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Large crowds add to Tobacco Heritage Days



Edgertonians turned out in droves for the 52nd annual Tobacco Heritage Days. Among the many activities were a pie-eating contest, a children's tractor pull, a lip sync contest, and a concert by country star Easton Corbin. More photos on pages 3, 6, 12, 13.

By Sam Martino
Special to the Reporter

Large crowds punctuated events throughout the 52nd Annual Tobacco Heritage Days, attracted by scores of events for children, outdoor music fans, car enthusiasts and America's favorite sports – baseball and softball games at Racetrack Park.

Scores of kids marched from the park to the downtown in colorful outfits, and veterans rode atop a float. Downtown Edgerton turned into a vintage auto museum Saturday during the 46th annual Car and Truck show linked to Tobacco Heritage Days.

Shiny Thunderbirds, classic Chevy models from 1967, heavy-duty Buicks, classy Corvettes and the post World War II Fords of the late 1940s and early 1950s were among the models featured along W. Fulton St. from Main St. to Albion St. at City Hall.

Flared wing models and vehicles with sparkling grills and bumpers from the 1950s, 1960s and 1970s were showcased. Added to the delight of auto buffs were music and an old-fashioned ice cream and pie sale at the Depot.

people young and old participated in a variety of activities from America's pastime of baseball on diamonds and sandlot fields to grassy picnic areas for fun and games. Children, many of them with face paintings, competed in tractor pull and big wheel races. A lip-sync contest and talent show also were held. Bands played throughout the day leading up to featured country music star Easton Corbin.

Photos by Jeff Brown

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Lakeside Fire-Rescue eyes potential funds from Act 12

By Tristan McGough
Special to the Reporter

With the coming of Act 12, the Lakeside Fire-Rescue (LFR) Board of Commissioners met on June 13 to discuss the process of funneling some of the expected shared revenue to the fire district for its operations and, perhaps, capital projects.

Among Wisconsin's budgetary items that will go into effect with Gov. Evers signing Act 12 into law on June 14, few are more significant for rural communities than the momentous revenue sharing program that will take one penny of the five-cent state sales tax and put it into a fund that will be appropriated to local governments.

In total, more than \$1.5 billion will be directed from that fund annually to support municipalities in the range of essential services they provide: law enforcement, fire protection, emergency medical services, emergency response communication, public works, courts and transportation.

Evers approved the 2023-25 biennial budget with revisions by exercising his constitutional veto authority, yielding a significant expansion in state support of local communities for the first time in 10 years. Alongside the \$1.5B earmarked for municipalities, the state invests more than \$1 billion in public education, as well as demonstrating the united will of the Wisconsin Legislature and Governor's Office in designating one of the largest, most coherent allocations to workforce housing, infrastructure, Wisconsin farmers and tax relief for working families.

As The Reporter previously informed (June 28, 2023), "All communities will see at least a 20% increase over current municipal aid except Milwaukee, which receives 10% and the local sales tax authority."

Those wanting to read the specific provisions for Milwaukee or any of the other germane legalese can

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Stricker keeps rolling along

By Sam Martino
Special to the Reporter

Steve Stricker has become a likeness of the Energy Bunny. The Edgerton native keeps hop, hop, hopping through the PGA Tour Champions golf series with top finishes, including another major first place Sunday at the Firestone Country Club in Akron, Ohio.

continued success – "again, again and again." Sunday's triumph netted Stricker a prize purse of \$525,000, his largest payoff of the season in the lead up to the Charles Schwab Cup in November. Stricker entered Sunday's final fourth round of the Kaulig tournament tied with Harrison Frazar at 7 under, 203. As Frazar faded late in the stretch, Stricker sank a 40-foot putt on the 15th hole to lift his game after a bogey on the 14th. Stricker, 56, finished 11 under at 269 with rounds of 65-73-65-and 66. David Toms finished three strokes back for second at 272. Frazar, Ernie Els and K. J. Choi all tied at 7 under at 273. The win at Akron was Stricker's third major PGA Tour Champions title this season, having won the Regions Tradition and the Kitchen Aid Senior PGA Champions, both in May. Bernhard Langer, who won



Steve Stricker, center, shakes hands with his caddie Mario Tiziani as Harrison Frazar walks off the No. 18 green after the final round of the 2023 Kaulig Companies Championship at Firestone Country Club, Sunday, July 16, 2023, in Akron, Ohio.

Photo by Jeff Lange,
Akron Beacon Journal



Steve Stricker shows off his latest prize – the Kaulig PGATour Champions Trophy won Sunday at the Firestone Golf Course in Akron, Ohio. It was Stricker's fifth win of the season and his third major championship on the Senior Circuit.

Photo submitted

the U.S. Senior event at Stevens Point, finished sixth at 5 under. Langer is second in the Charles Schwab Cup race and Toms third, but both are far back in winnings. Striker said he was excited about the outcome of the championship in Akron because it qualified him for next year's

Players Championship at Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla. He called the Kailua a special event for him. "This is a special tournament here, gets me in the Players Championship next year, which is another goal of mine this year, to go back there and play again."

"I am very excited to be able to go back there," he added in interviews with golf writers. Play at the Firestone Course was Stricker's 13 PGA Tour Champions event of the season. Besides Stricker's five first place finishes this season, he also has finished second five times.

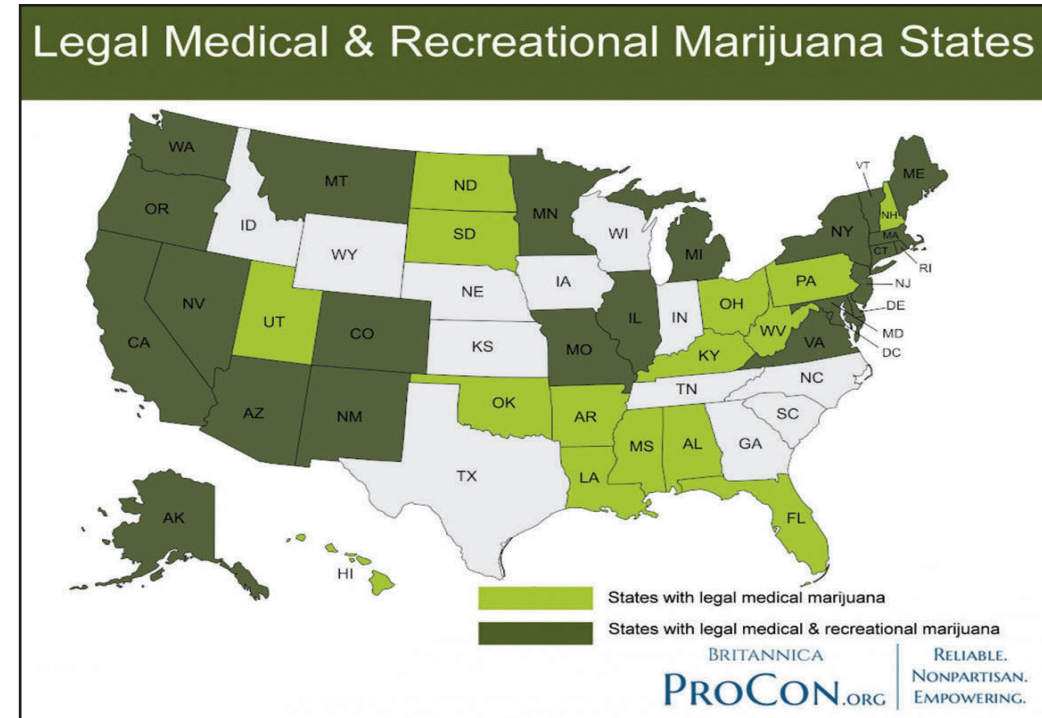
The state of marijuana legislation in the State of Wisconsin

By Tristan McGough
Special to the Reporter

As of March 2023, with the medical use of marijuana, or cannabis, now legalized in 40 states and its recreational use legalized in 23 states, our readers have asked for clarification of the state of marijuana legislation in the State of Wisconsin, considering that our state hasn't yet legislated either medical or recreational usage.

by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for prescription use, like Marinol (THC), Syndros (THC), Cesamet (nabilone), and Epidiolex (CBD). For non-prescription use, CBD, delta-8 THC, and other naturally-occurring cannabinoids derived from industrial hemp are legal and unregulated at the federal level, but legality and enforcement varies by state. Despite the CSA and based on accumulated scientific evidence, most states have parted company with federal policy and have legalized marijuana for either or both its medical and/or recreational use. Medical marijuana legislation within states As noted, the medical use of cannabis is legal with a medical recommendation in 40 states. Its medical use is, also, legally allowed in four out of five perma-

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Legal Marijuana States.

Photo courtesy ProCon

Gas Watch

Nat. Average.....	\$3.564
WI Average.....	\$3.360
WI lowest - Elkhorn & Appleton.....	\$3.070
Janesville.....	\$3.140
Milton.....	\$3.190
Newville.....	\$3.390
Edgerton.....	\$3.390
Evansville.....	\$3.130
Fort Atkinson.....	\$3.340
Stoughton.....	\$3.290
Cambridge.....	\$3.390
Madison.....	\$3.130
Milwaukee.....	\$3.190

Latest prices reported for one gallon of unleaded gasoline according to local observations Monday, July 17, 2023. Prices listed are the lowest in each city, which may be one or more stations.

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