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School district announces new daily schedule for 2007-'08 school year

KEWASKUM- The Kewaskum School District announces new arrival and dismissal times for next school year (2007-08). The new times allow for an early dismissal of two hours on every Wednesday.

Superintendent of Kewaskum Schools Mike Krumm says that by increasing the elementary student day by 10 minutes and the secondary student day by 20 minutes, instructional time remains within Wisconsin requirements while allowing for the early dismissal on Wednesday for staff development.

The following are the new times for Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday: KHS and KMS 7:40 a.m.-3 p.m. All elementary (KES, FES and WES) 9 a.m. - 3:50 p.m.

On Wednesday the new times are as follows: KHS and KMS- 7:40 a.m. - 1 p.m. Elementary 9 a.m. - 1:50 p.m.

Students will attend four-year-old kindergarten on Monday, Tuesday,

Thursday, and Friday with home visits being held on Wednesdays and during evening hours.

The School District is collaborating with St. Lucas Lutheran School, Holy Trinity Catholic School, and local daycare providers on this plan. Students will have the option of going home or participating in supervised activities sponsored by the school, churches, and other local agencies. Because the media center and computer labs will be available to students, the students can use this time for projects and assignments. Assistance will also be provided to students for their homework.

Early dismissals will be consistently held on Wednesdays so that parents can better arrange childcare and also schedule appointments for their children on Wednesday afternoons. No longer will there be random early dismissal or late arrival times, and the secondary will not be on a different

day than the elementary.

"Quality staff development is one of the most important investments that a school can make for its students. For staff development to occur, teachers need to be available at the same time. The Wednesday early dismissal is an assured time when everyone can be brought together," reported Krumm

Through staff development, teachers learn new methods for teaching and stay current in the subjects that they teach. A considerable body of research suggests that quality staff development has a greater impact on student achievement than class size, new materials, technology, or facilities. Without a strong investment in the quality of our teachers, the improvement of our schools and the overall effectiveness of student learn-

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C-Sport's Vogt barred from NASD

By Andrew Kuehl
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A well-known financial planner from Campbellsport has been barred permanently according to the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD). She also faces felony criminal charges in Dane County for violating securities laws.

Donna Vogt, 48, was a branch manager for Raymond James Financial Services (RJFS) and operated her office, Sunshine Creek Financial, out of her home.

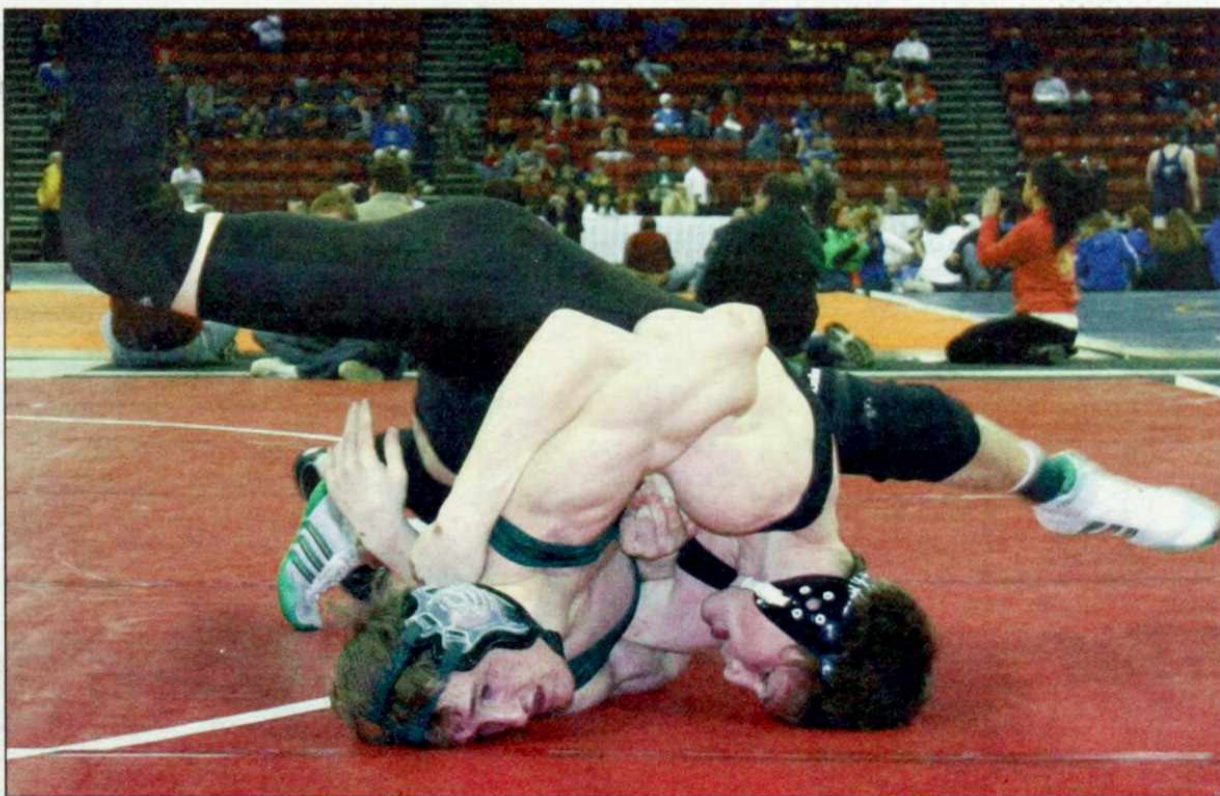
During her tenure as branch manager for RJFS the NASD alleges that Vogt recommended unsuitable mutual funds and variable annuity purchases to elderly or retirement age customers, and made misleading statements to customers in correspondence. As the branch manager, she was the only registered person working in her office of six.

The NASD report says she maintained hundreds of customer accounts and sold mainly mutual funds and variable annuities. Many of her customers were of retirement age or older. Of her approximately 700 accounts, more than 90 percent listed their primary investment objective as "growth" and risk tolerance as "medium."

RJFS failed to detect or prevent these unsuitable transactions by Vogt. The firm also failed to prevent Vogt from sending misleading communications to some of her customers, in part because the firm allowed all of its producing branch managers, including Vogt, to review their own incom-

Please see **Vogt, Page 4**

Ogi comes home with fourth



Kewaskum High School senior Eric Ogi, brought home another fourth place from the W.I.A.A. state wrestling tournament held last week in Madison. Shown above Ogi wrestles Joe Farrell from Gillett/Suring. Two other Kewaskum wrestlers did not fare as well as Ogi. A complete article can be found on page 23 of this edition. Kewaskum can be very proud of our coaches and players for a fine representation of our community.

Statesman photo by Janet Backhaus/Redwing Photography

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Victories are always temporary; so are defeats.

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ON THE RECORD



Rescue Calls

On February 21, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched to the town of Kewaskum for a person that had dizziness. A transport was made.

Also on February 21, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched to the town of Auburn for a person that had back pain. A transport was made.

On February 23, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched in the village of Kewaskum for a per-

son that was unresponsive. A transport was made.

On February 24, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched in the village of Kewaskum for a person having a possible seizure. A transport was made.

Also on February 24, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched in the village of Kewaskum for a person that had difficulty breathing. A transport was made.



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Larry and Peggy Folz to James Euer, \$159,900.

Joel and April Serwe to Kewaskum Nature Haven LLC, \$85,000.

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Janet Uhlman to Richard and Jennifer Blank, \$188,000.

TOWN OF KEWASKUM

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Joshua J. Bera, West Bend and Ashley M. McDonald, West Bend. Wedding Feb. 26.

Shawn D. Wren, town of Addison and Bobbie J. Gertsch, town of Addison. Wedding Feb. 23.

Michael J. Sekeres, town of Farmington, and Lisa D. McCauley, town of Polk. Wedding March 3.

John F. Bender, West Bend, and Dena M. Christofferson, West Bend. Wedding March 1.

Stephen M. Ackley, West Bend, and Katie M. Brigham, West Bend. Wedding March 17.

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Tuesday, March 6 -- Roast turkey, sweet potatoes, green beans, multigrain bread, apple streusel cake.

Wednesday, March 7 -- Stuffed green peppers, rosemary roasted potatoes, carrot coins, dinner roll, banana cake.

Thursday, March 8 -- Veal bird, mashed potatoes with gravy, corn and peppers, whole wheat bread, chocolate ice cream.

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

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



VETTER -- A son, Tyler Thomas, was born to Katie and Tim Vetter of Kewaskum on February 20, 2007 at the Aurora Medical Center, Hartford. Tyler weighed seven pounds, 12 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Gary and Doris Schladweiler of Kewaskum. Paternal grandparents are Dale Vetter and Tracy and Patsy Gavin, all of Kewaskum. Maternal great-grandparents are John Klippel of Adell and Gertrude Schladweiler of Kewaskum. Paternal great-grandmother is Vivian Vetter of Kewaskum. Tyler joins siblings Hailey, 6, and Trenton, 5, at home.

ROECKER-SMITH -- A daughter, Audrianna Rose, was born to Brittany Roecker and Joshua Smith of West Bend on February 17, 2007 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Audrianna weighed nine pounds and was 21 inches long.

LANGER -- A daughter, Ashlyn Rose, was born to Julie and Jesse Langer of Random Lake on February 16, 2007 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Ashlyn weighed eight pounds, 12 ounces and was 21 inches long.

AXNESS -- A daughter, Kylie Ann, was born to Heather and Robert Axness of West Bend on February 14, 2007 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Kylie weighed seven pounds, two ounces and was 20 inches long.

SPARTZ -- A daughter, Grace Evelyn, was born to Dawn Retter-Spartz and Nicholas Spartz of West Bend on February 10, 2007 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Grace weighed seven pounds, 11 ounces and was 21 inches long.

LEVERANCE -- A son, Chase Joseph, was born to Carrie and Michael Leverance of West Bend on February 9, 2007 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Chase

weighed eight pounds, one ounce and was 20 inches long.

SOPER -- A daughter, Emma Marie, was born to Jessica Harris and Chris Soper of West Bend on February 15, 2007 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Emma weighed seven pounds, seven ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

GARBRECHT -- A son, Thomas Allen, was born to Christine Andrews-Garbrecht and Jason Garbrecht of West Bend on February 25, 2007 at the Aurora Medical Center, Hartford. Maternal grandfather is Mark Lutz of Westfield and paternal grandparents are Jeff and Debbie Garbrecht of Peshtigo. Thomas joins a sister, Allison Andrews, 7 at home.

SABISH -- A daughter, Macy Rose, was born to Sara and Chris Sabish of Kewaskum on February 8, 2007 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Macy weighed seven pounds, seven ounces and was 21 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Glen and Catherine Weinreich of Fillmore. Paternal grandparents are Ron and Darlene Sabish of Campbellsport. Maternal great-grandparents are Rose (Miller) Kuehl of Kewaskum and Virgil and Gloria Weinreich of Newburg. Paternal great-grandmother is Marie Sabish of Campbellsport.

TUESDAY NIGHT SHEEPSHEAD WINNERS

Five handed winners on Tuesday, Feb. 20th were: Lloyd Herriges, 69-6-63, 21-3-18; Jerry Wiedmeyer, 51-9-42, 18-5-13; Delores Mielke, 50-20-30, 19-10-9; Raymond Ruplinger, 45-17-28, 20-9-11; Pat Heaslip, 24 most losses and -6 low points.

The next five handed call-a-ace will be Tuesday, March 6th at 7:30 p.m. sharp. American Legion Hall.

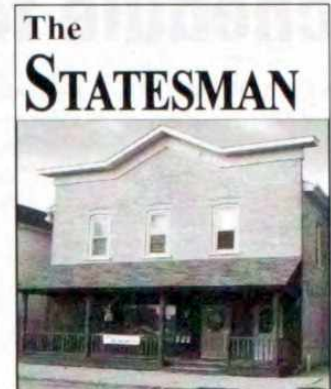
Correction

In the February 15, 2007 edition of The Statesman we were provided the wrong last name for a student mentioned in the honor roll. The name was listed as Kayla Hutchins. The school district recently informed us that the name should be Kayla Hutchinson.

XYZ CARD RESULTS

The winners at cards played at the Municipal Building Annex on Wednesday, Feb. 21st were: SKAT: Teresa Peterson, 20-4-16 net; Allen Reindl, 12-5-7 net.

SHEEPSHEAD: Eileen Petri, Athleen Butzke, Marion Herriges and Nancy Seibert.



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COMMUNITY

Plows work overtime after blizzard dumps a foot of snow



Plow drivers in the village of Kewaskum have pretty much called their truck cabs home since early Saturday morning. An afternoon snowfall left a few inches on Friday evening. "We got through the storm fairly well," stated Director of Public Works Jerry Gilles. He added that none of his plow trucks had any significant damage from the storm. However, normal wear and tear items did break under the pressure of the heavy snow. Friday evening weather forecasters were calling for blizzard conditions, however Washington County was later removed from that forecast. Over a foot was snow was dropped by the storm Saturday. Many churches across Southeastern Wisconsin were cancelled Saturday and Sunday. Father Ed Kornath from St. Michael Parish had to be picked up from a parishioner after his vehicle got stuck in his Kewaskum driveway. Services at both Holy Trinity and St. Michael were not cancelled. Kewaskum Department of Public Works plows have been working at removing snow from the downtown area and hauling it into village parks. Another one to three inches was forecast for Wednesday evening, February 28.

Statesman photo: Andrew Kuehl

Community IN BRIEF

H.T. St. Michael youth looking for work

A group of teens from Holy Trinity and St. Michael parish are looking for work. The youth are preparing to make their annual pilgrimage in July to Rockford Illinois to take part in Catholic Heart Workcamp.

To help pay for their trip the teens are asking for odd jobs and taking donations from those they work for. "Our teens are anxious to help pay their cost to attend this life-changing camp in. Let them help you by doing spring jobs such as raking, cleaning, tree trimming, landscaping and other various tasks," stated Mary Feind, the groups lead chaperone and organizer.

If you have jobs for the teens please contact Bonnie Rapkin at Holy Trinity Parish at 262-626-2650

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School schedule

ing are questionable.

Because the staff workday will remain the same, no additional cost for personnel is anticipated. If the district were to pay teachers for this time outside their workday, it would cost in excess of \$360,000 for the same amount of time that is gained through the early dismissals.

For students utilizing the transportation services, students who want to leave at the early dismissal times will be transported to their usual destinations two hours early. Athletic practices will begin at 3:30 PM on Wednesdays. Supervised activities will be available to students who want to remain at school until their practices begin. Students will continue to have scheduled time for lunch on early dismissal days.

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COMMUNITY

Vogt barred from NASD, faces criminal charges for violations

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ing Vogt, to review their own incoming and outgoing correspondence.

Because of their failing to maintain an adequate supervisory system to oversee the sales activities of over 1,000 producing branch managers working in offices throughout the United States RJFS was given a \$2.75 million fine by the NASD.

"RJFS's supervisory system was inadequate because it allowed producing branch managers to supervise themselves, said James S. Shorris, NASD's Executive Vice President and Head of Enforcement. "This flawed supervisory system created a situation where the unsuitable sales of variable annuities and risky mutual funds to elderly and risk-averse customers went undetected."

According to a news release by NASD, from early 2000 through September 2004, RJFS employed over 1,100 producing registered principals, or branch managers, most of whom worked in small, geographically dispersed offices. The firm relied on an electronic transaction surveillance system maintained by RJFS's Compliance Department, and a series of exception reports, to flag



Donna M. Vogt

transactions that required further review.

NASD found additional supervisory deficiencies at RJFS. Branch managers reviewed and endorsed most of their own variable annuity activities. RJFS's Compliance Department screened variable annuity purchases using only three exception reports. The exception reports did not screen variable annuity transactions for suitability based on customer net worth, annual income, investment experience or concentration of variable annuity holdings as a percentage of net worth. NASD contends as a result, Vogt's unsuitable variable annuity recommendations went undetected.

After being stripped of her title as a RJFS branch manager and fired from the

firm, Vogt opened an office for Brookstreet Securities Corporation in her home. Brookstreet is based in Irvine California.

Vogt stated that she retired in April of 2006 and closed her office. However an article in the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel states that Vogt's securities license with the Department of Financial Institutions was revoked in 2006. It did not state an exact date and phone calls from the department were not returned.

In September of 2006 Vogt was charged in Dane County Circuit Court with two counts of violating securities law rules/orders, a class H felony. She was also charged with one count of making misleading filings/securities. She faces a jury trial at the end of March, 2007. Vogt says she has plead not guilty.

When contacted for comment, Vogt gave this prepared statement. "I am not able to comment on the NASD allegations at this time. I have pled not guilty to the state. I had not exerted the energy to defend myself fully because of the severity my health issue."



Grounds employees at the Kewaskum School District also got to have some fun in the snow after digging out Monday morning, February 26. After cleaning up parking areas at district buildings snow needed to be moved out of parking lots. District vehicles also needed to be dug out.

Statesman photo: Andrew Kuehl

Did You Know?

(NAPSA)-Americans should make a commitment to get more of the important B vitamin folic acid into their diets, doctors say. Fortunately, grains such as white rice are fortified with folic acid. For recipes and facts on rice, visit www.usarice.com.

from the nation's largest mover, United Van Lines, visit www.unit-edvanlines.com.

Ingenious ways to honor our troops have been devised by one group of veterans and outlined in a report called "Voices for Action: A Focus on the Changing Needs of America's Veterans." The report, compiled by AMVETS, can be downloaded at www.veterans-

Moving to a winter-weather climate can be daunting and worrisome. For information and tips

KMS choirs will hold concert

The Kewaskum Middle School Choirs will have a concert on Tuesday, March 6, at 7 p.m. in the gym at KMS. The sixth-grade choir will begin the evening with "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot" and a cowboy ballad called "Doney Gal".

The seventh grade selections include a spiritual "Moses, Now Your People Are Free" and the very energetic "I Can Feel the Rhythm".

The eighth-graders will keep up the musical spirit with pieces performed at the recent Honor's Choir Festival and the choral clinic with the high school choirs: "Ise Oluwa", "Wings", and "She Sings".

Concluding the concert will be the KMS Swing Choir with "Breaking Free" and "Hound Dog", songs performed at the Sojo/Ensemble Festival in West Bend held on March 3. Several students will also sing solos and perform in ensembles from the West Bend Badger festival.

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CHS dance team wins state championship

The Campbellsport High School Dance Team worked hard and captured first place in Division II Funk at the WACPC (Wisconsin Association of Cheer and Pom Coaches) State Dance Championships Saturday, February 3rd. The Dance team qualified at the WACPC Eastern Regional at Oshkosh North High School in both, Division 3 Pom and Division 2 Funk. This was the second year in a row the team qualified 2 routines (Pom and Funk) to compete at the WACPC State Dance Championships at the LaCrosse Center in LaCrosse.

Their first performance was Pom with a "Hazy Shade of Winter" Theme where they placed 4th in the State. Pom is divided in four divisions based on school enrollment. Campbellsport is in division 3 Pom with other teams having 426-750 students; Campbellsport has 535 students in grades 9-12.

The girls competed against 13 schools in Division 3 Pom. Exactly the same four teams placed 1st-4th in the State Dance Championships as in the Eastern Regional, which confirms the fact that they compete in the toughest Regional in the State.

First Place went to West DePere with 452 points, sec-

ond place, Notre Dame Academy 441 points, third place, Freedom with 432 points and fourth place, Campbellsport with 428 points.

The girls practice five days a week for two hours each day, perform for boy's and girl's basketball and boy's wrestling. The girls have competed in three other competitions before they qualified for state.

"We have taken the base routines and have changed, improved and perfected every formation that we could have. With the end result of the best we have ever performed," said coach Bilgo. The things the girls are judged on are Uniformity/Precision, Technique/Strength of Movements, Choreography, Showmanship/Appearance, Difficulty and Overall Effect. Each girl must look like each other if they are a first year member or a fourth year member, which puts a lot of pressure on the new kids to step it up.

The music they used this year in their funk routine comes from the movie "Take the Lead" and that is what the girls did. It's evident while watching, the girls have fun performing their funk routine and the crowd enjoys it too.

When the girl's came home as Regional Champs coach Bilgo had an unspoken hope

of a first ever State Championship for the Campbellsport Dance Team.

The competition in the Funk Division is stiff. There are only two divisions based on school enrollment 1,101 and more students are in Division 1 and 1,100 and less are in Division 2 which included Campbellsport. There were a total of 13 funk teams Campbellsport competed against. The top three teams, Campbellsport, New Berlin West and Tomah were all regional champs, however, Campbellsport scored a significant 15 points above the second place team, clearly taking the lead to a first place finish.

The girls have a busy schedule ahead with performances at the University of Wisconsin Washington County Art Festival Sunday February 11th and at the Milwaukee Buck's pre-game show February 13th at the Bradley Center. The girls won the division 4 Pom competition in December and were asked back to perform.

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Maxwell Street Day Vendors Needed

WEST BEND- Downtown West Bend Association (DWBA) is recruiting outdoor vendors for this year's Maxwell Street Day, Wednesday, August 1, 2007 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Maxwell Street Day is a full 12 hours of great shopping and incredible bargains in Downtown West Bend. All of Main Street, from Cedar Street to Veterans Avenue, is blocked to traffic and filled with unique gifts, clothing, collectibles, jewelry, candy, food, music and more.

DWBA is looking for artists, out-of-downtown retail shops and other vendors to fill the streets with merchandise and bargains. With planning well underway for this year's Maxwell Street Day, now is the time for interested vendors to reserve space.

Complete vendor information, including rules, regulations and a contract for interested vendors to submit, is available online at www.downtownwestbend.com or by calling (262) 338-3909. Deadline for entry is Wednesday, March 14, 2007.

With 35 retail shops, 15 restaurants and many other community organizations, Downtown West Bend has a little something for everyone. From jewelry to clothing, flowers to specialty gifts, visitors can shop for many different events and occasions, and

stop to grab a bite to eat at the same time.

Kettle Kountry Kids 4-H News

In February the Kettle Country Kids went to Blue Harbor water park in Sheboygan. There were four fun slides, a lazy river and a lot of fun water games. Everyone had a great time!

The club gathered cat, dog and small animal items and donated them to the Washington County Humane Society. We collected dog food, bleach, cleaning supplies, and a lot of other things for the animals.

The club also enjoyed a roller skating party. They had games and in the dark skating.

We are in the process of planning a nursing home visit for May. Members are also working on posters and projects for the Art and Communication Festival to be held on April 15th at the Fair Park. The club will also be putting on a play at the drama festival on April 15th. Come to the Fair Park and see our performance.

The next meeting of the Kettle Country Kids 4-H Club will be on March 15th, 6:45 at the Farmington Elementary School.

Submitted by Julia Cotter

Women's Wellness Fair

Join us on St. Patrick's Day morning at a special event just for women! Enjoy keynote speaker Eliz Greene as she shares her impassioned story of survival and recovery. Eliz was seven months pregnant with twins when she suffered a massive heart attack - at the age of 35! Today, she travels the country as the "Red Dress Lady" delivering her message of inspiration.

The Women's Wellness Fair is free and open to everyone. Advance registration is required. Please register on-line at www.synergyhealth.org or by calling 262-334-8584. Seating is limited.

In addition to Eliz Greene, there will be free health screenings and breakout sessions for women of all ages. Enjoy free refreshments, special exhibits, and an opportunity to win one of several exciting door prizes.

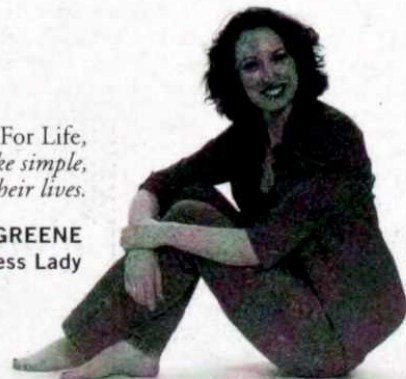
Saturday, March 17
8:30 am to 1:00 pm
Washington County Fair Park
Hwy 45 and Pleasant Valley Road

Author of Passion For Life, her story inspires others to make simple, yet meaningful changes in their lives.

ELIZ GREENE
The Red Dress Lady

SynergyHealth

Proud sponsor of the Washington County Heart Walk, May 5, 2007



PSC authorizes \$38 million in credits for WE Energies customers

MADISON- The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC) approved a credit for We Energies' electric customers to reflect lower fuel costs.

"Last year, the Commission took action to ensure Wisconsin ratepayers receive benefit from the moderation of fuel costs," said Chairperson Dan Ebert. "The credits authorized today and in September reduce We Energies rates by about two percent and are a strong signal to customers that the Commission remains diligent in providing rate relief for utility customers."

The Commission approved a \$10 million refund for

We Energies' ratepayers. An average residential customer, using 750 kWh per month, can expect to see a credit of nearly \$3.75 on their bills within in the next couple of months.

In September 2006, the Commission also addressed reduced fuel costs for We Energies and authorized over a \$28 million refund. The Commission asked the company to continue to monitor the moderation of natural gas prices, an unregulated commodity, leading to the refund today.

The September refund and today's decision means a total credit of over \$38 million for

We Energies ratepayers,

or about a \$15 for the average residential customer.

"I am pleased that we are able to provide We Energies customers relief today," said Commissioner Mark Meyer. "These refunds will help offset their bills for heating their homes during the cold weather."

The documents associated with this case can be viewed on the PSC Electronic Regulatory Filing System at <http://psc.wi.gov/>. Type case number 6630-FR-100 in the boxes provided on the PSC homepage or click on the Electronic Regulatory Filing System button.

Regional News IN BRIEF

Vandal strikes Germantown Police

GERMANTOWN- No one was injured, but a 20-year-old Germantown woman will now face more than a minor marijuana charge. The suspect is accused of putting holes in at least one window on the southeast end of the village's police annex around 7:25 a.m. Tuesday, February 27.

Germantown Police Chief Peter Hoell says his department arrested the woman about 11 p.m. the evening prior on a misdemeanor drug possession charge. She was booked and released. Four hours later, police took a call, thought to be from the same woman, threatening to shoot up the police department. Officers went to her house but couldn't find her.

Then, just before 7:30 a.m. a Germantown detective heard several "pops," and saw some holes in a southeast window. The department went into lockdown mode and began to search for the suspect, at the same time putting out a description of the woman and her vehicle.

Police in Milwaukee picked her up about 9 a.m. and village employees returned to their workplace after 9:30 a.m.

- Mark Morris, WBKV Radio



Guest Opinion

By Glenn Grothman
State Senator 20th District

Governor Doyle has introduced a proposed \$57 billion budget for the State of Wisconsin for the next two years. The Legislature will amend the budget before passing it in June or July. Most of the focus has been on the large tax and fee increases: increasing our cigarette tax from \$.77 to \$2.02, doubling the real estate transfer fee from .3 to .6-percent (so that the added tax when you sell a \$200,000 home goes from \$600 to \$1,200), the 1-percent hospital tax, the individual \$20 a year vehicle registration fee (the current \$55 fee would increase to \$75), and an oil company fee which is the equivalent of a \$.03 or \$.04 per gallon gas tax hike.

But what of the new spending programs that are initiated with this money? Are they necessary? Today, let's look at Doyle's Milwaukee Initiative - a variety of spending programs all aimed at the City of Milwaukee. He's sending an additional \$15 million to Milwaukee's public schools (in a separate program that only Milwaukee is eligible for), an additional \$2 million for school nurses in Milwaukee, \$17 million to revitalize a Milwaukee park, having this state pay for additions to Milwaukee's school choice program (switching \$21 million from Milwaukee's property taxpayers to the statewide income and sales taxes), and an additional outreach specialist to help Milwaukee's minority businesses.

Milwaukee is the most important city in the state -- with a population of 593,000 it has 11-percent of the state's popu-

lation. (Milwaukee County has 17-percent. It is the economic center of the state.) There is no question there are problems that must be addressed: with crime, failing schools, etc. But is more money the answer? Has the state been unfair in what it gives the city? Let's look at the statistics.

The major program by which the state assists cities is the shared revenue program. Right now, the state gives the City of Milwaukee almost \$406 per person - the average for the rest of the state is \$106. The City of West Bend gets \$75 per person. The Town of Trenton gets \$19 per person. As a result, the City of Milwaukee government spends substantially more than the state average for a municipality.

But what about the schools? It's sometimes implied that Milwaukee schools are underfunded compared to the wealthy suburbs. Actually, Milwaukee spends \$11,768 compared to the state average of \$11,044 per student. Closer to home, West Bend spends \$9,464 and Slinger spends \$10,352 per student. While the average state school (including Milwaukee) gets \$5,500 per pupil from the state, Milwaukee already gets \$7,261. Since Milwaukee has a much denser population, they should have more economies of scale and their busing costs should be less.

The same thing is true of counties. Milwaukee gets more from the state and spends more than the state average at \$1,577 per person in Milwaukee while \$1,129 is the statewide average. Milwaukee

has a lavish park system. Technical schools, same thing. The state picks up 23-percent more of the costs of Milwaukee Tech than Moraine Park.

Recently, I was appointed to the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority (WHEDA) Board which received \$150 million federal tax credits to encourage business development; 60-percent was allocated to Milwaukee, Racine, and Kenosha counties which have 22-percent of the state's population.

Milwaukee's problem is not a lack of government funds, it is how those funds are spent. Quite frankly the

message sent by the governmental agencies that government is the answer to everything encourages the moral breakdown that is at the heart of Milwaukee's problem.

We should not be raising taxes to shovel still more mon-

ey at Milwaukee. I will fight these new expenditures.

Please let me know what you think on this issue. Contact me in Madison at 1-800-662-1227 or email me at Sen. Grothman@legis.wisconsin.gov.



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SynergyHealth Welcomes Electrophysiologist Peter Chapman, MD

Expanding cardiac care.

Electrophysiologist Peter Chapman, MD joins the Cardiology Department at SynergyHealth West Bend Clinic - South. Dr. Chapman is board certified in Cardiovascular Disease and Clinical Electrophysiology.

Electrophysiology (EP) is a test that aids in diagnosing Heart Disease. The test records the electrical activity and the electrical pathways of the heart. This test is used to help determine the cause or locate the site of origin of an abnormal heart rhythm.

Dr. Chapman comes to West Bend Clinic with over 20 years of experience. He is affiliated with Arrhythmia Consultants of Milwaukee and has conducted research and written numerous articles for professional organizations and medical publications.



**Peter Chapman, MD
Board Certified
Electrophysiologist**

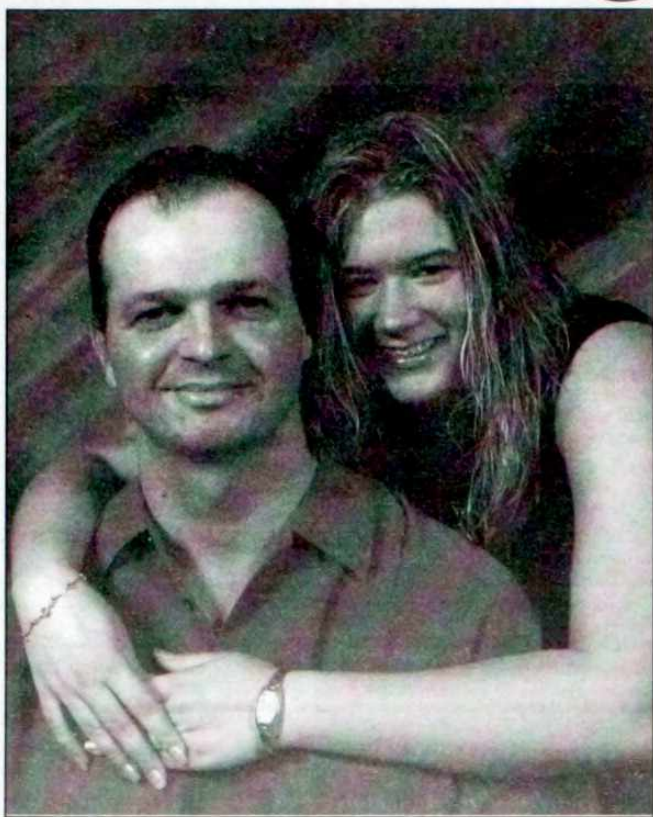
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PEOPLE NEWS

Winter - Kaczmarek



April Winter and Todd Kaczmarek, both of West Bend, are pleased to announce their engagement.

April is the daughter of Allen and Sandy Phillips of Kewaskum and Peter and Linda Winter of Wayne. Todd is the

son of Mike and Sandy Cebula of Montello and Robert Kaczmarek of Hallsville, TX.

April is a graduate of Kewaskum High School and Moraine Park Technical School - Beaver Dam. She is employed as a surgery scheduler and float

receptionist at the West Bend Clinic.

Todd is a graduate of West Bend East High School and Moraine Park Technical School - Fond du Lac. He is employed by Amato Collision Center as a paint technician.

The couple is planning an October 27, 2007 wedding.

THANK YOU

Thanks to everyone who said prayers, sent cards, visited, and called after our car accident. Thanks to everyone that helped at the crash site. A special thank you to the Boltonville Fire Dept. and Boltonville First Responders for taking such good care of us.

Max and Ivan

Mroczek wins Curves Sweetheart Award

Curves, the world's fastest growing fitness franchise, today announced the local winner of the 2007 Curves Sweetheart Award. Sacha Mroczek was recognized as Curves Sweetheart for 2007 and has been entered in the Curves International event for this year.

"We are really excited to be able to give Sacha this award to recognize all her hard work and dedication to the Curves workout and revolutionary weight loss program," said Molly Jones, Curves franchise spokesperson in Kewaskum.

"The value of this program is incredible," said Molly Jones, "plus, it's proven to help women lose weight and teach them how to keep it off for life without endless dieting. Who doesn't want that?"

"I had been overweight for ten years," said Sacha. "Trying many other diets, I experienced a lot of failures. A friend of mine, who was successful at Curves encouraged me to join. In June 2004 I joined Curves. I read a few motivational books including the Curves book by Gary Heavin. With the wisdom in these books and strength from God, I became determined to defeat this GIANT in my life. I learned how to eat sensibly through the Curves weight loss method. Working out 3-4 days a week at the club and walk-

ing, helped me to start losing the pounds and inches. Curves helped me to lose 100 pounds, 50 inches, lower my cholesterol from 198 to 152 and keep it off since May 2005. Currently I am working out at Curves 3 days a week, walking and continuing to eat sensible. I now have more energy, confidence and a higher self esteem thanks to God and Curves! Curves is so convenient for the fast paced world we live in today. I am continuing my workouts at Curves to tone, lose inches and stay fit. If I can defeat this giant, so can you! It is a positive change in my life!"

Curves new 6 Week Solution includes modifications based on the results of an ongoing 5-year study of the effectiveness of the Curves program conducted by researchers at Baylor University.

To sign up for the Curves 6 Week Solution, call 626-6500 or stop by the Kewaskum Curves at 1511 Fond du Lac Avenue.

Curves, Kewaskum, opened in October, 2002. Curves offers a 30-minute workout that combines strength training and sustained cardiovascular activity through safe and effective hydraulic resistance. Curves also offers a weight management program featuring a groundbreaking, scientifically proven method to raise metabolic rate and end the need for perpetual dieting.

Happy Birthday!

March 1:	Mutz Schleif Dawn Bastian Reg Rochwite Marge Michialski	Jessica Klahn Lil Westerman Chad Hackbrath
March 2:	Tim Schneider Norm Gruber	Rita Krief Harry Cundy
March 3:	Ron Spaeth	Randy Kreif
March 4:	Kelly DeLuka Jamie Ehmer	Bob Way
March 5:	John DeLuka "Mickey" Ramthun	Paul Fieweger
March 6:	Paul Lehnerz	Albion Lehnerz
March 7:	Steve Schill Jim Pfantz Marvin Ebert	Brian Beck Rick Kreif Brian Oelhafen

Birthdays will no longer be carried over on an annual basis.
All birthdays must be called in yearly

To have a birthday announced on the Community Bulletin Board
Phone - 262-626-2626 Fax - 262-626-1382
or E-mail - ckuehl@kewaskumstatesman.com
There is a deadline 3 pm Monday for Thursday publication.



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EVENTS

Kewaskum kids featured in concert

The Kettle Moraine Symphony brings its annual Children's Concert to Kewaskum Sunday, March 4 at 3:30 p.m. at Kewaskum Elementary School. Conductor Albert "Bud" Asch provides a kid-friendly and parent-positive program featuring music from "The Polar Express," "Pirates of the Caribbean," and "The Chronicles of Narnia."

The maestro will get some help this year from five Kewaskum area students who will pick up the baton for a chance to direct the orchestra. They are Mikayla Bigelow, 2nd grade; Samantha Heberer, 3rd grade; Ray Weishan, 4th grade; and Bobby Martin, 5th grade. In their winning essays, they answered the question, "If I

could conduct the Kettle Moraine Symphony, I would..."

The concert is being sponsored in part by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. A special family ticket price is being offered for \$10. Individual tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for children. Tickets are available at the door.

All families and all ages from throughout the area are welcome. Children may bring their blankets and stuffed animals and sit on the floor to experience the orchestra. Free refreshments will be served.

Kewaskum Elementary School is located at 1415 Bilgo Lane, Kewaskum. For more information, call the KMS office at 262-334-3469.

Magazine sale at KPL

On March 2 at noon, the Kewaskum Public Library will begin selling their 2005 edition magazines. Every magazine from the collection, which includes children's magazines like GamePro, American Girl, and Nickelodeon, as well as adult magazines like Martha Stewart Living, Reminisce, American Artist, and Wisconsin Trails, will be sold in volume sets for \$2.

Weekly magazines--Sports Illustrated, Time, People, and Entertainment Weekly--will be \$4 for a complete volume. Some magazines will be sold by issue.

Also for sale will be children's and adult hardcover and paperback books, videos, dvds, and audio books. The sale starts at noon on March 2nd and will also run from 10-1 on Saturday March 3. Any magazines left over will be sold in the library after March 5th.

For more information or directions, please call the library at 262-626-4312.

Computer classes at KPL

March is computer learning month at the Kewaskum Public Library. Get the most out of your online experience with our basic and intermediate internet classes. Learn how to take and edit photos with your digital camera. Decide which kind of computer is best for you--desktop or laptop, and learn about different brands and trends in computer hardware.

These classes are offered in conjunction with St. Lucas School and will be held in their technology lab at 1410 Parkview Drive in Kewaskum. The basic internet class will be on March 5 at 6pm; intermediate internet will be on March 8 at 6pm.

These classes will cover basics like e-mail, web browsers, searching, and internet terminology and also more intermediate skills such as web safety, blogging, social networking, and downloading. Internet classes will last approximately 90 minutes and are free of charge. Each class can hold 20 people.

The digital photography classes will be on March 12 and 13th. Users will learn how to take, upload, and edit digital photos. Users must have their own cameras to participate. Digital photo classes will also last 90 minutes and can accommodate up to 20 people per class.

Finally, if you are looking at purchasing your first computer or upgrading to a newer system, you'll want to attend the March 19 class on laptop vs. desktop. This class will discuss differences between the two systems and also new hardware and software trends you should be aware of like wireless access, new kinds of hard drives, processor speed, and media burning drives.

Sign up forms will be available at the Kewaskum Public Library. Please sign up soon to hold your place. These classes are free to the public and open to anyone of any experience level.

Call the library at 262-626-4312 for more information.

Women's Club Meeting March 8

The Kewaskum Women's Club will hold their luncheon wrap-up meeting on Thursday, March 8 at 7 p.m. at the Annex building.

This is an important meeting and all members new and old should attend.

The Spring Luncheon will be held on March 24th in the Holy Trinity Church hall. Tickets may be obtained from the members or by calling Rita at 262-626-4701 or Rosemary at 262-626-4121. A limited number of tickets are issued, so get yours soon.

Truth is always exciting. Speak it, then. Life is dull without it.

-Pearl S. Buck

Batavia Winter Festival 2007

* **Sat., March 3 • 8:30 pm - 12:30 am** *
* **At the Town of Scott Community Center** *
* **All ages - dance with "Road Trip"** *
* **Admission \$7 • Concessions available** *

Sponsored by The Batavia Athletic Association and the Batavia Fire Dept.
262-305-2575

Community Events For March 4 thru March 10

Fri & Sat, Mar 2-3, 7pm, Sunday, Mar 4, 1pm
Fri & Sat, Mar 9-10, 7pm, Sunday, Mar 11, 1pm

Lafferty's Wake. Musical Comedy celebrating the life & time of ramblin' gamblin' Lafferty. Optional Irish dinner available one hour prior to each performance - served in café. Tickets: \$25.00 Adults - with dinner; \$22.00 Seniors & Youth - with dinner or \$12.00 Adults - theatre only; \$9.00 Seniors & Youth - theatre only. Held in Cafeteria & Theatre. For reservations, contact the UW-WC Department of University Relations at (262) 335-5208. Dinner reservations needed one week prior to show.

March 4: Chili Dinner, 11 a.m. til gone. St. John's Fellowship Hall, New Fane. Free will offering. Includes all you can eat chili, hot dogs, cheese, bread, dessert and beverage. Also carryouts.

March 6: SynergyHealth Sleep Apnea Program. Tuesday, March 6, 2007 at St. Joseph's Hospital, Conference Room A, at 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Dr. Eric Olafsson, MD, will provide information and answer questions about sleep apnea during this special program. Dr. Olafsson is an Internal Medicine physician at the West Bend Clinic. He is Board certified in Pulmonary Disease and Sleep Medicine, and serves as medical director for SynergyHealth Sleep Center. No Charge - Seating is limited. Registration required. To register, visit www.synergyhealth.org <http://www.synergyhealth.org/> or call 262-334-8584.

To be included in the Community Events, FREE OF CHARGE, please submit your event prior to our 3 pm Monday deadline, at our office at 240 Main Street, Kewaskum; e-mail - ckuehl@kewaskumstatesman.com or on the web www.kewaskumstatesman.com. PLEASE NOTE, businesses offering specials or events for profit are not accepted. Events are listed at the Editor's discretion.

KMS Concert March 5

On Monday, March 5, the Kewaskum Middle School bands will present their late winter concert at the Middle school gym.

The concert will include the sixth, seventh and eighth grade bands in a concert of

contemporary and traditional band music including some rousing marches.

If you're looking for a free, live concert on a cold, March night, this is the place to be. The concert starts at 7:00 pm.

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EVENTS

Bride to Baby Show debuts at Miller's Furniture here

A new event is debuting in Kewaskum, The Journey from Bride to Baby. A bridal event and a baby expo, all rolled into one!

The event will take place on Sunday, March 4, at Miller's Furniture, 1313 Fond du Lac Avenue, Kewaskum from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The idea was developed by Kewaskum business owner, Chris Jung of the Candy Tree as a means of reaching out to local women. Together with Kelly Rosenthal, Wendi Dreher, Cheryl Miller-Peterson and Stacy Boeker, the idea blossomed into an up-scale, warm, comfortable event like Kewaskum has never seen before.

For the newly engaged, this event will assist in planning the wedding of your dreams. Meet with photographers, disc jockeys and limousine companies. Sample food from caterers and speak with event decorators. See samples of unique invitations, personalized chocolates, wedding rental items and much, much more.

Mothers-to-be will have

the opportunity to see the newest in maternity wear, christening/baptismal gowns and infant photography. Meet local daycare facilities offering infant care for your little one. In all, there will be over thirty-five vendors with booths spaced throughout both floors of the furniture store that will be closed to the public.

The fashion show will be the highlight of the day at 1:30. Rosenthal is planning a show to remember featuring tuxedos by Diamond Tuxedos, bridal and bridesmaids' gowns by Le's Bridal, honeymoon attire by Jeanne's Collectibles and children's wear by Peek-a-Bootique.

The first 200 brides or mothers-to-be to attend will receive an invaluable resource binder to help them plan out these two phases of their lives. In addition to information on all of the vendors present, there will be information such as: The Top Ten Make-up Mistakes on Your Wedding Day, How to Decorate Your First Home Together, Building Family Traditions, Balancing

Family and Work, and How to Choose a Daycare.

Three grand-prizes will be given out the day of the event. They include a family suite with fireplace at the Blue Harbor Resort in Sheboygan and four waterpark passes (value of \$300) donated by The Candy Tree, \$200 gift certificate donated by the Kewaskum Chamber of Commerce (valid at any Kewaskum Chamber business) and a \$200 gift certificate to Peek-a-Bootique donated by Peek-a-Bootique. There will also be a silent auction for many more prizes.

Tickets are \$4 each and are available at the door or before the event at The Candy Tree, 230 Main St, Kewaskum; Miller's Furniture, Peek-a-Bootique, 105 N Main St, West Bend.

All profits will be donated to the Youth and Family Project of West Bend. For more information, call Chris Jung at The Candy Tree, 262-626-8733.

Dinner, auction to benefit new community theater

As the Kewaskum Theater moves forward, the group charged with raising funds to offset the burden to taxpayers announces their latest fundraising effort. Two events are planned for spring.

The first taking place is a Card Party hosted by local Modern Woodmen agent Jeff Jaeger. Jaeger and Modern Woodmen will match funds up to \$2,500 raised at the card along with funds raised at a dinner and auction in May. The card party will take place April 18 at Amerahn Hall in Kewaskum. Please watch this newspaper for more details in the coming weeks. A raffle will also kick off with the drawing held at a dinner and auction in May.

The dinner and auction following the Modern Woodmen event is scheduled for Saturday, May 12. The Amerahn has generously donated the use of their hall for the occasion. A social hour will begin at 6 p.m. with silent auction items open for viewing and bidding.

Local chef Woody Kleinhans, of Woody's Steakhouse, will cater the meal beginning at 7 p.m. The meal will include two meats, potatoes, vegetables, rolls, desserts, and beverages.

A live auction will follow the meal. Local auctioneer and Kewaskum High School graduate Mike Paul, of Paul Auction Company, will be conducting the live auction. Interspersed during the evening will be entertainment provided by musically talented local residents and KHS students.

Tables with seating for eight people are being sold at

\$120.00 per table. The committee hopes that people looking for a fun night of entertainment will buy a table and invite family, neighbors and possibly co-workers. Remember, the next day is Mother's Day, what a great gift to surprise mom with.

The group also hopes that many businesses will purchase tables and show their support for this community project. Reserve your place at this special event by ordering a table at the following Kewaskum businesses: Piggy Wiggly, Little Folks School House or MidAmerica Bank. Fine Arts supporters can also contact Lori Schoofs at 262-626-2525 to reserve a table. For those unable to purchase a whole table, seats will be available for \$20.00 each by contacting Schoofs.

Auction item donations are being requested. Auction items will vary depending on the generosity and creativity of our community members. Possible donations could be woodcrafts, art pieces, or decorative crafts created by our talented local artisans, donated skilled labor, general labor services, gift baskets of new items, tickets to area events, etc. Put on your thinking caps and then call The Kewaskum Theater line at 262-626-8427, ext. 4354 to leave a message, ask questions about appropriate donations or to donate auction items.

The project is to be funded through a combination of a loan, fund balance, and fundraising. The proceeds from fundraising will reduce the size of the loan needed for the project.

Benefit dinner for Wendelborn to be held at Gateway Cafe, Kewaskum

KEWASKUM - The Gateway Cafe will hold a benefit dinner for People to People Ambassador, Savanna Wendelborn.

All proceeds raised will help pay for Wendelborn's jaunt across the world for 21 days this summer. People to People is an education travel program founded by U.S. President Dwight Eisenhower.

The dinner will be held on Sunday, March 25. Reservations are being taken from 4 to 6 p.m.

For a \$15 donation, attendees will feast on Gateway's famous half fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, homemade bread, tossed salad, dessert and coffee or milk.

The event will also have a silent auction and raffles for all who attend.

Reservations need to be made by March 20 and can be

made by calling Gateway Cafe at 262-626-2144.

Wendelborn is a Kewaskum Middle School student. By participating in the European Discovery itinerary, Wendelborn can earn academic credit while getting to know people, culture and history of the places visited. She will take part in a variety of activities such as riding a bobsled at the 1976 Winter Olympic site in Innsbruck, speaking to a concentration camp survivor at Mauthausen, having an educational meeting

with a priest at the Vatican who will talk about Catholicism in Italy, visiting the Notre Dame Cathedral and much more.

More information about the People to People Student Ambassador Programs, can be found by logging on to their website at www.studentambassadors.org.

It's no use crying over spilt milk; it only makes it salty for the cat.

PLAY BALL!

Kewaskum Athletic Association Summer Youth Baseball **SIGN-UP**

The time has come to sign up for summer baseball leagues.

FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT ALL KEWASKUM AREA SCHOOLS.

Sign up will be at the Kewaskum High School Cafeteria
Thursday, March 1
from 5 pm to 8:30 pm or
Saturday, March 3
from 9 am to 1 pm

Parents must be present at sign up.

The organization has made some changes so it is important that you attend the sign up. Any questions call Tom at 626-8780 or Denise at 626-6557.

Any girls interested in fast pitch should also attend.



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DAYS GONE BY

25 Years Ago

February 26, 1982

George Lendved, of Route 1, Highway D, Kewaskum, was elected to a two-year term as vice-president of the Association of Wisconsin Snowmobile Clubs at its annual meeting February 20 in Wausau. Lendved was also re-elected president of the Northern Kettle Moraine Snowmobile Association at its annual meeting on February 18.

Last Saturday at the annual Kewaskum Sno-Chief Sno-Ball, Carol Lehmann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Lehmann of Route 2, Kewaskum, was crowned Sno-Chiefs Snow-Queen for 1982.

After 2-1/2 hours of discussion and presentations Monday night, the Kewaskum School Board unanimously voted to purchase an "in-house" data processing system from IBM Corporation.

On Sunday, February 7, Mrs. Nancy (Herman) Panzer of Kewaskum was recognized by the congregation of Peace United Church of Christ for her 20 years of faithful teaching in the Church School program.

Melissa Koch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Koch of Kewaskum, and Amy Nigh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Nigh of rural Kewaskum, have been chosen as the Kiwanis students for the month of February.

After winning nine straight games without a loss and assuring at least a tie for first place in the Eastern Wisconsin race, the Kewaskum freshmen lost their first two games of the season over the weekend, in Plymouth on Friday, 54-50, and at Two Rivers Saturday, 71-62. It was just a letdown for the young Indians who were led by Mike Steinhart and Mike Wiedmeyer against Plymouth with 18 and 17 points respectively. Brian Ruplinger chipped in 11. In the game Saturday at Two Rivers, Wiedmeyer had 28 points, Steinhart 14, and Ruplinger 11.

A daughter, Crystal Ann, was born to Alan and Cheryl Kuehl, Kewaskum, on Febru-

ary 19. The Kuehls have one other daughter, Carrie. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Roger Kuehl, Route 2, Campbellsport, and maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Halfmann, Kewaskum.

A daughter was also born to Richard and Mary Wietor, Kewaskum, on February 22.

Sons were born to Michael and Adrienne Berres, Kewaskum, on February 21, to Jeffery and Cecilia Waala, Kewaskum, on February 16, and to Daniel and Gail Filzen, West Bend, on February 18.

55 Years Ago

February 22, 1952

The largest knuckle joint metal press of its type ever built has been installed in the plant of Regal Ware, Inc., Kewaskum, according to an announcement by President J.O. Reigle, Tuesday. The juggernaut which will be used in producing ammunition for the armed forces, stands 34 feet from top to bottom, weighs 610,000 pounds and exerts a pressure of 8,000,000 pounds, equivalent to the weight of 2,500 standard size automobiles. Manufacturer of the press, the Toledo Machine and Tool Division of the E.W. Bliss Company, says the press capacity is the greatest ever built into a mechanical type unit. Almost a year was required to manufacture the

giant. Regal Ware Inc. literally started from "scratch" on what experts acknowledged to be a tough assignment. They had to erect a new building to house the project. Then came the tremendous task of obtaining tools and equipment in the face of growing shortages, and overcoming technical difficulties that must be met on a major project of this kind. In less than a year, Regal Ware is "ready to roll" and soon will be turning out vitally needed material for the armed forces.

David C. Bartelt, Kewaskum, is among the 59 young graduates of the University of Wisconsin Law School who have just been admitted to the practice of law in the state.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fickler and family of Batavia moved into their new home in Kewaskum last week.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Kreif, Route 1, Kewaskum, on February 16.

75 Years Ago

February 26, 1932

On February 21, members of the St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church of New Fane congregated at the church edifice to honor and celebrate the 25th anniversary of the installation of their pastor, Rev. C.J. Gutekunst.

Miss Viola Casper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S.N. Casper, will some time next week

open up an up-to-date beauty parlor in the room on the east side of Mr. Casper's Hotel.

William Firks, the local mail messenger, handling the U.S. mail from the depot to the post office, one day last week while attending to his duties, slipped and fell on an icy sidewalk, severely injuring his shoulder. During Mr. Firks' absence, the mail has been delivered by William J. Schultz.

Harold Marx, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Marx, a junior in the local high school and star center of the Kewaskum High School basketball team, while skating on the local river last Saturday afternoon, fell and tore a ligament in the wrist of his right arm.

100 Years Ago

February 23, 1907

Aloysius Urban, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Urban, Kewaskum, died at his home

last Thursday after a short illness with pneumonia at the age of 17.

Groeschel and Haessly are arranging for a building in the rear of Mr. Groeschel's residence for the soda water factory.

A bill has been introduced in the legislature raising the hunting license fee from \$1 to \$5.

A.W. Butzke of Beechwood received a 225 egg Racine incubator and brooder on Monday.

A debate was held by the pupils of the high school last Thursday afternoon. The affirmative was supported by Ben Mertes, Ervin Koch and Al Schaefer and the negative by Alvin Backhaus, Tony Zwaschka and Franklin Backhaus. The judges decided in favor of the negative.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Kral of St. Kilian last week Friday.

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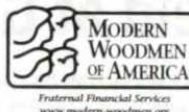
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SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

KEWASKUM SCHOOL DISTRICT

Monday, March 5 - Chicken patty/bun, hot apple slices & carrot coins. * Salad bar. (E) Corn puppies.

Tuesday, March 6 - Taco, tortilla chips or shells, refried beans, Spanish rice & Mandarin oranges. *Italian toasted cheese. (E) Corn puppies.

Wednesday, March 7 - Pizza Hot pocket, potato wedges, pears & corn. *Burger bar. (E) Corn puppies.

Thursday, March 8 - Spaghetti, lettuce, asst. dressings, French bread, fresh fruit & a Twix bar. * Hot dog/bun. (E) Corn puppies.

Friday, March 9 - Cheese pizza, fresh veggies & dip, & pineapple. *Chicken quesadilla. (E) Corn puppies.

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Monday, March 5 - Wiener winks, baked beans, potato rounds, assorted fruit, chocolate chip muffin, milk.

Tuesday, March 6 - Hot turkey on a bun, fluffy rice, green beans, applesauce, peanut butter bar, milk.

Wednesday, March 7 - Hot ham on a bun or egg sandwich, carrot coins, Mandarin oranges, brownie, milk.

Thursday, March 8 - Breaded chicken, potato wedges, peas, pineapple, oatmeal cookies, milk.

Friday, March 9 - Mozzarella pizza sticks w/ marinara sauce, corn, wheat bread, pears, cookie, milk.

ST. LUCAS LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Monday, March 5 - Chicken patty on a bun, carrots, potato wedges, cookies.

Tuesday, March 6 - Cold sandwich, chicken soup, pears, veggies & dip, cupcake.

Wednesday, March 7 - Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, corn, applesauce, chocolate chip bar.

Thursday, March 8 - Beefy shepherds pie, roll, pineapple, turnover.

Friday, March 9 - Spaghetti & meat sauce, garlic bread, orange juice, brownie.

CAMPBELLSPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Monday, March 5 - Chicken fajita or sandwich, Mexican rice, sliced pears, milk.

Tuesday, March 6 - Sub sandwich, pickle spears, hash-browns, rosy applesauce, Doritos, milk.

Wednesday, March 7 - Spaghetti casserole, coleslaw, fruit choice, bread stick, milk.

Thursday, March 8 - Mini corn dogs, tri-tater, raw veggies/dip, applesauce, yogurt, milk.

Friday, March 9 - NO SCHOOL.

ST. MATTHEW'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Monday, March 5 - Taco, cheese, lettuce, wax beans, applesauce, bar, milk.

Tuesday, March 6 - Baked ham, parsley potatoes, green beans, pineapple or pears, French bread, milk.

Wednesday, March 7 - Chicken nuggets, tri-taters, broccoli and cauliflower, orange wedge or apple, dinner roll, milk.

Thursday, March 8 - Burrito, curly fries, corn, grapes or

kiwi, apple crisp, milk.

Friday, March 9 - NO SCHOOL.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Monday, March 5 - Ham/cheese sandwich, baked beans, applesauce.

Tuesday, March 6 - Sausage pizza, California blend vegetables, fruited jello, mini blueberry muffin.

Wednesday, March 7 - Mexican stuffed potato, corn bread, pineapple chunks.

Thursday, March 8 - Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, green peas, peaches, dinner roll.

Friday, March 9 - Pizza sticks/sauce, fresh carrots/dip, assorted fruits, soft bread stick.

SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Monday, March 5 - Brat/bun, baked potato, corn, pudding, milk.

Tuesday, March 6 - Pepperoni pizza, tater tots, carrots, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, March 7 - Potato soup, ham sandwich, crackers, peaches, dessert, milk.

Thursday, March 8 - Tacos, salad, chips & cheese, pineapple, milk.

Friday, March 9 - NO SCHOOL.

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Registration Information

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SCHOOL NEWS

FES students on the go



The Farmington Elementary School (FES) 4K students in Mrs. Bergmann's and Mrs. Alendorff's classes have been studying about businesses in their community. The students visited local businesses like Dairy Queen, the Kewaskum Public Library, the Kewaskum Police Department, the Kewaskum Branch of the United States Post Office, Piggly Wiggly and West Bend Savings Bank. At each location, students were given a tour and got to participate in some job responsibilities like making an DQ Dilly Bar, learning how to use the drive-through tubes at the bank, seeing how meat is cut and so much more. This has been a very rewarding learning experience for the students to see how businesses and employees in their community work together benefiting everyone. Above: During their visit to the Kewaskum Police Department, FES 4K students were able to sit inside a squad car, see all the controls and even turn on the lights and siren. **Submitted photo**

'According to Coyote' at FES



Redrunningbear Savage entertains FES students as Coyote in a First Stage Theater production of "According to Coyote." **Photo by Amber Donath**

On Thursday, Feb. 15, Farmington Elementary School (FES) students were treated to a First Stage Children's Theater In-School Education Theater Academy performance of "According To Coyote."

The production shares with students the ages-old Native American tradition of storytelling using Coyote as the mythological trickster/hero of Plains and Plateau Indian tribes of the Western United States.

FES students were enthralled during the one-hour performance, which combined humor, seriousness and music to draw them into the world of the Coyote.

"It was really cool and fun to watch," said a first grade student at FES.

"According To Coyote," is a one-main production performed at FES by Redrunningbear Savage and written by playwright John Kauffman who was born to a full-blooded Nes Perce Indian mother. It is a collection of some of Kauffman's favorite Coyote stories he heard as a young boy.

The FES assembly was sponsored by the FES PTO.

Volunteers needed

Kewaskum High School will be hosting the 2007 EWC Solo/Ensemble Music Festival on Saturday, March 24. We are in need of many workers for this event as over 500 students from our conference are expected. There will be at least 20 Event Sites with over 40 events in each site.

Jobs include room monitor, which aids the judges in running a smooth festival, office work (tabulating results), kitchen help (we need to feed a lot of people!), and general trouble shooters. The festival runs from 8-4, but if you cannot commit to a full day, any help would be appreciated.

Anyone who has an interest in helping to make this festival a first-rate, Class A experience for the music students of the Eastern Wisconsin Conference, please call the high school at 262-626-2166 x4571 or email Dave Bertelsen at dbertels@ksd.k12.wi.us.

Little Folks learn dental care



February is National Dental Health Month and The Little Folks School House took part by teaching about good dental hygiene. Two very caring hygienists from Dr. Van Ess's office stopped in to visit with the little folks. Jessi Jacak and Pat Knuth spoke at length with the children and explained all of the instruments that are used when a

child visits the dentist office.

The children learned about germs, plaque and fluoride. The hygienists used a model set of teeth to teach proper brushing and flossing. The children viewed a video entitled "Dudley goes to the Dentist." Before leaving, Jessi and Pat left each child with a new toothbrush. The staff at the Little Folks

School House try to teach good personal hygiene to the children as part of their curriculum. The little folks brush their teeth after breakfast and lunch at the day-care as part of the daily program.

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SCHOOL NEWS

KHS chess team advances to national tourney



KHS senior Keith Scannell, right, makes a move against his player from Oconomowoc, Alex Hobday. Kewaskum hosted seven schools in postseason play on Saturday, February 24. Two teams were unable to attend because of weather. Kewaskum will move on to the National tournament held in Kansas City in April.

Statesman photo: Andrew Kuehl

By Andrew Kuehl
Statesman Managing Editor
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KEWASKUM- The Kewaskum High School Chess Team will advance to the national chess tournament held in Kansas City. This past Saturday, February 24, teams from six schools across southeastern Wisconsin braved the snow to play in a post season match.

Making the trek to Kewaskum were: Hartford, Sussex, Brookfield Academy, Oconomowoc, St. John's Military Academy and St. Mary's Fond du Lac.

Kewaskum scored 11.5 out of 20 possible points. Just one point behind the leaders, Sussex and Hartford who both scored 12.5 out of 20 possible points. Kewaskum took third, with Sussex in second and Hartford in first.

Daniel Schladweiler, scored three wins and one loss. He took seventh overall out of 34 players.

Ryan Wunsch, scored two wins, two losses.

At their February meeting the Kewaskum Board of Education approved the trip to nationals being held April 12-15. Nationals are held annually and bring students in grades kindergarten to twelfth grade

from all over the nation.

Last year the team attended Nationals in Milwaukee. Ten students are expected to make this year's trip.

Participating in Saturday's postseason match in board order were:

Varsity
Daniel Schladweiler
Tyler McElhatton
Nick Bartlett
Ryan Wunsch
Kevin Schellinger

Junior Varsity
Sebastian Grell
Dan Courtney
Dan Pulvermacher
Stephanie Yahr
Bryan Pauers
Keith Scannell
Chris Larson

We spend most of our time and energy in a kind of horizontal thinking. We move along the surface of things... (but) there are times when we stop. We sit still. We lose ourselves in a pile of leaves or its memory. We listen and breezes from a whole other world begin to whisper.

-James Carroll

Deadline for next ACT test March 9

College-bound high school students can register by March 9 for the next national ACT test date. The test will be administered nationwide on Saturday, April 14, 2007. Students who miss the March 9 deadline can do a late registration for an additional fee. The late registration deadline is March 23. Students can register online at www.actstudent.org, or they can get registration materials from high school counselors.

The ACT is accepted by all colleges and universities that use admissions tests in their application process. It's an academic achievement test covering four subject areas: English, reading, mathemat-

ics, and science. Students can choose to take the ACT with or without the optional Writing Test. The ACT costs \$29 without the Writing Test and \$43 with writing. The majority of colleges don't require a writing score, so students should check with the colleges they're considering before registering for the test. The late registration fee is \$19.

Colleges and universities use ACT scores, along with other information, to determine if a student is academically ready for college-level coursework. Students with lower ACT scores are likely to need remedial courses to help bring them up-to-speed for college-level courses.

This is why many juniors take the ACT, check their scores, and then take additional coursework to address academic weaknesses before re-taking the ACT as seniors.

With the ACT, students can choose not to report any scores automatically to colleges. Later, after receiving their scores, students can decide to test again before reporting scores. Colleges only see the scores that students choose to report—they don't see all scores for each time a student takes the ACT.

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OBITUARIES

BETTY ANN GIESE

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Please call the Miller Funeral Home in Kewaskum at 626-2185 for service information. Additional information and guest book may be found at www.millermartinfh.com.

A complete obituary will be published in next week's paper.

JOHN H. VORPAHL, JR.

John H. Vorpahl, Jr., 63, of the town of Barton, passed away on Sunday, February 25, 2007, at his home.

He was born on February 16, 1944, in West Bend, the son of the late John Anthony and Dorothy (Theusch) Vorpahl, and on March 9, 1963, he was united in marriage to Teresa Coulter at Salem United Church of Christ in the town of Wayne.

John was a board member of Puppyland Humane Society, Inc.

Survivors include his wife, Teresa; five children, Thomas (Sherry) Vorpahl, Donna Mae (Steven) Crass, John Vorpahl, Jr. and Lawrence Vorpahl, all of West Bend, and Jeffrey (Dawn) Vorpahl of Kewaskum; five grandchildren, Kyle John, Tyler Steven, Brent Thomas and Autumn Grace Vorpahl and Skylar Lee Crass; three step-grandchildren, Montana, Matthew and Michael Schicker; three sisters, Dolores Kertscher of the town of Wayne, Dorothy (Floyd) Budenhagen of Florence and Theresa Anne (Gerald) Brockman of Milwaukee; three sisters-in-law, Audrey Vorpahl of Columbus, Louise Vorpahl of Mauston and Ann Vorpahl of West Bend, other relatives and friends.

In addition to his parents, John was preceded in death by three brothers, Frederick, Anthony and Ronald Vorpahl; a sister, Adeline (Elmer) Footland, an infant brother, an infant sister and a brother-in-law, Allen Kertscher.

In honor of John's wishes, cremation has taken place. Private funeral services will be held.

The Miller Funeral Home in Kewaskum is serving the family. Additional information and guest book may be found at www.millermartinfh.com.

MARIE A. HOEPNER

Marie A. Hoepner, 86, of Kewaskum, passed away on Thursday, February 22, 2007, at the Samaritan Health Center in West Bend.

She was born on May 1, 1920, in West Bend, the daughter of the late Joseph and Alma (Hahn) Engelhardt, and on November 22, 1941, she was united in marriage to Hilary Hoepner at Holy Angels Catholic Church in West Bend. Her husband preceded her in death on January 24, 1988.

Marie was the owner and operator of Marie's Beauty Shop from 1964 until 1985. Upon their retirement, the couple moved to Arizona. Marie returned to

the Kewaskum area in 2003 and was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Kewaskum.

Survivors include four children and nine grandchildren, Dianne (William) Horn of Ruthron, New Mexico and their children, Lisa Arnold (special friend, Robert), Linda (Tim) Lindstrom and William (Claudette) Horn; Larry (Jackie) Hoepner of Tucson, Arizona and their children, Pamela McBrian and Tammy Jo Baer; Joan Schladweiler of Kewaskum and her children, Cheryl Phillips and Tim (Tammy) Schladweiler; Sandra (Richard) Amerling of the town of Wayne and their children, Yvonne (Kyle) Abrahamsen and Michael Amerling; 11 great-grandchildren, Allie Lindstrom, Elizabeth McBrian, Alexandria and Dallas Baer, Alex Phillips, Matthew and Daniel Schladweiler, Evan and Keegan Abrahamsen, Kaitlin and Kevin Amerling; a sister-in-law, Jan Engelhardt of Tucson, Arizona; special family friends, Dianne Lichtenwalner of Tucson, Arizona and Marion Roggenbauer of West Bend, other relatives and friends.

In addition to her husband and parents, Marie was preceded in death by a sister, Rita (Andy) Anderson; two brothers, Roland and Ralph Engelhardt; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Lorraine Engelhardt, Joyce Engelhardt, William (Pearl) Hoepner and Mildred (Clarence) Lenz.

A Memorial Mass will be held at a later date at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Kewaskum. Burial of her remains will be in Washington County Memorial Park in West Bend.

Memorials to Holy Trinity Catholic Church, the Alzheimer's Association, Samaritan Health Center or Heartland

Hospice are appreciated.

The Miller Funeral Home in Kewaskum is serving the family. Additional information and guest book may be found at www.millermartinfh.com.

NORBERT A. BINGEN

Norbert A. Bingen, 79, entered into eternal peace on Wednesday, Feb. 21, 2007 at The Kathy Hospice, town of Polk.

Norbert was born on June 27, 1927 in Allenton to the late John and Katherine (nee Piersch) Bingen.

After graduating from West Bend High School in 1944, he served in the United States Army and was then employed by the Gehl Co.

On July 10, 1948, Norbert married Alice Bodden. In 1953, they moved to Allenton to farm and raise their family.

He was a very active member of Resurrection Catholic Church (formerly Sacred Heart Parish), where he served as a lector, reader, usher and trustee for many years.

He valued his role as a distributor of Holy Communion to the homebound.

Norbert served on the board of directors and as president of the Washington County Farm Bureau. He also served on the advisory board for UW-Extension Agriculture Education in Washington County and on the Board of Directors of Farmers Inc. of Allenton.

Norbert enjoyed sports as a participant, especially baseball, and as a spectator, particularly watching his children and grandchildren.

He was an avid sheephead player and learned to enjoy ballroom dancing. He became quite accomplished and even taught dance classes.

After retirement, Norbert found more time to travel, garden with Alice, and build furniture and birdhouses.

Most of all, he cherished the additional quality time he spent with his grandchildren.

He will be deeply missed by Alice, his best friend and loving wife of 58 years who gave endless love and support.

Survivors include his children, Steve (Michelle), Jane (Jerry) Pflughoeft, Elaine (Dave) Strachota, John (Nancy) and Bob (Kelly); and his sisters, Veronica Yogerst and Virginia Weyer. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Andy (Amber), Dayna, Samantha, Ryan, Zack, Chelsea and Jillian Bingen, Matt and Adam Strachota, and step-grandchildren, Mike (Aimee) and David (Kristin) Pflughoeft. He has many surviving nieces and nephews, friends and relatives. His surviving in-laws are, Eleanor Miller, Leo (Delores) Bodden, Esther (Tony) Kirsch, Flora (Dick) Johnston, Loretta Sauer, Al (Ann) Bodden and Norma Bodden.

Norbert was preceded in death by his brothers, Leo (Dorothy), Raymond, Clarence and Wilmer; a sister, Marie Konrath; brothers-in-law, Andy Yogerst, Jim Weyer, Tony Konrath, Lee Miller, Peter (Helen) Bodden, Bernard Bodden and Wally Sauer; a nephew, Jim Weyer; and a niece and godchild, Wendy Bodden.

A Mass of Christian Burial to honor the life of Norbert was held on Saturday, Feb. 24, at 1 p.m. at Resurrection Catholic Church, Allenton, with Father Rick Stoffel presiding.

Burial followed in Sacred Heart Cemetery.

Visitation with family and friends was held at the church only on Saturday from 10:30

a.m. until 12:45 p.m.

The family would like to extend their appreciation for memorials that are offered in honor of Norbert to The Kathy Hospice or Resurrection Parish.

The Schmidt Funeral Home of West Bend served the family.

MARVIN H. GROTH

Marvin H. Groth, 69, of Mayville, died on Monday, Feb. 19, 2007 at the University of Wisconsin Hospital, Madison.

He was born Dec. 26, 1937 in West Bend to Edgar and Julia (nee Frommholz) Groth, and was baptized and confirmed at Trinity Lutheran Church, town of Jackson.

He graduated in 1955 from West Bend High School.

On June 6, 1959, Marvin married Lois Keup at Immanuel Lutheran Church (River Church), town of Theresa.

He was employed at the West Bend Co. until he joined his father in farming.


In 1965, Marvin purchased a farm in the town of Herman where he lived up until his death.

He was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church (River Church), serving in various positions on the church council.

Marvin served in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Tarawa in 1956 and 1957. He enjoyed the outdoors, hunting and fishing and traveling with his wife throughout the state and to his lake cottage in northern Wisconsin.

Survivors include his wife, Lois; four children, Cheryl (Jeff) Giese of Wisconsin Dells, David

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(Arlesse) Groth of Mayville, John (Debra) Groth of Campbellsport and Paul (Sara) Groth of Brillion; grandchildren, Jeremy (Megan) Giese, Janel Giese, Megan, Katie and Kari Groth, Corin, Nicholas and Adam Groth and Jacob and Julia Groth; sisters and brothers, Robert (Lois) Groth and Marilyn (Eldred) Gierach, both of West Bend; a brother-in-law, Martin (Gertrude) Keup of Theresa; a sister-in-law, Virginia (Herman) Laabs of Mesa, Ariz.; nieces; nephews; other relatives and friends.

Preceding him in death were his parents.

Funeral services were held on Friday, Feb. 23, at 1:30 p.m., at Immanuel Lutheran Church (River Church), town of Theresa.

Rev. Mark Berlin was the officiant, and burial was in Hochheim Cemetery, town of Herman.

Visitation was Thursday from 5 to 9 p.m. at the Koepsell Funeral Home, Mayville, and also on Friday at the church from noon until 1:30 p.m.

Memorials may be directed to the Immanuel Lutheran Scholarship Fund.

CATHERINE MARY KUEPPER

Catherine Mary Kuepper (nee Weich), of Slinger, Wisconsin entered into eternal peace on February 20, 2007 at Cedar Lake Health and Rehabilitation Center in West Bend, after 86 years of life.

Catherine was born on July 21, 1920, the daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (nee Willkomm) Weich in Slinger, where she was also raised and attended school. After high school, she furthered her education at Marquette University, receiving her Registered Nursing Degree. Catherine worked at the Cedar Lake Health Care Center for 21 years, as a Supervisory Nurse, during which time she completed her Bachelors of Nursing at the University of Wisconsin.

In her free time, she loved gardening, arts and crafts, playing cards, and entertaining her family and friends. She especially loved the times when she was able to travel and visit other parts of the world. Catherine was a member of the Women of the Moose Chapter 732 and the VFW Ladies Auxiliary.

Catherine will be kept deep in the hearts of her children, Patricia (Robert) Weinert of West Bend, Mary Gaddis of California, Linda (Steven) Haugland of Minnesota, Cynthia (Ralph) Blair of West Bend, and Michael (Cynthia) Kuepper of Alenton; her stepchildren, Albert (Sally) Tennies and Herb (Suzanne) Tennies, both of West Bend, and Irene Fechter of Newburg; dear grandchildren, Brian, Joyce, Robert, Corinne, Joseph, and John; 18 stepgrandchildren, brother, Joseph (Olga) Weich of Texas; 32 step-great grandchildren, three step-great

great grandchildren, and three sisters-in-law, Ceil Strupp, Helen Ackerman, and Betty (Vince) Straub, all of the West Bend area. She will also be missed by many nieces, nephews, other very special relatives, and many dear friends.

Catherine was preceded in death by her parents, her first husband, Clarence Kuepper, in 1978; her second husband, Benedict Tennies in 2004; five brothers-in-law, John, Phillip, Peter, George, and Webster Tennies; sisters-in-law, one step-granddaughter, and one step-great granddaughter.

A Mass of Christian Burial in honor of Catherine will be held on Thursday, March 8, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Peter's Catholic Church, Slinger, with Father Richard J. Stoffel officiating.

Visitation with family and friends will also be held on Thursday, March 8, 2007 at church only, from 4:00 p.m. until the time of the Mass of Christian Burial at 6:30 p.m. (Refreshments will be served after Mass).

Interment will take place on Friday, March 9, 2007 at 11:00 a.m. at (old) St. Peter's Catholic Cemetery.

The family would like to extend their appreciation for memorials in lieu of flowers to Cedar Lake Health Care Center and Cedar Communities Hospice.

The Phillip Funeral Home of Slinger is assisting the family.

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Jake is tall and lanky with unkempt hair and a ratty moustache. Kate thinks he's the handyman around the resort, because all he appears to do is mow lawn and fish from a rickety old boat every morning. But Jake isn't rich. He's not distinguished, discerning and he's not ambitious. Which means he's not on Kate's Plan.

But there are lots of men at the resort who are and Valerie, resort director and "fiancé" of Will Templeton, Jake's brother and half-owner of the resort, wants desperately to get Kate involved in resort activities. Kate, for the most part, thinks the men at the resort are shallow jerks so,

to avoid Valerie, she hides out with Jake on the boat. Why not? Jake is like a big brother to her, really.

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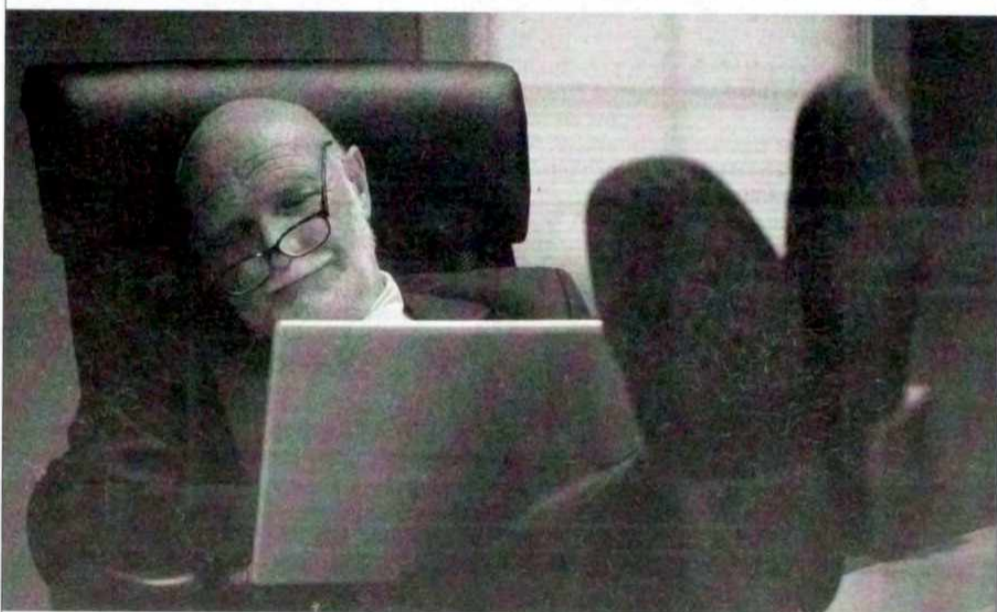
"Manhunting" is a cute story, one that Crusie fans will eat up. The ending is predictably happy, the characters are funny (there are many laugh-out-loud moments) and obligatory love scenes are plentiful but absolutely not for little ears in the back of the van.

Narrator Renee Raudman does an exceptional job with her female voices - particularly lovestruck Penny - but I thought the voice of Jake Templeton was more Texan than Appalachian. While it probably doesn't matter much, it bears mentioning because it's noticeable.

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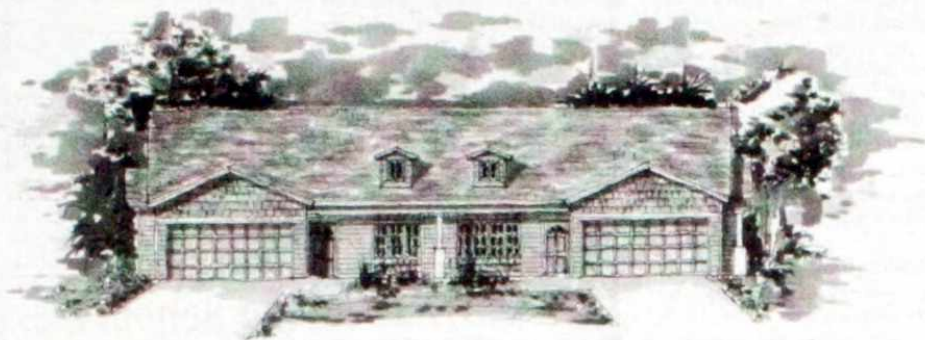
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- 1/2 English cucumber, diced
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In a large bowl, combine canola oil, lime juice, garlic, cumin, fennel, lime zest, mint and cilantro. Add chicken to bowl and toss to coat with mixture. Let stand 15 minutes.

In large, nonstick frying pan, cook the chicken mixture over medium-high heat for 6 to 8 minutes or until chicken is cooked through and the juices run clear.

Place chicken on wraps. Add tomato, green onion, cucumber and a dollop of sour cream. Fold and serve immediately. Yields 6 servings.

For more hearty recipes with canola oil, go to www.canola.info.org. For details of the FDA qualified health claim for canola oil, go to www.canola-council.org.

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St. Joseph Convent
Human Resources Department
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kbinotto@sssf.org EOE

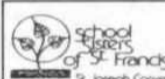
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If you are interested check out our website at www.sjconvent.org and click on the CNA training tab or give us a call. The first class will be offered in March and has an enrollment deadline of March 5, 2007. The second class will be offered in May and has an enrollment deadline of April 15, 2007.

For more information about the class, please contact Kerry Schumacher, RN, BSN at (920) 533-1108 or Tina Rawlins, RN at (920) 533-1123.

If you would like an application sent to you, please contact Karla in Human Resources at (920) 533-1135.



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REAL ESTATES/PUBLIC NOTICES

Parents urged to immunize teens During Meningitis peak season

(NAPSA)-Late winter and early spring is peak season for meningococcal disease, a devastating bacterial infection that can affect teens, young adults and college students. The National Meningitis Association (NMA) urges parents to talk to their child's physician about meningococcal disease prevention, including immunization.

Lynn Bozof, executive director of the NMA, lost her son Evan to meningococcal disease and did not realize the severity of the disease or know there was a vaccine.

"Most meningococcal disease cases occur in late winter and early spring, so it's important during this time for parents to become aware of the disease and vaccination," says Bozof. "Many parents consider vaccination for their children during back-to-school doctor's visits or when preparing college-aged children to live on campus; however, meningococcal disease can hit throughout the year."

This vaccine-preventable disease, also called meningitis, is transmitted through respiratory secretions, kissing or sharing glasses. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends routine immunization for 11- to 12-year-olds, for those about to enter high school (at about age 15) or for college freshmen if living in dormitories.

Nearly 30 percent of all cases in the U.S. occur among adolescents and young adults. One study shows that this age group has an unusually high death rate from the disease—one in four may die. Immu-



nization can prevent up to 83 percent of disease cases among this group.

"It is important for parents to learn about meningococcal disease and to be proactive in their child's health. Parents need to take advantage of the ample vaccine supply and ensure their children get vaccinated today," urges Bozof.

Meningococcal disease, often mistaken for the flu, can progress within hours, potentially resulting in serious or fatal consequences, including brain damage, limb amputations or death.

Early symptoms of the disease include high fever, headache, stiff neck, confusion, nausea, vomiting, exhaustion

and rash. Living in dormitories, participating in sleep-away camps, and irregular sleep patterns may increase the risk of contracting the disease among adolescents and young adults.

Vaccination is highly effective against four out of the five major strains of the disease and has minimal side effects, mostly soreness from the shot or mild fever.

Teens can help reduce their risk of contracting the disease by not sharing utensils and water bottles.

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NOTICE OF REFERENDUM
Washington County - April 3, 2007

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at an election to be held in Washington County on Tuesday, April 3, 2007, the following question will be submitted to a vote of the people:

Shall the Washington County Board of Supervisors allocate at least \$800,000 per year for 10 years funded by either sales tax, long-term debt obligations and property tax, or a combination thereof, to preserve prime farmland, water resources and natural areas in the County through purchase of development rights, land acquisition or similar programs from willing sellers, on the condition that all County expenditures are at least equally matched by non-county funding sources?

A copy of the entire text of the resolution directing the submission of the question can be obtained from the office of the Washington County Clerk.

Done in Washington County, Wisconsin, this 19th day of February 2007.
Brenda J. Jaszewski, Washington County Clerk
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SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

There will be a Special Meeting of the Kewaskum School Board of Education on Tuesday, March 6, 2007 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the District Board Room, 1455 School Street, Kewaskum.

AGENDA

1. Call meeting to order-President Kenworthy
2. Roll call of members
3. Verification of public notice pursuant to s. 19.84(1)(2)(3)(4)
4. Agenda
 - a. Corrections and/or additions
 - b. Approval
5. The Board will vote to convene to Closed Session under s. 19.85(1)(f) for the purpose of discussing and deliberating (an) expulsion hearing(s). The Board will convene to Open Session and then move to adjourn.
6. Adjourn

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OFFICIAL NOTICE - VOTING BY ABSENTEE BALLOT

Any qualified elector who is unable or unwilling to appear at the polling place on election day may request to vote an absentee ballot. A qualified elector is any U.S. citizen, who will be 18 years of age or older on election day, who has resided in the ward or municipality where he or she wishes to vote for at least 10 days before the election. The elector must also be registered in order to receive an absentee ballot.

TO OBTAIN AN ABSENTEE BALLOT YOU MUST MAKE A REQUEST IN WRITING.

Contact your municipal clerk and request that an application for an absentee ballot be sent to you for the primary or election or both. You may also request an absentee ballot by letter. Your written request must list your voting address within the municipality where you wish to vote, the address where the absentee ballot should be sent, if different, and your signature.

Special absentee voting application provisions apply to electors who are indefinitely confined to home or care facility, in the military, hospitalized, or serving as a sequestered juror. If this applies to you, contact the municipal clerk.

You can also personally go to the clerk's office or other specified location, complete a written application, and vote an absentee ballot during the hours specified for casting an absentee ballot.

TOWN OF FARMINGTON Joanne Oneska, Clerk 1272 E Green Lake Dr. West Bend, WI 53090 (262) 675-6441 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. M-F	TOWN OF WAYNE Christian Kuehn, Clerk 6030 Mohawk Rd. Campbellsport, WI 53010 (262) 629-5032 By appointment only
TOWN OF KEWASKUM Nancy Boden, Clerk 9019 Kettle Moraine Dr. Kewaskum, WI 53040 (262) 626-2566 8 a.m. - Noon Mon., Tu., Th. 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Wed., or by Appointment	VILLAGE OF KEWASKUM Jay Shambeau, Clerk 204 First Street Kewaskum, WI 53040 (262) 626-8484 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. M-F

The deadline for making application to vote absentee by mail is 5:00 p.m., Thursday, March 29, 2007.

Military electors should contact the municipal clerk regarding the deadlines for requesting or submitting an absentee ballot.

The deadline for voting an absentee ballot in the Municipal Clerk's Office is 5:00 p.m., Monday, April 2, 2007.

All voted ballots must be returned to the municipal clerk so the clerk can deliver them to the proper polling place before the polls close on Tuesday, April 3, 2007. Any ballots received after the polls close will not be counted.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

STATE OF WISCONSIN
TOWN OF KEWASKUM
WASHINGTON COUNTY

A Resolution having been adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Kewaskum, Washington County, Wisconsin, to alter and discontinue the highway described as follows:

LEGAL DESCRIPTION FOR SALISBURY LANE RIGHT-OF-WAY DEDICATION:

Part of the NE 1/4, SE 1/4, SW 1/4, and NW 1/4 of SECTION 24, TOWN 12 NORTH, RANGE 19 EAST, TOWN OF KEWASKUM, WASHINGTON COUNTY, WISCONSIN, which is bounded and described as follows:

Commencing at the SW Corner of Section 24; thence N 00°47'40" W (r.a. N 00°45'45" W) along the west line of the SW 1/4 of said section, 1314.89 feet to the place of beginning of lands herein described; thence continuing N 00°47'40" W (r.a. N 00°45'45" W) along said west line, 66.00 feet; thence N 89°22'00" E, 2169.06 feet to a point on a west line of Parcel 1 of Certified Survey Map No. 3049; thence S 02°06'00" W along said west line of said Parcel 1, 53.06 feet to a point on the south line of the N 1/2 of said SW 1/4; thence N 89°22'00" E along said south line, 222.34 feet to a point on a west line of said Parcel 1; thence S 00°38'00" E along said west line, 13.00 feet; thence S 89°22'00" W, 2388.68 feet to a point on said west line of said SW 1/4 and being the place of beginning.

Containing 3.35 acres (145,942 square feet more or less).

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF RIGHT OF WAY TO BE VACATED:
LANDS TO LOT 1 - CERTIFIED SURVEY
MAP NO. 3387:**

Part of the NE 1/4, SE 1/4, SW 1/4 and NW 1/4 of the SOUTHWEST 1/4 of Section 24, Town 12 North, Range 19 East, Town of Kewaskum, Washington County, Wisconsin, which is bounded and described as follows:

Commencing at the SW Corner of Section 24; thence N 00°47'40" W (r.a. N 00°45'45" W) along the west line of the SW 1/4 of said section, 1314.89 feet to a point on the south right-of-way line of Salisbury Lane as described in the legal description of Salisbury Lane above; thence N 89°22'00" E along said right-of-way line, 744.00 feet to the place of beginning of lands herein described; thence continuing N 89°22'00" E along said right-of-way line, 240.00 feet; thence S 00°47'40" E (r.a. S 00°45'45" E) and parallel with said west line of said SW 1/4, 20.40 feet; thence S 89°20'05" W (r.a. S 89°22'00" W), 240.00 feet to a point on the west line of Certified Survey

Map No. 3387; thence N 00°47'40" W (r.a. N 00°45'45" W) along said west line of Lot 1 and parallel with said west line of said SW 1/4, 20.53 feet to the place of beginning.

**LANDS TO LOT 1 - CERTIFIED SURVEY
MAP NO. 4208:**

Part of the NE 1/4, SE 1/4, SW 1/4, and NW 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 24, Town 12 North, Range 19 East, Town of Kewaskum, Washington County, Wisconsin, which is bounded and described as follows:

Commencing at the SW Corner of Section 24; thence N 00°47'40" W (r.a. N 00°45'45" W) along the west line of the SW 1/4 of said section; 1314.89 feet to a point on the south right-of-way line of Salisbury Lane as described in the legal description of Salisbury Lane above; thence N 89°22'00" E along said right-of-way line, 273.00 feet to the place of beginning of lands herein described; thence continuing N 89°22'00" E along said right-of-way line, 471.00 feet; thence S 00°47'40" E (r.a. S 00°45'45" W) and parallel with said west line SW 1/4, 20.13 feet; thence S 89°20'05" W (r.a. S 89°22'00" W), 471.00 feet to a point on the west line of Lot 1 of Certified Survey Map No. 4208; thence N 00°47'40" W (r.a. N 00°45'45" W) along said west line of said SW 1/4, 20.40 feet to the place of beginning.

Containing 0.22 acres (9,545 square feet more or less).

**LANDS TO LOT 1 - CERTIFIED SURVEY
MAP NO. 3383:**

Part of the NE 1/4, SE 1/4, SW 1/4, and NW 1/4 of the SOUTHWEST 1/4 of Section 24, Town 12 North, Range 19 East, Town of Kewaskum, Washington County, Wisconsin, which is bounded and described as follows:

Commencing at the SW Corner of Section 24; thence N 00°47'40" W (r.a. N 00°45'45" W) along the west line of the SW 1/4 of said section; 1314.89 feet to a point on the south right-of-way line of Salisbury Lane as described in the legal description of Salisbury Lane above; thence N 89°22'00" E along said right-of-way line, 744.00 feet to the place of beginning of lands herein described; thence continuing N 89°22'00" E along said right-of-way line, 130.00 feet; thence S 00°47'40" E (r.a. S 00°45'45" E) and parallel with the west line of SW 1/4, 20.06 feet; thence S 89°20'05" W (r.a. S

89°22'00" W), 130.00 feet to a point on the west line of Lot 1 of Certified Survey Map 3383; thence N 00°47'00" W (r.a. N 00°45'45" W) and parallel with said west line of said SW 1/4, 20.13 feet to the place of beginning.

Containing 0.06 acres (2,613 square feet more or less).

**LANDS TO LOT 1 - CERTIFIED SURVEY
MAP NO. 751:**

Part of the NE 1/4, SE 1/4, SW 1/4, and NW 1/4 of the SOUTHWEST 1/4 of Section 24, Town 12 North, Range 19 East, Town of Kewaskum, Washington County, Wisconsin, which is bounded and described as follows:

Commencing at the SW Corner of Section 24; thence N 00°47'40" W (r.a. N 00°45'45" W) along the west line of the SW 1/4 of said section; 1314.89 feet to a point on the south right-of-way line of Salisbury Lane as described in the legal description of Salisbury Lane above; thence N 89°22'00" E along said right-of-way line, 1071.86 feet to the place of beginning of lands herein described; thence continuing N 89°22'00" E along said right-of-way line, 260.41 (r.a. 260.00) feet to a point on the east line of the SW 1/4 of said Section; thence S 00°46'30" E) along said east line, 19.81 feet; thence S 89°20'05" W (r.a. S 89°22'00" W), 260.41 (r.a. 260.00) feet to a point on the west line of Lot 1 of Certified Survey Map No. 751; thence N 00°47'40" W (r.a. N 00°45'45" W) and parallel

with said west line of said SW 1/4, 19.95 feet to the place of beginning. Containing 0.12 acres (5,177 square feet more or less)

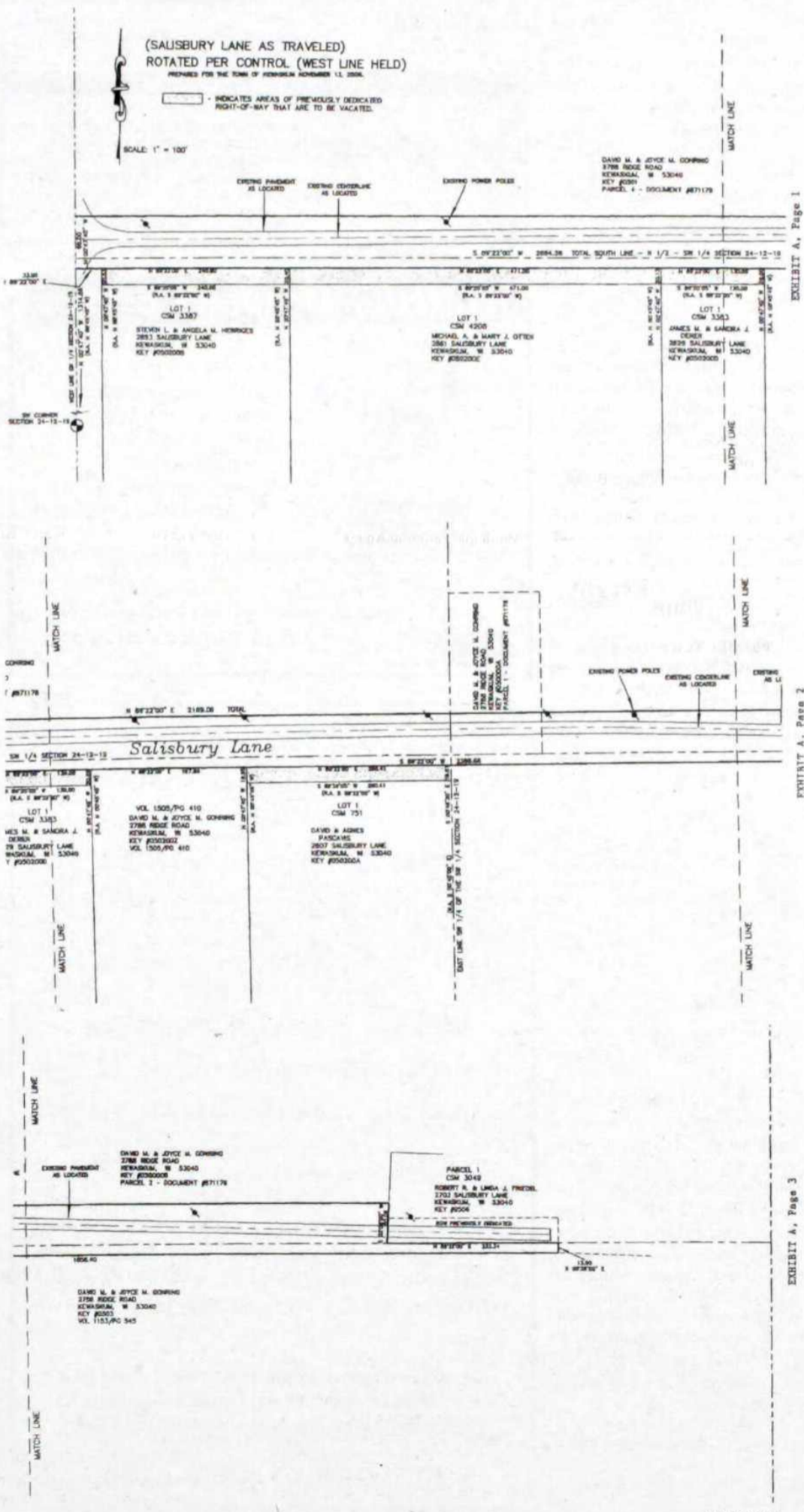
A scale map of the land that will be affected by this application is attached.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned supervisors of the Town of Kewaskum will meet on the 19th day of March, 2007, at 7:00 P.M. at 9019 Kettle Moraine Drive, Kewaskum, Wisconsin, and decide upon such resolution.

Dated this 7th day of February 2007.

Nancy Boden,
Town Clerk
WNAXLP

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**TOWN OF FARMINGTON
MONTHLY TOWN
MEETING**

The Board of Supervisors of the Town of Farmington will meet on the first Tuesday each month, next meeting is, March 6, 2007, at the Town Hall, 9422 Hwy. 144 in Boltonville at 7:00 P.M. to conduct its regular business and to consider such matters as are authorized by law.

Joanne Oneska
Town Clerk

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Village Board Meeting Monday

Public notice is hereby given that the next meeting of the Village of Kewaskum, Wisconsin Village Board is scheduled for Monday, March 5, 2007, at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 204 First Street.

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

Copies of the agenda are also posted in the lobby of the Kewaskum Post Office and lobby of Mid-America Bank. WNAXLP

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The Village of Kewaskum, Wisconsin is accepting sealed proposals for the furnishing of milling or pulverizing, grading, shaping, miscellaneous base repair, tack coat and installing of base and surface course asphalt for the Kiwanis Park parking lot, including Brooklane Drive to Edgewood Road in the Village of Kewaskum.

Plans and specifications are available from the Village's Office in the Municipal Building, 204 First Street, Kewaskum, WI 53040.

Submit proposals to Jerry Gilles, Director of Public Works, Municipal Building, 204 First Street, P.O. Box 38, Kewaskum, WI 53040-0038 no later than 10:00 AM March 14, 2007, clearly marked "Bid Proposal." Bids will be opened and read aloud at 10:00 AM.

No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of thirty (60) days after the bid opening date without the consent of the Village.

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

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

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Dated: February 15, 2007.

The Kewaskum Village Board
Jerry E. Gilles

Director of Public Works
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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

PROJECT: Western Avenue
From Brooklane Drive to North Avenue
KEWASKUM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

The Village of Kewaskum, Wisconsin is accepting sealed proposals for the furnishing of milling or pulverizing, grading, shaping, miscellaneous base repair, tack coat and installing of base and surface course asphalt on Western Avenue, between Brooklane Drive and North Avenue in the Village of Kewaskum.

Plans and specifications are available from the Village's Office in the Municipal Building, 204 First Street, Kewaskum, WI 53040.

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The Kewaskum Village Board
Jerry E. Gilles

Director of Public Works
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Village Board Meeting Minutes

Village Board Meeting
February 5, 2007
7:00 p.m.

The Village Board of Kewaskum, Washington County, Wisconsin, met in Regular Session in the Meeting Room of the Fire House located at 1106 Fond du Lac Avenue.

President Matt Heiser called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were Steve Scheunemann, Harry Roecker, Derek Peterson, Andy Pesch, Tom Piwoni, Kevin Scheunemann and Matt Heiser. Staff members present were Jay Shambeau, Jerry Gilles, Mark Groeschel, Dick Knoebel and Jim Noren. Also present were Engineers Andy Petersen and Tom Renner of Ruckert & Mielke and Financial Advisor Paul Thompson.

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

Motion by Kevin Scheunemann, second by Tom Piwoni to accept the minutes from January 22, 2007 as amended. Voice vote, motion carried.

Paul Thompson presented the possibility of refinancing the 2004 Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds of \$2,125,000. Motion by Andy Pesch, second by Derek Peterson to approve moving forward with the refinancing. Voice vote, motion carried. Kevin Scheunemann recorded as "Nay".

Jay Shambeau presented the results of the TID audit for the fiscal year 2005.

The Board discussed the second public hearing date of March 1, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. for the Wastewater Treatment Facility amended plan at the Municipal Building Annex.

The Board toured the lift station currently under construction and located behind the Fire House. Tom Renner led the tour and answered board member questions. The Board also toured the Fire House led by Fire Chief Mark Groeschel. Discussion took place regarding the potential replacement of the 1976 aerial ladder truck.

Fire Chief Mark Groeschel presented his report for January as follows:

Fire Calls	4
Year to Date	4
Jaws	2
Year to Date	2
Rescue Calls	37
Miles	940

Director of Public Works, Jerry Gilles, informed the Board of the Kewaskum Kiwanis Community Park lighting plan.

Jay Shambeau presented the residential building permit summary.

Harry Roecker recommended approval of bills as presented. Motion by Tom Piwoni, second by Kevin Scheunemann to approve the payment of bills as recommended by the Administrative Committee. Voice vote, motion carried. The total of all claims as recommended are as follows:

General Fund	197,543.10
Library Fund	8,493.24
Rescue Fund	2,791.12
A/P Check #31242 - #31377	
TID No 2 Fund	9,021.32
P/R Check #75581 - #75644	
Water Fund	18,792.16
Sewer Fund	65,807.54
TOTAL	302,448.48

Motion by Derek Peterson, second by Harry Roecker to award the bid for a water utility van to Bob Fish. Voice vote, motion carried.

Motion by Harry Roecker, second by Tom Piwoni to award the bid for the DPW half ton pick-up truck to Ewald Automotive Group. Voice vote, motion carried.

Plan Commission representative

Andy Pesch reported on the meeting held on January 23, 2007.

Motion by Andy Pesch, second by Steve Scheunemann to approve Chapter Three of the Comprehensive Plan as recommended by the Plan Commission. Voice vote, motion carried. Kevin Scheunemann and Derek Peterson recorded as "Nay".

Andy Pesch announced the first Extraterritorial Zoning meeting to be held on February 15, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room of Village Hall.

Matt Heiser announced the next meeting of the Library Board on February 12, 2007 at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Tom Piwoni, second by Andy Pesch to approve the issuance of Operator's Licenses for 2006-2007 upon proper payment of fees and documentation for the following as recommended by the Police Department. Voice vote, motion carried.

Hoffmann, Roxanne, Kewaskum, WI

Ratzel, Cindy, Kewaskum, WI
Motion by Kevin Scheunemann, second by Andy Pesch to adjourn at 9:14 p.m. Roll call vote was 7 "Aye" 0 "Nay" 0 "Absent".

Jay Shambeau
Administrator/Clerk
Approved 02-19-2007
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RESOLUTION NO. 2007-02 VILLAGE OF KEWASKUM RESOLUTION TO IMPLEMENT AN EMPLOYEE CAFETERIA PLAN

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Village of Kewaskum, Wisconsin, a municipal corporation, to offer its employees a "cafeteria plan", including a health insurance premium payment plan, a medical expense reimbursement plan and a dependent care assistance plan;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Kewaskum adopt the Village of Kewaskum Flexible Compensation Plan, Health Care FSA and Dependent Care FSA, copies of which the Board has reviewed and approved; and

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Village President of the Vil-

lage of Kewaskum hereby are authorized and directed to execute said Plans on behalf of the Village of Kewaskum and to take such other actions as are necessary or appropriate to effectuate the foregoing.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 19th day of February 2007 by the Kewaskum Village Board.

Mathew A. Heiser
Village President

ATTEST:
Jay Shambeau
Administrator/Clerk
Motion for adoption by Trustee Kevin Scheunemann
Motion for adoption seconded by Trustee Harry Roecker
Roll Call vote was 7 "Aye" 0 "Nay" 0 "Absent"

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The Boy Scout movement was founded by Lord Baden-Powell of England. His army experiences convinced him that British boys needed more physical training and experiences in outdoor life.

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-01 TO AMEND THE 2006 VILLAGE OF KEWASKUM GENERAL FUND ADOPTED BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following amendments be made to the adopted 2006 General Fund Budget to reflect those revenues and expenditures realized in 2006:

ACCT #	DESCRIPTION	INCREASE/DECREASE	AMENDED
BUDGET REVENUES:			
100-41150	Ag Use Value Penalty	14,586	22,086
100-41310	Water Taxes	(8,613)	81,712
100-43510	Building Permits	(30,213)	92,887
100-45600	Municipal Court	(17,000)	-0-
100-47110	Donations	1,712	2,712
100-48110	Interest Earned	73,712	100,212
		34,184	
EXPENDITURES:			
100-51210-360	Municipal Court	(16,695)	365
100-51320-110	Administrative Salaries	(8,800)	35,005
100-51320-399	Administrative Miscellaneous	10,739	11,089
100-51610-369	Legal Expense	21,061	37,061
100-51940-359	P&L Insurance	6,726	93,936
100-52110-130	PD Wages	6,580	275,380
100-52110-145	PD P/T Wages	6,948	16,618
100-52110-240	PD Health Insurance	(10,381)	95,919
100-52310-332	Fire Gas/Oil	(6,267)	1,774
100-52310-356	Fire Gas Utility	(5,080)	5,043
100-52310-359	Fire P&L Insurance	10,013	10,013
100-52410-359	Building Inspection	(19,255)	88,070
100-54330-324	Curb & Gutter Maintenance	5,824	7,624
100-54350-130	Snow & Ice Wages	(4,000)	8,685
100-54350-140	Snow & Ice O.T.	(2,460)	4,475
100-54350-240	Snow & Ice Health	(2,874)	5,556
100-54420-355	Street Light Electric	(7,984)	76,046
100-54430-130	Tree & Brush Wages	5,590	11,561
100-54430-240	Tree & Brush Health	3,005	5,409
100-54710-359	Garbage Contract Services	4,482	101,704
100-54740-359	Recycling Contract Services	(4,482)	46,189
100-55230-145	Pool P/T Wages	7,146	35,026
100-55410-410	Park Outlay	1,712	19,212
100-56320-369	Land Use Planning	32,636	40,306
		34,184	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any funds over those budgeted in 2006 which remain in Account #100-54310-110 through #100-54310-342, Streets & Alleys, be placed into the Restricted Fund under their respective outlay sub-accounts for future expenditure.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 19th day of February, 2007 by the Kewaskum Village Board.

Mathew A. Heiser
Village President

ATTEST:
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Motion for adoption by Trustee Kevin Scheunemann
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Roll call vote was 7 "Aye" 0 "Nay" 0 "Absent"

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SPORTS

Gridiron successes are celebrated at banquet

BY JUDY HARLOW
Statesman Correspondent

Members of the Kewaskum Gridiron football coaching staff are not just generous with their time but their money as well.

The coaches who direct activities for the four youth teams donated \$1,300 to the Pass the Helmet project at their annual banquet which was held Feb. 17th at Hon-E-Kor Country Club, prompting Jim "Jonesy" Korth, the president of the organization, to suggest the coaches may give out two scholarships this year.

For the past five years, Gridiron coaches have contributed one \$1,000 scholarship to a graduating senior from Kewaskum High, who was active in the Gridiron for at least two years and a varsity football letter winner. Academics and financial need also play a role in determining the recipient of the award.

Korth said cheerleaders may also become eligible for the award, if the board of directors of the organization agree to the action.

"I think this is the largest banquet we've had," Korth said to the approximately 70 in attendance, including coaches and their wives, along with sponsors of the Gridiron.

Officers of the club are as follows: Korth as president; Joe Backhaus, vice president; Rollie Maul, treasurer; secretary, Kay Herman; and board

of directors Julie Craig, Jeff Logan, Wayne Koester, and Gil DeLaurier. Cindy Shaske handles concessions and clothing sales for the club.

Financially the club is strong, according to Korth, who said the fruits of their labor are becoming obvious in the success of the football teams at KHS.

The success goes past the prep level, Korth said, indicating there are currently several young men from KHS playing collegiate ball, including Corey Darmody (junior, all-WIAC tackle at UW-Platteville), Tony Fitts (senior, honorable mention WIAC defensive back at UW-Stout), Zack Wollner (freshman at St. Norberts College) and Dave Wicklund (UW-Eau Claire). Chris Canter, who graduated from Bemidji State University in Minnesota, played four years of football there.

Korth introduced all the coaches from the high school in attendance, including head coach Jason Piittmann and his staff, Jason Last, Dave Rockhill, Mike Donath, Dennis Butz, Tim Rohlinger and Russ Cross.

"We encourage them to go on to school ... to keep playing," Korth said.

The Gridiron suffered one very painful loss this past fall when Ben Derge, a member of the seventh grade team, died because of a condition unrelated to football.

"They (the Derge family)

are in the process of establishing a scholarship in his name," Korth said, adding, "We will be working with them ... and we are retiring Ben's No. 67, and decals with the number *will be placed on the helmets this year."

In another announcement made at the banquet, Korth, the owner and greens superintendent at Hon-E-Kor, said he is establishing a golf scholarship this year.

A tournament will be held at Hon-E-Kor on June 2nd this spring to raise funds for the award, which will go to a high school golfer who is a junior member at Hon-E-Kor. This means students at Kewaskum, the two West Bend High Schools, Kettle Moraine Lutheran, Slinger or Campbellsport or any other school in the area would be eligible. The scholarship is open to boys and girls, according to Korth.

More information on this award, which is to be called the Korth Memorial Award, will be available closer to the tournament.



Earlier registration date set for Gridiron Club

While many of us may be struggling with cabin fever this time of year, and we anxiously await the arrival of spring, the Kewaskum Gridiron Club's Board of Directors eagerly awaits the start of another season of youth football as members of the Wisconsin All-American Youth Football League in the fall of 2007. A good part of the planning process for next fall has already taken place including an important event which will occur this spring in preparation several months prior to the actual season.

In a slight departure from the past, The Gridiron Club has decided to hold registration slightly earlier than in recent years, and has set aside Saturday, March 24th, 2007 for their annual spring registration date. Registration will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Hon-E-Kor Golf and Country Club, located at 1141 Riverview Dr. in Kewaskum.

This registration will include both football players and cheerleaders.

Participation in the Gridiron Club is open to Kewaskum School District youth who will be entering fifth through eighth grade in the fall of 2007. There are very strict residency rules which apply as anyone registering must live in the Kewaskum School District. A parent or guardian must accompany any child when registering and pay the participation cost at that time.

The participation cost is \$135 for each player. For any family having two or more players, the cost of the second

player is \$100, and the cost for any third or additional player is \$75. The cheerleading cost is \$50 for each child wishing to be a cheerleader.

In consideration for participation, parents of all participants are required to perform volunteer duties at home games or other activities.

Practices begin in early August on the high school/middle school grounds. Games take place on Saturdays in September and October, with home games held on the high school athletic field and away games taking the teams to several other communities.

The Kewaskum Gridiron Club is a local, non-profit, all volunteer organization dedicated to teaching the fundamentals of full contact tackle football to our area youth to help prepare them for playing at the high school level. From humble beginnings in 1997, the club has grown steadily to include teams at four grade levels, fifth through eighth, cheerleaders, and an annual scholarship awarded to a former player.

If you have any questions, need more information, or are unable to register on March 24th, please call Joe Backhaus at 626-2327, or Jim Korth at 626-2520. Cheerleading questions can be directed to Jenny Harbin at 626-8058.

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SPORTS

Ogi ends career with another 4th; Smith, Turowski fall in first round

BY JUDY HARLOW
Statesman Correspondent

Two of Kewaskum High's qualifiers were eliminated in the first round of the annual WIAA State Individual Wrestling Tournament, but Eric Ogi battled his way back to another trip to the victory stand, eventually placing fourth at 145 pounds.

"Eric's weight class was very tough. (Zac) Cibula from Luxemburg-Casco is now a three-time state champ and he's a junior," KHS coach Dennis Aupperle said Sunday about the three-day completion that concluded at the Kohl Center in Madison on Saturday night.

Ogi so wanted to reach the finals this year, but it just wasn't in the cards as he was upended by Joe Farrell of Gillett/Suring 6-2 in the opening round.

"Farrell scored a takedown right away, then Farrell chose down and got a reversal and a 2-point near fall," Aupperle said. "In the third (period), Eric got a reversal."

Ogi showed his competitive spirit, however, coming right back with a 4-0 shutout over Derek Flok of Sturgeon Bay/Sevastopol in the first wrestleback and to earn a bid for third place topped Tommy Dobbs of Melrose/Mendota by a score of 4-2.

Cody Friemoth of Neilsville/Greenwood, who came into the competition at 47-0, out pointed Ogi 10-6 to claim third, meaning Ogi would finish fourth at state for the third year

in a row.

"Eric is always up for his matches. He seemed as intense in the second and third matches as the first. In his last match, 10-6, there were some nearfalls he gave up, a two and a three. There were no real big moves, throws or anything," Aupperle said. "Overall, he finished 117-24, 35-4 for this year.

Only Joel Dziedzic, the Kewaskum Middle School coach and a volunteer assistant at the high school, did better than Ogi at state, placing all four years of his high school career.

"I think he had a remarkable career, placing three times," Aupperle said. "The years he wrestled for me, he was a leader, a very positive role model for others, on and off the mat. He has excellent character."

For Mason Smith at 140 and Jacob Turowski at 189, the road came to a quick end as both were defeated in the opening round.

Smith, making his first appearance in a state tournament, ran into a tough Andy Smits of Gillett/Suring in the opening round Thursday evening.

Smits recorded a pin over Smith in 4:53, and then in the second round, Smits was pinned by Andrew Carlson of Medford in 2:43, meaning Smith did not get a chance at a wrestleback.

Smith ended the year with a record of 26-12.

"Mason was very nervous, and he was tight in the match. It was 4-3, and he went for a duck under, and the kid caught

him on his back," Aupperle said, quick to add, "He had a great senior season. I think he may have surprised himself. I told him early in the year he had it in him to make it to state, and as the year went on, I think he really started to believe it."

About Turowski, who had qualified for state as a freshman, his final match came to a very painful ending. The likable KHS senior battled to a 3-3 tie at the end of regulation with Monroe's Matt Scott, then in overtime Scott managed to get a takedown and the match was over.

"Jacob was pushing the kid pretty hard, got a point for stalling and lost in a scramble for a takedown in OT," Aupperle said about Turowski who ended up at 29-8 this year. "He had a great year. His goal was to get back to state, and he did. Team wise, he was another big leader like Eric. Both have excellent grades and lead by example. He was one of those guys you could count on winning, nine times out of ten."

Billy Mayer of Campbellsport (34-5), Turowski's main rival the past two seasons, finished second at 189, losing to Nick Lloyd of Luxemburg-Casco in the finals by a score of 2-0.

In his opening round, Mayer was a 7-5 winner over Chris Weber of Mishicot. He followed that up with a pin in 6:22 (overtime) over Tyler Landon of Lancaster.

Donath stars for Oshkosh in WIAC Indoor test

BY JUDY HARLOW
Statesman Correspondent

No question, one of the stars of the annual WIAC (Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference) Indoor Track and Field Championship has her roots in Kewaskum.

Amanda Donath, a sophomore standout at UW-Oshkosh, won the open 400-meter run with a meet record, finished second in the 200 and helped the 4x200 and 4x400 relays to top-three finishes.

Still, the Lady Titans (133) had to settle for second place behind UW-La Crosse, which scored 194 points to win by 61.

"With all the races I ran, I can't expect to get many PR's (personal records)," a rather weary Donath said from Oshkosh Sunday, the day after the conclusion of the two-day event which was hosted by UW-Whitewater.

"I did PR in the 200, and I felt real strong in the 400 ... really relaxed."

In her specialty, Donath turned in a blazing time of 55 and .96 seconds (55.96), smashing the record of 57.36 she set a year ago in the same competition.

The 400 was a very good event for the Titans because Donath's teammate, Nadine Pieske, who ran for Whitnall High School, wound up second for 18 total team points. Pieske's time was 56.15.

"Nadine, she's always my biggest competition," Donath said. "It's nice we get to train together."

About the race, Donath said, "I don't know what my splits were. I probably started with a 26 (seconds) in the first 200 and probably came back in 29 for my second 200."

In the open 200, it was Pieske hitting the tape in 25.15, and Donath not far behind in 25.91. Donath actually was faster in prelims, running a 25.63.

The relays didn't go quite as planned, according to Donath, who said the handoffs in the 4x200 were "actually pretty

bad." Still, Donath, Pieske, Amy Mlezvia and Stephanie Sisk managed to turn in a 1:43.89, good for third place and only .60 behind the winning La Crosse quartet.

The venerable Oshkosh coach, Debbie Vercauteren, decided to pull Pieske from the 4x400 race, and Donath said the coach told her "to go out nice and easy."

The Titans ended up with a time of 3:59.60, second behind UW-Eau Claire which was clocked in 3:55.28.

The more important meet, the NCAA 3 Track and Field Championships, is coming up in two weeks, and the coach undoubtedly is pointing to that competition. Donath, who won Little All-American acclaim, is ... and also looking ahead to the NCAA 3 Outdoor meet because she finished in the seventh there last year in the 400.

"When you get to nationals, it's a whole different level," Donath said, recalling how nervous she was in the outdoor nationals last year and how it cost her a chance at a top-three finish. "It won't happen this year," she said.

The NCAA 3 Indoor Meet is being held in Terre Haute, Indiana the weekend of March 9-10, and UW-Oshkosh will host the Outdoor Championships on May 25-26.

Track is certainly going well for Donath, who has qualified for the NCAA 3 meet in several events and is expected to be the top contender in the 400.

School is also going well for the former KHS athlete, who said, "It's more of a laid back semester for me" with the track season. Donath is majoring in Exercise Science.

Three-on-three basketball tournament March 31

The 12th Annual Double Elimination three-on-three Basketball Tournament will be held on Saturday, March 31, 2007 at the Kewaskum High School and Elementary School. The fee is \$40 per team with up to four members per team. There are four divisions for boys and girls, grades 5th thru 12th. Two divisions are available for ages 18 and over and 30 and over for both men and women!

The Kewaskum High

School Booster Club sponsors the tournament. All proceeds are used to support co-curricular activities at the High School. Recent Booster Club purchases include: Golf Bags, Weight Room Equipment, Baseball Equipment, Tennis Score Cards, Dance Mirrors, Soccer Decals, Wrestling Mats, and Heart Monitors for the Track and Cross Country Teams, along with an annual College Scholarship. The Booster Club also supports the

Post Prom Party with \$1000.

Concessions will be available at both schools throughout the tournament from the Booster Club. Entry forms are available at the Kewaskum High School or on line at <http://www.kewaskum-schools.org/>. The deadline for registration is March 24, 2006. Sign up early! Space is limited!

A registration form is also on page 22 of this newspaper.

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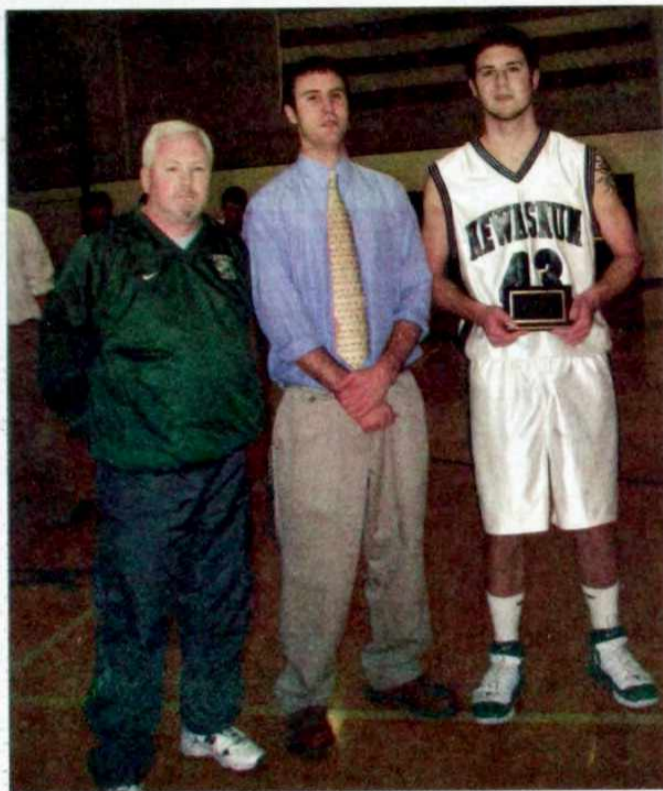
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SPORTS

Indians' win streak now at five after OT battle vs. C-sport



During a brief ceremony before Friday's game against Campbellsport, Matt Parrent, right, was honored for being the first Kewaskum High male basketball player to score over 1,000 points. Parrent is shown with KHS Athletic Director Jason Piittmann, left, and head basketball coach Bobby Bannasch. After receiving his plaque, Parrent scored 22 points in leading the Indians to a 50-48 overtime victory. The 22 points give the 6-4 senior 1,060 career points.

Statesman photo by Judy Harlow

BY JUDY HARLOW
Statesman Correspondent

Thanks to some great defense down the stretch, the Kewaskum High senior basketball players won their final home game last Friday night, and the 50-48 overtime decision also helped the Indians settle a score with Campbellsport.

The win gave the Indians a final mark of 6-8 in the Eastern Wisconsin Conference, and they took an 8-12 record into Tuesday's Division 2 regional contest against St. John's Military/Northwestern Prep in Delafield.

"I'm just so proud of these kids, and I'm really happy for them," first-year head coach Bobby Bannasch said afterward.

After a three-point play by Craig Hatch with 45 seconds remaining in the third quarter, Campbellsport was ahead by 12 points, 43-31.

The Indians needed to get something going offensively, and time was beginning to run out on them.

Junior John Holt came up with a big play with :26 left on the clock as he got inside the CHS defense, scored and was fouled on the play. His ensuing free throw cut the deficit to nine, and after a missed bonus free throw by Ben Braatz, there would be one more opportunity to score and Casey Scheel came up with a huge three-point goal.

Scheel, who had many of his shots — he was one of nine in three-point attempts — spin out of the basket, didn't have to worry about this one. It found nothing but net from the left wing with :03 to go, and suddenly Kewaskum was within six, 43-37.

With the offense suddenly revived, the Indians' defense got real tough on the visiting Cougars and shut them out the entire fourth quarter. Campbellsport missed five attempts in two-point range, was off the mark on a pair of three-pointers and twice got whistled for traveling in the final eight minutes.

The Indians used a bomb by forward Matt Parrent to draw within two at 43-41 and they finally tied the game with 3:12 to go when Parrent successfully connected on a pair of free throws.

The rest of the way both teams were satisfied to take their time and wait for good opportunities to score, but neither found the hoop. After Parrent's free throws, the Cougars moved the ball around for 50 seconds before Austin Sarauer was off the mark from behind the arc.

Kewaskum also slowed the pace down and looked for the game-winner. The Indians took a time out with 13.2 seconds remaining, and with three ticks on the clock, Scheel tried to drive to the basket only to get called

for an offensive foul on his spin move.

In the overtime, Jack Breese, mainly a defensive specialist all season, came up with the first points for KHS. With 3:22 left in the extra period, Dan Shea found Breese under the basket and he scored to put KHS up 45-43.

It was here Holt came up with a big play, corralling the ball after a long pass by the Cougars nearly went out of bounds. This set up a possession that led to a 1-and-1 situation by Holt, but he missed the free throw.

No harm done, Campbellsport committed another turnover, leading to a three-point play by Parrent, who powered in a bucket from close range and drew the foul.

Kewaskum's five-point advantage didn't last long, however, and Schill came back to score with 1:19 left (48-45).

The Cougars fouled Dan Shea with 1:03 to play and he missed both free throws, but Hatch was way off the mark with a shot with 24 to go, and now time looked to be on Kewaskum's side.

Scheel converted one of two free throws with 10.2 seconds left, then Schill drained a long three, making the score 49-48 with 1.7 second left. The Indians got the ball into Scheel, who was fouled with .8 of a second left. He made the first of his two tries, and it was game, set and match Indians.

An intense Bannasch was thrilled for his four seniors, Parrent, Shea, Scheel and Breese.

"It's Senior Night, and these guys haven't had a lot of success, but they beat our rival Campbellsport and when they come back to this gym they will remember they walked off this court as winners," Bannasch said, indicating the six-game win streak at the end of the year was a great lesson on life for his players.

Parrent led all scorers with 22 points, while Holt wound up with 14 and Scheel added eight.

For the Cougars, the sharpshooting Sarauer scored 13 but was held scoreless after the third period. Shea Stahl, who scored 14 points against the Indians in their first meeting, missed the game after undergoing an emergency appendectomy on Feb. 18th.

Final EW standings: 1. Roncalli 14-0, 2. Plymouth 11-3, 3. (tie) Kewaskum, New Holstein, Two Rivers and Sheboygan Falls, all 6-8; 7. Kiel 5-9, 8. 3-11.

KEWASKUM - 10-7-20-6-7 - 50
CAMPBELLSPORT - 12-14-17-0 - 48
Kewaskum: Shea 4, Breese 2, Scheel 8, Holt 14, Parrent 22. 3-point goals—Scheel, Parrent (3). FTs—12x21. Fouls—12.

Campbellsport: Braatz 9, Schill 7, Chris Weiland 4, Sarauer 13, Austin Backhaus 2, Hatch 6, Mike Hepp 7. 3-point goals—Braatz, Schill, Sarauer, Hatch, Hepp. FTs—5x10. Fouls—18.

Cougars' scoring machine too much for lady Indians

BY JUDY HARLOW
Statesman Correspondent

Leaving little doubt which was the better team, the Campbellsport High girls scored 17 points in the first quarter and poured on 25 in the second last Tuesday night, rolling over Kewaskum 73-23 in a first-round Division 2 regional basketball game held in Campbellsport.

With the loss, the Lady Indians ended the year with an 0-22 mark. Campbellsport moved on to round No. 2 and entertained Kettle Moraine Lutheran on Thursday.

"The first quarter I actually think we played well," KHS coach Jeff Gosse said about the effort. "We had our opportunities ... we broke their press, but then we started hurrying shots and we hurried passes, and after we fell behind by 12, it just snowballed."

By intermission, the Cougars led 42-13 and wound up with seven 3-point goals to post the emphatic win.

Even though the season was over, Gosse chose to focus on the fact three of his freshman, Anna Butler, Jenna Buker and Elyssa Miller, saw significant playing time and, "They got to play against a very good basketball team," one he hopes the Indians will look like in a couple years.

Butler finished with four points, just two behind the Indians' leading scorer in the contest, Lauren Hughes, who found the target on two long-range bombs for six points.

Megan Rinzel also scored four points for KHS, while Jess Liniewski added three.

Kewaskum played without its lone senior, Sam Droese, who was unable to play because of an injury.

Also "Jennie Wicklund was home sick ... another game without two starters, but it gave others the opportunity to play," Gosse said.

"It was a little frustrating. Again we did a poor job of rebounding," Gosse said, indicating his girls got pushed around under the basket. The lone exception was Stephanie Rinzel, who hauled down nine boards, according to the coach.

Campbellsport had a ton of balance. Bry Timblin and Kallie Benike led the way with a dozen each, while Kelsie Benike added 11. A trio of other Cougars, Alyssa McGray, Brittany Narges and Maggie Mueller, each chipped in with seven.

"They're playing very well. They're very aggressive, and they are so good at communicating in their press," Gosse said in complimenting the Cougars, even going so far as to say he thought they would beat Hafton, the No. 1 seed in the regional.

So what about next year? What do the Indians have to do to win some games, after going without a victory two years in a row?

"They've got to get in the gym this summer, not only to lift (weights) but to work on their shooting, and they've got to play together in a summer league so they learn how to play together. They need better cohesiveness," Gosse said.

CAMPBELLSPORT 17-25-15-16 - 73,
KEWASKUM 7-6-3-7 - 23
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What are her favorite things? Think of places, foods, colors, flowers, activities, music and movies she loves and incorporate a few special touches to show how well you know her.

Be aware of timing. Don't propose when she's stressed or overwhelmed.

Keep it simple and make it fun. Some of the best proposals aren't elaborate: they involve an inside joke, a past experience or a private memory that is meaningful to the couple.

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The County Clerks from Washington and Fond du Lac Counties gave us the following information. These are general guidelines and any questions should be directed to your county clerk's office.

The license application must be made in the county where either the bride or groom has resided for at least 30 days. If both parties are residents of other states, application must be made in the county where the ceremony is to be held. If neither person has been a resident of any county for 30 days prior to application, they must also apply where they will be married.

Proof of residency can be confirmed by two of the following: Driver's license or state ID card with current address, current utility bills, banking statement with current address, lease agreement for an apartment with the current address, insurance papers with the current address.

All applicants must present a certified copy of their birth certificate obtained from the register of deeds office

in the county of birth or the state registrar in the state of birth. Baptismal and hospital Certificates are not accepted. If you were born in another state, you can contact your county clerk's office for the address and/or phone number of the state registrar from your state of birth.

When obtaining birth certificates applicants should allow at least eight weeks for delivery if you were born in another state. Your county clerk's office can also check if your birth certificate is a certified copy.

Applicants must provide signed copies of judgment of divorce papers, legal annulment papers or certified copies of death certificates showing how your last marriage ended must be shown when applying for the license. A judge or court commissioner must sign divorce papers or legal annulment papers.

You will also be asked the name of township, village or city and county where you presently reside, your social security number, highest level of education completed, name and address of the officiant, location of the ceremony including the county and date of marriage.

Any judge, ordained minister, priest or court commissioner may perform the ceremony.

And guys, this isn't

something she can do without you, both the bride and groom to be must come in together and sign before the county clerk when applying for their license.

The license is valid for 30 days after the date of issuance and the marriage must be performed within that period.

Divorced persons may not remarry until six months after the granting of a judgment of divorce regardless of where the judgment took place. The application also cannot be made until six days prior to the divorce being finalized.

It is the couple's responsibility to check with the register of deeds office in the county in which you were married to make sure that the officiate filed your marriage certificate. The certificate is to be filed within three days of the ceremony. If the certificate is not filed, contact your officiate immediately.

If you plan on being married outside of the United States, it is the couple's responsibility to obtain the proper legal paper(s) from that country. It is important to get certified copies before you leave the foreign country and if the certificate is in a foreign language, you should obtain notarized translations of the document. This document will be your only proof of marriage. If a marriage is performed in a foreign country, a marriage

license cannot be filed in Wisconsin.

Premarital medical exams and blood tests are not required. The cost of a wedding license varies from county to county.

Washington County

Appointments are not required. Applications are taken from 8:15 a.m. until 3:45 p.m. Monday - Friday. A non-refundable fee of \$85 with a cash or local check must be paid at the time of application. Credit and debit cards are not accepted.

Washington County Justice Center, County Clerk's Office, Room 2027, 432 E. Washington Street, West Bend. Questions can be directed to: (262) 335-4735 or (262) 335-4301

Fond du Lac County

The county clerk's office is located in the Fond du Lac County Courthouse, 160 S. Macy Street, in Fond du Lac.

The office is open from 7:45 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Marriage license applications are available until 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. The entire process takes between 20 and 30 minutes. The cost for the license is \$90 and must be paid in cash. The clerk's office advises calling the office for further information. They can be reached by phone at (920) 929-3000

Dodge County

Marriage license applications are taken in the county clerk's office, located on the first floor of the administration building, 127 E. Oak St., Juneau. The office is open Monday through Friday from 8:00am - 12:00pm, 12:30pm - 4:00pm. Appointments are not required.

The license fee is \$70 and must be paid in cash. Refunds are not given.

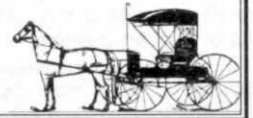
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Five communication tools that saved my marriage

By ROB FLOOD

We were blissfully in love and thrilled to be on our honeymoon. Then came day five—we had our first argument. That put us on a slippery slope moving swiftly toward desperation. Within the first nine months of our marriage, Gina and I were both convinced that we not only married the wrong person, but also were condemned to a loveless marriage.

One very tangible side effect of our difficulties was poor communication. I would ask, "What's for dinner?" She would hear, "I can't believe you haven't prepared dinner again tonight?"

She would say, "What time are you coming home?" I would hear, "You better get here and help me because you're never here."

We could not express anything we wanted to. We resorted to hurting each other with our words. We did not build each other up...we tore each other down and caused deep, emotional pain. Quite honestly, we had endured so much hurt and hurting that we could not see any hope for ever communicating well. Our despair was overwhelming.

In counseling we began learning about intentional communication. I remember thinking, "That is the stupidest thing I've ever heard. This stuff is so simple...I can't believe I'm paying this guy for this."

But, once I got off of my high horse, I realized something very simple yet profound: If communication was really that simple, everyone would be doing it and all of our communication would glorify God and reflect His image (1 Peter 4:11; Ephesians 4:29). Glorifying God did not represent my communication... and it may not represent yours either. In fact, many of us struggle to communicate well even with those we love the

most: our siblings, our parents, our children, our spouse.

The road I took to learn about communication was a tough one. Here are some of the tools that helped transform my marriage and change my heart.

1. The Principle of First Response: The course of a conflict is not determined by the person who initiates, but by the person who responds.

You may feel it's okay to strike at someone verbally because, "He is picking a fight with me." You may be correct, but that person does not have the power to decide whether a fight actually occurs. That power rests with the responder. As Proverbs 15:1 says, "A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger."

Jesus has a well-worn track record with the Principle of First Response. Recall the times that the Scribes and the Pharisees came to question Him. They were the initiators in nearly all of their communication. Their intention was to defraud Jesus and corner Him. In how many cases were they successful? None. They failed because the power to decide the direction of each conflict rested with Jesus, the responder (Luke 20:19-26).

The implications of following Jesus' example were huge. My wife's sin did not give me free license to sin in return. And conversely, my sin did not give Gina free license either. By following the principle of first response, we were being called to take a poorly spoken comment and redirect it.

2. The Principle of Physical Touch: It is difficult to sin against someone while you are tenderly touching them.

This is a difficult principle to apply after an argument has begun. However, a perfect time when you know you are about to sit down and have a discussion about something that might lead to tension.

You know what those topics are in your marriage. Maybe it's a conversation about a specific

child. Maybe it's your in-laws or your finances. For us, as you might imagine, it was when we sat down to talk about our communication. Those were tough conversations.

During these times, we would sit down and pray together ... and touch. Usually we were at opposite ends of the couch with Gina's legs stretched out across mine while I held them. (You may prefer holding hands or sitting close enough that you naturally touch.)

As we talked, we would inevitably notice something. When our conversation began to drift toward conflict, we stopped touching. We found what I'm certain you'll find: It is very difficult to fight with

someone you are tenderly touching. So, we had a choice at that point: to stop fighting so we could keep on touching or to stop touching so we could keep on fighting.

This type of tender touching has served us in two ways. First, it is a deterrent from arguing. Second, when we do drift into an argument, our physical separation is a visual and physical cue that our conversation is no longer glorifying God. We notice it, correct it, and get back on the right track.

3. The Principle of Proper Timing: The success of a conversation can be maximized if the timing of the conversation is carefully chosen.

The book of Proverbs tells us, "A man finds joy in giving an apt reply—and how good is a timely word!" (15:23).

Typically, the first opportunity Gina and I have to talk about the day is at dinner. We often take time then to catch up from the day. With four young children, our dinner table is an active and busy one. Consequently, we cannot practically have an extended and meaningful conversation.

So, if something has occurred that I must discuss with Gina, I will wait until the children are asleep. To bring it up during dinner is to invite frustration and ineffectiveness.

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Let's look at a couple of scenarios where we're more likely to fail.

Gina is a very intentional homemaker and often has wonderful ideas on how to better serve our family. Let's say she is contemplating a new approach to family dining. She's been thinking through this for weeks and she's now ready to get my input. This is a very good thing—but probably not at 1:30 on a Sunday afternoon when I'm watching a football game.

I'm also prone to fall into the poor timing trap. For example, Gina and I could be downstairs enjoying normal conversation. We head upstairs at 11:30 p.m. and Gina is ready for bed. As the lights go out, I ask, "What do you think God is doing with the children?" This is a question Gina would love for me to ask ... about three hours earlier. When 11:30 comes, she's ready for bed ... not for an extensive discussion.

There are times when a conversation is critical to have at that very moment. In those cases, of course, the football game goes off and we talk. Or, the lights go back on and we're up until 2 a.m. However, those should be the exceptions rather than the rule. The majority of the time, we should be more strategic in the timing of our conversations.

4. The Principle of Mirroring: Understanding can be enhanced if we measure it often throughout a conversation.

The Scriptures inform us

that, if we are to understand and become wise, we must be sure to incline our ears. Proverbs 22:17 states, "Incline your ear and hear the words of the wise, and apply your mind to my knowledge."

Have you ever meant something by what you said but the person you were talking to heard something else? It can make for very frustrating communication. If you're not sure if your spouse is getting what you're talking about, check to see if you hear this phrase a lot: "What do you mean by that?"

Mirroring can help you test whether you are hearing your spouse properly. Once your spouse makes a point ... repeat it to them. Say something like this: "So, what I hear you saying is ..." or, "Are you saying ... ?" Then, in your own words, tell your spouse what you understand them to be saying. Then, the most important part of mirroring comes. You must allow your spouse to either affirm or correct what you've said.

As we learned this principle, I often didn't like Gina's negative or inaccurate summaries of my statements. So, I defended them and failed to allow her the freedom to speak honestly. In time, I learned that her summaries were quite accurate; my reactions were because I didn't like how they exposed me.

The point of mirroring is not to be right, not to defend yourself, but to know that you are hearing accurately. If you seek to understand rather than to make yourself understood, then you are primed for success with the principle of mirroring.

5. The Principle of Prayer:

Success in communication is more likely when we invite God to be an active participant and guide.

This principle is not complicated, but it requires our close attention. We've become so accustomed to hearing about prayer that its importance often passes us by.

No matter what principle you might be using at the time or what subject you might be talking about, no scenario is beyond prayer. I have tended to overestimate my own ability to communicate well and righteously. That was evidenced in our first year of marriage.

We will eventually and inevitably sin in our communication with each other. When it begins to drift away from God's intended purpose for it, we have a choice: Will we be puffed up with pride or will we have the humility to stop right where we are and ask God to help redeem our conversation?

I wish someone would have shared with me what late 19th and early 20th century evangelist R.A. Torrey, said on prayer: The reason why many fail in battle is because they wait until the hour of battle. The reason why others succeed is because they have gained their victory on their knees long before the battle came ... Anticipate your battles; fight them on your knees before temptation comes, and you will always have victory.

One of the greatest difficulties that couples face with this principle is awkwardness. They are not used to praying together. So, as they begin to like each other less in the midst of unconstructive communication, the thought of praying together is not very appealing.

We learned an easy fix to this ... start praying together. Begin with 30 seconds of prayer as you go to bed each night.

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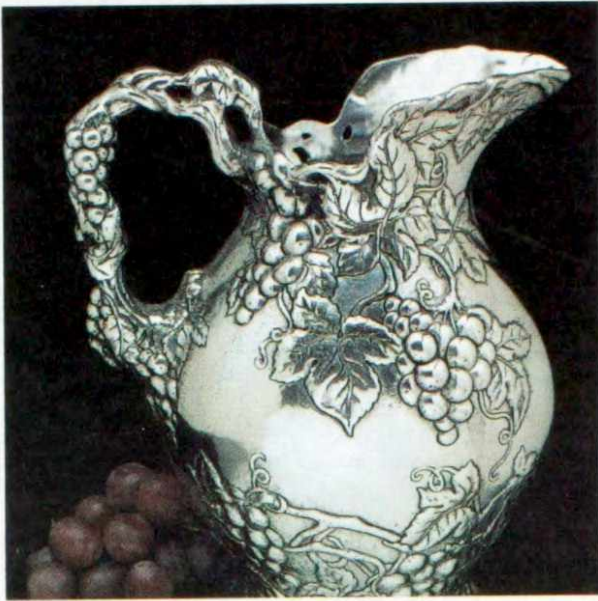
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Think outside the box when registering



(ARA) - Remember Grandma's cherished wedding china that only came out of the cabinet for holidays or other special occasions? Or the silverware that made an appearance only when it needed to be polished?

Maybe because so many of us have similar memories of underutilized heirloom pieces, modern brides are now opting for beautiful and practical when creating their bridal registries. "Crystal and fine china will

always be registry staples, but when I was gathering ideas for my registry, I saw a real trend towards items that combine elegance and utility," says Kristen Beenen, a newlywed from Minneapolis.

More casual items - from flatware to stemware - are gaining popularity on bridal registries. Also in favor are items that offer heirloom-quality beauty and everyday durability. "I think brides like me are now

looking for pieces that they will be able to regularly use and enjoy before passing them on as heirlooms to our children," says Beenen.

Now, brightly colored dishes of durable materials from wood to ceramic are appearing on registries beside traditional fine china or porcelain. Silver serving platters are being supplemented by practical aluminum serving pieces. And crystal vases are being joined by everyday counterparts in high-polish, high-endurance metals.

"Today's bride is less likely to be guided by a consultant or her mother when putting together her registry," says Matt Hullfish of Arthur Court Designs. "With the push towards casual, many are skipping the fine china altogether and registering for two casual patterns of dinner ware instead. They are also looking for serving pieces that they can use on a daily basis. Functional serveware is what Arthur Court is best known for. It is the strength and core of our line."

Many brides are choosing more practical versions of classic registry gifts, such as serving platters, vases and dinnerware. Instead of high-maintenance silver platters, brides can select decorative aluminum

platters, available in a number of designs that complement virtually any tableware. Or, for something really unusual yet strong enough for every day use, they can opt for trays, platters or cheese servers made of bamboo and trimmed with bright, decorative aluminum touches.

Alternatives to items traditionally made of crystal are also popular registry items. Vases, pitchers, picture frames and stemware are showing up in a myriad of other easier-to-care-for materials, such as aluminum. Designs range from very contemporary to traditional and classic, like Arthur Court's Grape Pitcher, an interpretation of classic grape vine motif rendered in high-polish, long-lived aluminum.

"I wanted my bridal registries to really reflect how we would live day-to-day, rather than an ideal of life for special occasions," Beenen explains. "Modern brides are choosing gift items that we can use to enhance our lives every day, rather than just once or twice a year."

For more bridal registry ideas, visit www.arthurecourt.com.

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A couple was celebrating their golden wedding anniversary on the beach in Montego Bay, Jamaica. Their domestic tranquility had long been the talk of the town. "What a peaceful and loving couple". The local newspaper reporter was inquiring as to the secret of their long and happy marriage.

"Well, it dates back to our honeymoon in America," explained the man. "We visited the Grand Canyon in Arizona and took a trip down to the bottom of the canyon by horse. We hadn't gone too far when my wife's horse stumbled and she almost fell off. My wife looked down at the horse and quietly said, "That's once."

"We proceeded a little further and the horse stumbled again, this time causing her to drop her water.

Once more my wife quietly said, "That's twice."

We hadn't gone a half-mile when the horse stumbled for a third time.

My wife quietly removed a revolver from her purse and shot the horse dead.

I shouted at her, "What's wrong with you, Woman! Why did you shoot the poor animal like that? Are you crazy??"

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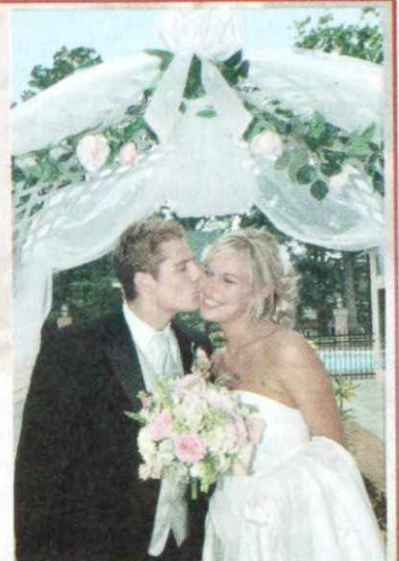
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Eden Catering makes wedding preparation a breeze



Shown above is the hall in Eden. Eden Catering turned the former Shepherd of the Hills School in Eden into a banquet facility.

By Andrew Kuehl
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Some in Eden saw the close of their beloved parish school as an ending. The folks at Eden Catering saw the beginning to an excellent use of the buildings. The popular catering business is now the exclusive caterer at the Eden Banquet Hall.

Jeff Duehring explains that when Shepherd of the Hills Parish moved to their parish complex on Highway B, in April of 2005 they abandoned the school and church. Tony Steffes who is in the construction field purchased the small Eden church and school. Bought all five churches.

Steffes met with Eden Catering and asked them to be the exclusive caterers once the school's gym and cafeteria was remodeled into banquet facilities. The remodeling process continues as bathrooms are renovated.

Eden Catering has been catering at the facility for over a year and a half. Even though the venture took off slow, Duehring says he sees that bookings are increasing as word of mouth spreads. He notes that a few dates remain open for the summer of 2007

but he is also booking well into 2008.

The banquet hall can accommodate up to 500 guests with parking to match. Duehring says that when they have a group that large, dining takes place in the remodeled cafeteria and the reception is held in the refashioned gymnasium. A full bar is also available.

However when smaller groups rent the facility, the cafeteria is used for around 200 people. The gymnasium is used for groups over 300.

Both areas can be configured in a manner to best suite the needs of the renter. Rates vary for meetings, seminars, anniversaries, picnics, family reunions, wedding rehearsals receptions and gift openings. A combination rate if offered for wedding parties who wish to have all their events (rehearsal dinner, reception and gift opening) at the facility.

In addition to full-service catering Eden Catering also offers a pick-up service. The customer can call; order items then pick up and serve the meal themselves. A delivery service is also offered.

A full breakfast, lunch and dinner menu is offered by Eden Catering. They have

been serving (literally) for the last 10 years. Duehring recalls their catering service started after realizing the company could provide meats from their Eden Meat Market and side dishes from their Eden Café.

Besides the economical cost of many of their items, setting them apart from other catering firms is the passion they have for accommodating the customer. "No order is too small. We take small orders like two pounds of potato salad or 50 pounds of beef and gravy," Duehring reported.

If a customer has a certain

family recipe they want to use Eden Catering takes the recipe, adjusts it for the correct number of people and prepares. Jeff states, "small details like this are what makes working with us a stress-free experience."

The Eden Banquet Hall is located at 303 E. Main Street (Hwy 45) in Eden. Inquires on making reservations are directed to Eden Catering's office at (920) 477-2711 or 1-800-538-4630. More information such as menus can be found at www.edenmeat.com

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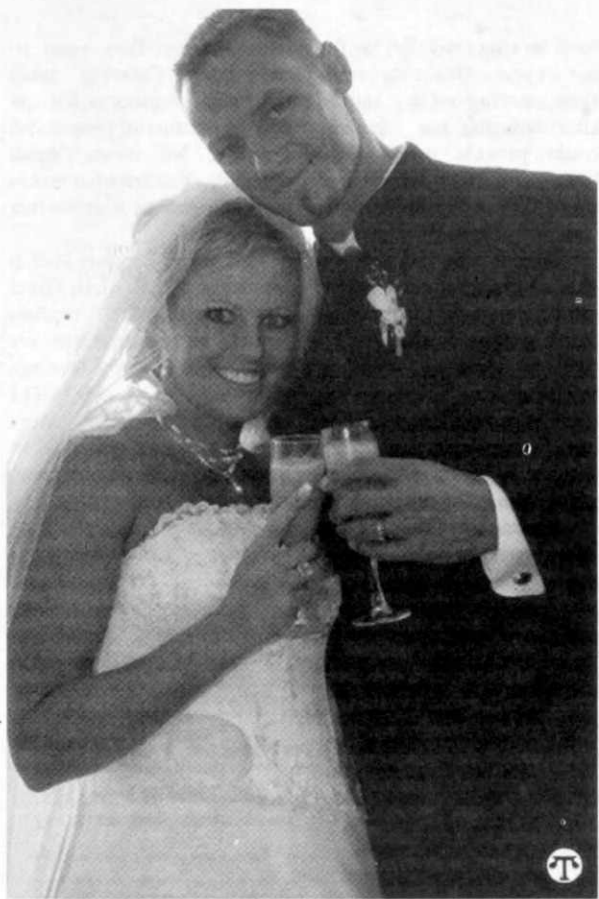
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Tips on creating a wedding to remember



(NAPSI) - Brides everywhere know that you don't need a fortune to look like a million dollars on your wedding day.

The same holds true for the service and the reception. Experts say that with a little ingenuity and attention to detail, it's possible to put together an exotic event to remember for under \$15,000.

Here are some tips:

- Using a wedding planner can be a wise investment. According to Jenny Bauman of Bliss Events in San Diego, a wedding planner often knows the vendors and venues and can actually help keep a wedding on budget and on schedule.

- Do the invitations yourself. Since invitations provide the first impression for a wedding, think about making your own. Some brides gather their bridesmaids together to make the invitations. It can add the personal touch and eliminate or reduce professional printing costs.

- Create a signature drink that goes with the theme of the wedding. When Jaelee Jones was planning her wedding, Bauman suggested that Jones create a signature cocktail to make the day more memorable.

Jones decided to make something with Kahlua, her

Kahlua, Stolli vodka, Hiram Walker raspberry schnapps, half & half and grenadine. The rich and elegant drink was a perfect cocktail to toast the happy bride and groom.

Additionally, Bauman suggested that Jones go to the Web Site www.kahlua.com to order customized gift labels for small Kahlua bottles.

The bottles were used as place cards on each table at the reception, and then as a keepsake for the guests.

"This unique and personal memento was a big hit with all of our guests. No one at the reception had ever received anything like it," said Jones. "And the best part about it was that the gift labels were free!"

- Location, location, location. Even though the event location can frequently be one of the most exorbitant costs of a wedding, there are ways to reduce it.

For example, look for a venue where catered food and liquor could be brought in. This can increase your menu options and make it easier to stay within your budget.

Using a wedding planner when selecting vendors and venues can help to keep a wedding on budget and schedule.

favorite cocktail. The drink, aptly named the Kahlua Exotic Bliss, was a combination of

Wisconsin State Park opens preserve to weddings

The Wisconsin State Fair Park recently announced the availability of the DNR Woodland Preserve for weddings.

Engaged couples can celebrate their wedding in a private, three-acre park filled with lush vegetation, quiet spaces, and winding pathways. The DNR Woodland Preserve offers two enclosed pavilions on either end of the park that can be rented for dinner and dancing as well as for a lovely ceremony. A naturally-canopied area on the south end of the park is also desirable for ceremonies or photographs. Similar to other local parks, couples have the option of purchasing a permit to use the DNR Woodland Preserve just for engagement or wedding-day photos.

Full rental of DNR Woodland Preserve includes:

- Exclusive use of the venue, including the North and South Pavilions, during contracted time

- Ample complimentary parking

- A private park for photographs on the wedding day

- A knowledgeable event manager on-site during contracted time

- Complimentary use of the park area for rehearsal.

"The DNR Woodland Preserve at Wisconsin State Fair Park offers a unique setting and is a perfect venue for couples who have special memories related to State Fair Park," commented Randy Prasse, Executive Director of Wisconsin State Fair Park.

For more information on the DNR Woodland Preserve or to set up a tour, call 414-266-7100, or email partyrentals@sfp.state.wi.us.

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Honeymoon packing made easy



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(ARA) - Honeymoons are big business in the United States. With more than 2.4 million weddings occurring each year, those happy couples spend \$8 billion a year on their honeymoon (according to About.com.)

With that kind of serious money going into a dream (hopefully!) honeymoon, it's no wonder that brides spend a considerable amount of time and effort planning what to pack. After all, not every honeymoon destination includes a place to pick up a pair of jeans, especially if a couple chooses an increasingly popular honeymoon destination like a safari, hiking trip, mountain climbing, or a boat trip down an exotic river.

According to Jocelyn Leiser Herndon of The Art Institute of California - San Francisco, the key to successful honeymoon

packing is "finding pieces that do double duty." That way, she says, "you're almost sure to have what you need no matter where you go."

For her own honeymoon, Herndon went to Greece which, she says, "is not exactly an exotic location." Herndon honed her considerable packing skills growing up in a family whose average vacation included canoeing and bike trips. "My family used to have a contest to see which of us could bring the smallest suitcase, but if you got to the destination and were missing something, you were disqualified. Needless to say, I was taught to be a light packer," Herndon adds.

Weather watching on the Internet also makes a honeymoon less of a risk. For Lindsay Rapp, a Career Services Advisor in

the Media Arts & Animation and Digital Media Production department at The Art Institute of Washington, packing for a honeymoon trip to the North Shore of Oahu meant daily weather checks to make sure she and her husband were packing smartly. "With the Internet, it's much easier to plan around the weather, and to know if you need to pack that raincoat, or if you can leave it at home," says Rapp. Of course, for Rapp's husband, packing is a no-brainer, no matter what the weather conditions.

"My husband packs a few short-sleeve polos, khakis, bathing suits and voila! He's good to go. For me, not so much," she says. After packing seven bathing suits (one per day, she explains), lingerie (also one per day), cover ups, golf clothes, sundresses, skirts and tank tops, along with wraps for the evening, comfortable clothes, and not including toiletries, Rapp ended up with "a suitcase that weighed more than I did, and I didn't wear half of what I packed."

"Double-duty pieces are key," says Herndon. Whether you're going to a domestic or international location, remote or in the heart of the city, find items that can work in a number of different ways. "I always bring a shirt or blouse that is casual enough for the day, but that I can throw a cami under or a sweater over and dress it up for

the evening." A pretty shawl is a must too. Not only are they a great cover up during the day if it gets cold, but also are wonderful to curl up in on a plane, especially since fewer airlines are providing blankets.

For shoes, Herndon recommends sandals for warmer destinations, comfortable but nice-looking sneakers, and hiking boots if you plan to climb a mountain or two, or even take an invigorating walk through the woods. A great pair of knit black slacks can be dressed up at night, or worn casually for shopping or museum-going. Knits are a good choice because they don't wrinkle, and are comfortable enough to stretch with you after a great meal.

A student accountant at The Art Institute of New York City, Elizabeth Kennel recently returned from a honeymoon in Cancun. While Cancun isn't

exactly an exotic or remote location, Kennel did keep an eye on packing versatile pieces. "I was able to wear a fun sun dress casually during the day and translate it into a killer night-on-the-town dress by throwing on a pair of stilettos for my usual flip flops," she says. Fit and comfort were at the top of her list of priorities. Says Kennel, "It's your honeymoon -- the last thing you want to be worried about are shoes that hurt your feet, or clothes that don't fit. Nobody wants to spend their honeymoon shopping for a new wardrobe."

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* Keep guests' finances in mind. It is a gesture of fondness for guests to travel to the wedding, but it can get expensive. Transportation, hotel and dining expenses add up quickly. And then there's the wedding gift. Choose a hotel that offers much-appreciated complimentary amenities, such as a complimentary hot breakfast and free Internet access.

* Give guests a place to unwind. Visiting is great, but when large groups are involved, sometimes people need some time to themselves. A quiet hotel room to go back to is a great refuge from all the wedding activities. AmericInn makes a quiet hotel its priority; its SoundGuard construction system reduces sounds and vibrations so guests are assured of a quiet, restful night.

* Make sure the kids are entertained. Look for a hotel that has a pool for the kids. They can swim while the adults mingle. Adults will enjoy a fitness area, whirlpool and sauna.

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(ARA) - Weddings are a big occasion not only for the bride and groom, but for their friends and families as well. It is a great chance for people who don't see each other as often as they would like to reconnect.

Of course, the ceremony is the main focus, and the reason that everyone is gathered. But for out of town guests, spending time together at their hotel is another opportunity to visit and catch up.

Include hotel information along with the wedding invitation so it's easy for out-of-towners to find a place to

stay. It's also a great way to let those attending the wedding know where other guests will be staying. Many hotels will give large groups a discount on rooms, so brides and grooms can ensure that their guests get the best rate as well.

Out of town guests will appreciate hotel recommendations that keep their needs in mind.

* The hotel should be located near the site of the wedding or the reception. This means once guests are at the hotel, they should have an easy time finding their way to the

Looking your best on the big day

(NAPSI)-About 175 guests attend the average wedding, which means 350 eyes are locked on the bride as she walks down the aisle. That's 350 reasons-352, if you count the groom-for wanting to look your best on the big day.

"It all comes down to three things," says Tina Johnson, editor-in-chief of Women's Health magazine. "Exercise, eat well and get plenty of sleep before the wedding." The magazine's new fitness DVD, "Women's Health: The Wedding Workout," offers these bridal tips:

Pre-Wedding Menu

Eating and avoiding certain foods the weeks before your wedding can help change the way you look and feel.

- Eat salmon for its protein and essential fatty acids to give your skin a healthy glow.

- Eat nuts and seeds to prevent blackheads and whiteheads.

- Eat oysters, turkey and crab to benefit from their high zinc content, which protects against wrinkles and acne.

- Cut the salt to cut the bloat. Avoid packaged foods with more than 400 mg of sodium per serving during the week before the big day.

- Eat less carbs. You'll actually shed some water weight by reducing your carb intake.

Sleep On It

Make sure your pillowcase is newly laundered the night

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Walk The Walk

Mastering your high-heeled walk down the aisle is crucial:

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- The Walk-Cross the feet very gently in front of each other with each step so the hips sway naturally.

- The Workout-Squats, calf raises and lunges in the weeks prior will strengthen the muscles and joints that will help you walk gracefully.

Speaking of working out, exercising regularly is one of the most important things you can do to look and feel good at your wedding. "Women's Health: The Wedding Workout" DVD has more great advice and results-oriented routines. To make your special day a great one, the DVD is available at stores wherever videos are sold and at www.womenshealthdvds.com.

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Honeymoon Disasters

(NewsUSA) - Honeymoons are supposed to be a time of romance and moonlit walks, but not for Jeff and Rhonda West of Bessemer City, N.C.

Their honeymoon in Myrtle Beach, S.C., was downright criminal - stolen right out from under them, in fact - which is why they were recently awarded the grand prize in Thrifty Car Rental's "Honeymoon Disasters Contest" for 2006.

Headed for the hotel in Jeff's mint-condition 1968 Camaro RS, they lost a hubcap. After chasing it down, they resumed their journey until they heard a loud "thud."

Jeff, still dressed in his tuxedo, got out of the car to survey a blown-out back tire when the car, along with his new wife, started rolling down the hill. He had forgotten to put the car in "park."

"I could hear my beautiful bride screaming at the top of her lungs," said Jeff. "Then I started chasing the car until it came to rest in a bunch of bushes. By now my wife is in tears, wondering what's going to happen next."

After changing the tire and double-checking the hubcap, the newlyweds were off again.

"We finally get to our hotel, only to find out that it had caught on fire the day before and was completely shut down," said Jeff. "This almost pushed my new wife completely over the edge - sitting in a parking lot at three o'clock in the morning on our wedding night without a place to bed down for the night."

So the couple started driving from hotel to hotel, trying to find one with rooms available.

"While we are stopped at this one little hotel/motel outside the city limits, my bride comes in with me," said Jeff. "When we find out they don't have any place to stay and head back out to our car - it's gone! Someone had just stolen our car."

Taking pity upon them, the hotel finally found room at the inn, and the newlyweds slept until 2 p.m. "Then we got up, got dressed and went back home," said Jeff.

Thrifty Car Rental is remedying the Wests' situation by awarding them a second honeymoon. They will receive roundtrip airfare to a destination of their choice in the continental U.S., hotel accommodations for three nights, a four-day car rental and \$500 in spending money.

Where does the couple plan to go next?

"Rhonda would like to go to Vegas, if the trip is real," said Jeff jokingly, as his wife of 16 years still doesn't believe they have really won the contest. "Vegas would be the perfect place to renew our vows. So 'Viva Las Vegas' it will be!"

Lynn and Steven Curran's honeymoon was more like an episode of "When Animals Attack."

The newlyweds from Chester, Md., had enough close encounters with wild critters to fill the storylines of several "nature run amok" movies. Because of their beast-plagued honeymoon, the couple recently won the grand prize in Thrifty Car Rental's 10th annual Honeymoon Disasters Contest.

Things started off mundanely enough for the Currans on their trip to Cancun, Mexico: They got the usual sunburns. That's when the couple decided that a moonlit swim in the ocean might be the perfect antidote for their lobster-red skin.

"No one was looking," said Lynn, "so off went the bathing

suits." As the skinny-dippers frolicked in the water, it wasn't long before they realized they had company. Soon, the couple found themselves wrapped in the loving arms of a large jellyfish.

"We ran out of the water screaming," said Lynn, "which told everybody on the beach, 'Hey, look at the idiots running naked on the beach!'"

The day trip to the zoo was not much better. Swimming through a cavern, the newlyweds took a wrong turn and missed the "closed for repairs" sign. That's when they found themselves in a pool of algae, surrounded by alligators.

"One swam right past me," said Lynn. "We had to climb up a 30-foot ladder to get out of the water, and we were covered in goo." That night, the couple ate dinner and went to bed without speaking to each other.

The next morning, when Steven woke up with a bad case of Montezuma's revenge, Lynn was forced to go snorkeling alone. A first-time snorkeler, she was entranced by the beauty of the underwater landscape. Then, from out of nowhere, she

encountered a barracuda and the boat's drivers had to rescue her from her new swimming companion.

Lynn played it safe by swimming in the hotel pool the following day. When she snuck up on her husband to goose him on the backside, however, she soon realized that it wasn't Steven: It was another man wearing identical swimming trunks. The couple later decided to cancel a scuba trip when they found out Steven's "double" would be accompanying them.

"The only thing we did from that point on was sit around and eat," said Lynn. "I gained 10 pounds in one week and came

home with a lot to talk about." The Currans received roundtrip airfare to a destination of their choice in the continental United States, three nights' hotel accommodations, a four-day car rental from Thrifty Car Rental and \$500 in spending money for their 2005 entry.

To enter next year's contest online or to read about other honeymoon disasters, visit www.honeymoondisasters.com or www.thrifty.com. To read more Honeymoon Disasters Contest stories, visit www.honeymoondisasters.com.

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Does it seem that everybody is walking down the aisle, while you're just walking in circles, looking for love? Then take control. Start by reading "The Bridal Wave" by Erin Torneo and Valerie Cabrera Krause.

Authors Torneo and Krause say that it's okay to be envious when a co-worker announces her engagement or a friend asks you to be her bridesmaid. You knew they wouldn't be single forever. Besides, you could be next.

But what if you're not? What if you're the one everybody wants to "fix up"? What if elderly aunts constantly ask about the

whereabouts of your beau or your blinding diamond?

It's time, then, to start living for yourself, the authors say. Stop worrying about the future and learn to be self-sufficient. That doesn't mean you should stop looking for love. It means you have to be open to love in a whole new, exciting way.

"The Bridal Wave" is a fun, easy-to-read book filled with advice you can use right now, both as a member of the wedding, a person at the ceremony, the sister of the bride, or just somebody who's comfortable with the status quo. If you're not a bride but you're walking down the aisle anyhow this year, say "I do" want to read this book.

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