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Congratulations 2019 State Tournament Champions



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Jr Girls



Gabe Burgin
Jr Boys



Jedediah Sowatzke
Cadet Boys



Lillyan Kildahl
Cadet Girls



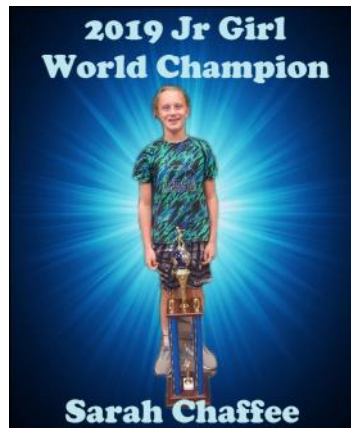
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Womens



Jim Bilderback
Elders



Jim Larson
Mens



Record High
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80.53!!!

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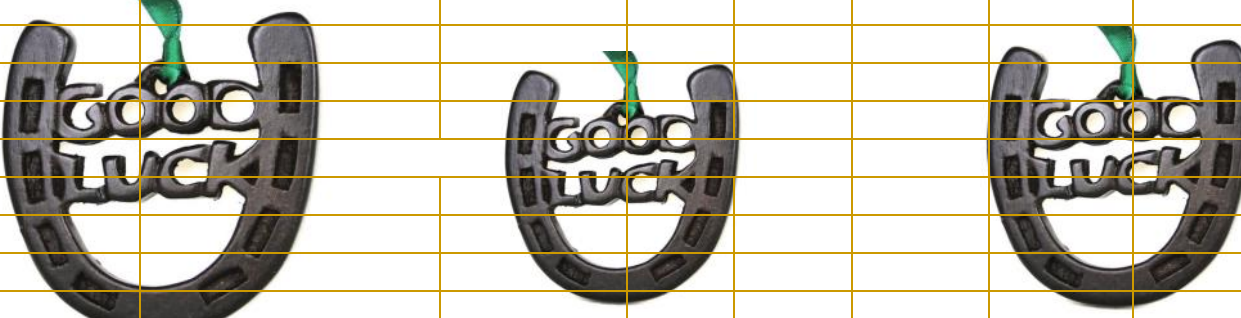
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2019 WHPA Sanctioned Tournament Schedule

Date	Tournament	Location	Max	Entry	Jr Class	Deadline	Contact
Oct 5	Junction City Singles				Yes	Sept 28	James Wicklander
Oct 5-6	Oct Fall Singles	Beloit	72	\$ 20	No	Sept 25	Dan Newkirk
Oct 19	WHPA Fall Meeting — Delton Sportsmen's Club	WHPA Fall Meeting — Delton Sportsmen's Club	WHPA Fall Meeting — Delton Sportsmen's Club	WHPA Fall Meeting — Delton Sportsmen's Club			
Oct 26-27	Deansville Singles	Deansville	40	\$ 20	No	Oct 19	Dobie Gutweiler
Nov 2-3	Autumn Harvest	Beloit	72	\$ 20	No	Oct 23	Dan Newkirk
Nov 9-10	Doubles at he Barrell	Deansville	32			Nov 2	Dobie Gutweiler
Dec 7-8	Deansville Open	Deansville	40	\$ 20	No	Dec 1	Dobie Gutweiler
Dec 14-15	Snowflake	Beloit	72	\$ 20	No	Dec 4	Dan Newkirk
							

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I sincerely apologize for the lateness and condensed version of this issue of the WHNL. A variety of situations in my life led to no time—move to new house, clean and empty old house, prepare for garage sale, fill dumpsters before they were taken away and a week hospital stay. My Mom and Kirby both require special care and my time. I know we all have issues and I thank you for understanding. All summer tournament results and pictures will be included in our final WHNL issue. Jane Smith

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We have a new group email message service. As of now, we have 118 members. If you received a message telling you the latest issue of the WHNL was online, you are a member. If not, send your email address to davevolz@hotmail.com. More information is available on our website: <http://whpahorseshoes.com>

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Close Doesn't Count League	Centuria	28-19-049
Platteville League	Platteville	28-19-050
New London League	New London	28-19-051
Stevens Point League	Stevens Point	28-19-052



**WHPA President
Dobie Gutweiler**

Brrrrr...as I sit down to write this it is 78 degrees outside and uncomfortably humid, but it also less than one week until fall officially begins, and we all know what happens after that..Winter, beautiful winter with its beautiful individual snowflakes and holidays and traditions, winter with its polar vortexes, ice, and ridiculous amounts of snow. Ugh.

Winter means then end of the summer tournaments all around our beautiful State. It means months of waiting for that first spring tournament and pitching outside again. Winter also means the beginning of the indoor season, the trips to Deansville and Beloit to fill that much needed desire to pitch even when it is freezing outside. How blessed are we to have these locations available to us? If you have been to Beloit and/or Deansville during the winter in the past, we thank you and hope to see you again this year. If you have never attended a tournament at Deansville and/or Beloit, let's make this your year.

Each year I have the goal of attending at least one new tournament I have never attended before. This year I made it to Gays Mills and I had a BLAST!!! Seeing my horseshoe family at a new location is always such a good time. I see my friends and make new ones. Talk about a win-win situation. In 2020 it is my hope to pitch at Arkdale and Balsam Lake. What adventures await us at the next new tournament we attend? Do yourself a favor will you? Try to join us at Beloit and Deansville once this winter. I can guarantee that you won't regret it.

Lastly, please plan on attending the State meeting on October 19, 2019 at 1:00pm, at the Lake Delton Sportsman's Club E9602 Berry Lane in Wisconsin Dells. Catch up on the news around our State and gain those valuable Pitcher of the Year points.

Record Setting Wisconsin Pitchers in Texas

26 WHPA members left their mark at the 2019 World Horseshoe Pitching tournament in Texas this past July. Sarah Chaffee is the 2019 Jr Girls Champion. She was undefeated and broke the All-Time pitching percentage with an 80.53 average. AWESOME does not do this accomplishment justice. Zack Secord is also a World Champion – Cadet Class B. Other Wisconsin pitcher placing in their classes are Lillyan Kildahl, Mason Chambers, Ray Groskinsky and Dustin Duerr. & other WHPA pitchers participated in this prestigious event: Conner Killdahl, Noah Chambers, Kerry Morris, Ralph Mathaler, Tom Steinke, Dobie Gutweiler and Sandy Anderson.

Pitching the second week of competition were 13 pitchers. Bruce McLinn is Elder C World Champion. Ken Heinritz, Penny Steinke and Aleena Lepak pitched well enough to qualify for the World Championship Class. Way

To Go!!! Other WHPA members pitching the second week were Donna Berquam, Cindy Castellano, Toni Sloper, Larry Grabowski, John Meyer, Bun Carley, Rick Weller, Al Huizenga and Dave Volz.

FYI: My opinion - A major negative of this event was the failure of the By – Law giving Women over 70 / 80 permission to move to a shorter pitching distance. We would like to keep membership participating in this very wonderful family sport.



Behind the Mask With NHPA Chaplain Ken Heinritz



Playing the World Champ . . . “What’s it like to play against Alan Francis?” I was asked recently.



As all who read this know, I am no match for Alan Francis. Neither is any other for that matter. The 2nd place finisher in the World, scored only 3 points against him, just to give you an idea of his talent level. We are witnessing a man who rarely misses. He

is in a category all by himself. Around 90% ringers & 24 World Titles. Wow!



Playing Alan is really a privilege for me. When I do, I frequently meet him for my 1st match as I’m usually the 16th seed, barely making the cut to the Championship Class. While his personality relaxes me, his stature makes me nervous.



I’m fully aware that I need just about every throw to be a ringer against this giant. This game is challenging enough, without adding this needless pressure.

Those who play against him, knows the he is not cocky or proud, but very much ‘down to earth’. Alan conducts himself very professionally, on and off the court. You will not hear him curse nor use God’s name in vain as his top priority is to honor the Lord, knowing full well that the talent

he possesses comes from the Creator who gave it to him.



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“Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.” Col. 3:23-24

Elders Championship

Jim Bilderback	7	0	70.63
Larry Grabowski	5	2	68.51
John Meyer	5	2	68.06
Cliff Erickson	4	3	58.73
Bun Carley	3	4	57.74
Bruce McLinn	2	5	52.04
Eugene Pribnow	1	6	57.22
Norm Gage	1	6	44

Mens Championship

Jim Larson	7	0	64.58
Lonny Trrangsrud	5	2	51.66
Rich Peterson	4	3	50
Ken Heinritz	3	4	52.89
Mike Cone	3	4	49.48
John Nawrot	2	5	51.88
Randy Rein	2	5	48.07
Dean Chaffee	2	5	39.84

Womens Championship

Penny Steinke	5	0	80.10
Aleena Lepak	4	1	71.3
Glenda Lawver	3	2	55.41
Donna Berquam	1	4	49.15
Susie Erickson	1	4	47.98
Toni Sloper	1	4	46.46

Jr Boys Championship

Gabe Burgin	7	1	38.51
Brandon Benzing	6	2	23.9
Cole Trangsrud	5	2	28.42
Tory Weller	5	2	15,36
Kane Kuester	3	4	11.28
Gavin Weise	2	5	6.79
Easton Hans	1	6	5.58

Jr Girls Championship

Sarah Chaffee	5	0	71.43
Brooke Lazaris	4	1	38.24
Krystal Lazaris	3	2	19.54
Felicity Weise	2	3	6.58
Becca Bisch	1	4	4.38



Jr Boys Championship Class



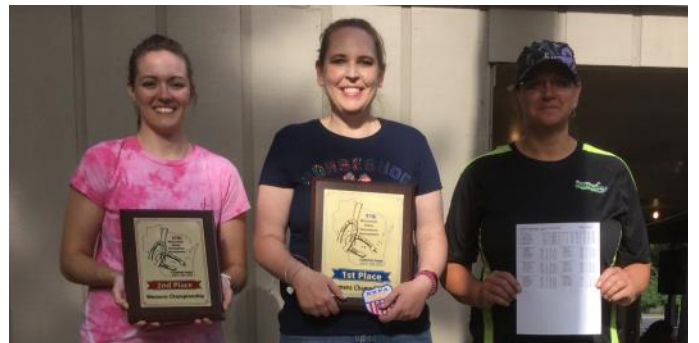
Mens Elders Top 3

Mens Top 3



Girls Championship

Womens Championship



Elders Class A

Norm Gage	6	1	49.65
Eugene Pribnow	5	2	56.94
Galen Kozel	5	2	49.65
George Dorn	4	3	44.14
David Stakston	4	3	41.72
Bob Klingaman	3	4	40.28
Dave Ninnemann	1	3	19.51

Elders Class B

Dennis Wegner	5	0	46
Cal Pitel	3	2	40.40
Jim Tollefson	2	3	43.5
Wally Grulkowski	2	3	35.2
Al Holloway	2	3	30
Tom Steinke	1	4	33.6

Elders Class C

John Secord	5	0	28
Josh Gibson	3	2	26
Robert Lawrence	3	2	19.2
Jim Berdan	2	3	20
Jim Menzel	1	4	18
Kevin Brekke	1	4	14

Womens Class A

Glenda Lawver	5	0	50
Toni Sloper	3	2	47/2
Mona Lane	3	2	42.4
Paula Schwerdtfeger	2	3	45.2
Cindy Castellano	1	4	37.6
Jane Smith	1	4	34

Womens Class B

Jill Peterson	5	1	37.67
Rondi Mengelt	4	2	32
Tava Cook	3	2	36
Tonya Kaulum	3	2	29.6
Sandy Anderson	1	4	26
Dobie Gutweiler	0	5	28.8

Womens Class C

Elaine Troullier	5	0	26.4
Trisha Pennoyer	4	1	20
Dee Esberner	3	2	28
Barb Ramquist	2	3	6.4
Gloria Smith	1	4	9.6



Norm Gage

Dennis Wegner



John Secord

Glenda Lawver



Jill Peterson

Elaine Troullier



Penny Steinke
Pitcher of Year
Division A



Tom Steinke
Pitcher of Year
Division B



Sandy Anderson
Pitcher of Year
Division C



Sarah Chaffee
Most Improved
Junior



Fred Lane
President's Award



LeRoy "Moose" Meyer

Shortly after 1971 did Moose's love and desire to pitch horseshoes began. Moose played with the Combined Locks Club, with Jerry Kamps, Wayne Huss and Ken Wood.

Moose wore many hats in the horseshoe family: secretary, president to mention a few. His wife, Kaye, is always by his side—what fantastic role models for us all! Moose pitched in 12 World Horseshoe Tournaments, the Border Battle with Minnesota, the Hall of Fame event, many WI open tournaments on weekends.

His most memorable World tournament was in Greenville, OH, where was Elders Class I World Champion! He and Kaye traveled to Spearfish, SD, Stone Mountain, GA, Cedar Rapids IA, and Hibbing MN for World tournament pitching. Eventually they found a winter home in AZ where Moose could pitch in the winter months.

Moose and Kaye have many life long horseshoe friends—Steve Mielke, Gene Mason, Jerry and Rosemary Kamps, Cliff and Elaine Troullier, Bill Matey and Steve Weigert. It was a true honor for Moose to be inducted to the Hall of Fame at the tender age of 94! Moose feels blessed and grateful to have received this honor. They are thankful for all of the horseshoe pitching friends they have made over the years.



State Tournament Recap

Kevin Brekke

I want to take this opportunity to say thank you to all of you who came to the State Tournament in Eau Claire Labor Day weekend. The weather could not have been better and we had 18 new pitchers come to the tournament for the first time. They are: Josh Gibson, Robert Lawrence, Jill Peterson, John Nawrot, Zerek Nawrot, Richard Brown, Gary Feltz, David Hilgart, Eugene Pribnow, Jerry Trevino, Joe Zwifelhofer, Russ Kozlowski, Larri Saari, Josh Smith, Kaden Lueck, Azlyn Schwerdtfeger, Felicity Wiese, Gavin Wiese.

We also had 19 past Hall of Fame members come and support Leroy "Moose" Meyer at his HOF induction on Sunday. One of them was Mark Stevens who has not pitched in a state tournament in years and won his class. Congratulations to Mark....

Being in-charge of the scorekeepers again this year I was thankful for all that kept score, especially the first-time scorekeepers at state this year. The more people the better that know how to score. Having scorekeepers on the side ready to fill in really helps when things come up. The first timers were: Tory Weller, Donna Berquam, Jill Peterson, Drake Herbst, Josh Gibson, Kelly Thayer, John Meyer. The others were: Edie McKinney, Toni Sloper, Jane Smith, Kevin Brekke, Cindy Castellano, Sandy Anderson, Ken Heinritz, Dan Newkirk. Thank you to all.

This tournament was special to me, as I started my State Tournament pitching 36 years ago at the



1983 State Tournament in Eau Claire. One of the things that made this one special was that Curt and Beaty Bestul stopped by to visit, and even their daughter Debbie came to say hello to everyone. Curt and Beaty were the backbone of the Eau Claire club for years and still are great ambassadors of the game. And Debbie was a championship girl's pitcher who might start pitching again?

Someone else stopped by on Saturday and pitched, Mona Lane, after giving birth to Abigail May Lane two days before. Amazing. And her husband, Fred Lane getting the Presidents Award this year was special because for the last three plus years I have been a sounding board for Fred and his vision for horseshoes in Stevens Point and beyond. Anyone who has met Fred knows that he just gets things done, and I believe is the youngest to win this award. Congratulations to Fred and Mona.



Another thank-you to first year state pitcher Josh Gibson from the Mosinee club. Not only did he pitch well in his class taking second, he helped with scorekeeping and judging. He also helped with the computers in between classes and just soaked up everything he could during this weekend. He is already a great asset to his club and our WHPA. Thank you Josh...

It is easy to take for granted sometimes the help the Beloit Horseshoe Club does for our state tournament, but I for one do not. Especially the work of Dan Newkirk, with help this year from Brian Herbst and his son Drake. Dan took over for Jimmy Paulson and has learned well and still asks for help when needed but does a fine job. Next time you see Dan or Brian or Drake, make sure you thank them. Also thank you to Gary Volz who helps Dan when needed.

Special thank you to the Eau Claire club and Tournament Director Dean Chaffee. The club membership is not what it was in the past, but everyone pulled together to make this one special. It was great to have state in this part of the state to pull in pitchers from the Northern and Western part of our state.

I hope to see many of you at state next year in Beloit. And hopefully have a new group of pitchers pitching in their first state tournament and see further growth in our sport at the 98th Wisconsin State Tournament. Ringers to all, Kevin Brekke.

Mens Class A

Mike Cone	7	0	51.07
Jeff Pagel	6	1	55.71
Rich Peterson	4	3	45.71
Dean Groshek	3	4	41.79
Ray Groskinsky	3	4	36.07
Jason Villwock	2.5	4.5	35
Todd Sheehan	2	5	26.79
Dustin Duerr	.5	6.5	33.93

Mens Class B

Rick Weller	6	1	38.57
Brian Herbst	5	2	37.14
Jarrold Bisch	4.5	2.5	41.79
Al Huizenga	3.5	3.5	36.43
Jerry Oleskow	2.5	4.5	36.79
Dave Quaid	2.5	4.5	32.50
Kerry Morris	2	5	28.93
Bob Kallstrom	2	5	27.50

Mens Class C

Gary Volz	6	1	34.29
Dan Newkirk	4.5	2.5	35.36
James Wicklander	4	3	32.14
Josh Smith	4	3	31.07
Paul Henning	4	3	27.86
Dave Volz	3	4	22.50
Larri Sarri	2.5	4.5	28.57

Mens Class D

Ron Studinski	6	1	27.14
Ralph Marthaler	4	3	27.86
Mark Rice	4	3	24.29
Randy Mitchell	4	3	23.57
Marvin Mengel	3	4	28.93
Tim Sheehan	3	4	26.79
Greg Smith	1	6	20.36



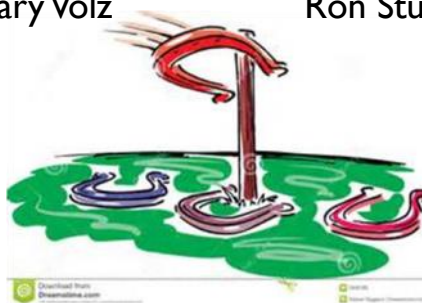
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Rock Weller



Gary Volz

Ron Studinski



What's New

Jane Smith

We welcome 7 new WHPA members since our last issue. These pitchers receive a complimentary WHPA issue. Welcome to: Kevin Hellenbrand, Tami Herbst, Justin Kern, Abigail Lane, Jerry Trevino, Lilly Young, Joe Zwifelhofer.

We are always sending prayers, get well messages and positive vibes to our horseshoe families battling a variety of issues.

Our condolences to Karla Brekke who lost her sister to cancer this past month. Our deep and sincere sympathy to Kevin and Karla.

Fall WHPA Meeting
October 19, 1:00PM
Lake Delton Sportsmen's Club
WHNL Meeting 11:00AM
McDonalds Exit 89

Mens Class E

Kent Frailing	7	0	35.36
Kevin Hellenbrand	5	2	33.57
Fred Lane	4	3	28.57
Carl Lawver	3.5	3.5	25.36
Paul Weise	3	4	12.5
Greg Bergles	2	5	21.43
Kelly Thayer	2	5	21.07
Mitch Uttech	1.5	5.5	16.07

Mens Class F

Ray Cayer	5	0	31.6
Richard Brown	4	1	29.2
Dave Palmersheim	3	2	24.8
Dan Sheehan	2	3	22
Craig Hans	1	4	17.2
Mike Ezell	0	5	21.6

Mens Class G

Mark Stevens	5	0	10.4
Sam Woolsey	3	2	16
Richard Conrad	3	2	14.
David Hilgart	3	2	11.2
Mike Berdan	1	4	12.8
BJ Marty	0	5	9.6

Mens Class H

Larry Danielson	5	0	10.4
Will Fillback	4	1	12.8
Mike Sheehan	2	3	10
Gary Feltz	2	3	8
Joe Zwifelhofer	2	3	2.4
Jerry Trevino	0	5	2.4



Kent Frailing

Ray Cayer



Mark Stevens

Larry Danielson



State Tournament Candids

Cadet Boys Championship

Jedediah Sowatzke	5	0	33.33
Zach Secord	4	1	40.54
Zarek Nawrot	3	2	45.83
Blake Benzing	2	3	16.9

Cadet Class A

Bradley Benzing	6	0	36.11
Conner Kildahl	4	2	14.44
Trevor Forst	1	5	7.22
Kaden Lueck	1	5	4.44

Cadet Girls Championship

Lillyan Kildahl	5	0	24
Azlyn Schwerdtfeger	4	1	26



Cadet Boys Chmpionship



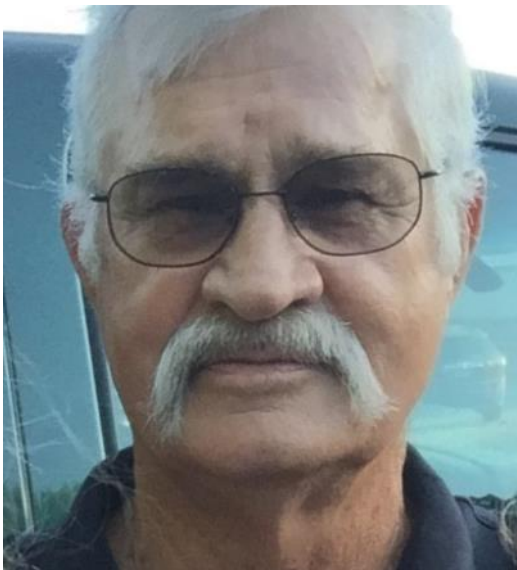
Cadet Girls Championship



Cadet Class A



State Tournament Cands



Dave Schorbahn

Kay Schorbahn / Jane Smith

Dave Schorbahn, 77 years young, lost his life in a car accident July 18, returning home from one of his many life loves—pitching horseshoes. Dave was a very generous caring man who put others before himself. We spent many World tournaments with Dave and the Dahl boys. His death hit the Eau Claire Club twice as hard as they also loss John Dolezel recently. To use the quote from Dave's Celebration of Life : During a time like this we realize how much our friends and relatives really mean to us...your expressiob of sympathy will always be remembered. In a message from Kay, she mentioned how "David loved all of you in our neck of the woods."

Our deep sympathy to Kay, Dave's Daughters, relatives and friends who will miss his wry sense of humor daily. May God watch over the Schorbahn family.



George Eckstrom

Joyce Eckstrom / Jane Smith

George Eckstrom, 89 years young passed away peacefully at his home in Jump River. He served in the Army, return home, married Joyce Thompson and farmed for many yeas in Dubuque until moving to Jump River, WI ub 1955. George was kniwn in the area as the 'crop adjuster.'

George enujoyed pitching horseshoes as was evident by his attending many Open, State, and World tournaments with his wife Joyce and the Ray Mallo couple. He had a devilish sense of humer and a hug for his horseshoe family. George also enjoyed traveling with friends, playing cards and watching the Packers!

We wish the Eckstrom family love and peace in living without George. I would imagine George is pitching ringers with friend's who have left this world and are stars in the skies!



Ida Hostrup

Jane Smith

Ida Hostrup, 89. passed away peacefully on September 24. She is survived by her daughter, ConnieMcKenzie(Dennis), their 3 children, one grandchild, sister Betty Scharndorf and brother Bill Shilling. Ida is preceded in death by her husband and three children.

Don and Ida were avid horseshoe pitchers as they loved to travel in their camper to horseshoe tournament in Wisconsin Minnesota, 17 world tournaments, and many WI State tournaments. They designed and constructed tournament plaques for the 1995 State tournament cohostd with the Close Doesn't Count and Eau Claire Clubs. They were both active pitchers in the Close Doesn't Count league for over 20 years, until pitching was physically impossible.

Ida loved adding finishing touches to Don's Woodwork, crocheting, quilting and watching hummingbirds. "The hummingbird spirit reminds us to savor each moment, be playful, optimistic and appreciate the sweetness in life."

Enjoy the horseshoe family in the skies above. Peace and love.