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# District lays groundwork for two new schools vote

**by Sarah Hall**  
for The Beacon

Sheboygan residents have three upcoming opportunities in May to learn more about the Sheboygan Area School District's plan to rebuild Urban and Farnsworth Middle Schools - both approaching 100 years old - and offer feedback prior to a proposed \$126 million referendum in November.

Community input sessions are approaching at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 16 at Urban Middle School and on Monday, May 20 at Farnsworth Middle School.

District residents have also received a survey in the mail, conducted by School Perceptions, providing information about the plan and asking for a response by May 22. Completed surveys can be returned in the business reply mail envelope provided or dropped off at any school office. The survey can be taken online by scanning the QR code on the front page of the packet or visiting Feedback2000.com and entering a survey code.

While each household received only one survey and online code, additional surveys for other adults in the home can be obtained by calling 920-459-3511.

Survey results will be shared at the Board of Education meeting on June 25 and posted on the district website.

For more background on



**FARNSWORTH MIDDLE SCHOOL**

the project, visit <https://www.sheboygan.k12.wi.us/middle-school-building-projects>.

Urban and Farnsworth Middle Schools are two of the oldest of the district's 25 schools, with original sections built in 1937 and 1930, respectively.

A recent facilities study determined that both schools are in poor condition, with roofs, windows, doors and heating/ventilation systems in need of replacement, fire alarm and sprinkler systems which are not up to code, spaces that are not compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act and classrooms which are too small.

The district has proposed building an entirely new Urban Middle School on the corner of Mill and Najacht roads and demolishing the existing school on North Avenue between North 12th and 13th streets, which is

along a congested stretch next to North High School.

The district's plan also involves creating a new main building on the existing Union Avenue site for Farnsworth Middle School, while remodeling the existing gym, fitness center and two classrooms built in the 1990s.



**URBAN MIDDLE SCHOOL - SASD photos**

The remaining structure would be demolished.

The estimated total cost of the project is \$140 million, with the district contributing \$14 million, leaving the remaining \$126 million to be approved by taxpayers in a capital referendum in November.

If this is approved, the dis-

trict does not anticipate another capital referendum for the next eight to 12 years.

Approval would increase the mill rate by \$.30 per thousand dollars in property valuation, resulting in a \$30 annual tax increase for a \$100,000 property and a \$75 increase for a \$250,000 property.

## Hazardous waste facility approved

**by Jeff Pederson**  
for The Beacon

The Sheboygan Falls Common Council approved a conditional-use permit request, including architectural features, from Sheboygan County for a planned household hazardous waste collection facility along Forest Avenue in the Forest Avenue Industrial Park, during a semimonthly meeting held Wednesday,

May 1 at the Sheboygan Falls Municipal Building.

The plans for the county-operated household hazardous waste collection building were introduced by Sheboygan County Planning and Conservation Director Aaron Brault, who appeared before the Sheboygan Falls Plan Commission to request the rezoning of 1.5 acres of vacant land located adjacent to the Sheboygan County Ag-

ing and Disability Resource Center building on Forest Avenue from conservancy (C) to heavy industrial (I-2).

The approval of the rezoning request cleared the way for Brault to file a conditional-use permit request on Sheboygan County's behalf for a proposed 70- by 140-foot, 9,800-square-foot metal building.

During a Sheboygan Falls Plan Commission meeting on April 23, Distinctive Design Studio Project Manager Jake Jacobsen said the intention is for the building and location to be used to house a Sheboygan County Sheriff's Department squad car and serve as the site of the county's tree sale, as well as the location for household hazardous hazardous waste drop-off events during the year.

He also indicated that the building will be positioned on a long, narrow landlocked strip of property.

At the Plan Commission's recommendation, the Common Council approved the conditional-use permit with a few conditions.

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# Mead Library packed for 'listening session' on Sheboygan waterfront and marina

**by Sarah Hall**  
for The Beacon

If the overwhelming turnout at the first public meeting for the \$12 million Sheboygan Waterfront and Marina Revitalization Project was any indication, interest is surging as strong as the spring surf.

So many people had arrived just before the April 30 "listening session" at Mead Public Library's Rocca Room that they not only packed it shoulder to shoulder, but jammed the adjacent lobby as well.

At least 150 attendees filed past large poster boards posing questions about their connection to the waterfront and Deland Park, their ideas for new activities and improvements and their insights as to what is not working now, and then jotted down their feedback on multicolored Post-It notes that soon covered all available white space.

Ideas offered were diverse and ranged from adding a lake-

front restaurant, a beachside trail, a dinner cruise, a public pool and a food truck court, to improving security and restroom facilities and upgrading the public launch and opportunities for water sports such as kayaking and surfing. Making the waterfront more fun and accessible seemed to be a recurring theme.

Many participants seemed puzzled by the somewhat unusual meeting format and asked for more background and information on the project, so its leaders accommodated with brief remarks.

Sheboygan City Administrator Casey Bradley explained that the city had sought requests for proposals "to try to reimagine what the lakefront could look like and how the public could better utilize it," and engaged with SmithGroup, a national architectural firm, to lead the planning process.

Previously, the mayor's office had last November announced plans to begin a phased-in, multi-year project to revitalize the lake-

front and marina.

"Aging infrastructure and recurring annual damage to docks have necessitated significant capital reinvestment in the marina facility," the announcement stated. "Estimates indicate an investment requirement of \$11 to \$13 million to sustain marina operations while maintaining 250 slips. The Harbor Centre Marina, since its inception in 1993, has faced challenges in meeting revenue projections and demand, making it a fiscal burden for taxpayers. In a proactive move, the city will collaborate with a consultant to envision a brighter future for the marina and lakefront area."

In line with this approach and anticipated changes, the Sheboygan City Council had already decided last year not to renew its marina management agreement with F3 Marine. Some marina amenities have closed as a new plan unfolds.

In February, the City Council approved a \$245,000 contract with SmithGroup to develop "a



**ARCHITECT TOM ROGERS OF SMITHGROUP, the firm overseeing development of a master Sheboygan Waterfront and Marina Revitalization Project plan, answered questions as kickoff event participants both offered their own ideas on notes stuck onto poster boards and took in what others had to say. — Beacon photo by Sarah Hall**

master plan to guide modifications to Deland Park, Harbor Centre Marina and the adjacent waterfront that will provide a greater range of recreation opportunities more inclusive to local residents, enhance connectivity along the waterfront and downtown, and explore development opportunities on the former armory site and adjacent parcel. The goal of the master plan is to create to explore opportunities to enhance the quality of life in Sheboygan and increase access to and use of the waterfront."

Bradley told the crowd at the kickoff gathering that a series of meetings and events will follow with both the broader public and specific stakeholders, such as the boating community and those involved with the lakefront YMCA.

"This is only the first step in our planning process," said Tom Rogers, one of four SmithGroup architects running the meeting. "As designers, we try to come in without a preconceived notion about what needs to be here and to listen first to the community to

understand what they want and what they need, what's working well and what needs to be improved. We're here tonight really just to listen and ask questions about how things are going and help everybody dream big about what might be here in the future."

"We are so excited about the turnout," he added. "It's great to see how much you care about the waterfront, your open space and your community."

"We have also put together a website and online survey if you want to give us additional input," Rogers noted. "All the feedback we get tonight, we are going to post online... then we'll be back in the summer to do a workshop and start to develop design alternatives."

To take the initial project survey, visit <https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/7806765/Sheboygan-Waterfront-and-Marina-Listening-Session>

For information and background on the project, visit <https://sheboygan-waterfront-and-marina-smithgroup.hub.arcgis.com/>

## Mental health activities set for Lakeshore

Following the recent release of the Healthy Sheboygan County Community Health Assessment reporting that mental health is Sheboygan County's top public health concern, MHA Lakeshore is taking additional action throughout the month of May and beyond.

"Now, more than ever, we have to activate and advocate for mental health in our community," said Julie Preder, executive director of MHA Lakeshore. In support of the national arm of Mental Health America, the local chapter themes its initiatives and messaging on the nationwide Mental Health Awareness Month focus of "Where to Start". This year's Mental Health Month theme, "Where

to Start: Mental Health in a Changing World," focuses on how external factors, such as society, politics or the economy, can make seeking help for a mental health condition even more overwhelming. The Lakeshore community is encouraged to contact a local Mental Health Resource Specialist at 920-458-3951 ext. 1001 on questions and accessing services. This is a FREE and confidential program.

During the month of May, MHA Lakeshore offers a wide variety of mental wellbeing-forward programs and events:

- May 4 | Suicide Awareness Truck Show (Manitowoc)
- May 9 | Suicide Awareness & Prevention Training (Sheboygan)
- May 15 | Mental Health

America and The Great Outdoors (Saukville)

May 16 | Navigating Youth Anxiety and Depression Webinar

May 19 | MHA Lakeshore safeTALK Community Training (John Michael Kohler Arts Center)

May 26 | Mental Health America and The Great Outdoors (Kohler)

May 31 | Whole In One Golf Outing (Whistling Straits, Haven)

To review the full list of ongoing support groups and programs online at: <https://www.google.com/url?q=https://mhalakeshore.org/services/support-groups/>  
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# A piece of Plymouth's WWII history finds a way home

by **Dave Boehler**  
for The Beacon

A small wooden boat handcrafted by a German at a Prisoner of War Camp in Plymouth in the mid-1940s will soon be on display at the city's Historical Society.

"We've never had anything like this before, president Dan Buckman said. "People drop things off; they're either cleaning out their house or have things family members no longer want.

"But this one really tops the cake."  
How the boat returned to Plymouth only adds to the story.

Eighty-one-year-old Terry Pruss was born in Plymouth and lived here for four or five years. During that time, Pruss' father John was a guard at the POW Camp - located at the Sheboygan County Fairgrounds - and he had one of the Germans make a model boat for his young son.

It was called the Terry Lee - Pruss' first and middle name, which were displayed on the side of the boat - and he still had it when he recently decided he

wanted to donate it. "It's a part of the history of the POW camp in Plymouth, World War II, the whole thing," Pruss said.

The only problem was Pruss now lives in Colorado. He was willing to pay the shipping costs to get it back to this area, but couldn't figure out where to send it to.

So Pruss randomly started asking for help, which included an email to Sheboygan County Clerk Jon Dolson the week before this past Thanksgiving.

The only reason Dolson saw it, though, is because he forgot to put "out of office" as his automatic response because he was going on vacation.

So Dolson went to his office to complete that task when he noticed an email from the previous evening in his inbox. Since Dolson didn't recognize the sender, he opened it.

"It's so bizarre in that I was leaving, literally, within the hour," he said.

Dolson read Pruss' "total shot in the dark" email and found out he lives in Highlands Ranch. Coincidentally, Dolson and his wife were driving to



**THE TERRY LEE**, a model boat handcrafted by a German POW for a young Terry Pruss found a serendipitous way back to the Plymouth Historical Society with assistance from Sheboygan County Clerk Jon Dolson.

nearby Denver to see their son for the holiday.

Dolson says he was more than happy to save Pruss the shipping expense and risk damaging the boat, and he was "more than honored" to hand-deliver it to the Plymouth Historical Society.

A couple weeks later, Dolson delivered the Terry Lee with a signed letter from Pruss that he officially donated the boat.

"It's very rewarding because it's for prosperity," Pruss said. "It's a memory of my dad, a memory of World War II, and what the Plymouth camp had to do with World War II.

"And Plymouth is a very special place for me."  
Pruss' grandfather, Walter Blanke, was in the cheese



**JOHN PRUSS**  
(lower right)



**TERRY PRUSS**

business in town in the 1940s and '50s. And his uncle, Henry Blanke, currently lives in Plymouth.

Perhaps he, and many others, will get a chance to see the Terry Lee.

Pruss describes the boat as a solid piece of carved, heavy wood, which features a small cabin with plastic windows and a propeller in the back. It's 18 inches long, 8 inches wide, 7 inches tall, and painted mostly red and white.

Just how important is this boat to Pruss?

Here's part of his email to Dolson that one fall day:

"Be advised that when I gave it to a man some years ago to clean for me, he stole the small compass that was in the deck just in front of the front windshield. Once the Internet became available for civilian use, I was able to find some small compasses. However, I have not yet replaced the compass or resurfaced that area yet. It will take someone who is talented to do so properly. Possibly someone associated with your museum. I will include the replacement compasses when I ship the boat to you. The rest of the boat is in its original, pristine condition."

## County Sheriff candidates sought

Gov. Tony Evers announced that he is seeking applicants for Sheboygan County Sheriff. The appointment will fill a vacancy being created by Sheriff Cory Roeseler's retirement, effective June 3, 2024. The new sheriff will serve for the remainder of the unexpired term that ends January 2027.

To apply, please complete the "Register of Deeds, Coroner, and Sheriff" application form that can be found on the "Apply to Serve" page on Gov. Evers' website at: [www.evers.wi.gov](http://www.evers.wi.gov). Applications must be submitted by 5 p.m. on Wed., May 15, 2024.

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# Madson elected to A's Hall of Fame

Will Madson, who overcame nearly insurmountable odds, has been elected to the Sheboygan A's Hall of Fame.

Induction ceremonies are scheduled for Saturday, June 29, between doubleheader games against Addison at Wildwood Baseball Park.

"I dreamed of playing at Wildwood as a young kid chasing foul balls and watching (the team), ... and I felt extremely lucky to play there throughout high school, during summers in college and after," Madson said.

"But my best memory is coming back here to pitch and

having my best year after recovering from surgery."

The Sheboygan South graduate was named conference player of the year before moving on to Carthage College and then getting drafted by the Detroit Tigers.

After playing in the minor leagues in 1998, Madson was plagued with stomach issues and was diagnosed with Crohn's Disease.

Abdominal surgery followed, he lost 50 pounds and his professional career was over.

But Madson returned to the

A's on a full-time basis in 2002, and he went 12-0 record with four shutouts and a 1.69 earned run average.

He played parts of 14 seasons with Sheboygan and finished with a 36-24 record with 11 saves, six shutouts, a 3.89 ERA and 388 strikeouts in 370 innings.

Madson also coached at South for 15 years and even



**MADSON**

built two pitching mounds in his backyard for his Redwings.

## Martin also honored

Mike (Marty) Martin was inducted into the Sheboygan County Baseball Association's Hall of Fame on Wednesday.

Martin, who played six seasons with the Sheboygan A's and is the live-stream announcer for their home games, formerly served as the vice president and was on the board of the Sheboygan Athletic Club.

Martin also works with Sheboygan's TV station, WSCS, calling high school sports

games.

## Time to play ball

The Sheboygan A's open their season Saturday in the Play Ball Tournament, following their 5K Home Run/Walk.

The two-time defending tournament champions will play Manitowoc at 11 a.m. and the DC Marvels at 3 p.m.

Manitowoc faces DC at 1 p.m., and the winner of the Sheboygan Pool will take on the Branch Pool winner (Appleton, Kewaskum or the Branch Blaze) at 5:30.

- Sheboygan A's staff

# Lutze wants you to play hooky

**RIGHT: the Play-in' Hooky boat** has been joined by two Sea Dog boats.  
**BELOW: Jim Schlegel (left), John Repphun (middle) and David Lutze** take a break from fishing.

- Submitted photos



Jim Schlegel says his fishing guide career started as a hobby business in 1984 but soon developed into a full-time, lifelong passion that he is honored to have been a part of.

So after 40 years of guiding what he says was tens of thousands of fishing guests, Schlegel admitted he had mixed emotions when posting on social media recently that he sold Sea Dog Sportfishing Charters of Sheboygan.

"But the person I sold it to, I've worked with a long time, and it's definitely in good hands," Schlegel said.

That person would be friend David Lutze of Playin' Hooky Sport fishing, also in Sheboygan. He's worked for Schlegel as a mate and captain since 2009 before starting his own business.

"So I actually have always wanted to buy Sea Dog, but basically when I was ready to start a business, Jim wasn't ready to sell his, so I just kind of had to be patient," Lutze said. "I was pretty antsy to start on my own, though. So in 2020, I kind of couldn't wait anymore and decided to purchase my own boat."

Lutze, who graduated from Kiel and lives in Cleveland, says his first experience fishing on Lake Michigan was for jumbo perch out of a 12-foot rowboat.

Now, he says salmon and trout fishing on Lake Michigan is something he can't seem to get enough of.

"It's just kind of addicting," he said. "I've talked to a lot of different guys that are my competitors and close friends of mine, and they kind of feel the same way. You feel that adrenaline rush and you feel the happiness of being able to just chat with people on a daily basis and give somebody an experience that they haven't had before. It's just something that's pretty special. So that's why I would say I can't get enough of it."

Lutze's boat is a 36-foot Chris Craft Commander, and he's added Schlegel's two boats called Sea Dog.

Schlegel still plans to guide trips this season, including all current reservations booked and all outstanding gift certificates.

He says he's definitely going to spend more time with his grandchildren, but will also miss the enjoyment he had fishing with his crew.

"They're not exactly employees of mine," Schlegel said. "They're good friends that I've known for years and years, and it was just kind of what kept me going."

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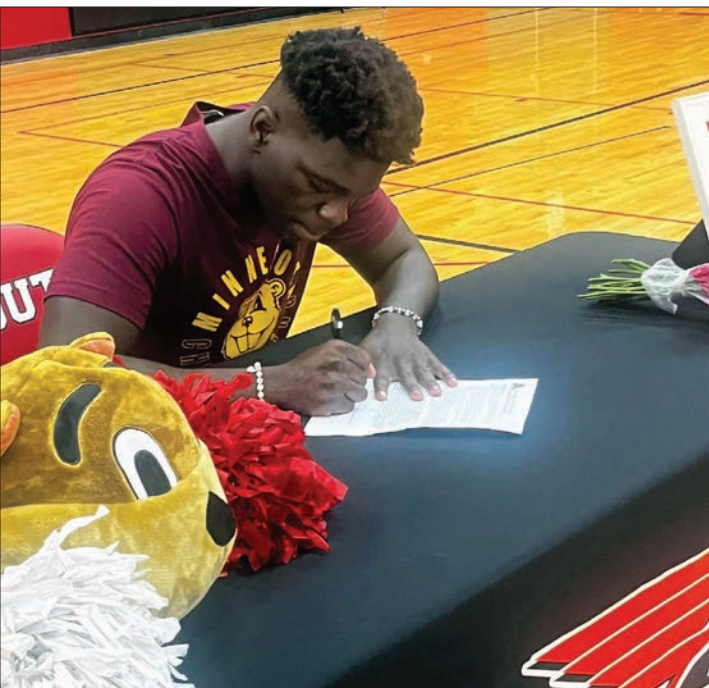
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JULIUS SPIVERY signs a letter of intent to attend Minnesota and be on its cheer team. - Submitted photo

# Spivery signs to be on Minnesota's cheer team

South senior Julius Spivery signed a letter of intent last week to join the University of Minnesota cheer team.

"I'm super pumped for this," he said. "I met the team and they're a good group of people who are ready to work to get a national title. They are very positive. They have the right mindset, and I like the environment.

"I'm excited for this big challenge in my life."

Spivery's first year on a cheer team was as a seventh grader.

"Growing up, I always found cheer to be interesting and exciting, he said.

"You're able to lead the

**"I'm super pumped for this. ... I'm excited for this big challenge in my life."**

- Julius Spivery

crowd while also having fun with your friends and teammates. And I always found it intriguing that they actually had (a cheer team) and then I signed up for it. And then I just fell in love with it, made new friends, gained a new sport, became more knowledgeable."

Spivery, who spent all four

years on the cheer team in high school, attended a clinic at Minnesota and was then invited back by coaches for another one.

He also got to experience what it's like to be on the Golden Gophers' cheer team during a football game.

Spivery, who is going to study business administration, is already looking forward to when Minnesota plays Wisconsin.

"I think that game is going to be really fun because a lot of my close friends are going to Madison," he said.

"So it's going to be a good time for me to catch up with them."

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# Spring sports are winding down

Before the spring playoffs begin, North still has to face South in a soccer match. It's set for 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Horace Mann, and the Golden Raiders defeated the Redwings, 6-0, last season. Peyton Baker made two saves in that game, and Emerson Fitzgerald had one of the goals.

### GOLF

**Big East Conference Championship, 8:30 a.m. Tuesday at Riverdale:** Christian and Lutheran have one final tuneup before the postseason.

**Fox River Classic Conference Championship, 9 a.m. Thursday at Wander Springs:** North and South battle league rivals one last time.

### TRACK & FIELD

**Fox River Classic Conference Championship, 3:30 p.m. Tuesday at Green Bay Preble:** The final regular-season meet will be held.

**Neenah Regional, 3:45 p.m. Monday:** The top athletes from North and South hope to reach the West Bend East Sectional on May 23.

**Cedar Grove-Belgium Regional, 3:30 p.m. Monday:** Lutheran and Christian compete for a chance to get to the Horicon Sectional, also on May 23.

### TENNIS

**Hartford Subsectionals, 9 a.m. Monday:** North and South players will try to advance to the Oshkosh North Sectional May 23.

### SOFTBALL

**Division 4 playoffs, Thursday:** The Division 4 playoffs get underway and Lutheran's opponent depends on what seed it received.

**Division 1 playoffs, May 21:** North and South begin their postseason as well.

### BASEBALL

**Division 3 playoffs, May 23:** Like softball, the Crusaders' opening game depends on their seed.

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# Race season kicks off this weekend

by **Jeff Pederson**  
 Sheboygan Falls News Editor

There will be no shortage of opportunities to enjoy the wide selection of offerings at Road America in Elkhart Lake this season.

The track is set to feature 11 major racing events during a busy 2024 campaign, which begins with the SVRA Sprint Vintage Festival Friday through Sunday.

But for the first time since 2009, NASCAR will not be featured at Road America.

Road America had hosted the NASCAR Xfinity Series each year since 2010 and served as the site of back-to-back NASCAR Cup Series events in 2021 and 2022.

"It's okay that we don't have NASCAR this season," Road America Communications Director John Ewert said. "The reason we don't have a NASCAR Xfinity Series race in 2024 involves television coverage and the Summer Olympics. If we had a NASCAR Xfinity race this year, we would have had to move our schedule around significantly to accommodate network television and the Summer Olympics schedule.

"We didn't think it was in our best interest to rearrange our schedule, which fans have become accustomed to and plan their summer around, so this year we are taking a break with NASCAR. Our relationship with NASCAR remains very good. The Cup and Xfinity series are still on the table for us. It's just not possible this year, but that opportunity is not going away. We will re-engage with NASCAR in the near future about hosting a race again sometime down the line."

The late-July NASCAR Xfinity Series weekend has been replaced by a racing-entertainment combination event



**RACING BEGINS this weekend at Road America.** - Photo courtesy of Road America

called GRIDLIFE - Summer Apex Music and Motorsports Festival running July 26-28 featuring the the NOS Energy TrackBattle Tim Attack Series and GRIDLIFE Touring Cup, along with drifting and the GRIDLIFE Rush Sr. Series.

In addition, musical entertainment will be a large part of the weekend with main stage headlining acts, as well as pop-up musical experiences throughout the facility.

"This will be a unique event," Ewert said. "It will help fill the void left by the NASCAR Xfinity Weekend and balance our schedule out."

The remainder of the schedule includes the MotoAmerica Superbike Series and Vintage MotoFest (May 31-June 2), NTT IndyCar Series XPEL Grand Prix Presented by AMR (June 8-9), WeatherTech Chicago Region SCCA June Sprints (June 21-23), Trans Am Speed Tour (June 28-30), WeatherTech International Challenge with Brian Redman (July 11-14), IMSA SportsCar Weekend (Aug. 1-4), Fanatec GT World Challenge (Aug. 16-18), Ariens Art on Wheels Vintage Week-

end featuring VSCDA (Sept. 13-15) and SCCA National Championship Runoffs (Oct. 4-6).

"We are excited to host the SCCA National Championship Runoffs as an added 11th event on our season," Ewert said. This is a major event, which will feature 400 amateur racers from throughout the country. We will have the SCCA National Championship Runoffs not just in 2024, but also in 2025. SCCA normally moves the event around the county, but they asked us to host it in 2025 as well."

Another special attraction will be held in conjunction with the nearby Plymouth Dirt Track facility in Plymouth during the NTT IndyCar Series XPEL Grand Prix Presented by AMR June 8-9.

"Although they won't be racing, there are expected to be some IndyCar drivers in attendance for that event," Ewert said. "In addition, there will be a fan shuttle running from turn 4 at Road America directly to the Plymouth Dirt Track."

## ROAD AMERICA PREVIEW

### More for the fans

In its ongoing initiative to improve and expand fan offerings, Road America has new amenities and facility upgrades in store for the season.

"We continue to reinvest funds to help enhance the overall fan experience each year," Ewert said. "We have added new viewing locations in turn 11 and along the bluffs in that part of the track. We also have a new trail in the vicinity of turn 12, along with a new restroom and RV station for campers in turn 1, and an upgraded restroom near the Paddock Store.

"We've planted twice as many trees this year. We have new wood carvings as well featuring many different animals and characters throughout the grounds, including a Sasquatch bench, which will be moving around the grounds during the season. The beach area off the turn 11 also will have a few new features including chairs, palm trees, volleyball courts and a food truck this season."

According to Ewert, Road America provides an all-around experience, which is unmatched at any other racing venue.

"We provide racing fans with the unique ability to sit under a shade tree with green grass and watch a high-caliber auto race at the same time," Ewert said. "We also invite fans to come for the experience, and stay for the race. Kids 16 and under will once again be admitted free to all events, which has been popular with fans for many years."

Ewert says the financial impact of Road America both in Sheboygan County and throughout the state is something that can't be denied.

"We were proud to earn the 2023 Economic Drive of the

Year Award from the Sheboygan County Economic Development Corporation," he said. "Our economic impact is measured at \$283 million locally and \$405 million statewide."

"Also, fans have the opportunity to purchase Road America license plates on the Wisconsin Department of Transportation website. To date, 24,000 Road America license plates have been sold. It is great to see that kind of unique support throughout the state."

### Wait, there's more

In addition to the racing action on the track, the Road America experience encompasses various onsite camping areas, 18-hole disc golf course, highly diverse concession options, zip line area, outdoor movie nights, go-kart track, motorcycle license training, Sunset Cruise fan tours, Paddock Shop merchandise shop, Caffeine and Gasoline car shows motorcycle, teen driving and collision avoidance programs and 4 Miles of Fitness events, as well as wedding facilities.

"Weddings have really become popular at the track in recent years and we encourage people to check out the options for holding their wedding at Road America, which offers a beautiful outdoor landscape," Ewert said.

### How to get tickets

For those that are interested in attending all or the majority of the 2024 Road America race weekends, Ewert says the purchase of a season pass is the best and cheapest option.

"The cost actually works out to be \$13 to \$15 per race day in 2024," he said.

To purchase passes, tickets or learn more, visit roadamerica.com, call 800-365-7223 or visit the track's social media pages.



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**TUESDAY MAY 14**

**Discovery Bird Walk:** 8:00 a.m. Kohler-Andrae State Park 1020 Beach Park Lane, Sheboygan, Black River Trail. Join Master Naturalists Janet & Andy Raddatz for a guided bird walk. Age 12 and up. Vehicle admission required. 920-451-4080.

**WEDNESDAY MAY 15**

**Second Hand Rose: Fashion Show and Luncheon:**

11:30am. First Congregational UUC, 1405 HWY 67, Plymouth. Tickets \$20 available at: Maggie's Closet, St. Vinny's, Plymouth Arts Center, or call Deb at 920-912-5268, Deadline May 10th. Live Auction, Raffle, free raffle ticket with full sized deodorant for PHS Panther Closet.

**FRIDAY MAY 17**

**PHS Cabaret:** 7:30 p.m. in the Plymouth High School Auditorium, 125 S. Highland Ave. Free and open to the public. [www.plymouth.k12.wi.us](http://www.plymouth.k12.wi.us), 920-893-6911.

**SATURDAY MAY 18**

**Big Sit Birding Event:** 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. Kohler-Andrae State Park 1020 Beach Park Lane, Sheboygan, Sanderling Nature Center. Bring your binoculars and apps and join Moraine Shores Audubon for some casual birding. Weather permitting. Vehicle admission required. 920-451-4080.

**Black River History Walk with Travis Gross:** 9:30-11:00am. Black River Museum, 435 Indian Mound Rd., Sheboygan.

**Oriole Bird Feeder Craft:** 11:00 a.m. Kohler-Andrae State Park 1020 Beach Park Lane, Sheboygan, Sanderling Nature Center. Craft an Oriole bird feeder from copper wire. \$5. Pre-register by May 15th. Ages

16 and up. Vehicle admission required. 920-451-4080.

**Kid Time with Papa Dewey:** 2:00 p.m. Kohler-Andrae State Park 1020 Beach Park Lane, Sheboygan, Sanderling Nature Center. Discover cool secrets of Kohler-Andrae as Papa Dewey and the kids sing songs and listen to stories. Vehicle admission required. 920-451-4080.

**SATURDAY & SUNDAY MAY 18 & 19**

**Bountiful Birds Self-Guided Quest and Geocache:** 1:00 -400 p.m. Kohler-Andrae State Park 1020 Beach Park Lane, Sheboygan, Sanderling Nature Center. Try your hand at questing or geocaching and learn about the bountiful birds of Kohler-Andrae. Vehicle admission required. 920-451-4080.

**TUESDAY MAY 21**

**Discovery Bird Walk:** 8:00 a.m. Kohler-Andrae State Park 1020 Beach Park Lane, Sheboygan, Black River Trail. Join Master Naturalists Janet & Andy Raddatz for a guided bird walk. Age 12 and up. Vehicle admission required. 920-451-4080.

**WEDNESDAY MAY 22**

**Jazz in the Park:** 7 p.m. in Plymouth City Park. Featuring

PHS Jazz I and Jazz II bands and Riverview Middle School jazz band. Free and open to the public. [www.plymouth.k12.wi.us](http://www.plymouth.k12.wi.us), 920-893-6911.

**SATURDAY MAY 25**

**Pie Iron Demo:** 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Kohler-Andrae State Park 1020 Beach Park Lane, Sheboygan, Amphitheater. The Pudge Pie Iron Guy will help you make tasty treats over a campfire. Vehicle admission required. 920-451-4080.

**SUNDAY MAY 26**

**Black River Museum:** 1:00-4:00pm. 435 Indian Mound Rd., Sheboygan. We invite the many people who walk, bike and drive through the area to stop in and view the displays. Admission is free; donations are accepted. Exhibits include a diorama of Lake Michigan's shore, a scale model fishing operation, a replica of the shipwrecked schooner "Challenge," Boy Scout memorabilia, invasive species education, local photography, and much more. It's a nice asset for our community.

**MONDAY MAY 27**

**Taps Across America at 3pm with Tom Swenson:** 2:30-4:00pm. Black River Museum, 435 Indian Mound Rd., Sheboygan.

**TUESDAY MAY 28**

**Discovery Bird Walk:** 8:00 a.m. Kohler-Andrae State Park 1020 Beach Park Lane, Sheboygan, Black River Trail. Join Master Naturalists Janet & Andy Raddatz for a guided bird walk. Age 12 and up. Vehicle admission required. 920-451-4080.

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**NOW THROUGH JUNE 16, 2024: Cloth as Land: HMong Indigeneity:** Centering the voices of three HMong-American artists, Cloth as Land investigates a place for HMong Indigeneity within contemporary HMong art.

**NOW THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024: The Secret of Muddy Water:** Exhibition celebrates the industries rooted in Wisconsin and the Arts/Industry residency in the Kohler Co. factory.

**NOW THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024: Joyce Kozloff: How We Know What We Know:** Across paintings, frescoes, installations, and sculpture, Joyce Kozloff uses maps to reveal the limits and possibilities of knowledge and relationships that govern systems of power.

**NOW THROUGH February 2, 2025: Mad Dash: 50 Years of Arts/Industry.** FREE, All ages. Chronological installation of artworks, letters, photographs, and promotional materials dating from 1974 to the present. It reveals the origin and history of Arts/Industry residency program.

**NOW THROUGH MARCH 2, 2025: Clocking In:** 2024 Arts/Industry Residents: FREE, all ages. As part of the Arts Center's celebration of Arts/Industry's fiftieth anniversary, the twelve artists in residence at the Kohler Co. factory during 2024 will exhibit their work in a yearlong group exhibition, presenting four residents' work at a time in

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**TUESDAY, MAY 14: Coffee Talks with Kohler Credit Union:** 10:30-11:30 a.m., Rocca Room, Mead Library, Sheboygan. Learn to avoid social media scams in this free discussion with Kirsten Coenen, of Kohler Credit Union.

**MONDAY, MAY 20: Gardening 102:** 5:45-7:45 p.m., The Loft, Mead Library, Sheboygan. Learn intermediate gardening skills in this free workshop with Christina Wilke-Burbach. Register at the www.meadpl.org events calendar or call 920-459-3400.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 22: Stitch Together:** 4:30-7:30 p.m., Imaginarium, Mead Library, Sheboygan. Sewists, knitters, crocheters, embroiderers and stitching enthusiasts of all kinds can bring a project to work on and meet up for crafting and conversation.

**THIRD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH:** Fiber Arts Circle: 10:30am. All needlework and fiber arts welcome, bring a project and join us for conversation and crafting camaraderie.

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**NOW THROUGH SATURDAY, JULY 27: Summer Reading Program:** For all ages. Join us for a summer of fun! Read books to win prizes and goodies.

**TUESDAY, MAY 14: Teen Snack & Chat:** 3:00 pm. For 11-18. Join us for snacks and hang out with your friends.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 15: Preserve Your Family History:** 5:30 pm. Archive Your Past is back with another great family history presentation, focusing on preserving your family history. No registration required.

**THURSDAY, MAY 16: Lego Club:** 4:00 pm. For ages 6+. Show us your LEGO skills and creativity, as you create your LEGO masterpiece with friends. No registration required.

**MONDAY, MAY 20: Mel Brooks Movie Mondays:** 1:00 pm. Join us for summer matinees of classic Mel Brooks movies! This program is geared towards adults.

**MONDAY, MAY 20: Sci-Fi & Fantasy Book Club:** 6:00 pm. Join us to read a new fantasy or science fiction book each month. Copies available for pick up.

**TUESDAY, MAY 21 AND WEDNESDAY, MAY 22: Doggy Tales:** 4:30 pm & 5:30 pm. For grades 1- 8. Registration required.

tion required. Get some read aloud for practice with Gus, a trained therapy dog!

**TUESDAY, MAY 21: Teen Anime & Manga Club:** 4:00 pm. For ages 11-18. Nerd out about your favorite fandom as we talk and watch anime. No registration required.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 22 & THURSDAY, MAY 23: Spark Session:** All day with a recap at 6 pm. We need your voice! Give feedback on design concepts for the library building created by an experienced design team.

**TUESDAY, MAY 28: Teen Adventure Time:** 4:00 pm. For ages 11-18. Go on fantastic adventures as we play an RPG game with friends.

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**WEDNESDAY, MAY 15: Decluttering Presentation by Embrace Care:** 2pm. Learn the best way to declutter and organize your 'stuff.'

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**WEDNESDAY, MAY 15: Dave Ross & Friends Musical Performance:** 11am. Hear pop hits from the 50s, 60s, 70s,

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**WEDNESDAY, MAY 22: Versiti Blood Drive:** 11am. Blood Drive sponsored by the Lion's Club. Visit [www.versiti.com](http://www.versiti.com) to make an appointment.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 22: Reflexology 101:** 12pm. Learn about reflexology and its benefits from Mary Flanderka of Red Bird Reflexology.

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use a little more If you are piping as it was very stiff.  
Note #3: I didn't use anything to garnish these, I thought the frosting was pretty by itself.  
Note #4: I used a Tupperware fruit juicer to make core in cupcakes- see photo.

**Sweet Dreams!**

or sparkling wine in the house- so I used 1/2 c. Honey mead wine and 1/4 c. white soda in the cupcakes. In the pastry cream I used 6 T. honey mead wine and 2 T. white soda. It worked out well.

Note #2: I used the peach schnapps in the buttercream. If you use canned peaches, you could also use the juice from that instead. I used 6 T. milk, could

This will be the 3rd year I am hosting a Mother/Daughter Tea for ladies I grew up respecting as my Mom's friends, and their daughters.

Each year I try to do something a little different, place settings, colors, foods. I found a recipe on-line for Peach Bellini cupcakes-Credit: Creative Cookery.

I have a few friends that don't eat chocolate so I need to come up with tasty alternatives. Again, this was a little lengthier recipe with several steps, but worth the effort. They smell wonderful baking and taste just as good.

Note #1: I don't have champagne

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## Peach Bellini Cupcakes

Preheat oven to 350°. Line 28 cupcake holes with paper liners.

Beat on high speed till stiff peaks form:  
6 egg large egg whites

In large mixer beat:  
10 T. butter, room temp.  
1 1/2 c. sugar

In med bowl mix:  
2 c. flour  
1 t. baking powder  
1 t. salt

Add to butter alternately with: 3/4 c. champagne or sparkling white wine\*  
Stir in: 2/3 c. chopped fresh or canned peaches\*

Fold in by hand: 1/3 of the egg whites.  
Then fold in the rest.

Fill cupcake papers with 3 T. batter.  
Bake 15-20 min. cool completely.

Champagne Pastry Cream:  
In 2.c measure whisk:  
1/4 c. whipping cream  
2 T. cornstarch

Add and whisk:  
1 whole egg  
2 egg yolks

Set aside.

In med. pan mix:  
1/4 c. whipping cream  
1/2 c. champagne or other white wine\*  
5 T. sugar

Heat until boiling, pour slowly while whisking continuously into egg mixture so as not to cook eggs. Pour back into pan and cook whisking continually until mixture thickens.

Remove from heat add:  
2 T. butter  
1 t. vanilla

Pour into small bowl, cover with plastic wrap and cool in refrigerator.

Peach Buttercream:  
In mixer fitted with whisk attachment beat:  
1 c. softened butter  
6 c. powdered sugar  
Milk or cream to thin\*

Beat till light and fluffy, and good consistency to pipe.  
Add: 1/2 t. peach flavoring or 2 T. peach schnapps\*  
Peach, or red, yellow, orange food color to make a pretty peach color.

Assembly:  
Cut out a small core in each cupcake with paring knife or tool. \*

Pipe the pastry cream into the hollow core.  
Pipe the frosting on top of the cupcakes.  
Garnish with white nonpareils, fresh mint leaves, fresh raspberries, or however you wish. \*

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**Reflexology:** Tuesday mornings. Call 920-892-4821 for appointment.  
**Widow or Widower Support Group:** Monday, 11:00am. Travel Program - Various trips: Call for more information.  
**Knitting & Crocheting Club:** 2nd Friday of the month, 11:00am.  
**Book Club:** 4th Monday of the month, 3:00pm.  
**Dog Club:** 2nd Friday of the month, 11:00am. Location varies.

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**Hiking/Snowshoe Club:** Thursday, 2:00pm.  
**Biking Club:** Tuesday, 9:00am. Location varies. Call for more information.  
**Mini Golf League:** At Tom & Jerry's Mini Golf, Thursday, 10:00am.  
**Tat & Chat:** Monday, 1:00pm.  
**Ceramics:** Wednesday, 9:00am.  
**Wii Bowling:** Tuesday & Thursday, by appointment.  
**Ping Pong:** Monday & Wednesday, 10:00am.  
**Cribbage:** Monday, 1:00pm. Hand and Foot Canasta: Monday, 1:00pm.  
**Duplicate Bridge:** 1st & 3rd Monday, 1:00pm. Must pre-register.  
**5 10 15 Sheepshead:** Tuesday, 1:00pm & Monday & Friday, 8:00am.  
**Farkle:** 1st & 3rd Thursday, 1:00pm.  
**Bonco:** 2nd Monday, 4:30pm.  
 Party Bridge: 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 1:15pm.  
**Dominoes:** 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 1:00pm.

**Bingo:** Wednesday, 1:30pm.  
**Scrabble:** Thursday, 9:30am.  
**Mah Jongg:** Thursday, 1:00pm.  
**EVERY SUNDAY**  
**Al-anon Meeting:** 6:00pm. The Riteway Club, 4627 S. 12th St, Sheboygan. Contact Jennie 920-901-4550.  
**EVERY MONDAY**  
**T.O.P.S. Weight Loss Support:** 9:45am-11:00am (please arrive before 10am). 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-

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**Food/News** *Recipes, tips & nutrition*

**This crispy side is popular in country kitchens**



**Crispy Hush Puppies**  
*Serves 4-6*

- 1 cup yellow cornmeal
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/3 cup minced yellow onion
- 1/4 cup fresh corn kernels
- 1/2 tablespoon granulated sugar
- 2 teaspoons onion powder
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 1/2 teaspoons kosher salt
- 1 cup buttermilk
- 1 extra-large egg
- 4 cups canola oil

1. Combine the first eight ingredients in a medium mixing bowl. In a separate bowl, mix together the egg and buttermilk.  
 2. Add the buttermilk mixture to the dry mixture and blend. Refrigerate for 2 hours.

Country cooking often is associated with southern cooking, at least in the United States. Recipes feature no-nonsense meals made of unassuming ingredients that are often locally sourced.  
 Various dishes are associated with country cooking, from macaroni and cheese to grits to collard greens. Buttermilk biscuits also are high on the list. Hush puppies are another treat that often are whipped up in country kitchens. Legend states that these crispy bites were tossed to hunting dogs so that the dogs wouldn't bay and scare off the game planned for the evening's meal. Hush puppies can be served in lieu of bread or muffins alongside grilled and fried fish, or other meats.  
 Try this recipe for "Crispy Hush Puppies" courtesy of "Virgil's Barbecue Road Trip Cookbook" (St. Martin's Press) by Neal Corman with Chris Peterson.

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**SECOND MONDAY OF THE MONTH**

**Compassionate Parents: Grief Support for families that lost a child:** 6:00-8:00pm. Mental Health America, 410 S. Milwaukee St., Plymouth, WI 53073.

**THRIVE:** *Women's Chronic Pain Support:* 6:30pm. Virtual through ZOOM. Fill out the form at bit.ly/mhasupportgroupsignup to receive ZOOM link.

**THIRD MONDAY OF THE MONTH**

**Christian Women Connect**  
**After 5:** Al & Al's Steinhaus, 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.

**EVERY TUESDAY**

**Camo Quilt Project:** 439 Factory St., Plymouth. 9am-3pm. Quilts are donated to soldiers. Linda, 627-3460, linda.camoquilt@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. Home to 8 train layouts in various scales and many railroad antiques. Open for your viewing pleasure.

**Concordia Singing Society:** Rehearsals 7:00-8:30pm, 1130 N. 9th St, Sheboygan. Knowledge of German not required. Info: 815-883-0035. concordiasingerswi.org

**Widows of Retirees Breakfast:** 9:00 a.m. Sheboygan Family Restaurant. 2704 S. Business Drive.

**Lemonade: Widow's Support Group:** 6:00-7:30pm. Rogers Behavioral Health, (Main Entrance), 1108 S. Wildwood Ave., Sheboygan, WI 53081.

**SECOND & FOURTH TUESDAY**

**OF THE MONTH**  
**Going Further: Mental Health Recovery Support:** 5:00pm. Rogers Behavioral Health, (Main Entrance), 1108 S. Wildwood Ave., Sheboygan, WI 53081.

**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.

**LAST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH**

**There is Hope Suicide Loss:**

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**Humane Society of Sheboygan County Carol Hollfelder Animal Shelter**  
 3209 N 21st St, Sheboygan • Wed- Fri 12pm-6pm and Sat and Sun 12pm-4pm  
 Courtesy of The Plymouth Review and The Sheboygan Beacon

**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.

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

**Al-Anon Meeting:** 9:30-10:30am. 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 al-anon.org for more information.

**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.

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Christian Science publications and to study other books, pamphlets and materials. All are welcome! First Church of Christ, Scientist, 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, Scientist, 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.

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**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.  
**Overdose Loss: Support for those that lost someone to overdose.** 6:00-7:00pm. Hosted by MHA Lakeshore at Mental Health America 410 S. Milwaukee St., Plymouth.

**FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH**  
**Vollrath Company Retirees Breakfast Club:** Fountain Park Restaurant, 922 N. 8th St, Sheboygan. 8:15 am. Call 920-287-

**SECOND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH**  
**Fostering Support: Support for parents and guardians in the Fostering, and Kinship Care world:** 6:00-7:00PM. Mental Health America, 410 S. Milwaukee St., Plymouth, WI

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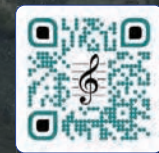
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Mary a call at 920-467-4076 before stopping to make sure she has an open appointment or send an email to mary.kempf@sheboygancounty.com.

**EVERY THURSDAY**

**Sheboygan Falls Food Pantry:** 529 Giddings Ave, Sheboygan Falls. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM. Please remember to bring the following each time you visit: Photo ID, Current Utility Bill, Paper Grocery Bags.

**Storytime:** Elkhart Lake Public Library, 40 Pine Street, Elkhart Lake. 9:30 am. Stories, songs, and activities! No registration required. Call (920) 876-2554 or email elcirc@monarchlibraries.org for more information.

**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.

*\*Starting June 5th, it will be held on Wednesdays\**

**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 welcome. Free voice lessons. No need to read music as learning CD's are provided. Rehearsing

for our upcoming Christmas Season. For additional info call Jim 920-946-6703 or Bill at 920-980-1733.

**FIRST & THIRD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH**

**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.

**SECOND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH**

**Plymouth Area Garden Club:** 6 pm September thru May in the Craft Room at Generations in Plymouth to discuss garden related topics. Contact Sandy for more information. 920-912-3817.

**THIRD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH**

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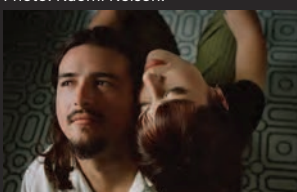
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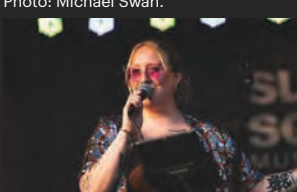
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**Plymouth Food Pantry:** 2225 Eastern Ave., 10-noon. Elkhart Lake & Plymouth school districts. Call 893-2989 for information.

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**Christian Science Reading Room:** 10am-1pm. 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, Scientist, 2512 N 9th St., Sheboygan. 920-458-2673.

**SECOND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH**  
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**Lakeshore Miniature Makers, builders of dollhouses, roomboxes, etc.** Trinity Lutheran Church, 6522 South Business Drive, Sheboygan, WI 53081 9 am to 3 pm. New members always welcome. Call Elaine at 920-452-4798 for more information.  
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**Felonies**  
**Andrews, Daniel R.**, 5/19/1978, Sheboygan, Possession Illegal Article, Firearms/Weapons Restrictions, \$530.00.  
**Brost, Jerome Conrad**, 6/10/1994, Sheboygan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Recklessly Endangering Safety, Neglecting a Child (No Harm-Child < 6 years or Disability), Prison 4 years, Extended Supervision 5 years, Firearms/Weapons Restrictions, \$1798.00.

**Burgard, Ian R.**, 9/9/2005, Sheboygan, Substantial Battery-Intend Bodily Harm, Jail 90 days, Firearms/Weapons Restrictions, \$530.00.

**Humphrey, Dejuan L.**, 3/6/1982, Sheboygan, Sex Offender Registry-Fail to Register-Other State or Federal, Jail 6 months, \$530.00.

**Usry, Anthony J.**, 3/19/1985, Sheboygan, Resisting Officer-Substantial Bodily Harm-Soft Tissue Injury, Prison 18 months, Extended Supervision 3 years, Firearms/Weapons Restrictions, \$1893.00.

**Wade, Thomas M.**, 7/1/1993, Sheboygan, Possession of Methamphetamine (Repeater), Jail 90 days (stayed), Firearms/Weapons Restrictions, \$530.00.

**Xiong, John**, 1/21/1983, Sheboygan, Possession with Intent-Amphetamine/Methamphetamine (>50g), (Second or Subsequent Offense), Prison 6 years, Extended Supervision 4 years, \$546.40.  
April 29 to May 3, 2024

**Misdemeanors and Felonies**

**Geibel, Ryan M.**, 4/18/1987, Sheboygan, Battery or Threat to Judge, Prosecutor or Law Enforcement Officer, Fail/Comply-Officer into Custody (Felonies), Disorderly Conduct (Use of Dangerous Weapon), Possession of THC, (Misdemeanors), Jail 32 days, \$1,950.40.

**Felonies**

**Ireland, David C.**, 6/8/1968, Sheboygan, Possession w/Intent-Amphetamine (2<sup>nd</sup> and Subsequent Offense) (>3g-10 g), Possession w/Intent-THC (<200 g-2<sup>nd</sup> and

Subsequent Offense), Prison 1 year, Extended Supervision, \$1,064.00.

**Mueller, Ryan A.**, 7/29/1977, Sheboygan, Possession w/Intent-Amphetamine/

Methamphetamine >10-50 g, Possession of Narcotic Drugs, Bail Jumping, Prison 3 years, Extended Supervision 3 years, Firearms/Weapons Restrictions, \$1,582.40.

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The check presentation occurred during the Sheboygan Rotary's Good Citizen of the Year dinner. Liz Kroll, founder of SCFB, was this year's Good Citizen award recipient. Dave Hoffman, Making Spirit's Bright steering committee chair, presented the check. Hoffman is a fellow Rotarian and became the Making Spirits Bright event chair starting in 2024. Also on hand was Mike



**THE CHECK PRESENTATION** was done by Making Spirits Bright's steering committee chair, Dave Hoffman, during the Sheboygan Rotary's Good Citizen of the Year Dinner last week. Liz Kroll, founder of the Food Bank, was this year's recipient.

Vandersteen, chair of the board of directors for Making Spirits Bright. This check brings the total Making Spirits Bright donations to SCFB to \$205,000.

Sheboygan County Food Bank's latest data reveals that inflation and the cutbacks in government benefits are continuing to make it tough for families to put food on the table. SCFB serves an average of over

6,400 families each month through food pantries and their other partner organizations. This equates to the same number of local neighbors served during the height of the 2020 pandemic. To make a donation to SCFB, dedicated to the major truck purchase or for ongoing support, visit [www.sheboygancountyfoodbank.com](http://www.sheboygancountyfoodbank.com)

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# No turkeys, but seven puppies



## WILDERNESS JOURNAL

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*Hello friends,*

I am currently in a crazy, busy, but positive, section of my life.

This week I hunted hard for turkey during the second season in zone 1 and I did all of my hunting in a large oak forest directly behind my house in northern Juneau County. Along with turkey hunting, my 2-year-old golden retriever Red was due to give birth to her first litter.

**Wednesday, April 24th**  
**High 53, Low 31**

Here is my goal: hunt turkey with my compound bow and by the end of my seven-day season have a litter of pups and hopefully put an arrow in a gobbler. I would hunt the first three days in a food plot behind my house and that is an entire different story. I created this food plot four years ago with the goal of having a place for my daughter Selina, and just as importantly for my girlfriend Michelle Chiaro, to hunt for both deer and turkey. The food plot was literally carved out of an oak forest/hazelnut brush with a chainsaw and a rototiller. For two years Michelle and I loved the food plot and then in 2022 Michelle passed away unexpectedly, and I have not

been able to spend time in it.

This turkey hunt would be where I attempted to get past that demon. Hunt 1. Up at 4:00 set up in my blind at 5:00, I saw one hen and there was very little gobbling. I was at peace and that was more important than harvesting a turkey with my bow. Hunt 2. Thursday, I did not see a turkey today but had an incredible experience in the afternoon with 15 high schoolers from Necedah as we worked on a fishing area for our community. We cleared brush, hung bird houses and I think everyone enjoyed the experience. Hunt 3. Friday, I called a jake in and was too hungry for a tom experience to fling an arrow at it. So far three hunts, only 2 birds spotted. Hunt 4. Saturday, Red

is swelling up so fast that it is almost unbelievable, this will be my 16th litter. I started when I was 22, I truly do raise and create a quality golden retriever and am proud of that. I relocated about three-fourths of a mile south of the house in the same forest, this where Selina has harvested 7 toms and many others have been whacked including Michelles first and only bird which was a 25-pound gobbler and an incredible memory. We did a full body mount on it, and it is in my livingroom, Michelle passed away before the taxidermy work was complete. I did not see or hear a turkey today. Hunt 5. Sunday, lots of rain, cold weather. I love it, Mother Earth is coming back to life, it would be so cool to see a normal

summer weather wise. Red is now uncomfortable and, on my mind, all the time. Hunt 6. Monday, I am worn down from either hunting, doing hobby farm work or concern about Red, I saw a hen this morning, not a single gobbler. When I

came home from my afternoon hunt, I heard whimpering in my living room, next to the turkey mount but on the floor. Red had given birth to 2 pups. Sleeping would not be a part of this night once again. When I left to go hunting at 4:45 a.m. my mood was excellent but very wore down. There was six bundles of gold in my living room, when I returned after a pretty cool hunt where I saw four turkey, there was another pup! Six males and one female. If you are interested, I have some quality golden retriever pups.

My busy season is here and will last until December, life is positive, I miss Michelle!

*Sunset*



### SPECIAL EVENTS



**Sheboygan North High Class of 1974 50th Reunion.** Events held on August 2-3, 2024. Contact: karenkautzer155@gmail.com, Julie Schroeder werun50k@wi.rr.com

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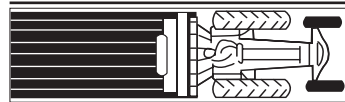
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**5th Annual Plymouth Woman's Club Garage Sale.** Friday, May 17, 9AM-4PM, Saturday, 9AM-2PM. Books, home decor, clothing, furniture, sporting goods, window air conditioner, new items, and much more! Proceeds used toward PHS scholarships and community projects It takes a village. **136 Huson Court Plymouth.**

### PLYMOUTH RURAL

**May 17-19, 8AM-6PM.** Planted patio pots, perennials, tomato plants, purses (over 100), some garage sale things. **W5816 Woodland Road, Plymouth.**

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Please submit cover letter, resume, application and three professional references to City Hall c/o Director of Public Works by mail or email [jbenschawel@citysheboyganfallsdpw.wi.gov](mailto:jbenschawel@citysheboyganfallsdpw.wi.gov) by **June 10, 2024**. The position will remain open until filled.

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# Spring Home & Garden



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## Tour of Homes showcases innovative local homes

(SCHBA) - The Sheboygan County Home Builders Association (SCHBA) is thrilled to announce the highly-anticipated 2024 Spring Tour of Homes, scheduled to take place on the following dates and times:

**Thursday, May 16th:**  
4:00 PM - 8:00 PM  
**Friday, May 17th:**  
4:00 PM - 8:00 PM  
**Saturday, May 18th:**  
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

This premier event will

showcase some of the most beautiful and innovative homes in Sheboygan County. The tour will feature a diverse range of meticulously selected homes renowned for their unique designs, exceptional craftsmanship, and attention to detail. Visitors will have the opportunity to explore these stunning properties, interact with builders, and learn about the latest trends in home design and construction. The Spring Tour of Homes is a perfect opportunity for those looking to build or renovate their homes, as well as for anyone who appreciates fine architecture and design.

### Highlighting Student Craftsmanship:

As part of the 2024 Spring Tour of Homes, SCHBA proudly presents a house crafted by students from Sheboygan South

High School. Under the direct supervision of industry professionals, more than 25 students from the Sheboygan Area School District have diligently worked on this project, located in the prestigious Stonebrook Crossing subdivision. This initiative, established in 1998, provides students with invaluable hands-on experience in construction while making meaningful contributions to the community. Notably, this marks the 26th home constructed through this program, with hundreds of former students now thriving as trades professionals in Sheboygan County.

The Sheboygan Area School District (SASD) is committed to preparing students for future success by offering real-world learning experiences aligned with their career aspirations. This dedication is reflected in Goal 1 of the SASD Long Range Plan, which ensures that all graduates are equipped to pursue their chosen career

pathways. SASD collaborates closely with a Construction Trades Advisory Committee, comprised of esteemed members of the Sheboygan County Home Builders Association and other industry stakeholders, to nurture the next generation of skilled professionals.

### Event Details:

Dates: May 16th, 17th, and 18th

Times: Thursday 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM, Friday 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM, and Saturday 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Children aged three and under enter for free. Advance tickets can be purchased at the following locations: Bitter Neumann Appliances, Collins State Bank, Dulmes Decor, Drexel Building Supply, Falls Glass Services, Gerhards Kitchen and Bath, Oostburg Lumber Company, The Sheboygan County Home Builders Association, and Werner Homes.

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## A guide to various types of awnings

Homeowners recognize that upgrades can improve the functionality and comfort of their homes. Improving outdoor spaces has proven particularly popular of late.

The National Association of Home Builders reports that outdoor living has been propelled to the top of homeowner wish lists.

Plus, a recent survey conducted by the New Home Trends Institute found connection to the outdoors/nature and outdoor entertaining ranked high among desired home designs.

One way to make outdoor spaces more accommodating is through the installation of awnings.

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Many homeowners would like to enhance their homes with awnings but do not know where to begin. Learning about the various types of awnings can help homeowners determine which option best suits their needs.

### Fixed awnings

Fixed awnings are stationary on a building's exterior. While the awnings are generally stable, they can be damaged by snow or wind.

It's key to find an installation expert to make sure the awning is installed correctly so that it can withstand weather and other issues. It's also important to know that fixed awnings remain in the same position and orientation, so its best to know exactly where to place it beforehand.

### Retractable awning

Retractable awnings are the most popular type of awnings because they can be extended when

necessary to keep a space cool or protected, then rolled or folded up when not in use. These awnings are advantageous because they can be retracted when bad weather hits to prevent damage.

### Motorized retractable awning

Motorized retractable awnings offer the utmost convenience. Standard retractable offerings require a handle or hand crank to manually extend or fold up the awning. Motorized awnings can be operated with a sensor, remote or even motion trigger. Even though they cost more, they're a favorite among homeowners.

### Areas of use

Awnings can be installed in various locations. Patio awnings are much preferred because of their large coverage area, which typically spans entire patios.

Door awnings are installed above the exterior door of an en-

tryway to protect visitors and occupants from precipitation and to improve the home's look.

Window awnings can add additional shade and privacy. There also are side awnings, which are essentially wall-like structures that run across a patio, garden or balcony for wind or sun protection. They're also utilized to im-

prove privacy.

Homeowners can choose from various types of awning materials, including fabric, metal, glass, and others.

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## How to corral troublesome spring allergies

Spring is synonymous with rebirth. Each spring, flowers begin to bloom again, grass

starts to grow and people from all walks of life rekindle their love affair with the great outdoors.

Spring also marks the return of a familiar foe: allergies.

Seasonal allergies can put a damper on even the most wel-

coming spring day.

After all, a day soaking up the sun isn't so relaxing when it's also spent sneezing and confronting allergy symptoms like congestion, runny nose and watery eyes. Thankfully, it's possible for seasonal allergy sufferers to have their spring and enjoy it, too.

• **Pay attention to seasonal allergy trackers.** Seasonal allergies are now easier to track than ever. For example, Pollen.com is an easily accessible and free site that allows visitors to type in their ZIP codes and access daily allergy reports for their towns and cities.

Visitors also can see five-day forecasts that can help them plan trips and other outdoor excursions.

Weather.com also offers free allergy reports and forecasts. Individuals with seasonal allergies can make use of these sites and plan their activities based on the infor-

mation they provide.

• **Stay indoors when allergen levels are especially high.** The Mayo Clinic notes that there are several things individuals can do to reduce their exposure to seasonal allergy triggers. That includes staying indoors on dry, windy days. This doesn't mean individuals need to lock themselves indoors all spring. But it's important that seasonal allergy sufferers recognize that some days might be too much to handle. Rain helps clear pollen from the air, so individuals who are avoiding the outdoors on days when pollen counts are high should be able to get outside after a good rain without triggering an attack.

• **Maintain clean air indoors.** The great outdoors is not the only place where allergens percolate. The Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America notes that improving air quality in a home can reduce allergy triggers.

Air conditioners can prevent outdoor allergens from entering a home, so utilize units on warm spring days when you might otherwise open the windows.

Open windows and screen doors provide easy entry points for allergens like pollen, so turning on the AC when outdoor allergen counts are high can make seasonal allergies more manageable.

• **Consider treatments.** Over-the-counter treatments like antihistamines, nasal sprays and decongestants provide most individuals with sufficient relief from their seasonal allergies. If OTC remedies are ineffective, treatments such as allergen immunotherapy and a consultation with an allergen may be necessary.

Seasonal allergies can spoil an otherwise welcoming spring day. But there are many ways for individuals to corral their seasonal allergies and still enjoy spring sun.



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## Prevent home electrical fires

A person's home should be a safe haven. Too often, however, there may be dangers lurking in a home that can compromise the safety of residents.

Electrical fires are no joke. The Hartford insurance company says electrical failure or malfunctions account for almost 34,000 home fires per year.

The National Fire Protection Association says they can contribute to 440 deaths and \$1.3 billion in direct property damage annually.

Older homes may be most vulnerable to electrical fires, as such structures were not designed to handle the demands of modern living.

The insurance experts at Nationwide say half of all homes in the United States have electrical systems that were installed before garage door openers, high-tech coffee makers, and many computers became must-have items.

And the Electrical Safety Foundation International says homes built before 1973 with overloaded electrical systems pose a number of safety threats.

Overloaded circuits are not the only contributor to electrical fires. Damaged wiring

characterized by worn, frayed or loose wires can cause fires. Malfunctioning appliances or those improperly maintained also can cause home fires. Another contributor is poorly installed extension cords and power strips, as well as faulty outlets and switches around homes.

Homeowners can take various steps to reduce the risk of electrical fires at home.

- **Install arc fault circuit interrupters.** AFCIs are special types of circuit breakers that help prevent fires caused by nicked or frayed wiring. An AFCI gets tripped and cuts off power when an electrical problem is detected before a fire can start. In 2022, the National Electric Code started requiring AFCIs in bedrooms, and by 2017 they have been mandated throughout homes.

- **Conduct a home electrical inspection.** All homes more than 40 years old should be inspected to ensure their electrical systems can handle modern demands, says Nationwide. A qualified electrician can make recommendations regarding replacing breakers and suggest other modifications to improve safety.

- **Utilize a monitor.** Ting from Whisker Labs monitors

a home's electrical network using a smart plug-in sensor that is designed to detect hazards. The company indicates micro-arcs and sparks that develop are precursors to electrical fires.

- **Turn to automatic shut-offs.** Homeowners can utilize appliances and additional devices that automatically shut off after a set period of time. This can reduce the risk of

overheating.

- **Rely on timers or smart devices.** Timers and smart home devices can give homeowners control of electrical components like appliances or lights from a remote area. This enables users to turn an appliance on or off to reduce overheating or avoid additional risk factors for electrical fires.

- **Don't go DIY.** Choos-

ing to work with a professional electrician rather than doing electrical work oneself can help reduce electrical fire risk considerably. Electricians know how to work on electrical systems safely to prevent damage to wires and components, and also safeguard themselves against shock.

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## Improve comfort when dining outside

Warm weather entices people to enjoy long hours outside basking in the sun or relaxing on balmy evenings.

Many of the activities people once reserved for indoors when temperatures were chilly, including dining, are moved outside as the weather warms.

Even though outdoor dining can be quite enjoyable, certain factors need to be considered to ensure that each experience is as pleasurable as possible.

This means focusing on comfort whenever meals are taken out-of-doors.

### Address insects

Insects are equal opportunity invaders. Once they smell sweet or savory food items, they quickly descend for an easy bite.

This means extra steps are necessary to dissuade insects from coming by. Invest in citronella candles, which can be placed around the patio to repel flying bugs.

Clean up crumbs and spills promptly. Bees and wasps can be lured away with sweet traps placed around the perimeter of the property.

### Offer shade

Too much sun can make outdoor meals less enjoyable. A patio umbrella, pergola or canopy can cut down on glare and make the dining area more comfortable. Check to see that the shade source can be adjusted to guard against the sun as it moves across the sky.

### Dress up seating

Just because furniture is made for outside doesn't mean it has to be uncomfortable. Many companies now produce very durable and attractive outdoor furniture. Weather-resistant fabrics mean rain or sunlight will not age items too quickly.

### Reusable place settings

If you frequently dine outdoors, you may want to dine in style. Instead of disposable paper or plastic place settings, invest in colorful, durable, reusable plastic dishes, glasses and flatware, which will not break if dropped and can hold up to a dishwasher when it is time to clean up.

### Create the right ambiance

Invest in outdoor lighting, candles and hidden speakers to pipe in music and create ambiance. Install privacy screens and foliage to establish a nice nook for outdoor dining.

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## What to know about replacing gutters

Certain home renovation projects are more glamorous than others. A remodeled kitchen is sure to garner its share of “oohs and aahs,” while a newly paved driveway is much less likely to dazzle guests.

A gutter replacement is another job that might not have the wow factor. But fully functioning gutters are a must and can help to prevent potentially expensive roof damage. Gutters rarely draw attention, but homeowners can keep an eye out for signs that indicate gutters need to be replaced.

### Signs gutters should be replaced

Various signs indicate it's time to replace existing gutters. Homeowners should act promptly if any of the following signs arise, as poorly functioning gutters can make it hard for water to get into the downspouts, ultimately pushing it backward and likely underneath roof shingles, where the result can be costly water damage.

- Peeling paint
- Cracks
- Pooling water in the gutter

• Mildew in the gutter, which can sometimes be seen even from the ground

• Water damage: Water damage on the gutter can be limited to certain spots and will be noticeable on the underside of the gutter

- Soffit damage
- Sagging gutters
- Detached gutters, which can be detached from other pieces of the house
- Rust

### Who should replace gutters?

Many home improvements can be completed successfully by skilled do-it-yourselfers, but a gutter replacement is best left to the professionals. Homeowners who live in single-story homes may be able to replace gutters on their own, but the issues that can arise when gutters are not functioning at optimal capacity make this a job best suited to professionals, even in residences without high roofs.

Some gutters may be under a manufacturer's warranty, so homeowners can check to see if their gutters qualify for a free upgrade. Experience is one of the best reasons

to work with a professional gutter installation team. Experienced professionals can identify which gutters are the best fit based on a host of factors, including the pitch of the roof, local conditions and the size of the house. In addition, gutter installation requires the use of various tools that many DIYers may not have on hand, which can cut into the cost savings of doing the project yourself.

Homeowners also should not underestimate the challenges of working on ladders that are high up off the ground. Professionals are accustomed to such challenges, while DIYers may not be comfortable or used to climbing ladders with materials and tools in hand.

A gutter replacement is a worthwhile investment that can ensure rain water efficiently and effectively runs through gutters and away from the roof. Leaving this task to the professionals can ensure the job is done right.

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# Simple ways to reduce risk of disease in your garden

No garden is immune to disease. Even the most attentive, experienced gardeners have had to confront disease in their gardens, which can lead to significant damage and potentially kill plants.

Various bacterial, fungal and viral diseases can affect gardens, and the University of Maryland Extension notes that fungicides, which are chemicals that destroy fungus, are only rarely recommended to combat disease. In fact, a proactive approach rooted in prevention is often the most effective way to reduce risk for disease in gardens.

- **Choose the right varieties of plant.** The UME notes that choosing disease-resistant varieties is an effective way to prevent disease in gardens. Gardeners who have confronted disease in their gardens in the past should do their best to identify which diseases were present and then choose plants that are considered resistant to those diseases. A local garden center professional can help gardeners who are uncertain about what to plant.

- **Plant in the right spots.** The choice of where to plant is significant. Avoid wet areas with insufficient drainage. The home renovation experts at HGTV note that wet soil can decrease plants' chances for survival because of excess water and a lack of oxygen. If the only spots available for planting tend to be especially wet, consider planting in raised beds or having a French drain installed. Learn how much light plants need prior to planting them. Some can thrive in shady areas, while others require ample sunlight each day.

- **Plant at the right time.** Planting too early when the soil is not yet warm enough can make plants vulnerable to disease by weakening their ability to fight. Use a soil thermometer to determine soil temperature and only plant when the conditions for planting are ideal.

- **Harvest on time.** When planting vegetables, it's imperative that the vegetables are harvested on time. The University of Georgia Extension notes that

fully mature vegetables left on the plant attract disease and are vulnerable to insect infestations.

- **Control insect infestations.** Certain insects can spread disease, so it's important that gardeners learn to recognize which insects pose a threat to their

plants. Speak with a local gardening center about invasive insects and how to address infestations without harming the plant.

As the planting season approaches, gardeners can take various steps to make their plants and vegetables less vulnerable to disease.



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## Create a fire safety plan to include pets

Fire safety measures are essential yet often overlooked. In addition to outlining the proper action to take should a fire break out, a fire safety evacuation plan can be an invaluable,

life-saving tool. A fire safety plan should include all members of a household — including pets.

The American Humane Society says each year more than

500,000 pets are affected by house fires. The National Fire Protection Association estimates that nearly 1,000 home fires each year are accidentally started by pets. Pets are

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## Lifespan of siding types

An assortment of variables will dictate just how long a home's siding will last, including the amount of sun a home receives and the location of the home. The life expectancy of siding also will depend on the siding material.

According to Sunshine Contracting, vinyl siding lasts between 20 and 40 years. It's a popular choice because of how long it lasts and the minimal upkeep it requires.

Wood siding, another traditional favorite, is more expensive, but it also boasts impressive longevity, according to BobVila.com. With proper maintenance, which includes cleaning and refinishing, wood siding may last for decades.

The coating on aluminum siding typically begins to fade after about 15 years.

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There are many ways to safeguard everyone in the event of fire. Here are some steps to include in a fire safety plan.

- **Check and replace smoke and carbon monoxide detectors regularly.** Monitored smoke detectors can be helpful if you regularly leave pets home alone, since firefighters will be alerted and can respond.

- **Take inventory of where pets like to hide or nap.** This can prove helpful if you need to evacuate a home quickly due to fire. Remember that pets can sense stress and may be more difficult to catch if they feel something is amiss, advises the ASPCA. Therefore, try to remain as calm as possible.

- **Keep pets near exits** when you are not home to make it easier for firefighters to enter the house and save the animals. The Red Cross also recommends placing collars and leashes as well as pet carriers near the exits.

- **Invest in a pet safety sticker** and hang it in a visible window to alert firefighters that you have pets inside. The sticker includes important information, such as the number of pets, type of pets and veterinarian contact information.

- **Plan escape routes and practice evacuations.** Make sure at least one family member is in charge of grabbing pets and getting outside safely so others can focus on evacuation.

Identify all exits and what to do if one or more exits is impassable.

- **Have a game plan should the house be damaged and uninhabitable.** Line up a place to meet outside and explore

pet-friendly accommodations at a hotel, friend or family member's house.

Fire safety plans should include all members of the household, which includes companion animals.

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