tip ups and the Finicky Fooler plan, and right away caught a beautiful 28-inch gator which is perfect for Y boning and eating.

It was not long and I had company and by mid-morning, there were eight of us fishing a maybe 5-acre area. Three of the guys were using an airboat and everyone was from the area. Fish catching was slow, but I was having a blast as I cooked pork chops in my outdoor kitchen, and on occasion talked to my neighbors. The fish were slowly adding up and I knew by the following afternoon something cool would happen.

At about 1:00, I realized that the ice on the channel near me was deteriorating at a steady rate. One of the fishermen was alone and had a bad hip. I walked over and mentioned my observation and the man was not concerned.

I went back to camp and worked on some gear. About 20 minutes later, I was standing at camp and without any warning broke through the ice up to my butt. I was wearing a life vest, a 50-foot rope and had hand grip

nails around my neck. I did not touch the bottom and propelled myself out with ease.

I have to admit, I was bummed in the very least, because I had to move my camp as the ice had literally rotted out. Ten minutes later, I was checking a tip up 50 yards from camp and I went through again. I got myself out, went over and told the guy with the bad hip as well as everyone else, and returned to camp well aware that I needed to break camp and get off the ice. My neighbor headed off in a bad direction, put his spud through the ice, headed my way, and the fellas with the airboat decided to take him in. It took me a while to break camp. The other four guys were taken in by airboat and I did two round trips pulling two sleds each trip, and was one happy ice warrior when I was on dry land.

*Sunset*



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**March 5** | “Cedar Grove Klompen Dansers & Dutch Heritage” with Beth Heuver

**March 12** | “Community Practices: A movement based

workshop exploring storytelling through various folk dances,” with Molly King

**March 19** | “D’Werdenfelser Schuhplattlers & German Heritage” with Dennis Smith

**March 26** | “Street Elite Dance Academy: African, Clowning, Majorette, and Dance Club” with Breanna Crump

The Cedar Grove Klompen Dansers, D’Werdenfelser Schuhplattlers, and Street Elite Dance Academy will all share demonstrations of dance movements that correspond to key cultural elements the movement expresses. They will also speak to the broader contexts of their dance styles and how dance offerings in

Sheboygan County have evolved.

The Community Practices workshop with Molly King, movement instructor at the Étude Schools and director at the Wisconsin Dance Council, is focused on audience members moving through a variety of folk dances in widely accessible ways. She encourages interested people to “bring your kids and your grandparents!”

This series invites everyone to step into some of the divergent and compatible cultures present in Sheboygan County. Dance helps preserve cultural content and share identity. It grows every time a person enters the conversation through movement.

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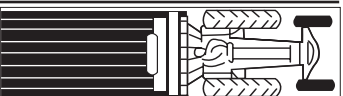
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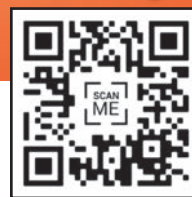
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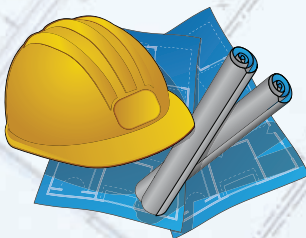
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Raise The Roof is an annual fundraising event. "We don't like to call it a gala because this event reflects the practical, problem-solving nature of Habitat for Humanity," said Marketing Manager, Karin Oliver-Kreft. "The dress code is jeans and plaid, and while it's a fun time for all, we keep the focus on 'Raising the Roof' – both figuratively in that it's a fun time and literally in terms of helping Habitat provide decent, affordable housing to as many

people in Sheboygan County as possible. The funds we raise go right back into the community."

The evening begins with cocktails and music, followed by dinner, presentations, and events. A family who has purchased a house through Habitat for Humanity Lakeside will share what the program has meant to her. Staff will share

information about upcoming events and volunteer opportunities. All this will be followed by raffles, auctions, entertainment and more. Proceeds from the event go to supporting the Habitat mission. Sponsorship opportunities are still available. To learn more and buy tickets, visit [www.habitatlakeside.com/raiseroof](http://www.habitatlakeside.com/raiseroof).

## 5 Benefits to Florida rooms

5 benefits to Florida rooms (426 words, US, UK, CAN)

Snowbirds heading south to escape cold winters is a phenomenon that has been popular for decades. Places like Florida often beckon vacationers and retirees who are eager to enjoy the sun and surf.

Individuals who have traveled south are likely familiar with outdoors spaces known as "Florida rooms." While they are commonplace in Florida, these rooms are not exclusive to the

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**FLORIDA** from 22

## Garage storage solutions

Sunshine State. In fact, they can be beneficial additions regardless of where one lives.

What are Florida rooms?

Florida rooms used to be spaces that people could retreat to when central air conditioning wasn't so prevalent. Today, the term is largely synonymous with sunrooms. Florida rooms tend to be enclosed, screened-in lanai spaces that expand a home's living space outward. They may be outdoor patios, living rooms or even areas that surround covered swimming pools. Florida rooms can be tailored to homeowners' personal preferences and lifestyles.

The benefits to having a Florida room

Florida rooms are popular and sought-after, and the following are five notable benefits of having such a room.

1. Help to maintain a connection to nature: Florida rooms blend the outdoors with the interior of a home. The rooms may be on the side of a house or overlook a backyard, enabling residents to enjoy the great outdoors without full exposure to the elements.

2. Make it possible to enjoy outdoors for most of the year: People who live in temperate climates can enjoy outdoor spaces all year long. Those who find it is pleasant outside for most months of the year can retreat to Florida rooms when conditions are less inviting. Heating and cooling capabilities can be added to the spaces to make them full four-season rooms.

3. Get extra vitamin D: Vitamin D deficiency is extremely common, affecting 42 percent of the United States population, according to the National Institutes of Health. Florida rooms enable people to soak up some extra sunshine and vitamin D.

4. The rooms add value: Adding a Florida room gives homeowners additional space to enjoy with friends and family. Also, it has the potential to increase a home's resale value without committing to an extensive renovation.

5. Rooms can be tailored to unique needs: A Florida room can be customized based on what homeowners desire. Companies who specialize in Florida rooms can design these spaces according to the parameters chosen by homeowners.

Who doesn't have a space at home that serves as a catch-all for items that seemingly have no other home? For many, this storage wasteland where items go to be forgotten tends to be the garage. Before long, clutter can overwhelm the space and create an eyesore. Garage clutter also makes the space less functional by making it harder to park a vehicle or store equipment.

Organizing a garage takes work, but the end result can improve the appearance, free up space, make work more efficient, and make it easier to find and use tools more readily. Here are some ways to get started on organizing your garage.

### Start with cleaning and culling

One of the first steps when organizing a garage is to thoroughly analyze what is needed and what can be removed from the garage. If items belong elsewhere, such as in a shed or the basement, move these items first. Discard damaged or broken items. Next, move on to tools or gear that hasn't been used in some time. Will you use it again? If the item has been collecting dust for years, you likely already know the answer to that question.

Pile all items in the driveway so you have a clean slate with which to start. Measure the room to figure out the dimensions so you'll know how much wall space is available for storage.

### Free up floor space

The ultimate goal of a garage storage renovation is to make floor space available, according to Stacey Schweiger of Sunshine Organizing. Lifting items off the floor makes access easier, and protects items should there be a flood or leaks.

A combination of wall shelves, overhead shelves, cabinets, and wall hooks can help homeowners create more floor area. Organization becomes easier when everything has a designated space where it can be easily returned to.

### Consider weight

When investing in shelving and racks, remember that many of the items stored in garages tend to be heavy. It's important to ensure that shelves and hooks are heavy-duty and able to withstand the weight of pressure put on them. Verify the maximum weight so that racks will not buckle or tip over and cause issues.

### Utilize overhead space

Overhead storage can be reserved for items that aren't used frequently, such as seasonal decorations or luggage.

### Out of sight

Some items should be stored out of sight and beyond the reach of children and pets. Cabinets and containers can be used and locked to secure materials, such as fertilizers, paints, solvents, and other chemicals.

### Additional ideas

Magnets, pegboards, organization bins and systems, and similar products can be used to corral small or errant items like hand tools, fasteners and more.

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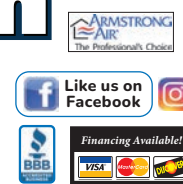
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## Simple strategies to create more storage space in the kitchen

If home is where the heart is, then the kitchen is where that heart spends most of its time. Kitchens are where family and friends tend to congregate during holiday celebrations, and many a homework assignment has been completed at a kitchen island while parents prepare dinner.

The popularity of kitchens is reflected in the attention these rooms get from reno-

vation-minded homeowners. Data from the National Association of Home Builders indicates kitchens are the most popular room to remodel. Upgrading kitchen storage is a popular renovation project, and it's also one that has practical appeal. Adding more storage in the kitchen gives the room a more organized feel, which can make preparing meals more enjoyable and

create space when hosting and guests inevitably congregate around an island. With those benefits in mind, would-be organizers can consider these strategies to create more storage space in the kitchen.

- **Take stock of the spice rack.** Creating more storage space does not necessarily have to involve tools like screwdrivers, hammers and nails. Spice racks can easily become overcrowded as amateur cooks expand their culinary repertoire. A crowded spice rack inevitably spills out onto the surrounding countertop. Take stock of the spice rack and discard any spices or seasonings you haven't used in a while. This can create a more organized look and free up extra counter space.

- **Make a digital cookbook.** If your go-to recipes are filling a binder or two, those binders are almost certainly taking up precious storage space. Scan printed recipes and convert your physical recipe collection into a digital cookbook you store on a tablet.

- **Install roll-out shelving in the pantry.** Roll-out shelving puts the entire pantry to use. Without such shelving, items are destined to be relegated to that nether region known as the back of the pantry. Some items never emerge from this area, as cooks forget they're there and then purchase duplicates, which inevitably contributes to storage issues. Roll-out shelving ensures all items in the pan-

try can be found and greatly reduces the likelihood that cooks will have lots of duplicate items taking up precious kitchen space.

- **Remove single-use gadgets from the kitchen.** Much like spices and seasonings vital to the preparation of specialty meals have a tendency to be used just once, kitchen gadgets that lack versatility have a way of gathering dust and taking up storage space. Whether it's a popcorn maker, a seldom-used but space-needy wok or another gadget that's used infrequently, if at all, store single-use gadgets in the garage or another area of the house where they won't get in the way or contribute to a less-than-organized look in the room.



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## Traditional home hallmarks

A home can say a lot about its inhabitants. Perhaps that's one reason why renters and homeowners alike spend so much time and expend so much effort on the various design components of their homes.

Home styles are as diverse as the people who live in the homes. Each design style has its proponents, but traditional style homes are among the most enduring designs. The popularity of traditional style homes has endured for centuries. And though homes built in the twentieth and twenty-first centuries might be vastly different from those constructed in the 1600s and 1700s, they still include characteristics of homes one might have found back in colonial times. But it's also important to note that the notion of "traditional" has changed, and some may now see homes built more than 50 years ago as traditional. That's an important distinction to keep in mind when working with contractors and interior designers, as homeowners who prefer traditional should not hesitate to share how they define that style.

As individuals shop around for new homes or seek inspiration before redesigning their existing spaces, they can consider these hallmarks of traditional-style homes.

• **Color:** According to the home renovation experts at HGTV, traditional-style homes

are not typically associated with the muted color palettes common to more modern design schemes. Traditional styles utilize color throughout the home, and each color of the rainbow can be utilized if individuals so desire. Though neutral colors are found in traditional-style homes, Architectural Digest notes they are typically accompanied with pops of bold colors in jewel tones.

• **Classic decor:** It might be an oversimplification to suggest modern and traditional are at opposite ends of the design spectrum, but traditional-style homes lean on classical decor like chandeliers and bookcases,

each of which is unlikely to be found in a modern home.

• **Architectural details:** Certain architectural details also are commonly found in traditional-style homes. Wainscoting and crown molding, which harken many back to the style's centuries-old roots, are some hallmarks of the traditional style.

• **Defined spaces:** Open concept floor plans have become very popular in recent years, but traditional-style homes do not feature open floor plans. Living rooms and dining rooms (which are used exclusively as dining rooms) are defined spaces in traditional-style homes, which also tend to have all bedrooms on the second floor or higher.

The traditional design style has endured for centuries. That serves as a testament to the appeal of a style that will seemingly always have a place to call home.



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# Turn your bedroom into a relaxing retreat

Bedrooms are more than places to lay our heads at the end of the day. Bedrooms serve different functions, and not all are conducive to relaxation.

People who use their bedrooms as a work space may find they're compromising their well-being by introducing activities into the bedroom. The Sleep Foundation says having an office in the bedroom blurs the lines be-

tween work and personal life, which can have serious effects on sleep. Rather, people should be looking to turn their bedrooms into relaxing retreats that offer a respite from the outside world.

• **Remove blue-light emitting devices.** Computers, tablets, smartphones, and other electronic devices emit blue light, which can compromise natural melatonin production in the body that contributes

to sleep. Such devices should not be used at night in the bedroom.

• **Use a neutral color palette.** Neutral color palettes evoke a spa feeling. Walls can be painted white, beige or a light shade of gray. This can help the room feel calming and welcoming.

• **Declutter the room.** A sense of calm can be achieved simply by removing excess clutter. There is some evi-

dence that the brain is more calm near an empty dresser, desk or clothes hamper. Therefore, removing excessive items from the room is a first step to making a nice retreat.

• **Add soft lighting.** Adjust the intensity and the color of the lighting in the bedroom. It should be subtle and warming. Dimmers enable homeowners to adjust lighting as needed.

• **Install an electric fire-**

place. There is something to be said for the relaxing effects of gazing into the flames of a fire. A crackling (faux-wood) fire is an added layer of indulgence in a bedroom.

• **Add an area rug.** Even in rooms with carpeting, an area rug under the bed can further define the perimeter of the bed and add extra plushness underfoot.

• **Invest in aromatherapy diffusers.** Certain smells can create a relaxing mood. These may be sandalwood, lavender or jasmine.

Utilizing their preferred scents, homeowners can employ reed diffusers in their bedrooms to enjoy the aromas of natural oils.

• **Used closed storage.** Open shelves and visible closet interiors may not hide a mess.

Exposure to clutter can contribute to feelings of anxiety. Store items that shouldn't be on display behind closed doors or drawers.

• **Bring in luxury linens.** Homeowners should not skimp on comforters, sheets, duvet covers, and pillows for their beds.

A cozy bed to dive right into can serve as the centerpiece of a bedroom retreat.

Turning a bedroom into a relaxing space can help individuals sleep better and reduce anxiety.

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