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Increase in revenue limits could lead to \$9,630,010 levy for 2009-'10

'Modest' enrollment increase expected at district schools for 2009-'10

By Andrew Kuehl

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The Kewaskum School District Finance Committee heard Monday that they should expect a total increase of about four students for the next school year. They were also told they can anticipate a \$910,410 increase in the district's revenue limit which could ultimately mean a tax levy of \$9,630,010.

The enrollment projection for September 2009 in seeing an estimated 2,116 students residing in the district. Business Manager Paul Reichert said the number of students actually attending Kewaskum Schools would be different due to the impact of open enrollment. A

memorandum indicated that 2,053 students are actually expected to attend Kewaskum Schools.

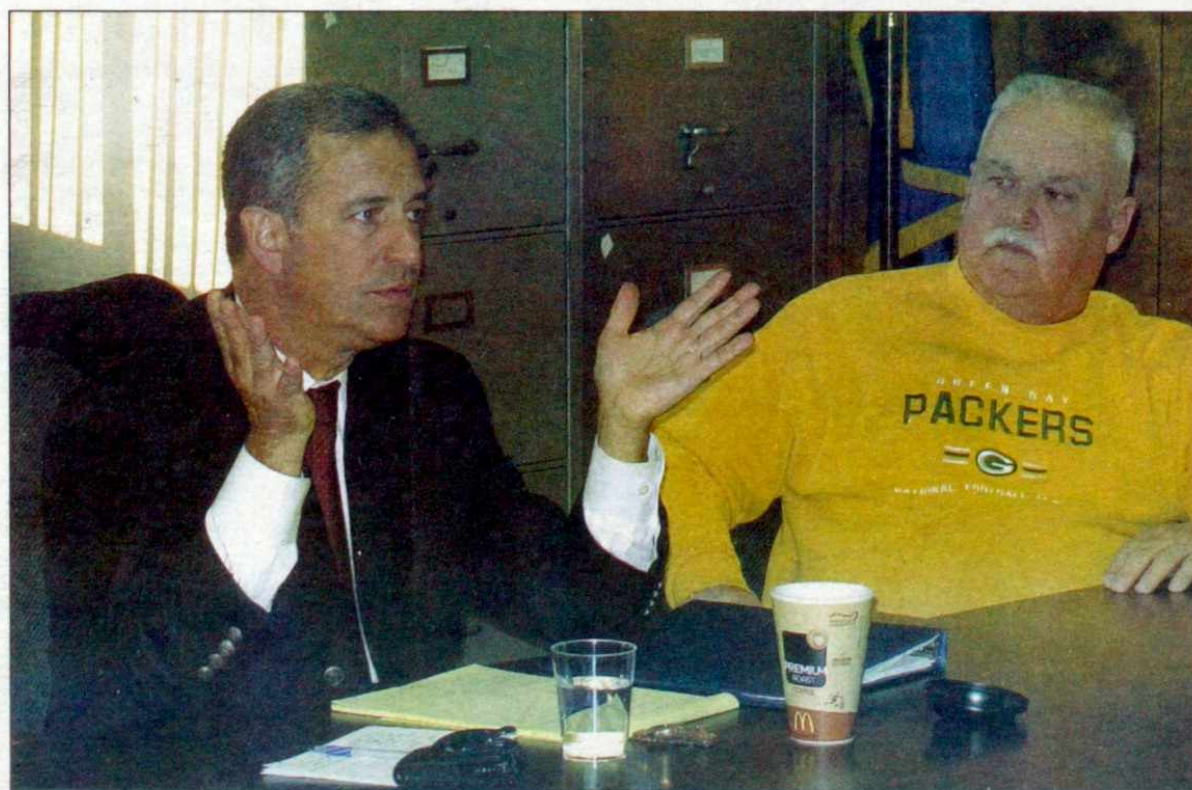
The largest enrollment projection is expected to take place at the district's elementary schools where 992 students are expected. The Middle School and High School will decrease. Last year KHS saw an increase.

Reichert mentioned the District might have teachers being shifted from KMS to fill teaching positions opening in the district's elementary schools.

Enrollment estimates are the first step to preparing for the 2009-'10 budget. This also paints a picture of the district's revenue limit for that year.

The estimated revenue limit, including the transfer of service aid (aid applied for to DPI which deals with increased costs related to costs incurred by programs such as special education programming for students coming into the district from other districts. Another example is when a district receives a limited-English speaking student) and the non-recurring exemption to exceed the revenue limit is \$20,102,797. Because the amount of Fund 38, the tax levy will increase by \$98,900 next year. The net amount of the increase available for general operations is \$811,510. General aid is expected to increase 4.33% and computer aid will increase 4.69%.

Feingold listens in Farmington



U.S. Senator Russ Feingold shown above with Town of Farmington Board Chairman Gary Schreiber recently listened to constituents at his Washington County listening session, which was held at the town hall in the Town of Farmington, Monday, January 5. Washington County was Feingold's first listening session of 2009, and his 1,153rd since he was first elected. According to Feingold staff, approximately 20 people from around the county attended the listening session where topics included the financial bailout and the economy, labor issues, job creation, terrorism, and education issues. Before the Senator listened to and took questions from participants he briefed constituents on his goal of continuing to push his E4 initiative which he stated will create jobs and spur economic development as part of the expected economic stimulus package President-elect Obama has called for soon after he takes office. Feingold is pushing for investments in transportation infrastructure including highways, bridges and transit to help connect workers to employment opportunities, water infrastructure to capitalize on water technology efforts Wisconsin companies are leading in, creating green collar jobs and expanding access to broadband Internet.

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Election almost final

Roell doesn't return papers, extends filing in Farmington

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Municipal clerks are now in the mode of preparing ballots for the upcoming Spring Election to be held on Tuesday, April 7. However, Town of Farmington Clerk Joanne reports that due to one incumbent not returning his papers the filing deadline has been extended to Friday.

Oneska reported that incumbent Chairman Gary Schreiber filed papers to retain his position. He will run unopposed.

Incumbent supervisor Art Seyfert filed papers for one of the two seats up for reelection. Ike Roell took out papers but Oneska says he is not returning them. "He told me he may run as a write-in, she stated.

Since Roell did not file a statement of non-candidacy, the deadline for filing papers is extended until Friday at 5 p.m. Interested persons can contact Oneska at 675-6441 to get the required forms.

In addition to the new face anticipated in the Village of Kewaskum, the township has three people running for two of its supervisor positions.

Town Chairman Ellis Kahn will run unopposed. Incumbent supervisors Allen Hron and Daniel Schmidt will be joined by Glenn G. Goodearle.

Clerk Nancy Boden stated before building a house in the town, Goodearle resided in West Bend and was an alderman there for a number of years.

Boden and Treasurer Dan Stoffel will run unopposed.

Village Trustee Kevin Scheunemann officially launched his campaign to unseat current Village President Andy Pesch. Scheunemann stated in a press release that "Pesch is willing to let the DNR raid village resident's wallet for little to no increased benefit to the taxpayer." Pesch has made no comments regarding his candidacy.

After Trustee Derek Peterson announced his intention not to seek another term, Plan Commission member Jim Hovland filed papers to run for Peterson's seat. Trustee Tom Piwoni will run unopposed.

Board of Education members Stephen Jensen and Bruce Braidigan will run unopposed for their seats.

Ice creates problems in town, village

The Statesman's coverage area was hit hard by ice early Sunday which created plowing havoc in the township of Kewaskum and called for village officials to remind residents of their duties when it comes to keeping sidewalks clear for pedestrians.

Town Chairman Ellis Kahn made a statement to town residents.

"As everyone was well aware of last Sunday morning we all awoke to some extremely icy road conditions. Unfortunately, even though the plow drivers responded early they battled major problems. Chains were installed on the tires but the trucks still couldn't get any traction. Thus, most roads needed to be spread with the sand/salt mixture while driving in reverse. As you can imagine this is a slow process, what normally would have taken four to six hours took 12 to 18 hours."

He continued, "We are sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused and ap-

preciate everyone's patience and understanding. Mother Nature just needed to show who was the boss."

Kahn also reported that the town's salt supply is going fast so the sand/salt mixture usually used will contain more sand. "We ask that everyone driving on town roads please use extreme safe driving practices," he concluded.

Village of Kewaskum Zoning administrator, Chad Cook sent this message to village residents.

"As we all welcomed and enjoyed the holiday season, all of us in Wisconsin have been dealt another fair share of wintry weather. The Village of Kewaskum would like to remind all residents and property owners throughout the Village to continue to keep public sidewalks clear of ice and snow. Over this past weekend, freezing rain and cold temperatures resulted in anything outdoors to be thoroughly coated in ice. It is important for the safety of all

pedestrians, the sidewalks are kept free of ice. Please treat the sidewalks with salt or some form of ice melting product. For the safety and benefit of all, the Village requires public sidewalks to be kept free of ice and snow by local ordinance. Also, all areas surrounding community fire hydrants and mail boxes are to be kept clear and accessible as well."

The Village of Kewaskum Municipal Code requires snow and ice be removed within 24 hours after cessation of each storm. Sidewalks will be inspected throughout the village after each storm to reasonably enforce this Ordinance.

Snow and ice must be removed from the entire sidewalk surface for the general safety and welfare of the community and pedestrians. Upon regular inspection, the Village will employ the services of a contractor or Village staff to clear snow and ice from any public sidewalk which has been determined to be inadequately maintained.

The cost of the clearing will be invoiced to the property owner with a 10% handling charge applied.

Please contact the Village Hall with any questions or comments regarding this notification. I can be reached at (262) 626-8484 or by email: ccook@village.kewaskum.wi.us.

The elderly and those who are not able to keep a fire hydrant clean in front of their property are asked to contact Fire Chief Mark Groeschel who will make sure the area is cleaned properly. Volunteers spent much of the holiday season cleaning snow from hydrant locations in the village.

Hydrants must be kept clear for the safety of all. In the event of a fire, actions to combat that fire could not begin until the area of a hydrant has been cleaned.

Groeschel can be reached at the fire station or by calling 626-2411.

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Dr. Dozer has more than 15 years experience. His professional interests include Inflammatory Bowel Disease, Irritable Bowel Syndrome, Barrett's Esophagus and clinical research.

Dr. Dozer sees patients at West Bend Clinic and has staff privileges at St. Joseph's Hospital.

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Taking a look back at 2008



Kewaskum Firefighters were among many called in for mutual aid from five area fire departments. The fire engulfed a barn located at W2196 County Road Y in rural Campbellsport.

By Lana Kuehl
Statesman Associate Editor

This is the second part of our look back at 2008.

MAY 1
Over 87 voters turned out to hear a plan by the school district to lease 6,000 square feet of office space from Regal Ware, Inc. at a special meeting of the

electorate on April 28. Electors voted 47 to 40 in favor of a \$60,000 a year lease.

SynergyHealth has sold the former campus of St. Joseph Community Hospital on Sil-

verbroom Drive in West Bend to Spaulding Clinical.

MAY 8
Newly appointed Village of Kewaskum President Andy

Pesch oversaw his first official Village Board meeting May 5. Pesch and officials quickly took to task the replacement of Pesch's now vacant trustee seat and to possibly hire the individual he replaced (Matt Heiser).

MAY 15
A grill that was left on after grilling and placed next to a garage was responsible for a fire May 10 on Memorial Drive in Kewaskum when fire started in wall behind the grill.

MAY 22
Campbellsport firefighters called in mutual aid from four area fire departments including Kewaskum, on May 14, when they had to contend with a fully engulfed barn fire at W2196 County Road Y, Campbellsport. The storage barn and its contents were completely destroyed.

Village trustees voted May 19 to offer a contract to former Village President Matt Heiser to replace Village Administrator Jay Shambeau, who will leave the village after two years. Heiser will officially assume his responsibilities June 23.

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Taking a look back at 2008

MAY 29

Three members of the Kewaskum High School boys track team and six girls track team members packed their bags for the WIAA Division 2 State Track and Field Meet in LaCrosse. The group included runners Haley Gregoriou, Jessie Liniewski, Nichole Koson, and Kelly Uelmen; Alissa Clapper in the pole vault; Candace Beine in the long jump; Jake Dickmann in the pole vault and Ben Boettcher and Tyler Swanson in the discus.

JUNE 7

Kewaskum High School Class of 2007 celebrated commencement on June 9 in the fieldhouse. Valedictorians are Lindsay Krautkramer and Bekki Heberer. Salutatorian is Jacob Cochran.

Kieth Kriewaldt, Kewaskum's Director of Elementary Education accepted a contract to fulfill a superintendent's position in the Erin School District in Hartford.

JUNE 28

Local resident Mark Herges (not to be confused with Herges Oil) announced plans to breath new life into the former Hardware Hank building at 985 Fond du Lac Avenue in Kewaskum. Herges, who co-owns Forestview Tool and Die in the Town of Kewaskum moved his facility into the vacant building.

Another owner closed the doors on a historic eatery in the village on June 23. After almost eight years, Woody's Steakhouse is the latest restaurant to close at what has been a village mainstay for hospitality.

JULY 3

Work began on remodeling the former administration office into the new Kewaskum Career Academy.

Once upon a time, the historic building at 402 Main Street in Kewaskum was a barber shop. Fast forward about 30 years and its new owner, Brian Reichel, remade the building into Brian's Chop Shop the village's only barbershop.

JULY 10

After two years of discussions, proposals from dozens of engineering firms across the state and gripes from residents, Village Trustees accepted a proposal from C.D. Smith Construction of Fond du Lac for \$6.9 million for the upgrade at the Village Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Former Woody's Steakhouse employee, Victoria Feucht opened Victoria's Cornerstone Inn in the former location of Woody's Steakhouse.

The affiliation of St. Joseph's Hospital and the West Bend Clinic with Froedtert & Community Health became effective July 1.

West Bend Savings Bank and Continental Savings Bank, two mutual community banks, announced a merger creating a new Wisconsin bank with over \$650 million in combined assets and 27 locations serving

Southeastern Wisconsin.

JULY 17

A new Italian/American restaurant opened Tuesday at 250 Main Street in Kewaskum. Michaleno's Restaurant is a new addition to Kewaskum's dining menu.

JULY 24

Chris Walsh and his wife, Melissa, have opened 4-Ever Tan in the Kewaskum Green and Gold Shopping Center at the intersection of Highways 45 and H.

A 15-month-old girl, Madison Gruber, is dead after law enforcement officials say she drowned in her family's pool on July 19 on Triple S Road, Campbellsport.

JULY 31

Former Washington County detective Marie Joers, who was once a member of Holy Trinity Parish, is now retired and working in Nicaragua in Central America.

AUGUST 7

Ty Pennington and his crew came back to Wisconsin July 24 and helped another deserving Wisconsin family. And, once again helping them was Chuck "Chucker" Dreher, known to many in Kewaskum for his woodworking craftsmanship.

Nic Faber of Kewaskum Boy Scout Troop 744 was honored recently when he achieved the Rank of Eagle Scout. He is the son of Kerry and Mary Faber.

AUGUST 14

Past chiefs of the Kohlsville Fire Department recently displayed a commendation from United States Congressman F. James Sensenbrenner presented to the department during a celebration on August 9 at the Kohlsville fire station marking the 100th anniversary of their department.

The 12th Annual Beautification Awards were presented to Steve and Lisa Miller, 766 Ojibwe Path; Jon and Janice Downs, 1159 Kewaskum Street; Roy and Midge Swanson, 704 Wil-a-Be Lane, and Dick and Sue Laubach, 479 Evergreen Terrace.

AUGUST 21

Town of Kewaskum supervisors learned their longest serving colleague, William Butzlaff Sr., resigned effective immediately, on August 18.

Amy Garbisch of the Kewaskum Fire Department received the Emergency Medical Technician of the Year Award at the American Legion State Convention in LaCrosse on July 19.

JoAnn Karpin of Saukville was named the new principal at Holy Trinity Catholic School in Kewaskum.

AUGUST 28

A handful of residents approved a \$19,755,389 budget for the School District at the annual meeting held Monday, August 25.

A three-year project to repair a dilapidated bridge on Townline Road, north of State

Highway 28, was completed. The project was a joint effort between the Town of Kewaskum, the county and the federal government. The bridge cost taxpayers \$24,424.43 after aid from federal and county sources.

SEPTEMBER 4

Classes began September 2 for students in the Kewaskum School District.

One of the area's longest family-owned companies, Dairyland Seed, was acquired by Indianapolis based Dow Agro Sciences.

SEPTEMBER 11

Assemblyman Dan LeMahieu received 71% of vote in the Primary Election for the 59th Assembly District seat. Congressman F. James Sensenbrenner also defeated his opponent by a 3-1 margin.

SEPTEMBER 18

There are some new faces serving residents in the Town of Kewaskum. Daniel H. Schmidt, a plan commission member was recently appointed to fill a supervisor's post vacated by Bill Butzlaff Sr., who resigned earlier in the month. Jane Korth was appointed to fill Schmidt's seat on the Plan Commission.

Jim Gruber's Hydraulic Engineering Service has improved their efficiency by moving to a larger building. The move from West Bend to Kewaskum increased their space by two and a half times. The business is located off Second Street and Fond du Lac Avenue.

SEPTEMBER 25

Christine and Steve Jung, owners of The Candy Tree in Kewaskum, received approval from the Kewaskum Plan Commission to adjoin a residential structure directly east of their location.

OCTOBER 2

The new Kewaskum High School Fitness Center, converted from 4,000 square feet of classrooms, became available for the community to join as members with cardiovascular machines and a wide assortment of additional fitness machines for everyone's capability.

OCTOBER 9

The Fifth Quarter tavern on Fond du Lac Avenue in Kewaskum literally got a surprise "drive-in" customer on October 2, when a pickup drove into the building and completely destroyed the bar and back bar. The driver passed out, and slammed into the building.

Local Kewaskum business owners, Steve, Paul and Allen Ries, owners of Kewaskum Frozen Foods, have begun an expansion of Sausage Plus in West Bend. The end result will be a new store, three times larger than the current store. The expanded business is located in a strip mall on Washington Street in West Bend.

OCTOBER 16

Kyle Moss of Milwaukee was the male winner and Sue

Daggett Miller was the female winner in the Annual KEYS Run/Walk held October 12. It was reported the event made \$24,500.

OCTOBER 23

Janice Heffer received the keys to her family's new home at 703 Glacial Lane in the Village of Kewaskum from Habitat for Humanity of Washington County. It was Habitat's first project in Kewaskum.

OCTOBER 30

The Kewaskum Board of Education met Monday to approve their final 2008-09 budget. The outcome of the meeting saw a lower tax levy due to an increase in state revenue.

NOVEMBER 6

History was made as the Country elected their first African-American, Barack Obama, to lead the nation for the next four years. As expected, however, the numbers in The Statesman's coverage area, a Republican stronghold, revealed quite a different view with Arizona Senator John McCain and running mate Sarah Palin taking 64% of Washington County.

NOVEMBER 13

Wendel Weisensel and Sarah Steir will be opening the Forest Lake Pub and Grill on Saturday in the former Bar N Annex/Forest House building. They previously operated The Rustic Inn that was located in Kewaskum.

NOVEMBER 20

Timothy J. McKee, 25, of Kewaskum, became Washington County's seventh traffic fatality of 2008 as a result of a two-car accident that occurred at 7:03 a.m. on County Road H at Orchard Valley Road in the Town of Farmington. Jason M. Jacobs, 34, of Lomira is reported to have failed to stop for a stop sign located on Orchard Valley Road at H. His vehicle entered the intersection and struck the eastbound passenger car operated by McKee.

The Kewaskum High School Indians closed another stellar football season following an emotional 41-0 defeat at the hands of Waupaca during Level Four playoffs at Ripon. They went undefeated up until the upset and the entire community was extremely proud of their outstanding season.

NOVEMBER 27

The Fond du Lac County Sheriff's Department has reported that a group of hunters found a body partially submerged in a frozen creek in a

wooded area behind W4617 Skyline Drive on land owned by Joseph Bonlender. The incident remains under investigation.

DECEMBER 4

A Kewaskum family suffered an early morning fire at their home on East Moraine Drive on December 3. Tenants Herbert and Jamie Sagan and their two dogs occupied the home. The fire appeared to have started in the area of the chimney on the second floor of the structure near the ceiling. The tenants were awoken by smoke detectors. Preliminary damage estimates exceeds \$75,000. The home is owned by Paul Reindl of Kewaskum.

DECEMBER 11

Cindy Shaske of the Town of Wayne was honored as the parade marshal for this year's Christmas Parade for her tireless efforts with the Kewaskum Gridiron Football Club, Kewaskum Cares for Kids and the Kewaskum Fitness Center, among other things.

Some eager students got a snow day. Some not-so-eager employees had to put in overtime as a foot of snow blanketed the area.

DECEMBER 18

Kewaskum firefighters, along with those from Beechwood, Eden and Lomira, awoke early December 13 at approximately 3:40 am to assist Campbellsport firefighters at a structure fire at N2291 County Highway SS in the Town of Auburn. The house was vacant at the time of the fire and is a total loss. The fire remains under investigation.

The Kohlsville Cruisers snowmobile club celebrated their 35th anniversary with a bash at the Hitching Post on October 25.

DECEMBER 25

Fond du Lac County Sheriff's investigators in the Jane Doe case held a press conference December 22 and released information about the body of the young woman found by hunters in the Town of Ashford. Investigators used a mannequin with the exact replica of the clothing the dead woman was wearing. They are asking for help in identifying this missing Jane Doe.

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Rochelle Pennington spoke about her new book "An Old Fashioned Christmas" at the West Bend Library on November 8.

By Judy Harlow
Statesman Correspondent

The recent cold weather has prompted many Wisconsin residents to concentrate on indoor activities, and what better way to do that than to snuggle up in an easy chair with a good book.

Choices of books, old and new, are as numerous as the stars, but very few have been written by local authors.

Does the name Rochelle Pennington ring a bell? She grew up in Kewaskum and graduated from Kewaskum High School and last summer she came out with her most successful endeavor, *An Old Fashioned Christmas*, which concentrates on Christmases from the 1930s, 40s and 50s.

People from that era grew up with real Christmas trees, Lionel Trains circling the fresh Christmas centerpieces and rocking horses bobbing up and

down in the living room. They grew up knowing the names Howdy Doody, Raggedy Ann and Andy, along with songs by Nat King Cole and Bing Crosby. Just as familiar was the name Billie the Brownie, a character who was a radio fixture thanks to a favorite department store in Milwaukee, Schusters.

Even though Christmas is past, Pennington's collected data, pictures and wonderful trivia questions would still be fun to reminisce over on a cold January night.

"One of the chapters is on Billie the Brownie," Pennington said recently, explaining, "He was a hero, more important than Santa Claus to Wisconsinites That's been a hit with the book."

Pennington didn't hear the Billie the Brownie show on WTMJ radio when she was a child. She's far too young, but her parents, Norbert and Gloria, were regular listeners while

they were young, and their experiences prompted her to venture into Christmas pasts with no ghosts allowed ala the tale of the Christmas Carol.

"The book was written to jog some happy memories," Pennington said. "I was inspired by how much my mom and dad loved (the adventures of) Billie the Brownie," which aired for over 25 years in a daily slot in the early evening.

It took Pennington and her son, Nicholas, just under three years to complete the book, with much of their time and energies spent on research and legalities needed to secure and reprint images that complemented the text.

"That can be challenging," Pennington said, noting she was fortunate enough to be steered in the direction of the Sheboygan Falls Research Center, which is "a treasure," containing thousands of old black and white photos of life in Wisconsin.

Pennington also offered a special thank you to the people working at the General Store Antique Mall in Kewaskum. "The girls were so helpful," she said, explaining they kept their eyes open when people would bring in items they thought she would be interested in for the book and for the presentations she makes at schools, libraries and historical society events.

Pennington said it was very special working on a second book with her son, but even more special was the reception the book received from her parents and from readers. She said she remembers her dad (who passed away in October 2008) remarking after he read the book, "It's just like I'm on my tummy (on the floor in front of the radio), listening with Nor-

man and Frankie and Jerry."

Both parents laughed out loud after looking at the photos and reminiscing about Christmases past.

"Dad especially liked it (the book)," Pennington said, indicating he often came with her to presentations she gave on the book.

These memories of trips together and his love of the book helped Pennington get through her first Christmas without a parent, which many times can be a traumatic experience. She hopes the book will help others remember their Christmases as children and recall people who were significant in their lives during the holiday season.

After Norbert's passing, Pennington said when she gives presentations, "I look out in the audience and always see dad sitting there."

The book also can be a help

for those who are suffering because of the shaky economy, according to Pennington, who said the book describes Christmases where the only gifts were handmade and some were hand-me-downs.

"We're paralleling those times right now," Pennington said, but it makes people think, "You know what, we've done this already, and it's going to be OK."

An Old-Fashioned Christmas came out in July and sold out within a couple months, according to Pennington, who said, "We're absolutely thrilled with the results. It's the best seller we've ever had."

An Old-Fashioned Christmas is available at Fireside Books in West Bend and on Pennington's web site, christmastreeshipbooks.com. The cost is \$19.95.

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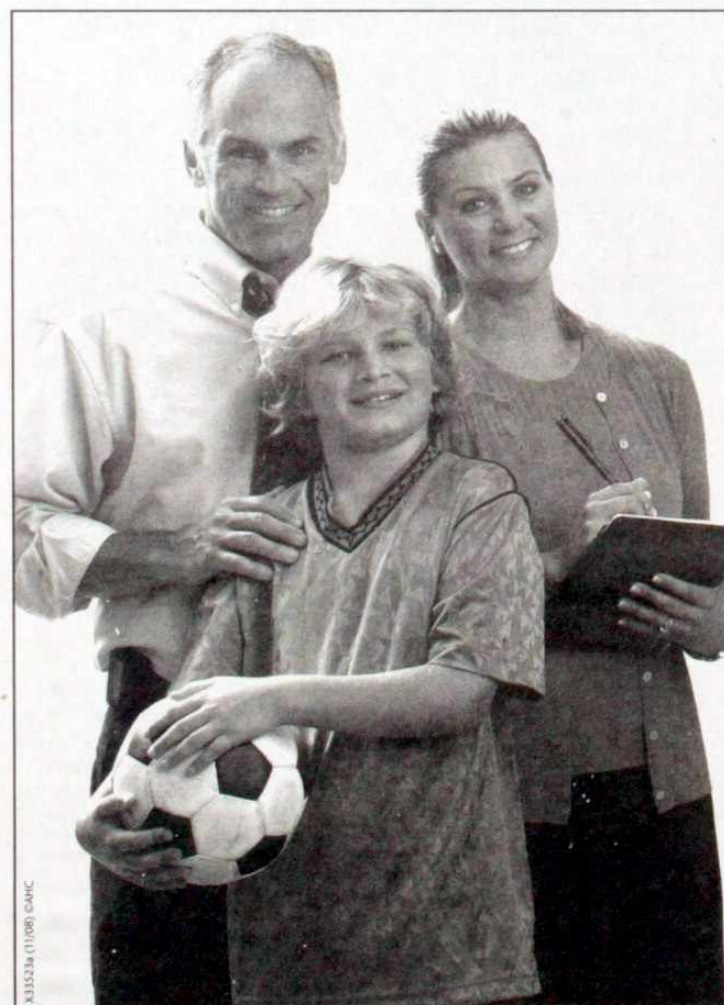
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Blackstone keeps Police Department running behind the scenes



Patty Blackstone, a nine year veteran of the Kewaskum Police Department ensures the department runs smoothly. She is the first profile in a series that will run weekly in *The Statesman* highlighting those who keep our community moving behind the scenes.

Statesman photo: Andrew Kuehl

By Patrick Neumuth
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EDITOR'S NOTE- As we begin a new year of reporting the news for our community we felt compelled to share with our readers those who don't always get the credit for a job well done but without them and their skills life would be different in many ways. There is no significance to the order of who is profiled, everyone for this series set to run weekly for the rest of the year has been chosen randomly.

After working with Patty for nine years it is clearly evident that without her and her dedication to law enforcement in Kewaskum, our community would be at a clear disadvantage. Which is why she was a clear choice for this new feature.

We need the help of you, our readers to tell us who you think makes our community tick. We already know the movers and shakers, we want to go deeper than that. To make a suggestion please email newstips@kewaskumstatesman.com or contact myself, Publisher Andrew Kuehl at 262-370-0831. It would be helpful if you gave us information on this person such as how to get in contact with them and how they make a difference in our community.

I look forward to hearing your thoughts on this new feature please contact me anytime.

She won't put you in handcuffs or investigate the scene of the crime, but without Patty Blackstone as the Kewaskum Police Department's (KPD) administrative assistant, it's safe to say the department could be in chaos.

Behind the protective glass in the small lobby of the department, Blackstone answers all phone calls, types reports and letters and does much of the mandatory record keeping a police department must do.

When asked what is rewarding about her job Blackstone says, "When someone comes in and they actually leave happier than when they got here. A lot of people that come in here aren't happy."

Blackstone was instrumental in having the KPD be a branch of the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV). Much of her work is answering the phone about DMV inquiries. The KPD can do vehicle reg-

istrations and license plate renewals.

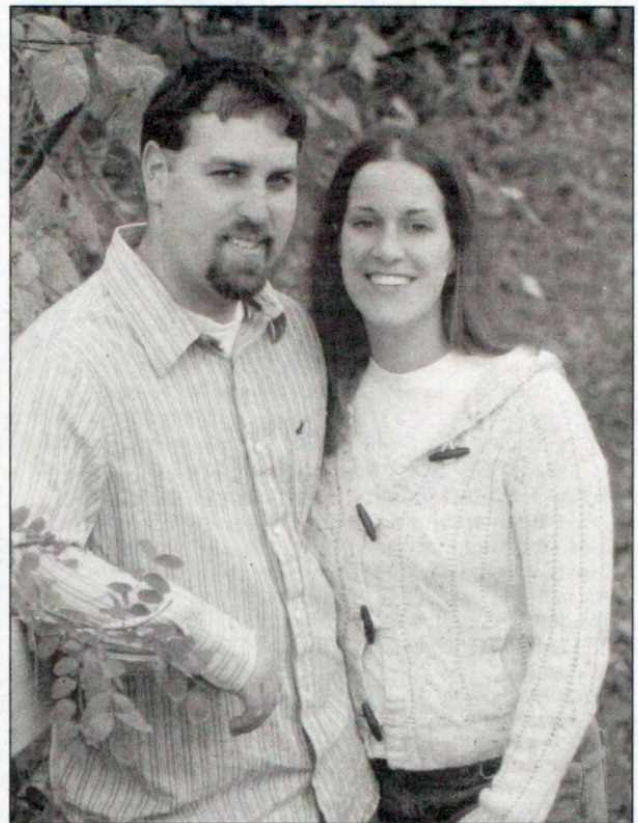
A typical day for Blackstone begins by checking if anyone has been incarcerated from the previous night. If someone has been, that is the first report of the day she must take care of.

Next, she checks the officer day sheets where they log what they did during their shift. Then, she deals with all of the reports that need to be typed. The length in the report depends on each situation. Blackstone said a report is about two pages long.

"Just being as nice as I can and trying to be positive and smiling," Blackstone said on how she conducts her day. "I'm very good about being confidential and I am an honest and trustworthy person."

Blackstone has been a part of KPD since 1999.

Cotter - Heisler



Melissa Sue Cotter and Kevin Heisler, both of Batavia, are pleased to announce their engagement.

Parents of the couple are Steven and Susan Cotter of Waldo and Stan and Lori Heisler of Silver Creek.

Melissa is a 2004 graduate

of Random Lake High School. She is employed by Times Printing in Random Lake.

Kevin is a 1998 graduate of Random Lake High School. He is employed by Charter Steel in Saukville.

The couple is planning an October 16, 2010 wedding.

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Auditions for 'The Little Mermaid' January 19

An audition will be held for the Missoula Children's Theatre (MCT) original adaptation of THE LITTLE MERMAID on Monday, January 19, 2009 in the Kewaskum High School Theatre from 4:30 P.M. to 6:30 P.M.

Approximately 50-60 local students will be cast to appear in the show with the MCT Tour Actor/Director. There is no guarantee that everyone who auditions will be cast in the play.

Those auditioning should arrive at 4:30 P.M. and plan to stay for the full two hours. Some of the cast members will be asked to stay for a rehearsal immediately following the audition.

Among the roles to be cast are The Little Mermaid, Celia,

her three sisters, Delia, Amelia, and Ophelia, Gil, the Mer-boy next door; the Royal Family including, the Prince, the King and Queen; the poetic Town Criers, dynamic Scouts, snoopy Seasideers, and galloping Seahorses.

All students grade K5 through 12th grade living in the Kewaskum School District are encouraged to audition. No advance preparation is necessary, but a smile never hurts. Assistant directors will also be cast to assist with the technical aspects of the production.

The Missoula Children's Theatre touring productions are complete with costumes, scenery, props and makeup. The MCT Tour Actor/Directors will conduct rehearsals

throughout the week from 4:30 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. each day.

THE LITTLE MERMAID will be presented on Saturday, January 24, 2009 at 3:00 P.M. and again at 7:00 P.M. in the Kewaskum High School Theatre.

Ticket prices are \$8.00 for adults, \$4.00 for students and may be purchased at the door. Come and see our children as they act, sing and dance on stage. The Missoula Children's Theatre residency in Kewaskum, Wisconsin is brought to you by the Kiwanis Club of Kewaskum and Kewaskum Community Schools.

For more information, call Larry Ammel at 262-626-4731.

What makes collectors tick?

Everwonderwhatprompted a person to develop a passion for a certain item? Ever want to become a collector, but wasn't sure how to start? Looking for a fun and informative evening to break up the post holiday blues? Join the Washington County Historical Society on Tuesday, January 20, for a fun evening that will answer all of your questions. Collection of Collectors takes place in the Old Courthouse Museum at 7:00p.m., and features over 10 area collectors and their unique items.

This free event features a diverse collection of items including everything from Revolutionary War muskets to flashlights. Collectors will have their items on display and give an informative

overview of their collections. Guests are invited to view each exhibit and talk with the individual collectors.

If you would like to showcase your collection during this special evening there is still time to register. Contact Jessica Sawinski-Couch by calling the society at 262-335-4678. Display space will be provided at no charge.

This free event is open to the public, and takes place at the Old Courthouse Museum located at 320 S. 5th Avenue in West Bend. Complimentary refreshments will be served. For more information regarding this special event, please contact Washington County Historical Society's Curator of Education Jessica Sawinski-Couch at 262-335-4678.

Thrivent Pancake breakfast Jan. 18

The Thrivent Congregational Committee of St. Lucas will be hosting the Fellowship hour on Sunday, January 18, 2009 in Hoenecke Hall.

The annual Pancake Breakfast with ham, applesauce and cinnamon rolls will be served from 8:30AM to 10:30AM. The table collection will go towards the flooring project in the church basement.

Thrivent members, families, young and old are welcome to enjoy a hot breakfast and fellowship with friends old and new!!

If you have any questions, please contact Diane Lemke at 626-4829 or Lucille Marquardt at 626-2218.

Community Events For January 9 - January 16

January 9 - ETERNITY - Great family-friendly entertainment with a humorous stage show. They bring a Christ-centered message using country, southern gospel and contemporary music. Held at Silverbrook School, 120 N. Silverbrook Dr., West Bend. 7-10 pm. For more information call (262) 338-0205.

January 9 from 4-7 pm. January 10 from 9-11 pm THE HISTORY OF ICE MAKING. Topic at Random Lake Area Historical Museum, 615 Carroll Street. Admission is \$2 for adults, \$1 for children ages 3-12. Admission for Historical Society members is free. For more information concerning the activities at the Museum call Marilyn at 920-994-2168 or Glen 920-994-4682.

January 11 - BRAT FRY AND FISHEREE - KOHLVILLE KRUISERS SNOW at Jug's Hitching Post. Brat Fry 10-5 pm. Fisheree on Kohlsville Pond - prizes. Raffle Tickets - \$1. Fun, Food and more. Support your local snowmobile club.

January 14 - 6:30 PM. Peace United Church of Christ. Free Informational Program "Avoid Fraud, Scams and Identity Theft". Don't become a 2009 statistic! Join Paul Rusch, volunteer AARP "Fraud Fighter" to learn how to protect yourself against fraud and stop fraudsters in their tracks. One hour program including question and answer time will be held in the fellowship hall. The public is welcome and invited to attend. Please enter building from the south parking lot.

January 16 - 2nd Annual KHS Alumni's Community Pep Band - Kewaskum Band department will host its 2nd Annual Alumni/Community Pep Band. Any alumni of the KHS Band program or interested community members are encouraged to attend. If you would like more information about this event or would like to pick up the musical ahead of time, please check out the band page on the high school website, or contact Josh Michlig, KHS Band Director, via email at jsmichlig@ksd.k12.wi.us or by phone at (262) 626-8427 ext. 4566.

January 16 - Washington County Separated, Divorced, and Widowed Men and Women. Located at Holy Angels School in West Bend, 230 N. 8th Ave., West Bend. Meeting every Friday from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Speaker Joyce Schutts from the Social Security Office in West Bend will address the services of the SSA.

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 240 Main Street, Kewaskum; e-mail - ckuehl@kewaskumstatesman.com or on the web www.kewaskumstatesman.com. PLEASE NOTE, businesses offering specials or events for profit are not accepted. Events are listed at the Editor's discretion.

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FES 4K holds Christmas concert



Thanks to Wisconsin weather, the Farmington Elementary School (FES) 4-year-old kindergarten students had to reschedule their 2008 Christmas program to Tuesday, December 23. However, even with the rescheduling issues the program brought much holiday happiness to all in attendance including FES students, parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and other family members and friends alike. The students performed an array of nursery rhymes and Christmas songs concluded by an adorable rendition of Skinnamarinkyndyink. ABOVE: Students donned Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer masks to perform the holiday classic at their Christmas program.

Photos by Amber Donath



Week of January 12

Kewaskum School District

Monday - Chicken nuggets, tater tots, peas, bread. *Chef's salad. (E) Corn puppies.

Tuesday - Johnsonville brat/bun, French fries, green beans, hot apple slices. *Burger bar. (E) Corn puppies.

Wednesday - Cheese fries, apple sauce, carrots, celery & dip, blue raspberry shape-up. *Salad bar. (E) Corn puppies.

Thursday - Chicken & gravy, mashed potatoes, bread & butter, mixed fruit. *Ham, egg & cheese bagel. (E) Corn puppies.

Friday - School-made pepperoni pizza, carrot coins, French bread, peaches. *State Fair Corn Dogs. (E) Corn puppies.

Holy Trinity School

Monday - Stromboli - cheese or ham & cheese, or bologna/egg salad sandwich, carrot coins, pineapple, Kit Kat bar.

Tuesday - Pepperoni pizza sticks w/ marinara sauce, buttered wheat bread, peas, strawberry cup, chocolate chip softie.

Wednesday - Tomato soup, toasted cheese sandwich or toasted ham & cheese or bologna sandwich, green beans, peaches, pumpkin muffin.

Thursday - Spaghetti with meat sauce, lettuce salad, buttered wheat bread, Mandarin oranges, oatmeal cookie.

Friday - Scrambled eggs, French toast sticks, sausage links, buttered wheat bread, hot apples, cookie.

St. Lucas School

Monday - Hot dog on a bun, chips, mixed fruit, brownie.

Tuesday - Baked potato bar or mac-n-cheese, ham, apples, pudding.

Wednesday - Lasagna, garlic bread,

green beans, pears, Rice Krispie bar.

Thursday - Cold sandwich, chicken soup, veggies & dip, mixed fruit, cookie.

Friday - Corn puppies, French fries, carrots, pears, Jello jigglers.

Campbelsport School District

Monday - Chicken nuggets/dip, seasoned noodles, seasoned green beans, chilled peach slices, bread, milk. A - Bosco Stix with dip.

Tuesday - Pepperoni pizza, lettuce salad, California blend, fresh fruit, bread, milk. A - Chicken sticks or burrito.

Wednesday - Baked fish on a bun or turkey wrap, tri-taters or potato salad, applesauce, bread, SeaAnimal crackers, milk. A - Taco bar.

Thursday - Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes & gravy, fresh corn, strawberry cup, bread, milk.

Friday - Chili, crackers, uncrustable, relishes & dip, fresh fruit, breadsticks, milk. A - Cheesy garlic bread or corn dog.

St. Matthew School

Monday - HAPPY BIRTHDAY - Chicken nuggets, French fries, corn, mixed fruit, cake, milk.

Tuesday - Turkey on a bun, potato wedges, peas, pears, Jello, milk.

Wednesday - Lasagna, green beans, coleslaw, pineapple, garlic bread, milk.

Thursday - Hamburger/gravy, mashed potatoes, wax beans, peaches, French bread, milk.

Friday - Ham & cheese, tater tots, veggies/dip, apple slices, cookie, milk.

St. Mary's School

Monday - Scrambled eggs, French toast, oranges, tater tots.

Tuesday - Shredded BBQ pork sandwich, California mix veggies/sauce, fruit cocktail, Jello cup.

Wednesday - Ground beef & gravy over rice, green peas, whole wheat bread, peaches.

Thursday - Spaghetti & meatballs, tossed salad, garlic bread, apple sauce.

Friday - Mini corn dogs, carrot coins, rye bread, assorted fruit.

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Indians take their hoopla to Bradley Center



Jennie Wicklund gains ground past Melissa Rompre of Beaver Dam during a game at The Bradley Center on Friday, January 2. The Lady Indians played hard in all four quarters and kept Beaver Dam on their toes, but lost the match 40-36.



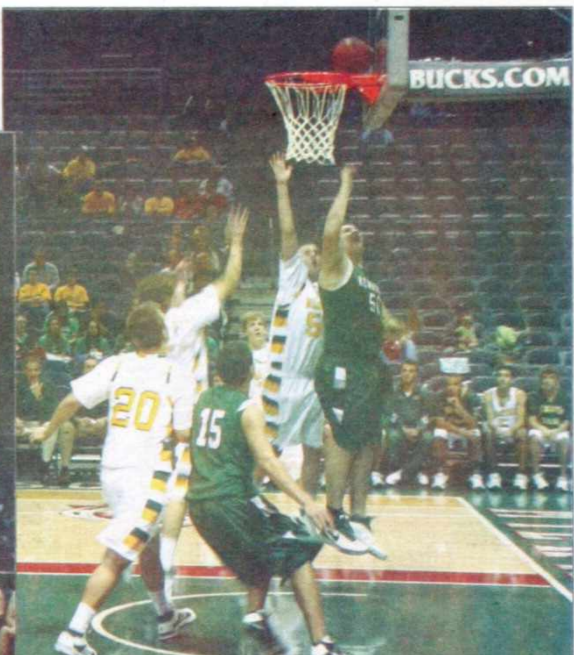
ABOVE: Jenna Buker attempts to score during the match as Elissa Miller waits.



LEFT: Ashley Faber looks to her team as she waits to pass the ball while being blocked by Golden Beaver Ashlee Wendt.

Additional photos can be found on our website.

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ABOVE: The Indians' Travis Williams attempts to score during a match held at The Bradley Center in Milwaukee on Friday, January 2. The Indians attempted get a win for the season against Beaver Dam but came up shorthanded and ended the match 55-42.

LEFT: Brandon Conroy attempts to sneak past Golden Beavers' guard Dusty Blanchard.

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ARLENE L. SCHMIDT



Arlene L. Schmidt, 92, of Kewaskum, formerly of West Bend, passed away on Tuesday, January 6, 2009, at Cedar Lake Health and Rehabilitation Center in the town of West Bend.

She was born on November 1, 1916, in the town of Wayne, the daughter of the late Armand and Alma (Menger) Mertz, and on April 10, 1937, she was united in marriage to Theodore E. Schmidt in Milwaukee. He preceded her in death on April 3, 1987.

Arlene worked as a cook at Cedar Lake Home for 16 years. She was a member of Salem United Church of Christ in the town of Wayne, the Women's Guild and sang in the choir for over 50 years. Arlene will fondly be remembered as an excellent cook, seamstress and quilt maker.

Survivors include five children, Richard (Marjorie) Schmidt, Thomas (Judith) Schmidt and James (Gwen) Schmidt all of the town of Wayne, Susanne (Donald) Felix and Marianne (Roland) Nowak, both of West Bend; nine grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; 10 step-great-grandchildren; many other relatives and friends.

In addition to her husband and parents, Arlene was preceded in death by a brother, Armand "Wimpy" Mertz and a sister, Anita Mertz.

Funeral services for Arlene will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, January 9, 2009, at Salem United Church of Christ in the town of Wayne with Rev. Daniel Schultz officiating. Burial will be at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday in Holy Trinity Catholic Church Cemetery in Kewaskum.

Relatives and friends may call at the church on Friday from 4:00 p.m. until the time of services.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to Salem U.C.C. are appreciated.

The Miller Funeral Home in Kewaskum has been entrusted with Arlene's arrangements.

Additional information and guest book may be found at www.millermartinfh.com.

Arlene's family wishes to express their heartfelt gratitude to the staff of Kettle Moraine Gardens, Riverway Place, Cedar Lake Community and the doctors and nurses of St. Joseph's Hospital for the excellent care provided to Arlene.

LOUISE L. DEMMAN

Louise L. Demman, age 101, passed away Thursday, January 1, 2009 at her home in Kewaskum.

She was born on May 16, 1907 in Elkhorn to the late John and Anna (nee Reesman) Um-

ant. She was united in marriage to Peter Demman on Oct. 24, 1936 in Milwaukee.

Louise enjoyed reading, knitting and crocheting. She liked to make Christmas ornaments, crafts, and she made everyone in her family an afghan. When she was younger, she belonged to a "kitchen band" that put on shows and did "mock weddings" for bridal showers. She also loved to camp at Del & Dolly's trailer.

Louise is survived by six children, Agnes Baumgartner, Elmer (Lorry) Demman, Virginia (Bud) Johnson, Donnette Beaudoin, Anita (Bob) Dahl and Darlene (Del) Kohn; 23 grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren; 20 great-great-grandchildren; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and dear friends.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Peter Demman; her daughter, Lorraine (Florian) Luba; her son-in-law, August Baumgartner; her granddaughter, Kathy Johnson; and her granddaughter-in-law, Bonnie Luba.

A Visitation in honor of Louise was held on Wednesday, January 7 at Myrhum-Patten Funeral & Cremation Service, West Bend, from 11:00 a.m. until the time of service at 1:00 p.m. Rev. Dan Schroeder of St. Mary's Immaculate Conception Church officiated.

Memorials to the Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing are appreciated (10243 W. National Ave. West Allis, WI 53227).

Myrhum-Patten Funeral & Cremation Service assisted the family.

ELROY LIERMANN



Elroy Liermann, age 88, formerly of Kewaskum, passed away late Sunday evening, Dec. 28, at Sheboygan Progressive Care Center.

He was born on October 7, 1920 in Liechwood, a son of the late Paul Biermann Sr. and Sadie Bleck Liermann. He attended German Grade School.

On September 28, 1946, Elroy married Harriet Beger at Fillmore Reformed Church. The couple lived and farmed in the Town of Beechwood.

Elroy worked for Gehl's Wood Cheese Factory, Gehl's Corp in West Bend and Borden's Cheese Company, retiring in 1983.

He was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in the Town of Scott. He was a volunteer firefighter for the Beechwood Fire Department. Elroy's hobbies were hunting, fishing, trap shooting, being outdoors and going to his cabin at Shanty Town. Elroy was a kind, loving and devoted husband, father and grandfather and enjoyed spending time with his family.

Survivors include his wife,

Harriet of Random Lake; three sons, Jim (Lynn) Liermann of Cascade, Dennis (Brenda) Liermann of Idaho, David (Cheryl) Liermann of Hayward; two daughters, Brenda (Rick) Binder of Random Lake, Lisa (Norm) Fischer of Kewaskum; thirteen grandchildren; 15 1/2 great grandchildren; two brothers, Carl (Myrtle) Liermann of Winchester, Paul (Shirley) Liermann of West Bend; two sisters, Lucille Kocher of West Bend, Sharon (Ron) Geidel of West Bend; nieces; nephews; other relatives and many friends.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Linda.

Funeral services were held on Sunday evening, Jan. 5, at 6:30 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church in the Town of Scott. Rev. Kurt Ziemann, Pastor of the church, officiated. Burial was in the parish cemetery.

Friends called at the church on Monday, Jan. 5, from 4:30 p.m. until the time of services. A memorial fund is being established in Elroy's name.

The Suchon Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Plymouth served the family.

ELSIE DEPPERMAN

Elsie Depperman, 81, of Campbellsport, passed away on

Thursday, January 1, 2009 at St. Agnes Hospital, Fond du Lac.

She was born on April 19, 1927 in Matteson, IL, the daughter of the late John and Clara Langreder Oestmann.

Elsie was married to Frederick Depperman on June 19, 1949 at Immanuel United Church of Christ in Peotone, IL. He preceded her in death in 1983.

She was employed by Employers Mutual Insurance of Wausau until retirement. Elsie moved from Bellwood, IL to Campbellsport 12 years ago. She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, New Fane, the Campbellsport Woman's Club, the Campbellsport Senior's Club and the Bellwood Seniors.

Survivors include her son, Kenneth Depperman and his wife Mary Kay of Campbellsport; nieces; nephews; other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, January 4 at 4:00 p.m. at the Twohig Funeral Home, Campbellsport and on Monday, January 5 at 12:00 Noon at Chapel Hill Gardens West in Oak Brook Terrace, IL.

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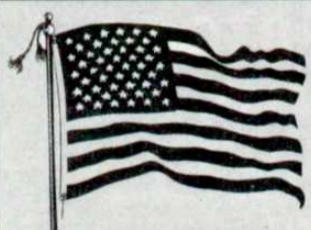
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SAM MACDONALD

Every year, it's the same old thing: you make New Year's resolutions at midnight on January 1st, and they're broken by noon the same day.

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This year, though, you've vowed to change. You've got more resolve now than ever, and you're going to do what you've vowed to do.

First, though, read "The Urban Hermit" by Sam MacDonald. Are you desperate enough to put yourself on a starvation diet of many kinds?

It was early 2000, and Sam MacDonald was in trouble. He had borrowed money from his parents too many times, and while they were willing to hand over the cash, MacDonald wasn't comfortable taking it any more. Credit card calls were stacking up on the answering machine, MacDonald's car was choking out its last cough, and a bill from the IRS had just hit his mailbox.

As thin as his wallet was, MacDonald himself was just the opposite. Weighing in at a guesstimated 340 pounds, he was so large that he couldn't zip a "mummy" sleeping bag around his middle.

The two problems were tied: MacDonald's evenings were spent at a local watering hole, and beer wasn't free. Neither was bar food. As his wallet got thinner, MacDonald got fatter. Something had to be done. Sam MacDonald put himself on a "strange and dangerous plan" which he called "The Urban Hermit." He would stick with an austere 800-calorie-a-day

diet consisting only of lentils, cheese, bread, eggs, cabbage, and cheap tuna, spending as little money as possible (about \$8 a week) while squirreling away the rest for bill-paying.

The Urban Hermit was only supposed to last for a few weeks.

But one thing led to another, including two choice journalistic assignments, one in Bosnia and one at a hippie festival, both for which MacDonald needed money, requiring more debt. Then the car died. The Urban Hermit stayed, and as MacDonald watched his debt shrink, he noticed that his waistline did, too.

Precariously so. I had definite mixed feelings about "The Urban Hermit". While it very closely resembles a wild, one-man slacker movie with lots of laughs, and while it was a fun read, I asked myself too often if there was a point to some of the things author Sam MacDonald wrote into his story.

It seemed that his self-imposed abstinence (the subject of the book) was sometimes secondary to all the other events he was writing about. Once he got around to updating his weight loss, it was almost a toss-off, like it wasn't important at all.

Also, alas, while the body of this book runs like a kindergarten on a sugar-high, it ends with an empty tank.

If you're in a spot where your New Year's resolution is do-or-die, "The Urban Hermit" will make you laugh out loud while you're suffering. If you're not a fresh-start kind of person, though, promise yourself a different book.

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Rev. Mark Eckert officiated and burial followed in Chapel Hill Gardens West, Oak Brook Terrace, IL.

Visitation was Sunday from 1:00 PM until time of services at the funeral home and on Monday from 11:00 a.m. until time of services at Chapel Hill Gardens West.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the American Diabetes Assoc.

LEANDER W. SCHMIDT

Leander W. Schmidt, 84, of Eden, passed away on Monday, Dec. 29, 2008 at his home.

Leander was born in Alenton on Aug. 17, 1924, the son of Emil and Margaret Doll Schmidt.

On May 28, 1955, he married Alice Hoffmann in Sheboygan.

He was a farmer his whole life and worked for Kewaskum Malt House. He was a member of Shepherd of the Hills Catholic Parish, Eden.

Survivors include his wife, Alice; three daughters, Veronica (Gene) Jaeger of Waupun, Mary (Chris) Orlando of Franklin and Carol (Matt) Essmann of Brownsville; three sons, Peter (Donna) Schmidt of Eden, Jerome (Angela) Schmidt of Fond du Lac and David Schmidt of Eden; eight grandchildren, Eric Jaeger, Jennifer (Wes) Ralph, Tami Schmidt, Jerome Jaeger, Amanda Schmidt, Victoria Essmann, Nathan Orlando and Emily Orlando; two great grandchildren, Aydrienne Jaeger and Nicole Ralph; two sisters, Lena (Eugene) Wiedmeyer and Catherine (Mathias) Schickert and four brothers, Walter Schmidt, Joseph Schmidt, Raymond (Betty) Schmidt and Ralph (Joyce) Schmidt.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his son, Donald.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Friday, Jan. 2, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. at Shepherd of the Hills Catholic Church, Eden. Rev. Joseph Juknialis officiated and burial followed in St. Michael's Cemetery, Dotyville.

Visitation was Friday from 10:00 a.m. until time of mass at the church. Memorials may be directed to Hospice Hope.

Twohig Funeral Home, Campbellsport, served the family.

DONALD J. JOYCE

Donald J. Joyce, 84, of the Town of Osceola, passed away on Sunday, January 4, 2009 at St. Agnes Hospital in Fond du Lac.

He was born on August 12, 1924 the son of James and Marie Ketter Joyce in Chicago, IL.

Don served in the U. S. Navy during WW II flying seaplanes in the Pacific Theater. He farmed in the Town of Osceola.

Survivors include his nieces, Lisa Farin and Polly Gibbons, good friends James "Fuzzy" and Janice Flitter, many other friends and neighbors.

Following Don's wishes

Obituaries

there will be no services and cremation has taken place.

Twohig Funeral Home is serving the family. www.twohigfunerals.com

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When at times they see me smile.
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And lost you...
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*Forever missed and forever loved
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Larry Sabish

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J.H.

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Our family will long remember the kind sympathy, the floral and memorial tributes and the many kindnesses extended to us by relatives, neighbors and friends during the illness and sad loss of **RALPH MATENAER**.

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25 Years Ago

December 2, 1983

Roman G. Muckerheide, Route 1, Adell, a 16-year-old Kewaskum High School sophomore, was fatally wounded Sunday evening in an accidental shooting at his home.

More honors continue to roll in for Jim Braun, ace running back of Kewaskum High School's undefeated Eastern Wisconsin Conference football champions and Class A, Division 3, WIAA State Championship playoffs runner-up. Braun, 5-11 and 180 pound Indian senior, received honorable mention on the Wisconsin All-State Football Team selected by the Associated Press last week. Braun was also chosen to the offensive unit of the All-District VI team selected by the Wisconsin High School Football Coaches Association.

An innovative satellite village-apartment retirement center will become a reality as a result of a recent unanimous decision made by the Benevolent Non-profit Corporation Board of the Cedar Lake Home Campus, West Bend. The Corporation will begin the first one-hundred acre development of a two hundred acre natural Kettle Moraine retirement campus two miles east of Highway 41 and three miles northeast of Allenton in the Township of Wayne in Washington County.

A new fitness center, Fitness Dynamics, will be located in the North Point Shopping Center, four miles south of Kewaskum on Highway 45. Tami Timblin, Kewaskum, owner of the center, has leased the quarters formerly operated by Mathis Music Center.

At its Public Hearing Monday night, the Kewaskum Village Board approved the budget for 1984. No further changes were made in the \$983,009 budget which had been presented earlier in the month.

On Monday evening, November 28, Ralph Horner of the Kewaskum School Board, was elected as a member of the Board of Control of the newly organized Cesa #6.

After being trounced by West Bend East the week before, the Kewaskum girls basketball team broke into the win column for the first time last Tuesday with a 51-44 win over Lomira at home in non-conference play. Indian Julie Koepke fouled out in the closing minutes. Holly Kempf played well for the winners, scoring 14 points and snaring seven rebounds. Koepke, playing in her first game after being ill, contributed nine rebounds and eight points. Nine Kewaskum girls contributed to the scoring, with Lisa Matenaer hitting eight and Lisa Fusek and Sandy Secor each scoring six.

A daughter was born to Walter and Tamara Pretsch, Kewaskum, on November 14. A daughter, Dawn Marie, was born to Dale and Bonnie Prochnow, Route 2, Campbellsport, on November 22. A daughter was also born to James and Donna Johnson, Campbellsport on November 25. A son was born to Richard and Lois Weiland, Adell, on November 26.

December 9, 1983

November 30 marked the end of Bill Martin's career in which he faithfully served the Village of Kewaskum as Commissioner for almost 33 years. A celebration, Saturday night, of Bill's retirement began with a 5 pm concelebrated Mass delivered by Father Berghammer and Father Waldkirch at Holy Trinity Church. From there, the festivities moved to Hon-E-Kor Country Club, where more than 120 friends, co-workers and relatives were on hand to give congratulations and best wishes for a happy retirement.

The Kewaskum Jaycees have extended a new chapter to the Kohlsville and Wayne area. In an organizational meeting, officer elections were held. Pat Hanrahan will be serving as President. The Management Development Vice President will be held by Larry Zehren and Mike Strobel will assume the office of Individual Management Vice President, with Tom Kudek as the Community Development Vice President. Bill Rate will be the Treasurer and serving as Secretary will be Randy Schickert. The State Director office will be held by Lyle Ernissee.

At their December 1 monthly meeting, the Kewaskum Fire Department members elected the following officers to one-year terms for 1984: Assistant Chief - Donald Ehnert; First Captain - David Zehren; Second Captain - Robert Stoltzmann; First Lieutenant - John Kudek; Second Lieutenant - Mark Schaefer; Rescue Captain - Andrew Pesch; Rescue Lieutenant - Thomas McElhatton; Secretary Lieutenant - Richard Schmidt and Treasurer Lieutenant - Ronald Amerling. Fire Chief Augie Bilgo's five year term ends at the end of 1986. He was elected by the department and then appointed by the Village Board.

Amy Sekas, daughter of Mrs. Warren Sekas of rural Campbellsport, and Jim Braun, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Braun of rural West Bend, have been chosen as the Kiwanis students for the month of November.

Amy Sekas, daughter of Mrs. Warren Sekas of rural Campbellsport, has been selected as Kewaskum High School's candidate for the Wisconsin Society, Daughters of the American Revolutionary Good Citizen's award. Principal Clark Pearson has announced.

A son, Christopher Alan, was born to Robert and Joanne Spoerl, Kewaskum, on November 30. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Fred Spoerl, Kewaskum, and maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Zacharias of Princeton. A son was also born to Ronald and Linda Mueller, Allenton, on December 5.

December 16, 1983

A 27-year-old man, Bradley A. Peterson, of Allenton, was killed Saturday night when the westbound car he was driving struck a highway post and rolled down an embankment on State Highway 33 between

West Bend and Allenton, Washington County authorities have said.

Prospective candidates are taking out papers for Kewaskum's two elections next spring. Three positions will be up for grabs on the School Board when the terms of Charles Ogi, Tom Brigham and Jean Goeden expire. Two candidates have already taken out the necessary papers and they are Jean Goeden and Charles Vogt.

In the Village Board election, the terms of trustees Don Mlodzik, Howard Laubenstein and Richard Schmidt will expire. Village Administrator Dan Schmidt said Mlodzik, Schmidt and a newcomer, Tom McElhatton of Kewaskum, have taken out papers. Schmidt said Laubenstein has indicated he will also seek re-election, however, he has not as yet taken out papers.

Peter Senn of Route 1, Campbellsport, has officially reported for duty in Madison as newly appointed Wisconsin executive director of the U.S. Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Service.

The Kewaskum Indians lost to the Kiel Raiders, 61-58, last Friday night in Kewaskum. It was their second conference setback. Kewaskum's Jim Hanrahan was the game's leading scorer with 20 points. Other Indian high scorers were Dennis Butz with 12 points and Mike Steinhardt with eight. In the JV game, the Indians defeated the Raiders, 51-41. Tim Rohlinger and Bob Yahr sparked the Indi-

ans with 16 points apiece while Ron Theusch chipped in eight.

A son, Lance Charles, was born to Charles and Jill Serwe of Cheyenne, Wyoming on December 12. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Norbert Serwe, Kewaskum, and maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Michael McCarthy of Waupun. A son was also born to Eric and Patricia Olmsted, Kewaskum, on December 6. A daughter, Victoria Marie, was born to Jeffrey and Lillian Del Ponte, Campbellsport, on December 2. A daughter was also born to Kurt and Deborah Turdo, Campbellsport, December 10.

December 23, 1983

Fire completely destroyed a Kewaskum couple's house trailer and all its contents during bitter cold weather early Monday morning. Kewaskum firemen were summoned to the scene at 12:08 am. According to Fire Chief Augie Bilgo, the owners of the trailer, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Larson, were awakened around midnight when they heard water running in their 12 by 60 foot trailer No. 7 in the Tompkins Trailer Park on Highway 45, just south of the village. Apparently the extreme cold had caused a water pipe to burst. When Larson went to a neighboring trailer for help in stopping the water, a portable propane heater in the trailer apparently touched off flammable material, possibly curtains or a blanket, setting them ablaze. Fire-

men were called and worked for two hours in 20 degree below zero temperatures, the coldest of the winter, to fight the blaze. Bilgo said when firemen arrived at the scene the trailer was engulfed in flames like a ball of fire and everything was lost. He estimated the damage at \$20,000.

The Kewaskum Indians wrestling team lost only two matches, the first and the last, in a non-conference meet against Cedar Grove at home Tuesday night and won easily, 50-12. Kewaskum's Brad Dieringer remained undefeated with a 20-3 superior decision over Al Mondloch at 145 pounds. Sophomore Wade Jepsen finally got in a match after receiving foits in the last two. He dominated Yuki Kida, 22-7, picking up 11 points in the first period on a takedown and three near falls. Bob Callison was also impressive, rulling up a 17-0 score before pinning his opponent with seconds to go. Tim Landvatter boosted his record to 4-2 with a 20-3 decision at 138 pounds.

A daughter, Krystle Ashley, was born to Gary and Linda Gavin, Kewaskum on December 16. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Earl Morenzen, Kewaskum, and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gavin of Kewaskum. A daughter was also born to Robert and Mary Teofilo of Kewaskum, on December 17. A son, Derek Robert, was born to Robert and Linda Stahl, Campbellsport, on December 8.

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MADISON - Recent cold weather is attracting increasing numbers of ice anglers, skaters and others to frozen lakes, but a state recreational safety specialist cautions that people need to remember a number of safety tips if they venture onto the ice.

Knowing when it is safe to step onto the ice, how to travel on ice and what to do should the ice break is as important as knowing the hot fishing bait or best areas to skate, according to a Department of Natural Resources recreational safety specialist.

"The best advice is to remember that there is no such thing as safe ice," said Todd Schaller, DNR chief of recreation enforcement and education. "And although a lake or river is frozen, there's no

guarantee it can be safely traveled. Ice may look okay, but it's difficult to tell by appearances alone. Ice thickness may vary or a thin ice cover may hide weak or honeycomb ice and water pockets."

Schaller offers the following safety tips to anglers and others:

- * Local bait shops, resorts and anglers are often the best source of ice conditions. Conditions can vary from location to location and day to day. Avoid traveling on the ice unless you're familiar with the conditions.

- * Check ice thickness with an ice spud or auger starting from a few feet from shore and every 10 to 20 feet as one goes towards the middle of the waterway.

- * Springs, lake inlets and out-

lets, and channels can alter ice thickness.

- * Whether alone or with a friend, carry safety gear such as a length of rope, ice grippers and a personal flotation device. Tools that can assist yourself or others if an ice break occurs.

- * Proper clothing can increase chances of survival should a person break through the ice. A snowmobile type suit -- if it is zipped -- can and will trap air and slow the body's heat loss. Once filled with water, however, insulated suits become very heavy and will hinder rescue. Newer model snowmobile suits have flotation material built in and anyone traversing ice should consider purchasing one of these suits. On early ice it is advised to wear a personal flotation device.

- * You should never venture onto rivers, where currents may cause thin ice conditions that aren't visible due to erosion of the ice from below.

- * Refrain from driving on ice whenever possible. Travel in a vehicle, especially early or late in the season, can be very dangerous.

- * If you do take a vehicle on the ice be prepared to leave the vehicle in a hurry. Unbuckle the seatbelt, keep doors unlocked, and have a plan of action in mind if the vehicle breaks through the ice.

- * When using a gas or liquid heater to warm an ice shack

or tent make sure it is properly ventilated with at least two openings, one at the top and one at the bottom of the structure. Any flame eats oxygen so proper ventilation is required.

"At DNR, we want you to be safe enjoying the outdoors. Common sense is the greatest ally in preventing ice related accidents," Schaller said. "That includes checking ice conditions and preparing oneself before venturing out. One rule of thumb remains the same. Treat all ice as unsafe and use caution when venturing onto our frozen lakes and rivers."

VILLAGE OF KEWASKUM

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

You are hereby notified that the Village of Kewaskum Village Board will hold its regular meeting on Monday, January 19, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. During the meeting, the Village Board will hold a Public Hearing on an amendment to the Village's Subdivision and Platting Code, as follows:

Section 1. That Section 86-4 of Chapter 86 of the Municipal code of the Village of Kewaskum, is hereby repealed and recreated as follows:

Sec. 86-4. Jurisdiction.

Jurisdiction of these regulations shall include all lands within the corporate limits of the Village as well as the unincorporated area within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the Village of Kewaskum. The Village of Kewaskum has elected to approve plats, minor land divisions and condominium developments under its extraterritorial plat approval jurisdiction as provided in Chapter 236, 66.0105 and 703.27(1) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

Section 2. That Section 86-5 of Chapter 86 of the Municipal code of the Village of Kewaskum is hereby repealed and recreated as follows:

Sec. 86-5. Subdivisions, Other Divisions, and Condominiums.

(a) **Subdivision.** Any division of land that results in a subdivision shall be, and any other division may be, surveyed and a plat thereof approved and recorded pursuant to the provisions of this chapter and ch. 236, Wis. Stats.

(b) **Other Divisions.** Any division of land other than a subdivision of which a plat has not been approved and recorded, pursuant to section 86-4, shall be surveyed and a certified survey map of such division approved and recorded as required by section 86-11.

(c) **Applicability to Condominiums.** This Chapter is expressly applicable to condominium developments within the Village's jurisdiction, pursuant to Sec. 703.27(1), Wis. Stats. For purposes of this chapter, a condominium unit and any associated limited common elements shall be deemed to be equivalent to a lot or parcel created by the act of subdivision.

Upon closing the Public Hearing, the Village Board will discuss and possibly take action on the proposed amendment.

Notice: It is possible that members of other governmental bodies of the Village may be in attendance

during the meetings referenced in this notice to gather information. Although their attendance may constitute a quorum, no action will be taken by any governmental body other than during its scheduled meeting time as set forth in this meeting notice.

Please note: Upon reasonable notice, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of disabled individuals through the appropriate aids and services. For additional information or to request this service, contact the Village Clerk, Stephanie Justmann at (262) 626-8484.

Insertion Dates: January 1, 2009
January 8, 2009
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TOWN OF KEWASKUM NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held before the Plan Commission/Town Board of the Town of Kewaskum at the Town Hall located at 9019 Kettle Moraine Drive in the Town of Kewaskum at 7:00 p.m., January 19, 2009 to consider the repeal and recreation of the Town of Kewaskum Code of Ordinances entitled "Chapter 19 Erosion Control and Stormwater Management".

You are further notified that copy of the code will be on file and open for public inspection in the office of the town clerk for a period of two weeks commencing January 5, 2009, in accordance with §66.0103, Wis. Stats. Chapter 19 will also be available for viewing at www.townofkewaskum.com.

Dated this 29th day of December, 2008

Nancy Boden, Clerk
Town of Kewaskum
Publish: Jan. 1 & Jan. 8, 2009
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TOWN OF AUBURN Town Board Meeting Notice

The Town Board, will hold their regular monthly meeting on Monday, January 12, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, W1728 Sunset Dr., Campbellsport. A complete agenda will be posted at the Town Hall, Recycling Center, Zahn's Trading Post, Fran's Beauty Salon, Kettle Moraine Hair Design and Thiemer's Barber Shop on Saturday preceding the meeting.

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Village of Kewaskum
Jerry Gilles, Department of Public Works

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD BUSINESS MEETING

There will be a Regular Meeting of the Kewaskum School District Board of Education commencing at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, January 12, 2009. The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at the Career Academy, 1455 School Street, Kewaskum.

AGENDA

1. Call meeting to order
2. Roll Call of Members
3. Moment of Silence
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Verification of public notice pursuant to s. 19.84(1)(2)(3)(4)
6. Agenda
 - a. Corrections and/or deletions
 - b. Approval
7. Approval of Minutes
 - a. December 8, 2008 Regular Meeting Minutes
 - b. December 17, 2008 Special Meeting Minutes
8. Comments/Concerns: This is the time visitors and guests may address the Board. The Board President may limit comments to 3-5 minutes.
9. Financial Report
 - a. Approve payroll and accounts payable-Mr. Leister
10. Correspondence/Communications
11. Reports
 - a. Principal Reports
 - b. Finance Report-Mr. Jensen
 - c. Buildings and Grounds Report-Mr. Kesting
 - d. Policy Report-Mrs. Cochran
 - e. Intergovernmental Liaison Report-Mr. Kenworthy
12. New Business (All items under New Business are subject to discussion and/or action
 - a. WASB Resolutions-Mrs. Miller
 - b. Approve German Trip-Ms. Rosenthal
 - c. Approve Spanish Trip-Ms. Radtke
 - d. Staff Resignation(s)-Mr. Krumm
 - e. Staff Contract(s)-Mr. Krumm
 - f. Extra-Curricular Resignation(s)-Mr. Krumm
 - g. Extra-Curricular Contract(s)-Mr. Krumm
 - h. Volunteer Letter(s)-Mr. Krumm
13. Adjourn

Scheduled Meetings

Policy Committee Meeting - Monday, January 26 - 6 p.m. - District Office
Finance Committee Meeting - Monday, February 2 - 6 p.m. - District Office
Regular School Board Meeting - Monday, February 9 - 7:00 p.m. - Career Academy

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Beaver free throws factor down stretch

Beaver Dam 40, Kewaskum 36

By Pat Neumuth
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Beaver Dam shot 9-for-12 down the stretch, which proved to be the Indian killer at the Bradley Center Friday afternoon as Beaver Dam won 40-36.

The two teams were tied at 31 with five minutes, 24 seconds left in the game when the bonus situation led to Beaver Dam scoring nine points. In this time, the Indians went on a three minute, 23 second scoring drought.

Anna Butler ended the scoring drought, but the Indians were now down 36-33 with a minute, 47 seconds left.

Jenna Buker could have tied it on the Indians next possession with a three-point play. Buker missed the free throw and the Indians were still down one. The next three possessions for the Beavers were trips to the free throw line to seal the game.

"We put three quarters together. Fouls again killed us," head coach Russell Thull said. "Beaver Dam is a solid team. We hung in and we were right there. It was our game and I

think we let ourselves down."

For the game, Beaver Dam shot 19-for-28 for the charity stripe and the Indians went 4-for-6.

The Indians came out firing on the Milwaukee Bucks floor. Jennie Wicklund came down the court and put up a three-pointer on the first possession of the game. The shot rimmed out.

Buker was the first to score in the Bradley Center. An Elissa Miller steal led to a Buker basket. Miller got in the lane and hit a runner on the Indians next possession.



Elissa Miller

"We came in and we had to think of it as a regular home game," Miller said about playing in the same arena as NBA players. "It was different. It was louder, it echoes more and was harder to hear and it was brighter."

It was the Indian full-court pressure that got the Beavers early in the game. The Indians held the lead for the entire first half. Ashlee Wendt hit a three-point shot with two seconds left in the half to close the half at 18-14.

Two quick Beaver buckets tied the game up early to start the second half. Buker added

two baskets of her own to give the Indians back a four-point lead.

The Indians had started to let the game slip towards the end of the third quarter. Fouls and turnovers started to tally up and the Beavers got their first lead of the game with a minute six left in the quarter.

"You could see the expressions on their face like 'here we go again,'" Thull said. "They've been through it. We are still learning on how to win."

Thull said the foul trouble made him go more to the bench late in the game and forced him to stop the full-court pressure.

"For the girls it's an awesome experience. When the seasons over and done with their career, they're going to look back and say, 'hey we played at the Bradley Center,'" Thull said about the girls playing at the Bradley Center. "I told them all during the game as they are sitting on the bench to take a moment and look around and remember the feeling because it's pretty cool to be able to play on this court."

Buker led the team in scoring with 10 points. Miller added eight for the Indians. Thull said senior Nichole Kison had her best game of the year with four blocks and nine rebounds.

Indians remain winless on season

Beaver Dam 55, Kewaskum 42

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Kewaskum and Beaver Dam combined to shoot 58 free throws as the Indians failed to get their first win of the season.

The Indians went 19-for-33 and Beaver Dam shot 17-for-25 from the line in the Beavers 55-42 victory at the Bradley Center.

"Guys did a good job taking it to the hoop. We were in bonus and double bonus for most of the game," head coach Bobby Bannasch said. "We talked about finding ways to the hoop."

"Our guys have to clean up their play. Too many fouls. We get in the full court trap and it gets physical."

The Indians trailed for most of the game. The Beavers lead got to as much as 15 late in the third quarter.

However, the Indians got back into the game with an 11-4 run to start the first five minutes of the fourth quarter. Cody Nuernberg made a lay up to bring the Indians deficit down to 44-40 with three minutes, 22 seconds left in the game.

Travis Williams cut the Beaver lead to four points again with a bucket in the lane with just over two minutes left.

Tal Diekvoss came down on the next Beaver possession and hit a three, which ended up being the dagger. Diekvoss' three ballooned the Beaver lead to seven and the In-

dians failed to score after the Williams bucket.

Both teams struggled to make shots early on in the game. The score after the first quarter was 7-6 in the Beavers

favor. The Indians shot 4-for-21 in the first half.

"It seemed like everything was rattling around

[the rim]," Brian Backhaus said after the game. "Like you had to hit everything perfect. You just had to try and get a feel for it."

The Beavers built their lead in the second quarter when shots started to drop. Alec Beilfuss hit a jumper to give the Beavers their first double-digit lead of the game with just under three minutes to play in the half.

It was the Indian free throws that kept them in the game. Dusty Blanchard made it a 15-point game with a little more than a minute left in the third. The Indians final four possessions of the third all ended at the free throw line. The Indians converted six of eight to bring the lead under double digits.

"They battled back really well to cut it down to four in the fourth quarter," Bannasch said.

"Obviously our wins and losses haven't been great over the past two years, so it's kind of cool to give these kids that type of experience."

The team's experience included a tour of the Bucks locker room before the game.

Backhaus and Brandon Conroy led the Indians with 11 points.



Brian Backhaus

More KYB in the New Year

The Kewaskum boys fourth graders played two games this past Saturday. The first game was against the Cougars of Campbellsport.

Unfortunately for Kewaskum, the Cougars simply out-played, and out-shot the hometown boys. The final score was Campbellsport 16, Kewaskum 10.

The Indians didn't let the result of the first game get to them as they roared back to life against the Orioles of North Fond du Lac. Great passing, awesome defense and a total team effort lead the young Indian cagers to a big win over the Orioles 22 - 16.

Leading the efforts for the Indians were Nick Buchel, Conner Enright and Hunter Arndt.

The Kewaskum fifth grade boys avenged their only loss of the season by defeating the Oakfield boys on Saturday 28-14.

Once again, the Kewaskum boys had an excellent defensive effort with Parker Hughes and Zach Harris showing good hustle running the floor. On offense the Kewaskum boys were led by three great efforts.

Michael Prochnow had eight points and four rebounds, while Charlie Witek had seven points and five rebounds and Jason Hanson chipped in seven points and three rebounds.

The fourth Grade Girls Green team played two games against two tough Laconia teams.

In game one, the Indians prevailed 12-8 over Laconia thanks to outstanding team defense.

The Indians were led by Breanna Trepes, who played her best game of the year by scoring six points and pulling down seven rebounds. Mikaela Leitheiser added two points and two steals, Nichole Casey played tough defense at the point and Kaitlyn Gau-

dynski showed great hustle. In game two, the Indians had trouble on the boards, went cold in the fourth quarter and lost the lead for the first time in the closing minutes.

The final score was 14-16. Mikaela Leitheiser and Mikayla Dogs led the Indians in scoring, Rachel Holt grabbed five rebounds and Anja Smith and Adrienne Adornato contributed with tough defense and hustle. Their record now stands at 2-2 with their two losses coming by a total of five points.

The 4th Grade Girls White team lost for the first time this season in a six overtime thriller against North Fond du Lac.

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A's clean house in all-league ballotings

By Judy Harlow
Statesman Correspondent

Just recently the members of the Kewaskum Athletics got together for the annual Rock River League banquet, and they certainly had plenty to celebrate. The year 2008 was extremely successful.

Not only did the A's qualify for the RR playoffs for the first time in more than a decade, they just missed capturing the regular season title by one game and the playoff championship also by one victory.

For these efforts, Kewaskum was named as the Most Improved Team in the Rock River, and three individuals were among the 10 who landed berths on the All-League teams for the Rock River and the Tri-County Nite Leagues.

A great deal of Kewaskum's success could be attributed to the play of Austin Sarauer. According to player/team spokesperson Jim Ziegler, Sarauer captured the RR batting title after hitting at a .486 clip.

Sarauer, who narrowly edged out Joe Hennen of Hustisford for the honor, was also

the league's top second baseman after driving in 16 runs and scoring 21 more.

Team manager Jason Strobel was selected as an all-league outfielder. Strobel led the RR in home runs with four. He batted a crisp .313 with 21 RBIs.

Ziegler was the third member of the Kewaskum team to receive all-league honors. Splitting time between third base and the pitching mound, the Campbellsport native was selected as a utility player. Ziegler batted .339 with 10 RBIs, and he notched a 6-2 pitching record, with an impressive 2.03 ERA.

The same success was experienced for the A's in the Tri-County Nite League as Dan Shea, Sarauer and Steve Ketter were selected to the all-league team.

Shea led the A's in batting a whopping .600 to earn the honor as a utility player.

Sarauer made it a clean sweep, named to both all-league clubs. In the Tri-County League, he was chosen as the second baseman after batting .381.

Ketter made the team de-

spite only playing in just six of the 11 TC games until he moved to Texas to take a job. He batted a very glossy .478, hitting two homers and driving in 10 runs.

In addition to these awards, Jason Strobel just missed out on Manager of the Year award in the RR, and Sarauer came up short in his bid to win MVP honors in both leagues.

Ziegler said the A's individual efforts led to plenty of team success, winning the annual Plymouth Tournament and defeating arch rival, Brownsville 49ers, in the finals.

"We would like to thank our fans and all area businesses for their continued support this past season," Ziegler said, adding, "It won't be long until the 2009 A's team takes the field."

The A's finished as runners-up in the SWABA (South-eastern Wisconsin Amateur Baseball Association) and NBC District Tournaments. In NBC action, Kewaskum advanced all the way to the finals before falling to Verona of the Home Talent League.

PAT'S PREP OF THE WEEK Cody Seibel



Cody Seibel took first place in the 189 pound division at the On the Waters wrestling tournament Dec. 29-30.

What is your favorite sport? Football.
Who has had the biggest influence on your sports career? My parents have been pushing me and making me as good as I am now.

What has been your best sports memory? Probably football, all the times we have gotten as far as we have.

Who are your favorite athlete? Matt Has-

selbeck.

What is your favorite tv show? I don't watch TV.

What is your favorite movie? Never Back Down.

What is your favorite class in school? Algebra.

What are your plans after high school? Hopefully go to college. I don't know yet.

If you could go on a vacation to anyplace in the world, where would you go? North or South Carolina.

What is your favorite food? Steak and potatoes.

If you could have dinner with any three people in the history of the world, who would it be? Terrell Owens, Dan Gable and George Washington.

Lady Cougars win Monona Grove shootout

The Campbellsport girls basketball team beat Madison Memorial 58-45 and Dodgeville 58-52 to win the Monona Grove Holiday Shootout.

The Cougars took a big 33-19 halftime score for breathing room against Madison Memorial. Heidi Kelley led the team

with 15 points, 12 boards and six steals for the Cougars.

The Cougars again had a big lead at the half against Dodgeville. Dodgeville came within one at the end of the third quarter. Kelsie Benike and Brittany Narges combined to make nine free throws to seal the championship.

Indians knocked out by Rams

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A lack of execution by the Lady Indians led to an easy 43-34 victory for non-conference foe Random Lake Tuesday night.

"No idea, a lot of mental mistakes," Indians head coach Russell Thull said about the way the team played. "Their focus was not there. This was their first game that we took a step back."

Neither team started the game off well. Anna Butler put in the first bucket at the five minute, 25 second mark.

The Indians had a plethora of steals early in the game, they just did not transition them into points. Jennie Wicklund had three steals in the first quarter.

Thull said the transition defense was good, they just could not make their shots. After the first quarter, the Indians led 6-5.

It was the second quarter that killed the Indians. The Indians went on a six minute drought, that actually began with one minute, 34 seconds left in the first quarter. The Rams in that time went on an 11-0 run. Random Lake went into the half up 22-12.

The beginning of the second half was just like the second quarter. The Indians did

not score for the first four minutes, 48 seconds. Butler hit a jumper to end the drought.

"We just couldn't hit our open shots. They took away our inside game. It was tough to score," Thull said.

The deficit hit 17 for the Indians after the third.

The Indians did not quit. Michelle Bohn hit a three to cut into the large lead on the Indians first possession of the fourth quarter. Candace Beine swished a three to cut the lead down to 13.

The Rams head coach Terry Borkenhagen put on the stall, which forced the Indians to start fouling. This tactic shortened the game and the Indians could not come all the way back.

Butler converted on a lay up and Elissa Miller knocked down two free throws to decrease the Ram lead to nine with 50 seconds left. The Indians forced a couple turnovers late in the game to give them hope, but Kewaskum could not turn that into points.

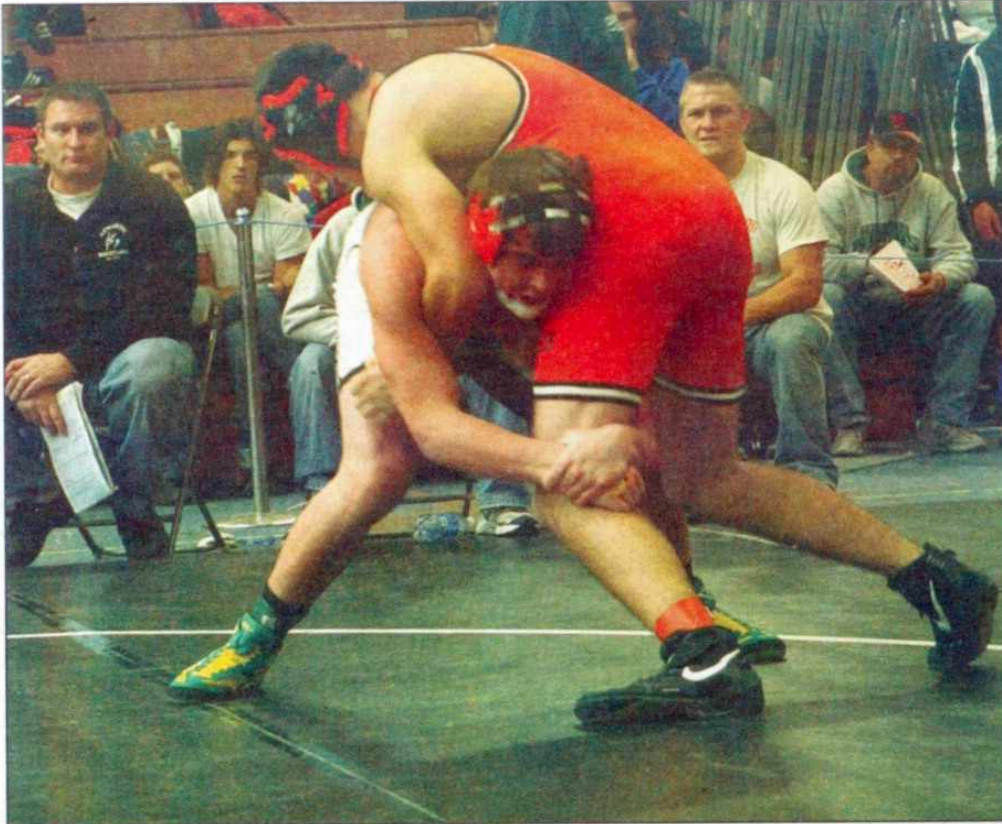
"This game is over. We start back up tomorrow to get better," Thull said. "There's tomorrow and Thursday to get ready for the next game."

The Indians travel to Two Rivers Friday for a 7:30 tip off. The Indians are now 2-6 overall after the loss.



Nicole Kison attempts to score in the third quarter of the Lady Indians' match against the Random Lake Rams at home on Tuesday, January 6.

Indians succeed On the Waters



The Kewaskum Indian Wrestling team traveled to Oshkosh on Monday, December 26 for the two-day On the Waters Classic at the Kolf Sports Complex on the UW-Oshkosh Campus. As a team, the Indians placed fourth out of the 57 entrants in the tournament. Cody Seibel, shown below, was the champion of the 189-pound division. His teammates, Matt Buker (215), shown left, in a preliminary round both, and P.J. Krueger (285) placed as runners up in their weight classes.

Statesman Photos: Andrew Kuehl

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The Indians placed fourth out of 57 high schools at the Lourdes On the Waters Wrestling Classic in Oshkosh December 29-30.

Cody Seibel was champion of the 189-pound division, while P.J. Krueger (285) and Matt Buker (215) both placed runner-up.

"The upper weights wrestled real well. Three in the finals is a pretty good showing," head coach Dennis Aupperle said Tuesday.

The Indians scored 234 points between the two days. Aupperle said a couple more points here and there, the team could have finished first. Mosinee won the tournament scoring 259 points, followed by Ashwaubenon with 254 points and Coleman scored 249.5 points. Kewaskum edged out Hartford by one point to take fourth.

Seibel dominated on his way to the finals. After a first round bye, Seibel pinned Tyler Haack of Sturgeon Bay in

46 seconds and Eric Hillmer of Oshkosh Lourdes in a minute, 59 seconds. Seibel then beat John Klein of Wisconsin Lutheran by a 9-4 decision.

In the semifinals, Seibel pinned Dylan Iczkowski of Mosinee at the four minute, 29 second mark.

"I just went out there and I learned some new moves the past week and worked on different stuff," Seibel said. "I went out there aggressive and strong and was on the offensive side the whole time."

The domination did not stop. Seibel won the championship match with a 13-5 major decision over Nick Broadway of Hartford Union. Broadway was the 189-pound No. 1 seed.

"I stayed focused and dedicated on my matches. And I made sure I got a good warm up before each match," Seibel said on what it takes to win a tournament. "I just tried to go out there and dominate and win and do the best I can."

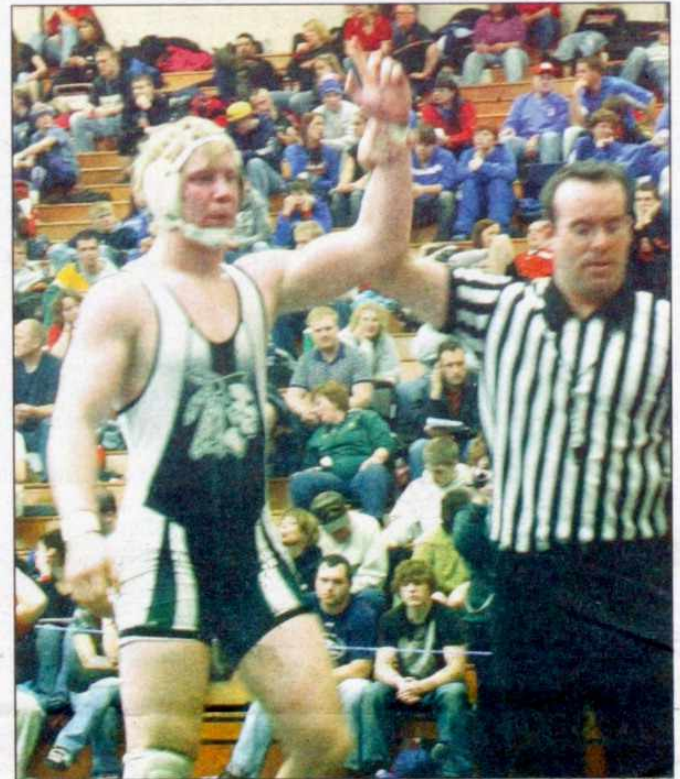
Seibel had been wrestling at 215 pounds at the start of the season. Seibel beat Buker

in practice to be at 189 pounds. Aupperle said Seibel did not have to cut much weight because he was at around 200 pounds.

Krueger was the No. 1 seed for the 285-pound division. After a bye, Krueger made quick work of his second and third round opponents, pinning them in one minute and 38 second respectively. Krueger then won the next two matches by 6-4 and 4-2 decisions, respectively.

Matt Cuadra of Oshkosh West was too much for Krueger. Aupperle said Krueger was staying with Cuadra, he just could not score on him. Krueger lost the 6-0 decision in the finals.

Buker was also No. 1 seed. Buker at 215 pounds got pins in a time of one minute, 28 seconds, one minute, 58 seconds and five minutes, 22 seconds, respectively. In the semifinals, Buker outmatched Troy Stillings of Coleman with an 8-1 decision. However, Buker was defeated by Brandon Schweitzer of Grafton 14-7 in the finals.



Brad Bentz took fourth at 130 pounds. Aupperle said the 130-pound division was one of the toughest at the tournament. Rob Maertz (125) and Jared Koffke (112) both placed ninth in the weight classes.

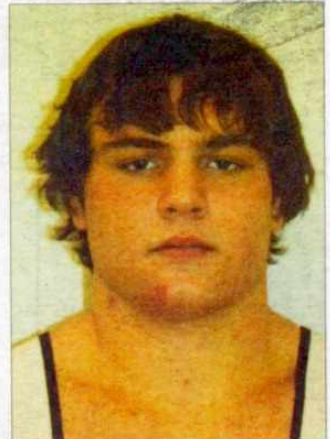
Out of the 13 Kewaskum wrestlers, eight wrestled on the second day and six placed.

The Indians next match is tonight at home as they get back to EWC duals. Tonight the Indians face Kiel at 7 p.m.

Tuesday night the Indians squeaked out a 39-37 victory at Random Lake.

Eric Turowski injured his shoulder in the third period and could not finish the match.

Maertz, Bentz, Nathan Seitz, Ray Wollner, Buker,



P.J. Krueger

Seibel and Krueger all scored points for Kewaskum.

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