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Washington County traffic deaths double in a week



Kewaskum Fire Department and Rescue Squad joined the Fond du Lac County Sheriff's Department and DNR at the scene of a one vehicle crash on Youth Camp Road after 10:30 Tuesday evening, August 30. A sheriff's deputy at the scene stated the driver of the truck failed to negotiate a turn in the road, left the roadway, striking a utility box and narrowly missing a large LP tank. The truck finally came to rest on it's roof adjacent to a home there. Kewaskum Rescue transported the victim to St. Joseph's Hospital in West Bend. Deputies say alcohol was a factor in the crash.

Statesman photo: Andrew Kuehl

By Andrew Kuehl Statesman Managing Editor akuehl@kewaskumstatesman

Lask week was the second most deadly week in history on Washington County roads. Before a tragic crash Tuesday in the Town of Barton claimed the life of a vibrant teen from Kewaskum the toll for traffic deaths stood at six, by

Sunday it more than doubled.

On Thursday, an elderly couple from Newburg was killed as a result of an alcohol related crash that also took the lives of the alcohol-impaired 16-yearold instigator of the crash and two of his passengers.

That crash involved five vehicles in the Town of Trenton on State Highway 33 near Poplar Road around 8:30 pm

The crash unfolded as Timothy Beck, 16, of West Bend, was driving westbound at estimated speeds in excess of 80 MPH and then rear-ended another westbound car driven by Toby Ankebrant, 18, also of West Bend. After that impact, the Beck vehicle spun out of control, crossed the center-line and hit an eastbound car driven by Karl Bretschneider, 86, of Newburg.

Bretschneider and his wife, Lavera

as well as Beck and two of his passengers, Michael Terrien, 18, and Aaron Buchanan, 25, both of West Bend, were pronounced dead at the scene by the Washington County Medical Examiner.

On Monday, August 29, Washington County Sheriff Brian Rahn stated the Blood Alcohol Concentration in Beck was 0.16, twice what the state considers legally intoxicated. Bretschneider, was negative for alcohol.

An investigation revealed that the alcohol consumed by Beck and his passengers was provided to them by Buchanan who also perished in the crash. The investigation continues in that

crash. On Saturday afternoon, August 27, a

seventh fatal crash occurred in the Village of Kewaskum. Shawn A. Neitzel, 36, of Campbellsport, became Washington County's 13th traffic death of the year.

Neitzel was the victim in a motorcycle crash that happened on Courtney Lane. His motorcycle was the only vehicle involved.

Kewaskum Chief of Police Richard Knoebel says speed and alcohol look to be factors in the crash.

Knoebel says the crash occurred

directly in front of the Rustic Timbers Apartment complex. Upon arrival a Kewaskum Police Officer found that Neitzel, who had been driving northbound, had also hit a parked car, after

he lost control. Kewaskum EMS immediately arrived on the scene, as did West Bend intercept, but shortly after they arrived, Neitzel was pronounced dead at the scene by the Washington County Medical Examiner.

The cause of death was determined to be the head injuries Neitzel sustained in the crash. He was not wearing a helmet.

Courtney Lane remained closed from the time of the crash until late into the evening. The Washington County Sheriffs Department assisted at the scene and did an accident reconstruction. The accident remains under investigation.

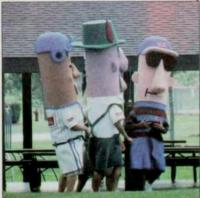
Learn from the mistakes of others, you can't live long enough to make them all yourself



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ON THE RECORD



On August 22, Kewaskum Rescue and Kohlsville First Responders were dispatched to the town of Wayne for a person that had an altered level of consciousness. A transport was made.

On August 23, Kewaskum Rescue and Kohlsville First Responders were dispatched to the town of Barton for a two-car motor vehicle accident. A transport was made.

On August 24, Kewaskum Rescue and Boltonville First Responders were dispatched to the town of Farmington for a person that was short of breath. A transport was made.

On August 25, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched in the Village of Kewaskum for a per-



LOEHR--A son, Austin John, was born to Anne and Dan Loehr of Campbellsport on August 11, 2005 at St. Joseph's Hospital, West Bend.

ACOSTA -- A son, Juan Ricardo, was born to Guesiarria Deleon and Alejandro Acost of Kewaskum on August 18, 2005 at St. Joseph's Hospital, West Bend.

BROWN-- A daughter, Bethany Rose, was born to Jean A. and Steven M. Brown of Campbellsport on August 18, 2005 at St. Joseph's Hospital, West Bend.

GEIDEL -- A son, Eli Gregor, was born to Christina and Christopher Geidel of Hayward, on August 9, 2005 at Ashland Community Hospital. Eli weighed seven pounds, seven ounces and was 21 inches long. Grandparents are Mary Wondergem of Sheboygan and Gerald and Patricia Geidel of Campbellsport. Paternal greatgrandparents are Gregor and Anna Nigh of Kewaskum.

POMEROY -- A son, Stone Arthur, was born to Barbara and Jesse Pomeroy of Kewaskum, on August 11 2005 at St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center in Milwaukee. Stone was seven pounds, 10 ounces and was 21 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Paul and Emily Land and paternal grandparents are Steve Pomeroy and Deborah Gahan. Stone joins two brothers, Clayton and Mason, at home.

KISSINGER -- A daughter, Amy Carolyn, was born to Michelle (Salter) and Mike Kissinger of Eden on August 16, 2005 at St. Agnes Hospital, Fond du Lac.

PICKERING -- A son, Angel Steven, was born to Ashly (Macias) and Steven Pickering of Eden, on August 22, 2005 at St. son that needed transport. A transport was made.

Also on August 25, Kewaskum Rescue and Kohlsville First Responders were dispatched to the town of Wayne for a person with a possible stroke. A transport was made.

On August 26, Kewaskum Rescue and Kohlsville First Responders were dispatched to the town of Wayne for a person that passed out. No transport was made.

On August 27, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched in the Village of Kewaskum for a motorcycle accident. No transport was made.

On August 28, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched in the Village of Kewaskum for a person with shoulder pain. No transport was made.

Also on August 28, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched in the Village of Kewaskum for a person with arm pain. A transport was made.

Again on August 28, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched in the Village of Kewaskum for a person with abdominal pain. A transport was made.

On August 28, Kewaskum Rescue was also dispatched to the town of Auburn for a person with a laceration to their knee. A transport was made.

XYZ CARD RESULTS

The winners at cards played at the Municipal Building Annex on Wednesday, August 24th were:

SKAT: Francis Gilboy, 6-0-6 net, Byron Gessner, 8-2-6 net. SHEEPSHEAD: Delbert Petermann, Ray Ruplinger, Lucy

Lecher and Dolores Mielke. New players always welcome. Join in on Wednesdays at 8:15 a.m. at the Municipal Building Annex.

17. 2005 On July Kewaskum Police found drug paraphernalia in a vehicle stopped for suspected OWI. A glass pipe, five inches long, commonly used to smoke marijuana, was found. The Kewaskum driver was taken to the hospital for a blood draw. After the blood draw he was released into the custody of his father. He was cited for possession of drug paraphernalia and OWI.

On July 19, 2005 the Kewaskum Police Department was dispatched to a disturbance at 821 Bel Ric Drive. An underage, intoxicated male subject was trying to gain entry to an apartment in

MONDAY NIGHT SKAT WINNERS

SKAT winners on Monday, August 22 were: Hubert Nett, 23-4-19 net; Butch Schmitt, 474 points; Wesley Darmody, 120 high play.

The next SKAT will be Monday, September 12th at 7 p.m. sharp at Woody's Steakhouse.

TUESDAY NIGHT SHEEPSHEAD WINNERS

Five handed winners on Tuesday, August 23th were: Jeanette Boudri, 55-3-52, 12-2-10; Judy Lickman, 51-2-49, 22-2-20; Whitey Heisler, 54-6-48, 19-4-15; Frank Krueger, 56-9-47, 17-5-12; Raymond Ruplinger, 51-6-45, 17-3-14; Bernie Robers, 19 most losses; Edward Knuth, 3 low points.

The next five handed callan-ace will be Tuesday, September 6th at 7:30 p.m. sharp. American Legion Hall (air conditioned). the complex. The officer cited him for possession of intoxicants.

Police

On August 4, 2005 The Kewaskum Police Department responded to 240 Main Street to a possible theft. The owner of the business there thought gas was being siphoned out of vehicles in their parking lot. A determination could not be reached; the vehicle owners stated they would watch the gas consumption.

On August 8, 2005 Kewaskum Police Department responded to Geidel's Piggly Wiggly for a shoplifter. It was later found the woman took a box of sleep tablets, a Glade Plug In refill and Glade

KEWASKUM SENIOR DINING CENTER For the Elderly Menu

Meadowcreek Complex 262-483-2056

Monday, September 5 --All meal sites and Office on Aging closed - Labor Day.

Tuesday, September 6 -- Baked ham, Au gratin potatoes, Caribbean blend vegetables, cornbread muffin, tapioca pudding.

Wednesday, September 7 -- Chicken quarters with BBQ sauce, baked beans, creamy coleslaw, whole wheat bread, apple pie.

Thursday, September 8 --Pub burger, mashed potatoes with gravy, Prince Edward blend vegetables, kaiser roll, frosted orange cake.

Public Health Nurse every first and third Thursday, 9-11:30 a.m.

Bingo every Monday, 10 - 11:30 a.m. Bring 50¢ prize to participate. Secrets. The woman was arrested as she was on probation from another incident. It was later discovered she had two small children at home; they were taken to a Kewaskum foster home.

Reports



Christopher D. Pekrul, Hartford and Kelly L. Morenzien, Kewaskum. Wedding Sept. 4.

Scott D. Muckerheide, Kewaskum and Wendy M. Russell, Kewaskum. Wedding Sept. 2.

Jason R. Weis, town of Farmington, and Megan M. Voigt, town of Trenton. Wedding Sept. 4.

David D. Dorn, town of Kewaskum and Wanda J. Marson, town of Kewaskum. Wedding Sept. 8.

Joseph Keith Kottke, Village of Eden and Anna Marie Zurn, Village of Eden.

Jarrod Edward Tonn, town of Osceola and Angela Sue Kraemer, City of Fond du Lac.

Lawrence Joseph Preston Jr., Village of Eden and Melissa Ann Magdefrau, City of Fond du Lac.



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The scene of the Saturday afternoon motorcycle crash on Courtney Lane in the Village of Kewaskum that claimed the life of Shawn A. Neitzel, 36, of Campbellsort. Statesman Photo: Andrew Kuehl

Playground updates to Riverhill Park



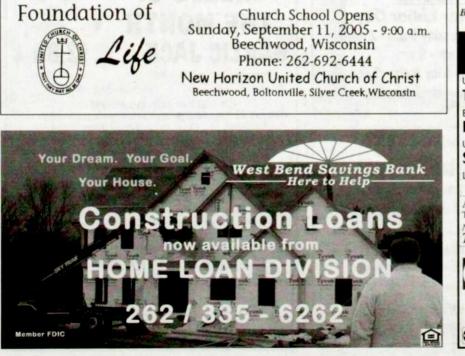
Shown above is one of the new playground pieces recently added to Riverhill Park. The bottom left hand photo shows a second piece added. The money for the project is being donated by Gary and Linda Gavin of Kewaskum. The Kewaskum Department of Public Works completed construction of the equipment on Friday. Statesman Photo: Andrew Kuehl



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Shepherd of the Hills holds drawing for big money



Jerry LeFeeber announces one of the 40 names drawn in Shepherd of the Hills' big money raffle drawing held Sunday, August 28. Prizes ranged from \$10,000 to \$100. Westward Ho Campgrounds was the winner of the \$10,000 cash prize. Tony Baudry was the winner of \$5,000. The raffle raised over \$30,000 for the Eden parish. Statesman photo: Andrew Kuehl

The Statesman Staff wishes you and your family a safe, relaxing Labor Day Campbellsport 1041 Fond du Lac Ave Inn Kewaskum Family Restaurant Food & Spirits 626-2154 "Home Cooking at it's Finest" DAILY SPECIALS **NEW HOURS**AUCE & Mexican Specials Mondays. Wed. Choice of 2 Chinese Entrees Effective after Labor Day: Thurs. Italian Monday thru Thursday 6 am - 2 pm Fridays .Fish Fry SaturdaysPrime Rib or Crab Legs Friday 6 am - 8 pmFamily Traditions Sundays. Also featuring a Weekly Saturday and Sunday 6 am - 3 pm Seafood Special LIVE MUSIC WEEKEND! 6pm-10pm LOMIRA AMERICAN LEGION Sept. 2, 3, 17: Joey Minz Sept. 16: Wayne & Deb **Friday Night Fish Fry** Sept. 9: Jim Vollmer • Beer Batter Fish • Perch • Pike CLOSED Shrimp • Mock Lobster • Chicken LABOR DAY We also serve sandwiches. Carry outs available **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC 4:30 - 9:00 pm** M-W-TH-F-SAT-SUN: ~Lunch Specials Daily Come as you are! Everyone Welcome! Closed TUESDAYS~ Hall available for wedding's receptions, meetings, dinners 139 W. Main St . Campbellsport For Hall Reservations Call (920) 533-8816 920-488-3562 or 920-269-4433 www.campbellsportinn.com

Aurora Pharmacy to offer free screenings at Diabetes Days

MILWAUKEE- Many people have diabetes five to seven years before they even know it, and during those years damage can occur to their eyes, kidneys, heart and nerves. That's why it's important to learn the risk factors for developing diabetes and receive a free diabetes screening. For more information, call the individual pharmacy.

Aurora Pharmacy is offering free Diabetes Days clinics at the following pharmacies in September:

• Slinger - 1054 E. Commerce St., from 2:30 to 5 p.m. Sept. 14.

• Kewaskum – 927 Fond du Lac Ave., from 9:30 a.m. to noon Sept. 15.

• Jackson, W194-N16714 Eagle Drive, from 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 15.

A pharmacist and diabetes educator will be available at Diabetes Day to:

 Perform a free diabetes screening (no fasting required)

• Do a free foot exam for loss of sensation

• Do a free blood pressure check

 Discuss your diabetes medication

 Answer product-related questions

"We are pleased to offer pharmacy services that include Diabetes Days, " said John Gates, RPh, regional director of pharmacy operations for Aurora. "Residents can access resources that offer expertise in assisting aging populations, more medications to treat an ever-expanding range of medical conditions, and knowledgeable staff to assist with complex insurance questions."

In addition to these free screenings, Aurora Pharmacy offers many other services, including:

• Home delivery from all of our pharmacies.

 Patient consultations.
 Aurora pharmacists provide one-on-one consultations and are always available to answer your questions.

• Safety and accuracy. Our pharmacists check and recheck every prescription.

• Value-based services. We always check for and dispense comparable generic medications (when allowed by your doctor) and offer Aurora Freedom 55+ members' discounts.

• Convenience. We accept over 300 insurance plans and offer mail or home delivery. Now accepting Medicare assignment.

Aurora Pharmacy also offers a wide selection of overthe-counter medications, as well as splints, elastic bandage wraps, and support hose, along with durable medical equipment such as walkers, shower chairs, and canes.

Aurora Pharmacy, with more than 140 retail pharmacies, is part of Aurora Health Care, a not-for-profit Wisconsin health care provider and a nationally recognized leader in efforts to improve the quality of health care. Aurora offers services in 80 communities throughout eastern Wisconsin.



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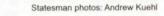
H.T. Social Fest turnout makes another success

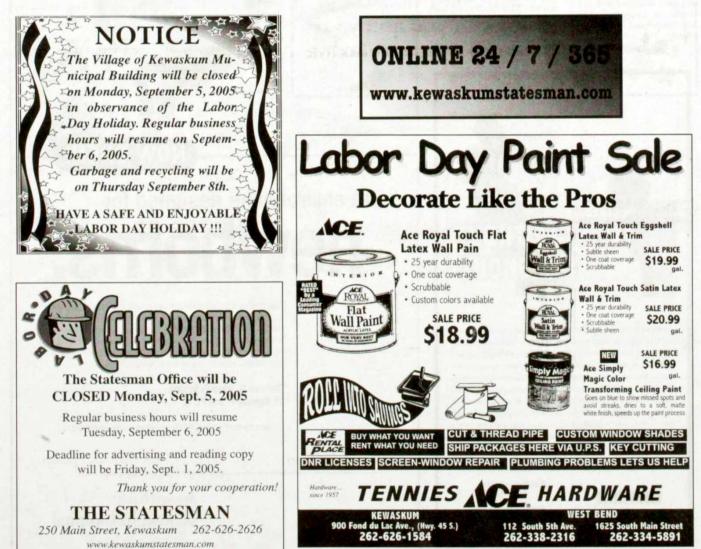


Holy Trinity School put on another successful Social Fest in Riverhill Park Saturday, August 27. Over \$32,000 was raised for the parish's school. Organizers of the event say that this could be one of the most successful events they have held. The winner of the \$5,000 raffle was Anna Nigh of Kewaskum. Holy Trinity School is a Catholic grade school in Kewaskum. The school serves students in grades k4-8.

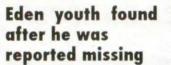


David Mertz, front, and Roger Reindl, left, wait for Jim and Sue Verhalen to deal out cards in a blackjack game held at Holy Trinity Social Fest.





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EDEN- The parents of an 8-year-old boy in Eden were delighted after he was found well a half-hour after he was reported missing.

The Eden Fire Department was called to search for the boy in a cornfield near County Road B and O'Brien Avenue in Eden.

Fond du Lac County Sheriffs Deputies also responded to the call that came in after 11 am Saturday morning.

UW Board of Regents will convene in WB

WEST BEND- The University of Wisconsin Board of Regents will hold its September 2005 meeting in Washington County, where attendees will see "The Wisconsin Idea" in action.

On Thursday, September 8 from 9:30 - 11:30 am they will hold Workshops on Wheels. Departing from Washington County Cooperative Extension Office - (333 East Washington Street, West Bend), attendees will get a firsthand look at the impact of community-based education and applied research

A Roundtable Lunch at

Washington County Fair Park will take place at 11:30 am.

The luncheon is hosted by Kenneth Miller, Washington County Board Chair and Mary Krumbiegel, Education and Culture Committee Chair, this lunch will feature roundtable discussions with 4-H members and other community members.

At 1pm Board of Regents and Committee Meetings will take place at Washington County Fair Park.

A reception hosted by the UW-Extension Board of Visitors will take place starting at 6 pm inside the County Courthouse Museum (320 South Fifth Avenue, West Bend.)

At 8 am on Friday, September 9, a Continental Breakfast with Educational Displays will be shown at the Washington County Office

The Board of Regents meeting with an update on the UW Colleges/UW-Extension Administrative Integration will commence at 9 am.

UW-Extension, one of 15 UW System institutions, will host the event at its Washington County Cooperative Extension office in West Bend. This provides an opportunity to demonstrate the university's ongoing commitment to public service, community outreach and applied research. With faculty and staff in all 72 counties, UW-Extension provides access to lifelong learning opportunities in every corner of the state.

SPINE MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Cabela's gets a nod from Richfield

OUNTY NEWS

RICHFIELD- Outdoor gear giant Cabela's was welcomed into the community after the town board there approved a resolution of support 5-0.

The Washington County Board's Executive Committee was to meet Wednesday, August 31 to continue discussing ways they can assist Cabelas' move into the county.

Cabela's wishes to construct a \$50 million-plus facility in the towns of Richfield and Polk on a 60 acre triangle along Highways 41, 45 and 145. That triangle has 40 acres in the Town of Richfield and 20 in the town of Polk.

Members of the Town of Polk will be meeting in a special meeting to make a decision on a similar resolution.

A Cabela's representative stated 35 acres would be used for a retail store. The remaining 25 acres would be used for outlot development. They hope to employ around 300 with 220 full-time jobs. Cabela's expects to attract four million visitors to the store.

Cub Scout treasurer arrested for theft

JACKSON- After investigating discrepancies in a club checking account, Jackson Police found about \$6,000 missing from the treasury.

A 42-year-old town of Jackson woman was arrested and is awaiting a review of the case by Washington County District Attorney Todd Martens.

Highway 151 bypass open Sept. 1

FOND DU LAC- The Wisconsin Department of Transportation has announced the completion of the Highway 151 bypass project.

A ribbon cutting ceremony was scheduled for Thursday, September 1 at 9 a.m. at the Highway 23 bypass lanes. The \$45 million bypass

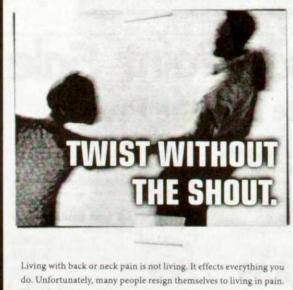
consists of newly constructed 7.7 mile highway from Highway 41 south of Fond du Lac to Peebles.

Crow in county tests positive for West Nile

County health officials announced recently that a crow found in the City of Hartford on August 17 has tested positive for West Nile virus. State testing of crows, ravens or blue jays found sick or dead in Washington County will continue until two positive birds are identified.

The Division of Public Health continues to monitor the spread of the disease using surveillance of dead crows, ravens and blue jays as a tool to determine the presence of West Nile virus in the state. These dead birds should be reported to the WNV Hotline at 1-800-433-1610 or to the Washington County Health Department at 262-335-4462.

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PEOPLE

Nighs celebrate 50th anniversaries Coulters celebrate family reunion



The Nigh brothers and sisters, children of the late Elmer and Evelyn Nigh of Campbellsport, and their spouses, have all celebrated 50 years of marriage. Shown above, left to right are, Gregor and Anna (Schoofs) Nigh, Kewaskum, married February 26, 1946; Alban and Dorothy (Harter) Nigh, Kewaskum, married April 8, 1947; Jerry and Marion (Nigh) Darmody, Allenton, married October 11, 1947; Willard and Marge (Nigh) Blanke, Plymouth, married on April 17, 1948; Virgil and Agnes (Nigh) Bird, West Bend, married September 8, 1948, Vincent and Elvira (Meyer) Nigh, Kewaskum, married on April 24, 1954 and Leo and Esther (Straub) Nigh, Plymouth, married on September 25, 1954. The couples were all married at Holy Trinity Church in Kewaskum.

Anderson, Arndt graduate from MPTC



Tuttle Creek is very proud of their newest graduates! Rachel Anderson and Lisa Arndt received their two year associates degree in early childhood education in May of this year from Moraine Park Technical College. From everyone at Tuttle Creek - great job! We are very proud of you both and are happy you have chosen Tuttle Creek for your career destination.

THANK YOU

A note of thanks to all of my family, friends and associates. Thank you for your kind thoughts, expressions of concern and your prayers, regarding my recent hospitalization and recovery.

> Sincerely Daniel Schmidt



President-elect Zachary Taylor refused to take his oath of office on the designated inauguration day, March 4, 1849, because it was a Sunday. He was sworn in the next day, leaving David R. Atchison, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, as acting President for the day.



The descendants of the late Mary W. (Doms) Coulter and David C. Coulter Sr. celebrated their 80th Annual Family Reunion on Sunday, August 7, 2005 at Sterr Park in Lomira with 93 people attending.

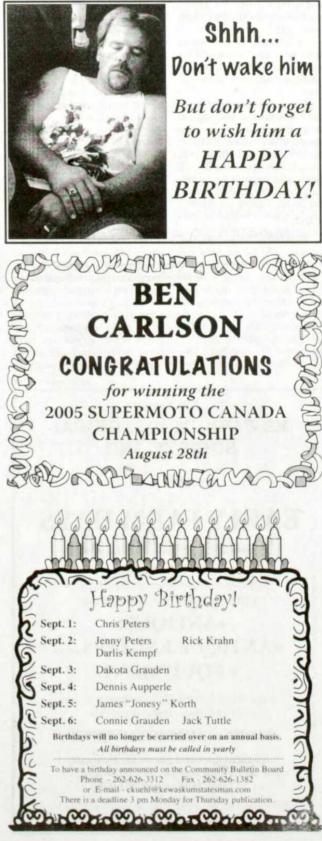
In charge of this year's reunion were the children of the late Geraldine C. (Byrne) Coulter and Ervin J. Coulter Sr.

MaryWilhelminaDomswas born on the Carl Doms Farm in the town of Kewaskum on July 20, 1875 and was the daughter of Dorothy (Schliemann) Doms and Carl Doms.

David Charles Coulter was born on the John Coulter Sr. farm in the town of Wayne on June 20, 1870 and was the son of Sarah (McKeag) Coulter and John Coulter Sr.

Mary and David were married in the Salem Church in the town of Wayne on April 9, 1896. Eleven children were born to them, whom are all deceased, namely: David C. Coulter Jr. (Alice E. Wilke), Mildred H. (George E. Krieser), Leona S. (Alvin C. Schwartz), William J. (Kathryne B. Urban), (Mildred Bierling), John J., twins Ervin J. Sr. (Geraldine C. Byrne) and Gladys G. (Orvin O. Zahn), Sylvia E. (Raymond Schellpfeffer), baby James T. Coulter, who died at birth, Elvira L. (Jack E. Erickson) and Milton D. (Elva A. Schaefer).

For further information you can contact family genealogist John Henry Vorpahl Jr. at 262-338-0000 or email johnhenry02@sbcglobal.net.



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EVENTS

Fine arts season announced at UWWC

It will be Polish Night Extraordinaire on Friday, September 30 when Polish folk dancers and ethnic foods kick off the Fine Arts Series at UW-Washington County. Founded in 1975, The Syrena Polish Folk Dance Ensemble performs both nationally and internationally. The colorful dancers will perform a variety of Polish folk dances - from the rugged mountaineer dances to the stately polonaise and the lively krakowiak.

The performance begins at 7:30pm in the campus theatre. The evening concludes with a sampling of Polish foods from Milwaukee's Polonez Restaurant. In addition, the Polish Women's Organization will be selling authentic Polish pottery, crafts and jewelry. Tickets for the show (including ethnic food samples) are \$10 adults, \$8 seniors (over 62) and youth (under 18).

In addition to the Syrena Dancers, an extraordinary lineup of talented performers completes the series. Artists include:

NOLLAIG: An Irish Christmas, December 2. The popular group, Bohola is back to offer a wonderful evening of Christmas in Ireland. As holiday reels, jigs, marches and hornpipes fill the air and set your feet a tapping, you'll be whisked back to childhood Christmas memories. This was a sellout in 2003 - get your tickets early!

PROARTE String Quartet, February 10. An exciting mix of classical and contemporary string chamber music in a variety of styles from the professional artists in residence at UW-Madison.

WISCONSIN WILD WOODS & WATERS, April 21. Lake Superior's Big Top Chautauqua show is coming to West Bend! Warren Nelson will lead the Blue Canvas Orchestra and singers as they present an illuminated concert which sings, speaks and plays the wild side of Wisconsin waters and landscapes

MILWAUKEEACCORDION CLUB ENSEMBLE, May 5. If you're thinking oompapa, think again! This talented ensemble includes professional musicians and teachers (including UW-WC's Tom Gross). From Latin rhythms and Vienesse waltzes to pop and Broadway show tunes - you will be amazed at the sound!

Two theatrical productions, each performed for two weekends, will round out the series. The fall production is Cavedweller, (Nov. 4/5 and 11/12) based on the best-selling novel by Dorothy Allison. Cavedweller is the story of a former rock star who returns to her hometown of rural Georgia to rebuild the family she abandoned a decade ago. The spring production, Bat Boy: The Musical (March 10/11, 17/18) is a classic love story with a serious bite. It tells the tale of the capture, education and persecution of a half human/half bat discovered in the caves of West Virginia. Actors for the theatrical productions include both current UW-WC students as well as community members. For information about auditions, contact Professor Brad Ford at (262)-335-5222.

Season tickets for the complete series are available now at a savings of over 30%. Tickets for seniors (over 62) and youth under (18) are priced at just \$38 for all seven performances (5 performance series, 2 theatre) while adult season tickets are priced at \$45. To purchase tickets or receive a series brochure, which also includes information on free concerts, lectures and festival events, phone the main office at 262-335-5208. The main office is open from 8:00am until 4:30pm Monday through Friday. Season and individual tickets can also be purchased by mail, by sending payment and a \$2 handling fee to: UW-Washington County, Attn: University Relations, 400 University Drive, West Bend, WI 53095.

More information is also available on the campus website at: http://washington.uwc. edu/events/finearts.html General seating is available in UW-Washington County's 300-seat theatre, which is located in the upper level of the campus at 400 University Drive in West Bend.

Gerhartz to speak at KPL

Nationally renowned oil painter Daniel Gerhartz will give a presentation on his work at 6 pm on October 11 at the Kewaskum Public Library.

Born and raised Kewaskum, Mr. Gerhartz studied painting at the American Academy of Art in Chicago and has exhibited his paintings around the U.S. including galleries in New Mexico, Arizona, South Carolina and Oklahoma. In addition to his gallery showings, Gerhartz has won numerous awards, been chosen as the Andre Agassi Charitable Foundation Artist in 2004, and teaches workshops at the Scottsdale Artists School.

The October 11 program, which will include a slide show of some of Mr. Gerhatrz's paintings, will be of interest to artists and those interested in the arts and will last about 90 minutes. Please contact the library for further details at 262-626-4312.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

SATURDAY, SEPT. 10 -- 10th Annual Boltonville Fire Department STREET DANCE/HAWAIIAN BEACH PARTY. Music by Oil Can Harry, 8:30 pm to 12:30 a.m. Food & Refreshments starting at 5:00 p.m. Serving Miller & Miller Lite. 9336 Bolton Drive, Boltonville

SUNDAY, SEPT. 11 -- The Kewaskum Historical Society, Inc., 31ST ANNUAL EARLY FARM DAYS, Sunday, Sept. 11, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. adjacent to the Museum and Log Cabin, 1202 Parkview Dr., w/s River Hill Park just south of Main St. (STH "28") along the banks of the Milwaukee River. Antiques, antique engines and equipment to see along with free horse drawn wagon rides and other entertainment, plus excellent food and refreshments. All exhibitors and guests are welcome, for more information call 262-626-4273, 262-626-4656 or 920-994-9488.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 16 -- BIG CEDAR BLUEGRASS BAND IN "THIS OLD BARN" will be held at Lac Lawrann Conservancy. 300 Schmidt Road, West Bend. 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm with tickets available at the door \$10.00 A raffle is also being held. Food and refreshments and homemade desserts will be served from 6 to 7 pm. For more info or to buy raffle tickets call 335-5080.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 20 -- ENVIRONMENTAL ETHICS - first lecture in NATURE & YOU lecture series at UW-Washington County Free admission. 7 pm, Room 228 (no reservations needed) One hour lecture followed by Q&A.

There is a \$3.00 charge for publishing your event up to three times in the Community Calendar in advance. The deadline for all items is Monday by 3 p.m.

It is delightful to transport one's self into the spirit of the past, to see how a wise man has thought before us, and to what a glorious height we have at last reached.

-Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

Nomination Deadline Sept. 12

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Name of couple:

(Please circle one) Send in or drop off your nominations at NEWLYWED GAME 355 Main St., PO Box 281 Kewaskum, WI 53040

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Jerry Apps presentation at C-sport Library

Jerry Apps is coming back to the Campbellsport Public Library due to popular demand. In September of 2003, Mr. Apps gave a wonderful speech about the disappearance of barns in the Wisconsin country-side, to over 65 local people. Many of these people cannot wait for his return engagement.

Jerry Apps is professor emeritus at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and currently works full time as a rural historian and writer. He has written extensively about life in rural Wisconsin and history of the Midwest in books such as One Room Country Schools and Barns of Wisconsin. He recently received the "Pride of Wisconsin Award" from Wis-consin Barnes and Noble booksellers for his excellence in the field of regional literature and outstanding achievement by a Wisconsin author.

On September 8th, at 7 p.m. Jerry Apps will be at the Library to talk about life in the Midwest in the 1930s, 40s, 50s. It was a very special place where parents and children worked side by side and neighbors stuck by each other through good times and disaster. Mr. Apps will read from two of his books, When Chores Were Done and Humor from the Country, shedding light on the toughness of farm life as well as the humorous side of things. Audiences will hear about the author's own adventures peddling rutabagas and discovering cuss words: and they will be introduced to Felix, the intrepid barn cat, Nancy, the obstinate cow, and Fanny, an extraordinary collie whose role on the farm was as important as that of any human. Within each story we see how loving and supremely educational growing up on a farm can be, for it is here that youngsters learn not only how to take the heads of the chickens and to drive the tractors like grownups, but also to deal with illness, disability, and death.

In addition to his presentation, Jerry Apps has generously agreed to stay after his speech to autograph your copies of his books. If you don't currently own one of his wonderful books, the Library will be selling a selection of his books that evening as a fundraiser for future Library events. The books that are being sold that evening are already on display and for sale at the Library, please call or stop in for a complete list of the items for sale. The Library will accept cash or checks for purchase of the books.

You don't want to miss this free program on September 8th at 7 p.m. at the Campbellsport Public Library. Free refreshments will be provided by the

Campbellsport 4-H

If you have any questions, or if you need to setup accommodations, please call the Campbellsport Public Library at (920) 533-8534, or stop in at 220 Helena Street. They are open Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 12:00 to 8:00, Wednesday from 10:00 to 6:00 and Friday from 10:00 to 5:00.

Fall Country Arts, Crafts

St. John UCC, Germantown, is hosting its 20th Annual Fall Country Arts and Crafts Fair on Saturday, September 10th on Donges Bay Road, between Pilgrim Road and Hwy. 145 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Quality exhibitors will be the main show but the famous bake sale will also be featured along with the now famous cookbook.

Since this is their 20th year they have a special raffle with a handmade quilt and wallhanging depicting a starry log cabin design, two other raffles with many great prizes; a huge silent auction table; theme basket raffles, hot food and the admission is free.

This fair is a must - do not miss it. Come and join the fun!

Community Events For September 3

Saturday, Sept. 3 -- Kewaskum Sno Chiefs BRAT FRY, at Geidel' Piggly Wiggly, 9-3.

Saturday, Sept. 10 -- BRAT FRY, at Peace Church, Main Street, Kewaskum, 10-2 pm. Proceeds will benefit group going to Haiti in January, 2006 on Mission Trip. Donations can also be sent to Peace Church c/o Haiti Mission.

Nature Up Close Family Program September 3, 9:30 am - 11:00 am (Saturday)

Ice Age Visitor Center

Have you ever wondered how the world looks to an ant? Equipped with a magnifier, we'll see just how an ant views the world and gain a whole new perspective of nature. This program is best for families with children between the ages of 5 and 12 years.

Wings of Colorful Scales Drop In at the Beach September 3, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm (Saturday)

Long Lake South Beach

September 4, 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm (Sunday)

Mauthe Lake Beach

On wings of colorful scales, butterflies flutter through the daylight while moths float through the night. You will be amazed at the lives these incredible insects lead. Everyone is invited to drop in for a few minutes or more than an hour for some nature fun. Adults are encouraged to participate with their children.

Family Concert with Ken Lonnquist

September 3, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm (Saturday) Mauthe Lake Recreation Area Picnic Shelter

Join Ken Lonnquist for a wonderfully entertaining evening of music and merriment. Ken is a musician for all ages who is sure to delight the entire family. This is an outdoor concert so remember to bring your lawn chairs and blankets. In case of inclement weather, the concert will be held at the Ice Age Visitor Center (located off of Hwy 67 half mile west of Dundee).

To be included in the Community Events, FREE OF CHARGE, please submit your event prior to our 3 pm Monday deadline, at our office at 355 Main Street, Kewaskum; e-mail - ckuehl@kewaskumstatesman.com or on the web www.kewaskumstates-man.com, PLEASE NOTE, businesses offering specials or events for profit are not ccepted. Events are listed at the Editor's discretion



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PERSPECTIVES



My thoughts exactly

By Andrew Kuehl The Statesman Managing Editor akuehl@kewaskumstatesman.com

Is there any benefit to being a legal citizen?

Our senator in the 20th district was in the spotlight Friday after appearing on a national broadcast of Fox News. This isn't the first time Senator Glenn Grothman has been in the national media regarding the idea of giving illegal immigrants in the state a hand above legal residents. I can't say I blame him.

Back when he was a Representative for the 58th Assembly District, Glenn Grothman heard about Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority's (WHEDA) plan to start a first in the nation program to give a hand out to illegal immigrants in the state when applying for a home loan.

WHEDA's current purpose is to create housing projects for low-income, elderly or disabled persons.

When someone comes to Wisconsin from another country to work here the Internal Revenue Service gives out an individual taxpayer identification numbers, or I-TINS, so that they can legally pay income tax. Since April of 2004 WHEDA has been allowing I-TINS to be used where Social Security numbers would normally be required.

According to Fox News' website, so far, about 150 mortgages totaling more than \$16 million have been granted to Wisconsin I-TIN holders.

Proponents of the program argue if multi-cultural districts are to succeed, home ownership is vital.

Grothman says when he found out about this, he called WHEDA immediately and asked them to stop. The folks over at WHEDA decided they would just ignore Grothman. I don't imagine they were real excited to hear of his win over then Senator Mary Panzer.

In his first legislative session as a Republican Senator, Grothman introduced a bill that would prohibit WHEDA from making, buying, or assuming a home mortgage loan for an individual who does not have a social security number.

Grothman's bill has been before both the Assembly and the Senate. Where does it go from here?

"As is too frequently happens in Wisconsin, you have a small group of special interests show up while the average Wisconsin resident is working. In this case, a few bankers who make money off the program with a few people of Hispanic heritage who I am sure do not speak for the entire community provided support for the (WHEDA) program," Grothman said.

I can't understand why, we as a state are aiding illegal immigrants. Should we not be helping the citizens of Wisconsin who are here legally? As someone who is desperately trying to purchase a home on the scraping salary of a journalist I find this to be a huge kick in the teeth. It's incredibly sad, to live in a state that puts it's non-citizens, on a pedestal.

What point is there for these illegal immigrants to become legal residents of our state? In Canada, France, or Mexico, are American citizens given advantages over their citizens?

> *** If you go to work on your goals, your goals will go to work on you. If you go to work on your plan, your plan will go to work on you. Whatever good things we build end up building us.

Jim Rohn

The Statesman Welcomes Letters to The Editor

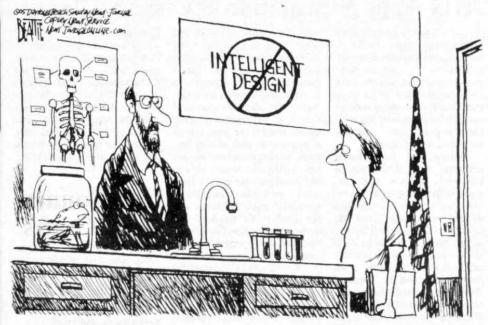
However, we do require that letters be legibly written or

preferably typewritten, are limited to 300 words, that the author sign the letter and that a telephone

number and address be included where the author can be reached. Only letters including the name of the writer will be published. Letters pertaining to elections will NOT be published the week of an election.

Letters that are used as public thank yous will not be considered Letters can be emailed to akuehl@kewaskumstatesman.com

Mailed to: PO Box 98, Kewaskum WI 53040 Faxed to: (262) 626-1382 Thank You



"If we're not supposed to mix science and religion . . . are we allowed to pray we'll pass this biology course?"

- In Your Opinion -

To The Washington County Board of Supervisors:

I am writing on behalf of the West Bend Area Chamber of Commerce to express our support of the proposed Cabela's project and to encourage you to support funding this needed economic boost to our regional economy.

Cabela's is more than a retail store. It is a destination that welcomes an estimated three to five million people a year to its location, and will generate approximately \$60 million in annual sales. This can only benefit Washington County businesses - including our hotels, restaurants and other retail operations.

Not only will our county businesses benefit from Cabela's, but our residents will see opportunities. The construction of the facility will offer an estimated \$15 million in payroll - which will provide excellent opportunities for our neighbors to work close to home. Once the facility is open, there will be approximately 300 new jobs, paying \$10 to \$12 per hour as a starting wage. These jobs offer benefits and opportunities for growth, as well as an estimated \$8 million a year in wages.

This represents tremendous opportunities for our area residents. This offers a good opportunity for our youth to gain retail and customer service experience. Many parents committed to being home for their children before and after school may have the ability to work. Retirees may see opportunities to share their outdoor knowledge. The facility will offer educational seminars and community rooms, as well as the distribution of area tourism materials. All of this combines to offer many employment opportunities that exceed a starting wage.

I encourage you to see the vision of long term economic growth for Washington County and view Cabela's as the great opportunity that other communities have experienced. We have the opportunity to share what Prairie du Chien has experienced, as well as over 18 other communities in the United States.

As West Bend works assertively to market our area to visitors, we know that Hartford and Germantown are doing the same. We know that you are committed to tourism, funding a major portion of the Washington County Convention and Visitors Bureau. We hope that you recognize the major impact that Cabela's will have on Washington County tourism. As we currently rank 21st in the state for tourism dollars spent in a year, we recognize the tremendous increase we would see if Cabela's offers the outdoor experiences to travelers heading north.

The State of the Wisconsin is willing to commit in excess of \$5 million to this project. The State sees the value of Cabela's in our region and is willing to invest in this project. Cabela's is willing to invest approximately \$70 million into building their facility in Washington County. I hope that you will see the value of investing approximately \$4.5 million.

You will create jobs. You will create a tax base that could bring \$350,000 in County sales tax, and much more in property tax revenue. The investment would see an estimated payback in approximately 10 years, assuming you continue the County sales tax.

Our residents want good jobs with an opportunity for growth in our area. This is a good step in that direction. I hope you will invest in Washington County and invest in the future of our economy.

> Respectfully, Kim Swisher, Executive Vice President West Bend Area Chamber of Commerce



DAYS GONE BY

25 Years Ago

August 29, 1980

All schools in the Kewaskum District will begin classes on Tuesday, September 2.

The Kewaskum AFS Club is pleased to announce the arrival of the two foreign exchange students for the 1980-81 school year. Lek Mahasakhunyong, who is staying with the Leland Schaub family, Route 2, Kewaskum, is from Bangkok, Thailand. Isa Koch, who is staying with the Ronald Landvatter family, 8428 Highway M, Fredonia, is from Tirol, Austria.

Laurel Wilson, 18, a 1980 graduate of Kewaskum High School, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Wilson of Kewaskum, was selected to compete in the 1980 Miss Teen USA Pageant being held at the Hyatt Regency in Milwaukee this weekend, August 29-31.

At the August 14 meeting of the Kewaskum Area Chamber of Commerce held at 12:30 p.m. at the Savings & Loan meeting room, new officers were elected as follows: President, Leroy Bier; Vice President, Tom Bartelt; Secretary-Treasurer, Charleen Barutha. Committee chair-people picked were: Tourism – Ken Weddig; Retail – Judy Klein; Community Betterment – Bob Kirst; Membership – Wayne Remmel.

A daughter, Sara Jane, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Welsh, Campbellsport, on August 10. A son, David Michael, was born to Freddy and Janet Gildersleeve, Kewaskum, on August 11. A son, Timothy Shawn, was born to Shawn and Gale O'Laughlin, Campbellsport, August 22. A son, Robert William, was born to Otto and Sharon Holz, Campbellsport, on August 18. A son, Clayton David was born to Greg and Lori Loehr, Campbellsport, on August 19. A son was also born to Bruce and Caroline Wenninger of Kewaskum on August 8.

50 Years Ago

September 2, 1955

During the past week, two more cases of polio were reported at Kewaskum, bringing the total cases to date to 12 here. The two new cases since our last issue are Gilbert Reindl, Town of Kewaskum, who is the third member of his family stricken with the dis4ease. He is the father of Robert, 7, and Mary, 11, who were both stricken earlier. The other new case is Sandi Weddig, 3, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Weddig, Jr. of this village.

The opening of the Kewaskum public schools will be postponed from Tuesday, September 6, to Monday, September 12, because of the prevalence of polio in the area.

Five young men from Kewaskum and the surrounding area have enlisted in the United States Air Force and left August 31 to report for service in Milwaukee. From there they were sent to Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. The youths are: Harold C. Klein and Norman Walz, Kewaskum; Jack Spartz and Roger Kumrow, St. Michaels, and Ralph Buechel, Beechwood.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hintz, Campbellsport, on August 28, and a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Schoofs, Route 2, Kewaskum, on August 26.

75 Years Ago

August 29, 1930 The Froemming Bros.

walks on the west side of the concrete bridge, and an 18 foot stretch of road extending from the bridge out to the east city limits, just east of the Holy Trinity cemetery last Saturday forenoon. Mr. O.F. Schwartz, man-

completed the work of pav-

ing Main Street from curb to

curb and building new side-

ager of the Schwartz tavern at St. Kilian, has completed arrangements for the Big Carnival dance that he will sponsor on September 1.

The Fond du Lac County Highway Commission will favor the re-location of Highway 28 when a hearing on the proposed change is held September 10 at Kewaskum. Changing the location of Highway 28 will make the route follow County Trunk S through sections 36, 25 and 26 in the Town of Auburn. Under the new plan it will pass through Beechwood and New Fane and omit Boltonville and Batavia. The present route starts at Minnesota Junction and passes in a northeasterly direction through Mayville and Theresa. At Theresa the route turns north, duplicating Highway 41 for a short distance and then runs directly east through the northern part of townships in Washington County.

100 Years Ago

September 2, 1905

Telephone wires are to be placed on the poles of the North-Western road between Milwaukee and Fond du Lac, to be used in cases of emergency when the telegraph wires fail to work. The telephone can also be used for the operation of trains by officials who are not familiar with the workings of the telegraph, when there is no operator on duty.

A force of railroad carpenters have been working here for the past two weeks making repairs on the cattle yards and platform around the depot.

The Washington County Fair will be held at West Bend on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, September 18, 19 and 20.

Herman Marks, proprietor of the New Kewaskum Store, has put in a complete stock of groceries and will hereafter take all kinds of farm produce in trade.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Joost of Kewaskum last Sunday.

In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about life - it goes on.

No more waiting until Monday to see the doctor.



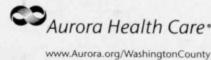
Extended Hours Are Now Available

A weekend can seem to last forever when you or your child has an unexpected illness or injury. Now you don't have to wait until Monday to see the doctor. Beginning August 6, 2005 the Aurora Health Center in West Bend will have weekend office hours.

Our new office hours will be:

Monday through Thursday, 8:00 am to 8:00 pm Friday, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Saturday, 8:00 am to 1:00 pm Sunday, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

For health care that fits your busy life, turn to the Aurora Health Center in West Bend. To schedule an appointment with one of our doctors, please call (262) 338-1123.



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Local moms go back to kindergarten

By Amy Swanson Statesman Correspondent aswanson@kewaskumstatesm

It's the first day of school. You've taken an entire roll of film of your kindergartner next to the tree in the front yard. Walking hand-in-hand with a brand new backpack strapped to their back, swinging their shiny new lunchbox, your kindergartner is ready to begin their academic career ...right?

Two Fredonia moms, friends and co-authors Stacy Kannenberg and Linda Desimowich are making sure kids are ready for the world of Kindergarten. Their book, Let's Get Ready for Kindergarten, prepares parents and kindergartners for kindergarten by focusing on the core curriculum for Kindergarten in Wisconsin. The book puts ease into the ABC's and 123's.

Kannenberg and Desimowich put the 32-page book together on their own after consulting with educators to know the basic skills kids entering kindergarten need to know. "There are books out there but they tend to be 200 to 300 pages, and are not going to keep a little one's attention," Desimowich said. The book focuses on readiness skills for kids ages two through six years old.

"It really is the parents' responsibility to make sure kids are ready for school but yet we couldn't find a tool out there that says you need to know the coins, letters out of sequence, and this is how they're tested," Kannenberg said.

Kannenberg said the two friends were inspired by Oprah to make a difference." We have young children who were getting ready for Kindergarten and couldn't find one book that had the entire curriculum in it; so after being inspired by several Oprah shows, we decided to write and self-publish our own book."

In under a year, Kannenberg and Desimowich have sold over 3,000 books and are finding themselves in the national spotlight after being awarded the 2005 Adding Wisdom Award from Parentto-Parent, a 2004 Silver Addy for Illustrations from the American Advertising Association, and selected to Orca Communications Media's



Guide to the Best Products for Parents and Kids in the July-October, 2005 edition.

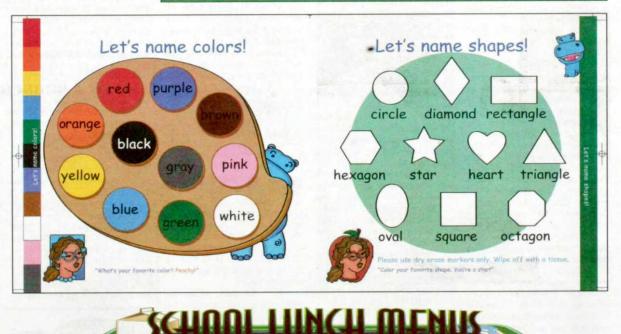
"We are excited that our Kindergarten book has been sent home with the entire Kindergarten enrollments in over 30 school districts. Parents, teachers and kids love it!"

Cedar Valley Publishing also released their next book, Let's Get Ready For First Grade, this summer and it is sharing equal success.

Another book offered by Cedar Valley Publishing, Daddy, Where are You? is written in memory of Port Washington, Wisconsin's Timm Snider to help his young son deal with his sudden death. "It's an important tool to help parents and kids deal with the unexpected," Kannenberg said."

Let's Get Ready for Kindergarten is available locally at Peek-a-Bootique in Downtown West Bend.

For more information on Cedar Valley Publishing visit them on the web at www.cedarvalleypublishing.com



Kewaskum School District

Monday, Sept. 5 - LABOR DAY NO SCHOOL

Tuesday, Sept. 6 - Pepperoni pizza, tossed salad w/ assorted dressings, bread & applesauce. * Cheese pizza. (2) Mini corn pup-

Wednesday, Sept. 7 - Chicken patty/bun, pineapple tidbits, green beans & peanut butter chocolate chip bar (p). * Mexican salad bar. (2) Mini corn puppies.

Thursday, Sept. 8 - French toast sticks w/ syrup, breakfast pork links, peach slices, tri-tator & a Ranger cookie. *Cheese stuffed potato skins. (2) Mini corn puppies.

Friday, Sept. 9 - Bacon cheeseburger/bun, French fries, buttery peas & Mandarin oranges. * Chalupa. (2) Mini corn puppies.

Holy Trinity

Monday, Sept. 5 - LABOR DAY NO SCHOOL

Tuesday, Sept. 6 - Mini corn dogs, macaroni and cheese, green peas, peaches, whole wheat bread w/ butter, chocolate chip cookie, milk.

Wednesday, Sept. 7 - Hamburger/bun, buttered noodles, broccoli/cauliflower, pineapple, Rice Krispie square, milk.

Thursday, Sept. 8 - Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes w/ gravy, golden corn, Mandarin oranges, dinner roll, oatmeal scotchie bar, milk.

Friday, Sept. 9 - Nachos grande, fluffy rice, carrot coins, Mandarin oranges, cookie, milk

Campbellsport School District

Monday, Sept. 5 - LABOR DAY NO SCHOOL

Tuesday, Sept. 6 - Pizza dippers/dip, broccoli/cheese, fruit, brownies, milk.

Wednesday, Sept. 7 - Tacos/ trimmings, Mexican rice, chilled pineapple, bread, milk.

Thursday, Sept. 8 - French toast sticks, sausage links, Tritaters, OJ, applesauce, milk.

Friday, Sept. 9 - Grilled ham/ cheese, pickles, tater tots, fruit, milk.

St. Matthew's

Monday, Sept. 5 - LABOR DAY NO SCHOOL

Tuesday, Sept. 6 -Hamburger/ bun, cheese slice, French fries, pickles, pineapple, bar, milk.

Wednesday, Sept. 7 - Turkey roast, mashed potatoes/gravy, garden fresh peas, cranberries, fresh fruit tray, French bread, milk.

Thursday, Sept. 8 - Meatsauce and spaghetti, garden salad, green beans, banana or pears, garlic toast, milk.

Friday, Sept. 9 - Tuna, egg salad or peanut butter sandwich, potato salad or chips, raw veggies and dip, orange wedge or apple, milk.



BITUARIES

JOHN A. BONLENDER



John A. Bonlender, age 55, of the town of Wayne, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, August 28, 2005 at Froedtert Memorial Lutheran Hospital in Wauwatosa.

He was born on May 11, 1950 in Fond du Lac, the son of Andrew and Margaret (Bonlender) Bonlender, and on August 20, 1970, he was united in marriage to Helen Yogerst at St. Anthony Catholic Church in St. Anthony.

John was employed for over 20 years with the State of Wisconsin Division of Motor Vehicles, working in various offices and serving on many committees. He currently was a supervisor at the Milwaukee Northwest office.

John was a member of St. Kilian Catholic Church in St. Kilian.

Survivors include his loving wife, Helen; his dear children, Andrew (Akua) Bonlender of Brown Deer, William Bonlender of Belgium and Jennifer Bonlender of the town of Wayne; his father, Andrew Bonlender of St. Kilian; a brother, James (Jean) Bonlender of Gloversville, New York; a sister, Linda (Peter) Winter of the town of Wayne; a grandson, John Andrew Bonlender, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

John was preceded in death by his mother and a sister, Karen Taylor.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 1, 2005 at St. Kilian Catholic Church in St. Kilian. Father Neil Zinthefer will officiate and entombment will be Friday at 10:30 a.m. in

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THANK YOU!

the Chapel of the Risen Christ Mausoleum at Calvary Cemetery in Fond du Lac.

Relatives and friends may call on Thursday at the church from 3:00 p.m. until the time of services.

The Miller Funeral Home in Kewaskum is serving the family.

JOSHUA L. MARTIN



Joshua L. Martin, age 16, of the Town of Wayne, passed away unexpectedly due to an automobile accident on Tuesday, August 23, 2005.

He was born on April 5, 1989 in Hartford to Larry and Jackie (nee Urban) Martin.

Growing up he attended Wayne Elementary School. Kewaskum Middle School, and was currently attending Kewaskum High School where he would have been a junior.

He was a member of Resurrection Catholic Church in Allenton where he was preparing to receive the sacrament of confirmation next May

Joshua lived an abundant life full of hobbies like hunting, fishing, snowboarding, snowmobiling, riding ATV's, and just hanging out with friends and family. He was a kind person who always had time to help his dad out on the farm and volunteer at church. He was a member of the Kewaskum High School's FFA and Ski/Snowboarding Club.

He is survived by his parents; a sister, Jenna Martin of the Town of Wayne; paternal grandparents, Lloyd and Evelyn Martin of the Town of Wayne; maternal grandparents, Howard and Irene Urban of Waupun; a girlfriend, Shana Kirschbaum of West Bend; other relatives and friends.

A funeral service to celebrate Joshua's life was held on Friday, August 26, 2005 at Myrhum-Patten Funeral and Cremation Service of West Bend. Father Richard Stoffel presided and the service started promptly at 7:00 pm.

Visitation was at the funeral home on Friday from 2:00 pm until the time of service at 7:00 pm

Memorials to the family

would be greatly appreciated. Online guest book and condolences may be found at www. Myrhum-Patten.com.

SHAWN A. NEITZEL

Shawn A. Neitzel, of Campbellsport, formerly of Kewaskum, entered eternal peace Saturday, August 27, 2005, at the age of 36 years.

Shawn was born November 1, 1968 to John and Diane (nee Purgett) Kleinke in Hartford. and was raised in the Kewaskum area

He graduated from Kewaskum High School with the Class of 1987. Shawn was currently employed at BR Metal Technologies in Menomonee Falls as a robotics welder.

Among his many hobbies, he kept himself busy with the start of his own welding and fabricating business, and building and riding motorcycles. Recently, he was able to join his friends on motorcycle trips to both Sturgis and Birnamwood.

A smile was always brought to Shawn's face and heart when he was able to spend time with his nephews fishing. His family, especially his children, was the most important part of Shawn's life. If he had all of the time in the world to spend with his daughters, Becky and Tracy, watching them grow, he would give it all to them.

Those who love and will dearly miss Shawn include the love of his life and best friend, Alicia M. (nee Pintor) Neitzel of Campbellsport; his cherished daughters, Becky Neitzel of Sheboygan Falls and Tracy Neitzel of Campbellsport; his loving parents, John and Diane Kleinke of Dundee; dear parents-in-law, Arlyn Mossburg of Saukville and Alfred Pintor of Menomonee Falls; and his siblings, Roberta (Gene) Krueger of Campbellsport, Charles Neitzel of Pickerel, Dennise (Donald) Lavrenz of Waukesha, Jolyn (Steve) Kyler of Campbellsport, Michael Kleinke of Campbellsport, and Timothy Kleinke of Fond du Lac.

He will also be deeply missed by his siblings-in-law in Alicia's family, Wendy (Randy) Dauss of Florida, Dean Pintor of Campbellsport, and Jeania (Chris) Salzer of Wautoma; his paternal grandmother, Marie Kleinke of Campbellsport; his nieces and nephews, Rhett, Ross, Sarah, Shannon, Charlie, Cyle, Donny, Steven, Amanda, Nathan, Nickolas, Ashlee, Tina, Kathleen, Dylan, Rebecca, Mark, Hope, Bethesda, Mary, Samuel, Elizabeth, Josiah, Victoria, Justin, Amanda, and Olivia; other relatives, and many dear friends.

Shawn is preceded in death by his paternal grandfather,

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maternal grandparents, and two sisters, Pamela Neitzel and Tracy Neitzel.

A Funeral Service in honor of Shawn will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, September 2, 2005 at St. John's Lutheran Church (N665 Hwy. S, Kewaskum), with Rev. Mark W. Eckert officiating. Interment will follow the service at St. John's Cemetery. Visitation with family and friends will be held on Thursday, September 1, 2005 from 2:00 p.m. until 5:30 p.m., with a prayer at 5:30 p.m. at the Phillip Funeral Home Chapel of West Bend. A continued visitation will be held on Friday, September 2, 2005 at St. John's Lutheran Church from 10:00 a.m. until the time of the service at 11:00 a.m. Memorials to the family are appreciated in lieu of flowers.

The Phillip Funeral Home of West Bend is assisting the family (262)338-2050.

HARRY 'BUTCH' RADY IR.

Harry "Butch" Rady Jr., 58, of the town of Kewaskum died Tuesday, Aug. 23, 2005 at SynergyHealth St. Joseph's Hospital in the town of Polk.

He was born Dec. 10, 1946 in West Bend to Harry and Rose (nee Hetebrueg) Rady and married Kathleen M. Goschey on Oct. 21, 1972 at Immanuel United Church of Christ in West Bend

Butch was employed as a welder for many years at Gehl Co., West Bend Equipment, and for the last three years worked at Hydraulic Cylinder in the town of Farmington.

He was an avid fisherman and hunter and enjoyed playing dart ball in the Immanuel UCC league and the Amerahn league.

Harry was a longtime member of Immanuel UCC.

Survivors include his wife of 32 years, Kathy; two children, Melissa of Plover and Scott of Kewaskum; his father, Harry Sr. of West Bend, and a sister-inlaw, Patricia Goschey of West Bend. He is further survived by

other relatives and friends.

Preceding him in death were a daughter, Sara, in infancy on June 22, 1976, and his mother, Rose, on Aug. 21, 1997.

Funeral services were held Friday, Aug. 26 at 8 p.m. at the Schmidt Funeral Home, West Bend.

Rev. James Eckblad officiated, and burial was Saturday in Washington County Memorial Park, West Bend.

Visitation at the funeral home was Friday from 4 until 7:45 p.m.

Memorials to the charity of the donor's choice are appreciated.

DOROTHY J. LAWTON

Dorothy J. Lawton, nee Bailev. 84. of Jackson, formerly of Menomonee Falls and Milwaukee, was welcomed into Eternal Peace Thursday, Aug. 25, 2005.

Dorothy was born April 24, 1921 to Mark and Anna (nee Maudesly) Bailey in Iowa.

As a young girl, Dorothy's family moved to the Milwaukee area, where she attended Milwaukee schools.

After her childhood, she entered the work force and later met the love of her life, Elmer J. Lawton Jr. The couple dedicated their love to one another on June 2, 1945 at St. John's Cathedral of Milwaukee.

After marriage, Elmer and Dorothy moved to his father's farm in Menomonee Falls, where they began a family of their own, and then moved to the Jackson area in 1953.

She devoted her love, time, and energy to raising their family.

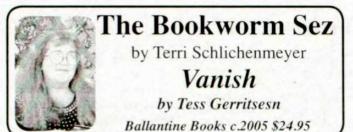
Dorothy loved to play cards, and travel up north, where she could spend time visiting the Amish country.

Dorothy was loved dearly and will be deeply missed by her loving children, Wayne Lawton of Jackson, Margaret (John) Tennies of Slinger and Linda Lawton of Painesdale,

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Mich.; her cherished grandchildren, Julia (Tim) Erickson of Campbellsport, John Tennies Jr. (Angela) of Campbellsport, Mary (Jeff) Kutsche of West Bend, Jeff (Heather) Tennies of Kewaskum, Brad Miller of Michigan, and Kelly Schraufnagel and Tyler of Michigan; her dear great-grandchildren, Cassidy and Conner Erickson, Nicole and Tessa Tennies, Samantha and Amber Kutsche, Austin, Michaela and Maggie Tennies and Madison Schraufnagel; a brother, Mark (Ruth Ann) Bailey of Fond du Lac; a sister, Helen Kraft of North Dakota; and her brothers-in-law and sisters-inlaw, Nancy Bailey of Arizona, Marion Bailey of Hales Corners, Robert Brahm of Germantown, Joseph (Viola) Lawton of Merton, Mary (the late Ray) Kroogman, Evelyn (Roy) Schaefer, and Frances (the late Le Roy) Schumacher, all of Menomonee Falls, and Marie (the late Sylvester) Lawton of Pittsville.

She will also be missed by many nieces, nephews, other special relatives, and many dear friends. Preceding her in death were her beloved husband, Elmer J. Lawton Jr., who entered eternal peace Feb. 14, 2000 to watch over his dear family; her grandson, Joseph Tennies; and six siblings, James, John, William, and Thomas Bailey, and Ruth McCaigue and Elizabeth Brahm.

A Memorial Service was held on Monday, Aug. 29, at 6:30 p.m. at St. Peter's Catholic Church, Slinger, with Father Richard J. Stoffel officiating.

Visitation with family and friends was held on Monday at the church only from 5:30 p.m. until the time of the service at 6:30 p.m.

Cremation took place at Paradise Cremation Services of West Bend, followed by interment of ashes at St. Peter's (new) Cemetery.

Memorials are greatly appreciated to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 902, Pewaukee, Wis. 53072.

The Phillip Funeral Home of West Bend assisted the fam-

MARY C. JANKOWSKI

Mary C. Jankowski, nee Bushman, 65, passed away on Saturday, Aug. 27, 2005 at SynergyHealth St. Joseph's Hospital, town of Polk

She was born to Joseph L. Bushman and Viola M. Schuh on May 5, 1940 in Milwaukee where she was raised, graduating from Pius High School in 1957.

After graduation, Mary met and married Thomas S. Jankowski on July 11, 1959 at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church in Milwaukee.

After marriage, the couple lived in Milwaukee and the town of Trenton, finally residing in the town of Wayne.

Mary worked briefly at The West Bend Co. and then started at Serigraph Inc. in 1979, where she worked until her retirement.

She also farmed part time on the family farm.

Mary loved baking, especially baking cakes, knitting, crocheting, gardening and was an artist in earlier years.

Survivors include her husband, Thomas; two daughters, Linda (Brian) Conrad of Belgium and Cassandra (Gerard) Tomaz of West Bend; two sons, Steven (Elizabeth) of the town of Wayne and Michael (Charmaine) of Stoughton; grandchildren, Nicholas and Alexander Conrad, Anthony and Christopher Tomaz, Timothy, Andrew, Matthew and Sara Jankowski and Brianna Jankowski; sisters, Estelle Kressin of West Allis, Geraldine Rogge of Wauwatosa and Alice Hansmeyer of Brookfield; brothers-in-law; sistersin-law; nieces; nephews; cousins; other relatives and friends.

Preceding her in death were her parents; twin daughters, Barbara Ann and Beth Marie, and two brothers, Charles and Jerome Bushman.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Wednesday, Aug. 31 at 11 a.m. at Resurrection Catholic Church, Allenton.

Father Richard Stoffel officiated, and burial was in St. Peter and Paul Cemetery in Nenno.

Visitation was at the Phillip Funeral Home, West Bend, on Tuesday from 4 to 8 p.m. with a rosary service at 8 p.m. and closing of the casket prayers on Wednesday at 10 a.m.

Memorials to the family are appreciated

KARL F. AND LAVERA O. BRETSCHNEIDER

Karl F. Bretschneider, 86, and his wife, Lavera O. Bretschneider, nee Jobs, 79, of Newburg, both died Thursday, Aug. 25, 2005 as a result of injuries suffered in an auto accident in the town of Trenton.

Lavera was born May 9, 1926 on the family homestead farm in the town of Jackson to the late Reinhold and Adela (nee Nicolaus) Jobs.

She was a member of St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church, Newburg, and the St. John's Ladies Auxiliary.

She enjoyed gardening and word search puzzles.

Karl was born Oct. 20, 1918 in Newburg to the late William and Ida (nee Wilkens) Bretschneider.

He was a life member of St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church, Newburg.

Karl served in the U.S. Army 808th Engineers during World War II in the Pacific Theater and was awarded the Legion Merit.

He was employed as a supervisor at Grob Inc. in Grafton, retiring in 1985. He was also a member and past chief of the Newburg Fire Dept.

He enjoyed people, loved fixing almost everything, and enjoyed his garden.

Karl's greatest joy was Christmas Eve when his entire family was together.

Karl and Lavera were united in marriage on July 2, 1949 at St. John's Lutheran Church in the town of Jackson.

Together they are survived by four children, Kathleen (Ronald) Kabitzke, James Bretschneider and Chervl Bretschneider, all of Newburg, and Susan (Mike) Marolla of West Bend; six grandchildren, Brian Bretschneider, Heidi (John) Valles, Matthew Kabitzke, Thomas Kabitzke, Dustin Marolla, and Griffin Marolla; five great-grandchildren. Timothy Rios, Dakota Valles, Ashley Kabitzke, Jacob Kabitzke, and Makayla Kabitzke.

Lavera is also survived by her twin sister, Loretta Eimermann of Kewaskum.

Karl is also survived by a brother, Edwin (Lillian) Bretschneider of Newburg.

Karl was preceded in death by two sisters, Hertha Bretschneider and Edna Janke; and four brothers, Clarence (Irene) Bretschneider, Arno Bretschneider, Oswald Bretschneider and Martin Bretschneider.

Funeral services for Karl and Lavera were held on Tuesday, Aug. 30 at 7 p.m. at St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church, Newburg.

Rev. Jon Baumann officiated and burial was in St. John's Church Cemetery, Newburg, on Wednesday at 11 a.m.

Visitation was at the church on Tuesday from 3 p.m. until the time of service.

Memorials to St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church, Newburg, are appreciated.

Myrhum-Patten Funeral and Cremation Service of West Bend assisted the family.

Online guest book and condolences may be found at www. myrhum-patten.com

IN MEMORY

In loving memory of Dennis Wesenberg who passed away one year ago, September 1st, 2004:

God looked around His

garden and He found an empty place.

He then looked down upon this earth and saw your tired face.

He put His arms around you, and lifted you to rest;

God's garden must be beautiful,

He-only takes the best.

He knew that you were suffering,

He knew that you were in pain,

He knew that you would never get well here on earth again.

So He closed your weary eyelids, and whispered "Peace be thine".

It broke our hearts to lose you, but you did not go alone;

For part of us went with you, the day God called you home.

> With all our Love Carol & Kyle

Every man's life lies within the present; for the past is spent and done with, and the future is uncertain.

-Marcus Aurelius

this newspaper in your hands, you get your news in print. Perhaps you listened to the radio when you got up this morning or you logged on quick to catch the headlines. Maybe watching Peter Jennings on TV was a part of your after-work routine. However you get it, you have to have your news. Don't you sometimes wish

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you knew what really goes on in the world?

There are lots of government secrets you'll never know about, and in the new novel "Vanish' by Tess Gerritsen, those secrets could mean murder and the loss of innocent lives.

Paperwork is important in every job. For Boston medical examiner Dr. Maura Isles, it's even more so. While filling out routine reports on an autopsy, Dr. Isles hears a noise coming from a row of body bags. She unzips the bag that holds an anonymous drowned woman.

The corpse opens its eyes. Understandably shocked, Dr. Isles rushes the nameless, neardead "dead" woman to the hospital. There, Dr. Isles is inundated by the media. Who could make such a horrible mistake? And who is this woman who seemingly has come back to life?

Revived, the beautiful Jane Doe becomes non-communicative and combatant. Restraints are used, but she escapes them. Seizing an opportunity, she steals a gun, murders a security guard and takes hostages inside the hospital. One of those hostages is homicide detective Jane Rizzoli, wife of FBI agent Gabriel Dean.

business on the side, bringing girls into the U.S. for the sex slave trade. Human cargo, the man tells the FBI. There's proof. before government And agents break into the hostage room, guns ablaze, the name-

less woman whispers a secret into Jane Rizzoli's ear. Mila. Mila knows. So who is the elusive Mila,

and where is she? Why are federal agents so interested in this case? Was the male hostagetaker just a nutcase, or was he telling the truth?

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As agents struggle to identify

the hostage-taker, a man walks

into the hospital, allies himself

with the nameless woman, and

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sacre, the man claims. The

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to what he has to say.

You have to admire talent like Tess Gerritsen's. It can't be easy to come up with a psychological thriller that clutches you the way this one does. "Vanish" is one of those I-can't-read-this-I-can'tstop kinds of books that makes you so uncomfortable that you don't want to put it down. It's been a long time, in fact, since I've had to close a book because I knew that if I read any further, I'd never be able to sleep. Many times, I had to remind myself that this is a novel, and not true crime.

If the news is getting you down, pick up a copy of "Vanish". It may not be as informative as tonight's newscast, but at least you know - or can hope - that this book is merely fiction.

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Thunder Rolls: Testing American Military Might

By John A. Scocos Wisconsin Secretary of Veterans Affairs

As American servicemen began to come under fire in the jungles of South Vietnam, President Lyndon B. Johnson sought a way to send a message to the leadership in Hanoi that he meant business.

That message came from the skies

Operation Rolling Thunder, which began in 1965 in response to an attack on U.S. soldiers by the Viet Cong, was designed to last eight weeks-enough bombing to show the North Vietnamese what "could be," but not enough to do serious damage.

It didn't work. North Vietnamese attacks increased. And so did the bombing. "Rolling Thunder" became the largest air campaign in the history of warfare.

It is instructive to mark the 30th anniversary of the War in Vietnam by reflecting on the unrecognized sacrifices our military service members made to carry out U.S. foreign policy in the jungles and skies of Vietnam

"Rolling Thunder" attempted to end a difficult war quickly by demonstrating to the enemy America's technological and military superiority. In doing so, however, it also demonstrated the limits of technology - and the problems that politics can wreak on military operations. "Rolling Thunder" also refutes the critique that American forces simply didn't do the job they were assigned to do. It isn't so.

The U.S. airmen did their job. As North Vietnam increased its attacks, "Rolling Thunder" stretched from an eight-week operation to a three-year campaign during which millions of tons of explosives were dropped on targets from B-52 bombers that flew so high they were impossible to hear and nearly impossible to see.

From 1965 to 1973, the U.S. bombers and fighter-bombers dropped 3 million tons of high explosives on North Vietnamese and Viet Cong targets, more than all the bombs dropped by all combatants in World War II.

But U.S. airmen were in essence handcuffed. In many cases, Vietnam's jungles concealed identifiable targets. Even more difficult for our airmen, bombers were restricted from attacking targets that might be manned by Soviet or Chinese advisers. The White House did not want to push China or the Soviet Union into direct conflict with the U.S., as had happened only a decade earlier in Korea.

As a result, targets 25 miles from the Chinese border, 10 miles from Hanoi, and four miles from Haiphong, the major Vietnamese port, were all off limits-despite the fact that almost the entire North Vietnamese war infrastructure was in those zones.

To make matters worse, bombers were restricted from bombing Vietnamese airfields and surface to air (SAM) sites because it was correctly assumed that Soviet technicians helped service the missiles and MiG fighter aircraft they provided to North Vietnam.

A greater war was to be averted at all costs, and generally the cost was the loss of American aircraft and a loss of airmen

Rolling Thunder became a difficult challenge. Bomber crews were called to conduct raids against an enemy that was difficult to see and identify - all while being attacked by missiles against which there was no defense

The United States lost enormous numbers of aircraft. But on a human scale, it was even more costly as North Vietnamese prison camps filled with downed pilots and navigators who had parachuted from their stricken aircraft.

Men like Sen. John McCain, Captain Lance Sijan, one of Wisconsin's six Medal of Honor recipients, and Colonel Don Heiliger, a current member of the Wisconsin Board of Veterans Affairs, became prisoners behind enemy lines - and had to wait for years until the end of the war in the most grueling

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circumstances that included torture, hunger, disease, infestation and extreme isolation.

Yet despite their sacrifices, airmen were often not honored when they returned home. In fact, they were held partly to blame for a war the public had grown weary of supporting.

Our veterans deserve better. That's why I've created a new program in Wisconsin, 'Mission: Welcome Home". When our soldiers come home, whether from a prison, a hospital, or the field of battle, they are our heroes and deserve to be treated as such. "Mission: Welcome Home" represents my department's commitment to help make sure that happens.

This is the ninth in a series of 15 columns about the Vietnam War that will be published.

John A. Scocos is Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs which has created Mission: Welcome Home to support Wisconsin troops returning home from serving overseas.

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 Thursday, September 1, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICES

Village Board Meeting Minute

Village Board Meeting August 1, 2005 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. All other Trustee Members were present. A quorum was present.

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

Trustee Kevin Scheunemann asked to have some verbiage changed regarding the discussion and action on Ordinance No. 2005-08. It was also noted a change reflecting a nay vote was cast on the YMCA park waiver. On a motion by Trustee Kevin Scheunemann, seconded by Trustee Thomas Piwoni and unanimously carried voice vote, approved the minutes of July 18, 2005 as amended and printed.

Mrs. Gwen Dreher and Mrs. Susie Guth of the Kewaskum Women's Club, along with the Village Board, presented the 9th Annual Kewaskum Beautification Awards to the four 2005 recipients as follows:

 Creative Use of Landscape Materials and Shrubs - Tom & Cheryl McElhatton, 1812 Conrad Street

 Floral, Shrubbery & Tree Arrangement - William & Marjorie Bailey, 489 Gavin Parkway

 Colorful Floral & Design Selections - Brad Reinke & Kathryn Martin, 469 Regan Road

 Lawn Ornaments & Décor -Scott & Peggy Timm, 1203 Parkview Drive

President Mathew Heiser and the entire Village Board congratulated all of the award winners.

They also expressed their appreciation to the Kewaskum Women's Club for a job well done.

Miss Savanna Wendelborn of the Kewaskum 4 HERS was present to donate \$772.00 raised through club activities, such as a car wash, to the Village of Kewaskum for street pole decorations and banners.

President Mathew Heiser and the entire Village Board thanked the Kewaskum 4 HERS for their generous donation to help beautify the village. They also expressed their appreciation to the Kewaskum 4 HERS for a job well done.

Mr. Ken Ward, the Village's Engineer, was in attendance and reported on the WPC Discharge Permit Compliance Status as ordered by the DNR. The six points as ordered by the DNR were reviewed as to progress and it was noted these orders reflect the age of the facilities not the growth of the community. The I & I issue of inflow and infiltration was discussed as to the metering as ordered. A total of nine meters were installed to monitor flows. The finding will be presented in a report shortly, but the testing did indicate that in some of the fourteen village zones increased flows were realized when rainfalls occurred. That would indicate sump pumps are discharging directly into the sanitary sewer system. The smoke testing was also complete and a few problems were located but nothing major. Work is proceeding in reference to the other points including the outfall pipe work, which will be completed this fall. Mr. Ward reviewed the plant and system capacity. Routinely in March and April with the spring rains the capacity at the plant and in the system run closer to full limits, but the plant has not had any problems meeting the treatment of the discharge. The plant was originally designed for a flow of one million gallons daily, but with the renovation of 1972 and the age of the plant the DNR downgraded the flow capacity to 750,000 gallons daily. The facility is currently at an estimated 350,000 gallons per day flow excluding wet or high flow periods. Looking at that criteria the plant and system should be ale to handle 300 to 500 new homes, which would equate out at 750 to 1,250 in population. It was pointed out that the time from considering development to actual build out is years and by that time because of the DNR orders plant expansion should be well underway. The Village Board thanked Mr. Ward the Village Engineers, Ruekert & Mielke Fire Chief Mark Groeschel did

not have anything to report. Police Chief Richard Knoebel did

not have anything to report. Director of Public Works, Jerry

Gilles reported on the following: 1) Reported on Well # 3 indicat-

ing the work has been complete and that the pump should be installed late this week or early next and then water samples would be taken so hopefully the well could return to active service late next week. The production of the well should be 38% higher than it was prior to the work.

On a motion by Trustee Kevin Scheunemann, seconded Trustee Thomas Piwoni unanimously carried by voice vote, the Board approved the issuance of Operator's Licenses renewals and new, for 2005/2006 upon proper payment of fees and documentation for the following as recommended by the Police Department:

Bannenberg, Ramanda L., Kewaskum, WI

Burdick, Debbie L., Kewaskum, WI

Burdick, Jessica L., Kewaskum, WI

Burdick, Stacey A., Kewaskum, WI

Duffy, Anne M., Kewaskum, WI Herriges, Marian, Kewaskum, WI Knoebel, Cynthia, A., Kewaskum,

The police had no objections to those listed above.

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

 Review of League and Taxpayer Bulletins.

Reviewed the balance sheet for period ending June 2005.

3) Discussion regarding a request from Trustee Kevin Scheunemann regarding the use of Eminent Domain Powers. Trustee Kevin Scheunemann informed the Board the village should lead and act on an ordinance to disallow eminent domain powers for business aspects. Administrator Daniel S. Schmidt reported that he had discussed the matter with the League of Wisconsin and they indicated the court ruling was a restatement of what had occurred about one hundred years ago. However the State Legislature is looking into the matter as well as the League. The Village of Kewaskum has been in existence for 110 years and has never used Eminent Domain Powers and the urgency of any action would not be necessary. Village President Mathew Heiser as well as other Village Trustees indicated it does not always pay to be the first to react and incur potential legal expense. No action was taken at this time, but the matter will be monitored at the state and local level.

Public Works Chairperson Trustee Derek Peterson discussed the possible asphalt work to the alley north of Second Street between Fond du Lac Avenue and RR ROW. It was noted a fund balance remains in the street and alley account because of fair pricing received thus far this year. The noted work was proposed a number of years ago, but never followed through with because of issues with the adjacent land and cost. A proposal was received for said work at a cost of \$14,300.00. On a motion by Trustee Andy Pesch, seconded by Trustee Thomas Piwoni and unanimously carried by voice vote the Board authorized the alley resurfacing as reviewed at \$14,300.00 by Payne & Dolan.

Board Representative for the Plan Commission, Trustee Andy Pesch reported to the Board on the Plan Commission Meeting of July 26, 2005. The Plan Commission reviewed the following: 1) CSM for Charlie Serwe. 2) Revised concept plan for the TID Business PUD and CUP for same. 3) Request for amending the Village Land Use Plan and Sanitary Sewer Service Area. 4) Reviewed an accessory energy ordinance. All of these items were referred with a favorable recommendation.

Board Representative for the Library Board, President Mathew Heiser announced a Library Board Meeting scheduled for August 8, 2005.

Trustee Andy Pesch the Board Representative to Mid Moraine Municipal Association Legislative Committee announced a quarterly meeting scheduled for August 24, 2005 and hosted by the City of Hartford.

On a motion by Trustee Andy Pesch, seconded by Trustee Derek Peterson and carried by the majority by roll call vote, the Board approved the application for a Temporary Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage Picnic License for the Holy Trinity Church at the RHP for August 27, 2005. The event is for the Holy Trinity Social Fest. Roll call vote was 6 "Aye" 0 "Nay" 0 "Absent" 1 "Abstain". Trustee Thomas Piwoni abstained from voting.

On a motion by Trustee Harry Roecker, seconded by Trustee Derek Peterson and carried by the majority voice vote, the Board approved the appointment of Thomas Piwoni as the agent for the aforementioned. Trustee Thomas Piwoni abstained from voting.

On a motion by Trustee Harry Roecker, seconded by Trustee Thomas Piwoni and unanimously carried by voice vote, the Board authorized the advertising for bids for the Sanitary Sewer Forced Main adjacent to USH "45" in conjunction with the TID projects.

The Board reviewed the request from the Department of Transportation as to agreeing to postpone STH "28"/Main Street reconstruction and upgrade scheduled for 2008 until 2010. A major concern is the current condition of the existing street and surface. As of today the infrastructure would appear to get the village to that point. The Board discussed the need or some current and extended ma tenance on that portion of the street within the village limits. On a motion by Trustee Derek Peterson, seconded by Trustee Thomas Piwoni and unanimously carried by voice vote the Board directed the Administrator to send a letter to the DOT and remain somewhat uncommitted to the postponement and indicating the need for the DOT's commitment to provide maintenance to keep STH "28"/Main Street in a safe condition as to potholes, low spots, and cracks etc. The Board acknowledged the fact that the DOT controls the time schedule and that the work has already changed from the original 2004 schedule. On a motion by Trustee Andy Pesch, seconded by Trustee Kevin

the meeting schedule for August and September as follows: the second meeting in August to be scheduled for August 22, 2005 (8:00p.m.). Plan Commission scheduled for August 30, 2005 (7:00p.m.), and with the Labor Day Holiday scheduling only one meeting for September that being September 19, 2005, 8:00 p.m. The September Plan Commission remains unchanged at September 27, 2005.

On a motion by Trustee Harry Roecker, seconded by Trustee Steve Scheunemann and carried by the majority roll call vote, to adjourn. Roll call vote was 7 "Aye" 0 "Nay" 0 "Absent".

Daniel S. Schmidt Administrator Approved 08-22-2005 Pub. (K.S.) 09-08-2005

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS TID No. 2 - Hwy 45 -Fond du Lac Avenue Force Main

Village of Kewaskum

Washington County, Wisconsin

Sealed bids will be received by Village of Kewaskum at 204 First Street, Kewaskum, WI 53040 no later than 11:00 a.m. local time on September 15, 2005. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the above time and place.

Project involves approximately 1160 lineal feet of 10-inch force main pipe burst through an existing 6-inch water main and 8-inch force main. Also included is removal and replacement of 1 sanitary manhole, concrete and asphalt patch work along with erosion control and site restoration.

All Work is included in a single prime contract.

Bidding Bocuments, including Drawings and Specifications, may be examined at reedplans.com and at the offices of: Village of Kewaskum, F.W. Dodge (Milwaukee), Milwaukee Builders' Exchange, Contractors' Exchange (West Allis), Bid+ Builders Exchange (Madison), and the Consulting Engineer.

Bidding Documents, including Drawings and Specifications, may be obtained from the Consulting Engineer: Ruekert/Mielke W233 N2080 Ridgeview Parkway, Waukesha, Wisconsin 53188-1020, phone (262) 542-5733, upon a deposit of \$25 for each set. Deposit will be refunded upon return of documents within fifteen (15) calendar days after the bid opening in an unmarked and reusable condition. Except for the apparent low bidder, all contractors, subcontractors, and suppliers must return documents to obtain a refund. To obtain copies of the Documents by mail, submit a separate and nonrefundable

check for \$10 per set to cover postage and handling. Bidding Documents in electronic format are not available.

A bidder's qualification statement must be delivered to Village of Kewaskum at least 5 days before the bid opening date. Bids shall be accompanied by a Bond or Certified Check payable to Village of Kewaskum equal to 5 percent of the bid. If the successful bidder fails to execute the contract and furnish payment and performance bonds within 15 days after the award, the Check or Bid Bond shall be forfeited to Village of Kewaskum as liquidated damages, Section 62.15(3), Wisconsin Statutes.

No bid may be withdrawn for a period of 60 days after the opening date.

Prevailing wage rates for all trades and occupations involved in the Work shall be in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes 66.0903 and the Village of Kewaskum for this project.

Construction time is of the essence. Completion delays are subject to liquidated damages.

Village of Kewaskum reserves the right to accept the most advantageous bid, or to reject any and all bids. Award of Work described herein is subject to the provisions of the Wisconsin Statutes.

Village of Kewaskum Mathew Heiser, Village President Published: September 1, 2005 September 8, 2005

TOWN OF FARMINGTON MONTHLY TOWN MEETING

The Board of Supervisors of the Town of Farmington will meet on Tuesday, Sept..6, 2005, 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



Kewaskum Village Residents

NOTICE

Due to Labor Day, Wood Chipping will be delayed one day.

On a motion by Trustee Andy Pesch, seconded by Trustee Thomas Piwoni 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:

43,356.34 General Sewer 81,701.54 Ck #28024 - #28112 Library Fund 3,189.99 Water Fund 11,006.69 TID 2 Fund 132,200.39 51,931.90 Capital Improv Funds Debt Service Fund 313.00 TOTAL \$323,699.85

On a motion by Trustee Andy Pesch, seconded by Trustee Kevin Scheunemann and unanimously carried by voice vote the Board adjusted

Wood Chipping will be Tuesday September 6, 2005

Thank you for your co-operation. Department of Public Works

Wood Chipping Notes: (1st and 3rd Monday of the month)

Please follow these requirements:

1. Place large (butt) end toward the street, at the curb.

- Long branches are OK, chipper will feed into itself.
- 2. Pile branches no more than 2 feet high;

a long low pile is best.

Leave a gap in the pile every 8 feet.

- For small brush, TIE IN BUNDLES with string or twine.
- 4. No roots of any kind, or material with any dirt on it.

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Village of Kewaskum Strives to Obtain Voter Information

In an effort to register all eligible voters in the Village of Kewaskum by the January 1, 2006 deadline, the Village is asking all residents who have not yet registered to vote, to do so. The Federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA) and Wisconsin State Statutes require all voters in Wisconsin municipalities to be registered in order to vote after January 1, 2006. An applicant *must register in person* and will not be accepted or processed unless the applicant has a current and valid driver's license, the applicant's driver's license number or in the event the applicant has no driver's license, the last four digits of their social security number. This effort is voluntary for the voter at this time. However, if the elector provides the required information now it will save them from long registration lines in 2006. Electors can register at the Village Hall located at 204 First Street from 7:30 AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday. For more information call (262) 626-8484

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 7:00 p.m. on September 19, 2005, to consider the petition of William H. and Carol Butzlaff to amend the Town Zoning Map by rezoning parcels T8-0363 and T8-0366, totaling approximately 54.38 acres, from EA-Exclusive Agricultural District to R-1 Residential District. Parcels T8-0363 and T8-0366 are described as follows:

That part of the South East Quarter of Section 17, Town 12 North, Range 19 East, Town of Kewaskum, Washington County, Wisconsin, bounded by a line described as follows

Beginning at the South East Corner of said Section 17; thence North along the east line of said Quarter Section, 1984.55 feet to the south east corner of Certified Survey Map No. 643; thence West at a right angle, 480.00 feet; thence North parallel with the east line of said Quarter Section, 390.00 feet; thence West at right angles, 145.00 feet; thence North parallel with the east line of the Quarter Section, 272.64 feet to the North line of said Quarter Section; thence South 89 degrees 47 minutes West along the north line of said Quarter Section, 405.2 feet; thence South parallel with the east line of said Quarter Section, 2653.00 feet to the South line of said Quarter Section; thence North 89 degrees 35 minutes 30 seconds East along the Section line, 1030.2 feet, to the point of beginning.

Dated this 29th day of August, 2005

Sandra Stern, Clerk

Publish: Sept. 1 & Sept. 9

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS **Treatment Plant Outfall Sewer Improvements**

Village of Kewaskum Washington County, Wisconsin

Sealed bids will be received by Village of Kewaskum at 205 Main Street, Kewaskum, WI 53040 no later than 11:00 a.m. local time on Tuesday, September 20, 2005. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the above time and place.

Project involves approximately 500 LF 24" and 18" RCP sanitary sewer, 471 LF 18" RCP storm sewer, 27 LF 18" CMP manholes, wetland restoration and appurtenances.

All Work is included in a single prime contract.

Bidding Documents, including Drawings and Specifications, may be examined at reedplans.com and at the offices of: Village of Kewaskum, F.W. Dodge (Milwaukee), Milwaukee Builders' Exchange, Contractors' Exchange (West Allis), Bid+ Builders Exchange (Madison), and the Consulting Engineer.

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No bid may be withdrawn for a period of 60 days after the opening date. Prevailing wage rates for all trades and occupations involved in the Work shall be in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes 66.0903 and the Prevailing Wage Rate Determination issued by Wisconsin Department Of Workforce Development for this project.

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Village of Kewaskum reserves the right to accept the most advantageous bid, or to reject any and all bids. Award of Work described herein is subject to the provisions of the Wisconsin Statutes Owner: Village of Kewaskum

Official's Name: Daniel Schmidt, Clerk

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TUESDAY NIGHT MEN'S LEAGUE HON-E-KOR CC August 23, 2005

TOP TEAMS THIS WEEK WERE: Hon-E-Kor - 5; Kewaskum Frozen Foods - 5; Tom's Pudders - 5: Fifth Avenue Cobras -5; Regal Ware 1 -5; Timblin Property Mgmt. -3; Dairyland Seed -3; Driving Range -3.

LOW GROSS: Jay Krueger, Dan Gibbon - 34; Jim Rohlinger - 35; Bob Roloff, Dave Olds, Ryan Amerling - 36; Mark Hafenbreadl - 37.

LOW NET: Ryan Mertzig -28; Augie Wilks - 29; Chris Harlow -30; Tom Jansen, Tom Smith, Bob Roloff, John Tessar - 31

LOW TEAM NET: Hon-E-Kor - 126.

HIGHLIGHTS: Tom Timblin and Bill Geidel won the special events.

Kewaskum Frozen Foods won the second half championship. They will play Timblin Property Mgmt. next week for the league championship. Team members are Bob Beisbier, Andy Pesch, Don Baierl, Mike O'Connor Sr., Bob Scannell and Tom Jansen.

WEDNESDAY WOMEN'S LEAGUE HON-E-KOR CC August 24, 2005

DAY EVENT: Net Minus Putts - Carol Wilks.

CLASS EVENT: Net Minus 2 Worst Holes - Class A: Doris Mayer, Cathy Lastofka, Cornie Kauth, Marilyn Edwards (24). Class B: Carol Wilks, Shirley Larsen, Kathy Hron, Lou Geidel (22). Class C: Dee Dee Roskopf (18)

18 HOLE LOW GROSS: Doris Mayer (98). 18 HOLE LOW NET: Doris

Mayer (72). BLIND BOGEY: Dee Dee

Roskopf (44). CHIP INS: Red # 5: Shirley Larsen

PARS: Hole 3 Red: Betty Hallen, Cathy Lastofka. Hole 7 Red: Cornie Kauth. Hole 8 Red: Doris Mayer. Hole 1 Blue: Doris Mayer. Hole 4 Blue: Doris Mayer, Dee Dee Placek. Hole 5 Blue: Donna Heid. Hole 9 Blue: Cornie Kauth.





Church 331 Main St., Kewaskum 626-2860 Father Ed Kornath

Sunday-7:30 & 11 a.m. Peace U.C.C.

343 First St., Kewaskum 626-4011 Rev. J. Eric Kirkegaard Sunday- 8 & 9:30 a.m. Nursery and handicapped accessible Sunday School during 9:30 service

St. Lucas Ev.

Lutheran Church 1417 Parkview Drive Kewaskum 626-2680 Rev. Edwin Fredrich Rev. Timothy Henning www.stlucaswels.org Saturday - 6 p.m. Sunday 8 & 9:30 a.m. Monday - 7 p.m.

Kewaskum House

of Prayer 100 Clinton St., Kewaskum 626-8337 Pastor Joseph Brath Thursday - 7 p.m. Sunday - 10 a.m. & 6 p.m. Sunday School at 9 a.m.

St. Michael's

Catholic Church 8877 Forestview Road St Michaels 334-5270 Father Ed Kornath Father Robert Artmann Saturday- 5:30 p.m. Sunday- 9 a.m.

St. John Lutheran Church N665 Hwy. S, New

Fane 626-2309 Rev. Mark Eckert Thursday - 7 p.m. Sun-day - 7:30 & 9 a.m.

Salem UCC 8925 Hwy. W. (Wayne) Campbellsport 626-4000

www.salemucc-wayne.org Rev. David Wernecke Sunday - Worship & Sunday School 9 a.m.

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Kaetterhenry Sunday 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.

Immanuel Lutheran Church LCMS W8497 Brazelton Dr. Random Lake 920-994-9060 Pastor Kurt Ziemann Sunday 8:45 a.m. Monday, 7:30 p.m.

St. Stephens Lutheran Church LCMS 1510 Hwy. 28, Batavia

920-994-9060 Pastor Kurt Ziemann Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

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day - 7 p.m. St. Paul's Community UCC

Sports

Early archery deer hunting seasons opens September 17

MADISON – The first of the fall deer hunting seasons is just around the corner with the statewide archery deer season opening on Sept. 17, followed by a special Deer Hunt for People with Disabilities that runs Oct. 1 through 9.

Archery deer hunting runs from Sept. 17 through Nov. 17 and again from Nov. 28 through Jan. 3, 2006. The 10day break is for the traditional November gun deer hunting season. Archers are restricted to antlerless deer only in designated Zone T units during the Oct. 27 to 30 and Dec 8 to 11 Zone T hunts. Archers must also wear blaze orange during these time periods as do all hunters other than waterfowl hunters.

The Oct. 1-9 Deer Hunt for People with Disabilities was created to give disabled hunters opportunity to bag a deer during milder weather conditions when temperatures are less severe and ground conditions permit easier wheelchair access to hunting sites. The Deer Hunt for People with Disabilities takes place primarily on private lands.

The 2005 Venison Donation Program is up and running and is picking up steam. Participating meat processors can be found on the Department of Natural Resources Web site. Hunters are encouraged to harvest additional deer in overpopulated units and donate any venison they can't use to this well received program. Hunters set a new donation record in 2004, bringing in 10,398 deer. Pantries had enough venison to last throughout the winter and into spring. Many pantries reported high demand for the venison.

"Now that we're at the doorstep of another season, I want to wish every success

to Wisconsin deer hunters," said Keith Warnke, DNR deer and bear ecologist. "There is abundant hunting opportunity statewide this year with a herd we estimate at 1.7 million animals – there are plenty of bonus antlerless deer tags for hunters who want to do their part to manage the Wisconsin whitetail population closer to population goals. In doing so, they will be doing all Wisconsin citizens a service by reducing crop, ornamental, forest and vehicle damage attributable to deer. As an additional benefit, those extra deer can be delivered to the Venison Donation Program, putting high-quality food on family tables."

Bear Season

The 2005 Black Bear hunting season runs Sept. 7 through Oct. 11. State wildlife officials estimate the black bear population in Wisconsin going into the fall hunting season is approximately 11,000 animals. Hunters using bear hounds will have opening week preference across much of the north for the first week, Sept. 7-13. Beginning Sept. 14, other hunting methods such as bait may be used until Oct. 11. Hounds may not be used after Oct 4. Opening week preference switches between hunting with hounds and hunting with other means on alternate years

A total of 4,731 Class A bear permits have been issued for 2005. Biologists have set a harvest goal of 2,500 animals. Interest in bear hunting has risen steadily over the years. For the 2005 season over 66,700 hunters applied for and received either a harvest permit or a preference point. This marks the highest number of applicants since the bear quota system was implemented in 1986.

Bear hunters can access the latest information on dog depredations including maps showing recent depredations on the DNR Web site.

Korth fires a 48 while other Indian golfers struggle

BY JUDY HARLOW

Statesman Correspondent jharlow@kewaskumstatesman.com

The Old Hickory Golf Course at Beaver Dam must have looked a little daunting to the newcomers on the Kewaskum High girls golf team in last Monday's Wisconsin Little Ten opener.

Old Hickory, with plenty of mature trees lining the fairways, can be "very unforgiving," according to coach Carol Martin, who reported her Lady Indians came up with "a disappointing showing."

Kewaskum finished sixth in the seven-team WLT match and was 41 strokes behind victorious Hartford, which came in with a total of 212 strokes for four counters.

West Bend West had just four players but still pushed the Orioles, coming in at 213, and Oconomowoc and host Beaver Dam were close behind, posting totals of 217 and 218.

There was a wipe gap between fourth and fifth place where West Bend East settled in with a 243, followed by Kewaskum at 250 and Watertown last at 253.

Kewaskum did have senior Kate Korth among the top three individuals. With just one seven on her card, Korth fired a 12-over-par 48, two shots away from medalist honors shared by Abby Johnson of Oconomowoc and sophomore Sarah Guenther of Hartford.

Kewaskum's other returnee, Nicole Remmel, hada shaky start but battled back with a four and two fives on her final three holes for a 56. The other two counters were Renee Wetzel and Corin Groth at 68 and 78, respectively.

"The girls are very coachable and want to improve," Martin said.

Martin also reported West's No. 1 players, Jaci Lutz, was still in California Monday, and Oconomowoc's title hopes might have taken a blow when Ana Johnson decided she is going to attend another session at the Nike Golf School this fall semester rather than coming back to Wisconsin for school.

In a dual meet held at Hon-E-Kor on Wednesday, the Indians lost a 213-233 decision to Two Rivers.

Korth shared medalist honors with one of the Raiders. (No last names were available on the Two Rivers girls.) The two shot 51s on the White nine. Korth was in position to do a lot better but hit two in the water on the final hole, according to Martin.

The other KHS counters were Jordan Benike and Corin Groth, with 59 and 71 respectively.

"Renee (Wetzel) is now where she should be," Martin said, referring to Wetzel's 75. "We have a huge problem with consistency."

In the Homestead Kilt Classic held on Aug. 18th, Kewaskum place 13th out of 14 teams with a 470 total. Korth led KHS with a 58-43—103.

The match started, then was halted by a 45-minute lightning delay and finally resumed and completed in sunshine, according to Martin, who reported Nicole Remmel had a score of 110 in the meet.

Lady Indians upended by EWC's tops teams

BY JUDY HARLOW Statesman Correspondent iharlow@kewaskumstatesman.com

The Eastern Wisconsin Conference schedule maker didn't do the Kewaskum High girls tennis teams any favors this year.

The Lady Indians wound up having to play the top two teams first in EWC play, and the two matches came within two days of each other, last Tuesday and Thursday.

Kewaskum was blanked 7-0 by both Plymouth and defending champion Roncalli and had trouble just winning games in the straight set decisions.

"The two toughest teams are out of the way," KHS Coach Dan Ross said Monday, reporting the only Lady Indian who had a chance against Plymouth was Ashley Corey at No. 4 singles.

"Ashley played well but came up short," Ross said about Corey's 3-6, 4-6 loss to Jaci Kulow. "She was even in each set, but Plymouth pulled away last in the set."

Most of the other Indians lost 0-6 or 1-6 in all the competitions.

Against Roncalli, Ross said his No. 3 doubles team "played very aggressively. It's something to build on." He was referring to the effort of Emily Boden and Kerrie Winter in their 2-6, 3-6 loss to Gina Hermann and Jess Tomaszewski. With few of his girls hav-

ing any previous varsity experience, Ross knew his team would have some tough times in the early part of the season, but he is confident it will do better as the season goes along.

KEWASKUM 0, PLYMOUTH 7

Singles: 1. Allison Kowalczyk lost to Kellie Colson, 0-6, 0-6; 2. Ashley Feucht lost to Holly Roeder, 0-6, 1-6; 3. Karissa Dums lost to Dani Grahn, 0-6, 0-6; 4. Corey lost to Kulow, 3-6, 4-6.

Doubles: 1. Marie Terlinden/Katie Gaynor lost to Lindsey Grahn/Marlo Kiela, 0-6, 1-6; 2. Darcy Dickman/ Jade Thelen lost to Jenna Vater/Brittany Zimmermann, 0-6, 0-6; 3. Winter/Boden lost to Missy Harrington/Jena Rortvedt, 2-6, 2-6.

KEWASKUM 0 RONCALLI 7

Singles: 1. Kowalczyk lost to Mary Simon, 0-6, 2-6; 2. Feucht lost to Chelsea Stangel, 0-6, 1-6; 3. Dums lost to Katie Leist, 1-6, 1-6; 4. Corey lost to Kim Swetlik, 1-6, 3-6.

Doubles: 1. Terlinden/ Gaynor lost to Lindsey/Christine Swetlik 0-6, 1-6; 2. Dickman/Thelen lost to Chelsa Foster/Marshall Pitz, 0-6, 1-6; 3. Boden/Winter lost to Herman/Tomaszewski, 2-6, 3-6.



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Sports

KHS volleyball team claims team title by going 8-2

BY JUDY HARLOW Statesman Correspondent iharlow@kewaskumstatesman.com

Some new players ... a new coach ... same old winning spirit!

This is a perfect description of Saturday's opening match of the Kewaskum High girls volleyball team, which was unveiling some new starters and marking the debut of coach Renee Butschlick.

Despite the fact the Lady Indians lost one tough game in their opening match against Dodgeland, they climbed to first place in the standings of the Indian Invitational by going 7-1 the rest of the way for an 8-2 final record.

No question about the key matches. They were the two 27-25 victories over Fox Valley Lutheran, which finished second at 7-3.

Howards Grove wound up third at 6-4, followed by Sheboygan Falls, 5-5, Dodgeland 4-6 and the usually weak Grafton, last at 0-10.

"That was it. That's where the girls stepped up and were running their plays," Butschlick said about the two wins over Fox Valley.

In the first win over Fox Valley, the Indians got a sideout, and then Katie Schroeder served for the win. Sophomore Stephanie Rinzel served the final two points in Game 2.

Butschlick saw signs of her

"quicker offense" in that win, and the team statistics were impressive. Schroeder was a perfect 34x34 in sets, with 13 assists, while Bekki Heberer was 9x10 in service receptions, and Lauren Larson was 9x11 in the same category.

Power at the front line was provided by Marissa Dehler, who had six kills. Not bad for someone who stands just 5-feet, 6 inches (5-6). Becky Rodenkirch helped out with two blocks.

A capsule of the other match scores and statistics are as follows:

Kewaskum vs. Dodgeland 25-15 and 19-25.

Schroeder was 8x8 in serving, Dehler had eight kills, Heberer was 5x5 in digs and Christina DeGroot was 9x9 in digs.

"The second game they had a big run on us in the middle of the game, and we weren't putting the ball in play," Butschlick said about the Trojans' run from 20 to 23.

Kewaskum vs. Grafton 25-6 and 25-11.

"We started to run our plays more. Our offense started to come around," Butschlick said. The star of this match was De-Groot, who scored from point six to 20 in the first game "With that, she had nine aces out of those points. That was a huge pick up for us," the coach said. Both Bekki Heberer and

Marissa Dehler had six kills. Kewaskum vs. Howards Grove - 22-25 and 25-20

Butschlick felt her team might have looked at the Howards Grove players and become overconfident, "Then all of a sudden, they were putting the ball in play, and we were putting them out," she said.

Megan Rinzel came up with eight digs,while Schroeder was 35x35 in sets, with seven assists, and DeGroot, Heberer and Dehler each chipped in with four kills.

Kewaskum vs. Sheboygan Falls — 25-8 and 25-9

"The girls were riding such a high" after the wins over the Fox Valley team and continued through the games against the Falcons. Dehler turned in an excellent all around game, going 7x7 in serving with four aces, while Stephanie Rinzel was 10x10 in serving with one ace, the 5-11 Rodenkirch contributed five kills, Schroeder was 27x27 in sets with 11 assists, and Larson went 9x9 in passing.

As far as the team's strengths on the day, the new coach said, "They (Indians) played as a team, and we started to run the offense. Those were the two things that got us through the day."

"This was a really good start," Butschlick said. "I'm very excited for the season." Kewaskum is at Slinger to-

night (Thursday).

Butschlick is confident her Indians will do well

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A legend, Dave Rizzardi, has retired, and now a new coach, Renee Butschlick, begins her own legacy in girls volleyball at Kewaskum High School.

Butschlick has a few holes to fill from the 2004 season, which produced another Eastern Wisconsin Conference championship, featuring Player of the Year Danielle DeGroot, and two other seniors, Amanda Magnus and Briana Bastian, who were named to the All-EWC second unit.

Another letter winner, Bry Timblin, has reportedly transferred to another school, so that will mean another starter must be replaced.

Don't figure Butschlick is waving a white flag for the 2005 season, however. She is confident in her girls' abilities and will be looking for veterans Katie Schroeder, Bekki Heberer, Marissa Dehler and Christina DeGroot to play key roles in what she feels will be a very successful season.

Dehler, a junior, was a second-team all-EWC back row specialist last year and will be looked up to start the Indians' offense, while Schroeder, a senior, received honorable mention in the 2004 balloting for her setting efforts.

Heberer shows flashes of excellent play in the front row. She appears to be the heir apparent to take over the spiking and blocking load for Daniele DeGroot and Magnus.

Christina DeGroot lettered as a freshman and more than held her own against the older players last year. She, too, has the talent to be an excellent front line player.

"Our strong suit is we are trying to run a quicker offense and will be working on a new defense," Butschlick, who played collegiate volleyball at UW-Washington County and Cardinal Stritch College, said, adding, "The one area we will need to work all season on is our passing."

Newcomers who will be working to try to make the Indians' first team or help out in reserve roles are: juniors Becky Rodenkirch, Emily Sedgwick and Caytlin Sprinkman, and sophomores Stephanie Rinzel and Megan Rinzel.

"I think we will be one of the top contenders for conference champions this year," Butschlick said. "I expect the girls to play to their full potential."

The Indians open their EW season on Thursday, Sept. 8th, at New Holstein.



Gibson paced cross country runners to sixth place at KML

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Consistency was the key to doing well in the annual Kettle Moraine Lutheran High cross country invitational held on the grounds of the Jackson school.

Averaging a time of 17 minutes and 56 seconds (17:56.44) for its top five runners, the Sheboygan Lutheran Crusaders were a full minute and three seconds ahead of the next best team from Milwaukee Lutheran, and it showed in the final scoring.

Claiming four of the top six spots, Sheboygan Lutheran, with an enrollment around 250 students, scored an impressive 29 points, which was 103 in front of runner-up Milwaukee Lutheran (132). Slinger wound up fifth with 182, and Kewaskum got off to a decent start, finished sixth out of 18 teams with 206.

"I was surprised at the boys' team finish," KHS coach Dave Drexler said. "I didn't feel they were together as they should have been, but the times were good for early season."

Kewaskum was led by junior Bob Gibson, who placed 20th overall. Gibson, who was the top distance runner on the track team last spring, was clocked in 18:50.91 for the 5-kilometer event.

The winner was Sheboygan Lutheran's Peter Bolgert. He flew around the course in an impressive 17:05.09, which was 19 seconds ahead of Aaron Goodman of Milwaukee Lutheran (17:24.10).

Jonathan Hawig had a decent outing, placing 34th at 19:28.52, two places ahead of senior Zach VanWormer, who hit the finish line in 19:38.21. The Indians' other two counters were Justis Clayton, 55th with a 20:14.26 clocking, and Tyler McElhatton, who was 62nd out of the field of 125. His official time was 20:31.83.

"The team looks like it has a solid core," Drexler, who retired as a technical education teacher in the spring but decided to stay on in his coaching capacity, said.

Campbellsport did not do very well as a team, scoring 313 points for 14th place, but the Cougars did have a pair of runners among the top 40, Sam Gellings in 24th at 19:03.69, and Spenser Rodenkich, who was 40th at 19:55.63. The Kewaskum girls only had four runners, which was one short of being a complete team. Not a single one of the Lady Indians finished among the top 75 runners, but freshman Tonya Janssen did well in her first varsity race, completing the 4-kilometer event in 20:38.44 for 79th overall.

Another freshman, Alissa Clapper, hit the finish line in 22:07.70, good enough for 92nd overall. Veteran Nicole Stern placed 86th (21:37.69)

The Campbellsport girls scored 213 points, good for eighth place, led by Sara Immel's fine showing. Immel was 10th in 19:26.99, and Leann Eimmermann cracked the top 25, finishing in the 23rd spot at 20:17.36.

After competing in a quadrangular at the UW-Sheboygan course on Tuesday, the Indians head for New Holstein this afternoon (Thursday) to face an Eastern Wisconsin Conference foe.

> It is never too late to be what you might have been. —George Eliot

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Sports

Sausage racers make appearance at tourney



Jim Wichtoski (44) took a bit of a gamble in the top of the second inning in Sunday's finale of the PJ Magoo Slow-Pitch Softball Tournament. Tagging up after a fly out, Wichtoski was gunned down at second base on a perfect throw from the Handoland right fielder.



Jahnke scores three goals as Indians finish seventh in County test

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With a roster of 15 varsity players, the Kewaskum High soccer team didn't have as much depth as some of the others in Saturday's annual Washington County Tournament, but the Indians held up as best they could.

"Saturday was not too bad," KHS coach Alex Hill said Sunday night. "We did OK."

The Indians opened with a 5-2 loss to West Bend East, the eventual champions, and they actually played the Suns to a 2-2 draw in the first 30 minutes. Game 2 was a bit more lopsided, as Kewaskum lost 3-0 to Slinger, but in the battle for seventh place, Kewaskum used a goal by Jason Jahnke in the early going toward a 1-0 decision over Living Word.

"I'm pretty sure we had them worried for a while," Hill said about his team's opener, reporting Jahnke got both of the Indians' goals, with Frank Cole assisting on the two scores.

"It was a good performance against those guys (from East)," Hill went on, referring to the fact East has a strong program and had 22 players Saturday to shuffle in and out of the game.

Hill said Paul Gaynor turned in "a pretty good performance" as defensive center, and goalie Nate Kenworthy was "busy (in the nets). I think he had like 16 saves."

In Game 2, the Indians held Slinger at bay for the first half — all tournament games included 30 minute halves but then the Owls scored three times after the break. Kewaskum lost Gaynor early in the first half, according to Hill, who said his defender twisted his knee. To make matters worse, the official called Gaynor for interference, gave the Owls a direct kick, and they scored on the play.

After Gaynor went out, Hill switched Austin Flanders to the center on defense, and reported, "He did well." "They were just stronger

than us," Hill said "It's tough to play games in one day like this."

Jahnke scored the lone goal in the final game. "I don't think there was an assist on that one," Hill said, indicating Ryan Nuernberg played a defensive position in this game and turned in a good effort.

"It was a hard-fought game. "We were lucky to hang on because with about a minute to go, a ball hit the underside of the crossbar and bounced backward right into Kenworthy's arms."

After Kenworthy clutched the ball, Hill admitted he breathed a sigh of relief.

Hill went on his team had plenty of opportunities, eight or nine shots, in the final game. "Jake Cochran and Jason ... they were both listed with three shots apiece."

Kenworthy came up with 10 saves in this game.

"They fought us hard," Hill said. "It was kind of a tired performance by us."

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Timblin, Debbie Timblin, Sue Voss. Hole 9: Crystal Dreher, Tammy Halfmann, Jane Korth. LOW GROSS: Courtney Timblin, 41.

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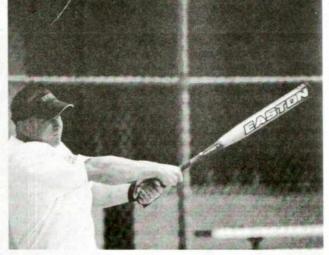
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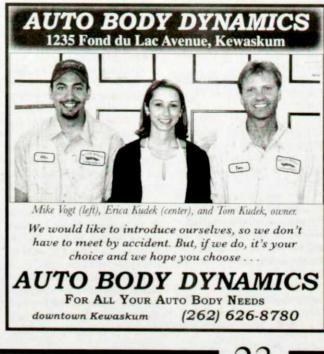


Kim Marx, once a star on the Kewaskum High football field and baseball diamond, strokes a leadoff single for the C.W. softball team in the finals of the first annual PJ Magoo Slow-Pitch Softball Tournament held at Kiwanis Park this past weekend. CW's went ahead 2-0 in the first inning, but the game was tied after seven, forcing two extra innings before CW won over Handoland Flooring, 13-9.

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The Bratwurst proved to his fellow sausages that he is King in Kettle Moraine Country as he was victorious in the race. Statesman photo by Andrew Kuehl



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Sports Strong running game lifts Indians past WB East



Containing East quarterback Jon Hess (7) was one of the major assignments for the Kewaskum High defense in Friday's season-opener in West Bend. The Indians did quite well staying with Hess in the first half. J.J. Logan (No. 73) moves in for the tackle, holding Hess to a short run on this play in the second quarter. Kewaskum won the game 28-14.

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While the Green Bay Packers offense was sputtering at Lambeau Field Friday night, the Kewaskum Indians looked like they were in midseason form, at least for the first half.

Using a 21-point outburst in the second quarter, the Indians erased a 6-0 deficit and rolled to a 28-14 non-conference victory over the host West Bend East Suns, who are under the direction of new head coach Tony Spaeth.

As expected, senior running back Garett Donath was the sparkplug for the Indians, igniting the offensive attack with 158 yards rushing and one beautiful 56-yard touchdown.

Kewaskum scored its first TD of the season with 8:48 remaining in the second half on a gritty 5-yard run by junior Eric Ogi. While five yards may not seem like a lot, the run was impressive in the fact Ogi appeared to be stopped two or three times at the 2-yard line but refused to go down before putting the ball into the end zone.

The play capped a 59 yard drive, highlighted by runs of 10 and 17 yards by the speedy and powerful Donath.

Jon Olla was perfect on the PAT, giving the Indians a 7-6 advantage

The Suns were hampered by a holding call on their next series and turned the ball right back to Kewaskum, which set

enough poise to go march 80 yards in the closing minutes to add seven more points for a 21-6 lead at intermission.

The big plays in this drive were a 14-yard reception by Eric Cain and a 20-yard run by Ross Stockhausen, who blocked for Donath most of the night and also picked up the tough yards (10 carries for 53 yards) up the middle when Kewaskum needed them.

With a little under a minute remaining, quarterback Chad Piwoni threw a couple incomplete passes before finding his big tight end, Matt Parrent, for an 18-yard scoring strike.

Parrent, who stands 6-foot-4 was being covered by 5-6 Alex Mueller, and it was no contest as the ball was dropped perfectly in his hands as he headed to the right corner of the end zone.

Olla made it three for three in PATs, and the Indians were definitely in charge.

Donath showed his versatility with a defensive score late in the third quarter. The 185pound senior was in the right place at the right time, gathering in a fumble off the fingertips of East end Steve Hoffmann, who coughed up the ball as he was being tackled.

Donath scooped the ball out of the air before it hit the ground and he was off to the races, cutting against the grain and down the right sideline for his second TD of the night.

East, which had just 45 yards hing in the first half, used an

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Midway in the fourth period, after a short punt by Stockhausen who reportedly is having a problem with "turf toe," East needed just seven plays to go 35 vards for its second TD, coming on a 1-yard run by Stewart.

KHS Coach Jason Piittmann was not happy with the way the Indians performed in the second half but said a lot of it had to do with changes in personnel. "The second half half we didn't do a whole lot," Piittmann said, but, "We played a lot of guys."

When he heard East had just 45 yards rushing in the first half, Piittmann said, "I can't complain about that." He admitted East does not have a runner like Nathan Dahl this year but he was pleased his defenders prevented the Sun backs from big runs on cutbacks.

The Indian offensive linemen might get a little extra work this week after allowing East's Scott Noegel to be in their backfield so much. He had at least five sacks in the second half. "He just killed us," Piittmann said

Of course, East would prob-

ably replay that Donath killed them, and Piittmann was not surprised with his play.

"He's worked extremely hard," the coach said, noting he was concerned last year when Donath said he wasn't going out for basketball to lift. He said many kids make similar decisions but do not carry them out long. In Donath's case, "He didn't miss a night. He was religious about it (lifting)," and, "He's definitely a person, who

leads by example."

Piwoni ended up going 5 for 10 in passing for 81 yards, and Parrent had three grabs for 53 yards

So did Piittmann consider the win a good start for the season? "Anytime you start out 1-0, that's a great start ... it's momentum." Piittmann said.

Kewaskum hosts Cedar Grove in another non-conference game Friday.

Rubicon douses A's playoff dreams

BY JUDY HARLOW Statesman Correspondent jharlow@kewaskumstatesman.com

For seven straight innings last Wednesday night, the only number on the scoreboard at the Brownsville baseball diamond was zero.

The Kewaskum Athletics were trying to battle their way to the fourth and final spot in the Rock River League playoffs, and so was the team from Rubicon, which broke the scoreless duel in the top of the eighth inning and went on to a 2-0 win over the A's.

"It was a tight game," Jim Ziegler, spokesperson for the A's and the losing pitcher in the contest, said Friday, reporting he gave up just four hits and three walks while striking out 10

His counterpart, Derrick Pankow, was one strikeout and one walk better, with 11 and two. He only gave up two hits in the complete-game effort, and they both came early.

They (Rubicon Red Sox) got a hit in the second, and our only two hits came in the second," Ziegler said, reporting Jason Strobel and Adam Sarauer had back-to-back singles, and, "That was the only time we pretty much threatened."

As it turned out, Strobel was the only Kewaskum player to reach second base.

Unfortunately for Ziegler, two of his walks came in the

eighth and after there were two outs. Ziegler looked like he was going to work out of the jam, getting two strikes on Aaron Brownd, but Brownd, who had three of Rubicon's four hits, "blooped one (single) into short-center field. They (two runners) both scored.

In the ninth, Kewaskum did get a base runner when Jake Spaeth drew a walk with two outs, but the game ended when Cory Immel popped out to the shortstop in short left field.

With the loss, the A's 2005 season came to an end. Their final win-loss mark was 21-15. better by several wins than last season when they were "right around .500," according to Ziegler, who said the Athletics made "huge strides" this year.

"With a couple more players, we should be up there again," Ziegler said. "It was good to be in the mix right down to the end.

Rubicon ended up beating Kewaskum three times this season, and all three games were close. "They won the title last season ... they're a good team, no doubt about it," Ziegler said, indicating final team batting averages and pitching statistics will be available in about a week.

Rubicon now moves on to the final four of the Rock River playoffs. Its first opponent is Madison Laurel Tavern in a game that was played in Verona Saturday.

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up shop at the Kewaskum 44yard line.

Bad move by East because Donath took the handoff on the first play, barreled through a big hole on the left side of the line and cut outside, sprinting past the remaining Suns to the goal line.

This touchdown came a little over a minute after the first one, and after stopping East' next drive, the Indians had interception by Tyler Nothem to score first in the game. Nothem read Piwoni perfectly, grabbed the ball and returned it close to 20 yards before being knocked out of bounds at the KHS 41. Two plays later, Sun QB Jon Hess found Aaron Kaster open for a 33 yard pass to the KHS 3. Kelby Stewart scored on the next play, but Ross Stockhausen blocked Alex German's kick, so East had to settle for being ahead 6-0.

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Evie Thiemer, Savvy Senior Extraordinaire



Evie T at the helm

By Sheri Baldikowski Statesman Staff Member

It is hard keeping up with this issue's "Special Savvy Senior," Evelyn Thiemer, as she does not let any grass grow under her feet. Not only does this 82 year old woman still work, but she also does extensive volunteer work and has several hobbies which keep her "hoppin."

Her fifty(plus) year old job started when her husband, Dick, purchased a tavern on Hwy 45 just north of Kewaskum, which they called Thiemer's Tap. Evelyn became chief bartender not by choice, but by necessity, as her husband worked at the Electric Company in West Bend so she had to take over the reins in his absence. In the beginning Evelyn was opposed to the whole tavern idea, but since their residence was on the other part of the building housing the

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tavern, it allowed her to stay home with her children, Richard and Carolyn, so it had some merits. As time went by she grew to like the comaraderie she shared with her patrons.

The Thiemer's moved their residence in 1959 and in 1970 their son, Richard, started a barbershop in the vacated residency which was called Richard's Kut and Style. However, his clientele soon renamed it Richard's "Sip-N-Snip." Evelyn and her husband ran the bar together until his death in 1993. From 1993 to 1996 Evelyn ran the bar herself, so she is no stranger to hard work.

In 1997, Evelyn's son, Richard, and an associate ran the bar for a short time which didn't work out. Therefore, in 1998, it was closed for a short time only to be reopened later in the year with Evelyn and Richard managing it, with Richard also

wearing his barbershop hat on the premises. After all these years, the business has grown on Evelyn and she enjoys it. Today she still tends bar from 3:30 PM to 8:00 or 9:00 PM, commuting daily from her current residency at Meadow Creek Apartments in Kewaskum. It is not an easy job to own and operate a tavern, especially when they were open real late at night, but Evelyn stuck with it showing what a 'spirited" person she is.

For most people, a lifetime of work would be enough, but not for Evelyn. She feels she had a good life and wanted to give something of herself back. She begins her volunteer work early in the morning, at 9:30, when she assists with "meals on wheels" at Meadowbrook three days a week. She had been doing this since 1996 when she moved there. From 11:15 AM to 1:00 PM she helps serve the meal, and clean up after, at Meadowbrook.

Evelyn has belonged to the Senior Woman's Club of Kewaskum since 1997. She is an active member assisting in hostessing, baking for many bake sales and club functions, and helping with their brat fry.

Evelyn is very busy in the Kewaskum American Legion Auxiliary Post #384 which she joined in 1993 and has served as it's president since 1998.

She helps with many different things in the auxiliary as they hold several charitable functions (like brat frys) to raise money. Some of the dollars raised are donated to the handicapped while others go directly to the Legion. A new ramp, chairs and a new paint job are some of the benefits the Kewaskum Legion Clubhouse has received from the auxiliary. With some of the money, supplies are purchased. The auxiliary makes "favors" out of these supplies which Evelyn enjoys. The "favors," along with many donated items, are sent to veterans in USO's all over the country. Evelyn feels especially good about being able to do something for our boys in the Armed Services.

Evelyn's benevolence does not stop here as she has also been chairman of the Sunshine club of St Lucas Ladies Aide for the last four years. She has been a member of the church group for 25 years. And let's not forget to mention that she also works filing and checking out books at the St. Lucas School Library on Friday afternoons during the whole school year!

Although Evelyn's hobbies include embroidery and baking, her real love is travel. She has traveled from the Grand Hotel on Mackinaw Island in the North to the Southern Keys of Florida, and from the Hawaiian Islands in the West to Virginia and the New England states in the East, including many places in between.

Many of these trips have been with friends or on a tour, but she also travels with her son, Richard to South Dakota and her daughter, Carole, to Shawano Lake in Wisconsin. Evelyn's "wanderlust" continues to this day as she wants to see as many places as she can while she can!

Evelyn feels very lucky to be able to see all of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren on a regular basis. She relishes her moments with her family and sincerely enjoys the many other people she meets throughout her busy days. If you wonder how

Evelyn can keep going, she will tell you that she embraces life, does everything in moderation, says many prayers, and most importantly, she feels good. She likes to keep busy to be able to experience a "good tired" when her head hits the pillow at night. Hat's off to this issue's, Savvy Senior, Evelyn Theimer, who is an asset to her family, her friends, and her community.

Two elderly women were out driving in a large car, both could barely see over the dashboard.

As they were cruising along, they came to an intersection. The stoplight was red, but they just went on through. The woman in the passenger seat thought to herself "I must be losing it. I could have sworn we just went through a red light." After a

few more minutes, they came to another intersection and the light was red again. Again, they went right through. The woman in the passenger seat was almost sure that the light had been red but was really

concerned that she was losing it. She was getting nervous. At the next intersection, sure enough, the light was red and they went on through. So, she turned to the other woman and said, "Carole, did you know that we just ran

through three red lights in a row? You could have killed us both!" Carole turned to her and said, "Ob, crap, am I driving?"



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National Grandparents Day is September 11



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Senior Center will host breakfast with grandparents

The Senior Center of Washington County will host Breakfast with Grandma and Grandpa on Friday, Nov. 25 at the Blue Heron Banquet Hall on Hwy 33 in West Bend. This is the first Holiday breakfast that the Senior Center hopes will become a tradition.

"This gives mom and dad the chance to get a jump on their Christmas shopping," said Marge Daily-Salberg, Executive Director of the Senior Center of West Bend. "Grandma and Grandpa can take the kids out for breakfast and spend some real quality time, while their parents get some shopping done."

Santa Claus will also visit the breakfast to add more holiday cheer to the event.

For more information, contact the Senior Center of Washington County at (262) 335-4498

NATURAL SPECIALTY

By Amy Swanson Statesman Correspondent

National Grandparents Day is not another holiday started by Hallmark to sell more greeting cards. National Grandparents Day was started by Marian McQuade, a housewife in Fayette County, West Virginia, whose passion was to overcome the cause of lonely elderly in nursing homes. Her second motivation was to persuade grandchildren to connect with learn about heritage their grandparents could provide.

Grandparents Day this year is on September 11.

In 1978, President Jimmy Carter proclaimed that National Grandparents Day would be celebrated every year on the first Sunday after Labor Day. Grandparents Day celebrates the importance of grandparents in the lives of both young children and their parents. As the number of grandparents increases in our society due to longer life spans, the relationships with parents, and grandchildren greatgrandchildren provide a lästing effect on our lives.

According to a 1996 population survey by the U.S.Census Bureau, about 4 million children (6 percent)

Lisa Hartmann CNA 262-626-8212 lived with their grandparents, which is almost double the 2.3 million (4 percent) who lived with a grandparent in 1980. The survey also reported:

Of the children living in a grandparent's home in 1996: - More than one-third (1.4 million) had neither parent present. Another 1.9 million lived with their mother, but not their father, in their grandparent's home.

- More than half (52 percent) were under 6 years old, while 30 percent were between 6 and 11 and 18 percent were 12 to 17 years old.

Of the 2.4 million families maintained by grandparents who had one or more of their grandchildren living with them in 1996:

- Nearly half (48 percent) were families with both grandparents present and statistically the same percentage (46 percent) were maintained by grandmothers with no grandfather present. - Only 19 percent of

- Only 19 percent of these families' grandparent householders were 65 and older, while 48 percent were 50 to 64, and 33 percent were younger than 50.

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Red Hat Hoopla in Washington County

Ode to the Red Hat Society

by Sue Ellen Cooper

said when she was older;

A poet put it very well. She

By Amy Swanson Statesman Correspondent aswanson@kewaskumstatesman

There is fun after fifty and the Red Hat Society can prove it.

According to Sue Ellen Cooper, Queen Mother, "The Red Hat Society began as a result of a few women deciding to greet middle age with verve, humor and élan. We believe silliness is the comedy

relief of life, and since we are all

in it together, we might as well join red-gloved hands and go for the gusto together. Underneath the frivolity, we share a bond of affection, forged by common life experiences and genuine enthusiasm for wherever life takes us next."

In Washington County, the Red Hat Society has close to 20 organized Red Hat Society

groups. Society

members are easy to spot. Donned in the trademark red hat, purple jacket and red gloves, these ladies are making a striking statement about getting older.

started

Hatters.

separate chapters

hit huge success.

Red Hatter?!?!

the groups hit Florida, the group

Society conventions - entire

hotels filled with women of a

certain age wearing red hats and

outlandish purple outfits! They

also have their own broadcast,

credit card, travel network,

website and lifestyle magazine.

Could the next president be a

A Scoop Full Of

There are now Red Hat

of Red

Once

It all started several years ago when Cooper was visiting a friend in Tucson where she impulsively bought a bright red hat at a resale shop. About a year later, she discovered the poem that would make Red Hat history, "Warning" by Jenny Joseph, which begins "When I am old..." and continues on about being able to wear purple clothing and a red hat.

There was an immediate connection. As a birthday gift to her good friend, Linda Murphy, Cooper would give her a red hat along with a copy of the poem, which started a chain Red Hat reaction. The group decided to

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form a Red Hat Society and meet for tea wearing their Red Hats and purple dresses, just like the poem describes.

As more ladies invited more of their friends to join the group their tea meetings began to swell at the hat seams, so they

in the group She wouldn't be so meek and gan to swell mild. She threatened to get bolder.

She'd put a red hat on her head, and purple on her shoulder. She'd make her life a warmer place, her golden years much golder.

> We read that poem, all of us, and grasped what she is saying.

We do not need to sit and knit, although all are graying We think about what we can do. Our plans we have been laying. Instead working of all the time, we'll be out somewhere

playing.

We take her colors to our hearts, and then we all go shopping For purples clothes and hats of red, with giant brims a-flopping. We're tired of working all the time, and staying home and mopping. We order pies and chocolate fudge, and rich desserts with topping.

We crown ourselves as duchesses and countesses and queens. We prove that playing dress-up isn't just for Halloween. We drape ourselves in jewels, feathers, boas, and sateen. We see ourselves on television and in magazines.

We laugh, we cry, we hug a lot. We keep each other strong. When one of us goes out for fun, the rest all go along. We gad about; we lunch and munch, in one big happy throng. We've found the place where we fit in, the place we all belong.

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A note from the publisher.....

Dear Readers

Thank you for picking up this first edition of Savvy Seniors. For over a year now, we have been researching and trying to put together this publication, and we are proud to be able to have it as an insert to our weekly newspaper and available at various locations throughout Washington and Fond du Lac Counties.

In putting together Savvy Seniors it was our goal to highlight one savvy senior citizen in our Northern Kettle Moraine coverage area. As you will read in this first edition, we found plenty of savvy seniors who are the key to making our wonderful community click. Out of this issue's pool of seniors, you will see we chose Evelyn Thiemer.

We also wanted to highlight different points of interest and things to do in our Northern Kettle Moraine Area. All of these items and more will be featured in upcoming editions of Savvy Seniors.

We need your help though: we currently have a few seniors we wish to highlight, but the more the better. If you have someone you thirth makes a difference in our community, please contact our office and speak to a member of our staff or myself.

In addition to receiving story ideas, we would love to include personal pieces, memories and old photographs from our Savvy Seniors, and their descendants. Please stop by our office to drop off your submission, and make sure it is clearly marked Savvy Seniors.

We would love to hear from residents, past and present, who remember what Kewaskum and our surrounding communities were like "back in the good old days." There are too few people left who can share these memories of our community's heritage.

These cherished remembrances can only be retained if they are shared with all the "youngsters" and "newcomers."

So please, please tell us about them or at least give us a call if you are willing to share the past in an interview.

Lastly, please feel free to stop in or call us, and offer suggestions on what you would like to see in this publication. Our goal is to produce a product you are anxious to pick up and read.

We plan to publish Savvy Seniors quarterly; our next publication will be in January of 2006. We would like to have all items to be considered for publication into our office by Thursday, January 16.

Thank you for your readership! Lana Harbeck Kuebl

Publisher, The Statesman

Three sisters ages 92, 94 and 96 live in a house together. One night the 96-year-old draws a bath. She puts her foot in and pauses. She yells to the other sisters, "Was I getting in or out of the bath?" The 94-year-old yells back, "I don't know. I'll come up and see." She starts up the stairs and pauses

"Was I going up the stairs or down?" The 92-year-old is sitting at the kitchen table having tea listening to her sisters.

She shakes her head and says, "I sure hope I never get that forgetful, knock on wood." She then yells, "I'll come up and help both of you as soon as I see who's at the door."

The GIFT of old age

By Sheri Baldikowski of The Statesman Staff

When younger people ask you how it feels to be a senior citizen, your first response should be that it is a gift from God.

Tell them it is good to acknowledge the fact that you finally have become the person you've always wanted to be with no pressures.

Sure, you have the wrinkles, the "baggy's," and the "saggy's," but they are just tread marks on the highway of life, As you age, you become kinder to yourself and less critical. You realize you would never have traded your loving family, amazing friends, or your wonderful life for a flatter belly or less gray hair.

You feel you have received the right to overeat, to be extravagant, or to be messy, because you have seen too many dear friends leave this world too soon, BEFORE they understood the GIFT of freedom that comes with age.

Sometimes you are forgetful

which is just another GIFT as some things in life are just as well forgotten. Eventually you remember the important things!

Listening and dancing to the wonderful music of the 40's, 50's and 60's is a legacy as they just don't make music like that anymore. For all the "younguns," do you really think you'll hear your rap music 50 years from now?

Speaking of the bikini set, as they give you pitying glances because your swim suit is stretched over your bulging body, just chuckle to yourself because you know they, too, will get old, only they just don't know it yet!

Point out to your grandchildren the deep grooves etched in your face (charmingly called "laugh lines") which are remnants of all the youthful laughs you have had throughout your life.

So enjoy getting old, it is the gift portraying your life.





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Washington, Fond du Lac County's senior dining



Washington County

Seniordiningin Washington County is offered through The Washington County Office on Aging. The congregate nutrition program offers persons age 60 and over the opportunity to enjoy a hot lunch and to meet socially with other seniors. There are eight meal sites located throughout Washington County that offer noon meals up to five days per week. Reservations for lunch must be made one day in advance by calling 335-4497 or by calling the meal site directly. Cancellations should also be called in no later than 12 p.m. one day in advance.

> Washington County Meal Sites:

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Meadowbrook Manor 475 Meadowbrook Dr. West Bend, WI 53090 Open: Mon.–Fri. 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. 262-335-4492

West Bend Senior Center 401 E. Washington St. West Bend, WI 53095 Open: Mon.–Fri. 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. 262-335-4499 or 262-335-4497

Scenic View Apartments 205 Slinger Road Slinger, WI 53086 Open: Mon.–Fri. 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. 262-483-2067

Jackson Town Hall 3146 Division Road Jackson, WI 53037 Open: Tue. 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. 262-483-6184

Jackson B.y Apartments N168W21920 W. Main St. Jackson, WI 53037 Open: Mon./Wed./Thur./Fri. 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m 262-483-6184

Germantown Activity Center W162 N11960 Park Ave. Germantown, WI 53022 Open: Mon.–Fri, 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. 414-380-8666 or 800-616-0446

Hartford Senior Center 730 Highland Ave. Hartford, WI 53027 Open Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. 262-483-2049 or 1-800-616-0446

Meals can also be delivered to home bound persons age 60 and over who are eligible for this program. Both a hot noon meal and a cold evening meal are available. For more information on eligibility requirements and to set someone up on the home delivered meal program, please contact Kathy Beimborn of the Washington County Office on Aging at 262-335-4497.

Fond du Lac County

Fond du Lac County also offers an elderly nutrition program. Those attending this program are required to preregister at least one day in advance by 1 p.m., either by signing up at the meal site or by calling the following: Fond du Lac Courthouse, 920-929-3937; North Fond du Lac Courthouse, 920-929-3937; Waupun Senior Center, 920-324-7930; Campbellsport Convent, 920-533-8351, ext. 140 or 150; Eden Courthouse (Tuesday only), 920-929-3937. Mobile meals are also offered. For more information call 920-929-3937.

Meal sites are located at:

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163 Main St. Campbellsport Wednesday only 12 noon Eden Community Center 104 Pine St. Eden Tuesday only 12 noon

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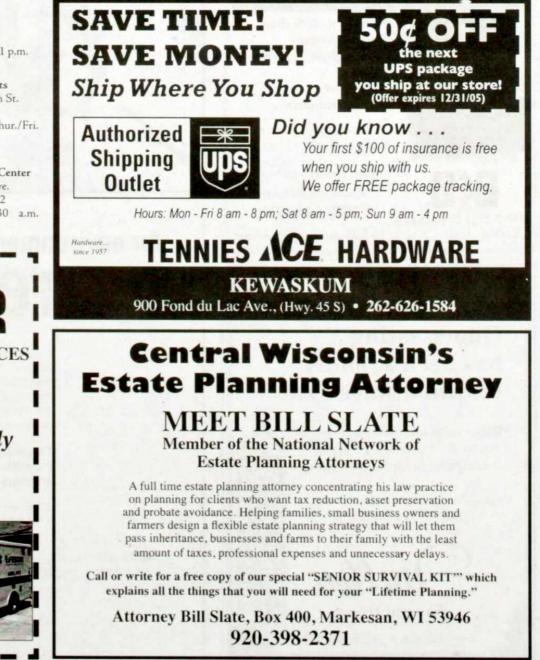
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Steady income to secure retirement for farmers



By Larry Mitchell

(ARA)- While our nation's leaders fill the airwaves and newspapers with ideas and sound bites about Social Security to private savings accounts, one important part of the retirement debate crucial to rural communities is being

overlooked.

Americans have an evergrowing need to better manage their retirement savings so that they can last a lifetime. Addressing this issue head on is one of the most fundamental ways that we can achieve true retirement security. With an estimated 77 million baby

boomers soon to retire, life spans getting longer and fewer retirees participating in employersponsored retirement plans, many Americans will have a difficult time maintaining their current standard of living in retirement.

Providing retirement income for a lifetime has long been a tenet of the American retirement system, but currently Social Security only replaces an average of 42 percent of preretirement earnings. It is clear that helping the incoming retiree boom manage their savings for life is a challenge that must be addressed.

Farmers and farm workers face an even tougher road to retirement. A wide array of risks directly affects not only their incomes, but also their future financial well-being: unpredictable weather, disease outbreaks, global competition, trade wars, farm consolidation and shifts in national farm policies can affect their financial condition -- and consequently their savings and retirement plans.

In addition, farmers are largely self-employed are typically not covered by traditional employer-provided pensions. According to the Census Bureau, about 30 percent of agricultural workers have access to employer provided retirement plans, as compared to 60 percent of all other workers.

With Social Security replacing less and less of preretirement income, it's truly up to individuals to manage their retirement savings.

Many organizations are teaming up to find answers to this complex issue. One solution that must be part of the debate in the halls of Congress is providing incentives for Americans to invest in retirement vehicles -- such as life annuities -- that convert savings and assets into income that cannot be outlived.

The Retirement Security for Life Act would provide incentives to help Americans secure a steady stream of income in retirement creating that "paycheck for life" for themselves

With bipartisan support in both houses of Congress, the bill offers a tax incentive to encourage Americans to invest some of their retirement savings in lifetime annuities by providing a 50 percent tax deduction on up to \$20,000 of income from an annuity per year. For a typical American in the 25 percent tax bracket, this would provide an annual tax savings of up to \$5,000.

This legislation is aimed at helping all Americans regardless of their circumstances have a chance to retire with peace of mind, but it is more important to those who work in agriculture.

According to the USDA, the amount of non-farm net worth has increased significantly in the last decade. This still leaves the challenge of converting non-farm assets (including the proceeds from selling their farm, equipment, etc.) into a stream of income that will last throughout retirement.

The American Corn Growers Association has joined together with other farm and agriculture groups including the American Agriculture the

Movement, American Agriwomen, National Association of Farmer Elected Committees, Oklahoma Farmers Union, Soybean Producers of America, and Women Involved in Farm Economics as part of Americans for Secure Retirement to encourage Congress to provide our communities with the tools they need to create retirement income that will span from the first day of retirement to the last.

As the debate moves forward, you can expect both political parties to disagree heartily, but one issue on which they can join together is the effort to ensure that all Americans have the opportunity to maintain a sufficient standard of living in retirement.

Editor's Note: Larry Mitchell is the president of the American Corn Growers Association, a member of the Americans for Secure Retirement Coalition. For more information on managing retirement income to last a lifetime, visit www.paycheckforlife.org.



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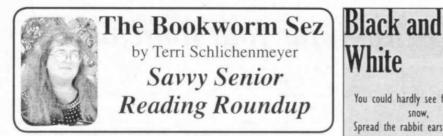
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They say that youth is wasted on the young. Perhaps that's true, but would you want - really want - to go back and be 18 again?

Okay, I know what you're thinking... you'd be 18 again if you could take your knowledge with you. Sadly, it doesn't work out that way, but you can console yourself with a few good books for those celebrating the "50th anniversary of their 18th birthday".

Bear in mind that some of these books aren't out yet, but you can look for them this fall...

"Beyond Words" by Marta Williams (New World Library) is a book about the connection people have with their pets. If you've got a dog or cat (or horse or hamster), this book will warm your heart. Due out early September.

"The Power of Miracles" by Joan Wester Anderson (Lovola Press). If you believe in miracles, this book is for you. Each story is a few pages long, making this an easy and uplifting book to read. You'll be looking for other books by this author when you're done with this one. Due out in late September.

"His Oldest Friend" by Sonny Kleinfeld (Times Books). A teenage volunteer at a nursing home befriends a wheelchairbound woman in her 90's. This relationship, which started as a chore, turns into a true story of a wonderful friendship between the generations. This book is available now.

"The Widow of the South" by Robert Hicks (Warner Books). The story of Carrie McGarvock who tended to the wounded during the Civil War. This is a novelization of a true story, and it's available in stores on Tuesday, August 30th.

"Dearest Dorothy, Who Would Have Ever Thought?!" by Charlene Ann Baumbich (Penguin). This is the fourth

in the Dearest Dorothy series featuring 87-year-old Dorothy Jean Wetstra, who lives in the tiny town of Partonville, Illinois. The characters are cute and just like people you know. This book will make you laugh as it charms you, and it's available in stores now.

"Rocking Chair Reader: Memories from the Attic", edited by Helen Kay Polaski (Adams Media) is an anthology of memories from people from all over the United States. This is one of those books you don't have to read front to back; you can jump around from story to story and skip the ones you don't feel like reading. Also included are brief paragraphs about each storyteller's home town. This book is available now, as are others in the series.

"Between You and Me" by Mike Wallace (Hyperion). What can I say about Mike Wallace? Only that we've watched him bring us the news since forever. This is a book about his memories of celebrities, politicians, newsmakers, and more. Due out in latter October.

Whether you're celebrating "milestone" birthday, need little diversion for a cold Wisconsin day or you just want to find something good to read, these books are great choices, and there are lots more books coming out this fall.

Enjoy!

As a senior citizen was driving down the freeway, his car phone rang. Answering, he heard his wife's voice urgently warning him, "Hank, I just heard on the news that there's a car going the wrong way on Interstate 77. Please be careful!" "Heck," said Hank, "It's not just one car! It's hundreds of

'em!'

White You could hardly see for all the

snow. Spread the rabbit ears as far as

they go. Pull a chair up to the TV set, "Good Night, David. Good Night, Chet."

Depending on the channel you tuned. You got Rob and Laura -

or Ward and June. It felt so good. It felt so right. Life looked better in black and white.

I Love Lucy, The Real McCoys, Dennis the Menace, the Cleaver boys Rawhide, Gunsmoke, Wagon Train, Superman, Jimmy and Lois Lane.

Father Knows Best, Patty Duke, Rin Tin Tin and Lassie too, Donna Reed on Thursday night! --Life looked better in black and white.

I wanna go back to black and white.

Everything! always turned out right. Simple people, simple lives ... Good guys always won the fights.

Now nothing is the way it seems, In living color on the TV screen. Too many murders, too many fights, I wanna go back to black and white.

In God they trusted, alone in bed. they slept, promise made was a promise kept. They never cussed or broke their VOWS.

They'd never make the network now

But if I could, I'd rather be In a TV town in '53. It felt so good. It felt so right. Life looked better in black and white.

I'd trade all the channels on the satellite, If I could just turn back the clock tonight

To when everybody knew wrong from right. Life was better in black and white!





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What will your family need to know for your final journey



Shown above is the new casket selection room at Miller Funeral Home. A third of each casket available to purchase is shown with price and fabric selections. Savvy Seniors photo: Andrew Kuehl

By Andrew Kuehl Statesman Managing Editor akuehl@kewaskumstatesman

More than anything else, people make prearrangements because of those they love. By arranging the details of a funeral in advance, you can take care of many of the decisions concerning your final wishes. Prearranging gives your family the guidance they need concerning the type of service and costs you feel are appropriate. Simply stated, prearranging is just part of putting your affairs in order.

According to the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) more and more Americans are entering into preneed agreements to purchase funeral and burial goods and services prior to death. Currently, funds in pre-need agreements exceed \$25 billion, up from \$18 billion in 1995. In a recent AARP survey, two in five persons age 50 and older reported that they had been contacted about the advance purchase of funerals (43%) or of burial (39%) goods and services.

Funeral preparation comes down to two important aspects, your wishes for the memorialization and disposition of physical remains.

Larry and Louise Martin, owners of Miller Funeral Home for the last 19 years say they deal with both types of people, the planners and the unplanned.

"Some families come in and they just need to tell us what day they want the service," says Louise, because their loved one preplanned.

The two say they try to keep a pre-planning meeting as light as possible and limit it to about an hour and a half. Starting off with a basic question and answer period they usually can tell how extensive the client wants to go. Some wish to have money put into a trust to pay the final expenses and some simply want to pick out their casket.

Individuals prepay for

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funerals and burials by entering into a pre-need agreement, or contract, to pay in advance for goods or services they will receive upon death.

Generally, this agreement is between the individual and the funeral director and is funded through a funeral trust or insurance policy. At the time of the agreement, a third party, typically a financial instution or insurance company assumes responsibility for the management of the funds.

Upon the individual's death, the funds are used by the representative of the funeral home to provide the designated goods and services. The Martins say that often times, because of the interest on the accounts, families can occasionally receive a refund.

Full Name

Birthplace: City ____

Where Married

Married Who? ____

Address

County ____

State

Married_

Education _

Occupation ____

How Long? _

Offices Held

Where Employed ____

Social Security Number __

Lodge and Service Club Affiliations _

Name of Sons and Daughters and Cities

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(If not living, date of death) _____

However, the Martins also state, a pre-planning meeting is not always about prepaying. "Some clients plan everything except the cost of the service," adds Larry.

In any case, planning some of the details in advance can also help save money. For many people, death-related goods and services cost more than anything they bought during their lives except homes and cars.

The Martins encourage writing your wishes down and letting someone know where the information is kept. In preparing a final arrangements document, what you choose to include is a personal matter, likely to be dictated by custom, religious preference, or simply your own whims. A typical final arrangements document might

Birthdate _____ Age ____

When Married _

include:

• Whether you want your remains to be buried or cremated

• The name of the mortuary or other institution that will handle burial or cremation

• Whether or not you want your body to be embalmed

• The type of casket or container in which your remains will be buried or cremated, including whether you want it present at any after-death ceremony

• The details of any ceremony you want before the burial or cremation

Who your pallbearers
 will be if you wish to have some
 How your remains will
 be transported to the cemetery
 and gravesite

• Where your remains will be buried, stored, or scattered

• The details of any ceremony you want to accompany your burial, interment, or scattering, and

 The details of any marker you want to show where your remains are buried or interred.

Some interesting but crucial points of information include, "What is your social security number?" or "What is your mother's maiden name?" These are items that most state's death certificates request and if you think these questions may baffle you, think what they would do to your children!

A lot of things you may consider to be frivolous, but when you are gone, your loved ones will treasure knowing that you took the time to write down these things, such as: Memories, foods, pets, and colors.

The Miller Funeral Home

Name of Brothers and Sisters Now Living and Cities _

VITAL RECORD INFORMATION

Father's Name

Mother's Maiden Name ____

Place of Funeral Service _

Person to be Notified

Officiating Clergyman

Interment Place and Lot Number _

Location Discharge Papers, Will, etc. ____

Special Instruction to Family-Music, Clothing, etc.

has been in existence since 1910. For many families who have used Miller Funeral Home, Louise has an extensive record of survivors. "We try to have as much information as we can for the family when we meet with them," Louise adds. She says her information goes back as early as 1940 with much more information starting in the 1960's.

Since purchasing the funeral home from Fred and Pearl Miller in 1986 the Martins have kept up with many advances in the industry such as offering a video service with photos and music that can be played during the service. They also offer more personal memorial cards that can include a photo and life history of the deceased.

Last fall they added a luncheon hall that can seat 50 With that remodeling project they also updated their casket selection room. The room shows a 1/8portion of each of the caskets Miller Funeral Home offers. Both Larry and Louise say this makes the process much easier for families.



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Rome's influence still lingers in southern France

By Sharon Whitley Larsen **Copley News Service**

BEZIERS,

France-"Beziers is an up-and-coming place, with loads and loads of history," exclaimed Marielle Durand from the tourism office as we enjoyed a leisurely lunch at Les Deux Lombard.

And I thought that was an apt description of this bustling, sophisticated Mediterranean town of 70,000 in the Languedoc-Rousillon region of southern France - one of my favorite areas, with its strong Spanish and Occitan influence. Beziers is comprised of narrow, medieval, pedestrian-friendly streets with charming shops and restaurants, and the impressive town square is the site of the Friday flower market, one of the region's best.

One of Europe's oldest cities, it was colonized by the Romans around 36 B.C. (it boasts a recently excavated Roman amphitheater). The town was destroyed and rebuilt several times over the centuries and endured the horror of the Albigensian Crusade, when many of its citizens, the Cathars viewed as heretics by the Roman Catholic Church - were massacred on July 22, 1209. During the 19th century, Beziers became known for its opulence, with a thriving economy, mansions and exquisite shops.

Today it has several notable landmarks, including the 18th century Town Hall and the 19th century Market Stalls, but the main one is the commanding, 13th and 15th century Gothicstyle cathedral, Saint Nazaire, an impressive site atop the city overlooking the River Orb.

And its renowned 325-yearold Canal du Midi, engineered by the wealthy, visionary and determined Beziers native Pierre-Paul Riquet (who, unfortunately, died bankrupt at age 68 just six months before it opened on May 24, 1681), is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The canal covers 149 miles between Toulouse and Sete, connecting with another waterway to link the Mediterranean Sea to the Atlantic Ocean. It took a painstaking 15 years to build, with some 12,000 workers,

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including 600 women. "The canal was built for

trade," explained Sabine Blot, another tour guide. "Before that it was a long trip and expensive." The canal, Europe's oldest

artificial waterway, once an important economic asset to the region, is now popular for tourists who like to hire a crew (or navigate themselves) to take the leisurely 5 mph barge cruises - normally from April through October - through pastoral scenery, which includes vineyards, hills, sunflowers, country homes with red tile roofs and celadon green shutters, and some of the 45,000 trees that were planted along its banks. Besides cruising, tourists and locals alike enjoy bicycling, walking, fishing or jogging along the canal path.

From Beziers I took the train to nearby Nimes with over 2,000 years of history, another pedestrian-friendly, lively town with strong Spanish influence that has the crocodile as its emblem. Due to the Reformation's impact in the region, it was regarded as a Protestant stronghold. This area, which became a Roman colony about 50 B.C., is also a history buff's dream, home to several well-preserved Roman artifacts dating some 2,000 years. The Pont du Gard aqueduct, one of the country's most famous landmarks and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, has over 1 million annual visitors. Nimes is also home to the 107-foot Tour Magne tower and the remarkable Roman amphitheater, which was inspired by Rome's Colosseum, with 24,000 seats on 34 tiers, four main gates, 124 doorways and 160 staircases.

'It took only an hour for all 24,000 to exit," exclaimed my tour guide, Claudia Schottle, of its efficient layout.

Originally designed for events including chariot races and gladiator games at the height of the Middle Ages, the amphitheater was also used as a fortress with living quarters. During the early 19th century it was restored and today - with its uniquely designed retractable roof constructed in 1989 that's employed six months of the year - it is the largest concert arena in the Languedoc-Rousillon region,

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still used today for jazz festivals, rock concerts, circuses and, since 1863, bullfights. The popular, Spanish-influenced Ferias, the town's major celebrations, attract some 1 million visitors.

A must-see here is the 2,000-year-old Maison Carree (Square House), inspired by the Temple of Apollo in Rome, one of the most famous and wellpreserved Roman buildings, and in continuous use from the 11th century. It was built by Marcus Vipsanius Agrippa in honor of Caius and Lucius Caesar, heirs of Emperor Augustus who both died young. Throughout the years it has had various uses: as a court office, home, stable, archive and church. Monks lived here from 1673 until their eviction in 1789. In 1863, it was the site of Nimes's first museum. Today the intimate interior houses an interesting exhibit on its history. Adjacent to it is the landmark, modern Carre d'Art, the Contemporary Art Gallery and Library, which opened in 1993 and was designed by renowned British architect Sir Norman Foster.

A visit to Nimes wouldn't be complete without strolling around the town's beautiful and peaceful 18th century Jardins de la Fontaine, gardens with statues and fountains, creatively built incorporating some of the remaining Roman ruins, including remnants of the Temple of Diana, that hadn't been pilfered or destroyed.

Today the area is "entirely part of the life of the citizens of Nimes," explained Schottle. It's where babies are brought by their mothers and pushed in trams, and where they later come to play as children, returning as teens on their first dates. It's where newlyweds pose for wedding photos, then bring their children for family picnics - and where the elderly come to sit on benches, playing games and gossiping with friends. A community backdrop for

the cycle of life. IF YOU GO

Dining: I enjoyed lunch at the interesting, historic, cave-like Les Deux Lombard, where their specialties include black sausage pie, fresh goose liver, grilled duck fillet. 32 Rue Viennet.



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The 1031 tax-deferred exchange, a valuable investment tool for all



ARA- Commercial real estate can be a lucrative and feasible investment strategy. For those wishing to take advantage of the current market, a device exists that can grow existing investments into lasting financial security: Section 1031 of the Internal Revenue Code allows buyers and sellers of investment property to defer capital gains taxes from a property sale by rolling the proceeds into another investment property of equal or greater value.

The 1031 exchange, as a transaction under this section is known, is governed by strict rules.

To be eligible for a tax deferred exchange, an investor must:

* Identify replacement properties within 45 days

* Complete the transaction within 180 days

* Use a qualified intermediary to handle the details For tax purposes, the qualified intermediary must act completely independently of the taxpayer.

By having this third party hold the proceeds from a sale for the designated period, the investor is allowed time to identify a replacement property. "Large sums of money are being left on the table every year by taxpayers and real estate professionals who overlook Section1031 exchanges," says Stephen A. Wayner, first vice president of Bayview Financial Exchange Services, a qualified intermediary.

"This kind of tax-deferred exchange is not just for bigtime investors. I've seen people without much knowledge of real estate benefit from it by taking modest investments and making themselves into multimillionaires."

To illustrate his point, Wayner cites a specific example of a young man on leave from the Marine Corps who bought two vacant lots in Las Vegas for \$3,000 each. Eleven years later, he sold the same lots for \$30,000 each. Reinvesting the \$60,000

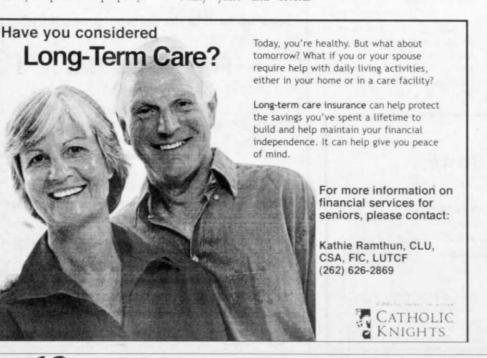
in another real estate purchase would make him liable for approximately \$15,000 in capital gains taxes if he sold the lots outright. Instead, he opted for a Section 1031 exchange, which allowed him to invest the profits into his next real estate purchase. Many years and several exchanges later, his net worth is close to \$2.9 million.

Wayner, a Certified Exchange Specialist and a real estate attorney with over thirty years of experience, further pointed out that should the taxpayer and his wife die today, there would be no estate taxes owed.

"He was able to turn a small property purchase into an investment strategy by using Section 1031," says Wayner.

"And he managed to do so without investment experience and without much money to begin with." As this example demonstrates, Section 1031 permits investors, even those with modest amounts of capital, to become financially successful and secure.

For those considering real estate investments as a strategy for putting money aside and growing net worth, Wayner's advice is simple: Know your options and ask questions. "A financial advisor may not remember to recommend a 1031 exchange when you mention investing in real estate, but if you ask, you may find that your transaction is eligible," he says.



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Social Security celebrates a birthday

By Joe Volz **Copley News Service**

Guess who has just turned 70? Social Security.

Yes, the most successful federal government program in history is aging.

But it is developing a case of hardening of the arteries. Unless some major surgery is performed in the next few decades, it could become feeble. Just how feeble, and when, are questions subject to debate.

President Bush's remedy is to allow younger Americans to put some of the Social Security savings in the stock market. Those who decide to stay in Social Security would receive a smaller paycheck and start getting it later in life. Now, the beneficiary age is creeping up until it reaches 67.

But those who are adamantly against any private savings plan say that it will not fix the impending Social Security shortfall. It is like putting a Band-Aid on a patient in the early stages of cancer.

Social Security officials say the system can only pay full benefits for another 36 years and then only 75 cents on the dollar if no changes are made.

Right now, political prognosticators are predicting that the private account idea is dead.

Among the most powerful opponents of private accounts is the senior lobby, AARP.

TheAARPmagazinereports that "For the average American over 65, Social Security makes up nearly 40 percent of income. For about 20 percent it is their only income. The system has worked well for some 70 years now with few adjustments.

David Certner, AARP's chief lobbyist, says, "Siphoning money from Social Security will not strengthen it. It will just make the problem worse."

Well, if major surgery is not needed, what will make the problem better?

Proponents of not making many changes, say only minor repairs are needed - perhaps delaying the beneficiary age,

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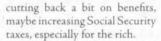
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President Bush has modified his thinking. He now backs a formula that would cut future benefits to all but the poorest workers. That is for those under 55. Benefits for those currently on Social Security would not change.

The president has made reforming Social Security the big issue for his second term. But Congress is moving slowly. A House Republican plan has no provisions to make the program solvent in the long term and Senate Republicans cannot agree on what they will propose. Coming up with programs to help older Americans has been a struggle since the nation was founded. Congress approved the first pension for disabled Revolutionary War veterans in 1789. American Express started the first private pension plan in 1875, but recipients had to be incapacitated and have worked for the company 20 years.

Arizona adopted the first state law for old age pensions in 1914 but the law was ruled unconstitutional two years later. In 1923, Montana enacted a pension law that was ruled constitutional.

The impetus for a federal plan came when the stock market crashed in 1929 and unemployment rose to 25 percent.

The Social Security Act passed in 1935. Beneficiaries had to be at least 65. Ida Mae Fuller of Ludlow, Vt. was the first beneficiary. She lived to 100 and collected \$22,000 in benefits. The longevity of the

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has recipients, however, threatened the longevity of Social Security itself. Life expectancy was only 62 when Fuller received her check. Of course, she defied the life expectancy figure and so have many other Americans. Now, life expectancy is close to 80 for women.

One of Roosevelt's hopes was to lift older Americans out of poverty. In 1971, the Census Bureau announced that older Americans are no longer the poorest part of the population.

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OLD FRIENDS

Carole and Ruthie had been friends for many decades. Over the years, they had shared all kinds of activities and adventures. Lately, their activities had been limited to meeting a few times a week to play cards. One day, they were playing cards when Carole looked at Ruthie and said, "Now don't get mad at me. I know we've been friends for a long time but I just can't think of your name! I've thought and thought, but I can't remember it. Please tell me what your name is. Ruthie glared at her. For at least three minutes she just stared and glared at her. Finally she said, "How soon do you need to know?"

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Start early on red tape in Medicare drug plan

By Lynn O'Shaughnessy Copley News Service

In our nation's history, there have been plenty of government programs that have choked on their own red tape. So it's worth paying attention when someone who makes his living studying the fine print of government mandates claims that he's identified a federal program that rises above the rest.

According to Robert Hayes, president of the nonprofit Medicare Rights Center, the most complicated federal program ever created is the new Medicare drug benefit plan, which will be launched with great hoopla this fall.

"In my humble opinion, it's the single most convoluted benefit program in American history," Hayes said. "There are ways that it could be even more consumer unfriendly, but I haven't found them yet."

Congress birthed this bureaucratic baby in 2003 in reaction to pressure from the elderly, who were appalled and frightened by the spiraling cost of prescription drugs.

The goal was noble, but the real test of whether it can work, with what appears to be a million moving parts, remains to be seen.

To its credit, the Medicare Rights Center is trying to educate seniors by offering a free publication that addresses common questions about the new benefit plan.

It's probably not a positive sign that it took the nonprofit 30 pages just to highlight how the program works. You have to wonder how an 82-year-old widow with failing eyesight is going to be able to slog through the details.

Simply griping about the complexity of the program, however, isn't going to help the people who desperately need assistance purchasing medication for high blood pressure, diabetes, glaucoma and countless other medical problems.

If you are on Medicare, the best way for you to eliminate potential problems is to do your own research. If you have a parent or grandparent who is infirm, you should seriously consider stepping in to help.

It's best to start your

research as soon as possible. Procrastinating until Medicare works out the kinks isn't necessarily an option. That's because seniors who balk at signing up initially can be penalized if they change their minds and enroll later. Consumer advocates also worry that seniors who haven't done their homework will be dazzled by the glossiest literature or the best commercials.

You don't want grandma picking a plan because she likes the graying celebrity hawking it on television. You can expect the marketing onslaught to begin in early October.

Another reason why the elderly will need more help is because navigating the drug plan choices will be more challenging for people who aren't plugged into the Internet. Only 20 percent of Medicare recipients enjoy Internet access.

To help get you started, the Medicare Rights Center has provided answers to some of the inevitable questions that people will be asking:

Will all the drug plans offer standard, uniform Medicare drug coverage?

The plans will not be identical. Each one can provide different drugs, as well as different prices. Every plan will also maintain its own list of participating drugstores.

Can plans drop coverage of certain drugs?

Yes. Plans will be allowed to dump drugs on their lists as long as they give 60 days' notice. Unfortunately, it won't be as easy for you to ditch a plan if it eliminates the drugs you need. You can switch plans once a year during what's called the annual coordinated election period, which will occur between Nov. 15 and Dec. 31.

How much will monthly premiums cost for the drug coverage?

Costs will depend upon where you live and the plan you choose. Medicare, however, has suggested that the average premium should cost about \$32 a month in 2006. The premiums are expected to go up yearly.

As a benchmark, Medicare envisions that the basic plan will require a participant to meet a \$250 deductible and then pay 25 percent of covered drug costs

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between \$251 and \$2,250. A plan would pay for expenses exceeding \$2,250. Once medication costs surpass \$5,100, a participant would pay 5 percent of the tab. These are just ballpark figures. Each plan will offer its own fee breakdown.

Who will benefit from plan?

Clearly, the huge winners will be the poorest elderly. They will pay virtually nothing for their drugs, but the poverty definition is tough to meet. To be eligible, a Medicare recipient's yearly income must be below 150 percent of the federal poverty level, which is \$14,355 for individuals and \$19,245 for couples in 2005. Your assets must also be low - less than \$10,000 for individuals and \$20,000 for couples. But on the positive side, a home and car aren't counted in the calculation.

It's a tougher call for those who just miss out on the extra help, as well as those whose income hovers up to the \$30,000 to \$40,000 range, who can't afford the premium and don't have high drug costs. It's an easier call for the affluent. They will probably want to participate because it protects them from runaway drug costs in the future. Which brings up an important point that is often overlooked.

Some advocacy groups are suggesting that you add up what you pay in drugs each month and compare it to the potential monthly premium for Medicare drug coverage, but that misses a critical point. The benefit is essentially an insurance program. Even if you are as fit as Jack La Lanne, a plan can be beneficial because it insures against future runaway drug costs.

You may never use it, but you might need it next month if you are diagnosed with colon cancer. Looking at it this way, it's no different than paying a monthly premium for homeowners or car insurance. You don't want to use it, but it is there if something bad happens.

When do I sign up for the new drug benefit?

If you are currently a Medicare recipient, your enrollment period will be between Nov. 15 and May 15. Can I wait months or years

before enrolling? If you let the initial enrollment period elapse, you will likely face financial penalties if you decline coverage but change your mind later. While enrolling in the Medicare drug benefit is voluntary, most individuals will be stuck paying a monthly premium penalty if they enroll after they are first eligible. How can I learn more?

You'll want to obtain a free copy of "Medicare Drug Coverage 101: Everything You Need to Know About the New Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit." You can download the publication at the Medicare Rights Center's Web site at www.medicarerights.org.

Another resource is Medicare itself. Starting in October, you can visit Medicare's Web site at www.medicare.gov to find out what plans in your area cover the medications you need. You can also call (800) 633-4227 (MEDICARE).

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I CAN HEAR JUST FINE! Three retirees, each with a hearing loss, were playing golf one fine March day. One remarked to the other, "Windy, isn't it?" "No," the second man replied, "it's Thursday." And the third man chimed in, "So am I. Let's have a beer."

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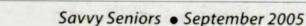
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SeniorCare participants urged to renew their benefits

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Department of Health and Family Services announced today it has mailed a letter to all current SeniorCare participants advising them to renew their SeniorCare benefits. The letter also offers guidance and urges participants to compare the program with the new federal Medicare Part D prescription drug program that becomes effective January 1, 2006.

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"The two-year budget just signed by Governor Doyle preserves SeniorCare, which provides access to medicines that seniors need at a price they can afford," said Helene Nelson, Secretary of Health and Family Services. "SeniorCare provides better prescription drug coverage at a lower cost for most Wisconsin seniors than the new Medicare benefit, but it is important for each individual to make a well-informed decision

about which program is best for them," notes Nelson. The SeniorCare program

prescription drug provides assistance for nearly 90,000 elderly participants.

More than half of all SeniorCare participants will receive a SeniorCare benefit renewal form between now and the end of the year. The Department strongly encourages participants to complete and return the renewal form, along with the enrollment fee, to avoid any lapse in prescription drug The Department coverage. says that even those interested in Medicare Part D should renew their SeniorCare benefits because Part D coverage does not begin until January 1, 2006.

Many SeniorCare participants have already received a mailing from the federal government about Medicare Part D. The mailing contains information about

extra help they might be able to receive to help pay for premiums, deductibles and co-payments under the new federal program.

The Department suggests that all SeniorCare participants carefully examine how Part D compares to SeniorCare. Seniors with questions about SeniorCare or Medicare Part D benefits can contact the following:

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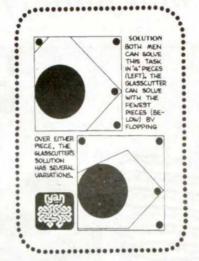
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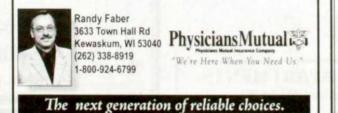
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Music therapy provides new found freedom



Bette Meyer shown with Sherry McElhatton

Music can transport us to a different time in our lives. A certain song may remind us of a special occasion or an important part of our past. For one Cedar Bay West resident, it provides a new-found freedom.

Bette Meyer can be seen 'cruising' the halls at Cedar Bay West thanks to her music therapist, Sherry McElhatton. Bette, who was diagnosed with Parkinson's in 2004, has been working with Sherry since May of 2005. Sherry has been using a therapeutic tool with Bette known as music therapy. Music therapy is used to increase or maintain a person's level of physical, mental and social / emotional functioning. The sensory and intellectual stimulation of music can help maintain a person's quality of life.

As Sherry strums her autoharp and sings, Bette walks, a task that is not always so easy. Bette has been participating in an informal study of the effect of Rhythmic Auditory Stimulation (RAS), a neurological music therapy technique, on walking.

the therapeutic application of music to cognitive, sensory and motor dysfunctions due to neurologic disease, McEllhatton said. During the study, Bette has experienced a decrease in irregular gait, achieving a more normal stride pattern both while participating with live music and on her own. Her stride length has doubled and she has gone from walking at a speed of 35 feet per minute to a top speed of 151 feet per minute. When she has difficulty, she sings a beat pattern or counts to herself. Staff members have commented on

Neurologic music therapy is

her ability to resume moving on her own when she experiences a "freeze" as she is walking. The staff and residents of Cedar Bay West have also been very helpful in Bette's rehabilitation, singing to her as she walks by.

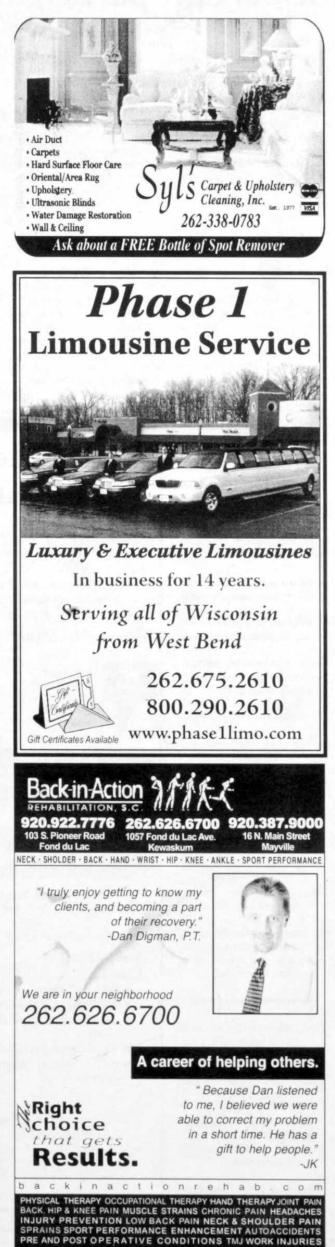
Sherry is so enthused by what she is doing that it makes me more enthused, and I really like the music," noted Bette. "It's a new world for me. Music gives me a punch." Because of her therapy, Bette has been walking much more on her own and relying less on her wheelchair. She even participates in exercise class because of her increased confidence.

Sherry has been a music therapist for over 20 years and recently became a Fellow of the Academy for Neurological Music Therapy by participating in advanced training. Worldwide there are only about 500 members and 50 Fellows. The state of Wisconsin has approximately 114 music therapists, with four being employed at Cedar Community.

So you realize that in about 40 years, we'll have thousands of old ladies running around with tatoos and belly button rings?



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State budget leaves county nursing homes at risk



The state biennial budget signed into law last week by Governor Doyle places county nursing homes and their residents in peril according to the Wisconsin Association of County Homes (WACH). The Governor vetoed the 1.4 percent rate increase that the legislature had included in the budget for nursing homes.

Doyle had Governor included a similar increase for nursing homes funded through an assessment on nursing home beds. The legislature removed the bed assessment and funded the rate increase out of the state's general fund. The Governor then vetoed that increase, indicating he is still open to the "bed assessment" alternative.

When you mix a zeropercent increase for county homes with the escalating cost of health insurance, mandatory binding arbitration and a property tax freeze it is a recipe for disaster" stated Michael Thomas, President of WACH and Manitowoc County

Coordinator of Health and Family Services.

Adding to county nursing homes' frustration is the fact that the federal government is providing millions of dollars for its share of Medicaid expenses incurred by county facilities that the state is keeping to help balance its budget rather than returning it to the county homes that incurred the expense. In this budget the state is keeping over \$60 million of federal Medicaid revenues that were generated because of county property tax expenditures for services to Medicaid residents in county nursing homes.

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"This is an outrage," said Phil Borreson, Administrator of the Trempealeau County Health Care Center, which serves as a regional facility for mentally ill and other severely disabled individuals. "Balancing the budget by siphoning off reimbursement to Trempealeau County property taxpayers isn't fair, is wrong and puts our residents at risk. It is unacceptable."

County nursing homes across the state have been struggling for survival and the no increase budget from the state is certainly expected to add to those difficulties.

"Most of these residents are Racine County's responsibility under state law whether they reside in Ridgewood Care Center or if we had to find another home for them," said Fran Petrick, Administrator of Racine County's nursing home. "I don't understand where the state decision-makers think this money is going to come from."

In order to keep their doors open many county officials fear they are not going to be able to provide the staff ratios and quality care for some of the most severely disabled. A recent Legislative Audit Bureau audit concluded that county nursing homes in Wisconsin do in fact care for a more difficult to care for population than the rest of the nursing home industry in Wisconsin.

After a certain age, if you don't wake up aching in every joint, you are probably dead.

You meet the nicest people in the strawberry patch

By Lois A. Pflum Special to The Statesman

You meet the nicest people in a strawberry patch. I have come to that conclusion after many years of strawberry picking with my husband. We've picked strawberries in many different places, and always found the same nicest people.

Berry pickers come in all different sizes, shapes, ages, and from many different walks of life. Yet, they all come for the same purpose to take advantage of this delicious crop.

Out in the middle of nowwhere, squatting down in the sand, or kneeling on the ground, I begin to fill my basket with these delicious berries. Rows are usually assigned to the pickers, but it really doesn't matter who is picking next to me. Chances are the person next to me is a stranger. Chances are when I leave the berry patch, I'll never see that person again.

Being the outgoing friendly type I am, I find it easy to start a connversation. Sometimes it's just discussing the quality of the crop, or where that person is from, or even a favorite berry

My husband, Bob, (he's the serious picker) and I usually pick side by side, but I have always met pickers nearby who were just as friendly and talkative as I, and this makes it more fun.

Not everybody takes kindly to this method of obtaining strawberries. Some folks buy them in the supermarket, all cleaned and hulled, but I think they are missing out on half the fun and sense of accomplishment. For us, it's a summer-time ritual.

The joy of sampling those succulent strawberriess, direct

from the plant,(often a little bit of sand included), is a pleasure that only a berry picker can know. At home I wouldn't think of eating berries without washing them first, but out in the berry patch, the temptation is there

We usually get up early to get a good start on the day we tackle the berry patch. But when we return home with our proud reaping, it's definitely worth the effort!

The berries have to be cleaned as soon as possible. The tedious job begins as the berries are picked over, washed, and sorted for eating, jams and the freezer. This implies work, but with a willing husband (who works as fast as I talk), the mountain of berries slowly dwindle.

Once the mounds of juicy berries have been tended to, and our appetite for the strawberries begins to wane, we sit back in our easy chairs to relax. Our fingers are all red-stained.

Looking over the finished product, we feel fulfilled and satisfied. Summer has just begun,, but our

freezer is filled with berries, not only for the rest of summer, but winter, as well.

We will have strawberries, and more strawberries, and even more strawberries. We'll be able to enjoy the labors of our fruit all winter long. It doesn't seem like such a tedious job after all.

For now though, we can have fresh strawberries around the clock, and frosty strawberry vodka slush.

Ah, what a sensation!

The writer lives in Fond du Lac. with her husband, Bob.



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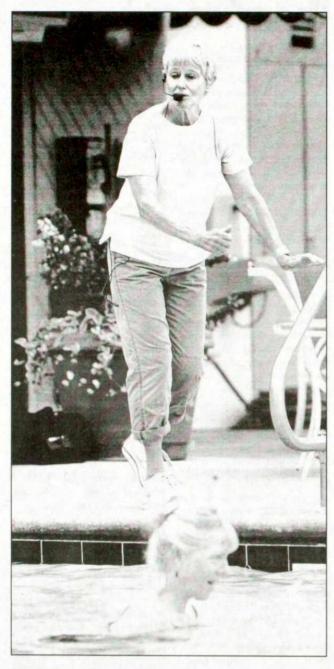
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Water aerobics class has earned a loyal following



By Sandy Cohen Copley News Service

The air still has that early morning bite when Nan Lewis' students arrive for class. Still, they show up in swimsuits, with smiles on their faces.

For most of them, the 7 a.m. Deep Water Conditioning class at the Jack Kramer Club in Rancho Palos Verdes, Calif., is a longtime tradition.

I won't get up at 6 a.m. to go to Curves, but I will get up to go to Nan's class," said Cleo Wayman of Torrance, Calif., a dedicated student for the past nine years.

Lewis created the water aerobics class two decades ago, "by accident in a way."

She was working as athletic director at a Torrance health club in the early '80s when aerobics hit the fitness scene. One of the instructors wanted to take her class out to the pool during the summer, and Lewis suggested continuing the aerobics exercises in the water. She bought some "little kid floaties" to add resistance to their underwater leg presses and lateral raises."These people were used to exercising and they liked this approach," Lewis said.

"When fall came, she went back in the gym and I stayed out with this class."

Now, the 75-year-old petite powerhouse teaches 15 water conditioning classes each week and relies on them as her main form of exercise.

"I wouldn't even think of joining a gym," she said. "I can get everything I need, as

far as physical conditioning is concerned, in the water."

Deep-water conditioning calls for students to keep their bodies vertically suspended in the deep end of the pool. Inflatable cuffs worn on the wrists and ankles aid flotation and provide extra resistance as students jog, march, scissor their legs and do biceps curls to a medley of music and Lewis' cheerful direction. The first half of the hour-long class focuses on strengthening various muscle groups, the second is devoted to cardiovascular conditioning. Students adapt the speed and length of the movements to suit their individual fitness level.

"Like all exercise classes, you see people who are almost doing nothing and people who are working very hard," Lewis said. "One of the beauties of the water is that we can all be there together."

Water exercise provides total body camouflage for the selfconscious, she said. It's also ideal for rehabilitating injuries, said longtime student and physical therapist Karen Chambers, as it offers a no-impact workout.

"It offers a full range of motion and the feeling of total movement without weight bearing," she said. "Besides being fun, it really helps with balance and gives you a lot of endurance." Chambers discovered the class 12 years ago and began sending clients there. Then, when a staph infection resulted in her becoming a double-amputee last year, she used deep water conditioning to restore her own strength and mobility. Seeing her longtime classmates also gave her an emotional boost.

When I finally got back to the pool wearing my prosthesis, they all cheered me on and supported me," said Chambers, 60. "The class is incredibly safe and pleasurable."

It's the camaraderie that keeps Wayman coming back

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came to the class on her doctor's orders, to rehabilitate her knee after arthroscopic surgery.

"I told him I don't swim and I don't have a bathing suit," said Wayman, 63. "And I don't want to go to the class because I hate exercising."

Like any new student, Wayman started the class with a personal coach. She wore an inner tube and floaties and gradually got used to the water. Now, she bounds out of bed to attend.

"I still don't know how to swim and I'm still afraid of the water, but I'm not afraid of the water when I'm there," she said. "It's helped me physically, mentally and emotionally. These people are my friends. We celebrate birthdays and send postcards from our vacations. We tell each other 'I wouldn't recognize you in clothes since I only see you in a swimsuit."

Patricia Hilmer of Rolling Hills Estates, Calif., has been one of Lewis' coaches for eight years. She found the class when she was swimming at the Kramer Club with her children and thought it looked like fun. She's been a regular now for 11 years

"I have arthritis, and the only place I can move comfortably is

three times a week. She first in the water," said the 58-yearold. "I love the music. And it's a wonderful social gathering. You go there, you get a workout and you socialize at the same time."

Those aspects of the class keep Lewis energized as well. The onetime Dixieland trumpeter mixes the music herself and has amassed more than 500 tapes. She also created the inflatable cuffs students use and even lured into her class the president of the Torrance company that manufactures them. Her enthusiasm ripples out like a stone skipped across the water.

"It's an effective form of exercise and it's Fun," she said. "I'm going to do this for the rest of my life

An elderly Floridian called 911 on her cell phone to report that her car has been broken into. She is hysterical as she explains her situation to the dispatcher: "They've stolen the stereo, the steering wheel, the brake pedal and even the accelerator!" she cried. The dispatcher said, "Stay calm. An officer is on the way. A few minutes later, the officer radios in. "Disregard." He says. "She got in the back-seat by mistake."



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New survey shows more can be done to help manage arthitis pain

ARA - Despite tremendous advancements in treatments available for rheumatoid arthritis (RA), a nationwide survey by the Arthritis Foundation shows that nearly 70 percent of people currently receiving RA treatment still experience pain, stiffness and fatigue on a daily basis.

Results also reveal that more than one-third rank their quality of life with RA at only a five out of ten. To identify unmet needs of the RA community regarding treatment options and quality of life, the Arthritis Foundation, in collaboration with Harris Interactive, surveyed 500 adults with RA.

The most common medications used to treat include RA diseaseantirheumatic modifying drugs (DMARDs), such as leflunomide or methotrexate, and biologic response modifiers (BRMs), such as etanercept, adalimumab, anakinra and infliximab.

While half of the people surveyed report that some symptoms, such as joint pain, stiffness, and swelling are reduced by medication, 49 percent report they continue to change their daily household activities as a result of their arthritis.

"This survey brings to light the need for aggressive research in the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis, a disease affecting more than 2.1 million Americans," says Dr. John H. Klippel, president and CEO, Arthritis Foundation.

"It is a clear indication that we still have a great deal of work to do to improve quality of life

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for people with RA when more than one-third of the people surveyed feel their condition affects their ability to control their own future or perform daily activities, in spite of taking their medication.

The Arthritis Foundation encourages people with RA to play an active role in their treatment by asking their physicians about the latest treatments available, as well as promising new research on the horizon.

Despite significant improvements in treatment for RA over the past 10 years, the survey also found that among those affected by the disease:

* More than 50 percent are extremely concerned about their ability to take care of themselves or the likelihood of becoming disabled in the future

* The two most important factors in possible new treatments for RA are that the medication relieves pain more completely or provides longer periods of relief from their pain

* The top three concerns about RA treatments are the potential for long-term consequences for overall health, an increased risk of infection, and inadequate relief of fatigue

* Nearly three-quarters are very or extremely interested in having their treating physician tell them about new RA therapies

Nearly two-thirds are very or extremely interested in having their treating physician tell them about new RA clinical trials for which they might qualify and spend more time explaining RA medications "These findings clearly show that patients desire more information and heightened communications with their treating physicians," says Dr. Eric Ruderman, medical advisor to the Arthritis

Foundation and assistant professor, Feinberg School of Medicine, Northwestern University.

Arthritis is the nation's leading cause of disability, costing the U.S. economy more than \$86 billion annually. RA is an autoimmune disease in which the body's immune system attacks healthy joint tissue and causes inflammation and joint damage.

The disease often persists for many years, typically affecting many different joints throughout the body, and causing damage to the cartilage, bone, tendons and ligaments of the joints.

RA affects women three times more often than men, primarily in the childbearing years of a woman's life.

For more information about steps you can take to improve your quality of life with RA, contact the Arthritis Foundation at (800) 283-7800 or visit www.arthritis.org. The Arthritis Foundation offers free information, materials and access to "RA Connect" an interactive online community and comprehensive resource created by and for people living with rheumatoid arthritis as a creative means to connect with others who have been touched by the disease.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The survey mentioned in this article was conducted by Harris Interactive, Inc. on behalf of the Arthritis Foundation through a grant from Genentech, Inc. and Biogen Idec.



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Palau: More than surviving



By Carolyn Rice Copley News Service

It may have taken the television show "Survivor" to put Palau on most Americans' geographic radar, but for divers and exotic island lovers it has long been a most persistent blip on the distant blue horizon. This small island nation of 20,000 lies in the far Western Pacific near the equator with the Philippines as its nearest large neighbor.

With "The End of the Rainbow" as its slogan, Palau has some 500-plus islands. Only a few are inhabited; most make up the sanctuary known as the Rock Islands, created from a coral reef that rose above the surface of the water some 500 million years ago. Covered with carpets of green vegetation, the islands come in many intriguing shapes, from gumdrops and mushrooms to one distinctive island that looks very much like a prone Homer Simpson in profile.

Somewhere I had heard that Palau was one of the best destinations not only for diving, but also for snorkeling. During our recent visit, my husband and I swam with hawksbill turtles and white-tip sharks, kayaked into ancient limestone caverns, explored abandoned Japanese defenses from World War II, drank the hearty local beer, enjoyed the pleasures of a deluxe resort and petted some jellyfish.

Being so friendly with the gelatinous critters could only happen in Palau, and only in Jellyfish Lake. This landenclosed but seawater-fed body of water contains a large colony of jellyfish that don't have stingers because they have evolved without predators. Steve and I got to go for a swim with the jellies our first day in Palau.

With our Palauan guide, Malahi Mista from Sam's Tours, we hiked up and down over sharp coral to reach the calm, warm waters of the lake. Donning our snorkeling gear at the wooden swimming platform, we jumped in the slightly murky waters. At first I saw nothing, but then I detected a small, pink-

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orange object floating by. Then there were a few bigger ones, and I watched as they propelled themselves like opening and closing umbrellas. Before long I felt one run into me, like the slight touch of a hand.

I reached out and petted a few on their tops and felt a velvety smoothness and warmth I hadn't expected. Then they were all around us, and I felt like I was floating in jellyfish stew. I swam slowly out of the gelatinous mass wanting to be as gentle with them as they were with me.

After snorkeling stops in the Rock Islands and Clam City, home to the largest bivalve mollusks in the world, we retreated to the Palau Pacific Resort, with all the accoutrements of a deluxe hotel: large rooms, many with ocean views, a beauty and sports shop, friendly staff (many of them who had been there since the resort's opening in 1974) and great food. We particularly enjoyed the breakfast buffet complete with Western- and Japanese-style offerings and delectable pastries made by a French-trained chef.

Most mornings we were picked up by Sam's Tours at the resort's dock, delivered to Sam's base in Koror - Palau's largest city - and then went off on the adventure of the day. One day a speedboat took us to Peleliu, the island that saw one of the fiercest battles of World War II. We traveled there with our guide, Tangee Heses, a native of the island and an enthusiastic historian of his island's history. After 60 years, the island still bears the scars and carries the debris of the 62-day battle in which some 10,000 Japanese and 1,220 Americans lost their lives in September 1944.

Another day we went to Palau's "big island," Babeldaob. This island and Koror are volcanic in origin, not raised coral reefs like the Rock Islands. While most of Palau's population lives on these larger islands, the infrastructure is still rather primitive with very few miles of paved roads. But on Babeldaob,

many more miles are being built. It seemed like the entire 26mile-long island was one giant road construction project. So in the future it may not take an entire day to get from one side of the island to the other.

The best reason to endure these bad roads is to get to the Ngardman Waterfall. Steve stood under the thickest part of the falls and let the pounding waters give him a most welcome massage. I enjoyed sitting in a less turbulent part of the cool (but not cold) rushing waters, feeling the stream stripping the stress away.

We did break away from the resort for a three-day seakayaking expedition. Fortunately we didn't have to really rough it because we went with Planet Blue Kayak Tours' guide Jake Oiterong. This 28-year-old grew up on an island in Palau with just 25 people. We were dropped off by motorboat on Lee Marvin Beach, named for the late actor who befriended many Palauans during the making of the movie "Hell in the Pacific."

The Planet Blue crew pitched our camp, including a stand-up tent with cots and a sun-warmed shower, while Jake led us on our kayaks around the corner into a shallow cove known as a nursery for black-tip reef sharks. Sure enough, after a few minutes we saw movement in the shadows. Sharks! As we paddled, the 1- to 2-feet fish scattered. We paddled further to an area between islands known as Risong Channel.

"Would you like to see lion fish?" Jake asked.

Sure, I know that a lion fish's sting can be deadly, but I figured the opportunity to see them up close would not be offered if it were really dangerous. Into the water with my snorkeling ear, I found the much bigger danger was the strong current. No worries, Jake pulled me along and we saw wondrous sights. We swam through a circle of schooling barracudas, like a beautiful silvery ring in the greenish waters. Then he pointed to some rocks about 10 feet down, and there was the lion

fish, blessed with a glorious mane of striped, feather-like plumage in orange, black and white.

As the day continued, we paddled in and out of quiet coves without seeing any other people. Jake dove deep in an attempt to catch fish for dinner. Steve and I lazily glided on the surface. At one point, we saw the ruins of a Japanese supply boat under shallow water; in another cove we found an elusive mandarin fish. Just 3 inches long, it shimmered with a lattice-like pattern of bright orange, green and blue.

Because of the low tide, we couldn't make it back to our campsite until after dark when the water rose enough to float our boats. Jake quickly lit the tiki torches and started dinner while Steve and I rinsed off under the solar shower.

That was day one of the seakayaking expedition. Days two and three brought more of the same. We paddled into ancient limestone caves with delicate stalactites. We swam through

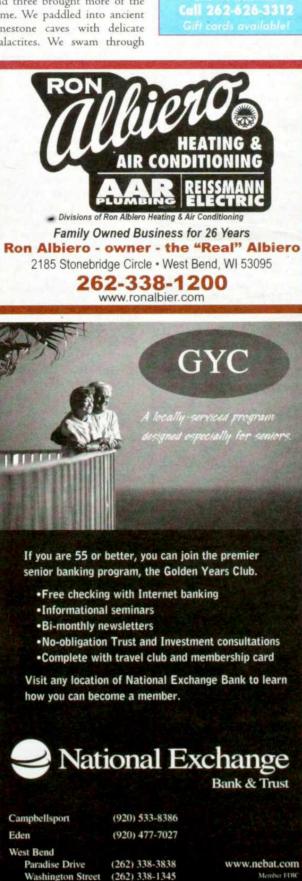
a tunnel to an inner lake where white-tip sharks slept in the shadows. We snorkeled over a beautiful section of coral known as Lolita's Garden with more brilliant colors than I had ever seen - mounds of pink, blue, green and an occasional stand of black coral filled with iridescent fish. Simply amazing.

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