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DPW Gets New Truck

Village Board Approves Annexation

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The Kewaskum Village Board met Monday to discuss and take action on a number of topics.

The meeting opened with two public hearings. The first was on a special assessment for municipal improvements to be installed in conjunction with the USH 45 project.

Sidewalks are to be installed on the east side of USH 45 at the cost of \$3.98 per running foot. Due to the annexation and the USH 45 project, residents will only have to pay 75% of the cost for the addition and will have four years to pay it.

The second public hearing touched on an ordinance to annex territory to the Village. According to Village Administrator, Dan Schmidt, the area is located adjacent to the western village limits and adjacent to the south

side of the village adjacent to USH "45." The section of land currently is located in the Town of Kewaskum and the town had no objections to the annexation, and neither did the Village.

Director of Public Works, Jerry Gilles, presented the board with the bids for the purchase of a new work truck. With truck prices ranging from \$28,486.00 down to \$21,295.00. Between the truck prices and trade in values, Gilles presented to the board what he believed the best offer was and his recommendation to accept the offer from Bob Fish GMC, West Bend with the truck price of \$21,295.00 and trade in value of the old truck at \$4,795.00. There was debate amongst the board members, as to if the new truck was necessary at all. The new truck would be a two-wheel drive, one-ton truck with a tailgate and hoist, but no plow. Although

the current truck has not cost the village much money in the line of repairs, Gilles believes it would be best to trade in the truck now while the trade in value is still good and before there are any serious problems with the truck.

Although not all board members agreed that it was necessary to purchase a new truck while there was still one that is working fine, the votes passed the approval of a new vehicle to replace the current 1990 truck while there is money in the budget for it.

Approval was also given by the board to advertise for summer part time employees for the Public Works and Water Pollution Control Boards.

Concerns arose at the meeting regarding the street lighting that the village will be acquiring with the new Hwy. 45 project, and the money it will cost for the

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Ramthun - Berg on Auburn Ballot

Roggensack, Brunner On Judicial Ballot

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Almost 200 Town of Auburn residents came out to cast votes for their next clerk in this Tuesday's Spring Primary Election.

The position comes with an annual salary of \$12,000 and includes a life insurance package and mileage.

Karen Ramthun received the highest number of votes with 83. She along with Bonnie Berg who received 64 will be on the April 1 ballot.

Ramthun stated "I'm happy to see the voters put their confidence in me, I am looking forward to the April 1 election."

Both Rita Small and past chairman Walter Ferber received 23 votes each.

Pat Roggensack and Ed Brunner will go on to the April 1 ballot leaving Paul Higginbotham to continue serving Dane County.

At press time Roggensack had received 105,819 votes,

39%, Brunner- 87,298 votes, 32% and Higginbotham 76,599, 28%.

The seat carries a 10 year term. The seat was vacated after Judge William Bablitch left his seat.

This newspaper will carry biographies and information on area non partisan elections in their printed version and online version.

NEWS BRIEFS

● **Campbellsport Chamber To Hold Annual Meeting** - at Fin N Feather Supper Club On Tuesday Feb. 25. Please RSVP by February 20th to 920-979-0080 or e-mail from the website www.campbellsport.org.

● **Kewaskum Women's Club to Meet** - The Women's Club will meet at the Village Annex building on Thursday, February 27 at 7 p.m.

● **Scheduled Parent/Teacher Conferences:** On Thursday, March 6th, KMS will have a scheduled P/T conference starting at 4:30 P.M. and ending at 8:00 P.M. Teacher's will be in contact with you to schedule a time if they feel a conference is necessary. If for any reason you cannot make it at this scheduled time or you were not contacted by your child's house teacher and would like to meet with them, appointments can be made with teachers, the guidance counselor, or Mr. Soerens any time throughout the school year by calling the middle school office at 626-8427 and entering their extension number.

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Butzke Reflects on Career As Town Clerk



Camilla Butzke poses in her office as she prepares for a change of the guard in the April 1 election. After 36 years, she has chosen not to seek re-election.

Statesman Photo: Andrew Kuehl

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Camilla Butzke, has served as Town Clerk for the Town of Auburn for the past 36 years. She is set to retire on April 1, no fooling!

Butzke resides in Campbellsport with Marvin, her husband of 58 years. She has two children, one son and one daughter.

Before being elected as Town Clerk, Butzke and her husband were involved in the sand and gravel business, where she took on tasks such as taking orders, covering the telephones, as well as making out the bills.

Some of the duties involved with the Town Clerk position are the handling of elections, preparing agendas, and tons of researching. Butzke prepares agendas for all of the town meetings, including the plan commission. She keeps and writes up the minutes for all of the meetings, along with making sure all notices are published in the newspapers.

When election time comes along, Butzke prepares the town for the clerk test and the public test before results go through to the courthouse. She also must be sure that all

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Last Chance To Buy a Brick

The Kewaskum Elementary School Parent/Teacher Organization is in the process of building a multi-functional space at the elementary school. The area is to be to the southeast side of the school and will be called the "Richard Zarling Bell Tower."

The bricks that will make up the patio area are available to purchase. They are 4"x8" and cost \$40. They can include up to three lines with 14 characters per line.

If you would like to order a brick, forms are available at Kewaskum Elementary School or on the district's website, www.Kewaskum schools.org, click on the KES box and it will be on the bottom on the page.

If you would like to contribute to the project, but are not interested in purchasing a brick, donations can be sent to: The Richard Zarling Bell Tower, PO Box 266, Kewaskum, WI 53040.

The order deadline is March 3, 2003.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Project Update



Shown above are workers from WE Energies lowering a gas main to make way for the new roadbed.

Statesman Photo: Andrew Kuehl

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As this project continues the Statesman editorial staff decided it was necessary to inform our readers of the weekly progress being made on this road project. With the help of DOT engineer Jeanne Marchant we hope to bring this column to you weekly.

According to Marchant crews are focusing on the 6,600 foot stream that is being constructed in the marsh area just south of CTH H east. She hoped to have this part of the project completed by the end of March. She further stated that 400-500 feet is completed on average daily.

Waste from the excavation is being stored TEMPORARILY on a field near Best Trailer. The stock pile should be gone by spring she said. A temporary road has been made along the stream to carry the waste from the stream so that the trucks do not need to enter and exit the roadway. Marchant urges drivers to use caution around the trucks as small vehicles are not always visible to the drivers.

As far as demolition of the buildings purchased by the state for the project she stated that bids are being let and that contractor will take care of getting the houses removed in whatever way they deem necessary. That information will be announced as it becomes available. Marchant thought that the buildings would be removed by May.

Marchant also stated that she is working on getting moved into her temporary office in the parking lot of the Kewaskum Mall. Later in the construction process she hopes to hold weekly meetings to keep citizens updated as to what is happening. She can be

reached at the field office daily or by calling 626-4804. Please watch next week's edition for another update.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Butzke Retires

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absentee ballots are mailed out.

All aspects of the Town Clerk position require an enormous amount of knowledge and research. Butzke has spent countless hours over the years learning the zoning ordinances, gathering information, and researching the issues faced by the town.

Some of the biggest changes Butzke can recall from over the years include where the meetings have taken place. Butzke can remember years ago when the town meetings were held in her house. Throughout her terms, Butzke has attended meetings held in the old town hall, and she was also there approximately eight years ago when the new town hall was created.

The other biggest change Butzke has seen is the election process. Years ago, the elections were held by caucus. The town then went to paper ballots, and punch ballots, and now they currently are using the Mark Sense machines which automatically count and record votes and they go directly up to Fond du Lac.

After 36 years of dedication to the town and community, Butzke is ready for a break. She is uncertain of what the future holds, she simply knows it will be different. When asked what the biggest change would be for her after serving on the board for such an extended amount of time, Butzke said, "I will miss the people."

Village Board

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lighting. The budget allowed for \$26,000 to be used for lighting but the estimated costs for the work to be done is approximately \$79,000. Schmidt recommended to the board that they take money out of restricted funds to cover the costs of the lighting instead

of spreading the costs out over years and paying even more.

Discussion also took place as to how to handle the possibility of wet ponds and storm-septors for the newest additions to Kewaskum.

Kewaskum Public Library Now Has DVD Collection

The Kewaskum Public Library now has its DVD collection available for check out. Because of the new collection, the Board of Trustees has approved some new circulation rules for videos and DVDs.

The loan period is now three days for all DVDs and fiction videos--it is still seven days for non-fiction/how-to videos. Patrons may check out only one DVD title per card as the collection is not very large and the library would like to give everyone a chance to borrow materials. Special edition titles that include more than one disc will only count as one. Fines for DVDs will be \$2 per day overdue. DVDs and videos can be put on hold, but must be picked up in 24 hours. If

a video or DVD hold is not picked up in 24 hours, the reserve will move to the next person on the list or be put back on the shelf.

For a complete list of DVD titles the library owns, check their website at www.kewaskum.lib.wi.us.

WE Energies Funds Ice Age Trail Project

The Ice Age Park and Trail Foundation (IAPTF) is pleased to announce that WE Energies has awarded \$8,000 to build a parking lot along a segment of the Ice Age Trail in the Northern Kettle Moraine area.

This grant was made in recognition of WE Energies' employee Rod Bartlow and his many years of service to the Ice Age Park and Trail Foundation. Bartlow, a resident of Slinger, has been a volunteer for 13 years and currently serves in the IAPTF state board as treasurer.

The new parking lot will be built off an existing short driveway located near Kewaskum on a hilltop property owned by the IAPTF. The new lot will provide for safer access for Trail users by allowing more space for parking cars, unloading gear, children and pets, and organizing for their hike.

In the past, this portion of the Trail has had problems with off-road vehicles using it as a "mudding course." According to IAPTF Eastern Field Coordinator, Kevin Thusius, "Building the lot is a remediation project to repair existing damage (to the lot) and better control for future use."

The project will include minor grading, graveling and a low profile barrier which will surround the parking lot in an effort to keep vehicles off the grass and still maintain the environmental aesthetics of the site. All planning and up-front labor will come from area volunteers.

When the project is complete, the lot will accommodate approximately eight

vehicles. Thusius said this project will "help to better the experience for the general public as well as showcase the efforts of volunteers."

Established in 1958, the IAPTF is a nonprofit, volunteer and member-based organization whose mission is to create, support and protect a twelve hundred mile footpath tracing Ice Age formations across Wisconsin, known as the Ice Age National Scenic Trail.

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PEOPLE NEWS

Reiter - Lettow *Campus Notes*

Jerry and Joan Reiter of Newburg and Frederick and Virginia Lettow of Kewaskum announce the engagement of their children Julie Reiter and Timothy Lettow.

Julie is a graduate of West Bend East High School and Cardinal Stritch

University. She is a teacher with the West Bend School District

Timothy is a graduate of Kewaskum High School. He is a journeyman electrician with Preferred Electric.

A July 26, 2003 wedding is being planned by the couple.

FAYETTEVILLE, ARK - Chancellor John A. White and the University of Arkansas college and school deans proudly announce more than 950 undergraduate students have been named to the fall semester chancellor's list.

Students named to the chancellor's list must have a 4.0 (straight A) grade point average and carry a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester.

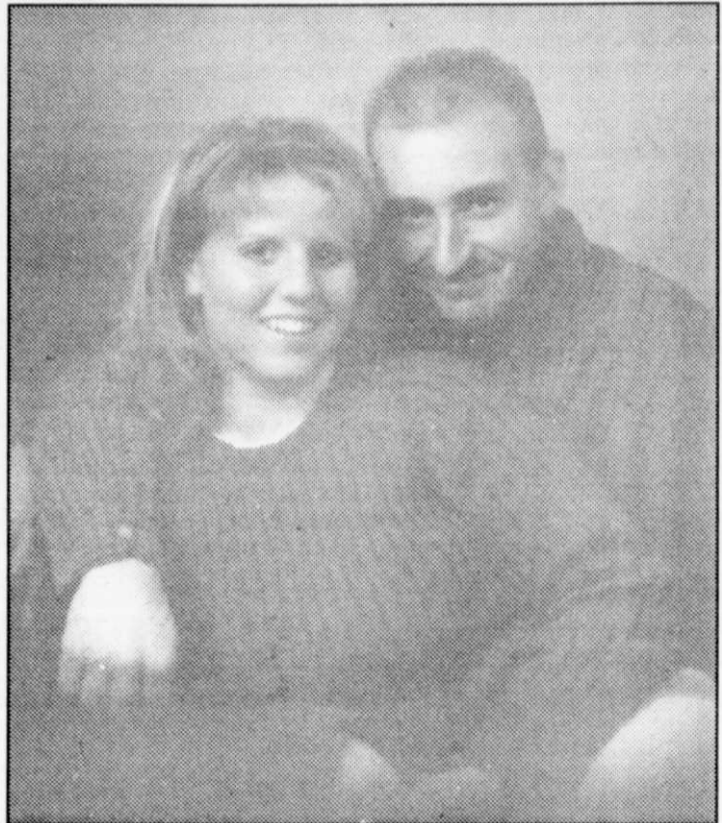
An area student on the UA Chancellor's list is Jenniann N. Cuiray, Kewaskum, J. William Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences.

Thomas Ramthun, has been named to the Dean's Honor List for the second term of the 2002-03 University of Wisconsin - Madison Farm and Industry Short Course, according to Richard H. Daluge, Assistant Dean and Director.

The Short Course is offered through the UW-Madison College of Agricultural and Life Sciences.

Thomas Ramthun, of Kewaskum, is a first year student in the Short Course program.

Reseburg - Hoerig



John and Melanie Reseburg and Ken and Pat Hoerig are pleased to announce the engagement of their children, RyAnne Reseburg and Chad Hoerig.

RyAnne is a 1998 Kewaskum High School graduate and a 1999 MPTC graduate for cosmetology.

RyAnne is currently employed at In Excelsis Day Spa.

Chad is a 1995 Kewaskum High School graduate and a 1996 WCTC graduate for welding. Chad is currently employed by the Gehl Co.

The couple is planning a September 2003 wedding.

Campus Notes

Natasha Weaver of Kewaskum, earned a place on the Dean's List at Cardinal Stritch University for the 2002 winter semester. Weaver is the daughter of Sharyn Weaver and a 2000 graduate of Kewaskum High School.

Over 150 students were named to the Dean's List for their outstanding academic achievements. Students must maintain a 3.5 or higher grade point average to be named to the list.

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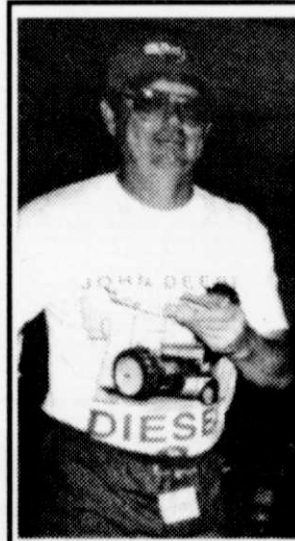
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- Feb. 21: Carrie Kuehl-Weisser
Kenny Ellis
- Feb. 22: Sharon Nagel
Ivan Kumrow
Jesse Backhaus
- Feb. 23: Vicki Towell
Brian Heller
- Feb. 24: J.R. Ramthun
Roger Jacak Sr.
Bonnie Ruplinger
- Feb. 25: Rick Boden
- Feb. 26: Don & Dave Goeden
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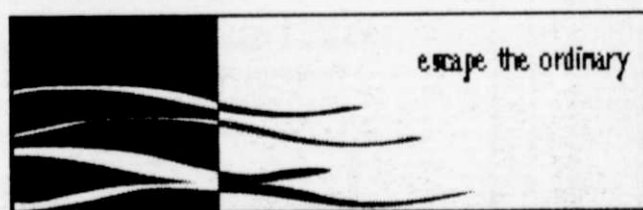
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ON THE RECORD

POLICE REPORTS

On January 22, the Kewaskum High School Liaison officer and the assistant principal were contacted by a teacher in reference to two students possibly smelling of marijuana.

The officer made contact with the first student who stated that he had not been smoking. The officer then made contact with the second student who stated that both he and the other student had smoked marijuana.

The officer then made contact with the first student again and asked him if he wanted to change his story. The student admitted that he had been smoking.

Both students were allowed to take their finals, however their parents were contacted and they were suspended the first four days of the following week.

On February 2, Kewaskum Police were dispatched to a Memorial Drive residence in reference to a suspicious person unconscious in the residence.

The complainants stated that they had heard their dogs barking and they walked into their kitchen and found a man laying face down on the kitchen floor.

When the officer approached the man he woke up and identified himself. He stated that he had been drinking and did not know how he ended up in the house.

The complainants stated that they did not want to pursue trespassing charges if he wasn't driving.

The man was escorted outside and taken home by a Washington County Sheriff's Deputy.

From February 4 to February 9th, there were

various eggng complaints received by the police department.

There were many cars and houses on the west side of the village that were egged.

There are no suspects and there was no actual damage done to any of the homes or vehicles.

If anyone has information on any of the complaints, contact the Kewaskum Police Department at 626-2323 or the Washington County Chief's Tip Line at 1-800-232-0594. All calls are confidential.

Police reports are compiled weekly by Statesman staff member Nicole Rawley.

BIRTHS

LIERMANN -- A son, Ryan James, was born Feb. 4, 2003 to Jim and Melissa Liermann of Fredonia. He also has a sister Rachael 2 1/2 years old. Grandparents are Dennis and Pam Jacak of New Fane and the late Donald and Mary Ann Liermann. Great-grandparents are Esther Ehnert of New Fane and Irene Jacak of Campbellsport.

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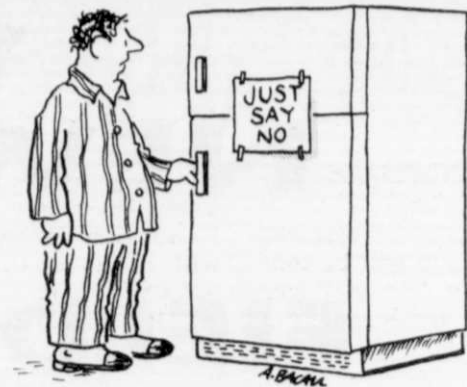
If anyone is interested in walking for the Statesman team, please contact Nicole at 262-626-2626, email at nkuehl@kewaskumstatesman.com, or stop in at the Statesman office, 250 Main Street, Kewaskum, and sign the registration form and pick up a sponsor sheet.

If you would like to make a donation, please mail donations to: The Kewaskum Statesman, American Heart Walk, PO Box 98, Kewaskum, WI 53040.



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Both workshops will be held at the American Legion Hall, 6:30-7:30 p.m. The dates are Tuesday, February 18 and Wednesday, February 26.

Space is limited. Please call 262-334-2882 or 800-558-1751 to reserve a seat.

The Ziegler Investment Consultants scheduled to speak are Rick Schlehlein, Patrick Hanrahan and Gwen Wilson.



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A woman bought a car one morning and drove it until evening, and then it stopped. Calling the salesman, she cried, "Your car's no good. It won't run!" Hurrying to her car, he checked it out and said, "Your car's out of gas."

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You want to become a Christian, don't you? Pray, "Oh, Christ, come into my heart." He'll come in, and you'll become a Christian.

Kewaskum Women's Club to Meet Feb. 27

On Thursday, February 27th, members of the Kewaskum Women's Club will meet at the Village Annex at 7 p.m.

All women of the community are welcome to join in on the camaraderie over coffee and dessert. Their membership will discuss the Spring Fling Salad Luncheon. This is their main fundraiser and it's important that all members attend and give their opinions.

Rita Etta, Chairman of the KWC Annual Spring Fling Salad Luncheon will ask the membership for their input and their talents to make the event a success.

The Luncheon will be held on Saturday, March 22 at the Peace United Church of Christ on Main Street in Kewaskum. All members have tickets and tickets are also available at Hair on

Main and Piggly Wiggly. Seating is limited, so it is important to get your tickets now.

The raffles this year include a diamond bracelet, a collector's plate and baskets from the various businesses in the village. Of course, the door prizes are always a hit. And as in the past, there will be a lot of door prizes to choose from. The luncheon guests will be treated to a variety of salads and hot dishes, dessert and homemade bread. The entertainment for the afternoon will be "Mrs. Christie Presents!" This event is Saturday, March 22, 2003.

Join in, on Thursday, February 27th at the Village Annex at 7 p.m. to put the finishing touches to this Spring Fling Luncheon. Your input is important.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FEBRUARY/MARCH

FEB 28, MARCH 1, 7, 8 -- FRESH HORSES Enjoy this humorous and captivating performance by student and area actors at UW-Washington County! Feb. 28, March 1, 7, 8 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets only \$8 adults, \$6 seniors & youth. Phone 335-5208. 2-13

MARCH 4 -- INTERESTED IN MEETING NEW FRIENDS? Attend the 7:00 p.m. meeting of the Kewaskum Junior Woman's Club at the Community Annex Building. Call Karen at 626-2816 for membership information. 2-13-3p

MARCH 8 -- FARMINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING Farmington Town Hall, Boltonville. Call Lisa, 692-2135 for information. 2-20-3p

March 15 -- SECOND ANNUAL APPRECIATION SOUP SAMPLER & OPEN HOUSE Saturday, March 15, 4 to 8 p.m. at the Kewaskum Fire Station. Green refreshments, free soup, Thermal Imaging, test a blood pressure cuff. Kewaskum's finest firefighters will prepare and serve their favorite soup/chili recipes for you to sample. 2-20-4

March 19 -- THE KEWASKUM AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will hold a meeting Wednesday, March 19, at 6 p.m. in the meeting room of St. Francis Bank. All members are encouraged to attend. For more info, please call the Chamber at 262-626-3336.

KEWASKUM KIWANIS CLUB -- Will be meeting every Monday evening at the Kewaskum Legion Lodge on Fond du Lac Avenue in Kewaskum. Cocktails begin at 5:30 p.m. with a dinner meeting at 6 p.m. For more information or to become a member please call Andrew at 262-370-0831. 11-28-01

There is a \$3.00 charge for publishing your event up to three times in the Community Calendar in advance. Calendar events are also listed on our website www.kewaskumstatesman.com

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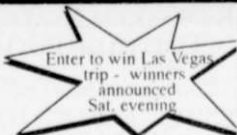
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OBITUARIES

JAMES W. KIECKHAFFER

James Kieckhafer, 66, of West Bend, died on Wednesday, Feb. 12, 2003, at the Portage Health Center in Houghton, Mich., due to injuries received in a snowmobile accident.

He was born on June 19, 1936, in West Bend, to the late Clarence "Larry" and Anita (nee Kaehny) Kieckhafer, and married Joanne Ferber on Nov. 8, 1958, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Kewaskum. Jim graduated from West Bend High School with the Class of 1954 where he was known as "Spider" while playing basketball and running track.

In 1958, he received a bachelor of science degree in insurance and real estate with a minor in accounting from Marquette University. Following his graduation, he started working at the former Kannenberg & Marx, an accounting firm in West Bend. After receiving his CPA, he became a partner in the firm, which was then known as Kannenberg, Kieckhafer & Co., presently Kieckhafer, Dietzler, Hauser LLP.

Jim was very involved in community affairs and activities. He was a former 20-year member of the West Bend Fire Department, a third-degree member of the Father Casper Rehr Council 1964 Knights of Columbus, a member, past president and long-time treasurer of the West Bend Noon Rotary Club and on the Waterways Committee of the Rotary Club. Jim was named an Honorary Paul Harris Fellow in 1988 and received the Rotarian of The Year Award in 1998. He was on the Washington County Economics Board, a member of the West Bend 2020 Planning Commission, St. Joseph's Community Hospital Site Planning Committee, the Board of Directors of the former Heritage Bank and currently on the Board of Directors of M & I Bank. Jim also was a member of the WICPA Assoc., Holy Angels Parish Council and served as treasurer on the Board of Directors of the St. Vincent de Paul Society and the Board of Directors of the 7-Up Bottling Companies in West Bend and Sheboygan for 40 years.

Jim loved the outdoors, especially hunting, fishing, traveling, snowmobiling, boating and relaxing and enjoying the northwoods at their cottage on North Twin Lake near Conover. Jim had a great passion for his work, his community, his friends, and especially his beloved wife, children and grandchildren. He loved his life and will be missed by all who knew him.

Survivors include his wife, Joanne; six children, Jeanine (Joseph) Socha of Minnetonka, Minn., James C. (Lia) of San Juan Capistrano, Calif., Joi Davis of Waukesha, Jeffrey of San

Diego, Calif., Jon J. and Jenni (Troy) Hanson, both of Campbellsport; 12 grandchildren, Erin, Greta and Madeline Davis, Ian, Megan and Ellen Socha, Jordan, Jason and Brady Hanson, Alexis and James William Kieckhafer and Lilly Kieckhafer; one brother, John (Jackie) of Thiensville; other relatives and friends.

He was predeceased by one grandson, Zachary Hanson.

Services: Funeral services will be held Saturday, Feb. 15, 2003, with a Mass of Christian Burial at 1:30 p.m. at Holy Angels Catholic Church, West Bend, with Father Gerald Brittain as the presider. Burial will follow at Holy Angels Cemetery.

Visitation: Visitation will be at the church only from 9:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. Saturday.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to Holy Angels School, St. Joseph's Community Hospital Building Fund, or for The Families of Spinal Muscular Atrophy would be preferred and can be sent in care of M & I Bank, 321 N. Main St., West Bend, WI 53095.

GILBERT F. SEIFERT

Gilbert F. Seifert, 87, of Lake Havasu City, Ariz., died Sunday Feb. 9, 2003, at his home in Arizona.

He was born in Adell on Jan. 2, 1916, the son of the late Anton and Margaret Leibel Seifert.

On Nov. 8, 1947, Gilbert married Marion Puerzer. She preceded him in death on Dec. 29, 1991.

He worked at Wehr Steel in West Allis until retirement. He then made his summer home at Kettle Moraine Lake in the Campbellsport area and his winter home in Arizona.

He was the proud father of Judy (Glen) Suttman, Shirley (the late Fred) Stregge, Ken (Nicky), Dave, Jerry and Glen. He is further survived by 15 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; his brothers, Ervin and Norman; sisters-in-law; nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Services: Funeral services will be held at 4 p.m. Monday Feb. 17, 2003, at Twohig Funeral Home, Campbellsport. The Rev. Neil Zinthefer will officiate, with cremation to follow and inurnment will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, Little Koehler.

Visitation: Visitation will be Monday, Feb. 17, 2003, from 2 p.m. until time of services at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent in memory of Gilbert to The Make-A-Wish Foundation.

BRUNHILD 'JULIA' VOSS

God has called his angel home. Brunhild Voss, 78, more affectionately known as "Julia," has ended her

struggle with cancer and has returned to touch the face of God. Julia passed peacefully at home surrounded by the love of her family on Wednesday Feb. 12, 2003.

She was born Dec. 18, 1924, the daughter of Walter and Kathe Seyffarth Schelper in Berlin, Germany.

Working for the U.S. Army as a draftsman, she met and married Clinton Voss (Maj.), Russelsheim, Germany, on March 20, 1948.

She enjoyed adventures and travel of a military life until 1963, when they retired to Fond du Lac. Julia was a member of Salem United Methodist Church.

She was a founding member of the Fond du Lac German Club and past president of the club.

She was an artist, translator and teacher for many years. She was very active in trying to help people understand each other through her love for language and her ability to use her knowledge and talents and loving heart to promote a greater understanding and tolerance between cultures. Her greatest love and accomplishments were her family, her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren who were the sunshine of her life.

She will be watching over her husband, Maj Clinton, retired; her children, William of Ashford, Va., James of Fond du Lac, Juliann (Leland) Haskins of Fond du Lac and John (Debbie) of Campbellsport; and her grandchildren, Joni Voss and Dylan Sullivan, Martina (Joey) Schneider, Emilia (Mike) Holschbach, Hillari Haskins, Leland (Traci) Haskins III, Sabine Altieri, Casey and Miranda Voss. Her great-grandchildren, Isaiah and Elijah Voss, Collin Haskins-Hamilton, Elliot and Tianna Schneider, Shyloh and Arian Haskins-Hoffman, Cory Holschbach, Naya Altieri, Cloe, Alivia and Levi Haskins.

She has rejoined her parents; two sisters, Ruth Vera Peuker and Ursula Schelper-Mertz-Stubichen; and in-laws, Clara and Paul Voss in Heaven.

A memorial service was held at 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 15, 2003, at Salem United Methodist Church Fond du Lac. The Rev. Barry Watson officiated.

The family received friends from 1 p.m. until time of service at the church.

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THANK YOU

PATRICIA M. KIRCHNER

Patricia M. Kirchner (nee Wagner) age 75 of the Town of Kewaskum died Thursday, February 13, 2003 at her residence.

She was born on March 18, 1927 in Milwaukee to the late Nicholas and Helen (nee Kugler) Wagner and married Wilton A. Kirchner on October 16, 1948 at St. Lucas Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kewaskum.

She enjoyed the life of a farm wife and mother and took delight in sewing, gardening and reading. She is a long-time member of St. Lucas Church in Kewaskum.

Survivors include her husband of 54 years, Wilton; a son, Roger (Patti) of Lomira; a granddaughter, Michelle; two brothers, Ronald (Susan) Wagner and Robert (Virginia) Wagner all of West Bend; a special friend Anne Kiefer of West Bend; sisters-in-law; brothers-in-law, and many other relatives and friends.

She is preceded in death by a sister and brother-in-law Lucille (Michael) Strupp and a brother Gerald Wagner.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, February 16, 2003 at 7 p.m. at the Schmidt Funeral Home in West Bend with Rev. Edwin Fedrich of St. Lucas Evangelical Lutheran Church officiating.

Burial was on Monday in Lutheran Memorial Park in Kewaskum.

Visitation was on Sunday at the funeral home from 4 p.m. until the time of the services.

Memorials to St. Lucas Church or the charity of the donor's choice are appreciated.

The Schmidt Funeral Homes, West Bend, is serving the family.

MARIE E. BECKER

Marie E. Becker, nee Rassel, 74, of West Bend, died Friday, February 14, 2003 at Tri-Manor in West Bend.

She was born on August 27, 1928 in the town of Fredonia to the late Nicholas and Anna (nee Meyer) Rassel. She married Carl C. Becker on June 11, 1955 at St. Nicholas Catholic Church in Dacada. Her husband preceded her in death on May 11, 2000.

Marie was employed at Amity Leather in West Bend for many years and she was a member of St. Mary's Immaculate Conception Parish, West Bend.

She is survived by a brother, Raymond (Charlotte) Rassel of Appleton; nieces; nephews; other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Lavern Rassel and a brother Nic Rassel.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Monday, February 17 at 12 noon at St. Mary's Immaculate Conception Parish, West Bend. Rev. John Wutscheck officiated and burial followed in St. Mary's Cemetery in the town of Barton.

Visitation was at the church only on Monday from 11 a.m. until the time of services.

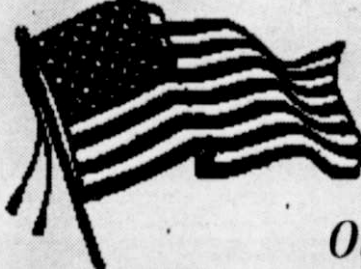
The Myrhum-Patten Funeral and Cremation Service of West Bend assisted the family.

FRANK H. GRAY

Frank H. Gray, 71, of Camp Douglas, died on Friday, February 7, 2003 at Mile Bluff Medical Center in Mauston.

He was born on September 3, 1931 in Thompson, Michigan, to the late Arthur and Edith

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Flying Our Flag Remembering Our Veterans

<p>JOHN COULTER Nov. 13, 1891 - Feb. 22, 1959</p> <p>ADOLPH J. BATZLER Nov. 4, 1895 - Feb. 22, 1976</p> <p>HAROLD O. KRUEGER March 18, 1823 - Feb. 24, 1994</p> <p>MERVIN CARL THOMPSON May 9, 1910 - Feb. 24, 1997</p> <p>LOUIS C. HEISLER Jan. 21, 1922 - Feb. 25, 1969</p> <p>ALOIS M. ERTL April 26, 1941 - Feb. 26, 1988</p> <p>ALBERT DORN Feb. 16, 1912 - Feb. 26, 1990</p>	<p>GEORGE JOHN SIMONS Jan. 22, 1919 - Feb. 29, 1976</p> <p>ALOIS J. HERRIGES Jan. 5, 1896 - March 2, 1980</p> <p>ARTHUR GROESCHEL Aug. 17, 1894 - March 3, 1974</p> <p>GREGOR F. HEIMERMANN Sept. 29, 1921 - March 3, 1978</p> <p>NORBERT G. GNACINSKI Jan. 30, 1927 - March 3, 1994</p> <p>EDWIN V. GERLACH Jan. 3, 1931 - March 4, 1999</p> <p>ARTHUR A. WEDDIG April 1, 1919 - March 6, 1994</p>
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(Erickson) Gray, and married Esther m. Goschey on March 28, 1951 in West Bend.

Prior to his retirement he worked as a heavy equip

ment operator.

Frank was a veteran, serving in the U.S. Army, and received his honorable discharge in December of 1949. He also served in the Merchant Marines.

Frank was a card-carrying member of the Operating Engineers Local #139.

He enjoyed time spend with his family, fishing, hunting, playing cards and working with his hands.

Frank was a hardworking devoted husband and father, a loving grandfather, great-grandfather and brother.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Colleen (Mark) Freiss of Jackson; three sons, Larry (Cheryl) of Campbellsport, Bruce (Sue) of Iron Mountain, Mich. and Brian of Syracuse, N.Y.; 16 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; two sisters, Eleanore (Jesse) Schnurer of Lake Walkes, Fla. and Helen (Earl) Herriges of West Bend; two brothers, Arthur Jr. (Dorothy) of Deltona, Fla. and Harold (Magdeline) of Cooks, Mich.; nieces; nephews; other relatives and friends.

Preceding him in death was a sister, Lois Middaugh.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, February 11 at 2 p.m. at the Sonnenburg Family Funeral Home, Tomah.

Relatives and friends called at the funeral home on Tuesday from noon until the time of the services.

IN MEMORY

In loving memory of **MERLIN PROST**, who passed away ten years ago, February 22, 1993:

Life is but a stopping place,
A pause in what is to be.
A resting place along the road,
To sweet eternity.
We all have different journeys,
Different paths along the way,
We all were meant to learn some things.
But never meant to stay...
Our destination is a place far greater than we know.
For some, the journey is quicker,
For some, the journey is slow.
And when the journey finally ends,
We will claim a great reward
And find an everlasting peace.
Together with our Lord.

Sadly missed by his wife, children, grandchildren and great-granddaughter.

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IN MEMORY

In memory of **LANCE HOWELL**.

Spirit

Those rare souls whose spirit gets magically into the hearts of men, leave behind them something more personal than bodily presence, an ineffable and eternal thing.

It is everlasting life touching us as something more than a vague, recondite concept. The sound of a great name dies like an echo; the splendor of fame fades into nothing, but the grace of a fine spirit pervades the places through which it has passed...

*Your friend,
James*

IN MEMORY

In loving memory of **JENNIFER SCHICKERT**, who passed away five years ago, Feb. 23, 1998:

Do not ask if we miss her
There is such a vacant place
often we think we hear
her footsteps
And see her smiling face
Days of sadness still come
over us
Tears in silence often flow
If all the world were ours to
give
We'd give it, yes and more
To see the face of our loved
one
Come smiling at the door.

*Sadly missed by Dad,
Mom and Mike.*

WASHINGTON COUNTY NUTRITION PROGRAM

For the Elderly Menu Meadowcreek Complex

Monday, Feb. 24 -- Fried chicken, mashed potatoes w/gravy, green bean casserole, dinner roll, pumpkin pie.

Tuesday, Feb. 25 -- Glazed ham, au gratin potatoes, spinach, corn bread, rice pudding.

Wednesday, Feb. 26 -- Beef tips over noodles, mixed vegetables, bread, fruit cocktail.

Thursday, Feb. 27 -- Chili with cheese, corn bread, tropical fruit salad, peanut butter cookie.

Ceramics at 9:30 a.m. every 1st and 3rd Monday of the month.

Bingo 2nd and 4th Monday of the month, 10-11:30 a.m. Bring 50¢ prize to participate.

IN MEMORY

In loving memory of **JERRY SESE** who was born to eternal life two years ago, February 26, 2001:

We miss all that you were
We miss all that you would
have become
We miss all that you did
We miss all that you would
have done
We miss all that you said
We miss all that you would
say
We miss loving you
We miss all the love you had
for us
We had so much love, joy,
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for the future

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Senior ID Cards to Be Issued

Senior Citizen Photo Identification Cards for those 60 years old or older and a resident of Washington County will be issued on Thursday, February 27, from 2:30 to 4 p.m. at the Washington County Office on Aging, 333 East Washington Street, Suite 1000, West Bend.

The identification card will include your name, address, phone number and birth date. Also, a person's name to contact in case of an emergency and their address and phone number as well as your doctor's name and phone number will be needed to complete the card.

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News From The Capitol

By Mary Panzer
Wisconsin Senate Republican Leader



Building The Economy Will Help Fiscal Woes

On February 18th, Governor Doyle will present his budget for 2003-05. As you know, the task we face is daunting. The state is facing a deficit of \$3.2 billion for the next biennial budget. Many of you have heard me say or read that I am committed to balancing this budget without tax increases. The only way to do this is to cut spending and reduce the size of government. In addition, we need to set forth policies that will enable our economy to grow and encourage new industries to come to Wisconsin.

The unemployment rate in Wisconsin for 2002 averaged 5.2%, which is as high as it has been in recent memory. Since November of 2001 - 20,117 people in Wisconsin have been laid off or lost their jobs and 133 companies have been forced to close. Across the state, employers are seeing health care costs increase anywhere from 11% to 50% annually. All of this has con-

tributed to the state's economic woes.

To make Wisconsin economically competitive with other states, we need to bring the high tech companies that will attract and keep highly skilled workers. We cannot afford to continue to lose the best and brightest of our youth. Wisconsin's economy is based largely on agriculture and manufacturing sectors. Even those sectors are making use of increased technology. Wisconsin has already instituted programs and initiatives to get the state on the right track. "Grow Wisconsin" is an initiative to expand Wisconsin's economic base. One of the goals of the initiative is to create industry clusters based on geographic regions of the state.

The legislature also approved the creation of eight technology zones in

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

A new president and treasurer is needed for the Kewaskum Athletic Association!

Due to family commitments, I will no longer be able to continue in my duties as President and Treasurer of the Kewaskum Athletic Association. The main responsibility of the association is the management of youth baseball, softball, t-ball and rubberball in


the Village of Kewaskum.

If one or more individuals is interested in either position please give me a call at 262-626-2277 or email me at dennisbutz@charter.net

I would also like to thank all the individuals who have helped the association in the past seven years.

*Sincerely,
Dennis Butz*

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SCHOOL NEWS

St. Lucas School Participates In 'Drink More Milk' Contest



Rebecca Heberer, fourth grader at St. Lucas Lutheran School in Kewaskum, won a "Got Milk" mountain bike that was raffled off at a school assembly.

St. Lucas Lutheran School, Kewaskum, recently participated in the "Drink More Milk" contest sponsored by the Wisconsin Dairy Council. The goal for St. Lucas was to surpass their November/December milk consumption rate of

92% by only 1%.

Well, students rose to the challenge and not only met the goal, but surpassed it as well. The students increased their consumption for the month of January by 4% to make a total of 96% rate of consumption.

All students in grades

K-8 received a prize from the Wisconsin Dairy Council at their Pep Assembly. The Dairy Council also donated a grand prize, which was a "Got Milk" mountain bike that was raffled off at the Pep Assembly. The winner of the bike was fourth grader Rebecca Heberer.

Student Editorial

February 15th was Kewaskum High School's annual Sadie Hawkins dance. Remember when... seven o'clock rolls around and you're more nervous than you've ever been, you're putting the finishing touches on your make-up when the doorbell rings. You're stomach turns to knots and a smile breaks out across your face. That special someone is at your front door, waiting to take you to the dance. You holler for someone to let him and you do a quick check to make sure you look perfect before quickly dashing out to save him from the wrath of your parent's curiosity. Standing there, he looks perfect. He's not in everyday jeans, but he's dressed nicely, dress pants and a nice shirt. "You look beautiful," he says. You hear your parents gasp and awe in the background. Your dress just barely hits the floor, simple, yet elegant, and very beautiful indeed. You give your parents a quick good-bye, he takes your arm, and the two of you walk out into a perfect night sky.

Times change, this we all know, but do they always change for the better? In the past, Sadies was a simple long dress occasion. Last

year students showed up to the dance wearing, well... not much. This year the school announced that the dress code would be strictly enforced, only appropriately dressed students would be let in. So why was it when the time came to enforce the dress code, inappropriately dressed students were *still* let in to the dance? A common outfit included a skin tight skirt, high boots, and a revealing skin tight tank top or tube top. In fact, there were even complaints directed towards an underdressed court member with her belly revealed. This was most disappointing because court members, of all people, are to follow the dress code. On any given day, if this type of outfit was worn to school the student would have been reprimanded; doesn't the dress code include school dances? If it doesn't, shouldn't it?

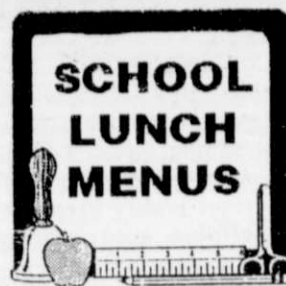
Most parents attempt to bring their children up right. It makes a person wonder if the parents know what their child is wearing when going to a school function. Do they know their teenager is dressed like...Brittany Spears; most

students wear more to bed.

It's a shame that for a girl to be cool, beautiful, "accepted" or to have a "good time" she had to dress and act inappropriately. Morals have changed and it has affected our community. Some students at the dance were seen dancing quite inappropriately, extreme grinding with others, slapping butts and hands roaming in inappropriate places. What did the students from other schools think when they saw how people from Kewaskum were dressed and how they acted? A few opinions brought about the same answer, students like that should not be allowed in. It demoralizes the community, the school, the student body, but most importantly it sets a bad example for younger children. It is NOT okay to set that kind of an example for younger children.

It is unfortunate for those who did show up to the dance appropriately attired, as they did nothing wrong. But it only takes a few, in this case there were many, to ruin what is supposed to be a perfect night.

Student



KEWASKUM SCHOOL DISTRICT

Monday, Feb. 24 -- Chicken alfredo, tossed salad w/asst. dressings, hot apple slices, dinner roll, apricots & chocolate chip cookie dough. *Chef Boyardee Ravioli. (2) Pizza dippers.

Tuesday, Feb. 25 -- Tijuana soft shell taco, corn, Spanish rice, refried beans, peach slices, bread & a monster cookie. *Chicken nuggets. (2) Pizza dippers.

Wednesday, Feb. 26 -- H.S. & M.S. pasta bar. Elem., State Fair corn dog, French fries, mandarin oranges, fresh petite banana & crunchy Cheetos. (2) Pizza dippers.

Thursday, Feb. 27 -- Chicken fajita, pineapple, fresh kiwi, corn, bread & a Ranger cookie. *Nachos & cheese. (2) Pizza dippers.

Friday, Feb. 28 -- Melted cheese sandwich (1/2 sand. for elem.), & chili, pears, apricots & a Twix finger. *Pizza hot pocket. (2) Pizza dippers.

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL

Monday, Feb. 24 -- Macaroni and cheese, mini corn dogs, buttered peas, peaches, mixed fruit, cookie dough, milk.

Tuesday, Feb. 25 -- Hot dog on a bun, baked beans, tator tots, pears, peanut butter cookie, milk.

Wednesday, Feb. 26 -- Hot ham on a bun, egg McMuffin sandwich, golden corn, pineapple, berry crunch, milk.

Wednesday, Feb. 27 -- Beef Roast, whipped potatoes w/gravy, green beans, mandarin oranges, dinner roll, cookie, milk.

Thursday, Feb. 28 -- Mozzarella pizza sticks, buttered carrots, applesauce, fruit cup, sugar cookie, milk.

ST. LUCAS SCHOOL

Monday, Feb. 24 -- Chicken nuggets, mashed potato/gravy, green beans mushroom soup, stripe-it-rich cake.

Tuesday, Feb. 25 -- Baked potato bar or macaroni & cheese, chicken steak, carrot sticks, peaches, lemon dirt

cup.

Wednesday, Feb. 26 -- Toasted cheese sandwich, chicken/tomato soup, pickle spears, orange slices, cake.

Thursday, Feb. 27 -- Ham slice/bun & cheese, pineapples, tri-tato, peanut butter bar.

Friday, Feb. 28 -- Pizza/cheese, sausage or pepperoni, carrot coins, tropical fruit, ice cream.

ST. MATTHEW'S SCHOOL

Monday, Feb. 24 -- Chicken nuggets, French fries, green beans, grapes or kiwi, cookie, milk.

Tuesday, Feb. 25 -- Mini corn dogs, potato wedges, baked beans, applesauce, raisin bread, milk.

Wednesday, Feb. 26 -- Turkey noodle soup, ham sandwich, raw veggies, apple or orange, bar, milk.

Thursday, Feb. 27 -- Pizza dippers, potato rounds, cheese plate, garden salad, corn, chilled pineapple, French bread, milk.

Friday, Feb. 28 -- No School.

CAMPBELLSPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Monday, Feb. 24 -- Grillburger, cheese slice, potato rounds, pickle slices, fruit choice, cookie, milk.

Tuesday, Feb. 25 -- Pepperoni sausage or cheese pizza, salad bar, fruit choice, milk.

Wednesday, Feb. 26 -- Chicken noodle soup, crackers, egg, tuna or PB&J sandwich, relishes, fruit choice, milk.

Thursday, Feb. 27 -- Pig in a blanket, buttered corn, Doritos, fruit choice, Oreo cookie, milk.

Friday, Feb. 28 -- No School

XYZ CARD RESULTS

The winners at cards played at the Municipal Building Annex on Wednesday, Feb. 12th were: SKAT: Joe Butschlick, 14-1-13 net; Francis Gilboy, 12-2-10 net; Joe Butschlick, Spade solo vs 5.

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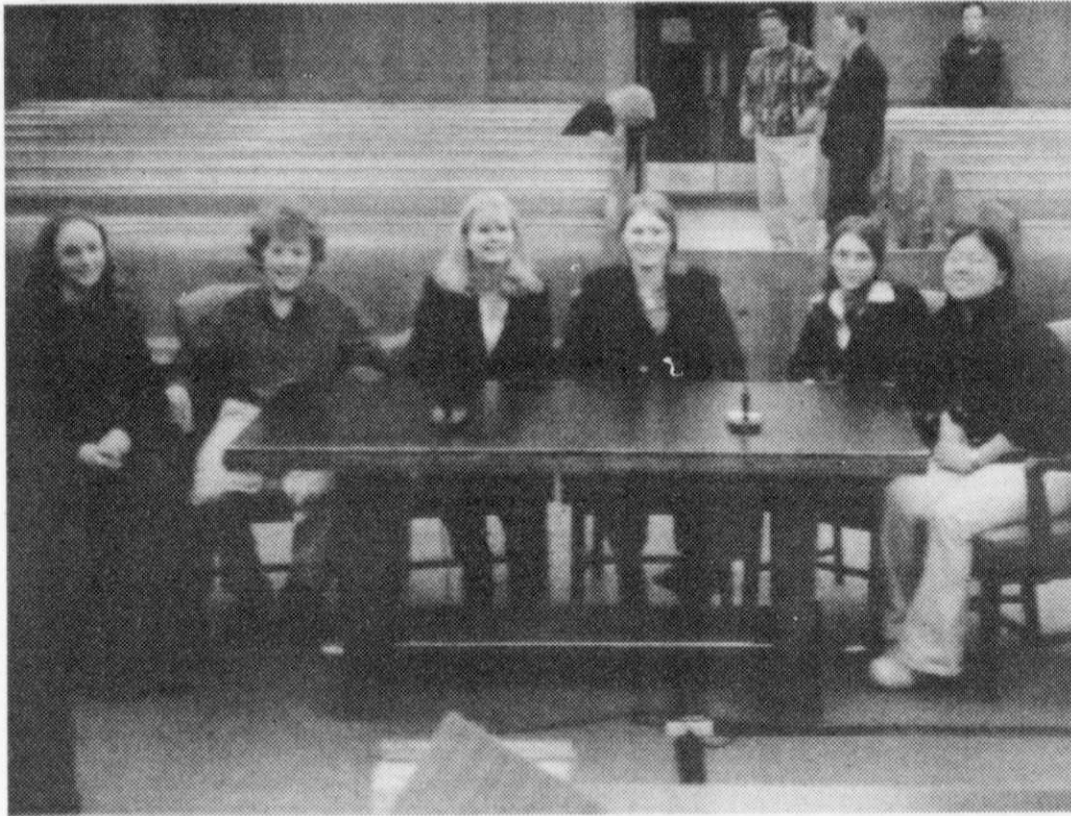
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SCHOOL NEWS

KHS Mock Trial Team #114 Competes in Contest



Shown above is the Kewaskum High School Mock Trial team. They are, left to right, Ashley Sajdowitz, David Figge, Ashley Mellenthin, Jamie Sabish, Jennifer Simonson and Jenny Harter.

Submitted by
Connie Schulist

Never before has a Kewaskum High School legal "team" tried, and testified in, the same case, four times in one day.

On Saturday, February 8th, the first ever KHS Mock Trial team competed at the Sheboygan County Courthouse. The day consisted of four rounds, each lasting about 90 minutes.

This year's case was based on an actual trial involving violence and discrimination between two high school students.

Each member of the team needed to research the case and be prepared for

their role in the trials. Jenny Harter, David Figge and Ashley Sajdowitz portrayed witnesses for both the defense and prosecution. Ashley Mellenthin, Jennifer Simonson and Jamie Sabish presented the case as the team of lawyers for both defense and prosecution.

Their first round against Port Washington proved to be a winner. Rounds two and three, against the seasoned teams of Sheboygan North and Sheboygan South, were the toughest and Kewaskum came up on the short end of what looked like an LA Law preview. Their final round against Sheboygan Christian looked promising, but they fell just short of going two for two.

Dave Rockhill, teacher/

coach for this first-time team said, "The kids did a great job." Attorney/coaches Mark Benson, Washington County Assistant D.A; Jerry Kiefer, a local lawyer, and Deb Strigenz, Criminal Defense, all agreed, "the students worked hard and had a good time."

Jenny Harter, lone senior on the team said, "I've never done anything like this before. It was challenging."

The other five team members are looking forward to next year, and as Jennifer S. and Ashley M. stated, "Of course you get to shop for new clothes."

Stay tuned for previews of next year's episode of KHS team #114 goes to court.

from around the world, and to provide them with a unique learning environment that encourages not only academic achievement, but also diversity, cooperation and social responsibility." "Students develop a sense of independence and responsibility," said Dr. Paul M. Lisnek, the NSLC Director of Academics and former Assistant Dean of Loyola University Chicago School of Law. "They leave with a true feeling of accomplishment and confidence in their ability to handle the challenges that lie ahead."

The NSLC offers leadership conferences on Mastering Leadership, Law and Advocacy: The Trial, Law and Advocacy: The Appeal, Medicine and Health Care, Business and Commerce, International Diplomacy and Congressional Process, Policy and Politics.

STRIKING FORCE Bowling

Matthies, Inc., 131-49; Wrackem n Crackem, 126-54; Quality Cabinet Shop, West Bend Company Store, 110-70; Sario's Chix Mix, 109-71; Help Wanted @ Weiland's, 108.5-71.5; Bill Dei Excavating, 105.5-74.5; Keith's Marina, 104-76; Miller's Furniture/Miller Funeral Home, 100-80.

Pam Pietrangelo, 504; Lisa Wnuk, 214; Lisa Wicke, 539 (206); Jeanette Patasius, 545 (205); Janine Breuer, 506; Mary Krueger, 201; Julie Mondroski, 203; Pat Leach, 586 (214); Karen Kandel, 564 (203, 204); Judy Wiedmeyer, 544 (213); Donna Cornelius, 508.

K-TOWN SKAT WINNERS

Skat winners on Monday, Feb. 10th were: Henry Schmitz, 20-0--20 net; Frank Endejam, 476 points; Dan Uelman, 84 high play.

The next skat will be Monday, Feb. 24th, at 7:00 p.m. sharp. Angie D's K-Town Saloon.

K-TOWN SHEEPSHEAD WINNERS

5 Handed winners on Tuesday, Feb. 11th were: Lori Heisler, 64-6--58,16-8--11; Whitey Heisler, 53-6--47, 21-4--17; Edward Knuth, 54-7--47, 16-5--11.

The next 5 handed call-an-ace will be Tuesday, Feb. 25th at 7:30 p.m. sharp. Angie D's K-Town Saloon.

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Erica Christie Selected to Attend National Student Leadership Conference

WASHINGTON D.C. - Erica Christie, Kewaskum High School class of 2004, has been selected to participate in the National Student Leadership Conference (NSLC) on Medicine and Health Care, an extraordinary leadership development program for outstanding high school students. Erica is the daughter of Eric and Terry Christie of Kewaskum.

While attending the NSLC, Erica will have the opportunity to study, experience, and develop the skills and traits that define and identify a leader. This summer, approximately 1500 gifted high school students from across the United States and from 45 countries around the world will

find themselves immersed in a learning environment unlike any they have ever experienced.

These young leaders return to their schools with increased potential and newly developed abilities that enable them to make a positive difference in their communities.

During the conference, students attend special workshops and classes where they study the "distinctions of leadership." Special guest speakers (that in previous years have included U.S. Secretary of Education Rod Paige, former U.S. Secretary of State Madeline Albright, former Attorney General Janet Reno, President of the World Bank, James Wolfensohn

and Supreme Court Justices Anthony Kennedy, Sandra Day O'Connor and David Souter as well as world-renowned surgeons, international medical researchers, Ambassadors, Pentagon and White House officials) add a sense of reality and bring current national and international issues to life.

Through participation in this extraordinary 11 day program, students develop their abilities to think on their feet, to engage in critical analysis, and to communicate effectively - skills that will serve them well as leaders in high school, college and throughout their lives. The NSLC mission is to identify and recognize outstanding young leaders

DAYS GONE BY

50 Years Ago

October 31, 1952

Regal Ware, Inc. of Kewaskum Friday was host to a special committee of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). Regal is one of four private industries in the United States being visited by the committee. The group of 45 visitors from 11 countries is composed of selected government, military and industrial personnel who were nominated to NATO as representatives of their respective governments. Included are experts from Belgium, Canada, France, Greece, Italy, The Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Turkey, United Kingdom and United States. The tour is part of an international program designed to increase ammunition production in Allied countries through the pooling of technical information. Of particular interest is the development and production of steel cartridge cases for artillery shells of the type being manufactured by Regal Ware, Inc.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Blumke, who operated the Sportsman's Inn tavern at the intersection of Main Street and Fond du Lac Avenue for the past 15 months, have leased the business to Lyle and Dorothy Smith, proprietors of the Bar-N Ranch, who will take possession this Saturday, November 1. Mr. and Mrs. Blumke purchased the tavern from Mrs. Tillie Schaefer, who operated the business many years before retiring. They came here from Milwaukee and will return to that city to again make their home. Mr. and Mrs. Smith operated the Bar-N Ranch, located seven miles northeast of Kewaskum during the summer. The Smiths will continue to operate the Bar-N on weekends only during the winter months.

The Kewaskum Chapter of Future Farmers of America are again holding their regular monthly meetings. New officers are President, Delmar Kempf; Vice president, George Hanrahan; Secretary, William Haack; Treasurer,

Herman Panzer; Reporter, John Weigand; Sentinel, Carl Koepke.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Theusch, Route 1, Kewaskum, on October 26.

November 7, 1952

Voters of Kewaskum followed the trend of those throughout the county, state and nation in a sweeping, landslide victory for the Republicans in Tuesday's general election. Voters thronged to the polls in unprecedented numbers in the greatest vote in history. After 20 years under the Democratic banner, the GOP party was voted back into power in the United States with the decisive Dwight D. Eisenhower and Richard M. Nixon victory over the Democratic candidate, Adlai E. Stevenson, and his running mate, John J. Sparkman. Along with the new president and vice-president, Republican candidates were elected to all offices in the state and Washington County. A total of 656 votes were cast in the Village of Kewaskum and this number exceeds the previous record vote of 540 cast in 1940. The Village of Kewaskum election board consisting of Val. Peters, chief of election; Harry Schaefer and P.J. Haug, inspectors of election and Harry Koch and William Harbeck, clerks of election, had the honor and distinction of again being the first precinct in the state to report in their presidential election returns. About 15 minutes after the polls closed the results were already in to the Milwaukee Journal and Associated Press, and a couple of minutes later they were the first in the state to be announced over radio station WTMJ. Gov. Kohler was re-elected by the largest margin ever recorded for a Wisconsin chief executive. The state re-elected Senator Joseph McCarthy by a substantial majority over his opponent, Thomas E. Fairchild.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Leland Schaub, Kewaskum, on October 27.



This early century photo taken by the late Edward C. Miller of Kewaskum, depicts a view of the Milwaukee River. It's unknown where exactly the photo was taken but a man made bridge can be seen to the upper right. The postcard is postmarked January 11, 1911 at 2 p.m.. Thanks to Bill Geidel for this piece of nostalgia. Anyone wishing to submit old photographs for the "Days Gone By" column should contact Andrew at 262-626-3312 or akuehl@kewaskumstatesman.com. We need your photos to continue this feature. Please note that we can not use past newspaper clippings for quality purposes.

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BUSINESS NEWS

Kewaskum Residents Win Business Awards

Four employees of Pure Country 92.5 WBWI and Classic Country AM 1470 WBKV have won induction into the Bliss Communications President's Club for 2002.

Debra Mantz, a Kewaskum resident along with two colleagues, Bob Bonenfant and Scott Klemstein, all account executives with West Bend's hometown radio stations, won for outstanding sales performance.

Elaine Williams, also of Kewaskum, secretary, won the "Associates" award, for her contributions in providing customer service. Williams was nominated by her co-workers for the award.

A special awards banquet, attended by the other President's Club winners from throughout the Bliss Communications Radio Group, will be held to salute the winners of this year's honor. The four win a week-

end getaway February 28-March 2 at the Hilton Milwaukee City Center, a free day of vacation, a personalized plaque to display Bliss Communications highest honor, cash and an engraved keepsake.

"Our radio stations are only as good as the people who we employ," said Jim Hodges, Vice President and General Manager, said. "Each of the winners did an outstanding job this past year in servicing our advertisers and listeners. They are all very deserving of this honor." We are all especially proud of them and are great examples of the teamwork we stress internally in order to do the very best job we can to service our listeners and advertisers."

WBKV/WBWI are subsidiary companies of Bliss Communications, headquartered in Janesville. Bliss has owned and operated the stations since 1970.

Ramthun Honored At Awards Banquet

Kathleen Ramthun, FIC, LUTCF, CSA, CLU, of Kewaskum, was recognized for outstanding service at the Catholic Knights Awards Banquet held on February 1 at the Sheraton Milwaukee Brookfield Hotel.

Ramthun received the President's Club Award, which is the most prestigious award given by Catholic Knits, for exceptional sales throughout the course of a year. She also received Ambassador Club status for bringing the most new members to Catholic Knights. Last year, Ramthun was named Agent of the Year by the Ozaukee Washington Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors.

She is affiliated with Catholic Knights' West Bend Agency, located at

3720 West Washington Road, in West Bend.

Catholic Knights is a dynamic, not-for-profit, member-owned organization devoted to enriching lives. In terms of assets, Catholic Knights is the largest Catholic membership organization in the United States that admits men, women and children members.

Catholic Knights seeks to be the most caring and trustworthy society for Catholics, and for more than 100 years has offered a wide range of valuable membership benefits, social and charitable activities, and strong financial products and services. Each year, Catholic Knights members raise more than \$1 million in support of parishes, schools and communities.

Seminar Discusses Importance Of Employee Recognition

Moraine Park Technical College is offering a seminar that focuses on the benefits of positive reinforcement in the workplace on Friday, February 28, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The Importance of Giving Recognition seminar is designed for new supervisors and managers as well as experienced managers looking to upgrade their skills. The ways in which organizations can benefit from employee motivation and performance recognition will be discussed, as

well as how positive reinforcement inspires people to focus on the well-being of the work organization as a whole.

Cost for course number 890-425-001, held at the West Bend Campus' Applied Manufacturing Technology Center, is \$69.

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Non-Surgical Cooled ThermoTherapy™ Procedure Offers Effective, Long Lasting Treatment for Common Men's Health Problem

New Procedure Available at West Bend Clinic to Treat Enlarged Prostate

The West Bend Clinic Inc., a Member of SynergyHealth announced a new treatment option now available for non-surgical treatment of Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia (BPH), commonly known as an enlarged prostate. The West Bend Clinic is the first medical facility in Washington County to offer the latest method of treatment known as Cooled ThermoTherapy.

John Lacey, M.D., a board certified Urologist at the West Bend Clinic, performs the procedure for patients. Enlarged prostate is a condition that causes urination problems in more than 6 million men over the age of 55 nationwide - that number is expected to double by 2020. Despite the fact that awareness of the condition is low, enlarged prostate is the most common health problem that men experience nationwide.

Area men who may suffer from symptoms of an enlarged prostate now have access to the FDA approved Cooled ThermoTherapy treatment, a 30-60 minute non-surgical procedure that offers patients an effective BPH treatment in an outpatient setting without the side effects of drugs or the risks associated with surgery. With over seven years of clinically proven durability, the Cooled ThermoTherapy treatment has been used to treat over 80,000 men nationwide.

Cooled ThermoTherapy treatment is ideal for most patients diagnosed with benign prostatic hyperplasia (BPH), which is a non-cancerous form of prostate disease. Symptoms can be mild to very disruptive to patients' quality of life. They include:

- Inability to completely empty the bladder
- Frequent or painful urination
- Need to get up frequently during the night to urinate
- Weak or interrupted urine stream
- Incontinence
- Difficulty in urinating
- Possible urinary tract infection.

"These symptoms are not an inevitable part of the aging process, but most often an indication of an enlarged prostate, which can be treated. This condition can disrupt your entire life with multiple trips to the bathroom day and night, along with the discomfort it causes. Using the Cooled ThermoTherapy treatment's clinically proven technology, we can now provide safe, effective treatment for an enlarged prostate that restores patients' quality of

life," said urologist Dr. John Lacey of the West Bend Clinic, Inc.

"Unlike previously introduced non-surgical treatments, the Cooled ThermoTherapy treatment delivers heat to the affected section of the prostate, safely destroying the enlarged tissue, while cooling the surrounding healthy tissue, helping to maintain patient comfort during the procedure," said Dr. Lacey.

Dr. Lacey noted that other alternative BPH treatments have only had moderate success, due to patient discomfort or lack of long-term durability. According to a recent report by University of Manitoba urologist Ernest Ramsey, M.D., Cooled ThermoTherapy treatment provided long-lasting outcomes over a three-year period for the great majority of patients studied.

While Medicare and many private insurance companies cover the procedure, it is recommended patients check with their insurance company about reimbursement prior to seeking treatment.

For more information on the Cooled ThermoTherapy System, patients may call the urology department at the West Bend Clinic directly at 262-334-1641 ext 2469 or log on to www.urologix.com or synergyhealth.org.

The West Bend Clinic is a multi-specialty clinic with locations in West Bend, Jackson and Kewaskum. With over 45 physicians on staff, the West Bend Clinic provides full lab and x-ray services, comprehensive primary and multi-specialty

care, and ambulatory day surgery services at the West Bend Surgery Center. Walk-in services are available at the West Bend location at 1700 W. Paradise Dr. on Saturdays and Sundays from 8am-4pm.

Advanced Manufacturing Cluster Council Meeting Feb. 13

The Advanced Manufacturing Cluster Council be held their meeting on Thursday, February 13th at the Applied Manufacturing Technology Center, located on the West Bend campus of Moraine Park Technical College (2151 N. Main Street) at 9 a.m.

An industry cluster is a geographically bounded collection of similar and/or related firms that together create advantages for member firms and the local economy. Clusters encompass an array of collaborating and competing services and providers that create a specialized infrastructure, which supports the cluster's industry. Clusters also draw upon a shared talent pool of specialized skilled labor.

The Cluster Council initiative is a collaborative effort facilitated by UW-Washington County, Moraine Park Technical College, and Washington County Economic Development, and is led by industry leaders. Many successful clusters have established a greater competitive advantage and wealth creation for their regions when

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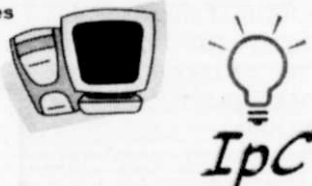
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If you know an individual, family or group that provides outstanding volunteer service, please contact the Volunteer Center for a nomination form. The forms are available at the West Bend office, 239 N. Main St., and at the Hartford office, 765 Cleveland Ave. or by calling 338-8256 (West Bend), or 670-1003 (Hartford).

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"In cases where a return was not filed, the law provides most taxpayers with a three-year window of opportunity for claiming a refund. For 1999 returns, the window closes on April 15, 2003," said Donna Migazzi, IRS spokeswoman for Wisconsin. "Money that is not refunded within three

years generally becomes the property of the U.S. Treasury."

Migazzi said returns must be properly addressed, postmarked, and mailed by April 15, 2003. There is no penalty assessed by the IRS for a late return that qualifies for a refund.

There are many reasons that returns are not filed. Some people who haven't filed could have had too little income to require filing a tax return but may have had taxes withheld from their wages. Others may not have had any tax withheld but would be eligible for the refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC).

"We urge people to double-check their records before the April 15 deadline. About half of the Wisconsin residents who could claim a refund for 1999 would receive a check for more

than \$485," said Migazzi. "We want people to get the refunds they're entitled to."

Migazzi advised that taxpayers due a refund for 1999 will have their checks held if they have not yet filed tax returns for 2000 or 2001. In addition, the refund will be applied to any amounts owed to the IRS and can also be used to satisfy unpaid child support or past due federal debts such as student loans.

Current and prior year tax forms are available on the IRS Web site at www.irs.gov or by calling 1-800-829-3676. People who need help may call the IRS at 1-800-829-1040. To allow time to prepare your 1999 return, request forms and/or tax help by mid-March.

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Angela Herriges

HARTFORD - Angela Herriges, of Kewaskum, has recently been appointed to Banking Center Manager of St. Francis Bank's Hartford Office, located at 709 Grand Avenue.

Herriges will be responsible for managing the branch's overall operations, as well as business and retail development, consumer lending and investment growth. Having been with St. Francis Bank for more than twelve years, Herriges previously served

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A local student named to the list is ReNae Hills of Campbellsport.

Full-time students must complete a minimum of 12 semester hours of credits for letter grades and receive a 3.5 GPA with no incomplete grades to make the university's Dean's List.

Part-time students must have completed a total of 15 semester hours of credit for letter grades at Viterbo with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above. In addition, part-time students must begin the semester as a part-time student (six semester hours or more), complete a minimum of six semester hours of credit for letter grades and achieve a semester GPA of 3.50 or above with no incomplete grades.

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- 4 slices (4" diameter) provolone cheese

Heat oven to 375°F. Unroll dough; place in ungreased 15x10x1-inch baking pan. Starting at center, press out dough to edges of pan. Bake for 10 minutes. Cool 15 minutes or until completely cooled.

Meanwhile, cook spinach as directed on package. Drain well; squeeze dry with paper towels.

In small bowl, combine mayonnaise and 1 of the garlic cloves; mix well. Refrigerate.

Heat oil in small

saucepan over medium-high heat until hot. Add onion; cook and stir 2 to 3 minutes or until crisp-tender. Add sugar and vinegar. Reduce heat to low; simmer 3 to 5 minutes or until most of liquid has evaporated, stirring occasionally.

To flatten each chicken breast half, place, boned side up, between 2 pieces of plastic wrap or waxed paper. Working from center, gently pound chicken with flat side of meat mallet or rolling pin until about 1/4-inch thick; remove wrap. Sprinkle chicken with Italian seasoning and remaining garlic.

Spray large skillet with nonstick cooking spray. Heat over medium-high heat until hot. Add chicken; cook 8 minutes or until browned, fork-tender and juices run clear, turning once.

Cut cooled pizza crust into 4 rectangles. Remove rectangles from pan; spread each with 1 Tbsp. mayonnaise mixture. Top 2 rectangles with chicken, spinach, onion mixture, cheese and remaining crust rectangles, mayonnaise side down.

Heat large skillet or cast iron skillet over medium heat until hot. Place sandwiches in skillet. Place

smaller skillet on sandwiches to flatten slightly. Cook about 1 to 2 minutes or until crisp and heated, turning once. Cut each warm sandwich into quarters.

Makes 8 sandwiches; 4 servings.

Denise Yennie, a business consultant and mother of two from Nashville, Tenn., took home the \$1 million grand prize in the 40th Pillsbury Bake-Off® Contest for her quick-and-easy Chicken Florentine Panini recipe.

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Jamie Dutschek speared this sturgeon last February.

Hello friends,

Wisconsin's largest lake is Lake Winnebago. Lake Winnebago is also home to North America's largest sturgeon population. This week, I had the pleasure of spending four days on the frozen waters of Winnebago trying to spear a sturgeon. I was with a group of 10 men from both the Oshkosh and Necedah areas.

Saturday, February 8
High 14, Low -6

Of all the outdoor sports I participate in, fishing the Great Lakes is the only one that requires more knowledge and gear than sturgeon spearing.

When the season opened this morning at 6:30 a.m., there were 4,150 spearing shacks on Lake Winnebago. With combined sturgeon licenses and conservation patron tags, there was a potential for 34,036 spears.

This year marks the 73rd consecutive spearing

season. I have learned how absolutely huge sturgeon spearing is to the Lake Winnebago area.

This morning, I sat in a shack with Jamie Dutschek, a full-time fireman out of Oshkosh. Since my wife, Laurie, and I moved to Necedah three years ago, we have become friends with Dave Dutschek and his family. They are, to say the least, very active in both outdoor and indoor sports.

Dave, Jamie and the youngest brother, Joey, have teamed with a half dozen other spearmen from the Oshkosh area. I think it is fair to say they are completely absorbed in the sport.

Our group had seven shacks on the ice this morning. Each shack contained a hole cut in the ice that measured about three feet by six feet with a spear hanging on a hook over the top of the center. The spear is about eight feet in length,

has a detachable head and has a 25-foot rope tied to the shack.

Our gang was set up near Neenah over 14 feet of water. Out of all in seven shacks, only 18-year-old John Renke saw a sturgeon. He spotted three fish that were either too fast or that he thought may have been under the minimum length of 36 inches.

Sunday, February 8
High 8, Low -9

Sturgeon spearing is full of tradition. I am learning that again this year. Yesterday, after spearing closed at 12:30 p.m., we went over to Payne's Point Tavern where sturgeon are registered and samples are taken from each fish. Media throughout Wisconsin were on hand taking pictures and doing interviews.

After taking pictures of a 76-pound hog from the bottom, our gang headed over to a local establishment that had a tent with music, burgers and beer (the basics). There were several hundred outdoorsmen and women on hand. It was a really cool place to hang out. Interesting topics so far: The DNR is checking spearmen by helicopter. It is so cold out that nothing mechanical (ATVs, chainsaws, etc.) wants to work. And after visiting Jerry's Bar in Oshkosh (a longtime outdoorsmen's hangout) and seeing the full amount of 112 pounder in a glass case, I am addicted.

I'm sure my wife will have no problem giving me the \$1,500 to \$2,000 bucks required for the big pig I plan on spearing some day - much less the full wall it will require to display!

John Rehnke has the only hot hole. Today, he created some memories, but not meat. He threw on two

separate occasions, but came back with an empty spear both times.

It seems a sturgeon spearer's day is never done. At 12:30 today we decided to move five of our shacks. With a windchill of 25 below, the chainsaw we were using to cut holes in the 20-26 inches of ice was constantly freezing up and had to be warmed in our vehicles.

I spent four days spearing with this gang. I listened to the stories of the kills they have made over the years, and I saw their pictures. Unless I die or lose my health, I think I will always take part in the sport called sturgeon fishing.

Think winter!
Sunset

Defense Costs Lady Indians Another Game

By Kyle Darmody
Student Reporter

Giving up another 60 plus points on defense the Kewaskum girls varsity basketball team, dropped its second game in a week when they lost to New Holstein 63-49 last Thursday, February 13 in Kewaskum.

"We actually played a pretty good game," Indian Coach Anne Ignatowski said. "We hustled, played with intensity and stuck together as a team," she continued. The Indians started the second half and came out "hacking." New Holstein was in the bonus early and they got to the line 32 times, as compared to the Indians 13 times.

"We played much better than we have been playing. If we continue to play this way, we can finish the year strong," Coach Ignatowski said.

Katie Dorn played an excellent game. She played, by far, her best game of the season. She led the Indians in scoring with 13 points, on 6/8 shooting, while also

grabbing seven boards. "She played tough and aggressive," Ignatowski said.

Lindsay Keller added nine points, on 4/7 shooting, while Ashley Welch added eight points. Jenny Koth had three steals for the Indians.

The Indians record stands at 3-15 overall, and 1-11 in conference, with only two regular season games left to go. One of them was scheduled for Tuesday, February 18 at home against Sheboygan Falls, the Indians last home game of the year. Their final regular season game before their first round regional game is at Two Rivers on February 21.

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Lady Indians Pounded By Ozaukee's Paulus

By Kyle Darmody
Student Reporter

Courtne Paulus of the Ozaukee girls varsity basketball team nearly scored half of Ozaukee's points as the Ozaukee girls pounded the Kewaskum girls varsity basketball team, 60-38 last Tuesday, February 11 in Ozaukee.

Paulus ended up with 27 points for Ozaukee, and the next highest scorer for Ozaukee was eight points.

The lady Indians fell behind 18-2 in the first quarter and were unable to catch up. Kewaskum cut the lead to 28-15 at the half, but were unable to pull any closer the remainder of the night.

Jenny Koth led the Indians with 11 points, Lindsay Keller led the Indians with boards as she snagged six, while the little point guard Beth Boedeker grabbed five. Katie Fahney had a nice game as she had six steals and three assists.

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Sturgeon Spearers Take 410 During Opening Weekend of Lake Winnebago Seasons

OSHKOSH - Marginal water clarity and ice conditions slowed the harvest of lake sturgeon during opening weekend from its torrid pace of just three years ago. But totals for the 2003 Lake Winnebago lake sturgeon spearing season still ran ahead of last year's take on opening weekend.

Through Sunday, Feb. 8, spearers had harvested a total of 410 lake sturgeon, compared to 371 during the opening weekend of the 2002 season. They added another 54 sturgeon to the total on Monday, inching closer to the harvest caps that trigger an earlier closure than the statutorily allowed 16 days.

The harvest cap is 400 for adult females, 400 for juvenile females, and 1,300 for males. When spearers reach 80 percent of any of those harvest caps, the season closes at the end of spearing hours the next day. Through Monday, Feb. 10, spearers had taken 78 juvenile females, 175 adult females, and 211 males.

"Given the current harvest rate, I expect the season to last well into the coming week and possibly into next weekend," says Ron Bruch, fisheries supervisor stationed in Oshkosh.

The 2002 season ran the full 16 days, reflecting a combination of poor ice conditions and water clarity in some areas, as well as emergency rules, made permanent for the 2003 season, that limited spearing hours to half-days. Those factors reversed the pattern set during the 2000 and 2001 season, when the seasons each closed in a record two days after spearers reached harvest caps.

The 2003 season harvest totals and aerial counts of ice shanties suggest that DNR and the citizens advisory group that advises DNR on the Lake Winnebago lake sturgeon fishery are achieving their goal of assuring spearing opportunities but limiting pressure on the ancient fish species.

Concern in the late 1990s over the vulnerability of adult females led to the harvest caps and a series of subsequent regulation changes to reduce pressure on that population, including a measure that required spearers to buy their spearing license before Nov. 1, 2002, if they wanted to participate in the 2003 season. For instance in the year 2000, spearers took 2,517 sturgeon in a season that lasted just two days.

Overharvest of adult female lake sturgeon is a concern because they're the backbone of the population and because they don't spawn until they are 20 to 25 years old and then only every three to five years. In addition, female fish grow bigger and so tend to be targeted by spearers.

Overharvest of these female fish can crash a population of these late-maturing, long-lived fish, and take generations to rebuild.

The biggest fish taken so far this season, weighing in at 109.5 pounds, was registered by Paul Seelow of Larsen at the registration station at Payne's Point west shore of Lake Winnebago. Spearing continues to be best for fishermen on the southern end of Lake Winnebago, which had the greatest concentration of the estimated 4,150 ice shanties counted in aerial counts. "Over half of the shanties were on the southern fifth of the lake, north of Fond du Lac," Bruch says. "That probably accounts for the best harvest success being reported on the southern lake."

DNR wardens and local law enforcement depart-

Indians Fall to Conference Leading Huskies

By Kyle Darmody
Student Reporter

The 40 point first half performance by the New Holstein Huskies, never really allowed the Kewaskum boys varsity basketball team to have a chance at the game and in the end the Indians fell to the Huskies 77-65 last Friday, February 14 in New Holstein.

"New Holstein played more aggressive in the first half," Indians Head Coach Dave Nordeng said. "They crashed the boards, got loose balls, and had great rhythm in the first half and put up 40 points," he said.

Kewaskum did battle much better in the second half and did cut the lead to nine at one point, but that would be as close as they got. Another huge contribution to the loss was offensive lapse on the Indians behalf in the first quarter as they only put up six points.

Travis Kempf led the Indians with 22 points and 11 boards, while Josh Timblin was close behind with 20 points, and five assists. Dave Wicklund also had five assists. The next closest offensive production for the Indians were Kyle Darmody with eight points and Matt Hartmann with seven.

The Indians had a lot of fouls in this game with 26. Adam Gitter and Dave Wicklund fouled-out for the Indians.

The Indians record drops to 6-6 in conference, and 8-10 overall, as they approach their final two games of the year. Their last home game of the year is Friday, February 21, which is also "Senior Night." The Indians close out the year at Sheboygan Falls next Friday, February 28.

ments continue to caution fishermen, ATV and snowmobile operators, and others driving vehicles to be extremely careful on the ice. Ice conditions continue to hold due to cold weather, but remain uncertain due to earlier thaws. They report that there are many spots where thin ice is masked with new snow. Water clarity continues to be 8 to 11 feet.

Find a daily update of the 2003 sturgeon season harvest online at www.fishingwisconsin.org

4-H News Boys Freeze Roncalli in The Snow

Submitted by:
Mitch Weindorf
Kewaskum 4-H'ers

The Kewaskum 4-H'ers held their meeting on February 6, 2003. Before the meeting, refreshments were served. The meeting was called to order by Vice President Crystal Lepp. The pledges were then done. Roll call was answered with when should you wear a helmet.

The Secretary's, Treasurer's and Ambassador reports were given. The Hats and Helmets game was played. Activity reports were tubing, record book rally, taking down of Christmas trees, new member orientation, Tri-County Youth Conference, and project meetings.

Next the Friends Helping Friends committee did a game for the icebreaker.

Old business, new business, and announcements were then discussed. Included in discussion were the Admirals game on February 28, 2003. Communication and Arts Festival, Bowl-a-Thon on March 23, Skate Country on February 23, Camping/club picnic, and the next Record Book Rally.

The next club meeting is March 6, 2003 starting at 6:30 with refreshments.

Maple Sugarin' Season

Riveredge Nature Center tips off its 32nd Maple Sugarin' season Sunday, February 23rd with a Family Tapping Event from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Since 1961 approximately 130,000 visitors have been immersed in the time-honored art of collecting sap from Riveredge's extensive sugarbush and processing it into pure maple sugar.

According to Don Gilmore, Riveredge Facilities Manager (aka "The Big Sap"), "Family tap-

ping marks the start of all the fun. Last spring we collected 5,937 gallons of sap, then rendered it down over a wood fire in the classic way. It's a process that's been used in Wisconsin since antiquity. European settlers learned the principles from the Indians. We'll be helping Family Tapping participants drill a hole, tap a tree, and hang a bucket."

Gathered daily, the sap from over 300 maple trees goes into the evaporator at the Sugar Inn to be cooked down into maple syrup. About 40 gallons of sap are needed to make one gallon of syrup.

This is a FREE event.

U.S. Air Force Rescue Dogs

By Wally Daggett

Back during the years 1949 and 1950 I was a member of Flight C, Sixth Air Rescue Squadron. We had various flights located throughout Labrador, Baffin Bay, Newfoundland, Greenland and further North Arctic Outposts. It was our duty to rescue downed aircraft or victims of any other disaster in this vast arctic region. To accomplish our task we used dog sleds, mushers who handled the dogs and large, strong husky dogs along with other rescue equipment. Helicopters were first coming into the rescue picture and once they proved how much better and faster they were the dog sleds were faded out.

The dogs supplied their own shelter by digging out large holes in snowbanks for warmth. Their main food was huge chunks of raw meat. No one, but the mushers or dog trainers were allowed near them. Actually, they were kept hundreds of yards away from the outpost.

All dogs were fitted with harnesses that could be attached to parachutes. The sleds were also equipped in this fashion. The musher or dog master was a paramedic rescue man. Therefore, any emergency away from the post the whole team, dogs and musher, would be flown out to the rescue site where they would parachute out. We used converted B-17 bombers, famous in World War Two. They were called SB-17s. The S stood for search.

Every year the dog teams were entered into the National Dog Races at Ottawa Canada. I was selected to be part of the air crew flying the dogs to the races. As fate would have it, we flew through some of the roughest weather I can recall in my 18 months on this tour of duty.

The races were held on the Ottawa River. The river was frozen over this time of year. The river flowed through the center of the city of Ottawa. We stayed in the nearby city of Hull. Due to the rough flight the dogs got very sick. It was the only

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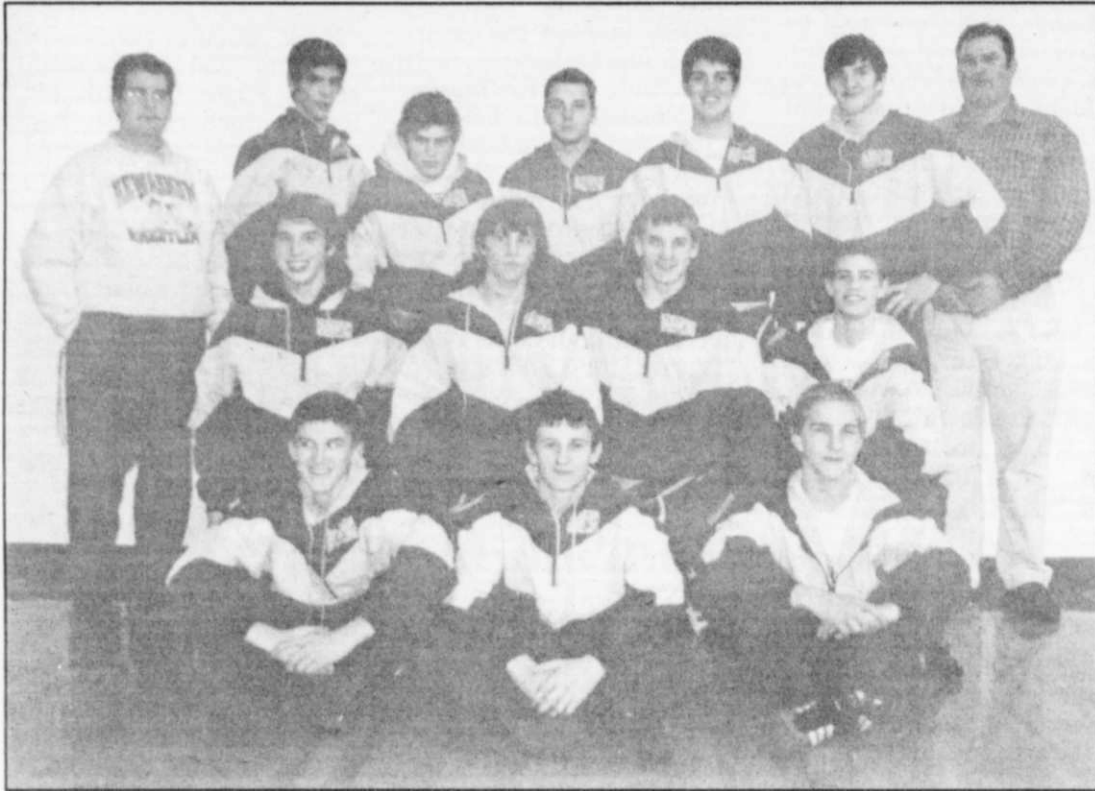
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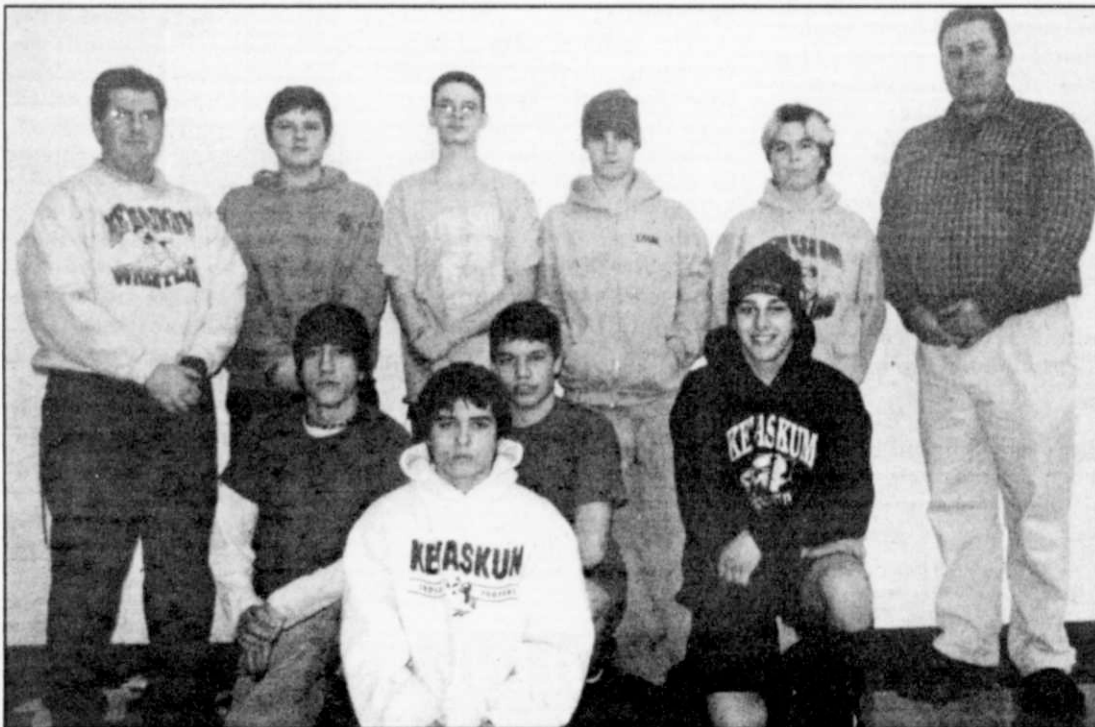
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KEWASKUM SPORTS

2003 Boys Wrestling Team



The 2003 boys varsity wrestling team. Front row, left to right, Jon Hawig, Jason Jahnke, Scott Rhoads, middle row, John Olla, Nick Bartley, Jake Sabel, Zach Holm and back row, coach Kevin Chambers, Noah Olla, Aaron Olla, Davi Cibulka, Josh Peterson, Marty Harris and coach Dennis Aupperle.



The 2003 boys JV wrestling team. Front row Tony Kudek, middle row, left to right, Adam Woebeking, Justin Eitheir, Levi Spaeth, back row, coach Kevin Chambers, Zack Zander, Mitch Herriges, Dan Shileny and Jac Chambers and coach Dennis Aupperle



Tee Pee Talk



Girls Basketball (JV & FR start 6, Varsity starts at 7:30 p.m.)

2/21 - A - Two Rivers
2/25 - Regionals
2/27 - Regionals

Boys Basketball (JV & FR start 6, Varsity starts at 7:30 p.m.)

2/21 - H - Two Rivers (Senior Night)
2/28 - A - Sheboygan Falls

This information is also available on the Statesman's website - www.kewaskumstatesman.com.

Indian Wrestlers Take Third at Grafton Regional

By Kyle Darmody
Student Reporter

The Kewaskum varsity wrestling team, had five individuals who advanced in their state tournament runs, as the team took third at the Grafton Regional last Saturday, February 15.

Two of the individuals took first in their division, while the other three finished second in their divisions. Marty Harris and Noah Olla, were the two who finished first, while Scott Rhoads, Aaron Olla, and Josh Peterson all finished second.

Marty Harris had a first round bye, before pinning Phil Horn of Pewaukee in the second round (:20). In the third round Harris won by decision over Pat Hensel of Milwaukee Lutheran 12-5.

Noah Olla pinned Ryan Schimber of Random Lake in the first round (3:03). In the second round Olla picked up another pin, this time over Nate Kornblum of Brown Deer (5:38). In the third round Olla major decided over Neal Rosenberg of Grafton, 14-4.

Second place finisher Scott Rhoads pinned Jeremy

Depres of Random Lake (1:18), in the first round, then lost to Ramon Smith of Brown Deer in sudden death overtime, 5-5. In round three Rhoads major decided J.T. Metzger of Pewaukee 17-5. In round four Rhoads pinned Ryan Knap of Grafton (:55).

Second place finisher Aaron Olla pinned Robert Niffenegger of Random Lake (3:13), in round one. In round two action Olla decided Chris Goldbach of Brown Deer 8-4. In round three Olla picked up a loss to Jordan Williams of Pewaukee, 5-4.

In the final round, Olla decided Brandon Arendt of Grafton, 7-5 in overtime.

Finally second place finisher Josh Peterson pinned Dustin Weyker of Random Lake (1:36) in the first round. In the second round Peterson lost by fall to Lars Neske of Grafton (:56). In the final and third round Peterson pinned John Carley of Pewaukee (1:24).

These five wrestlers now advance to the sectionals of the WIAA State wrestling tournament.

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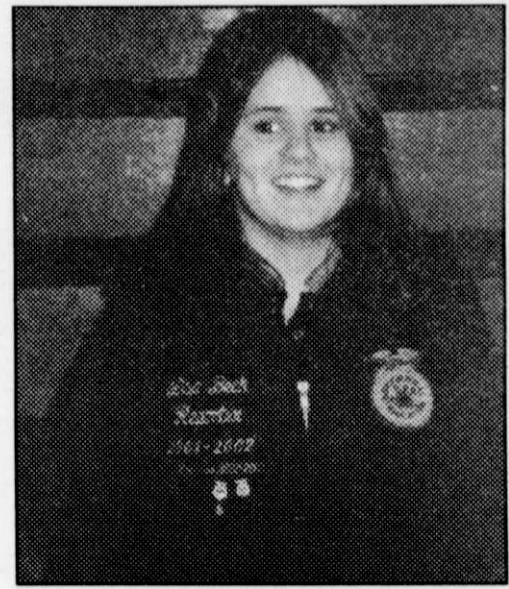
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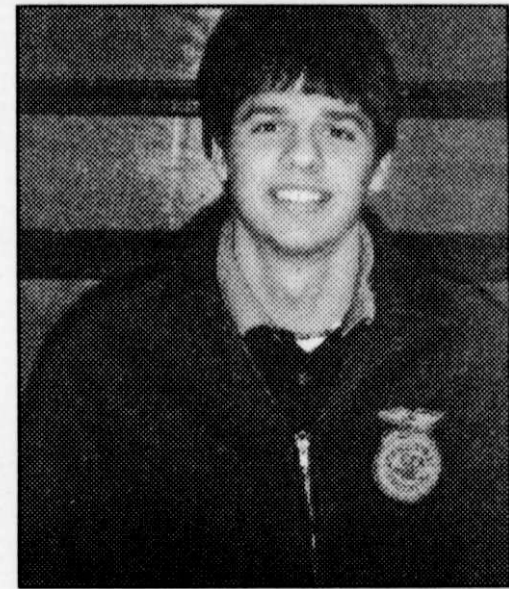
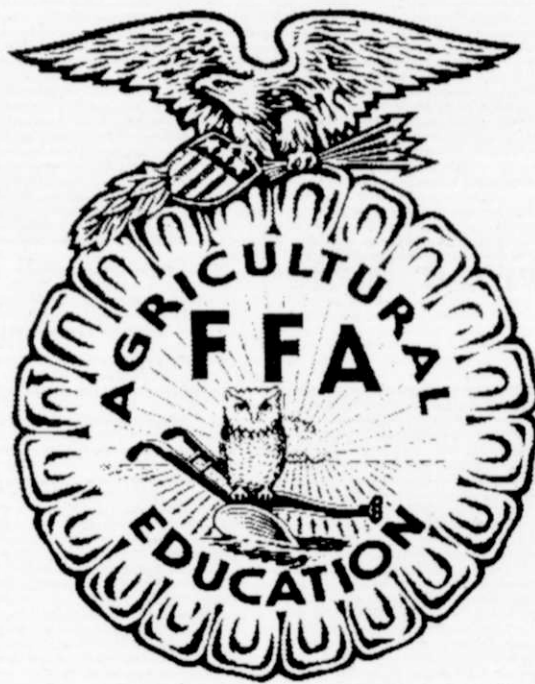
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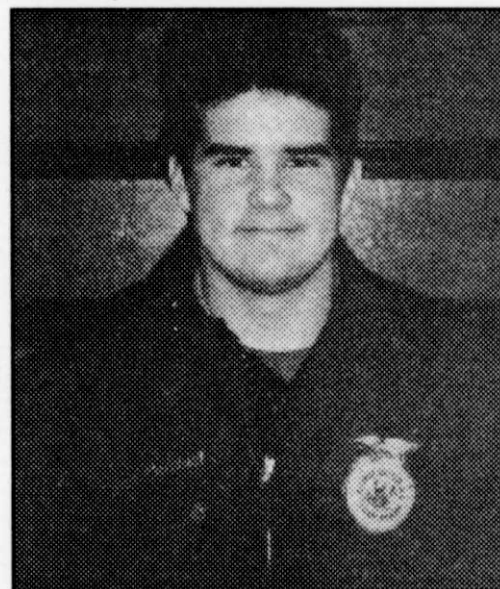
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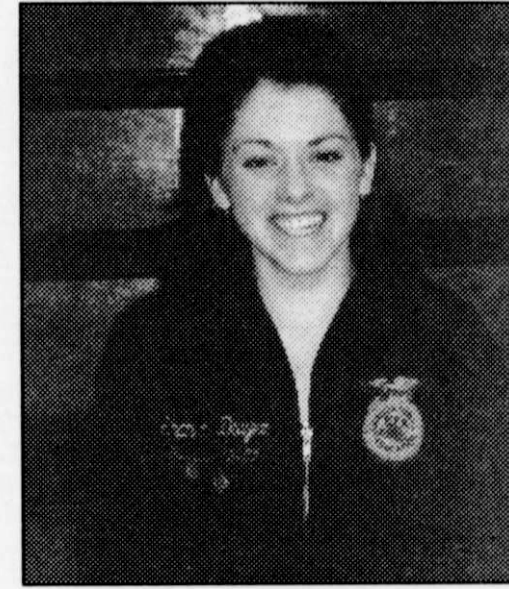
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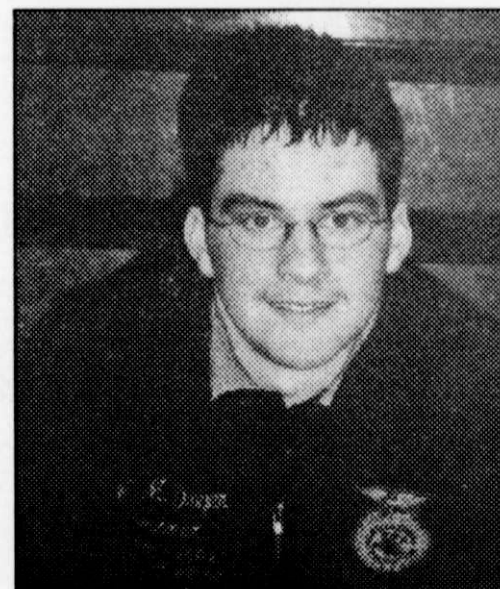
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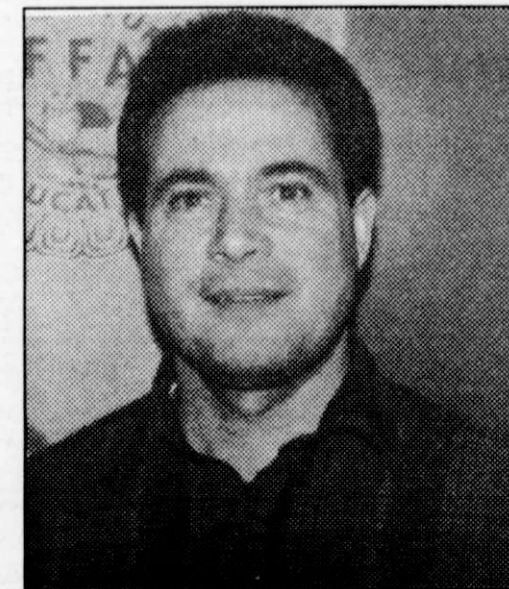
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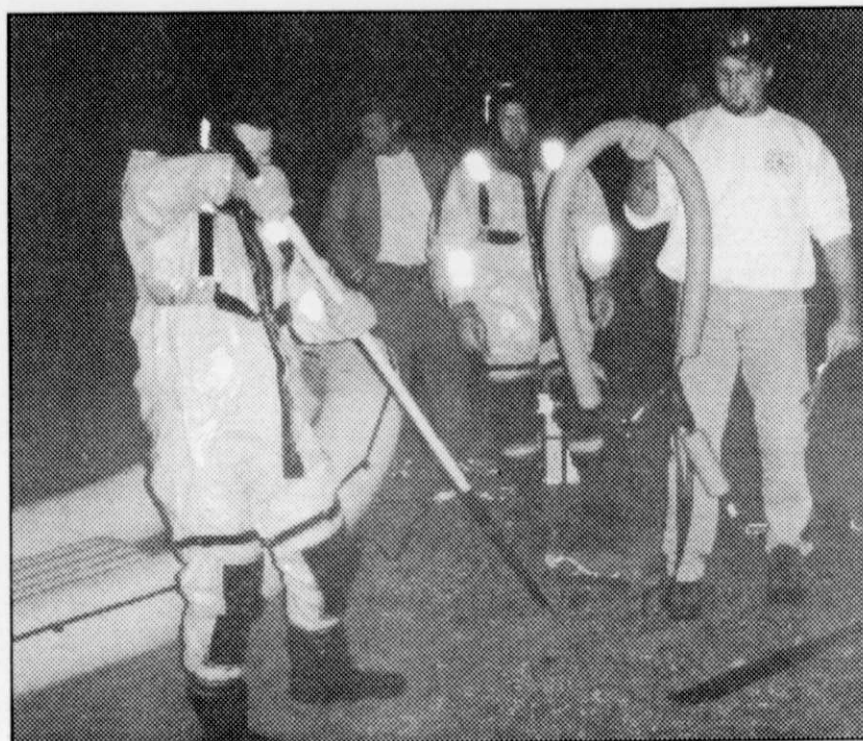


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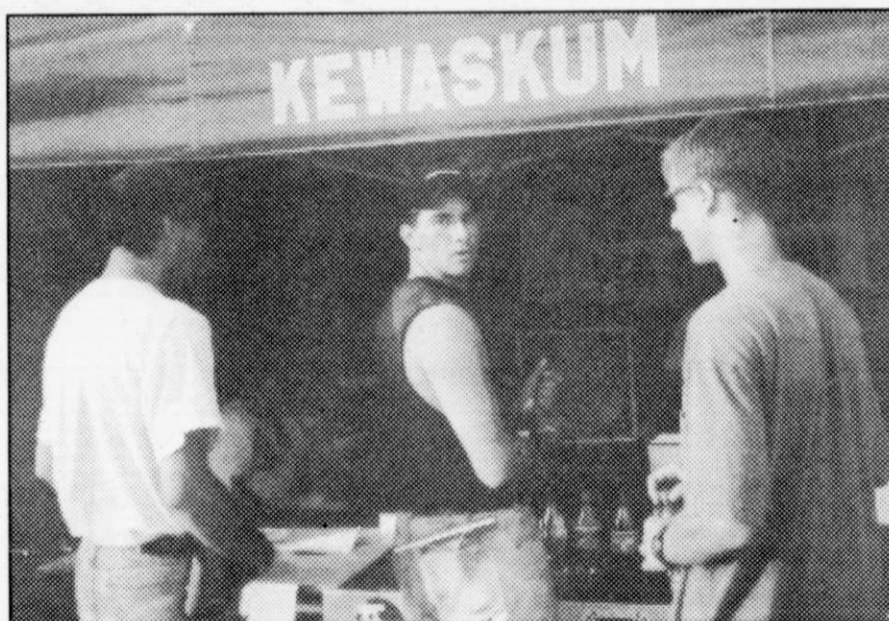
Lee Schmidt stands by the "Caution: Worker Ahead" sign during our Adopt-A-Highway program. The road that the FFA is responsible for is Highway 28 from Hwy. BB to Midland Drive. Volunteer FFA members cleaned the highway twice a year as part of our community service activities.



During our safety activity in October, the Fillmore Fire Department held a water rescue demonstration to show how to save a drowning victim. The members of the fire department, Jeff Steinert, a former FFA member in the far right corner, Graig Goettl in the yellow flotation suit, Peter Muth, behind Graig, and Bill Weber, another current FFA member in the yellow flotation suit in the left corner, held the demonstration for the FFA. The demonstration was held at Green Lake in the town of Farmington.



Dr. Greg Ogi of the Kewaskum Vet Clinic helps out one of his many patients at the annual Rabies Clinic during April of 2002. Drs. Greg and Charles Ogi have been very generous to donate their time and supplies to help prevent rabies, as well as donate the proceeds of the clinic to help fund a scholarship for an active FFA member who plans to attend college with an emphasis on agriculture.



Shown above are Josh Hesprich, left, Matt Dwyer, center, and another fair-goer at the right outside the Kewaskum FFA Alumni Booth. The booth is set up every year outside the beef barn. They sell milk and ice cream to help support their organization.

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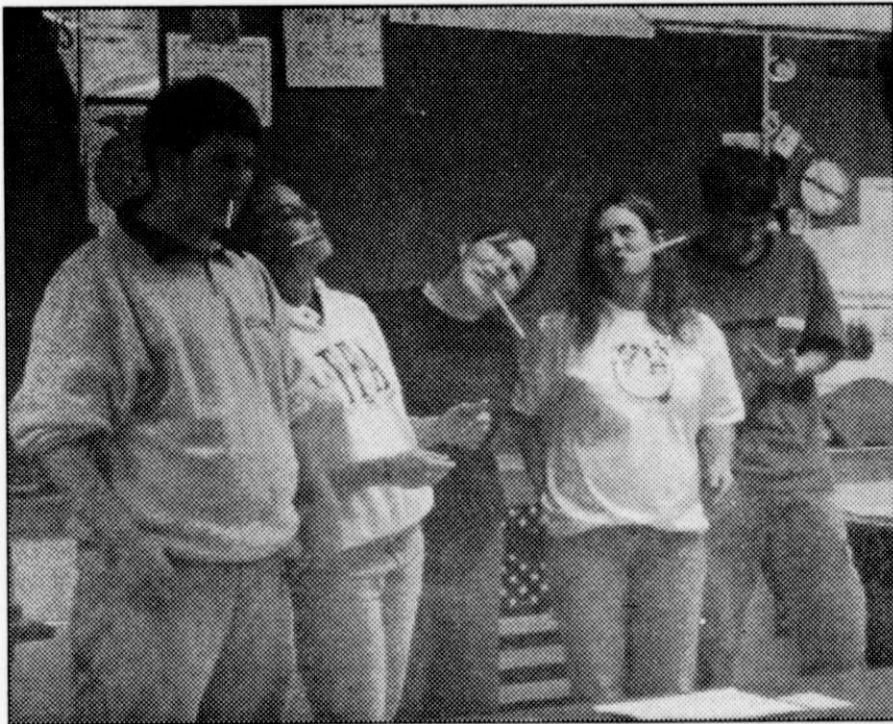
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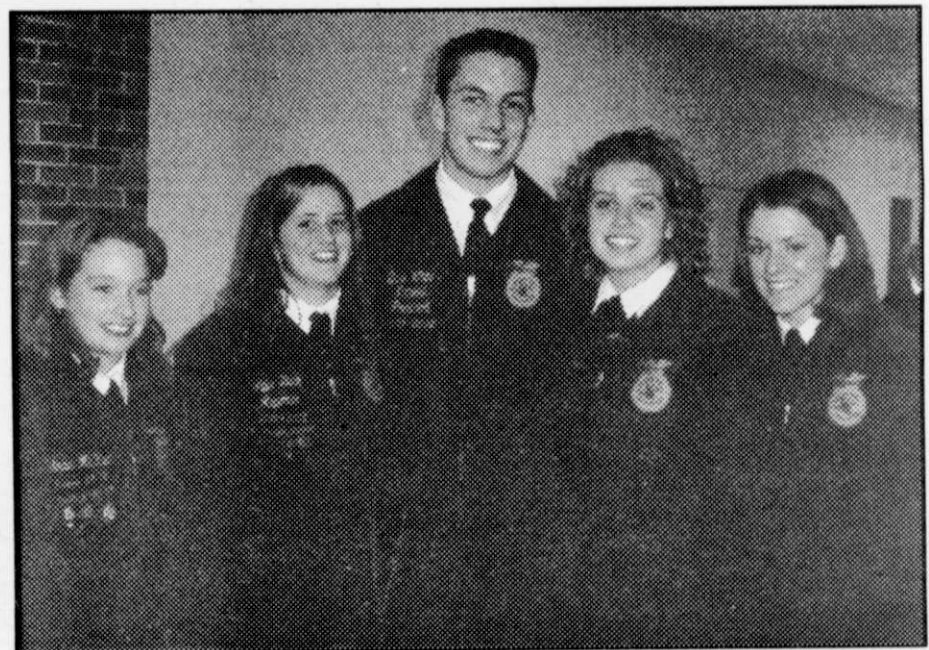
Shown here is Tom Ramthun, 2002 State FFA Tractor Driving Champion, finishing the four-wheel competition. Other categories included two-wheel driving, tractor troubleshooting, mechanics and safety exam, and overall safety for the day.



Shown above, left to right, are Lee Schacht, Michelle Weber, Lee Schmidt, and Shannon Dwyer at the National Convention during the week of October 28th to November 1st. These members were given the opportunity to see Muhammad Ali, Rick Pitino, and Rulon Gardner. They were also able to listen to motivational speeches and meet other FFA members not unlike themselves from all over the United States. They came home with new ideas for their chapter and an experience that they will never forget.



Shown left to right are Sam Lieven, Michelle Weber, Stephanie Broughton, Lisa Beck, and Scott Bloecher playing a game, with straws, in their wildlife class. They had state Sentinel, Ron Henningfeld visit them during the school day. He came to talk to the kids about FFA and all the opportunities it holds for them. They learned new ideas about leadership and cooperation, and how working as a team can lead to success.



In the above picture, from left to right are Melissa McKee, Lisa Beck, National FFA President, Dane White, Michelle Weber, and Shannon Dwyer at an officer leadership workshop held in East Troy, Wisconsin. Each officer was split into various rooms according to their position and given advice on how to become a better officer.



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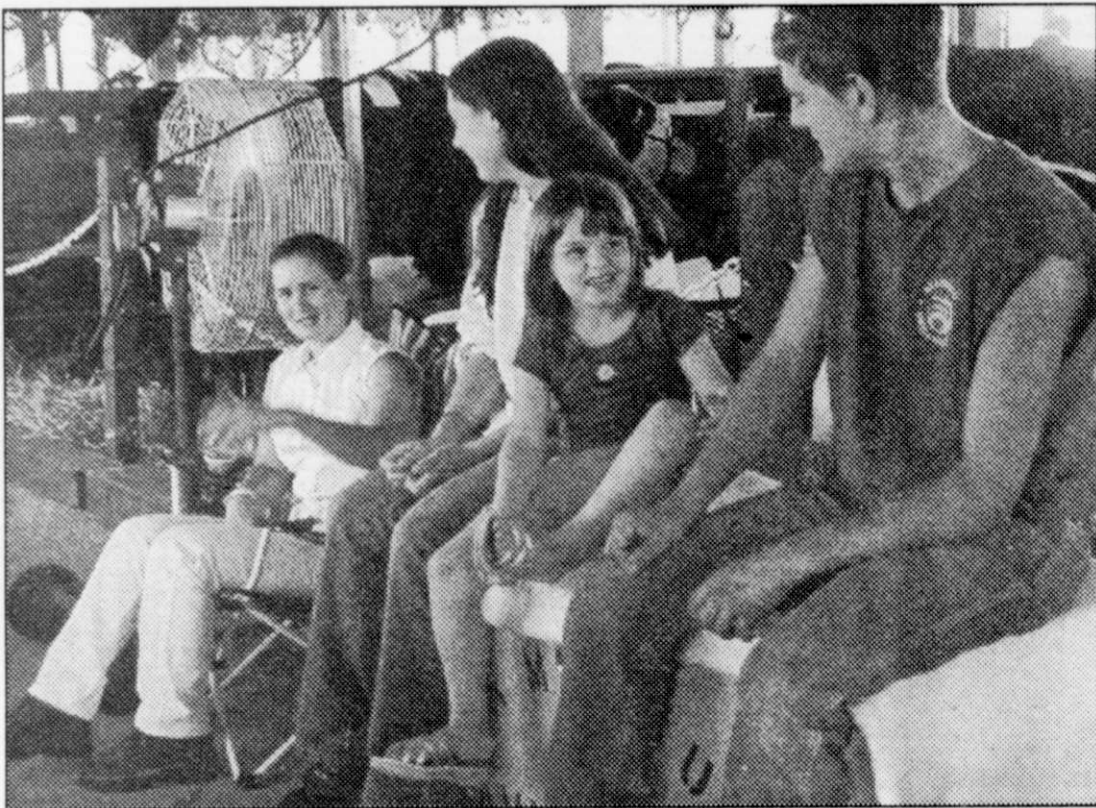


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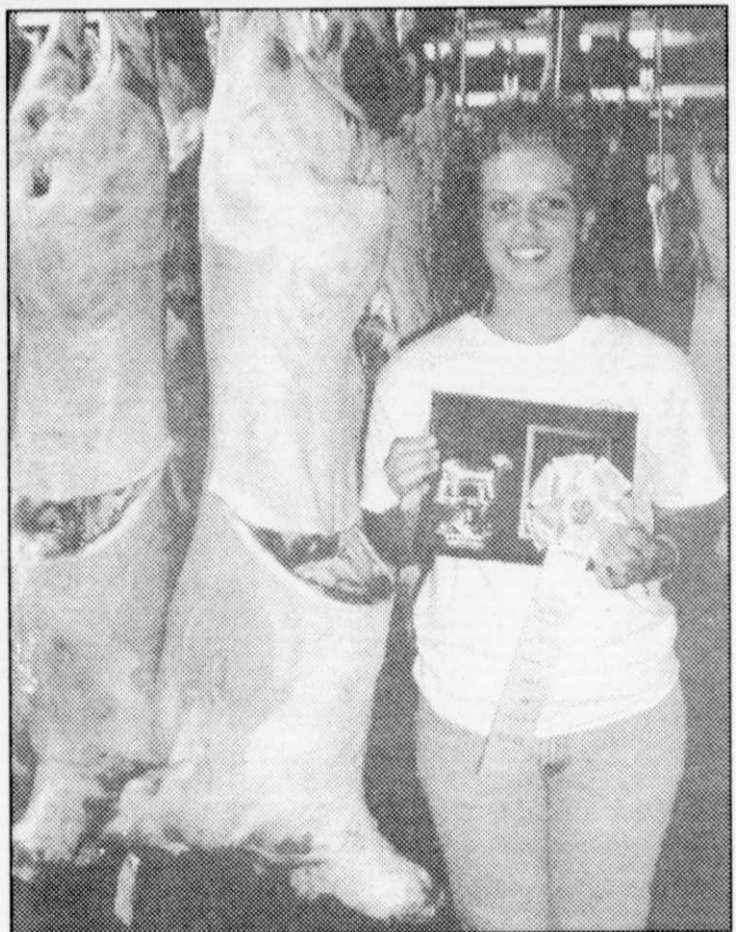
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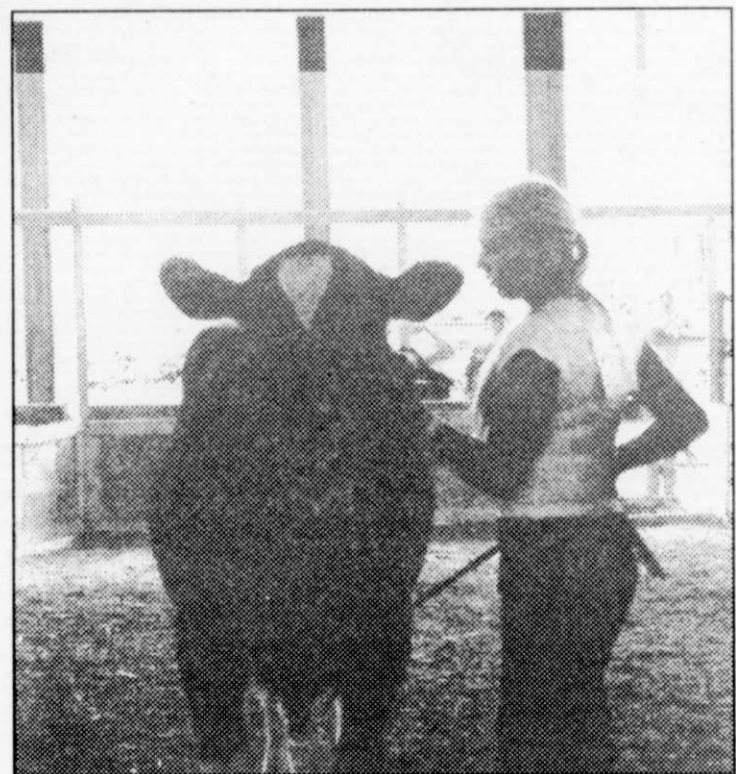
Lisa Beck, far left, and Artie Klemme, far right, talk to friends during barn duty in the steer barn at the Washinton County Fair. During barn duty, members take turns keeping the barn clean and answering any questions that fair-goers may have.



Shown here is Michelle Weber at Kewaskum Frozen Foods receiving an award for Reserve Champion Carcass for her fair lamb. L&R Trophy bought the lamb at the auction held on Thursday night at the County Fair. Her Suffolk lamb had a live weight of 108 pounds and a carcass weight of 66 pounds. She has shown lambs for the past four years and she showed pigs for one year.



Pictured above is Corey Darmody, center, as he drives his blue ribbon market hog in the show ring at the 2002 Washington County Fair. Corey has been active showing hogs through 4-H and FFA since he was a young boy. Corey is a senior at Kewaskum High School this year.



Above Kim Krogman shows her holstein dairy beef steer at the 2002 Washington County Fair. This was Kim's first year exhibiting an animal at the fair. Kim has been an active member, being involved in community activities, as well as participating in judging contests.

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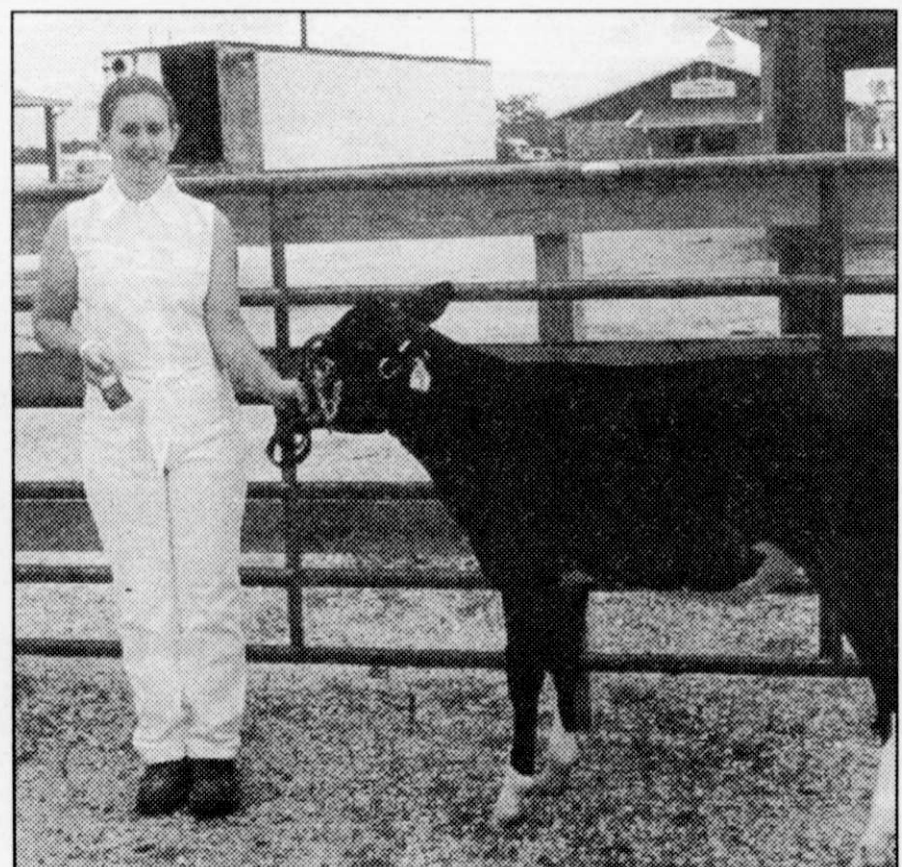
Pictured here is Matt Dwyer with his reserve champion cross-bred black Angus steer, "Jimmy." The steer weighed in at 1355 pounds. It was purchased by Prescott's Pick N' Save. This was Matt's third year exhibiting beef at the Washington County Fair.



Pictured here is Michelle Weber (left), and Shannon Dwyer at the Washington County Fair. Michelle won her trophy for the Reserve Champion Homebred and Raised Lambs. Shannon was awarded the Champion Showmanship trophy for her lamb. Each member received their trophy with honor and pride for their patience and hard work preparing their animals for the fair.



Mandy Henderson proudly shows her horse, Maverick. This was Mandy's first year showing horses at the Washington County Fair. Other members showing were Becky Herriges, Johanna Schulte and Samantha Schoofs. Mandy competed in four classes. She took a first in Halter Class and placed in the Trail Class, and the Hunt Seat Equitation, English Pleasure and Hunt Showmanship classes.



Pictured above is Lisa Beck as she shows her spring calf, Myra, at the County Fair. She received a first red ribbon. This was both Myra and Lisa's first year showing in the dairy class. She also showed her steer on Thursday morning. Shannon Dwyer, another Kewaskum FFA member, showed her yearling heifer, Emerald. She also received a first red ribbon. Shannon also shows steers and sheep.



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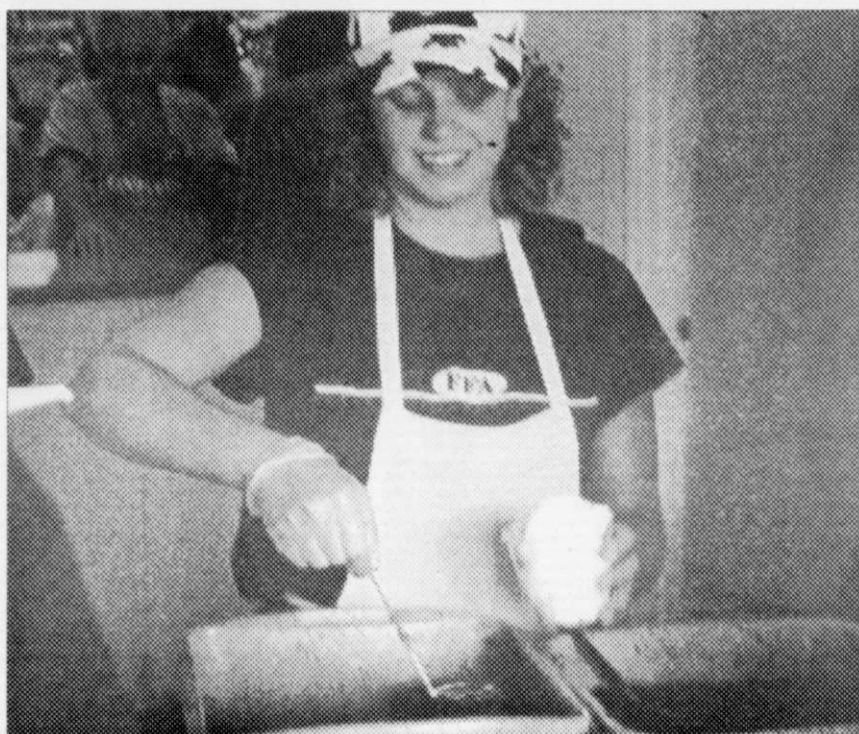
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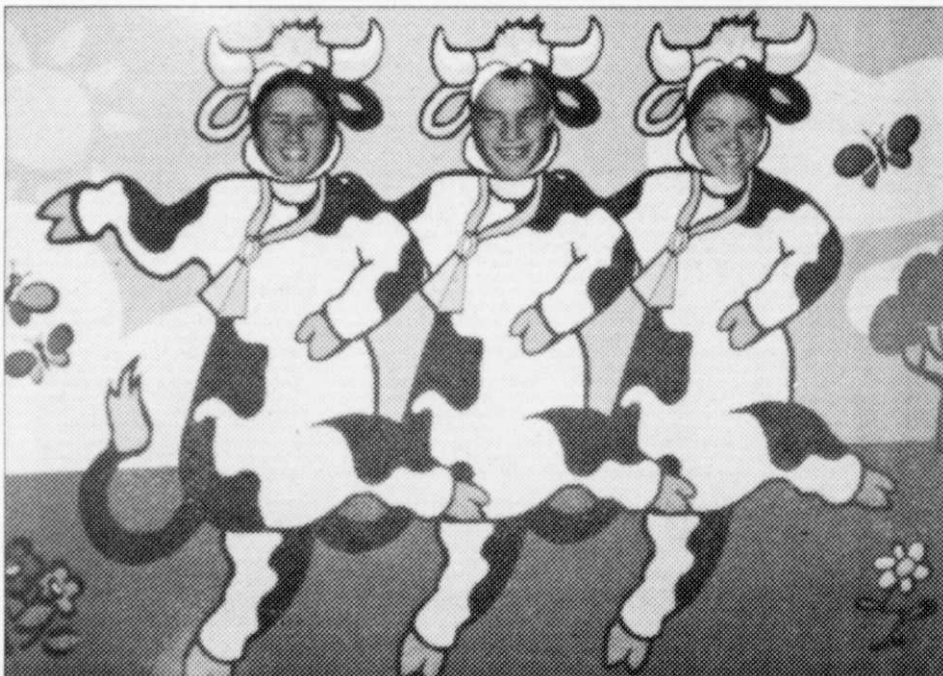
Activities Keep FFA'ers Involved



Lisa Beck, left, Samantha Schoofs, center, and Debbie Ramthun ride the FFA float which they decorated for the Homecoming parade in October. Riding alongside these FFA members were two dogs, Pixie and Snickers. They were added to show FFA is not just for farmers and about farm animals. Agriculture (and the FFA) includes small animals, such as cats and dogs. The float was pulled by an antique Farmall-H owned by Chris Nieskes and driven by Jon Lendved.



Pictured above is Michelle Weber topping an ice cream sundae with fresh raspberries at the State Fair Ice Cream Booth. Michelle has been working at the ice cream sundae booth for the past three years. For the past nineteen years, the three chapters in Washington County, Hartford, Slinger and Kewaskum, have successfully operated the ice cream booth every summer during the Wisconsin State Fair. Each chapter volunteers eight hard working members for every day to work ten hour shifts with two half hour breaks. Visit our booth in the Wisconsin Products Building during the 2003 State Fair and enjoy a delicious sundae prepared by your local FFA chapter.




Lisa Beck, Tom "moo-ve over" Ramthun, and Shannon Dwyer take a moment to pose for a picture at the Wisconsin FFA Convention in Madison during the first week of June. They were three of the six delegates that attended the convention.



Shannon Dwyer, shown on the left, and Michelle Weber, on the right, are directing "field traffic" at Breakfast on the Farm. The girls had been up since about 4:30 a.m. and directed the traffic until about 10 a.m., and then went and ate an old fashioned farm breakfast.

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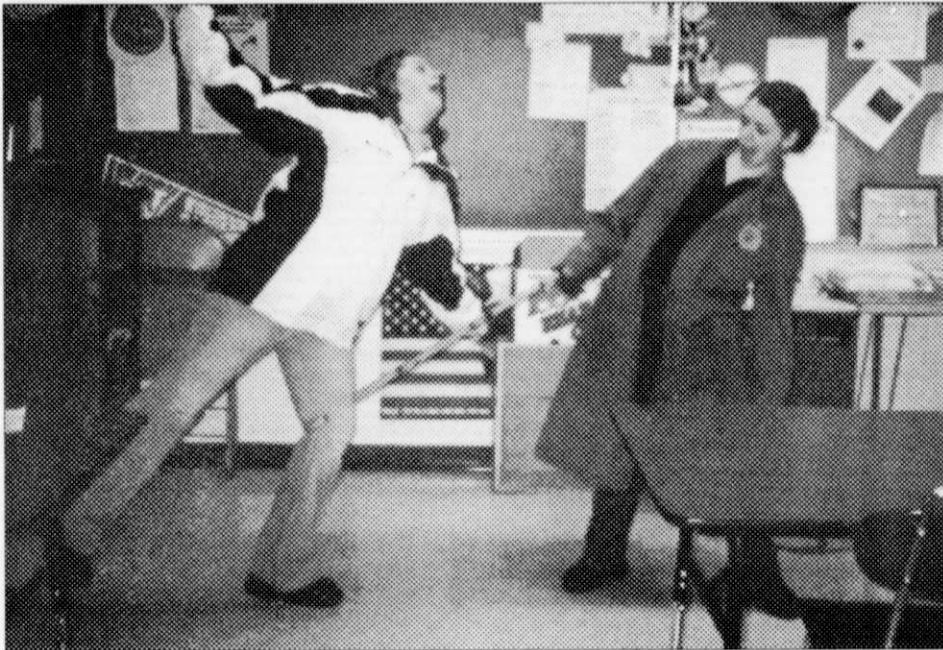
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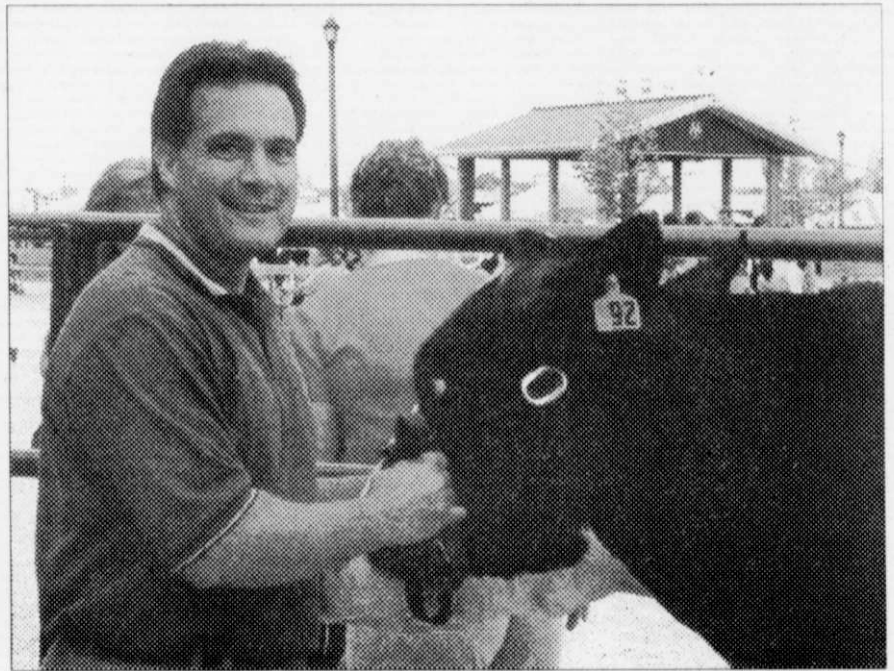
 
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Shannon Dwyer, the lab-coat-supermodel (right) and Michelle Weber, left, have a little acting career of their own as they get ready to leave the agriculture room after a hard day of learning and working on FFA activities.



Mr. Rizzard shows Stacy Belk's cow at the Washington County Fair during the advisor show. Members could enter their advisor or other leaders to show in a showmanship class to get a feel of how the local 4H and FFA members compete in the ring.



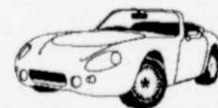
Rocking away above are Shannon Dwyer, left, and Lisa Beck, right, at the Washington County Fair riding on Buford and Bessy in the Dairy Barn during barn duty. These two lovely wooden rocking cows were made by the boys in the Kewaskum High School woodshop and placed in the Dairy Barn for entertainment for the younger fair-goers.



Pictured above is Cam Howey sleeping in the sport van on the way home from the State FFA judging contest held in Madison. The FFA members left around 6 a.m. and judged until about noon. The rest of the day was reserved for the drive back to Kewaskum and some much needed nap time.

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A Word From The President



Melissa McKee

As current president of the Kewaskum FFA Chapter for the 2002-2003 school year, I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself, reflect on the accomplishments of the chapter throughout this year, and enlighten you to all of the activities that the FFA has to offer.

I would like to start off by helping you to get to know me a little better. I am currently a junior at Kewaskum High School. This is my third year as an active FFA member. My parents, are Kenneth and Shirley McKee. My parents along with my brother Tim and I, live on the family farm. I am currently a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church and a member of the Fillmore Fire Department. I am presently attending classes to become a First Responder with the department.

After I graduate I plan on attending college to pursue my lifetime dream of becoming a veterinarian or possibly a vet tech. I believe that it is my involvement in the FFA that has helped me to get motivated to become successful after my high school career.

One of the goals of the FFA is to get students motivated and help them make career decisions that will influence what they do after high school. The FFA is the largest youth organization in the world which helps promote leadership skills in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success. The FFA motto, Learning to Do, Doing to Learn, Earning to Live, Living to Serve, has and still is standing strong for thousands of FFA members across the nation.

There are many project areas for all types of students in the FFA. Listed below are just some of the Supervised Agricultural Experiencing Programs (S.A.E.P.) that FFA kids can get involved in; Beef Production, Equine Science, Floriculture, Home and/or Community Development, and many many more. The FFA also has many other things to offer other than S.A.E.P. There are many chances to travel through the FFA. I have had many opportunities to travel in just the three years that I've been an active FFA member. I was able to travel to Madison for the State Convention for the last three consecutive years, and the National FFA Convention in Louisville, Kentucky.

I recently had the opportunity to travel to Stevens Point for a Half Time Conference. There are also many other places for members to travel to only if they take the opportunity to do so. There are also many scholarships available for students who are active in FFA. There are many awards that members may receive if they participate and are willing to take some time and apply for the awards.

There are also many career opportunities that may arise out of a member's involvement in the FFA, which may come from participation in speaking contests, career development contests, or simply attending a career leadership workshop. The FFA has so many different paths for students to follow to success that could last a lifetime!

The FFA is not only about making decisions that affect student's careers, it is also a chance to get to meet new people and possibly to develop long lasting friendships with all different kinds of people.

The common misconception of the FFA is that it is just for farm kids. The truth of the matter is that the letters FFA no longer stand for Future Farmers of America. The letters simply mean FFA and nothing more, the organization DOES NOT consist of just farmers, it is made up of all types of students which all have something to contribute to the FFA.

Before I begin to reflect on the accomplishments of the chapter for the present year, I would like to take a brief moment to say a special thank you to the seniors on the officer team that graduated last school year. These seniors are: Tom Ramthun who served as chapter President, Peter Marx who served as Vice President and Niky Fischer who served as the Secretary. These three individuals contributed many great things to this FFA Chapter. They left last year by leading this year's officer team on a path of success. Thank you!!!

The officer team for the 2002-2003 school year are: Melissa McKee as President, Lee Schacht and Lisa Beck as Vice Presidents, Shannon Dwyer as the Treasurer, Michelle Weber as the Secretary, Reporter is Lee Schmidt, Sentinel is Matt Dwyer and our Advisor is Mr. Dave Rizzardi.

The Kewaskum FFA chapter keeps our members busy all year by doing various activities. Soon after school ends in June, the Kewaskum FFA travels to Madison for the State Convention. Here the members participate in various workshops, listen to motivational speakers, and see the projects that the top members in the state get awarded for.

Last year Tom Ramthun and Peter Marx received their state degrees, the Kewaskum FFA chapter received a Bronze medal in Safety, a Silver medal for Food For America, and a Bronze medal in National Chapter. We also had Shannon

Dwyer receiving an award for her Growmark Essay and a Bronze rating in Dairy Production. Tom Ramthun also was awarded for taking first place in the State Agronomy Judging Contest. Congratulations to all!

In July, the chapter showed the public what we're made of at the Washington County Junior Fair. Our FFA members enter projects in all areas at the fair, such as dairy, beef, swine, sheep, poultry, rabbits, horses, crops and many different crafts. The Kewaskum FFA was again well represented with our members doing excellent in all areas of show. Congratulations on all of your effort and hard work.

Following closely after county fair is the Wisconsin State Fair.

Here the Kewaskum along with the Hartford and Slinger chapters run an ice cream booth in the Wisconsin's Product Building. The members from these chapters, work hard all day selling milk and ice cream to customers. This is one of the chapter's major incomes for the year.

Also, last year we had a competitor in the state tractor-driving contest at the State Fair. This contest participant was Tom Ramthun. He received first place in the contest. Congratulations on a job well done!

Soon after school begins the chapter holds its fall family picnic. Members new and old are invited to attend with the rest of their families to enjoy an afternoon of food, games and fun. The Kewaskum FFA Alumni also attends and also holds a meeting for their members.

The FFA also put a float in the homecoming parade this past year. It consisted of a wagon with members and various types of animals. All of the members that participated had a wonderful time.

On October 3, 2002, the officer team and Mr. Rizzardi attended a Leadership Workshop in East Troy. Here the officers learned what is expected of them throughout the course of the year. They also attended workshops to help them understand their duties as officers, how to get others in the chapter motivated for the upcoming year, and how to get all of the members involved.

Each year the chapter sends teams to the World Dairy Expo in Madison. Here the members participate in judging contests, learn about new technology, meet the State Officers, and get to see all of the different types of dairy cows that people enter into the show.

This year, the Kewaskum

FFA had the opportunity to see the Fillmore Fire Department have a water rescue demonstration. The evening consisted of a demonstration on how to inflate the rescue boat, how to put on the suits that the rescuers wear, and how to save a drowning victim. Some of the FFA members got the chance to get a ride to Green Lake, which is where the demonstration took place, in some of the departments' trucks. The FFA members then had a meeting afterwards back at the department. I would like to say a special thank you to the Fillmore Fire Department and to the members of the department that took time out of their busy schedules to show the FFA how the rescue effort works.

The Kewaskum FFA chapter sent four delegates to the National FFA Convention in Louisville, Kentucky this year. Those members were Michelle Weber, Shannon Dwyer, Lee Schacht and Lee Schmidt. Here, the members got a chance to mingle with FFA members from across the entire nation, (about 50,000 members) meet the National FFA Officer Team, and attend various workshops and a career development show.

A fairly new activity for the chapter is Adopt-A-Highway. This year the Kewaskum FFA Chapter cleaned STH 28 from BB to St. Kilian Heights, around the fall of the year. Members worked along side the road for about two hours. Our goal is to clean the highway at least two times per year.

One of the chapter's other major incomes is our Fruit, Cheese, Sausage and Kringle sale which the Kewaskum FFA does every year. Members go out into the community to sell products to those who are interested. I would like to take a moment to thank those of you who helped our sale in any way. Thank you!

Last year the Kewaskum FFA had a Food For America Program. Lisa Beck, Shannon Dwyer, Michelle Weber and Lauren Schultz went to the area elementary schools to teach the children about cows and where the food that they eat comes from. The chapter plans on holding a similar program again this year.

The Half Time Conference was held in Stevens Point on

January 3rd - 4th. The Kewaskum FFA sent two delegates to the conference. The delegates were Michelle Weber and myself. Here we participated in workshops where we talked about how things were going with our chapters so far this year. We attended several workshops, which got us motivated to end the year with success and prosperity.

On February 14 - 15, Shannon Dwyer and Lisa Beck attended a Farm Forum. A conference that helps students make career decisions that will hopefully help them in the future.

In closing, I would like to take a brief moment to say thank you to all of the parents, members, teachers, FFA Alumni members, past advisors, the school administration and anyone else I might have missed, for supporting the FFA in all possible aspects. I would like to thank all of the businesses and people who helped make this supplement possible. I would especially like to thank our chapter advisor Mr. Dave Rizzardi for his support of the FFA over the past 25 years. Mr. Rizzardi is one of the most dedicated people I know who has touched the lives of many students, who I'm sure, are very thankful.

I would also like to thank all of my family, my best friends, and all of my loved ones for their support in my involvement in FFA. Without your help, I am confident that I would not be where I am today. I would like to take this opportunity to ask you to keep in your thoughts and prayers the family of Joshua Buncich. Josh passed away in a tragic car accident this past year. Josh was not only a wonderful friend, he was also a valuable member of the chapter. He will be greatly missed by all.

Again, thank you to all who have contributed to the success of this chapter over the years. Your help is very much appreciated.

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