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**DICK ELLIS**

## A Call to the Ballot

### Hunters, anglers critical to sending Brad Schimel to the Wisconsin Supreme Court

The election of November bought America time. The people recognized the threats intent on destroying our constitutional republic and temporarily stopped it with a gift passed down through the generations; they voted.

We're not done, and we never will be in protecting something so fragile. The forefathers warned us of corrupt government. They could not have envisioned a corrupt media that would protect it; nor this ever-growing radical judiciary on all levels appointed or elected specifically to disregard the will of the people to create law from the bench.

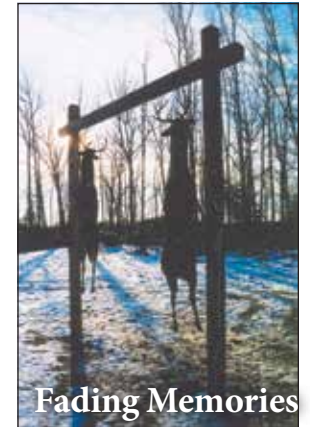
Daily, the Trump administration intent on fulfilling campaign promises made to the people is confronted by lawsuits or delayed by radical left justices. Deporting violent illegal immigrants invited to flood our borders, ending governmental DEI policies, eliminating "gender affirming" care for minors, reversing offshore drilling bans, creating a department of government efficiency, and banning transgender people from serving in the military only scratch the surface of Trump's executive orders meeting roadblocks.

Nationwide injunctions are court orders to prevent the federal government from implementing policy or law. Injunctions ordered against the first Trump administration account for more than half of the total injunctions, 64 of 127 nationwide, ordered against the federal government since 1963. Trump's second term has already reached epidemic levels with more than 120 lawsuits predominantly brought by activists, including judges. Democrat-appointed judges have ordered 92.2 percent of the injunctions against the Trump administration.

The administration this week called the judicial assault



*Like thousands of other hunters in northern Wisconsin and ever-expanding regions south as wolf numbers increase, Ellis family and friends have experienced the decimation of deer numbers. Vote out lawmakers who appoint fish and game managers who can't count, and place the wolf ahead of the hunter, rancher, and pet owner.*



Fading Memories

an epidemic, and tyranny. Trump, who endorsed Brad Schimel for the Wisconsin Supreme Court, personally said if not stopped rulings by the "radical left" could lead to "the destruction of America."

The founders did know that the common man would play the critical role in every defense of a fledgling country that required a call to arms, and every defense that required only a resounding answer to the call to the ballot in times of peace. Today, every election cycle, the common man plays a critical role in whether or not our Republic "For the People" stands or falls.

Wisconsin is home to one million anglers and 600,000 deer hunters. We are an immense militia of Wisconsin hunters and anglers. What the liberal elite historically counts on from that population despite the potential to wield a large stick, is a disengaged voting bloc when it's time to cast a ballot. Hundreds of thousands of Wisconsin

sportsmen and women are not registered to vote. We are a reliable statistic of apathy to those who want us to stay home. Because we are disengaged, we are also vulnerable to the daily media lies protecting the power structure while stealing our freedoms. Instead, take advantage of the gift of the ballot that our forefathers gave us. Preserve our freedoms, heritage and traditions for those yet to follow.

Federally and in Wisconsin, these elections come and almost inevitably the choices are clear; one path means the reaffirmation of the forefathers' declaration that inalienable or God-given rights stand; rights that include owning a gun and hunting, worshipping or not as we choose, and speaking and debating freely without fear, with federal and state supreme courts guided by the constitution to preserve or change the laws that made us uniquely American. The other path surrenders those rights of the people and instead

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## When Our Country Hangs in The Balance



George Washington Prays for God's guidance at Valley Forge.

"It is impossible to rightly govern a nation without God and the Bible."-George Washington.

Arnold Friberg painted "The Prayer at Valley Forge" to celebrate our country's bi-centennial in 1976. His now famous painting has been an important part of American history, reminding us of the days that our country hung in the balance.

It was during the long, cold winter of 1777-78 at Valley Forge that General Washington sought God's help, in the woods alone and on his knees, a story well documented in the historical records. Isaac Potts, 26, was a resident of Valley Forge and a Quaker opposed to the war. He supervised

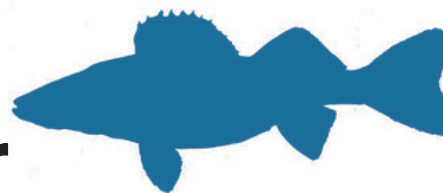
the grinding of the grain that Washington ordered the neighboring farmers to bring to his army and came upon the scene never to be forgotten.

"I tied my horse to a sapling and went quietly into the woods, and to my astonishment I saw the great George Washington on his knees alone, with his sword on one side and his cocked hat on the other," said Potts. "Such a prayer I have never heard from the lips of man. I left him alone praying. I went home and told my wife, 'I saw a sight and heard today what I never saw or heard before.' We never thought a man could be a soldier and a Christian, but if there is one in the world, it is Washington. We thought it was the cause of God and America could prevail." 🍷

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JOHN ELLIS

# Walleyes in Wisconsin's Ceded Territory-Part Four



*On Wisconsin Outdoors (OWO)* is running a continuing series on the damage being done by Chippewa tribal spearing, to the walleye population in Wisconsin's Ceded Territory. The damage is directly tied to the poor leadership of **Chippewa Tribal Leaders and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR)**; the two groups entrusted with managing the walleyes.

For 40 years, the Chippewa Tribal Leaders have ignored proven management practices and encouraged tribal members to spear spawning walleyes. At the same time, the DNR has portrayed the Chippewa Tribal Leaders as good stewards of the resource, while subsidizing the destruction of the walleyes themselves. The result of the poor leadership from both groups is that the walleye population in Wisconsin's Ceded Territory has been decimated.

But what poor leadership has destroyed, good leadership can restore. This series is intended to provide new leaders, **both tribal and nontribal**, with the information they need to properly manage Wisconsin's Ceded Territory walleyes moving forward.

**"Walleyes in Wisconsin's Ceded Territory-Part One; The real reason they're disappearing"** was published in our March/April, 2023 issue. It used math and biology to expose the Wisconsin DNR and Chippewa Tribal Leaders as being responsible for the removal of a calculated 13,418,237 **"keeper walleyes"** (fish weighing between 1 ¾ and 2 pounds) from Ceded Territory lakes since 1985. The removal of the fish averaged 40,538 walleyes per lake.

**"Walleyes in Wisconsin's Ceded Territory-Part Two"** was published in our May/June, 2023 issue. It exposed that while only Chippewa tribal members (about 1% of the Wisconsin population) have participated in spearing Ceded Territory walleyes, all Wisconsin residents have subsidized their destruction by paying the tribes to restock them. It also explained that the restocking is an exercise in futility because there is no substitute for the lost natural reproduction of the speared fish.

**"Walleyes in Wisconsin's Ceded Territory-Part Three"** was published in our March/April, 2024 issue. It exposed the damage done to the walleye population in Wisconsin's Ceded Territory by the 2023 Tribal Spearing Season.

All three articles can be viewed in archived issues at [onwisconsinoutdoors.com](http://onwisconsinoutdoors.com).

## Part Four-The impact of 2024 spearing.

It takes roughly 1,000,000 walleye eggs to produce 125 **"keeper walleyes"**; fish that weigh between 1 ¾ and 2 pounds. The average egg drop per walleye during spawning is 85,000 eggs. This means that it takes 12 female walleyes to produce 125 keeper walleyes. \* The math rounded to the nearest number is:

$$1,000,000 \div 85,000 = 12 \text{ female walleyes.}$$

According to the Wisconsin DNR the number of walleyes speared in Wisconsin's Ceded Territory in 2024 was 38,893. Conservatively, ten percent of those were females or 3,889. \*\* The math is:

$$38,893 \times .10 = 3,889 \text{ female walleyes speared.}$$

Because of the 3,889 female walleyes speared, 40,510 keeper walleyes will never hatch. The math is:

$$3,889 \div 12 \times 125 = 40,510 \text{ keeper walleyes that will never hatch.}$$

Because a 50/50 male to female ratio is the norm in nature, if half of the 40,510 keeper walleyes that will never hatch were females that only spawn once, we have an additional 210,990 keeper walleyes that will never hatch. The math is:

$$40,510 \div 2 \div 12 \times 125 = 210,990 \text{ keeper walleyes that will never hatch.}$$

Because it takes a female walleye 4 to 5 years to reach maturity, and the average age of walleyes in Wisconsin is 7 years, we can conservatively assume 2 spawning years or an additional 210,990 keeper walleyes that will never hatch.

## The total impact of the 2024 Tribal Spearing Season.

1. 38,893 walleyes were directly removed from the lakes as they tried to reproduce. 3,889 were females.
2. 40,510 keeper walleyes will never hatch because of the females speared.
3. 210,990 keeper walleyes will never hatch because of the loss of one spawning year.
4. 210,990 keeper walleyes will never hatch because of the loss of a second spawning year.

**Added in total, 501,383 keeper walleyes (1 ¾ to 2 pounds) were removed from the Ceded Territory by the 2024 Tribal Spearing Season.**

\*Walleye Tactics, Tips and Tales. Mark Strand. North American Fishing Club. Published in 1990.

\*\*According to the DNR, only 26,057 of the 38,893 walleyes speared were examined for sex. Of those, 9.9% were females. But in an article in the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel published on 12-13-2024, Frank Vaisvilas wrote **"the DNR reports that male walleyes constitute about 76% of the walleyes speared each year."** If Vaisvilas' reporting is accurate, it means that **24% of the walleyes speared each year are females** and the damage being done to Ceded Territory walleyes is much worse than OWO has been reporting. OWO conservatively used 10% for our calculations. 🐟

JOHN ELLIS

# Important Notes on the Average Egg Drop of Spawning Walleyes

According to the book **Walleye Tactics, Tips and Tales** by Mark Strand, a spawning female walleye will drop between 60,000 and 250,000 eggs, depending on her size, with larger walleyes dropping more eggs than smaller walleyes. Published in 1990, Strand wrote that the average egg drop per walleye was 85,000 eggs. This is the number *On Wisconsin Outdoors (OWO)* has used in our continuing series, **Walleyes in Wisconsin's Ceded Territory**.

But in 2008, the **Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR)** was reporting that the average egg drop of a spawning walleye was 50,000 eggs. If the DNR number is correct it means that the damage done to Ceded Territory walleyes is much worse than OWO has been reporting, because it would actually take 20 female walleyes, not 12, to produce 125 keeper walleyes.

The math is:

$$1,000,000 \div 50,000 = 20 \text{ female walleyes}$$

Additionally, because the spearing of spawning walleyes in the Ceded Territory has been going on for 40 years, it's certain that the average size of the female spawning walleyes there has gotten smaller. Because smaller walleyes drop fewer eggs than larger walleyes, the natural reproductive potential of the fish has continued to diminish over time. 🐟

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# DICK ELLIS

# Seeking Wolf Photos

## *OWO's informal population census continues*

**O**n Wisconsin Outdoors' informal wolf census continues. Please send your trail cam photos, videos, or handheld camera shots of wolves in Wisconsin to: [wolves@onwisconsinoutdoors.com](mailto:wolves@onwisconsinoutdoors.com). List the county where the photos were taken, the date, and verify the number of wolves visible in each photo. Your name will not be published without your permission.

OWO publishers do not agree with the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) population estimate that place wolf numbers in Wisconsin at 1007 animals during the winter of 2022/23. We do believe that an unmanaged wolf population in the state directly correlates with a severely declining deer hunting experience. We believe that the decline in our Wisconsin tradition will magnify further as individual wolves and wolf packs continue to expand to create an increasingly out-of-balance predator/prey ratio.

The DNR did not issue an over winter wolf population estimate for 2024, citing a high rate of failure in GPS tracking collars and lack of survey tracking snow last winter. The annual report is mandated by US Fish & Wildlife Services, but will not include the population estimate for the first time since Wisconsin began producing the summary in 1980.

In response to a OWO inquiry February 17, DNR Public Affairs Section Manager Molly Meister responded, “for the overwinter 2023-2024 monitoring period, the DNR observed atypical data in its winter tracking surveys, likely due to last winter’s lack of snowfall. In addition, an unusual number of GPS collars on wolves experienced premature failure due to mechanical defects. These unexpected challenges have affected the data used to calculate the wolf population estimate; therefore, the DNR has not produced an overwinter wolf population estimate for 2024”.

According to DNR Wildlife Biologist Randy Johnson, about 90 wolves were live-captured and fitted with GPS collars over the past five years (in addition to a few dozen already on the air coming into 2020). Each collar is expected to last three-plus years, unless the animal is killed or a malfunction occurs. Due primarily to a defect in the manufacturing process, he said, the majority of those collars failed prematurely and most of the collars that failed quit working in less than six months.

DNR reported 22 collars on the air for some portion of



10-24-2024 Vilas County 1 Wolf



01-21-2025 Bayfield County 1 Wolf



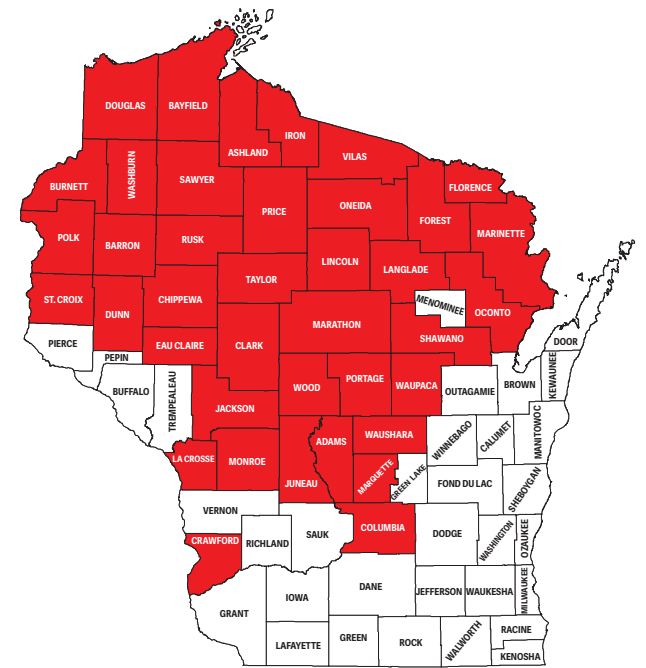
3-20-2024 Langlade County 1 Wolf




1-25-2025 Oneida County 3 Wolves

the monitoring period in winter 2022/23 and 21 on the air during the winter 2023/24. OWO is in correspondence with DNR to verify how many radio collars are currently working, and more importantly how do radio collars determine overall population estimates. If 90 animals were collared since 2020, is the state saying they were able to capture almost 10 percent of their most recent population estimate of just over 1000 wolves? Where, specifically, were the wolves captured?

Regarding OWO's informal survey, readers from six counties submitted photos for this issue, with some shots published here as space allowed. This issue, we publish the story of a trapper who sustained serious injuries when approaching a wolf trapped while targeting bobcat. We are not calling this a wolf "attack", but an "encounter". A cornered predator will respond as this animal did. But, with increases in wolf predation of sporting dogs, livestock, pets, and the defensive killing by a duck hunter of an



approaching wolf in October, the incident serves as another reason to question state estimates of wolf numbers. And the trapper, participating in a legal, Wisconsin sanctioned sport, also wanted to warn other trappers to be wary when approaching a trap.

Thank you for sending your photos that will help verify or challenge state population estimates. Healthy, science-based wildlife management is only possible with accurate numbers of predator and prey serving as the foundation for decisions. Help us verify truth in numbers. Wherever it leads us. 



11-30-2024 Sawyer County 2 Wolves



10-4-2019 Juneau County 4 Wolves



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hands it solely to the elite and the few, beginning with corrupt politicians from both sides.

Either Susan Crawford or Brad Schimel will take oath of office after the April 1 Wisconsin Supreme Court election. That oath in part reads "I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin". It concludes, "So help me God."

We know from his long track record that Schimel will uphold the Constitutions. We know too that Crawford, like the three liberal justices already on Wisconsin's Supreme Court and too many radicals appointed or elected to benches nationwide, that she would break that oath before she leaves the swearing in ceremony.

Maine Governor Janet Mills said it all with five words when challenged by Trump for defying his executive order that would keep men from competing in women's sports, with overwhelming support of the people. "I'll see you in court," she said.

Now isn't that an original leftist answer to we the people? I'll see you in court.

No, Governor Mills. In Wisconsin, anyway, you'll hear us at the ballot.

GREG GRAMBOW

## An Idea for Future Judicial Change

### *My thought.*

**A**nd suggestion regarding lowering personal prejudice on a federal law or Executive Action through a modified hearing process. Instead of one judge require a panel of five judges to render the decision. This would be implemented for any case having an effect on ten or more states.

Divide the country into five geographic regions. From each region have one judge selected randomly to work on that specific case. Each case would have a new panel selected randomly. The ruling, once rendered, would then be eligible to appeal in the same manner as a ruling made by an individual judge.

This approach would drastically reduce individual personal prejudice and geographic bias, on matters effecting the entire country.



"Vote Brad Schimel for Wisconsin Supreme Court."

DICK ELLIS

## Wolf Attacks on Pets, Livestock Increase

### *Loss of family dog leaves owners questioning management*

**T**he night of March 5, 2024 near Ashland Wisconsin, Julie Brilla let her 11-year-old labrador retriever, Cassi, out of the home to do her business. Within minutes, her husband John Brilla heard the dog bark in the backyard and Julie went to the door to let Cassi back in. There was no answer from the dog and she was nowhere to be seen.

They immediately called their son-in-law, Greg Martinsen, who arrived within 10 minutes on his Polaris Ranger. What Greg found he described as "horrific."

"The lab was lying dead and steaming in the field 100 feet from their house," he wrote. "The dog was split wide open and the wolves had started eating her. I know there will be questions on whether it was truly wolves. I can say with 100 percent certainty it was."

That fact was verified when the family took Cassi to Ashland, Martinsen said, and met with Ethan Rossing, a wolf specialist with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). Rossing completed an examination confirming the wolf attack. This follows confirmed wolf attacks on pets, livestock and sporting dogs annually in Wisconsin where wolves are listed as endangered and not hunted, and recent DNR wolf management practices opposed by many. DNR wolf population estimates are widely challenged as below reality, with the negative consequences already evident for hunters and largely undetermined for residents over much of Wisconsin.

"This experience should be seen as an eye opener for anyone with pets," Martinsen said. "This didn't happen in the middle of the national forest. This happened in their backyard. These wolves knew what they were doing and they made quick work of the family dog. Please take the time to call your state and federal legislators and demand some management of these killing machines. Thank you to Ethan Rossing from the USDA and Game Warden Phillip Brown for your professionalism during this tragic incident."

"Some would say that this land is the wolf's domain, but when they take a beloved, loyal companion, 50 feet from my house, they're encroaching on my domain," Julie Brilla wrote to OWO. "This was not a humane death. It was horrific. The deer population is way down in our area also, with many sightings of wolves. Hopefully, something can be done to better manage the wolf population, so we don't have more of these terrible tragedies. Thank you." 🐾



*Cassi, an 11-year-old Labrador Retriever and family dog owned by Julie and John Brilla, was killed by wolves near Ashland after being briefly let out of the family home the night of February 5. The graphic photo is used per request of the owners who want other pet owners to be aware of the danger posed by wolves.*



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BRAD SCHIMEL FOR WISCONSIN SUPREME COURT

# On April 1, 2025 - Vote For a Conservative Who Decides Cases Based on Law

*Not Another Liberal Who Renders Decisions Based on Personal Opinion or Financial Paybacks*

On April 1, 2025 Wisconsin voters will have the opportunity to choose our state's legal and economic direction for the next decade. You will have the choice of voting for Brad Schimel, an experienced constitutional conservative who believes a judge's responsibility is to enforce the laws of Wisconsin. Or, Susan Crawford, an elitist insider judge who believes a Supreme Court seat comes with the right to create laws based on personal and politically motivated opinions.

*The Wisconsin's Supreme Court today is the most dangerous political entity in state government.* Four liberal justices hold the majority. Many believe these justices work together to issue decisions based on a political agenda. You can change this by electing Brad Schimel.

Your vote to elect Brad Schimel will reject a Supreme Court that rejects the law. His election will shift the majority back to conservative.

*Far and away the number one issue in this election is the attempted repeal of Act 10, which has saved Wisconsinites \$31,000,000,000 dollars per the Maciver Institute (www.Maciverinstitute.com). That's \$31 billion dollars in savings as of December 2024 and it is growing annually.*

Act 10 was passed in 2011 to bring state government benefits more in line with what Wisconsin taxpayers were receiving. The law simply asked government employees to pay a minor portion of their health care and employee pension benefits. Prior to Act 10, public sector employees paid nothing.

The Democratic Party and State Employee Unions staged demonstrations, organized an unsuccessful recall of the governor and filed numerous unsuccessful law suits. Susan Crawford was an attorney advancing these actions.

Now, after 13 years and, with no new reason to challenge the law - the Democrats filed a suit in the Dane County Circuit Court. They found a sympathetic ear in Judge Frost. How sympathetic? 11 years earlier Frost signed the recall petition against Gov. Walker, who enacted Act 10.

*On December 2, 2024 Judge Frost repealed Act 10 legislation.*

Unrelentingly, the Democratic Party and Public Unions won a lower court repeal by a liberal Madison judge. Why now, 13 years later? Because, after endorsing Crawford and contributing to her campaign, they believe they will have Susan Crawford as their Supreme Court Justice. It will be

her vote that ends Wisconsin's \$31 billion dollars in savings. And now, Crawford has given no indication that she has changed her position from 13 years ago when she was an attorney fighting against Act10.

Be assured, if Crawford is elected, you, the taxpayer, will be paying **billions** to government employees who feel it is "unfair" that they should have to pay anything toward their retirement or health care. We should all be so lucky.

Voting for Brad Schimel is essential to stop public union elites and Susan Crawford from leaving the Wisconsin taxpayer responsible for billions of dollars of debt that are of absolutely no benefit to us. We cannot let the Democratic Party have control over our court system. The difference is clear. See the dramatic difference between these two candidates in the adjacent chart.

**We Cannot Afford Susan Crawford on The Wisconsin Supreme Court**

**Vote Brad Schimel on April 1, 2025**

Brad Schimel has served as Waukesha County District Attorney, State Attorney General, and Circuit Court Justice.

Prepared by "Vote Conservative MKE"

## Where The Supreme Court Candidates Stand on Major Issues

THE ISSUE	SCHIMEL	CRAWFORD
Retain Act 10 saving of \$31 billion	YES	NO
Allow Transgender men into Womens' Bathrooms	NO	YES
Allow children's sex changes without parent approval	NO	YES
Allow illegals to vote	NO	YES
Keep real time tracking of sex offenders	YES	NO
Pay for illegal immigrants' education	NO	YES
Release 3,000 felons from prison	NO	YES
End probation for 7,000 convicted felons	NO	YES
Supports no cash bail	NO	YES

*Brad Schimel is an Independent Judge who will apply unbiased judgement*

*Susan Crawford is a Candidate of the Democratic Party and Public Employee Unions*

On April 1, 2025

Stop Judges from making their own laws

Vote for Brad Schimel

# As Laws, New Resolutions will Prevent Cheating in Wisconsin Elections

## *Brad Schimel will uphold the law and protect Wisconsin voters. Susan Crawford will not.*

Two resolutions designed to eliminate election corruption in Wisconsin came before the Republican Party of Waukesha County member caucus for vote in February and passed unanimously. The resolutions now move on to upcoming district and state votes and are intended to send a stark message from the people to Wisconsin's legislature: Pass laws to remove four million ineligible names currently infecting Wisconsin voting rolls. Add "Not for Voting" to 250,000 non-citizen drivers licenses.

As a Supreme Court Justice, Brad Schimel will uphold those laws and protect election integrity. Susan Crawford's election to the high court would make a radical left majority with an established record of disregarding their oath to uphold the Constitution, the law, and the people's will.

The resolutions....

### **Require the Registered Voter List to be Restricted to Currently Eligible Voters**

**WHEREAS** the Republican Party of Wisconsin is focused on ensuring that all Wisconsinites can have confidence in the results of our elections; and

**WHEREAS** the Wisconsin Registered Voter List currently includes more than 4 million names of individuals who are ineligible to vote, creating a large reservoir for sophisticated hackers to manufacture fraudulent ballots and making elections unverifiable; and

**WHEREAS** cybercrime has become a routine occurrence

throughout the world, including Wisconsin, as evidenced by Wisconsin's Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection posting of the 2024 and 2025 data breaches of 10 corporations operating in Wisconsin, including the Green Bay Packers, Inc. and affecting millions of people; and

**WHEREAS** the FBI, has repeatedly warned the American people that foreign and domestic bad actors are expected to continue their efforts to influence the outcomes of elections in the United States through cybercrime; and

**WHEREAS** Wisconsin voters have a right to expect the state's election systems are as impenetrable to cheating as humanly possible; and

**WHEREAS** it is not the responsibility of the voters to prove voter fraud after an election. It is the responsibility of the Wisconsin Legislature to guarantee an election system design that enables verification that every vote cast has been cast by an eligible voter; and

**WHEREAS** the Wisconsin Registered Voter List should be considered public information available to every citizen but is inaccessible to many due to the \$12,500 charged by the Wisconsin Elections Commission for a copy of the List;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that we call on the Wisconsin Legislature to require that the Registered Voter List of the State of Wisconsin be restricted to only the names of currently eligible voters and that the Registered Voter List be made available to any citizen of Wisconsin upon request at no charge to the citizen.

And:

### **Require Non-citizen Driver's Licenses to be Clearly Designated "Not for Voting"**

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**WHEREAS** a valid Wisconsin Driver's License is sufficient identification to both register to vote and to cast a vote in Wisconsin; and

**WHEREAS** Wisconsin has lawfully issued more than 250,000 driver's licenses to non-citizens who reside in Wisconsin legally that are identical to a citizen driver's license;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that we call on the Wisconsin Legislature to require that any driver's license lawfully issued to a non-citizen be clearly designated as "not for voting."

Vote April 1 to return election integrity to Wisconsin.  
Vote Brad Schimel for Wisconsin Supreme Court.

## **DICK ELLIS**

# A Clear Choice for Sportsmen, Women

## *Your April ballot is your opportunity to defend Wisconsin*

Too similar to the United States Supreme Court makeup in 2016 that would soon determine the literal fate of America, the Wisconsin Supreme Court election April 1st will determine whether the rule of law prevails, or whether our state is governed by a justice majority with complete disregard for their oath to uphold the Constitution. The Wisconsin high court hangs in the balance. Your vote for Brad Schimel and Wisconsin now is as critical as your vote for Donald Trump was to the survival of America nine years ago.

Prior to the 2016 election, it was apparent that the next president would nominate as many as three candidates to the United States Supreme Court. Candidate Trump released a list of 24 candidates from which he would

nominate if elected, with each selected based on their established commitment to the Constitution and the law.

"We have a very clear choice in this election," Trump said then. "The freedoms we cherish and the Constitutional values and principles our country was founded on are in jeopardy. The responsibility is greater than ever to protect and uphold these freedoms. I will appoint justices who will protect our liberty with the highest regard for the Constitution."

Keeping his promise during his first term, Trump's Supreme Court confirmations of Neil Gorsuch, Brett Kavanaugh, and Amy Coney Barrett all were on his list. Had Hillary Clinton won, America's already staggered

Constitutional Republic would have fallen under the burden of Justices who render decisions on how they personally believe the law should read.

A reflection of what the Supreme Court would have looked like under Clinton's three nominees, Ketanji Brown Jackson, a Biden nominee affirmed to the Supreme Court in 2022 could not provide a definition of the word "woman" when transgender issues arose during her confirmation hearings. "Can I provide a definition?" she said. "No, I can't. I'm not a biologist."

This week, on December 19, 2024 NCAA President Charlie Baker told a senate panel that of 510,000 NCAA



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# NSSF Releases 2024 Congressional Report Card

Firearms Industry Trade Association Grades Wisconsin Lawmakers from “A” to “F”

WASHINGTON, D.C.- NSSF, The Firearms Industry Trade Association, released its 2024 Congressional Report Card on September 26, grading sitting U.S. Representatives and U.S. Senators on key legislation that is of critical importance to the firearm industry, the Second Amendment rights of law-abiding citizens and America’s hunters and recreational target shooters.

Wisconsin Senators and House Members received grades ranging from “A” to “F”.

## U.S. Senate Grades-Wisconsin

Tammy Baldwin (D-WI): .....F  
Ron Johnson (R-WI): .....A-

## U.S. House Grades-Wisconsin

Scott Fitzgerald ((R-WI-05) .....A+  
Glenn Grothman (R-WI-06) .....A+  
Gwen Morre (D-WI-04) .....F  
Mark Pocan (D-WI 02) .....F  
Bryan Steil (R-WI-01) .....B+  
Tom Tiffany (R-WI-07) .....A+  
Derrick Van Orden (R-WI-03) .....B

“This report card will be critical for voters to do their research as we head into the final stretch towards the November elections just six weeks from now,” said Lawrence G. Keane, NSSF Senior Vice President and General Counsel. “NSSF’s 2024 Congressional Report Card tells voters exactly where their lawmakers stand on issues including defending the firearm industry’s ability to engage in the lawful commerce of firearms and ammunition and safeguarding the Second Amendment rights of customers, as well as promoting hunting and recreational target shooting-America’s greatest outdoor pastimes.”

“This nonpartisan report card reflects the level of support of each lawmaker on firearm industry priority legislation during the 118th Congress, between 2023 and 2024. Those grades indicate their public voting record as well as their sponsorship and co-sponsorship of key legislation, their work on committees, letters signed to support firearms industry issues and their overall leadership in championing our industry.”

Grades also reflect public statements, floor statements and letters led and signed supporting key issues. Grades are meant to analyze the level of support of each lawmaker during the 118th Congress and do not constitute an endorsement or opposition to a candidate’s election. The NSSF mission is to promote, protect and preserve hunting and the shooting sports. Formed in 1961, NSSF has a membership of thousands of manufacturers, distributors, firearms retailers, shooting ranges, sportsmen’s organizations and publishers nationwide. For more information including the comprehensive NSSF Report Card grades for each state, connect at [nssf.org](https://nssf.org).

Brad Schimel will uphold your  
Second Amendment rights.  
Susan Crawford will not.

# Henry Repeating Arms Commits 100% of Its Operations to the State of Wisconsin

RICE LAKE, Wis., March 18, 2025 — Henry Repeating Arms, one of America’s leading firearm manufacturers, is announcing a firm commitment to establishing 100% of its manufacturing operations in the state of Wisconsin. The commitment includes transferring all of its Bayonne, New Jersey manufacturing operations to its newly expanded state-of-the-art headquarters in Rice Lake, Wisconsin, and two additional facilities in nearby Ladysmith, Wisconsin. The company is also closing on a third Ladysmith facility in mid-summer 2025. This strategic transition accommodates the need for increased production capacity and better supports the company’s future growth driven by innovative firearms design.



The company’s entire catalog of more than 200 different rifles, shotguns, and revolvers, including the flagship Golden Boy rifle, will now have a “Made in Rice Lake, WI” barrel roll mark. (Henry Repeating Arms)

Planting its flag firmly in the state of Wisconsin solidifies Henry Repeating Arms’ commitment to American craftsmanship in the heart of the Midwest and underscores the company’s relentless pursuit of enhancing the quality of its offerings, leading the industry in both aesthetic and functional design engineering, and delivering unmatched value to its growing customer base.

“We are putting all of our eggs in one basket, the Wisconsin basket, because it makes us more efficient, more productive, and allows for more collaboration amongst our design and engineering teams, all while sustaining and enhancing Henry’s solid reputation for quality,” said Anthony Imperato, Founder and CEO of Henry Repeating Arms. “With about 400,000 square feet of cutting-edge manufacturing operations in four facilities within minutes of each other, Henry Repeating Arms is well positioned for its next chapter.”

“This transition allows us to double down on what we do best—making world-class rifles, shotguns, and revolvers right here in the heart of America,” said Andrew Wickstrom, President of Henry Repeating Arms. “Our Wisconsin operations have been essential to our success for a long time, and now it is the cornerstone of our bright future.”

Henry Repeating Arms has played a principal role in the increased consumer demand for American-made lever action rifles, a platform the company has been committed to since its founding. As the company introduces new, innovative lever-action rifles and expands into other segments, its increased capacity in Wisconsin accelerates speed to market, streamlines distribution, and enhances quality control to effectively meet the needs of today’s and tomorrow’s firearm enthusiasts, competitors, hunters, and collectors.

For more information about Henry Repeating Arms and its lineup of rifles, shotguns, and revolvers, visit [www.henryusa.com](https://www.henryusa.com).



**DICK ELLIS**

# Safety First, Safety Always

## Wisconsin youth shooting sports leagues teach the priorities

Without ever firing a live round, Ethyn Turowski, Jordan Wilder, Oliver Bannon, Wyatt Behrndt and Jordy Hiller quietly go about the very serious business of becoming safe, proficient trap shooters at the Ozaukee County Fish and Game Club. Poised in front of the \$5000 DryFire Target Simulator donated by Pheasants Forever and Ozaukee Scholastic Shooting Sports (OSSS), the young participants utilize the computerized system and learn in front of the watchful eyes of their coaches.

According to longtime instructor and coach Steve Betts, DryFire is a shotgun simulator training system designed for training in each of the shooting sports, including trap, skeet and sporting clays. Ozaukee Scholastic Shooting Sports team members, both young men and women, come from all schools in Ozaukee County including Mequon, Cedarburg, Grafton, Port Washington and Ozaukee High and middle Schools.

"We also take home-school children in these districts," Betts said. "We are not affiliated with the WIAA in any way, but some of the schools do declare trap as a Letter Sport. Shooters may join the team as soon as they successfully pass Wisconsin DNR Hunter's Safety Program and continue to shoot through their senior year of high school."

There are two main trap leagues in Wisconsin, he said. Ozaukee Scholastic Shooting Sports belongs to the Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP) and has over 2000 participants. The USA Clay Target League includes more than 100 Wisconsin high schools and features over 1,900 student athletes expected for the 2025 Wisconsin Trap Shooting State Tournament.

American Trap, Betts said, is a shooting sport where squads of up to five people stand on stations from 16 yards to 27 yards from an underground house that oscillates from side to side and throws an orange clay target at approximately 43 miles per hour in any direction on a set field. A 12-gauge shotgun is most commonly used in trap, but other gauges may be used.

Each person takes a turn at shooting a single clay until all have shot five times. The shooters then all move to the next station until all five stations have been shot. There are 25 targets in each round of American trap.

"All the youth shooters stay at the 16-yard line in this league," Betts said. "In competition, two rounds of 25 are shot and the highest five scores are used for the team score and whichever team has the highest score is declared the winner."

With the emphasis on safety starting with these winter practices, everyone goes home a winner. New shooters in



Jordy Hiller (foreground) Wyatt Behrndt, Oliver Bannon, Jordan Wilder, and Squad Leader Ethyn Turowski of the Ozaukee Scholastic Shooting Sports team practice on the laser target screen at the Ozaukee County Fish and Game Club in February.

OSSS are required to shoot two indoor laser sessions. They are taught safety, trap, etiquette, basic form and basic rules of the game. In Ozaukee County, these kids can thank head coach Brian Verheyen and assistant coaches Mark Didier, Doug Klinski (club liaison), Daniel O'Connor and Brian Sikora as well as Betts for strict curriculum everyone can appreciate.

On a national basis, and over many years, accidents during youth shooting sports are virtually non-existent. In Wisconsin, coaches, parents and students expect to keep it that way. Safe and sound, in fact, defines the Wisconsin Youth Shooting sports programs quite accurately.

"I get a lot of feedback from adult league scorers about the youth that are coached," Betts said. "The common theme is that kids are safer than most adults because we have zero tolerance for safety infractions. Barrel locations, open actions and safe handling is our number one priority and we pride ourselves on zero incidents. This includes safety in the building, walking out to the field, and while



Oliver Bannon takes aim on the computerized laser system dryfire target screen donated by Pheasants Forever and Ozaukee Scholastic Shooting Sports.

shooting. They are also taught to be respectful, thank the scorers, clean up empty hulls left behind on the ground even if they're are not from them. There are no accidents with firearms, only negligence." 🗣️

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# In Defense of America

## *Eyes on the olive branch, arrows at the ready*

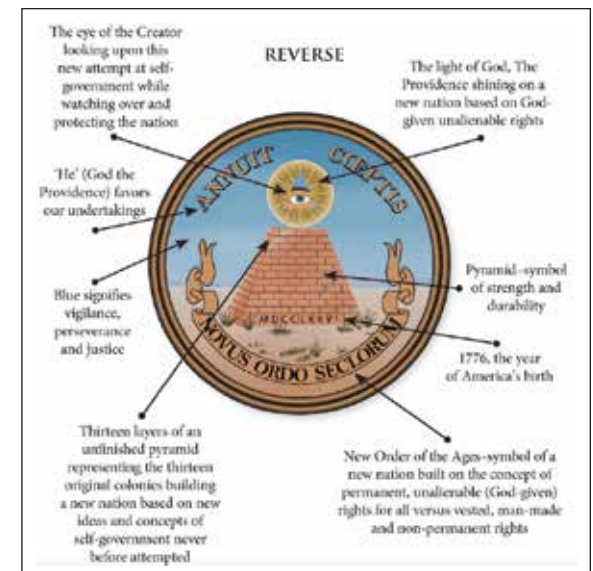
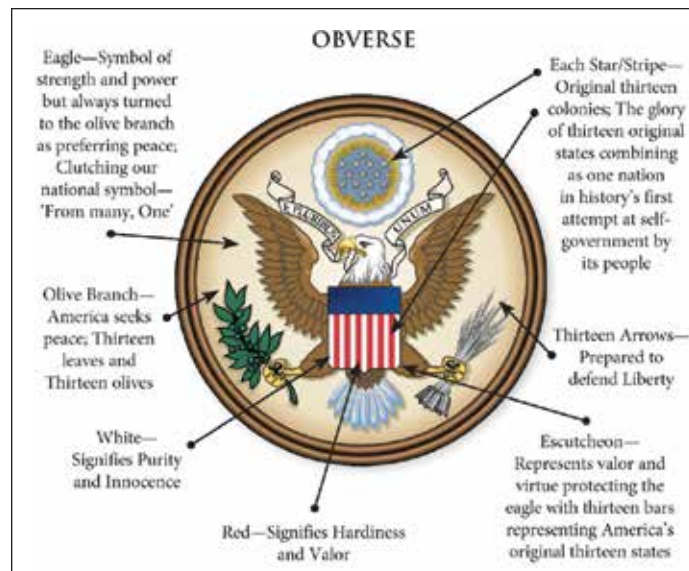
The Great Seal of the United States, used to guarantee the authenticity of American documents, symbolically reflects the beliefs and values that the Founding Fathers attached to the new nation and wished to pass on to their descendants.

On the front, or obverse side, the seal displays the coat of arms of the United States. Prominent is the eagle, America's symbol of strength and power clutching the banner inscribed with the term, "E Pluribus Unum"; from many, one. In its talons, the eagle holds both the olive branch, and 13 arrows representing the original 13 colonies prepared to defend liberty.

Always, the eagle is turned to the olive branch, signifying a preference for peace.

On the reverse or spiritual side, the Eye of Providence alludes to the many interpositions (coming between) of God in favor of the American cause. Novus Ordo Sedorum, or New Order of the Ages, symbolizes a new nation built on the belief of permanent, unalienable, or God-given rights. The government, the founders were telling us, works for the people.

It is significant that the responsibility of the design of the Great Seal was first given in 1776 to Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin and John Adams, the primary author and contributors of the writing of the Declaration of



American Independence. The Continental Congress adopted the Seal on June 20, 1782; six years after design began, according to this information gathered from the Heritage Foundation.

The Seal was first used officially on September 16, 1782 to guarantee the authenticity of a document that granted full power to General George Washington to negotiate and sign with the British an agreement for the exchange, subsistence and better treatment of prisoners of war. Thomas Jefferson was the first Secretary of State to have custody of the Great Seal.

The Founding Fathers believed their own freedom and more importantly freedoms to be passed down to generations following were worth dying for. 25,000 patriots lost their lives in America's war for independence. Each May, Memorial Day allows America to officially "honor and mourn" more than one million military men and women who have died since in the service of their country. July 4, we celebrate our freedoms.

Will we see another? November 5th, election day, will tell us.

Historically, America's enemies have been easily recognized. Because they were, Americans were most often united in the defense of their homeland and all that it stands for. Also recognized was that there will never again be a country like this that called so many to a new destiny, or that we were born into. When needed most, common people who wanted to live instead traded their lives to ensure generations yet to be born would have the same God-given rights and opportunities handed to them. That idea was more precious than their lives and a necessary trade if that was the cost to preserve this Republic.

Now, the most dangerous enemy to ever face the



*American Cemetery at Normandy.*

American people is here. Recognize it. While others were willing to trade it all for us, this enemy will take it all for them. They come from both sides of the political aisle entrenched in government, from the entertainment industry, corporate America and the education system. The complicit media though, is your greatest enemy. Disregarding a steadfast commitment to delivery of truth and protecting the citizen as is their obligation, primary to their arsenal is the lie.

False witness is defined as a person who deliberately gives false testimony; a person who has lied or who lies repeatedly. Slander is defined as the action or crime of making a false spoken statement damaging to a person's reputation. Libel is defined as a published false statement that is damaging to a person's reputation; a written defamation.

This predominantly defines American media. And erasing American history, censorship, and the orchestrated



"...How can anyone enter a strong man's house and carry off his possessions unless he first ties up the strong man? Then he can plunder his house." Matthew 12:29.

**Recognize the lies that bind America.**

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**DICK ELLIS**

## American Enemies

*A time to turn away. A time to turn and face.*

Those of us blessed to have been born to, and raised by, men who by necessity defended America and survived to talk about it may not have heard about the most graphic memories until our fathers were in the twilight of life. A generation of WWII combat veterans mostly gone now became known for more than extraordinary courage but later, for not always being eager to share their experiences. A story my father told after being shot down as a fighter pilot, severely injured and taken prisoner after three days on the run evading German soldiers leads to the real story here; to remember the fallen.

Following capture, Lt. Don Ellis stood under guard before a German officer. Lt. Ellis had broken ribs and his hands were severely burned, the result of being shot down and bailing from the cockpit of a P-47 engulfed in flames during a strafing run in Italy on October 4, 1944. The officer asked about his injuries. The 24-year-old American pilot raised both hands, which he described graphically to his sons as “raw wieners” with no finger nails and smelling of severely burnt flesh, and responded that he would lose his hands if he wasn’t given medical help.

The officer said he would receive help only in exchange for information he wanted regarding the American airfield. Instead, Lt. Ellis remained silent and turned away, after which he was given immediate medical attention. Ultimately, he would lose one finger and gnarled hands would not prevent extraordinary work as an engineer throughout his life.

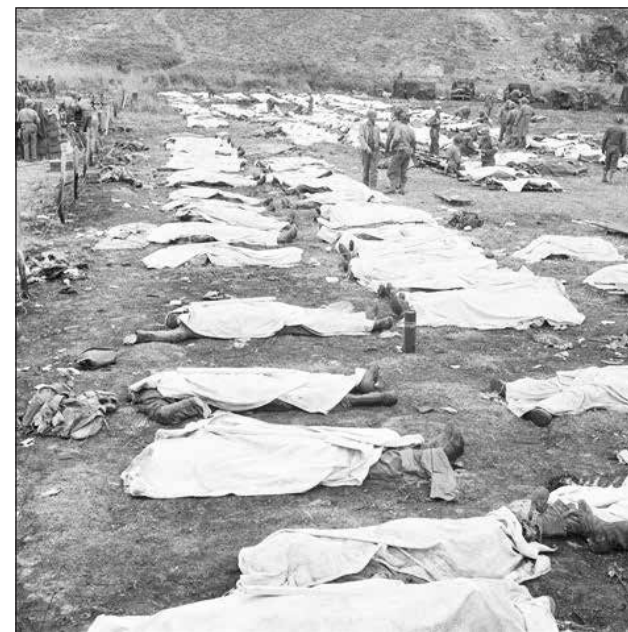
A more difficult loss than physical pain would come with his release from Stalag 7A; the Red Cross during a search for his eldest brother informed him that Tank Commander



*Lt. Don Ellis of Wisconsin Rapids*

Lt. Charles Ellis had been killed on November 30, 1944, less than two months after the younger brother had been shot down. One of six Ellis brothers from Wisconsin Rapids to serve during the war, Charles, would lose his life near the village of Kleinau, Germany, graphically detailed by a survivor of the tank battle and found online decades later by a nephew.

“In an attempt to flank the village, Lt. Ellis’ tank slid into a bomb crater with four feet of water and flipped over,” writes Mike Kunnen in “Tanks in a Mine Field” which graphically details many men from the platoon killed and wounded by enemy fire over one day. “Lt. Ellis was crushed to death attempting to jump clear. The gunner, Arnold Lien, drowned while Sgt. Oberdan Arizzi tried to talk driver Stewart and bow gunner Hullet out through the escape



*Americans killed in Europe await a final resting place.*

hatch on the bottom of the tank. Both got out.”

It is right now to remember stories like these passed down over 248 years in gratitude to those who died for our freedoms. It is also right to understand that those freedoms are not ours now to give away, but our most precious gift and obligation to protect and pass on to American generations yet to be.

It is right too, if we can find the courage, to know when to turn away from an enemy. And, because we must now as a nation find the courage, when to recognize a new enemy and face it. 🍷

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and ongoing lie is pivotal to their tactics in destroying our nation.

As our country struggles now to survive, know that you are not alone and are in fact part of the great majority. Propaganda works to isolate. You are surrounded by Americans who are sickened like you at the very thought of losing our America. Count these publishers among you. Like those who have defended and sustained America across the ages, our commitment is to deliver to you only truth gained through years of watching and documenting the words of those who would destroy us.

Acknowledge now the Founding Fathers and those who died or paid a tremendous cost to preserve the idea of America. They gave you the right to defend your country now simply by casting your ballot. Your vote is for those who came before us, and for those yet to be.

Remember that lies die in the light. And remember too.... your eyes are on the olive branch.

“Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate for the government of any other.” John Adams. 🍷

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athletes, “Less than 10” were competing as transgender. Rather than minimizing a problem, it magnifies the cost of ignoring truth. Radical judges will render decisions that consent to juvenile surgeries without parental consent, mandate co-ed bathrooms in the face of protest from the overwhelming masses, and allow biological men to compete against women. The very few take preference over the vast majority.

If you’re an angler in Wisconsin, it was a judicial ruling that initiated the decimation of walleye fishing in the ceded territory by enabling the spearing of spawning fish by the few. If you’re a deer hunter in Wisconsin, you’re living a potential lethal blow to your heritage in the wake of a

federal judicial decision that placed the gray wolf on the endangered species list. Today, December 19, 2024, OWO received a DNR news release inviting residents to purchase an endangered species license plates for \$25, with the graphic of a gray wolf as an option. We know better. The wolf in Wisconsin is today a grossly out of balance predator. Simply, because a judge in California wants it that way.

The trail we face in Wisconsin is precarious, and the list of freedoms in jeopardy with the looming Supreme Court election long. Beginning with our First and Second Amendments.

Defend Wisconsin and protect the Constitution. Vote Brad Schimel. 🍷



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- **Brad Schimel's rulings will uphold it**
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