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Village Road Projects to Cost Over \$2 Million

By ANDREW KUEHL
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The Kewaskum Village Board met Monday, January 19 in the council room and listened to Village Administrator Dan Schmidt as he shared the village's capital improvement projects for 2004.

The first project that village residents will see is the completion of the village's portion of USH 45. Lighting and landscape work will complete that project.

The second project which will be the largest project is anticipated to start in mid April and will be done in two phases.

Phase one of this project will entail sewer and water work at the Main Street and Riverview Drive intersection. That project will then move west to the Main Street bridge, south through Riverhill park at where it will go within 120 feet north of the dam. Water will then come into Riverhill Park an estimated 600 feet, go westerly across the river towards the AAL shelter and then go northerly on Parkview Drive to Main Street.

Phase two will start on Riverview Drive at the Main Street intersection and travel northward to County Line Drive just outside the village limits. The existing road will

be pulverized, curbing will be replaced and new sanitary sewer, storm sewer, water laterals and water mains will be installed. Washington County will be re-paving a one and a half mile stretch from the village limits to County Line Dr. in the Town of Kewaskum.

"This is the largest project the village has undertaken in 30 years," stated Schmidt.

The village's portion on the project is estimated to cost \$2 million. The county will spend an additional \$500,000 on their portion of the project. According to Schmidt the sewer and water work is original and was installed between 1930 and 1960.

The village will advertise for bids on the project in March, open those bids on April 1 and award the contract on April 5. After the award of the contract the village will hold an informational meeting on the project for village residents and others affected by the project. That meeting is tentatively scheduled for April.

The third project on the village's list is completing the east side of the Edgewood Road Boulevard off CTH H west. The cost of this project will be special assessed over 10 years to the property owners along the road.

Lastly, the village will be bringing a portion of CTH H west up to village specifica-

tions. This is being done due to the fact property along the roadway was annexed to the village in 2003. The project mostly calls for the installation of sidewalk along the highway.

A portion of that project included adding a pedestrian crossing over the Kewaskum Creek that runs under CTH H. Currently there is no crossing for the creek and walkers must walk along the roadway to cross the creek.

The cost for installing the bridge was estimated to cost \$240,000.

Schmidt stated he was hopeful that the village might be able to receive grant funding from a variety of sources.

A few of the trustees spoke out against the project, citing the price tag as their main concern of opposition.

Most vocal was trustee Kevin Scheunemann who stated, "How much do we spend on safety?"

The board decided to exclude the bridge from the 2004 list of projects. After removing that project the estimated cost of the improvements will cost taxpayers \$2,768,000.

Schmidt stated that the money for the project would need to be borrowed over a period of time.

Town of Auburn Rezones 129 Acres

By ANDREW KUEHL
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The Town of Auburn held their monthly meeting before a packed town hall as residents of the township had mixed emotions about a new subdivision looking to re-zone in the township.

At a plan commission meeting that ran about a half hour overtime, many residents stated they wished to keep the rural character of the town while developers, Timbers L.L.C. stated that their subdivision would increase property values thus easing the tax burdens on residents of the farming community.

The over 129 acres that was proposed to be re-zoned was formerly owned by Sam and Bea Gudex. Bea Gudex spoke on behalf of the developers saying she and her husband didn't want to see the land developed, but with agribusiness not being as profitable as in the past they needed to sell the land in order to pay future living expenses.

Other town residents stated they liked this subdivision, and how it was laid out. Their concerns were for future subdivisions coming in that may prove to be less favorable.

After the lengthy plan commission meeting town board supervisors voted in favor of rezoning from Agriculture to Rural Residential.

The subdivision will be located between Haven Drive and Auburn-Ashford Road Moraine Drive will be extended to Haven Drive as part of the development. The subdivision will have 29 lots varying in size, starting at two and a half acres.

Moving on to a tabled discussion on hiring an additional town attorney, Town Chairman Howard Laubenstein stated he was in contact with Karen Christianson who is also the town of Kewaskum attorney. She was uninterested due to possible conflicts with the towns abutting each other.

Laubenstein stated he also contacted Phil Eckert who stated he would be interested in helping the town. That item was again tabled pending further discussion.

Town supervisors agreed to hire an additional snow plow driver. They chose Jeff Rindt who will be an alternate.

Chairman Laubenstein announced the town had a surprise find in a storage shed owned by Chuck Dreher. Dreher's brother who was interested in purchasing it from the town found a now antique grader once used by the town.

Albert Fleischmann who was in attendance at the meeting stated his company, Timbers L.L.C., would pay to have the grader put on display in front of the town hall.

Chairman Laubenstein announced that the town has received highway aid in the amount of \$79,000 from the state.

Treasurer Shelby Sarauer announced she would be transferring road monies into long-term investments. The board decided they would put them in three different long-term CDs.

Sarauer also indicated cash on hand in the checking account was \$34,233.16 and \$410,953.21 in the town's savings account. This amounts to a total of \$445,186.37.

Chairman Laubenstein closed the meeting by asking the supervisors to think about re-organizing the town's zoning and ordinance book. His plan was to have the book re-typed and put together electronically so changes could be more easily made.

Kewaskum Man Injured in USH 45 Crash



A crash that occurred Wednesday afternoon, January 21 is still being investigated by the Washington County Sheriff's Department. The crash occurred on USH 45 just north of STH 28 E. The driver of the pickup truck, Daniel M. Enright, 20, of Kewaskum was transported to St. Joseph's Community Hospital and was treated for injuries he received when his vehicle collided with a milk truck driven by Randy L. Backhaus, 47, of Kewaskum.

NEWS BRIEF

● **BOLTONVILLE SESQUICENTENNIAL**- committee is looking for individuals to display old tractors for their June celebration. The group is also looking for old artifacts from Boltonville. Please contact Ann Enright at 262-692-2607 for more information.

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ON THE RECORD

LUNCH MENUS

KEWASKUM SCHOOL DISTRICT

Monday, Feb. 2 -- Chalupa & toppings, tater tots, corn, mixed fruit, bread & chocolate chip cookie dough. *Pepperoni pizza. (2) Pizza dippers.

Tuesday, Feb. 3 - Bacon cheeseburger/bun, fresh veggies w/Hidden Valley Ranch dip, French fries, pineapple & a green apple juice bar. *Fish square/bun. (2) Pizza dippers.

Wednesday, Feb. 4 -- Chicken patty/bun, onion rings, mandarin oranges, applesauce & a school made cinnamon sweet roll. *Salad bar. (2) Pizza dippers.

Thursday, Feb. 5 -- Zesty Italian spaghetti, French bread w/garlic butter, pear slices & a chewy chocolate cookie. *State Fair corn dog. (2) Pizza dippers.

Friday, Feb. 6 -- Shrimp poppers, macaroni & cheese, coleslaw, fresh orange slices, rye bread & Elfin cookies. (M.S. & H.S. - ice cream sundae bar). *Cheeseburger/bun (2) Pizza dippers.

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL

Monday, Feb. 2 -- Spaghetti, lettuce salad, bread w/butter, peaches, cinnamon roll, milk.

Tuesday, Feb. 3 -- Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes w/gravy, golden corn, pears, chocolate chip cookie, milk.

Wednesday, Feb. 4 -- Hamburger on a bun, tator tots, buttered peas, applesauce, graham squares, milk.

Thursday, Feb. 5 -- Beef taco/chicken fajita (lettuce, tomato, cheese, sour cream, peppers), green beans, Amish sugar cookie, milk.

Friday, Feb. 6 -- Tomato soup, toasted cheese sandwich, peanut butter/jelly sandwich, mandarin oranges, cookie, milk.

ST. LUCAS SCHOOL

Monday, Feb. 2 -- Chicken patty on bun, fries, fruit cocktail, chocolate chip bar.

Tuesday, Feb. 3 -- Beefy shepherd's pie, dinner roll,

peas, mandarin oranges, Reese's chocolate cookie.

Wednesday, Feb. 4 -- Taco - hard or soft shell, rice, carrot coins, pineapple, stripe-it-rich cake.

Thursday, Feb. 5 -- Sausage, egg, cheese sandwich, applesauce, Rice Krispie bar, orange juice.

Friday, Feb. 6 -- Toasted cheese sandwich, chicken or tomato soup, pears, pickle spears, Jello cup.

ST. MATTHEWS SCHOOL

Monday, Feb. 2 -- Chicken popcorn & dip, French fries, broccoli & cauliflower, peaches or apples, dinner roll, milk.

Tuesday, Feb. 3 -- Hot turkey sandwich, curly fries, pickles, corn, kiwi or banana, bar, milk.

Wednesday, Feb. 4 -- Roast beef & gravy, mashed potatoes, coleslaw, wax beans, pears or grapes, pudding cup, milk.

Thursday, Feb. 5 -- Burrito, lettuce salad, green beans, mixed fruit, apple crisp, milk.

Friday, Feb. 6 -- Cheese pizza, raw veggies & dip, chilled pineapple or melon, milk.

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Tuesday, Feb. 3 -- Seasoned pepper steak over rice, caribbean vegetables, tropical fruit, dinner roll, cupcake.

Wednesday, Feb. 4 -- Cream of broccoli soup, polish sausage on a bun, hash-browns, country mix, vegetables, marble cake.

Thursday, Feb. 5 -- Liver and onions, mashed potatoes with gravy, creamed corn, lettuce salad with French dressing, whole wheat bread, apple pie.

Bingo every Monday, 10 - 11:30 a.m. Bring 50¢ prize to participate.

XYZ CARD RESULTS

The winners at cards played at the Municipal Building Annex on Wednesday, Jan. 21st were:

SKAT: Francis Gilboy, 14-0--14 net; Teresa Peterson, 14-6--8 net.

SHEEPSHEAD: Betty Jacak, Harold Backhaus and Vange Teeselink.

RESCUE CALLS

On January 19, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched to the Town of Kewaskum for a person that had a reaction to medication. A transport was made.

On January 21, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched in the Village of Kewaskum for a person that had weakness. A transport was made.

Also on January 21, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched to the Town of Wayne for a person involved in a motor vehicle accident. No transports were made.

On January 22, Kewaskum Rescue and Boltonville First Responders were dispatched to the town of Farmington for a person feeling ill. A transport was made.

On January 23, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched in the Village of Kewaskum for a person with difficulty breathing. A transport was made.

On January 24, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched in the Village of Kewaskum for a person with a diabetic problem. No transport was made.

Also on January 24, Kewaskum Rescue and Boltonville First Responders were dispatched to the town of Farmington for a person that fainted. A transport was made.

Again on January 24, Ke-

waskum Rescue was dispatched in the Village of Kewaskum for a person with shortness of breath. A transport was made.

On January 25, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched in the Village of Kewaskum for a person with an allergic reaction. A transport was made.

Also on January 25, Kewaskum Rescue and Boltonville First Responders were dispatched to the Town of Kewaskum for a snowmobile accident. A transport was made.

New Births

GEHRMAN -- A daughter, Jessica Nicole, to Michelle and Bradley Gehrman, Campbellsport, born on Jan. 20, 2004. She weighed seven pounds and 14 ounces, and was 21 inches long.

ALLEN -- A son, Braelon Andre, to Kimberly Rowe and Andre Allen, Eden, born on Jan. 20, 2004. He weighed eight pounds and nine ounces, and was 21 inches long.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Nominations for Ms. Mardi Gras Close Saturday

There were only two nominations received up to this point for the newly-created Ms. Mardi Gras contest, and both of those happened to be Jeanne's. The first nomination we got was for Jeanne Goeden and the second one was for Jeanne Marchant.

Where oh where were all my Mr. October contestants who vowed to get revenge on all the females who nominated them?

The fact we only received two nominations would in itself not be a problem, however we are working on a very limited time frame here. The first segment, which is the only time you will be able to nominate those you hold near and dear, ends already this Saturday. That only leaves a few days to get those nominations in the mail.

On Sunday, the contestants who received the most nominations will be the lucky ladies who will go on to the prestigious semi-finals.

The eventual winner of the contest will be crowned at the first annual Mardi Gras dinner and dance on Friday, March 5, at the Amerahn. The contest and celebration is being sponsored by the Friends of Kewaskum.

Proceeds from the contest will be split with half of the proceeds going to fund Kettle Kountry Kolors in Fall and the other half will go to the charity of the winner's choice. It's a win-win situation for everyone involved.

The Friends of Kewaskum have recently found out that the food for the Mardi Gras Cajun style buffet will be catered by the chefs of Woody's Steakhouse of Kewaskum. They will share a variety of delectable Mardi Gras specialties sure to please everyone's palate. Brats and hot dogs will also be available for those who are afraid to try the authentic Cajun style cuisine, but Woody has stated that there will be food on the buffet for even the pickiest appetites.

Now all that is left to do is get a substantial field of Ms. Mardi Gras candidates. And that is totally up to our readers. The coupon to vote for your favorite female is located on page two, so don't put off doing until tomorrow what can be done today. Fill out the coupon and send it in now.

I have heard rumors that people have intended to vote but just haven't had the time yet. It's January... what else can people possibly be doing other than putting away Christmas decorations and trying to stay warm?

According to local gossip, I have heard that those soon to be nominated include Aggie Fleischman, Katie Schladweiler, Wendi Dreher and

Angie D. Now of course, that could just be "bar talk" because I haven't as YET received nominations for them. But there still is a little time left (three days is very little), so celebrate the coming of February by nominating someone you love!

Friends of Lakeview Library Pay Off Loan

The Friends of the Lakeview Community Library have paid off the loan taken out with Wisconsin State Bank to complete renovation of the lower level for the children's library, library technical services and activity room. The community is to be congratulated and thanked for supporting the Friends' numerous fundraisers and for sending personal donations.

The renovation project started in May of 2002 and was completed in April of 2003 at a cost of \$185,000. The Friends borrowed \$10,000 in May of 2003 to buy additional stacks and furniture to complete the renovation. Now that the debt is paid, the Friends will continue with their most successful fundraisers to enhance library services. Currently they are selling 2004 Entertainment Books and Suzy's cheesecakes.

Journaling Class To Be Offered at St. Joseph Convent

Journaling into Wholeness, An experiential journaling class will be offered at St. Joseph Convent.

The dates for the classes are Thursday, Feb. 12th, 19th, 26th, Mar. 4th, 11th and 18th and will be held at 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Journaling into Wholeness is an experience in recording and reflecting on the giftedness of life past and present. Different techniques will be presented to illustrate how to look deeper into the heart and soul and how to find the wisdom, the joy, and the dreams that can now transform oneself. The emphasis of this class is on learning how to reflect and to respond to those reflections in such a way as to welcome and walk on a journey of wellness and wholeness.

The six week class sessions will be facilitated by Jan Puta. Jan is a diversified workshop presenter and a skilled mentor. She has extensive education and experience in spirituality, energy healing, Jungian dream work, and spirituality mentoring. She is also a Certified Spiritual Director, and a Director of Directed Retreats.

The fee for the 6 week sessions is \$30.00. You may register by phone by calling the Continuing Education/Lifelong Learning Manager 920-533-8351 ext. 205. The class will take place at St. Joseph Convent, 526 Mill St. in Campbellsport.

Washington-FDL Counties Looking for Trail Names

Well it's nearly official, after many years of anticipation Washington and Fond du Lac counties are presently signing an agreement with the state that signs the responsibilities of acquisition, development, maintenance and operation of this new state park trail.

"Both counties feel that the working name for the trail, the Eden-West Bend Trail, is inadequate," stated Sam Tobias, Fond du Lac County Planning and Parks Director.

Both counties are searching for a formal name that is unique, that is identifiable with the trail's regional setting, memorable and marketable. Railroad history and natural history would make good starting points for trail

name ideas. There are likely other good starting points for trail name ideas.

"We would like to include folks from Eden to West Bend in the naming process," concluded Tobias.

The planning and parks departments of both counties ask that suggestions be mailed to: Fond du Lac County Planning and Parks Dept., 160 S Macy St., Fond du Lac, WI 54935 Suggestions can be emailed to: planning@co.fond-du-lac.wi.us Ideas can also be telephoned or faxed to the department at: 920/929-3153 or faxed 920/929-7655.

The deadline to submit ideas is February 27, 2004. Once a name is chosen it will be shared with the media.

Upcoming Events at UWWC

February 3-May 9, 2004, Tuesdays, 4-5 p.m., West Bend Children's Choir.

Boys and girls ages 8-14. Tuition: second semester, new - \$100; second semester, continuing, \$50. Choral selections include pop, folk, classical, and Broadway. Music literacy, ear-training and choral technique will be incorporated within the weekly lessons.

Tuesdays, February 3, 10, 17, 24, 2004. 7 to 9:30 p.m. Moraine Symphonic Band.

New members welcome to join. Rehearsals are every Tuesday evening. No membership fee.

For more information, call Dr. Daniel Ackley at 262-677-0234.

Thursdays, February 5 - March 25, 2004, 6:30-8 p.m. Introduction to Spanish.

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For more information, contact the UWWC Department of Continuing Education at 262-335-5218.

February 5, 7 to 9 p.m., Watershed Watchers.

The Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Art and Letters will present on the impact of state water policies and programs. Free Admission; everyone is welcome. Room 201.

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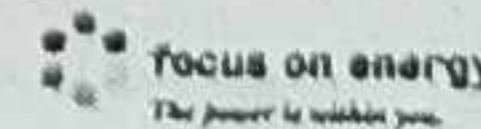
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Next ACT Test April 3, Registration Deadline Feb. 27

College-bound high school students can take the ACT Assessment on April 3, 2004, the next nationwide test date. The registration postmark deadline is February 27. Late registration postmark deadline is March 12 (an additional fee is required for late registration).

ACT scores are accepted by virtually all colleges and universities in the nation, including all Ivy League schools. The test fee is \$26 (\$29 in Florida). Colleges use ACT scores, along with a student's high school GPA, high school courses taken, extracurricular activities and other information to help determine admissions and the appropriate course placement for new students.

The ACT Assessment is an achievement test in English, reading, math and science. It measures what students have learned in high school, and the skills required for success in college. It is not an aptitude test. Some students find it more comfortable than an aptitude test because it reflects their high school curriculum. The ACT was ad-

ministered more than 2 million times last year.

Important tips -- Students who have already taken the ACT can take it again and try for a higher score. Juniors can use their scores to examine academic weaknesses, take courses to correct those weaknesses and re-take the exam as seniors. Students who take the exam more than once can report only their highest composite score to prospective colleges if they choose.

For more information, including registration forms and test locations, contact your high school guidance counselor or register online on ACT's website -- <http://www.act.org>. The website also has helpful information, sample tests and the opportunity to order test prep materials.



Candlelight Ski/Hike Feb. 7

Break your winter cabin fever by journeying to the Kettle Moraine State Forest - Northern Unit for the annual Candlelight Ski/Hike on the Zillmer Trails. The Zillmer Trails are located off of Hwy 55 between Hwy 67 and Hwy G near New Prospect. The ski/hike will held snow or no snow on Saturday, February 7, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

The brown loop at Zillmer will be lighted by the soft glow of candle luminaries. If there is snow, the trail will be packed and groomed for cross-country skiing. This is a perfect trail for the whole family to ski with no sharp curves or steep hills. There will also be plenty of room for those who want to hike by candlelight through the beautiful dark winter woods. Join fellow skiers and hikers at a roaring campfire to share its warmth. To further chase away the chills, enjoy a cup of hot cider and some cookies provided by the Friends of the Kettle Moraine.

A State Park Vehicle Admission Sticker is required for this event. If you do not already have your 2003 State Park Vehicle Admission Sticker, you may purchase one that night. Annual stickers are \$20 and a daily pass is \$5 for state residents. For further information, contact the forest staff at the Ice Age Visitor Center at (920) 533-8322.

Wayne Crusaders 4-H Club News

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM at Wayne elementary School. The 4-H and American pledges were led by Gretchen Weisse and Katie Dean. Roll call was taken. The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were read and accepted by a vote.

The new By-Laws for our club were accepted and will be put into affect next year. More items are needed to fill the baskets for love that the county provided for us. We are in the process of planning a club movie trip to Paradise Theater. Applications were passed out to seniors in High School to apply for club scholarships. There are also county scholarships avail-

able. Volunteers were needed to help at Celebrate Families with the Treasure Chest and passing out keys. Some reminders are:

1. New Family Orientation Jan. 15
2. Record Book Rally Jan. 28
3. Tri County Youth Conference Jan. 24
4. Project adds due Jan. 15, Project drops due March 1
5. Quarterly Animal Science Meeting Jan. 21
6. Celebrate Families February 8-14

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM and refreshments were served.

By: Jill Schmitt
Club Reporter



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COMMUNITY NEWS

Scott Board Discusses Improvements; Activities of Area Fire Departments

By Bernadette Mondloch

Town of Scott board members are giving some consideration to improving the heating system at the Scott Community Center.

Supervisor Bruce Birenbaum reports that he assisted a local contractor in investigating the attic area of the building. The examination turned up information which may cause an expenditure which wasn't a part of the 2004 budget.

They found insulation is missing in areas around a partially damaged plywood heating duct. The duct not only carries heat but also shares a part of the duct which brings in the cold air.

Birenbaum stated that the town has three choices to take care of the situation. Number one would be new duct work and exhaust fans; number two would be to insulate the wood ducts and install exhaust fans, and number three would be to do nothing.

Supervisor Ira Weber suggested that it should be repaired. Birenbaum has made arrangements with another contractor for a second opinion on what can be done.

The public input portion of the Monday night meeting resulted in comments on the accumulation of junk cars on a Krahn Road property. Scott resident Orville Mileager questioned, "Why is nothing being done to have that property being cleaned up?" He was of the understanding that the town had ordered it to be done several months ago.

He was told that the prop-

erty owner was given 60 days to remove the vehicles and that the 60 days will expire at the end of January. Mileager suggested that the town should give more attention to enforcement of town ordinances.

Building inspector Frank Mayer reported that building was down during the past year. Eleven homes were built in 2002 compared to only three in 2003. A contract with the Grota Assessing firm for 2004 and 2005 has been signed with provisions to pay the annual fee of \$7,600.

The road committee reported that 15 loads of wood chips have been accumulated during the past month with plans to continue cutting back the willows on Valley View Road between Highway 28 and 144 and County Road XX. Wood chips are available for town residents who request them.

Town employees are using their spare time to remodel and make repairs on the pier pulled from Beechwood Lake. New floats will be part of the repair work. A DNR grant obtained for dredging a portion of the lake shore may need to be amended in order to obtain funds for changes planned for the pier replacement.

During the past month the Batavia First Responders have answered five medical calls and one automobile accident. The Batavia Fire Department had one meeting, two drills, one fire call, one incident critique, and completed the annual fire inspections. Two members have completed the entry level Fire Fight-

er Class and one, the EMT Class. Repairs to the Batavia siren are in progress.

The Beechwood fire fighters responded to one fire call, one practice, two meetings, two work details, three truck committee meetings and one incident critique. Work details included installation of a new dry hydrant in Beechwood Lake and repair and reinstallation of a second hydrant at that lake.

The 2004 contract with the Beechwood and Batavia Fire Departments and the Batavia First Responders was signed. A resolution was passed to establish a \$10,000 contingency account for the Beechwood Fire Department and \$10,000 for the Batavia Fire Department plus an amount left from previous years allotment to Batavia.

Both departments have purchased badges for all members in order to be in compliance with directives issued to all county fire departments. These badges are needed for security measures.

The Beechwood department has been successful in obtaining a grant to fund the purchase of a mini pumper used for "car" fires and other small calls. The truck will have 1000 gallon water storage. The grant application was for \$110,000, with 10% of that amount to be paid by the department, a requirement for obtaining the grant.

Beechwood has also applied for a DNR grant which if successful will be applied to purchase personnel equipment or fire apparatus.

plans and pension incomes and another that would exempt social security benefits. Seniors are being taxed out of their homes and are leaving the state. There needs to be a concerted effort to keep them here.

Legislation has also been introduced which would eliminate the state estate tax beginning in January 1, 2006. Individuals work and pay taxes their entire lives, only to be taxed again after death. Retirees in Wisconsin are being advised to leave Wisconsin for other states that do not impose estate taxes.

The Governor also signed into law Assembly Bill 655, the regulatory reform bill. This bill will make the state more business-friendly, more competitive with other states and will create jobs. Wisconsin ranks 28th in terms of a business friendly tax climate. Earlier in the year, legislation was enacted that adopts the single sales factor approach for allocating taxes to keep Wisconsin competitive with neighboring states. Prior to

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Library Usage Up, Internet Classes Planned

Village president Matt Heiser reported that usage is again up at the Kewaskum Public Library in his report to Village trustees at the village board meeting held earlier in the month.

After a short lull in November, numbers are on the rise at the library. For the month of December 529 more items were borrowed than in that same time in 2002.

Heiser also reported that the library received \$7,219 from Washington County for serving patrons through out the county that do not have a library in their township. In addition they received \$1,397 in funds that were not distributed throughout 2003.

The library has many special programs planned for 2004 a few of those include: The ever-popular computer classes that have been offered in the past are being offered again at the Kewaskum Public Library:

The first class will be Monday, February 23 at 11:00 am and 6 p.m. The class will focus on Internet search techniques for people who want a more in-depth look at finding information online.

The second class will take place Tuesday, February 24 at 11:00 am and Thursday, February 26 at 6pm. Online

Local History and Genealogy Resources will be the topic, this class will look at various websites of local interest and get a basic overview of Heritage Quest Online, a new library resource.

Sign up in person, via telephone, or online. Please notify the library as to which class you would like and which time you are available. There are a limited number of openings available; the sooner you contact the library, the better your chance at getting a time that works with your schedule.

The classes are free of charge for any Wisconsin resident and will be 60 minutes in length.

For more information, call the library at 626-4312 or visit the library online at www.kewaskum.lib.wi.us or e-mail kewaskum@mwfls.org.

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News From The Capitol

By Senator Mary Panzer



State of the State is Improving

The Governor recently gave his State of the State Speech. It is important to note, two of the most significant accomplishments he highlighted were also two of the most significant accomplishments of the Republican Legislature in the last year: A budget that began with a \$3.2 billion deficit, but in the end was balanced without raising taxes. Passing the most comprehensive regulatory reforms in over a generation.

The budget was balanced without raising sales or income taxes, but under the Governor's original proposal, property taxes would have increased significantly. In response to a memo by the non-partisan Legislative Fiscal Bureau that property tax-

es could rise as much as ten percent, the Legislature passed a property tax freeze. The Governor vetoed that provision. However, a message was sent to local taxing entities that every level of government needs to control their spending. We also need to review the state's overall tax structure, including property taxes, income taxes, sales taxes and the estate tax.

As of tax collections for the 2000-01 fiscal year, Wisconsin still ranked eighth highest in per capita income collections compared to other states. We need to bring income taxes in line with people's ability to pay. Two separate bills have been introduced that would create a tax exemption on retirement

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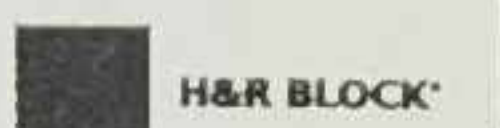
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COMMUNITY/PEOPLE NEWS

Lemke - Geidel



Paul and Diane Lemke of Kewaskum and Gerald and Patricia Geidel of Kewaskum announce the engagement of their children Joanne Lemke and Jeremy Geidel.

Joanne is a 1994 graduate of Kewaskum High School and a 1998 Magna Cum Laude graduate of the University of Whitewater. She has achieved a Bachelor's Degree in Social Work and is currently working on a Master Degree in Social Work. Joanne is currently employed

full-time at St. Joseph's Community Hospital in the sub acute unit in West Bend and works parttime at West Bend Elevator and REM.

Jeremy is a 1994 graduate of Kewaskum High school and a 1996 graduate of Fox Valley Technical College with a degree in diesel truck engineering. Jeremy is currently employed with Kreilkamp in Allenton as a regional ORT driver.

The couple is planning an August 28, 2004 wedding.

2003 semester at the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

Local students include: Jessica M. Repovsch of Kewaskum, and Jessica M. Gellings and Lisa M. Schickert, both of Campbellsport.

The award is presented to students who have a grade point average of 3.5 or above. Those receiving a 4.0 grade point average are given a special four-star recognition.

UW-Stout is a special mission university in the UW System. The university has a long-standing reputation of serving business, industry, education and the helping professions through its specialized educational programs. Enrollment this year is approximately 8,000.

Campus Notes

Jaell Alicia Ledford, daughter of Julie Windler of Kewaskum and James Ledford of Fort Dodge, IA, was named to the University of Minnesota's Carlson School of Management, Fall Semester 2003 Dean's List.

Students named to the Dean's List are recognized for outstanding academic achievement by earning a 3.67 grade point average or higher in 12 or more A/F credits for the semester.

The Carlson School undergraduate curriculum has gained national attention for its balance of liberal arts and communications and its emphasis on management disciplines. The Bachelor of Science in Business degree requires two years of liberal arts education, followed by two years of upper division course work.

Jaell, a 2003 graduate of Kewaskum High School is a freshman in the Carlson School of Management majoring in marketing.

Menomonie, Wis. --- Following are students from the area who received the Chancellor's Award for the fall

Spaeth Enters Universal Technical Institute

Levi J. Spaeth is geared up for a new career. The resident of West Bend has been accepted to the Universal Technical Institute (UTI) campus in Glendale Heights, Illinois. Spaeth will train to become a professional automotive technician.

As a student in UTI's ASE Master Certified Automotive Technology program, Spaeth will learn how to diagnose, service and repair domestic and foreign automobiles. From basic engines systems to custom built, high performance engines, students in this program work with a variety of vehicles.

Founded in 1965 in Phoenix, Universal Technical Institute, Inc (NYSE: UTI) is the leading provider of technical education training in the United States. The company strives to be the industry's choice for developing and sourcing professional technicians, and has graduated more than 65,000 students.

UTI's automotive industry customers include Audi of America, BMW of North America, Ford Motor Co., Jaguar Cars, Mercedes-Benz USA LLC, Proscce Cars North America, Volkswagen of America and Volvo of America.

UTI has seven campuses nationwide, including Phoenix; Rancho Cucamonga, Calif., Glendale Heights, Ill., Houston and Mooresville, N.C.; with locations in Phoenix, and Orlando, Fla. specializing in motorcycle and marine training.



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Jan. 29:	Stephanie Kirst Sandra Gitter
Jan. 30:	John Kuehl
Jan. 31:	Carol Halfmann Rosemary Marsh
Feb. 1:	Kim Dudarenke Cindy Krause
Feb. 2:	Tanner Bowen
Feb. 3:	Jerry W. Brockman
Feb. 4:	Tanya Laubach Ralph Theusch

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or E-mail - ckuehl@kewaskumstatesman.com
There is a deadline 3 pm Monday for Thursday publication.

In the Service

Army National Guard Pvt. Thomas E. Etzel III has graduated from One Station Unit Training (OSUT) at the U.S. Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga. The training consisted of basic military training and advanced individual training (AIT).

During basic training, the trainee received instruction in drill and ceremonies, military customs and courtesies, map reading, tactics, basic rifle marksmanship, physical fitness, field training, and first aid. The recruit developed combat skills and handled various weapons available to the infantry soldier.

During AIT, the soldier re-

ceived instruction to serve as an infantryman using light and heavy anti-armor weapons, indirect-fire support, and mechanized operations while assigned to a rifle or mortar squad. The training included weapons qualification, tactics, patrolling, navigation, field communications, and combat operations; engagement in infantry combat exercises, battle drills, land mine locating, neutralizing and extracting, and survival operations during a nuclear, biological or chemical attack.

Etzel is the son of Thomas Etzel Jr. of Moraine Drive, Campbellsport and Antia Etzel of Vogt Drive, West Bend,

He is a 2002 graduate of Campbellsport High School.



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The Kewaskum Kiwanis Club will end their now annual Entertainment coupon books for \$35 each. Fond du Lac-Green Bay books are also available for \$25.

The club would like to thank all those who already purchased books and made the sale a success. Monies raised from the sale were used to fund programs like the Jake's Free Fishing Day, Public Library Summer Reading program and high school scholarships.

The books are available at any Kewaskum or West

Support the FdL Humane Society And Have Pawsatively A Ball!

The Fond du Lac Humane Society's third annual benefit, Pawsatively A Ball, will be held on Friday, February 20th from 6:30 p.m. to midnight at the Ramada Plaza Hotel in Fond du Lac.

This is the Humane Society's largest and most important fundraiser for 2004. Funds raised at this premier event are directed to the General Operating fund to help support and maintain the Fond du Lac shelter which cared for over 1,600 homeless animals in 2003. The Fond du Lac Humane Society is a not-for-profit organization which does not receive state or federal funding.

This black-tie optional Champagne and Hors d'oeuvre Reception will include a Silent Auction featuring over 60 items, Specialty Raffles for Jewelry, Pets and "His and Her" items, Professional Portraits by Studio One and dancing to the swing music

Bend Dairy Queen or Kuehl's Suds & Spirits.

Coupons in the book can be redeemed at some of the following local businesses: **Dairy Queen**- SIX buy one get one FREE coupons!, **Charcoal Grill, West Bend**- buy one lunch or dinner entree, get the second at no charge! (a \$9 value), **Northwinds Supper Club, Eden**- buy one dinner entree, get the second at no charge! (an \$18 value), **Susie's Home Cooking, Lomira**- buy one meal get the second at no charge! (a

of the Zoot Suit Boogie Band. New this year will be a Live Auction and a Celebrity Pets 'n Pearls fashion show. Shelter animals and alumni pets will be dressed their best by local pet boutiques while Celebrity walkers will be in the latest fashions provided by Penelope and Catherine's Formal Wear.

Advance reservations are required as seating is limited. Event admission is \$45 per person for Humane Society Members and \$50 per person for Non-Members. Corporate Event Sponsorship is also available in four categories: Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum Paws. For more information, including reservations please contact Kathy Twohig at 921-6382 by Friday, February 13th.

Mark your calendars for Friday, February 20th for this purr-fect opportunity to share your love of animals with those you love and let's have a Ball!

\$6 value). Just after eating at these four fabulous restaurants your book is paid for!

Others include, El Rey Mexican Restaurant in West Bend, The Fireside in Allenton and many others! In addition to the above restaurants all TGI Friday's, Pizza Huts, KFC, Pick N Saves offer coupons. Also offering various coupons are the following attractions: Milwaukee Admirals, Brewers, County Zoo, Mustangs and Wave. National chains offering coupons are: Target.com, Continental Airlines, Hertz Auto Rentals, Ryder and Amtrak to name a few. One stay at the hundreds of hotels offering discounts can pay for the whole book itself, that's right, ONE NIGHT'S STAY!

The books make the perfect gift and can be purchased for areas other than Metro Milwaukee. The book can be used from now until November of 2004.

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The Smith and Hawken design of 100% recycled plastic, which retails at \$79, is available for \$44.95. Composting recovers valuable organic waste from the yard and kitchen to produce a wonderful soil amendment that boosts crop and flower yields, prevents soil erosion, reduces the need for fertilizers, and suppresses certain plant diseases. Compost also improves drainage in clay and retains moisture in sand, decreasing watering needs and nutrient leaching.

All orders are due by March 5, and supplies are limited on trees and plants. Pick-up is April 29 and 30 at Washington County Fair Park, 3000 Hwy PV, just east of Hwy 45 at the Hwy PV exit.

For more information, please refer to the tree sale brochure, available on-line at: www.co.washington.wi.us/lcd, call 262-335-4810 or e-mail: landcon@co.washington.wi.us.

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LOCAL EVENTS

County Historical Society To Present Sheep Shearing

The Washington County Historical Society is proud to present a special event to Old World Wisconsin - Sheep Shearing.

In this fun-filled event, you get to follow that wool! Discover the process of wool from the shearing of sheep to the creation of the final wool product.

Since this is an unguided tour, you get the chance to explore at your own pace, spending more time following your own interests. A box lunch will be provided at the Norwegian Village for you at anytime you wish. Trams will be in operation for traveling

throughout the park.

While at the park, visit an 1870's village including a home, general store, and a blacksmith and shoemaker shops. Also explore award-winning nature trails that venture through beautiful woods and prairies that are home to many wild creatures.

Join the society on Saturday, May 15th, 2004 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for this exciting and enjoyable event. Transportation will be provided on a Riteway luxury bus.

The total cost of the tour is \$40 for society members and \$50 for non-members.

Registration for this event

Kettle Moraine Symphony To Hold Kids Concert

Kewaskum Middle School will play host to a Kids Concert by the Kettle Moraine Symphony on Sunday, February 22 at 3 p.m.

According to Mark Koening, Executive Director of the Kettle Moraine Symphony the Kids Concert is an annual feature of the group's concert lineup.

"We enjoy our visits to various locations as we put the orchestra on the road. Presenting works with a younger audience in mind, we have played at schools and other locations in Washington County," stated Koening.

Typically, the orchestra performs right on the main floor, surrounded by the audience, some of whom bring blankets and pillows so they can get up close to see the instruments and how they are played. Refreshments and special touches add to the program, making for a memorable afternoon of music.

This is only one of several activities planned for the symphony who encourages music appreciation and talent development. Others include featuring talent competition winners in concert with the orchestra, providing scholarship support, offering

pre-concert presentation, as a source of music information, supporting development among their musicians, and providing a forum for many music teachers to apply their skills and perform in ensemble.

In a time when tight budgets have affected schools arts programs, we are pleased to be able to present fine music in programs that inform and entertain, in addition to being a great family event. Tickets for the Kids Concert are priced for affordability at only \$10 for adults, \$7 for seniors and students, and just \$3 for children through middle school age.

will be accepted until April 15th. The tour is limited, so register early. Members will be given priority.

For more information or to register, please call the society at 262-335-4678, or mail payment and registration to: Washington County Historical Society, 320 South 5th Avenue, West Bend, WI 53095.

Anikan Skywalker To Snowmen Display At RL Library

The Lakeview Community Library's display cases feature Star War's Anikan Skywalker to snowmen through Saturday, January 31.

A snowmen collection owned by Arnold and Carol Depies of rural Belgium, is featured in the first floor display case. The collection of over 65 snowmen features many different mediums - fabric, wood, china, glass - and styles from snowmen playing softball to snowmen sledding!

Star War's Anikan Skywalker is featured in the children's room display case. Owned by Random Lake Middle School student Julia Dietrich of Random Lake, this collection features Skywalker action figures, a skateboard, books, light sabers, stickers and trading cards.

For more information concerning these displays, contact the Lakeview Community Library, located at 112 Butler Street in Random Lake, at 920-994-4825. Hours are Mon-Thurs. 9:30-8; Fri., 9:30-5:30 and Sat. 9:30-12:30.

Join in for Fish Fry and Tie Game

All Campbellsport and Kewaskum area basketball fans are invited to partake in a fulfilling fundraiser prior to the Eastern Wisconsin Conference boys game between the Campbellsport Cougars and the Kewaskum Indians. On Friday, January 30th Kewaskum High School will be conducting their annual Friday Fish Fry and Tie Night in the K.H.S. Cafeteria from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Any and all area spectators are encouraged to enjoy this unusual opportunity to participate in a delicious dinner and a hotly contested basketball rivalry game. Tickets can be purchased from any member of the K.H.S. Boys or Girls Basketball Teams or at the door. The \$7.50 tickets include the fish fry, beverage, desserts and admission to the boys basketball games at 6:00 and 7:30 p.m. as well.

The bountiful meal will include Icelandic Cod, Cole Slaw, French Fries, Rye or White Bread, Beverage and Desserts. Carryouts will be available by purchasing tickets or by placing an order at K.H.S. (262)-626-2166 Exten-

sion 4118 prior to January 30th. Tickets will be discounted for Senior Citizens, Preschool Children and anyone wearing a Fish Tie to the Fish Fry and/ or the Game.

Members of the K.H.S. Girls Basketball Team will be hosting and serving the fish fry to all people interested in partaking in this rare pregame dinner and attending the always entertaining Eastern Wisconsin Conference contest.

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Public School Open Enrollment Application Period Feb. 2-20

MADISON - State Superintendent Elizabeth Burmaster announced dates for open enrollment applications for the 2004-05 school year, reminding parents who wish to choose the public school district their children will attend next year to apply during the February 2 to 20 application window.

"Open enrollment, better known as public school choice, provides an important option that enhances parental involvement and supports our shared responsibility to educate children," Burmaster said.

This February application period commences the seventh year in which Wisconsin law has permitted children to attend public school in a school district other than the one in which they live. Participation in the program continues to grow, with 12,379 students transferring to another school district during the 2002-03 school year, up from just 2,464 transfers the first year of the program.

Under the full-time public school open enrollment program, parents must apply during the application period to the school district they wish their children to attend. Early and late applications are not accepted. Parents will be informed by April 9

whether their open enrollment applications have been approved or denied.

Transportation is the responsibility of the parent; however, some school districts may elect to provide partial transportation. Parents with questions about transportation should call both the resident and nonresident school district offices to find out if any transportation will be provided. Reimbursement of some transportation costs is available for low-income parents whose children are eligible for free or reduced-price lunches under the federal school lunch program.

The DPI provides the following guidelines for parents who wish to apply for open enrollment.

* Open enrollment deadlines are firm. Application forms must be submitted to the nonresident school district no earlier than February 2 and no later than February 20. Early and late applications will be returned. The forms are due in the nonresident school district no later than 4 p.m. on February 20; a postmark will not meet the requirement. Hand-delivery of application forms to the nonresident school district is strongly recommended.

* Parents may submit ap-

plications to no more than three nonresident school districts for each child during the open enrollment application period.

* Forms must be filled out completely and accurately. Contact the local school district office or the DPI if assistance is needed in filling out the form. An inaccurate or incomplete form may result in denial of an application.

* Parents may request enrollment in a specific school or program in the nonresident school district; however, enrollment in the requested school or program is subject to space and other limitations and is not guaranteed.

* Most students who attended a nonresident school district under open enrollment last year are not required to reapply for the 2004-05 school year. However, if the student will be entering middle school, junior high school, or high school in the 2004-05 school year, parents should call the nonresident school district to find out if reapplication will be required.

* Parents may apply for their children to attend 4-year-old-kindergarten under open enrollment only if the resident school district also offers a 4-year-old-kindergarten program for which the

child is eligible.

Application forms may be obtained from any public school district, from the Department of Public Instruction, or from the DPI's open enrollment website at <http://www.dpi.state.wi.us/d>

pi/dfm/sms/psctoc.html. More information is available from local school districts or from Mary Jo Cleaver, DPI, 888-245-2732 (toll-free) or email at maryjo.cleaver@dpi.state.wi.us.

State Patrol Intensifies Enforcement Efforts with Special Details

Wisconsin State Patrol troopers will intensify their enforcement efforts in coming weeks in a concerted effort to get drivers to slow down, buckle up and drive sober.

"The total number of traffic fatalities in Wisconsin during 2003 was the highest in 22 years. So far this year, we are continuing the same tragic trend," says Captain David Pichette, commander of the State Patrol district office in Fond du Lac. "The State Patrol will do its utmost to prevent motorists from seriously injuring or killing themselves and others on our highways."

For its concentrated enforcement details, the State Patrol has identified areas of highways where intensified efforts are warranted.

For instance, the State Patrol will have an enforcement detail on Friday, January 30th, in Fond du Lac County. Other enforcement details may be unannounced.

To enforce speed limits, State Patrol troopers will use laser equipment, which can

accurately pinpoint speeding vehicles traveling among other cars and trucks. They also will combat drunk driving by enforcing the state's new 0.08 blood/breath alcohol concentration law.

"To prevent fatal and serious-injury crashes, the State Patrol will team up with other law enforcement agencies to enforce traffic laws for speeding, seat belt use, and drunk driving," Captain Pichette says. "Our goal is not just to issue more tickets for violations. With a more visible law enforcement presence on highways, we are striving to deter motorists from illegal and irresponsible actions that put themselves and others at risk."

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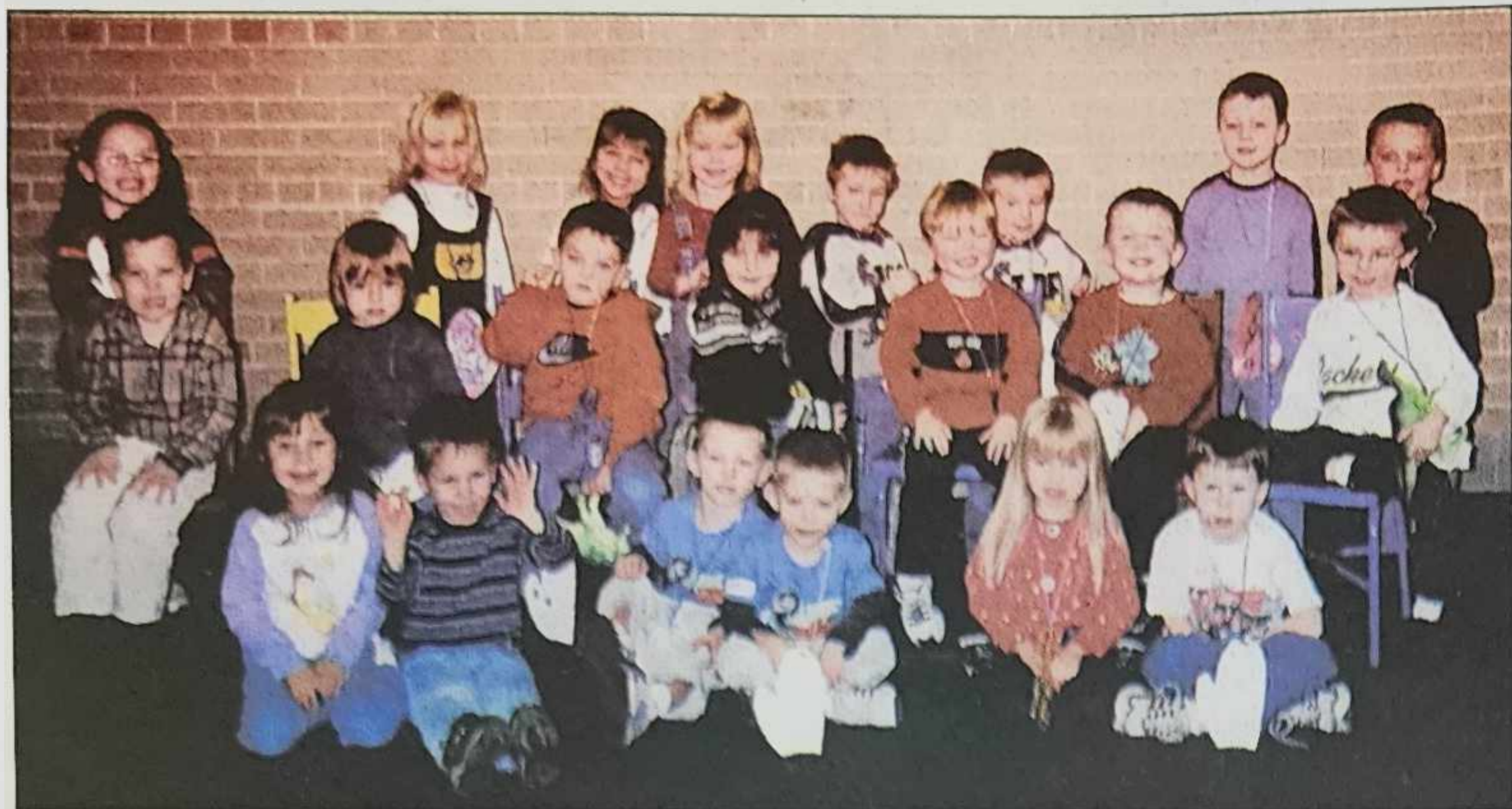
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SCHOOL NEWS

KHS Preschool Graduates



Shown above are the 2003-2004 KHS Preschool graduates. They are, front row, left to right: Stefanie Schneider, Weston Mavritz, Brandan Schuetz, Bailey Schuetz, Rebecca Meltz and Ryan Krebsbach. Row two: Liam Hupfer, Brianna Taylor, Cole Kissinger, Cassandra Kissinger, Ryan Landvatter, Brandon Prim and Caleb Reif. Row three: Shawna Landvatter, Maria Stucke, Taylar Miller, Taylor Cook, Dylan Bublitz, Derek Bublitz, Tyler Schellinger and Logan Kertscher.

The child development classes at Kewaskum High school recently held their semi-annual preschool for area three to five year olds. It is unsure if the "teachers" of the preschoolers learned more but it was certain that all involved decided it was a wonderful experience.

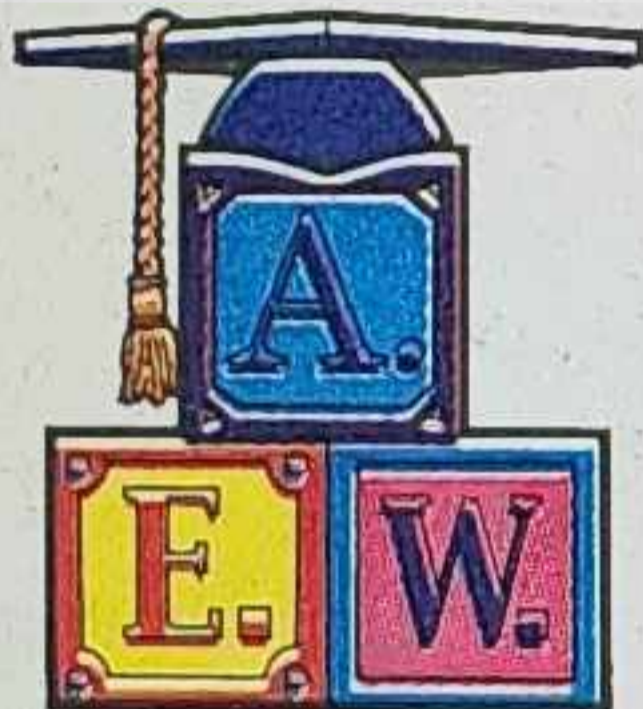
The junior and seniors in Carol Martin's classes planned 12 days of activities for the children. The schedule was much like any preschool - stories, fingerplays, music, art and learning activities dealing with math or science. The high school students planned and prepared all the activities.

May will be the next session for the area preschoolers and announcements will follow in spring with all the details. If any parent wishes to

enroll their child, please call Mrs. Martin at the high school at 262-626-8427, ext. 4104. Children need to be three years old and toilet trained.

Teachers for the preschool this semester included: Danyl Abraham, Briana Bastian, Dan Beimborn, Russell Borland, Rita Cannestra, Shelly Carlson, Krystal Cochran, Nicole Cornado, Danielle DeGroot, Carrie Fechter, Tracey Flasch, Matt Gercz, Matt Heriges, Jamie Juers, Natasha Klein, Jamie Krueger, Matt Kulas, Natasha Lawrence, Bridgette McDonald, Holly Parsons, Scott Rady, Cassie Rimmel, Emily Schultz, Tori Stopar, Corey Strom, Paige Thelen, Brooke Wagner, Stephanie Walters, Graeme Zanow, Dan Backhaus, Amanda Bakken, Scott

Bloecher, Aaron Breit, Megan Butler, Katie Dorn, Heidi Gaskell, Ashley Gasner, Danielle Gruber, Sami Hedlund, Sarah Lynn Hoerig, Alicia Kattar, Lindsey Keller, Kristin Lesch, Leann Leszynski, Darik Niemuth, Debbie Ramthun, Jessica Rewald, Emily Rinker, Amanda Smolinski, Jessica Spaeth, Sarah Stevenson, Andrea Theisen, Brittany Timblin, Juliet Tofte, Theresa Trott, Tim Trott, Mark Uniewski, Michelle Weber and Michelle Weninger.



Mr. Graczyk Day Held at WES



January 16 was declared Mr. Wayne Graczyk Day at Wayne Elementary School. Students were invited to dress up in a shirt and tie, the standard "uniform" of Mr. Graczyk. Mr. Graczyk is shown above with the fourth grade class at Wayne.

Kewaskum FFA Attends State Leadership Conference



Shannon Dwyer and Lisa Beck of the Kewaskum FFA Chapter are welcomed to the 2004 FFA Half-Time Conference in Stevens Point by President Chris Ritscher from Cochrane-Fountain City.

Shannon Dwyer and Lisa Beck of the Kewaskum FFA Chapter attended the Wisconsin FFA's Half-Time Leadership Conference held at the Holiday Inn in Stevens Point, January 9-10, 2004. More than 400 FFA members, advisors and state FFA officers discovered their "Deep Roots, Brighter Future" as this was the conference theme and as FFA celebrates its 75th Anniversary. FFA is an agricultural student organization that helps young people realize their full potential and provides valuable experiences to prepare them for real-life leadership.

The Half-Time Leadership Conference provides FFA chapter leaders from around the state the opportunity to set goals and prepare for the second half of their year of service in their local chapters. FFA members attended workshops focusing on leadership and personal development, career success, image and pride in their organization, opportunities, service projects and publicity through FFA Week activities. They also worked on areas such as applying for awards, planning an FFA banquet and recruiting new members.

This leadership conference was conducted by the 2003-04 State FFA Officers. "Half-Time is one of the pre-

mier leadership conferences in our state. It allows FFA chapter leaders to develop their leadership skills, learn more about FFA activities and meet people while having fun," said Cheryl Zimmerman, State FFA Executive Director. "We are able to provide young people with an excellent experience to develop their leadership skills and get them excited about Agriculture, Agricultural Education and the FFA."

This year the conference also included motivational speaker Patty Hendrickson from Holmen, Wisconsin and Natalie Parmentier, 2003-04 Alice in Dairyland and former State FFA Officer.

The Wisconsin Association of FFA is comprised of nearly 250 local chapters in high schools across the state preparing over 16,000 students for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture. FFA activities and award programs complement instruction in agriculture education by giving students practical experience in the application of agricultural skills and knowledge gained in classes. The FFA's major objectives are to develop premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.

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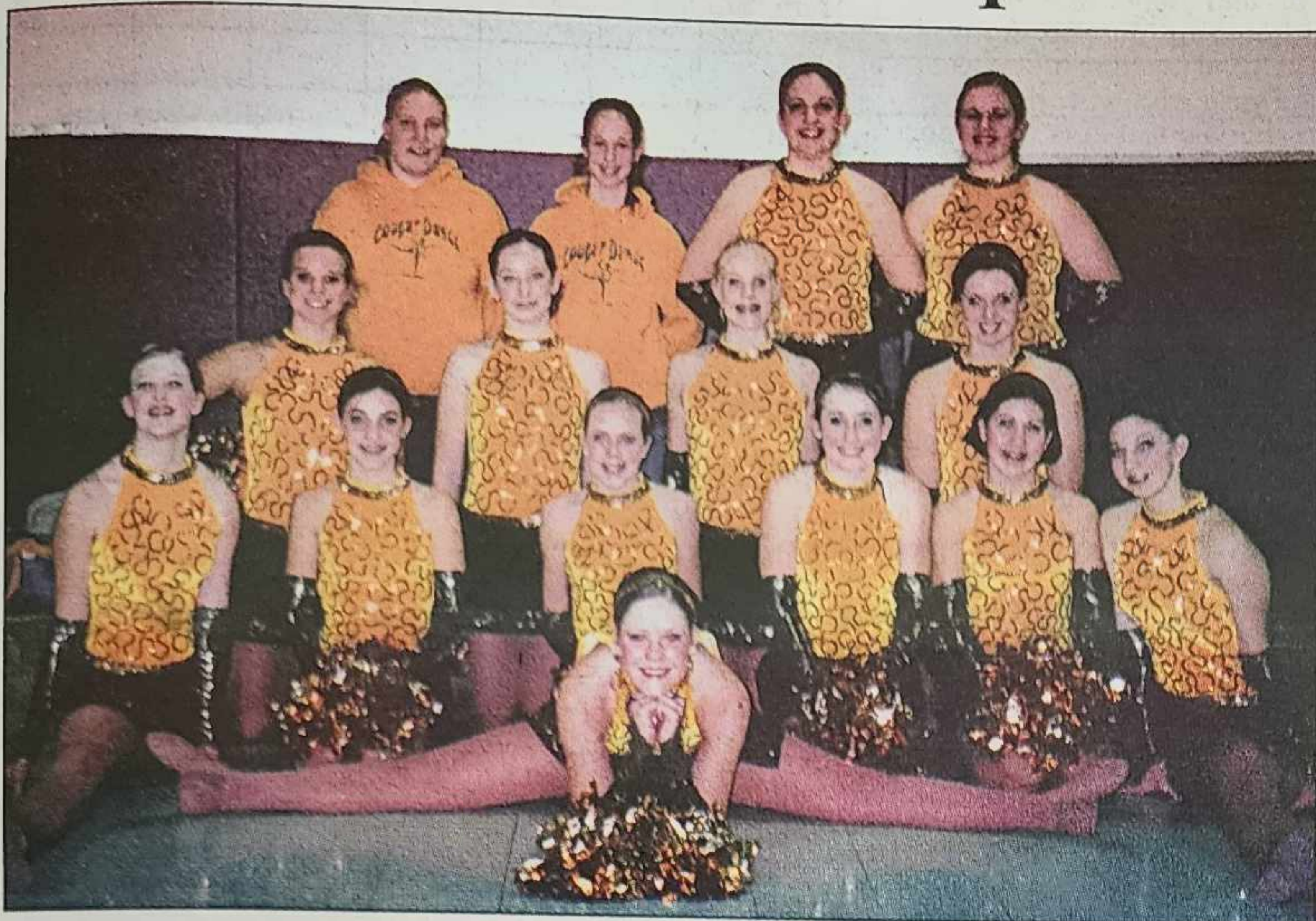
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SCHOOL NEWS

Campbellsport Dance Team Advances to State Competition



Shown above are the members of the Campbellsport High School Dance Team. Front: Sarah Galligan. Row two: Lauren Peters, Sarah Karoses, Jacque Gruber, Samantha Hawley, Katie Costello, Laura Yanke. Row three: Danielle Bilgo, Victoria Zorn, Brittany Hundertmark, Jamie Zimdahl. Row four: Manager Nicole Publitz, Jill Narges, Becca Sippel and Kathryn Ribbecky. The team is coached by Mary Bilgo.

The Campbellsport High School Dance Team competed at the Wisconsin Association of Cheer and Pom Coached Regional Competition at Kaukauna High School on Saturday, January 17, 2004. Teams must qualify at one of three regional competitions held in Wisconsin to compete at the State Competition. The team placed sixth in the Pom Division, allowing them to advance to State on Saturday, February 7, at the La Crosse Center in La Crosse.

winning performance and support the team at the February 5th boys basketball game in Campbellsport or at the State Dance Competition on Saturday, February 7.

The girls have given many hours to the youngsters in the area by hosting Dance Clinic's. The next clinic is scheduled for February 19th. Girls ages three years through ninth grade are welcome to participate. Practice nights are February 16th or 18th. The cost is \$20 and the girls will receive a Free t-shirt as

well as a prop to be used during their performance at the halftime of the boys JV and varsity games on February 19th. Over 100 girls participated in the last clinic and we expect the excitement to be just as great for this one. For information or questions on how to register please call Mary Bilgo, CHS Dance Coach at 920-533-5041.

Of all the enemies of literature, success is the most in-dominatable.

-Cyril Connelly

St. Lucas Students Participate In National Geographic Bee



Shown above is Alyssa Stern with St. Lucas principal Steve Strassburg.

St. Lucas students in grades five through eight competed in the National Geography Bee sponsored by the National Geographic Society. St. Lucas had seven finalists. They were: Mitch Keller (8th), Alyssa Stern (8th), Katelyn Zima (8th), Kelsie Scott (7th), Mason Shier (7th), Angela Stern (6th), and Bryanna Keller (5th).

Bryanna Keller took second place and Alyssa Stern

finished first. Alyssa has since taken the test to see if she qualifies for the state geography bee. Results will be sent to the school in early March.

Alyssa has won the geography bee three years in a row. St. Lucas School wishes her the best as she continues toward the state finals in the geography bee. We congratulate Alyssa and all the finalists on using their God-given talents.

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OBITUARIES

JOSEPH T. RUPLINGER

Joseph T. Ruplinger, age 81, of the Town of Wayne, passed away on Saturday, January 24, 2004 at St. Joseph's Community Hospital in West Bend.

He was born on May 25, 1922 in the town of Wayne, the son of the late Joseph and Alma (Weiland) Ruplinger and on October 24, 1945, he was united in marriage to Helen Herriges at St. Kilian Catholic Church in St. Kilian.

Joe farmed in the town of Byron. He was employed by Glenn Milling in the town of Wayne for 12 years, and later he was employed by Regal Ware, Inc. in Kewaskum for 23 years, retiring in 1985. He managed the town of Wayne recycling center for 20 years. Joe was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Kewaskum, a former member of St. Bridget Catholic Church in the town of Wayne and a long-time member of the Knights of Columbus Father Casper Rehr Council 1964 West Bend.

Survivors include his wife of 58 years, Helen of the town of Wayne; three children, Eileen German of West Bend, Mary (Charles) Boegel of Kewaskum and Robert (Bonnie) Ruplinger of the town of Wayne; a brother, Raymond (Rose Mary) Ruplinger of the town of Wayne; a sister, Lorraine (Alphonse) Weyer of Lomira; six grandchildren, Hayley and Julie German, Jesse and Keith Boegel, Kyle and Ryan Ruplinger, three brothers-in-law, Raynor (Patricia) Herriges, Leander (Mary) Herriges and Linus (Beth) Herriges; other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Elmer, Orville and Harold Ruplinger and a brother-in-law, Allen Herriges.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 27, 2004 at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Kewaskum. Father Mark Jones officiated and burial was at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday in the parish cemetery.

Friends called at the church on Tuesday from 4:00 p.m. until the time of services.

The Miller Funeral Home in Kewaskum served the family.

CECILIA K. GIBSON

Cecilia K. Gibson, nee Stein, age 85, of Milwaukee, passed away on Friday, January 23, 2004 at Froedtert Memorial Lutheran Hospital.

She was born on January 15, 1919 in Cambellsport to Joseph and Ida (Durst) Stein.

On November 10, 1941, she married William B. Gibson in Milwaukee. He preceded her in death on May 4, 2002.

Cecilia was born and raised in Cambellsport and was a graduate of Winneconne High School. She was a member of St. Rose Congregation of Milwaukee.

Survivors include three children, Thomas (Terry Jo) Gibson of Kewaskum, Patrick A. Gibson and Michael J. Gib-

son, both of Milwaukee; three grandchildren, Jeffrey Gibson of Milwaukee, Shelly (Craig) Niebler of Oconomowoc and Jodie Gibson of West Bend; two great-grandchildren, Benjamin and Natalie Niebler; two sisters, Ruth Laughrin of LaCrescent, MN and Mildred Heinowski of Albuquerque, NM; nieces; nephews; other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, two brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services were on Wednesday, January 28 at 11 a.m. at the Phillip Funeral Home Chapel of West Bend.

Interment took place at Southeastern Memorial Veterans Cemetery of Union Grove.

Visitation was at the funeral home on Wednesday, January 28 from 10 a.m. until the time of services.

The Phillip Funeral Home, West Bend assisted the family.

THOMAS M. CLASSEY

Thomas M. Classey, 60, of West Bend, crossed over into eternity on Friday, Jan. 23, 2004 at St. Joseph's Community Hospital, following a courageous battle with cancer.

He was born on Oct. 12, 1943 in West Bend to Howard and Rose (nee Alliet) Classey.

Shortly after graduating from West Bend High School in 1961, he entered the U.S. Navy where he was a radioman 3rd Class on various ships in the Pacific during the Vietnam War.

After his discharge on Sept. 24, 1964 he returned to West Bend and married Ruth Ann Beth on April 24, 1965 at St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church.

Tom was employed at The West Bend Co. for 37 years, retiring in 2003.

He was very interested in genealogy, reading, Irish history and music, and had an article published by the Irish Genealogy Foundation.

He was a member of the 25-Year Club at The West Bend Co.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Gregg (Barb) of Campbellsport, Glenn of Cedarburg and Gary of West Bend; four grandchildren, Heather, Sean, Brandon and Lucas; his mother, Rose Classey of West Bend; a sister, Sue (Ralph) Buchel of Adell; two brothers-in-law, Richard (Jeannie) Beth of Oconomowoc and Mickey (Bonnie) Beth of West Bend; nieces; nephews; other relatives and friends.

Preceding him in death were his father, Howard, and his parents-in-law, Milton and Martha Beth.

A memorial service was held on Tuesday, Jan. 27 at 6

p.m. at the Schmidt Funeral Home, West Bend.

Father Jeffrey Haines officiated, and cremation was at Valhalla Memorial Gardens.

The family greeted relatives and friends at the funeral home on Tuesday from 4 p.m. until the time of services.

Those who wish may give memorials to Kettle Moraine Oncology.

DUWAYNE J. SIMON

DuWayne J. Simon, 73, of West Bend, died on Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2004 at the Samaritan Health Center.

He was born on Dec. 12, 1930 in Clyman, and was raised in Mayville by William and Helen Simon.

DuWayne served with the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

After his marriage to Nancy Sonnenberg on May 26, 1951 at Holy Angels Church in West Bend, the couple settled in West Bend.

DuWayne was employed as a maintenance man at Regal Ware, West Bend Joint School District #1, St. Mary's Parish and the West Bend Country Club.

He loved working with his hands doing home projects and remodeling projects.

Among his favorite pastimes were hunting, fishing, dancing and singing.

Survivors include his wife; four children, Patricia (Richard) Mertzig, Ron, and Randy (Brenda), all of West Bend, and Larry (Audrey) of Oshkosh; nine grandchildren, Jeni (Jeff) Kissinger, Amy Mertzig, Nicole, Ashley, Chad, Bret, Arin, Jessica and Cody Simon; a great-grandson, Devin Kissinger; a sister-in-law, Barbara (Allen) Peters of Reedsville; a brother-in-law, Jerry Haessley of Spooner; stepsisters; stepbrothers; nieces; nephews; other relatives and friends.

He is also survived by his beloved puppies, Sammy and Mitzzy.

A Memorial Mass of Christian Burial was held on Monday, Jan. 26 at 11 a.m. at St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church, West Bend.

Father Jeffrey Haines was the presider, and burial of the cremated remains will be in the spring in Washington County Memorial Park, West Bend.

Following DuWayne's wishes, there will be no visitation, but relatives and friends are welcome to celebrate his life at the Memorial Mass.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the Samaritan Health Center.

The Schmidt Funeral Home served the family.

EVELYN I. KOCH

Evelyn I. Koch, 99, of West Bend, died on Saturday, Jan. 24, 2004 at the Samaritan Health Center.

She was born on July 16, 1904 in Brillion to the late Christ and Minnie (nee Stephen) Tschantz, and married Ralph Koch on May 15, 1926 in Brillion.

He passed away on Aug. 26, 1975.

Evelyn had been a resident of West Bend since 1942.

She enjoyed writing and had a book of poetry published. One of her poems titled "The Daffodil" was published in "The Space Between" compiled by the National Library of Poetry in Washington, D.C.

She also had a novel of stories of her life experiences published.

Evelyn worked as a saleswoman for Avon Products and also typed legal papers for other people.

She also wrote many letters to the editor of the Daily News expressing her opinions.

Evelyn was a member of Fifth Avenue United Methodist Church and also a member of the church choir for more than 24 years.

Survivors include a daughter, Jacqueline (Stanley) Olson of West Bend; five grandsons, Chris, Bob (Cheryl), Eric, Mark (Julie), all of West Bend, and Jim (Kim) of Kewaskum; eight great-grandchildren, Jenna, Travis, Justin, Cody, Keaton, Dustin, Evan and Quintin; other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, Jan. 28, at the Fifth Avenue United Methodist Church.

Burial was in Brillion Cemetery, Brillion.

Visitation at the church only was on Wednesday from 3 to 4:45 p.m.

Those who wish may give memorials to the Fifth Avenue United Methodist Church Choir.

The Schmidt Funeral Home, West Bend, served the family.

Baked Potato Soup


Makes 4 servings

- ¼ cup (½ stick) butter or margarine
- ¼ cup chopped onion
- ¼ cup all-purpose flour
- 1 can (14½ oz.) chicken broth
- 1 can (12 fl. oz.) Nestlé Carnation Evaporated Milk
- 2 large or 3 medium baking potatoes, baked or microwaved
- Salt and ground black pepper to taste
- 4 strips bacon, cooked and crumbled
- ½ cup (2 oz.) shredded cheddar cheese
- 3 Tbsp. sliced green onion

MELT butter in large saucepan over medium heat. Add onion; cook, stirring occasionally, for 1 to 2 minutes or until tender. Stir in flour. Gradually stir in broth and evaporated milk. Scoop potato pulp from one potato; mash. Add pulp to broth mixture. Cook over medium heat, stirring occasionally, until mixture just comes to a boil. Dice remaining potato skin and potato(es); add to soup. Heat through. Season with salt and pepper. Top each serving with bacon, cheese and green onion.

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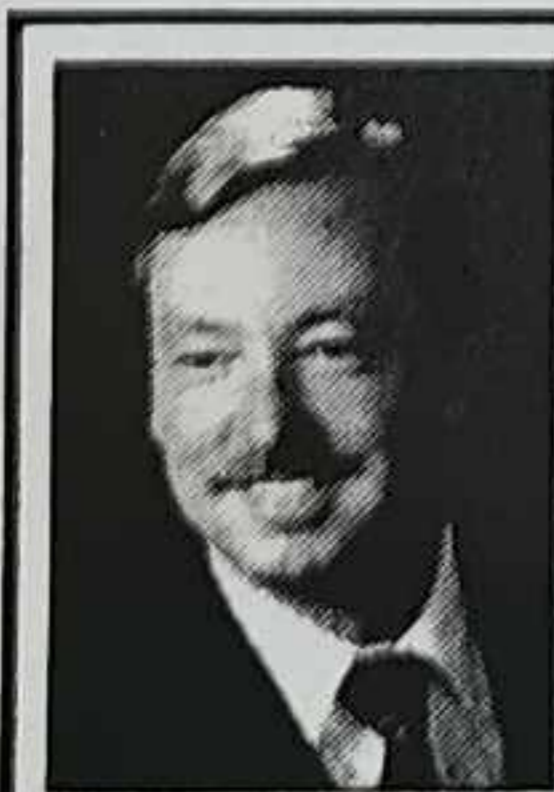
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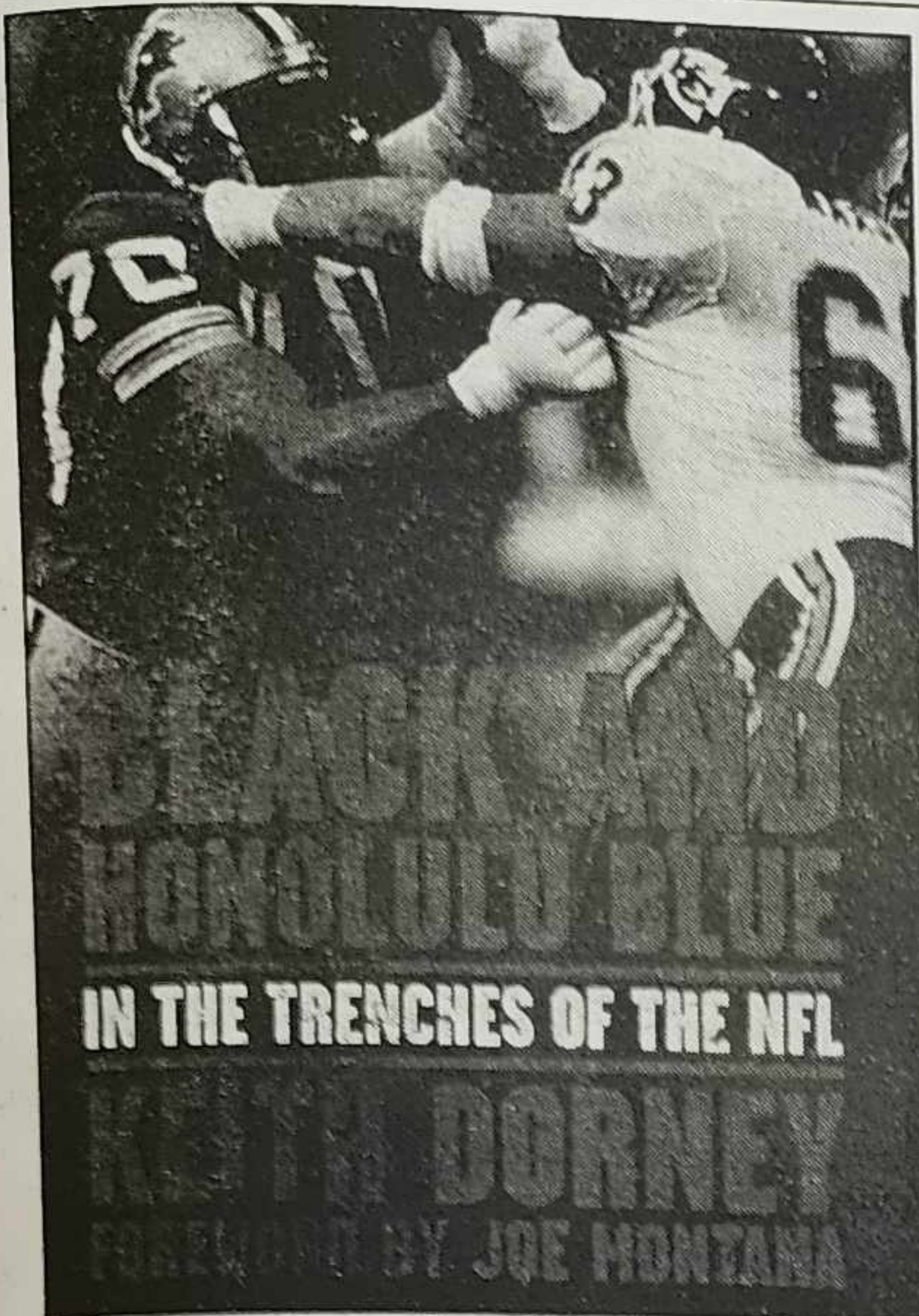
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"Black & Honolulu Blue"

By Keith Dorney



pose by an over-paid athlete - it's not. Though Dorney never won a Super Bowl, he writes gratefully, over and over, about the athletes he played with and against, the men who taught him, the support he got, and the friends he made over the years. He also turns his book over to his wife, Katherine, and his late mother, Audrey, who have small chapters-within-a-chapter, giving you a feel for what football is like from the perspective of the women who love the men who play. I wasn't crazy about the pages that shamelessly promote a certain automobile maker, but then again, Dorney played in Detroit, after all.

I think that if you're a football player, an armchair referee, or a once-upon-a-time football dreamer, "Black and Honolulu Blue" is a book that will score with you.

Almost every little boy, at some time or another, dreams that he'll grow up to be a famous professional sports player. An awful lot of little girls dream the same thing, I'll bet. No matter what the game or skill level, they can practically hear the cheers of the crowd, as they practice, practice, practice. The sad truth is, however, that only a tiny, tiny fraction of those kids grow up to play pro sports. Keith Dorney is one of the lucky few, and in his new book "Black and Honolulu Blue" (c. 2003, Triumph Books), Dorney writes of his years in high school, college and NFL football.

Dorney was an All-American High School Football player in his hometown of Macungie, Pennsylvania, when he was courted by several colleges, and eventually decided on Penn State. Dorney says that while he got a football scholarship to Penn, he also got his degree; athletes who failed in academics weren't allowed to be athletes very long at Penn State. As a college football player, Dorney says he was lucky to have played under the legendary Joe Paterno, a man Dorney says is "one powerful dude". Paterno was a tough coach, asking for more from his players than they thought they could ever give, both in the game and in life. It was under the coaching of Paterno that Dorney played in several Bowls and attracted the attention of NFL scouts.

In 1979, Dorney was the 10th player picked in the draft at a salary of \$35,000 a year. Football was different then, he says. Players had incentive to play hard and play hurt, and they played hurt a lot. As I was reading this book, I lost count of the number of injuries that Dorney sustained. Back then, AstroTurf was laid down directly

on concrete in the Detroit Lions' Silverdome, and serious injuries were distressingly common, not to mention the damage that can be done when a 350-lb. fullback crashes into 300-lb offensive lineman.

Before you think that this is another whining NFL ex-

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this change, corporate income and franchise taxes were calculated using a formula that factored in sales, property and payroll. It was commonly referred to as the "jobs tax." The formula discouraged multi-state companies from locating property and jobs in Wisconsin.

The Governor touched on the accomplishments of this past year and also spoke about his goals for the com-

ing year. I look forward to hearing his ideas on public school financing and health care reform. I am hoping that the same spirit of cooperation shown by the Administration and the Legislature in passing regulatory reform carries over into developing legislation in these two important areas. We have heard his proposals, but we in the Legislature need to know how these proposals will be funded. Taking into consideration the state's fiscal situation, the taxpayer's ability to pay needs to come first.

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By Rep. Dan LeMahieu
State Representative



I agreed with Governor James Doyle as he gave his State of State speech to a bipartisan audience the evening on January 21, 2004. The State of Wisconsin is in better shape today than it was one year ago. However, that is where the agreement ends and the truth begins for Wisconsin citizens. That night was a night of forgotten promises, promises of a "new day" that the Governor so eloquently delivered to the legislature just one year ago.

Governor Doyle spent this winter evening telling the legislature how vastly improved our state fiscal situation has become under his watch. He rolled out figures touting state taxes as a percentage of personal income falling to a 34 year low. Unfortunately, those figures failed to include property taxes that went up this year at twice the rate of inflation. The legislature, ever aware of bringing the tax burden back in line with our family's ability to pay, tried to prevent this with a property tax freeze vetoed by Governor Doyle.

To his credit, Governor Doyle did work with the legislature as we passed our Jobs Creation package. This package will help the business climate in this state and offer new jobs to strengthen our state economy. The Job Creation Bill and efforts to control spending at the state and local levels will help all families throughout this great state.

In his speech, Doyle promoted his intention to improve education by offering school breakfast, statewide 4-year-old kindergarten and spend an additional \$10 million on fitness equipment. However, the governor failed

to describe in his speech how he would fund such new programs, especially in light of the state spending \$115 million in new education spending this budget cycle. At the same time he continues to oppose school choice and allowing Wisconsin's charter school program, which gives a better and less expensive choice to the most needy students in Wisconsin, to flourish.

Governor Doyle forgot to listen to the public when our legislature passed a bill defining marriage as a union between one man and one woman. It was the legislature, who saw the need to strengthen this language as judges around our nation began to make new rules and regulations through their court rulings. It was the legislature that seized this opportunity to place language in our statutes that would not allow judges to misinterpret the sacred bond of marriage between a man and a woman. The Governor twice turned his back to the public, as he vetoed this bi-partisan measure by the legislature and stood tall as his veto was sustained weeks later.

If we are to have a new day in Wisconsin, we need to control spending at all levels of government, with state government taking the lead. More importantly, Wisconsin must improve the business climate to create more jobs. The legislature is committed to carry out these actions. Now we need Governor Doyle to stand with the legislature, not with the Native American Tribes and the teacher's union to bring real property tax relief and job growth to the great State of Wisconsin.

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Every e-filed tax return saves the state 75 cents in processing costs. Considering there are over 2.9 million individual income tax returns, it really adds up. This year, the Department of Revenue's goal is to have 50% of all individ-

ual income tax returns e-filed this tax season.

If you could use a hand with your tax return, Wisconsin residents can visit any one of the free tax preparation sites - commonly referred to as VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) - sponsored by the Internal Revenue Service. Many of the VITA sites located across the state also offer e-filing.

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Finding the home of your dreams after a long hunt is exciting, but don't let emotions cloud your judgement - you are still making a major purchase. Take extra time to research the property before you buy it to protect your wallet and give yourself peace of mind.

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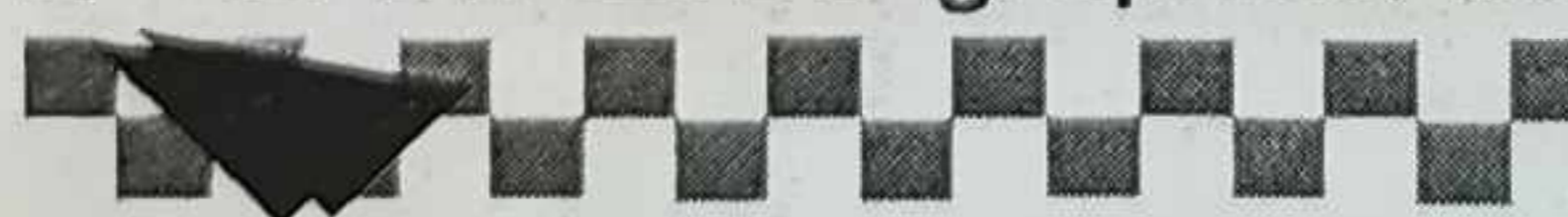
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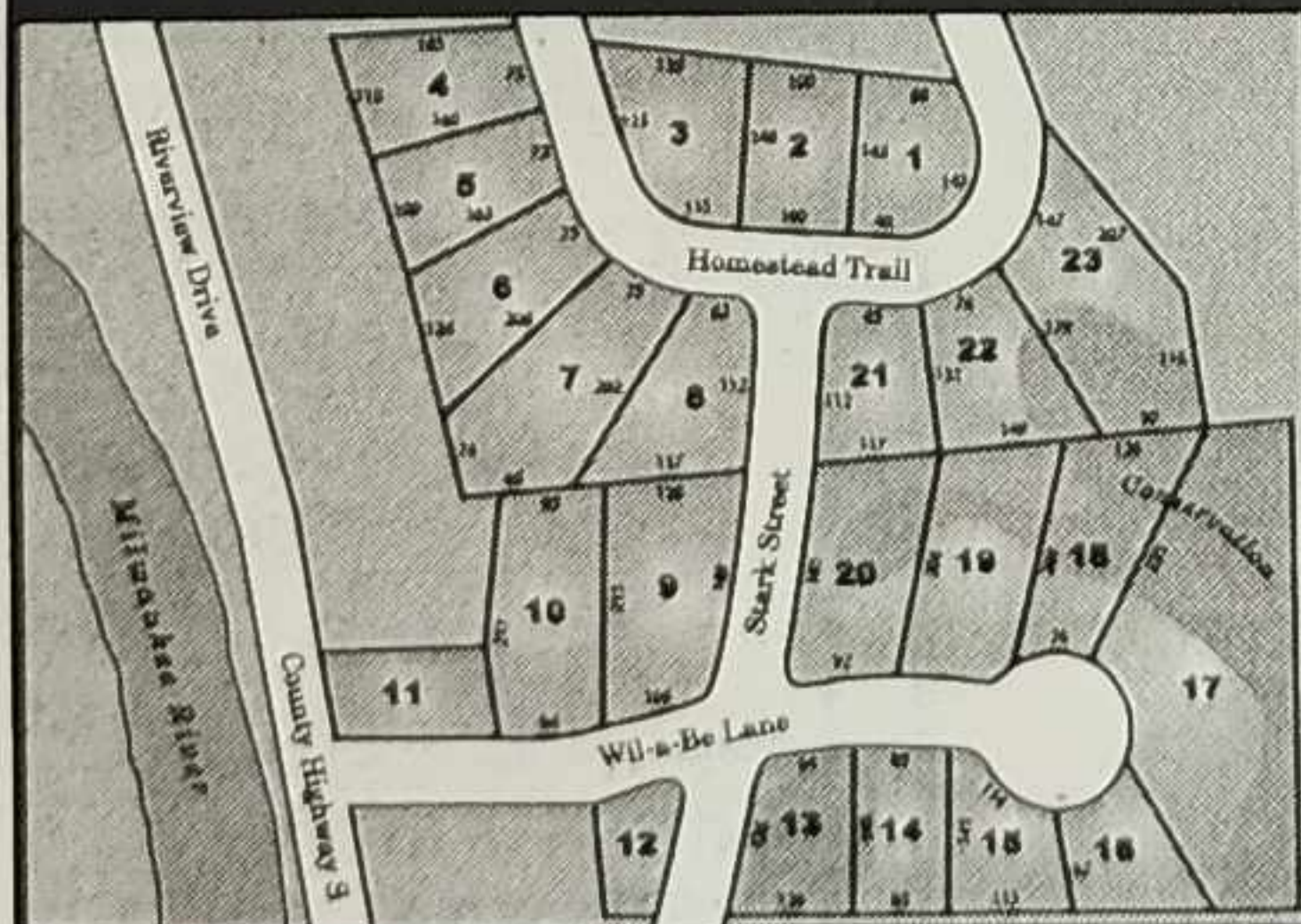
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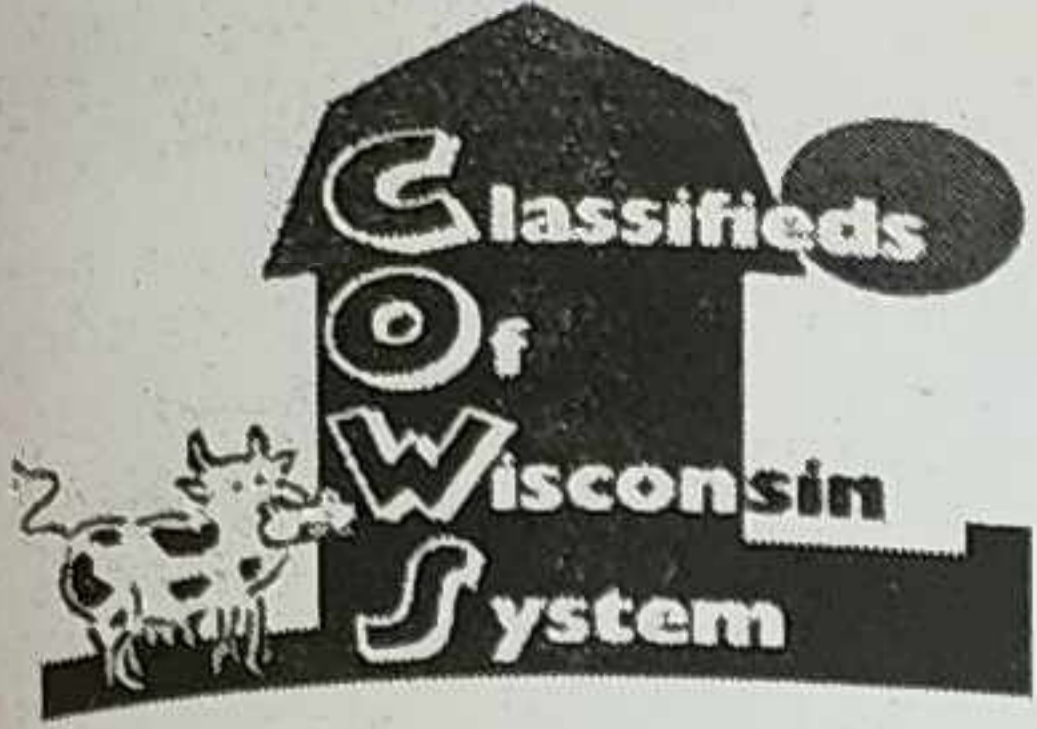
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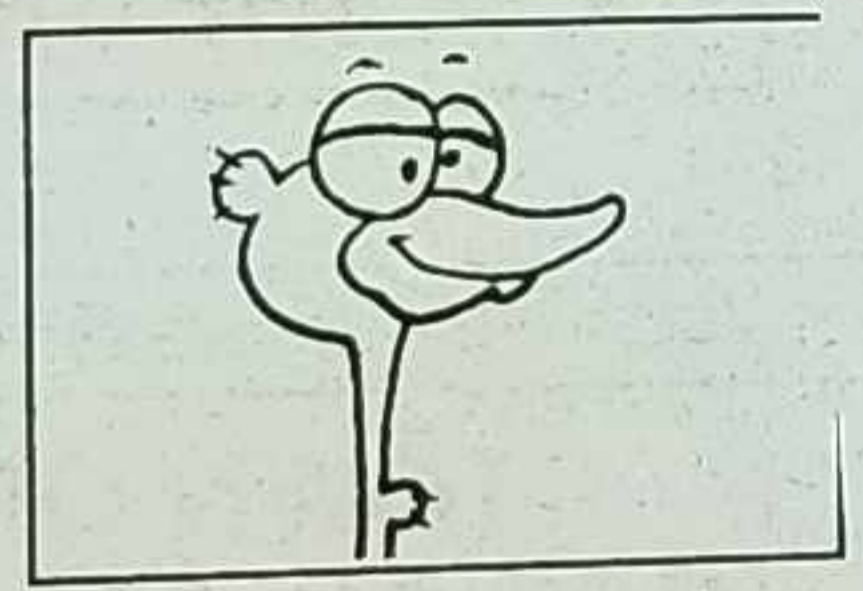
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1. Agenda
 - a. Corrections/Deletions
 - b. Approval of Agenda
2. Village Request to Review Police Liaison Funding and Kiwanis Baseball Diamond Costs
3. Functional Analysis Report/Review
4. Discussion of Tours of Facilities prior to scheduled meetings
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LEGAL NOTICES

Village Board Meeting Minutes

**Regular Meeting
January 5, 2004
8:00 p.m.**

The Village Board of Kewaskum, Washington County, Wisconsin, met in Regular Session in the Council Room of the Municipal Building, 204 First Street.

President Mathew A. Heiser presided. Trustee Kevin Scheunemann and Trustee Robert Stoltzmann asked to be excused and were absent; all other Trustee Members were present. A quorum was present.

The meeting was opened with a Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance.

On a motion by Trustee Thomas Piwoni, seconded by Trustee Harry Roecker and unanimously carried by voice vote, the minutes of the December 15, 2003 meeting were approved as printed.

Village President Mathew Heiser indicated Mr. Thomas Timblin was present to explain his concept plan for the proposed development for the area south of Bel Ric Acres. Administrator Daniel S. Schmidt indicated the Plan Commission did review the concept plan and sent it to the Board with a favorable recommendation, hoping to keep it primarily for people 55 years of age and older. The total number of units in the large building was 76 down from 84 and the number of 4 unit buildings was 10, down from 12. Two 3-unit buildings were added. It was noted this is only a review of the concept plan. The dividing of the land by a CSM along with a request to change the zoning from agricultural to multi family residential will be going to the Plan Commission on January 27, 2004 and then come back to the Board in February. Mr. Timblin informed the Board that his intent was to market the units to those 55 years of age and older, have all handi-cap accessible buildings with indoor parking. All units would be 2 bedroom units and he would construct 2 ponds with walkways around them with a bridge over the creek meeting DOT standards. On a motion by Trustee Thomas Piwoni, seconded by Trustee Steve Scheunemann and unanimously carried by voice vote, the Board indicated their general support for the concept plan as presented.

Fire Chief Mark Groeschel presented the December 2003 monthly report:

Fire calls-	1	Year to date	39
Jaws	3	Year to date	17
Rescue calls	20	Miles	351

Fire Chief Mark Groeschel informed the Board that the repair work on the Telesquirt is being done in house by the Department and will hopefully be completed in one or two weeks.

Director of Public Works, Jerry Gilles informed the Board of the following:

1) Reported that work has been completed on the safety manual and that early this year two training sessions are being scheduled.

2) Informed the Board that the Kewaskum Kiwanis have agreed to invest \$5,000 in the Ice Cream Stand at RHP.

On a motion by Trustee Andy Pesch, seconded by Trustee Thomas Piwoni and carried by the majority voice vote, the Board denied the issuance of an Operator's License for 2004 for the following:

Hiller, Michael E., Kewaskum, WI
The Police Department recommended denial of the issuance of said license.

Administrator Daniel S. Schmidt reviewed the following with the Board:

1) Review of League and Taxpayer bulletins.
2) Tax collection update 12/31/03.
3) Reviewed the building permit

report for the period ending December 2003.

4) The Board reviewed a Committee Appointment of the Administrator to the Advisory Committee on Regional Water Quality Management Plan Update for the Greater Milwaukee Watersheds. It was noted that the watersheds being updated take into account several rivers in parts of nine counties, that it would be a two to three commitment and that he would be one of three members from Washington County. It was further noted that the Administrator was asked to serve as Chairman of said committee. On a motion by Trustee Harry Roecker, seconded by Trustee Andy Pesch and unanimously carried by voice vote the Board authorized Administrator Schmidt to accept the appointment indicating it is a compliment to him and the Village of Kewaskum that he was asked to serve.

5) Review of correspondence.

A. Reported that a Rails to Trails meeting has been scheduled January 8, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. by Washington County.

B. Reported that a Multi-jurisdictional Comprehensive Work Group has been scheduled for January 15, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. by Washington County.

On a motion by Trustee Thomas Piwoni, seconded by Trustee Steve Scheunemann and unanimously carried by voice vote, the Board approved the payment of bills as recommended by the Administrative Committee. The total of all claims as recommended are as follows:

General	87,903.76
Sewer	40,460.35
Ck #24058 - #24257	
Library Fund	6,127.41
Water Fund	34,403.63
TOTAL	\$168,895.15

Board Representative for the Library Board, President Mathew Heiser announced a scheduled Library Board meeting for January 12, 2004 at 6:30 p.m.

Administrator Schmidt on behalf of Trustee Robert Stoltzmann, the Mid-Moraine Municipal Association Legislative Committee Representative reported that a meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. in the Jackson Village Hall.

Administrator Daniel S. Schmidt reviewed preliminary discussion regarding cost and financing for said projects scheduled for bidding and completion within 2004. Several options are being looked into as well as costs related to those options and the timing. It is hopeful the Board will be able to take action in a matter of a few weeks. The projected cost for the noted work is estimated at \$3,007,000, which is down from the June of 2003 estimate of \$3,116,000.

Action was taken on Resolution No. 2004-01 A Resolution Authorizing The Signing Of The Final Plat For Potawatomi Prairie Subdivision Phase I. & II. as attached hereto:

President Mathew Heiser informed the Board that in the fall of 2003 his family was in Bingham England, where his wife's family lives. He visited with the Bingham City officials and discussed the possibility of establishing an informal relation similar to the Federal Sister City program, but much more relaxed and at a nominal cost. He asked that the matter be placed on a future agenda for continued discussion and action.

It was noted approximately 15 students were present for the High School Government Affairs Class.

On a motion by Trustee Thomas Piwoni, seconded by Trustee Harry Roecker and carried by the majority roll call vote, to adjourn. Roll call vote was 5 "Aye" 0 "Nay" 2 "Absent".

Daniel S. Schmidt
Administrator
Approved 01-19-2004

Pub. (K.S.) 01-29-2004*

ORDINANCE NO. 2004-01 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING OF VILLAGE LANDS OF THE VILLAGE OF KEWASKUM, WISCONSIN

WHEREAS, Robert Hackbarth has petitioned for the rezoning of 887 Prospect Drive, known by tax key # V4-0627. The request for rezoning is from B-2 General retail and Service District to R-1 Single-Family Residence District; and

WHEREAS, the Plan Commission has reviewed the matter at their meeting of November 18, 2003 and recommended sending the zoning amendment to the Village Board for public hearing with a favorable recommendation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Kewaskum approve the rezoning of the above stated land to R-1 Single Family Residence District, to accurately reflect the house on said property after having said lot divided from the

B-2 General Retail and Service District.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, as a condition of this amendment, the property owner must install and maintain a driveway for each parcel (lot) as so noted in the Village of Kewaskum Zoning Ordinance.

This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by law.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 19th day of January, 2004, by the Kewaskum Village Board.

Mathew A. Heiser
Village President

ATTEST:
Daniel S. Schmidt
Village Administrator/Clerk

Motion for Adoption by Trustee Kevin Scheunemann

Motion for Adoption seconded by Trustee Harry Roecker

Roll Call Vote was 6 "Aye" 0 "Nay" 1 "Absent"

February 1, 2004
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Village of Kewaskum, Wisconsin
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A. Notice is hereby given that the Village Board of the Village of Kewaskum, Washington County, Wisconsin, will conduct a public hearing at 8:00 p.m., Monday evening, February 16, 2004, in the Council Room of the Municipal Building, 204 First Street. The public hearing will be on the request of Mr. Thomas Timblin for the rezoning of the parcel south of Bel Ric Acres, west of Timblin Drive and west of Bonnie Lane (V4-0191-011), from AG-1 Agricultural Land District, C-1 Conservancy & Floodplain Conservancy to R-4 Multiple Family Residence District, C-1 Conservancy & Floodplain Conservancy as proposed on an earlier reviewed concept plan. To allow for the development of an over 55 multi-family housing development. (Area to be rezoned approximately 23 acres.)

All interested persons will be given an opportunity to be heard.

Daniel S. Schmidt
Administrator

Publish January 29, 2004
February 5, 2004

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Village Board Meeting Monday

Public notice is hereby given that the next meeting of the Village of Kewaskum, Wisconsin Village Board is scheduled for Monday, February 2, 2004, at 8:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 204 First Street.

The agendas for the meeting are prepared as of Wednesday noon preceding the meeting and are available at the office of the clerk at the Municipal building on Thursday preceding the meeting.

Copies of the agenda are

also posted in the lobby of the Kewaskum Post Office and lobby of St. Francis Bank.

TOWN OF FARMINGTON MONTHLY TOWN MEETING

The Board of Supervisors of the Town of Farmington will meet on Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2004, at the Town Hall, 9422 Hwy. 144 in Boltonville at 7:00 P.M. to conduct its regular business and to consider such matters as are authorized by law.

Joanne Oneska
Town Clerk

NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Town Board of the Town of Kewaskum will consider the adoption of a new code of ordinances entitled "Town of Kewaskum Code of Ordinances" at 7:30 PM on the 16th day of February, 2004, in the Town Hall.

You are further notified that a copy of said proposed new code will be on file and open for public inspection in the office of the Town Clerk in the Town Hall for a period of two weeks to its adoption, commencing on the 29th day of January, 2004, during business hours or by appointment by calling the Clerk at 262-626-2566.

Sandra Stern,
Town Clerk

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF KEWASKUM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held before the Town Board Town of Kewaskum, Washington County, Wisconsin, in the Town Hall on February 16, 2004, at 7:30 PM.

THE PURPOSE of said hearing will be to hear any and all parties and their attorneys or agents for or against the adoption of recodified Chapter 17, Zoning Code, and Chapter 18, Subdivision and Platting, of the Town of Kewaskum Code of Ordinances.

A copy of said chapters 17 and 18 are on file in the office of the Town Clerk in the Town Hall during business hours.

1-29-2t

Sandra Stern,
Town Clerk

TOWN OF KEWASKUM NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR REZONING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held before the Kewaskum Town Board at the Kewaskum Town Hall, located at 9019 Kettle Moraine Drive, at 7:30 p.m. on February 16, 2004 to consider the petition of Gerald Remillard of JLM Partnership to amend the Town Zoning Map by rezoning parcel T8-0449 00F, 6.38 acres, at N8475 State Highway 45, from M-1 Manufacturing District to B-1 Business District. Parcel T8-0449 00F is described as follows:

That part of Certified Survey Map 4861, as recorded in volume 33, Page 157, located in the Northwest 1/4, Section 22, Township 12 North, Range 19 East, Town of Kewaskum.

Beginning at the southeast corner of Parcel 1 of said Certified Survey Map 4861; thence South 82°52'19" West, along the south line of said Certified Survey, 529.63 feet, to the west line of said Certified Survey; thence North 13°00'21" West, along said west line, 223.94 feet, to a point on a curve with a radius of 513.00 feet; thence along said curve to the left, which has a chord length of 433.84 feet and a bearing of South 68°48'48" East, 447.93 feet; thence North 63°10'22" East, 75.98 feet; thence North 08°32'45" West, 293.49 feet; thence North 13°14'11" West, parallel with the west line of USH 45, 214.68 feet; thence South 56°14'17" East, 102.64 feet to said west line; thence South 13°14'11" East, along said west line, 485.02 feet to the point of beginning.

Dated this 26th day of January, 2004

1-29-2t

Sandra Stern,
Town Clerk

STATESMAN SPORTS

KHS Freshmen Girls Basketball Team



Shown above is the 2003-2004 KHS girls freshman basketball team. They are, front row, left to right: Sam Kattar, Allison Kowalczyk, Tiffany Hedlund, Ashley Corey, Noemi Hernandez and Lauren Larson. Row two: Amanda Walker, Lindsay Krautkramer, Breann DeLaurier, Coach Nick Vogt, Bekki Heberer, Melissa Hammen and Caytlin Sprinkman.

Welcome to the Kewaskum Basketball Academy

All area first through sixth graders are encouraged to enroll in the 2004 Kewaskum Basketball Academy to be conducted on Sundays from February 8th through March 28th at Kewaskum High School.

Area students will be receiving registration forms through their respective schools over the course of the next week. Forms will be available at all Kewaskum Public Elementary School Offices as well.

The Kewaskum Basketball Academy is intended to teach the fundamentals of dribbling, passing, receiving and shooting the ball. Besides members of the K.H.S. Boys and Girls Basketball Teams and Coaching Staffs, area youth coaches will help conduct these youth basketball clinics every Sunday evening. Parent volunteers may also participate if they so desire.

Any and all area elementary students interested in participating in the Kewaskum Basketball Academy must submit a registration form (a copy will be published within this publication) no later than the first scheduled clinic on February 8th. With the thirty (\$30) dollar registration fee, all participants will receive eight hours of supervised instruction, a variety of competition and contest prizes, an Academy T-Shirt and a Diploma upon completion (on March 28th).

First grade through third grade boys and girls will be

scheduled from 5:00 to 5:55 p.m. to be followed by fourth through sixth grade participants from 6:00 to 6:55 p.m.. Each Sunday session will be divided into three specific periods dedicated to developing ball-handling and shooting fundamentals. Each night will conclude with a competition or contest based upon the particular skills drilled that specific session, with prizes for each winner.

Members of the boys and girls high school basketball teams will mentor these area youth cagers and will be directed and supervised by district and youth coaches. Participants will receive free pass(es) to attend "Elementary School Night" at K.H.S. on Friday, February 13th to observe their mentors in action.

Parents and participants can submit their registration forms and fees on Sunday, February 8th at 5 p.m. (for 1st - 3rd Graders) and at 6 p.m. (for 4th - 6th Graders). Checks should be made out to K.Y.B. (Kewaskum Youth Basketball) and T-Shirts will be distributed in March. If you have any questions, call K.H.S. Boys Coach Glenn Eichstedt at (262) - 626 - 2166 extension 4251.

Hope to see you and your little cagers on Sunday nights.

A weed is a plant whose virtues have not been discovered.

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

K-TOWN SHEEPSHEAD WINNERS

Five handed winners on Tuesday, Jan. 20 were: Royal Carey, 85-16-69, 22-9-13; Jim Propson, 57-3-54, 21-3-18; Raymond Sippel, 58-7-51, 20-4-15; Butch Schmitt, 49-6-43, 16-3-13; Ralph Stern, 18 most loses; Ralph Stern, 10 low points.

The next five handed call-an-ace will be Tuesday, February 3 at 7:30 p.m. sharp. Have fun! Make money! Play Sheepshead on Tuesday nights at Angie D's K-Town Saloon.

K-TOWN SKAT WINNERS

SKAT winners on Monday, Jan. 19 were: Butch Schmitt, 29-1-28; George Minz, 463 points; Frank Endejam, 80 high play.

The next SKAT will be Monday, February 2, at 7 p.m. sharp. Angie D's K-Town Saloon

No Open Gym on Super Bowl Sunday

Due to the annual ritual of Super Bowl Sunday, the Sunday Night Open Gym program will be closed on February first. Then starting on Sunday, February 8th, the Kewaskum Basketball Academy will be conducted from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. through March 28th for first through sixth grade participants.

Therefore, seventh grade through adults will have Open Gym from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the K.H.S. Fieldhouse and Rose Hall. The Academy and Open Gym is available to all interested participants, whether attending public or private schools within or outside the district.

All participants are reminded of a few rules:

street shoes should not be worn during Open Gym. Come for the purpose of practicing or playing sports, dress appropriately and place your materials on the bleachers. Locker rooms and towels are not available, but you may use the restrooms and basketballs. Balls need to be returned to the rack when not being utilized.

If the K.H.S. Fieldhouse becomes too crowded, then Rose Hall will be utilized to accommodate more participants, as long as they are actively practicing or playing games. Please feel free to take advantage of these opportunities to practice, play, shoot, compete, improve your game and enjoy basketball.

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