

Third Quarter Issues and Program Listings July, August, September 2023

July

Music on the River July 5 Morning Conversation 25 minutes

Tomahawk native Billy Bronsted is a singer and songwriter of “Americana” music, and he and his band “The Loot”, will be playing Music on the River next Wednesday night. He talked about writing songs in his parents’ basement at the age of 13, and has not stopped. He is set for some dates in Colorado before coming back to Tomahawk next week.

Tomahawk Area Inter-Faith Volunteer’s July 6 Morning Conversation 25 minutes

Joan Litwitz and Patty Panfill were here to talk about the golf outing on the 22nd, and the upcoming Senior Luncheon Picnic in August. Still room for 2 more teams for gold, and more details to come on the picnic in the park.

Local Author July 10 Morning Conversation 15 minutes

John McKinley graduated Tomahawk High School in 1970. He spent 37 years in law enforcement. On a hunting trip with some of his old buddies from the Tomahawk area, he listened to his friend tell of a harrowing story of kidnap and murder. John then told his friend Scott, that he would write the book. Now it’s 2023, and the book is finished. “Scot-Free Safe in Georgia” is now available on Amazon.

Friends of the Library July 11 Morning Conversation 15 minutes

Frank Hinterleitner with the Friends of the Tomahawk Library was on to talk about the next book sale. It will be held in the basement at the library tomorrow. These events raise money for programming above and beyond the budgeted programs, and much appreciated by people and families in our community.

Fly-In July 13 Morning Conversation 25 minutes

Jade Lear with the Northern Lights Paramotor group talked about the upcoming event at the Tomahawk Airport. Last year, 19 paramotor pilots participated, this year, they hope for more. There will be food and lots of things to see, plus an old car show will add to the weekend coming up July 21-23.

Gold Star Awareness July 14 Morning Conversation 25 minutes

Cody Scholz is a 2020 graduate of THS, and he is currently in the ROTC program at Michigan Tech. He is on a mission to raise awareness of Gold Star Family's, families who have lost a loved one in active duty in the armed services. To help in this endeavor, Cody is running a marathon on August 19 in Wausau to raise money, and awareness to the Gold Star family program. It supports children and families when their loved one is killed in action. His goal is \$5,000.00, he is halfway to his goal. We are hoping this radio time will get him to his goal quickly.

Four Rivers Quilt Guild July 17 Morning Conversation 25 minutes

Faye Tammy LaMere and Sandy Redmond were here to talk about the Four Rivers Quilt Guild. This group of creative women do many things for our community, beyond supplying the group with social opportunities. They supply quilts to the Salvation Army when the need arrives, they make walker bags for the residents of our nursing homes, book bags for kids, and of course quilts for display or to add to their "stash" for when needs arise. They always welcome new members.

New Doctor July 21 Morning Conversation 25 minutes

Dr. Christian Flanders was here today to introduce our community to Dr. Natalie Weeks. Dr. Weeks will be seeing all patients and specialize in women's care and pediatrics. She and her husband live in Merrill and she will be splitting time here in Tomahawk, and at the clinic in Wausau. Starting her full-time practice in July of 2024.

Tomahawk Library July 26 Morning Conversation 25 minutes

Heidi Ohare and Annette Miller came on to wrap up the results of the summer reading programs at the library. Almost 200 people came to see the group from REGI, and there were other attendance records set for summer programs as well. More is planned for August to get kids ready to learn and get back to school.

Wrestling Alumni July 28 Morning Conversation 25 minutes

Tony Derleth and Don McMeekin from the Tomahawk Wrestling Alumni came on to talk about the big cash raffle and the golf outing coming up next weekend. The gold tourney is full, but still come out and buy raffle tickets. New singlets are needed for the team this year, and much of this weekend's proceeds will make that happen.

August

Tomahawk Community Thrift Shop August 3 Morning Conversation 25 minutes

Tim Haskin and Cindy Wescott from the Tomahawk Community Thrift Shop were here to announce the latest grants they provided 7 organizations with cash to fund their specific projects they requested help with. People donate items to the shop, the shop sells them, they return profits back to the community. The more volunteers they have, the longer they can stay open, making more money to give back to the community. Volunteers are always needed and welcomed.

Tomahawk Area Interfaith Volunteers August 8 Morning Conversation 15 minutes

Joan Litwitz from the Tomahawk Area Interfaith Volunteers was in to talk about the 55 plus Dream Big Picnic at Memorial Park next Thursday. It's open to all people of the community 55 years old and up who are here to age in place, and what services will be needed to suit this growing segment of our Tomahawk population. Food is free and being catered by Benny at Tomahawk Family Restaurant.

Tomahawk Schools August 9 Morning Conversation 15 minutes

Wendell Quisenberry is the Administrator at our Tomahawk School District. He came on to talk about the good news to Tomahawk taxpayers with some preliminary budget numbers. He also announced 12 new faces in the teaching and administration departments, and fall sports start tomorrow!

Wishes for Kids August 15 Morning Conversation 25 minutes

Dave Duranceau and Brittney Normand were here to talk about this years Make a Wish fundraiser. This weekend and next, Surewood Forest will host these events to make money to grant wishes for local kids. \$131,000 dollars have been raised over the years, and 16 kids have received granted wishes. The Bags Tournament is Saturday the 26, Pig roast is this Saturday.

Pinecrest August 18 Morning Conversation 25 minutes

Judy Woller is with The People for Pinecrest. She came on today to talk about options at Pinecrest Nursing Home, the county owned nursing home here in Lincoln County. The county board rejected a chance for the people to be heard in the form of a referendum, and the future of the people there, and the facility, are in a state of limbo. A meeting of the group is happening on Monday.

ADRC August 25 Morning Conversation 25 minutes

Traci Zernicke is the Director of Resource Services at the ADRC of Central Wisconsin. Traci talked about transitioning from childhood to adulthood for people with physical and intellectual challenges. The ADRC serves all adults 18 and over who have challenges, and want to be the first call when looking for or needing services to live a good life.

Friends of Pinecrest August 31 Morning Conversation 10 minutes

Judy Woller is the acting head of the group here in Lincoln County that is trying to keep the county nursing home a property of the county. She had new contact information and put out a call for leaders or people with ideas who care about Pine Crest to come forward now, or they may have to forever hold their peace.

SEPTEMBER

Humane Society September 7 Morning Conversation 25 minutes

Liz Friedenfels is the manager at our Lincoln County Humane Society. Liz came in to talk about the upcoming SOLD-OUT banquet next month, but door prizes are still being sought. There will be a bake sale for the shelter in conjunction with Fall Ride next Saturday at Trigs, and a reminder to license, spay and neuter our pets.

Tomahawk Schools September 13 Morning Conversation 10 minutes

Wendell Quisenberry is our school district's administrator and he stopped by for a quick chat about the new school year. He updated the summer maintenance jobs that were just completed, and goals for the strategic planning scorecard. All's well at school!

Merrill Historical Society September 15 Morning Conversation 25 minutes

Tom Berg from the Merrill Historical Society came on to talk about the 2023 History Hunt, on location with filmmaker Bill Rebane. It's coming up on Saturday, October 7. Folks will form teams for a history scavenger hunt around the area that Bill used to film his movies. After the hunt, there is an after party when people can meet Mr. Rebane in person.

Tomahawk Library September 20 Morning Conversation 25 minutes

Annette Miller and Heidi O'Hare were here to talk about back-to-school time at the Tomahawk Public Library. New times, new programs and a new Lego Challenge will greet the kids when they come back to the library.

Lincoln County Health Department September 22 Morning Conversation 25 minutes

Deanne Engell is our Lincoln County Public Health Nurse. She joined us to talk about flu shots, and the upcoming flu shot clinics. Also, a good time for Covid boosters' shots as well.