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Village and School unite at first ever official joint municipal meeting

By Mitch Maersch
For The Statesman

The first ever official joint meeting of the Kewaskum School Board and Village Board on Monday highlighted past and ongoing community cooperation, along with a preview of what's to come.

School Board president John Kenworthy, who formerly served on the Village Board and as village president, said he discussed the idea of intergovernmental cooperation with

Village Administrator Matt Heiser after a Memorial Day ceremony years ago. Kenworthy and Heiser was on the School Board and Heiser a trustee on the Village Board.

"We had all these entities ... what we need to really do is we need to cooperate," Kenworthy said.

A loose partnership was established in which a School Board member would attend a Village Board meeting now and then, and a Village Board member a School Board meeting.

That has since blossomed into monthly meetings between the school board and village board presidents. Topics have included traffic backup during school drop-off times in the morning, fine arts events in which the village and school share expenses and the recent emergency fire drill at Kewaskum Elementary School involving emergency personnel and school employees.

When Superintendent Michael

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Administrators for School District get pay freeze

At its regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, March 9, the Kewaskum Board of Education voted to freeze the salaries of the District's administrative staff for the 2009-10 school year. The pay freeze was proposed by District Administrator Michael Krumm who said the Board and administrators should be sensitive to the plight of District residents who have taken pay freezes or pay cuts during the current economic recession.

In addition, the Board approved changes in the Board of Education for two administrators. Kris Dreher, Associate Principal at Kewaskum High School, will be given a contract for 230 workdays during the 2009-10 school year, an increase of 10 days from her present contract of 220 days. Krumm recommended the increase in Dreher's workdays and told the Board the increase in days will improve the administration of the high school.

Melinda Krumm, the District's Paraprofessional and Summer School Coordinator, will be given a contract for 45 workdays during the 2009-10 school year, a decrease from her current contract of 90 days. Melinda Krumm requested a voluntary reduction in her workdays. She is the wife of Superintendent Michael Krumm.

Firefighters kindle tastebuds with savory soups



Janice Oelhafen of Kewaskum prepares a helping of soup at the Kewaskum Fire Department's Soup Sampler held this past Saturday at the Kewaskum Fire Station. Also sampling is Bill Grode of Oak Creek and Russ Oelhafen of Kewaskum. Frank Simonson refills a roaster (between Grode and Oelhafen). Firefighter Jim Schaub reported that 35 varieties of soup were available for those in attendance. Soups were prepared by: Adam Fronck, Brother's Family Restaurant, Call of the Wild Grill & Bar, C.C. Cody's of Campbellsport, Dan and Jeanette Jung, Gateway Cafe, Geidel's Piggly Wiggly, Hankerson's Upper Crust Diner, Hon-E-Kor Golf & Country Club, Mark "Hoss" and Jackie Herriges, J.O.'s, Jeff and Melissa Buechel, Jeremy Simonson, Jimmer, John Heinan, John Kudek, Karen Gonring, Kathy Schmitt, Louise Martin, Mark Groeschel, Alan "Moochie" Kuehl, Pete Dickman, Robby Schultz, Roger Strack, Rosea Ethier, Steve Miller, Tim McDonald, Tom Herriges, Tom Steldt, Jim and Tracey Schaub, Jeff "Tubby" and Kris Boden, Vic Fronck and Victoria's Cornerstone Inn.

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WEEK'S WIT

If you tell the truth you don't have to remember anything.

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CRUMER -- A son, Emerson Cross, was born to Sarah Crumer of West Bend on March 5, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Emerson weighed six pounds, three ounces and was 19 inches long.

RINDERLE -- A daughter, Madyson Marie, was born to Sara and Joseph Rinderle of West Bend on March 8, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Madyson weighed seven pounds, six ounces and was 21 inches long.

EBERT -- A daughter, Kenedee Royce, was born to Daniele and Jason Ebert of West Bend on March 8, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Kenedee weighed six pounds, seven ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

LEPAK -- A daughter, Carliegh Nicole, was born to Carliegh and Michael Lepak of West Bend on March 8, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Carliegh weighed seven pounds, 12 ounces.

SURVIS -- A son, Dominic Robert, was born to Felicia Broecker and Paul Survis of West Bend on March 9, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Dominic weighed eight pounds, 15 ounces and was 21 inches long.

DUDZEK -- A son, Ethan John, was born to Vicki and Jared Dudzek of West Bend on March 9, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Ethan weighed seven pounds, five ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

BODDEN -- A daughter, Kherington Nicole, was born to Linda and Timothy Bodden of West Bend on March 9, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Kherington weighed eight pounds, five ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

TAYLOR -- A daughter, Chloe Isabella, was born to Holly and Jeremy Taylor of West Bend on March 9, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Chloe weighed six pounds and was 19 inches long.

SABISH -- A son, Keagen Joseph, was born to Amanda and Eric Sabish of Eden on March 10, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Keagen weighed seven pounds, two ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long.

SEIDEL -- A son, Ryan Anton, was born to Amanda and Derek Seidel of West Bend on March 10, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Ryan weighed eight pounds, 10 ounces and was 20 inches long.

METKE -- A daughter, Gabriella Ryann, was born to Jennifer and Jeffrey Metke of West Bend on March 11, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Gabriella weighed eight pounds, seven ounces and was 22 inches long.

HAAS -- A daughter, Emma Lynn, was born to Leighann Benz and Christopher Haas of West Bend on March 11, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Emma weighed six pounds, six ounces and was 19 inches long.

WEST -- A son, Richard Lee, was born to Jenny Schuppel and Carey West Jr. of West Bend on March 19, 2009 at the Aurora Medical Center in Hartford. Richard weighed nine pounds, 10 1/2 ounces and was 22 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Richard and Joan Schuppel of Kewaskum. Richard joins siblings, Ciera West, 13, and Carey West III, 4, at home.

XYZ CARD RESULTS

The winners at cards played at the Municipal Building Annex on Wed., March 18 were:

SHEEPSHEAD: Darlene Walls, Ray Juplinger, Ruth Campbell, Joanne Weisling, Lloyd Herriges, Al Zehren, John Coulter, Richard Ebert, Mary Schultz.

New members are always welcome. Cards are played from 8:30-11:15 am every Wednesday.

Rescue Calls

On March 17, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched to the Village of Kewaskum for a person that was not feeling well. A transport was made.

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On March 19, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched to the Town of Auburn for a person

that had chest tightness. A transport was made.

On March 22, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched to the Town of Auburn for a person that had difficulty breathing. A transport was made.

On March 23, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched in the Village of Kewaskum for a person that had abdominal pain. A transport was made.

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Monday, March 30 -- Beef stroganoff over noodles, sweet peas, tropical fruit, whole wheat bread, cherry yogurt.

Tuesday, March 31 -- BBQ chicken on a bun, winter blend vegetables, chilled peaches, snickerdoodle cookie, chocolate milk. Alt: vanilla wafers.

Wednesday, April 1 -- Pork tenderloin, seasoned sliced potatoes, Sicilian grande vegetables, multigrain bread, angel food cake with strawberries.

Thursday, April 2 -- Pub burger, mashed potatoes with gravy, dilled carrot coins, whole wheat bread, brownie. Alt: chilled apricots.

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

CAMPBELLSPORT MEALS MENU

Campbellsport Community Center
920-533-8351 x1216

Wednesday, April 1 -- BBQ chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, cauliflower salad, apple crisp.

Tuesday April 7th, residence of Scott will hire an applicant for the position of Chairman for the next two year term. Who will you hire? It's worth taking time to think about after-all you are PAYING their SALARY to successfully perform the role?

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TUESDAY NIGHT SHEEPSHEAD WINNERS

Five handed winners on March 17 were: Butch Schmitt, 53-4-49, 19-4-15; Pat Heaslip, 57-14-43, 19-9-10; Robert Freitag, 50-10-40, 15-5-10; Norman Giese, 53-14-39, 19-8-11; John Thomas, 49-12-37, 14-5-9; Debbie Tiedt, 41-6-35, 18-4-14; Tom Kohn, 25 most losses and 0 low points.

The next 5 handed call an ace will be March 31 at 7:30 p.m. sharp. Cash prizes, bring your own drink. New players always welcome, bring a friend. Kewaskum Labor Center.

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Village and School unite

Krumm arrived a few years ago, he began meeting with the village administrator. Now, he and Heiser get together weekly to discuss how to improve relationships and bring people together.

Monday's meeting provided the opportunity to show what that cooperation has accomplished and what more cooperation can do.

"We're not there yet. We're not where we need to be. That's why today is such a big day for us," Kenworthy said.

The school and village boards sat along the same table as community leaders gave reports on programs showing cooperation of various entities, from police to private schools, music directors to sports coaches. Many new programs utilize the two-year old Kewaskum Theatre at the high school.

"There is a lot of activity here. There always has been," said Heiser. "But it's never been coordinated or communicated like this before."

Before the meeting got started, attendees enjoyed music from one of the community's newly formed groups, the Kewaskum Big Band, a mix

of professional and amateur musicians who play music for enjoyment.

Among the reports:

- Kewaskum Middle School Principal Ken Soerens and Police Chief Richard Knoebel discussed crisis management, including the emergency drill and an event next Monday open to the public. Bill Bond, a former high school principal in Kentucky, will talk on school safety at 7 p.m. in the Kewaskum Theater. Bond was principal during a school shooting in 1997. Since 2000, Bond has spoken across the country on school safety. He will meet separately with school staff, village staff and administration, talk to the community and meet with students.

The event ties into the new Kewaskum Safe Community Initiative that helps identify and prevent bullying, and support bullying victims.

- Library Director Steev Baker and high school librarian Jan Donahue talked about the recent Kewaskum Reads program and said two more are planned.

- Kewaskum Elementary School Principal Tom Fischer said the Boys and Girls Club,

housed at high school, has gone from 30 to 230 members in two years, and from two to five days per week, including a summer program.

- Linda Dymond of Kewaskum Cares About Kids ran down a list of events and programs, including a student-run dodgeball tournament that drew 15 teams. She compared the event to a tournament at the much bigger high schools of West Bend that drew six teams.

- School Volunteer Coordinator Laurie Beimbom and local attorney Deb Strigenz highlighted volunteer contributions and made a plea for more help. Tutoring, custodial, classroom, lunch and recess help, Junior Achievement, the Boys and Girls Club and Big Brothers/Big Sisters are some of the opportunities for involvement.

- St. Lucas Lutheran Pastor Timothy Henning and Peace United Church of Christ Rev. Eric Kirkegaard said the Kewaskum School District and private schools in the area used to meet once per year to discuss issues. Now, they meet once per month, per Krumm's suggestion. Staff development, extracurricular activities and

instructional campaigns are among topics addressed.

- Retired band director Larry Ammel, a member of the Kewaskum Big Band, listed fine arts offerings in the community. A fine arts retreat is set for April 2, and a fine arts festival is being planned for May 14-15 next year.

- Village Zoning Administrator Chad Cook and Kewaskum "superstar" football coach Jason Piittmann discussed sports opportunities, including the use of school and village facilities, an annual youth sports retreat and the Youth Sports Federation.

- Ammel plugged a new event starting this spring - At The Movies with retired teacher and movie buff Jim Westphal. Films will be shown Wednesday afternoons in the Kewaskum Theater and during the evenings in summer. Ammel said the community has a "beautiful theater," already has DVD capability and a license to show movies, so why not use it.

- The curtain goes up April

8 at 2:30 p.m. with "Casablanca." Shows will include intermissions with refreshments.

- Ammel said Kewaskum, following other communities' leads, is starting its own Music in the Park program this summer. On Thursdays from 7-9 p.m. at River Hill Park, various groups will perform. Community service groups will sell burgers and refreshments before the music starts. Kewaskum Big Band opens the schedule July 9.

- Gateway Community Theatre is coming to Kewaskum July 30, 31 and Aug. 1. Tickets cost \$5 each for "She Was Only Marginally Honest," Ammel said.

- A new program called Music in the Theatre will be held Thursday nights. Shows start 7 p.m. Aug. 6 with the Howard Schneider Jazz Quartet or Frank Sinatra. Tickets cost \$10 each.

- Krumm and high school teacher Eric Joslin discussed the village's new community cable channel - 978 on Charter Extended Basic. Krumm said the channel will show school, community and business events like other area channels, and it will involve students in production.

Tree, brush removal being handled in town by logging company

By Andrew Kuehl
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Town will receive money for tax money lost through annexations

TOWN OF KEWASKUM - Spring cleaning in the town will come in the form of brush and tree removal. The town has contracted with a logging firm being used by the state to clean trees from the state forest.

Town Chairman Ellis Kahn brought the brush/tree removal topic up at the February meeting. He explained a logging company is in the town doing work for the state and they would do work for the town, clearing trees and brush from the town right-of-ways. This would come at no cost to the township.

Town roads have been complained about by Johnson Bus and town snow plow drivers. A commitment was made two years ago to clean up Ridge Road and that project has not been started yet. Kahn reminded the board and those in the audience that towns have been sued for having trees or brush in the road right-of-way. These lawsuits arise as signs are covered and vision-triangles are blocked.

Supervisors favored the idea of using the professional service because the company has the proper equipment and they are here anyway. Any decent lumber that can be obtained from the clearing will

be sold and the town will be compensated by the state.

The town is responsible for removing anything smaller than three inches in diameter and all the brush and stumps. It was decided brush will be chipped right into adjacent wooded areas.

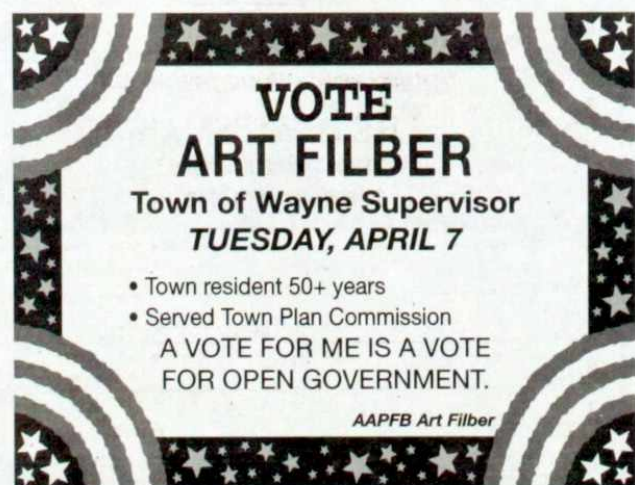
Ridge and Badger Road will be brushed this year. Trees slated for removal have been marked. It was also noted a problem with cable growing in a tree on Oak Road will be taken care of by WE Energies.

Schmidt also thought removal of the thick brush will aid in melting snow and ice on the road. Currently the roads have a lot of vegetation sur-

rounding them and blocks the sun.

Treasurer Dan Stoffel informed the supervisors the Village of Kewaskum has been billed for \$10,878 in lost property tax revenue from various annexations over the past few years. According to state law, the village must compensate the town for lost tax revenues for five years after an annexation. Once received, the funds will be placed in the town's reserve account. He also reported an audit of the town's books was held and everything was in order.

The annual meeting will be held Wednesday, April 8 at 7:00 p.m. at the town hall.



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POLICE REPORTS

KMS student transported to mental hospital

On March 4, the School Liaison Police Officer was contacted by the KMS principal about an uncontrollable student. The student was being defiant towards a teacher.

The student said he was angry and would cut himself until he was sent to a hospital. The student had self-inflicted marks on his arm from the previous day caused by the metal portion of a pencil eraser.

The student stated he wanted to go to Rogers Hospital because he needed more coping skills. He said he would beat someone up and continue to cut himself if they didn't let him go to the hospital.

The student was transported to the Winnebago Mental Health facility.

Weapons stolen

On March 6, a Kewaskum Police Officer received information from a West Bend police officer that three guns were missing from a Roseland Drive residence.

The officer went to the home and

found the homeowner was missing three guns from his gun cabinet and did not give permission to anyone to take the weapons.

The homeowner believed his son may have taken the weapons. The officer then relayed the information to the West Bend officer that he received information that indicated the missing guns might be at a West Bend residence.

During an investigation at the West Bend home it was determined that the homeowner purchased the guns from the gun owner's son.

The Kewaskum Police Officer later arrested the gun owner's son and he was jailed.

Police reports are compiled and written by Statesman staff with the cooperation of the Kewaskum Police Department. If you have information on any of these incidents please contact the department at (262) 626-2323.

Legion Auxiliary helps troops



Members of the American Legion Robert G. Romaine Post 384 Auxiliary recently completed Operation Cool Down project. The ladies joined an effort to produce "cool ties" for troops in the hot desert sands that are starting to heat up. Cool-Ties are long fabric tubes - about 45 inches long and two inches wide, with pockets containing water-absorbing crystals. When soaked in water, and tied around the head or neck, they help keep troops cool through evaporation. Shown above, left to right, are members who took part in the project: Charleen Barutha, Arlene Boehlke, Kathy Broecker, Marjorie Doherty and Betty Hallen. *Has your group participated in a special project that deserves mention in your local newspaper? Contact The Statesman, newstips@kewaskumstatesman.com*

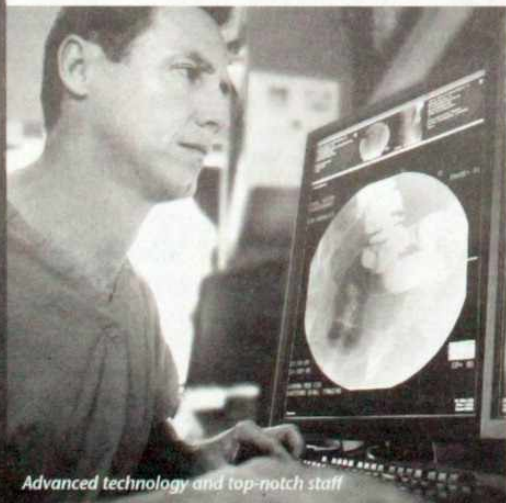
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Scott town chair finds two write-in challengers in Martin, Scholz; constable post also contested

By Andrew Kuehl
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TOWN of SCOTT- Town chairman Steve Jung entered this year's race for his fourth term unopposed. Since January he found two write-in challengers looking for his seat. The town's constable, a job often overlooked and uncontested also has a challenger for incumbent Steve Richter.

Jung said when he took office the town was \$200,000 in debt. Now, the town is debt free. The town has also put money aside for major purchases for the future. He feels a steady tax rate is essential during these economic times.

"I would like to finish up the smart growth program, too," Jung said. "We are in the tail end of it."

Former town chairman Larry Martin and former supervisor Cheryl Scholz, have filed papers with the town clerk to be recognized as write-in candidates.

Martin served as chairman several times during the 1980's and late 1990's. He resigned in July of 1999 due to a personal conflict while he was serving his fourth term.

While chairman, Martin stated he negotiated the transfer of ownership of the Hilltop property from the Batavia Fire Department to the township to make it a community center.

"The current board has allowed the issues to go for too long," Martin said. "The smart growth issue has been sitting around for a year and a half."

If Martin is elected, he listed two things that must be done in the Town of Scott. First make sure the building inspector is insured and make sure the budget has better visibility for the people.

Scholz lost her bid for another term as supervisor in last year's spring election. She finished her first term.

Scholz feels there are too many people on the board with private agen-

Steve Jung (Inc.)
Age: 48
Family: Married, one child.
Occupation: Technical writer- Trenton Technologies.
Elected offices: Scott chairman.
Education: KHS graduate, attended MPTC.



Organizations: Kewaskum Chamber of Commerce

Christopher Reysen
Age: 39
Family: Married, two children.
Occupation: Self-employed horse ferrier
Elected offices: None
Education: Ozaukee High School graduate



das and refers to it as a "monopoly." "At times you are the only one vote, but I want to stand up for what is right," Scholz said. "I'm not wishy-washy."

If elected, Scholz said she will hold people accountable and will inform the community about what goes on at board meetings. She says she strongly disagrees with closed sessions and thinks the board has done too many of them. She said the board is there to represent the people and closed sessions conflict with that.

Steve Richter will receive a challenge from Christopher Reysen for the Constable seat. Richter has served since 2001 when he won as a write-in. This is Reysen's first attempt at political office.

Richter's information was not received on time, however he did submit a profile which can be found on page 6.

Reysen says he wants to get involved in the community and thought this might be a good start. He wants to

Larry Martin
Age: 67
Family: Married, six children.
Occupation: Retired data processing manager.
Elected offices: Scott chairman.
Education: Attended Marquette, graduate of Waukesha South.



Kenneth Willkomm (Inc)
Age: 58
Family: Widow, three children.
Occupation: Retired.
Elected offices: Scott supervisor.
Education: Brookfield East High School graduate
Organizations: Beechwood Snowmobile Club



see that the enforcement of dog licensing is taken care of promptly and regularly.

Supervisors Dan Morin and Ken Willkomm will run unopposed for their seats. Morin will seek his second term and Willkomm will be looking for his third.

When re-elected Morin wants to finish the project in the sanitary district. He has been involved in submitting grants and trying to obtain federal stimulus money for the town. He would also like to finish the smart growth project.

Farm and open space preservation is also on Morin's to-do list. He wants to see the township and county work together on preservation. He would also like to continue with projects such as ordinance revisions and getting the emergency government active again.

Willkomm stated he wants to continue serving on the Random Lake Library Board where he represents the township and continue his work at the

Cheryl Scholz
Age: 46
Family: Single, one child.
Occupation: Care-giver for elderly
Elected offices: Scott supervisor.
Education: Attending MPTC.



Dan Morin (Inc)
Age: 57
Family: Married, two children.
Occupation: Unemployed, manufacturing.
Elected offices: Scott supervisor.
Education: Port Washington H.S. graduate



town recycling center. He also wishes to continue to keep taxes down.

The town chairman is paid \$5,000 annually and serves a two-year term. Supervisors are paid \$3,000 annually and serve a two-year term.

The Constable is paid an annual salary of \$500 and receives \$7 per hour while working on the town's behalf. The hourly rate is capped at \$250 annually. That position also serves a two-year term. Largely unknown and unglamorous, town constables are elected to enforce town laws, and carry out other duties established by town boards.

The number of townships establishing constables has been on the rise. The Wisconsin Towns Association reports 268 constables statewide, an increase from 200 the Wisconsin State Journal reported 10 years ago. Sheriff's departments can't always respond quickly to calls such as illegal burning or a house with too many cars parked on the lawn.

The Clerk/Treasurer is an appointed position. The Spring Election is Tuesday, April 7.

Letter to the Editor:

While it is sad to see Kewaskum High School drop the German from their curriculum, it's also a reflection of the times. Back in the day, every small town offered courses. Small wonder since 58% of Wisconsin's populace claimed Teutonic roots.

Campbellsport High had Frau Trapp, a Bavarian born, stern but excellent teacher. Her lessons were an adept mixture of vocabulary, grammar, actual conversation usage and fascinating anecdotes. Few of us forgot the little things; ushered into the room at the bell with "im mit sie." Familiar Alistair MacLean novel covers with translated titles around the bulletin board.

Holidays were celebrated with liederkranz, familiar carols, O Come All Ye Children, Silent Night, and O Christmas Tree sung in the guttural tongue. We learned about the Kristkind Markt, saw a pyramid up close, each of the rings contained figures, angels, magi, the Holy Family rotated by propeller blades which spun from the heat of candles at the base.

These are intangibles not taught but experienced. Lost

to future generations. Unfortunately, for better or worse but probably neither, only a natural rhythm of life known as change, the face of our nation is undergoing an upheaval.

An increasing Hispanic influx requires we adapt to what's becoming a bilingual society. Perhaps we're more willing to do what the US wouldn't for earlier waves of immigrants; reach out to them in their native dialect.

The eventual hope is these new citizens assimilate. No one asks they surrender their culture entirely, an individual ingot completely vanished in the great melting pot. My own mother recalls how her elementary teacher asked parents and grandparents not to speak German at home so the youngsters could speak, think and answer in English.

In order to extend a welcome though, a trade-off has to be made. Not what most might prefer. Yet more importantly, a fulfillment of the promise made, a promise kept to "your poor, tired, teeming refuse," a lovable mongrel breed called Americans.

G.A. Scheinoha
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Washington County featured on April 4 Discover Wisconsin show

The bright lights are on Washington County, as the area stars in an upcoming episode of Discover Wisconsin Television.

The program, titled "Washington County - More Than a Destination," will air throughout the Midwest April 4 and 5. Locally it will be broadcast Saturday, April 4 at 10:00 a.m. on Fox Sports Net, at 5:00 p.m. on WGBA TV-26 Green Bay, (NBC) and on Sunday, April 5 at 9:00 a.m. on WITI TV-6 Milwaukee. (FOX.)

The project is being spearheaded by the Washington County Economic Development Corporation to promote tourism in the area.

According to statistics from the Wisconsin Department of Tourism, the industry means big revenue for the state. "Tourism is a 14 billion dollar industry in Wisconsin, and this is a way for Washington County to vie for its share of the market," said Doreen Buntrock, President of the Washington County Economic Development Corporation and Business Development Officer for westbury bank.

"It's a lot more than getting a television show. It's a two-year marketing campaign, where our county will get numerous radio spots, website presence, three regional television broadcasts, news seg-

ments, and trade shows representation throughout the state," added Buntrock.

Highlights of the program include: Pike Lake State Park, Washington County history, The Kettle Moraine State Forest, The Eisenbahn State Trail, Ice Age National Scenic Trail, Basilica of Holy Hill, West Bend Farmer's Market, Erin Hills Golf Course, Washington County Golf Course, Heritage Trails County Park Disc Golf, Geo-caching, Schauer Arts & Activities Center, Kettle Moraine Jazz Festival, Chandelier Ballroom, Sunburst Ski & Tubing Area, Snowmobiling, snowshoeing and cross-country skiing, Westphal Mansion Inn Bed & Breakfast, Cold Spring Inn, The General Store Antique Mall in Kewaskum, The West Bend Company/Regal Ware Historic Museum, The Sila Lydia Bast Bell Museum in Germantown, The Museum of Wisconsin Art, Messer/Meyer Grist Mill in Richfield, Wisconsin Automotive Museum, Slinger Super Speedway, Washington County Fair, Hartford Balloon Rally

Several Washington County residents are interviewed during the 20-minute video, including life-long resident and Manager at WE Energies Andy Gumm, City of West Bend Park, Recreation and Forestry Director Craig

Hoepfner, Kettle Moraine State Forest Pike Lake Unit Superintendent Terry Jensen, Basilica of Holy Hill Director Father Don Brick, world-ranked Geo-cacher Tammy Mauland & family, Sunburst Ski and Tubing Area owner Jim Engel, Innkeeper Pamela Terpstra, General Store Antique Mall owner Cindy Gruber, Washington County Historical Society Director of Marketing and Development Lisa Rogers, Germantown Historical Society president Irene Blau, Graeme Reid, Assistant Director at The Museum of Wisconsin Art, Richfield Historical Society member and Grist Mill Tour Guide Norm Grier, Wisconsin Automotive Museum Executive Director Dale Anderson, and Executive Director of Washington County Fair Park Nancy Justman.

Stephanie Klett, host of the Discover Wisconsin television and radio series, was impressed with the county. "Where else in the state will you find a museum dedicated to bells, a National holy shrine, and the Midwest Capital for geo-caching? It's an eclectic mix that I think will have a huge appeal to our viewers."

For more information on the Washington County episode and to view a clip of the show, visit www.discoverwisconsin.com.

Steve Richter has served the Town of Scott four terms as Constable. During his four terms he stated he has doubled the number of dog owners brought into compliance with town licensing ordinances. He has also responded to neighbor disputes along with investigating ordinance violations. He explained dog licensing is very important when dogs become lost, if they are licensed they can be returned to the owner.

Steve Richter
(Inc.)
Age: 49
Family: Married, two children.
Occupation: Manufacturing
Elected offices: Scott Constable
Education: Elkhart Lake graduate



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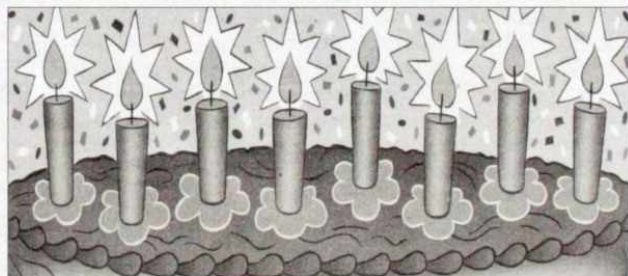
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Pat Enright |
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PSC seeks input on broadband

MADISON- The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC) seeks input from Wisconsin residents and businesses on broadband needs in the state. By completing the quick and easy Broadband Customer Survey at <http://psc.wi.gov>, consumers can help the PSC to identify where needs for broadband exist in un-served or underserved areas of the state.

"There are parts of Wisconsin that need broadband improvements and our intent with this survey is to add to our knowledge of where these areas are and what customer needs are not being met," said

PSC Chairperson Eric Callisto. "This will be important input to enhancing broadband accessibility and availability throughout the state and it will provide us with another source of data to evaluate the broadband landscape."

Under the recently enacted federal American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA), up to \$7.2 billion is available across the nation for broadband improvement loans and grants from the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) and the Rural Utility Service (RUS). The PSC anticipates that the NTIA

and RUS will issue broadband guidelines sometime between April and June 2009. It is likely that the states will be asked to advise these federal agencies on where there are needs for broadband that could be helped through these loans and grants.

Please help the PSC compile important data to identify broadband needs in Wisconsin. Visit the PSC website at <http://psc.wi.gov> and fill out the Broadband Survey under Hot Topics. For more information, please call (608) 266-6744.

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Post Office to host passport fair

The Kewaskum Post Office is hosting a Passport Fair on 3/28/09 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in an effort to assist their customers who need a passport to travel. The Kewaskum Post Office is located at 347 Main St.

Guests of the event can either apply for passports or learn more about passports and international travel by speaking with one of the agents. If guests would like to apply for a passport, they need to bring some identification items. All must be originals, not photocopies.

1) Two identical passport photos of yourself. Passport photos are available at the event at a nominal cost. Passport photos are also available at various outlets.

2) A valid photo ID of yourself. Acceptable IDs include: state driver's license,

government photo ID, state-issued photo ID, or an old passport. The ID cannot be expired.

3) Proof of citizenship. An original or certified birth certificate with an official seal, or original naturalization papers. If you have lost your birth certificate, replacements are usually available through the state that issued the original certificate. Hospital birth certificates are not acceptable.

4) Funds. An adult passport (16 and older) costs \$100 (\$75 + \$25) in fees. Fees must be paid before the application is accepted. The cost for minors (15 and below) is \$85 (\$60 + \$25). Personal checks or money orders are necessary for the State Department fee (no credit cards).

5) Minors obtaining passports. Minors under 15 must be present with both

parents and must bring original birth certificates. Minors under 15 may need special permission for international travel. Visit the State Department website at www.travel.state.gov for full details.

A passport fair is an opportunity for travelers to plan ahead so they don't worry about receiving their passports before their departure date. Currently it could take up to 6 or 8 weeks for processing before you will receive your passport.

The Postal Service expects a sizeable increase in passport applications due to the new travel requirements that go into effect June 1, 2009. For the most current passport travel requirements, visit www.travel.state.gov and click on the Passport link.

Shepherd of the Hills school to hold Living Way of the Cross

The students from Shepherd of the Hills Catholic School in Eden are bringing to life the dramatic story of Jesus's passion and death.

This story "The Living Way of the Cross" illustrates Jesus' journey to Calvary in 14 stations or scenes.

This dramatization has proven to be a moving experience for young and old, and has brought to life for many, the impact of Christ's betrayal and crucifixion. It has been performed for the last sixteen years by students to the parish family, area nursing homes, elementary and high schools, religious education programs and the area community.

This year students have been invited to dramatize it at St. Bernard Catholic School

in Green Bay, who is hosting other Catholic Schools in the diocese. It has always brought special meaning to Holy Week.

The school will also be hosting dramatizations at the parish site for various Catholic Schools throughout the state. This amounts to over 1100 students viewing this year's "Living Way".

Once again, St. Mary Springs Alumni will be participating during the Saint Mary Springs dramatization which will held at the church on April 3rd at 10:00am.

Open performances will also be on Wednesday, April 1st at 6:30pm and Sunday, April 5th at 12:00 noon at Shepherd of the Hills Catholic Church, W1562 County Rd. B, Eden.

There will be no dramatizations during the Palm Sunday masses.

The students have begun practicing for this unique opportunity and are under the direction of teacher and director, Mrs. Mary Jo Moody.

For more information, Call or e-mail Shepherd of the Hills Catholic School Office. (920) 477-3551 www.sothparish.org

Hon-E-Kor Ladies League sign-up

The Hon-E-Kor Thursday Night Ladies Golf League Spring meeting will be held at Hon-E-Kor Country Club, 1141 Riverview Drive, Kewaskum on Wednesday, April 1st at 7:00 pm.

League fees are \$25 per regular team member with at least \$50 per team due the night of the meeting. All teams must be represented by at least one person at the meeting. Substitutes are welcome to attend. Sub fees are \$7.00.

The league is open to all players; you do not have to be a Hon-E-Kor member. Those interested in forming a team or being a sub should contact Hon-E-Kor at (262) 626-2520 or Carol Averill at (262) 626-8316.

Community Events For

March 28 - April 4

MARCH 28 - KEWASKUM WOMEN'S CLUB - SALAD LUNCHEON, at Holy Trinity hall. Doors open at 11 am, followed by buffet, raffle & entertainment.

MARCH 28 - FRIENDS OF PIKE LAKE invite the public to get a head start on Earth Day by helping with the Spring Clean-Up. Crew will meet at 8 a.m. at the park office on Kettle Moraine Drive just south of Highway 60 between Hartford and Slinger. The foul weather alternate date will be the following Saturday. Call 262-670-3400 or e-mail questions friendsofpikelake@gmail.com

MARCH 28 - Kewaskum Junior Women's Club, 6th annual Murder Mystery event, BULLETS AND BARBEQUE MURDER MYSTERY. Held at the Kewaskum Village Building, 1308 Fond du Lac Ave. Cocktails at 6:30 p.m., Mystery at 7:00. \$25 adults only. Contact Cindy Koester at 920-533-5769.

MARCH 29 - Enjoy the KETTLE MORaine SYMPHONY'S SPRING CONCERT at 3:30 pm at Our Savior's Church in West Bend. The orchestra celebrates the joys and promise of Easter with an uplifting performance of classics and more, along with featured soloist Laura Snyder, contralto with the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra. Tickets are available at the door for \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors, and \$5 for children and students.

MARCH 31 - MAY 28 - The KHS Child Development preschool is starting soon! Tuesdays and Thursdays, March 31 through May 28, 2009. 7:45 am to 9:45 am in room 104 at Kewaskum High School. Contact Mrs. Skrentny (262) 626-8427 ext. 4403 or jskrentn@ksd.k12.wi.us If you have a child 3 to 5 years old who would enjoy coming to school for crafts, songs, and fun activities enroll now.

APRIL 1 - KEWASKUM FFA RABIES CLINIC at 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Cats and Dogs - \$20 per animal. Bring to Kewaskum Veterinary Clinic. All proceeds go to the Ogi Scholarship Fund.

APRIL 2 - KEWASKUM WOMEN'S CLUB FINAL MEETING OF THE YEAR. Election of officers and disbursement of monies will take place. Brat fry will be the final fund raiser for this year on Memorial weekend, Saturday, May 23, at Piggly Wiggly during the village rummage sale.

APRIL 4 - JUST SCRAPPIN'. 9 am - ?? Held at the Annex (in Kewaskum). Cost \$15, payment required at time of sign-up. Bring a snack/dish to share with the group. Meals and your choice of beverage will be on your own. For those that want we may take up a collection to have supper brought in. All attendee's will receive a thank you gift, including one-day coupon to The Scrap Nook. Sign-up at The Scrap Nook, 127 Main Street, Kewaskum, 262-477-1033.

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

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Mystery @ 7:00
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KHS students participate in Solo-Ensemble



The Eastern Wisconsin Solo/Ensemble was held at Waupun High School on Saturday, March 14. Those students who will be moving on to state competition at UW-Milwaukee on Saturday, April 25, are, front row, left to right, soloists Savannah Robar, Alyssa Krautkramer, Karissa Uelmen, Karla Stoffel, and Lindsay Schneider. Row two: the quartet of Brittany McWilliams, Angela Kugler, Jocelyn Chambers, and Desiree Kuehl. Back row: The KHS Madrigal ensemble of Austin Luedtke, Nick Groth, Jacob Dickmann, Kelsey Guth, Heather Schaller, Tim Boettcher, Eric Turowski, Megan Ogi, Taylor Bocher, Destin Kuehl, Heather May, Nic Gerhartz, Rachel Ogi, Joey Herriges, Brittany Barlow, and Michael Herriges.

The Eastern Wisconsin Solo-Ensemble was held at Waupun on March 14, 2009. The following events from Kewaskum High School will be going to state competition at UW-Milwaukee on Saturday, April 25: Vocal solos- Savannah Robar, Lindsay Schneider, and Karissa Uelmen; Musical Theater solos- Alyssa Krautkramer, Karissa Uelmen, Lindsay Schneider, and Savannah Robar; Vocal Quartet- Desiree Kuehl, Ange-

la Kugler, Jocelyn Chambers, and Brittany McWilliams; Piano solo- Karla Stoffel; and the KHS madrigal ensemble whose members are: Brittany Barlow, Tim Boettcher, Taylor Bocher, Jacob Dickmann, Nic Gerhartz, Nick Groth, Kelsey Guth, Joey Herriges, Michael Herriges, Destin Kuehl, Austin Luedtke, Heather May, Megan Ogi, Rachel Ogi, Savannah Robar, Heather Schaller, Lindsay Schneider, Karla Stoffel, Eric Turowski, and Karissa Uel-

men.

Other Kewaskum High School results from the Eastern Wisconsin Conference Solo-Ensemble festival include:

Class A firsts - Trumpet solo: Tim Boettcher; Clarinet solo: Lindsay Schneider; Vocal solo: Terje Aune, Tim Boettcher, Alyssa Krautkramer, Destin Kuehl, Heather Schaller; Musical Theater solo: Heather May, Heather Schaller, Tim Boettcher; Vocal duet: Karissa Uelmen and Karla Stoffel; Piano duet: Olivia Gitter and Heather McElhatton; and the KHS Show Choir: Brittany Barlow, Coleman Bartow, Tim Boettcher, Taylor Bocher, Jacob Dickmann, Jessica Forbes, Jason Geidel, Nic Gerhartz, Nick Groth, Kelsey Guth, Joey Herriges, Michael Herriges, Destin Kuehl, Austin Luedtke, Heather May, Megan Ogi, Rachel Ogi, Savannah Robar, Jason Sabel, Heather Schaller, Lindsay Schneider, Karla Stoffel, Bennett Strack, Tricia Timmers, Eric Turowski, and Karissa Uelmen.

Class A seconds- Euphonium solo: Terje Aune; Flute

solo: Rachel Jensen; Bass Clarinet solo: Melissa Rodenkirch; Tenor Saxophone solo: Kelsey Guth; Vocal solos: Jocelyn Chambers, Heather May, Nicole Hallstead; Musical Theater solo: Nicole Hallstead; Vocal duet: Kelsey Guth and Heather Schaller; Vocal quartet: Taylor Bocher, Megan Ogi, Amanda Osswald, and Heather Schaller; Barbershop quartet: Mandi Forbes, Lindy Taylor, Jessica Forbes, and Lacy Taylor; and the KHS Jazz Choir: Nathan Bandy, Tim Boettcher, Jacob Dickmann, Nick Groth, Kelsey Guth, Nicole Hallstead, Destin Kuehl, Heather May, Amanda Osswald, Savannah Robar, Heather Schaller, Lindsay Schneider, Rachel Stoffel, and Karissa Uelmen.

Class B firsts- Trumpet solo: Abbie Clerka; French Horn solo: Abbie Clerka; Flute solo: Abbie Clerka; French Woodwind trio: Rae Monte, Amanda Hallstead, Desiri Jantz; Vocal solo: Katie Oscar, Vicki Peters; Vocal Duet: Katie Tillmann and Natalie Bandy, Aarika Spaulding and Brooke Alexander; Piano duet: Destin Kuehl and Karla Stoffel.

Class B seconds- Vocal solo: Sarah Ries; Clarinet duet: Desiri Jantz and Amanda Hallstead; Vocal trio: Dan Schuette, Savanna Wendelborn, and Megan Ringel; and the KHS Jazz Ensemble: Lindsay Schneider, Kelsey Guth, Kyle Phillips, Brandon Ehn, Ryan Petri, Karla Stoffel, Abbie Blecher, Josh Roeglin, Amanda Abramovich, Heather Schaller, Terje Aune, Adam Fleischman, Tim Boettcher, Josh Blawat, Destin Kuehl, and Brian Kornfehl.

Class C firsts- Vocal solo: Val Hedlund, Erica Steiner; Vocal duet: Caitlynn Murray and Val Hedlund; Vocal double duet: Georgiana Abfall, Rachel Ogi, Raquel Bode, and Justine Rettler; Vocal trio: Sabrina Boehlke, Natalie Bandy, and Katie Tillmann.

Class C seconds- Vocal solo: Krystal Hartmann, Katie Tillmann; Vocal duet: Cecily Mellenthin and Tyler Still; Vocal double trio: Kaylene Herbst, Kelsey Koller, Charlene Laufer, Valerie Paulus, Sam Miller, Sam Rick.

FES K4 students explore their senses



Farmington K4 students recently completed a taste test of sweet, sour, and salty food items. The taste test included butterscotch candy, pickles, chips, candy cane, lemons, and pretzels. The pictures show students puckering up after trying the pickles and lemons. Everyone enjoyed taste testing new items.



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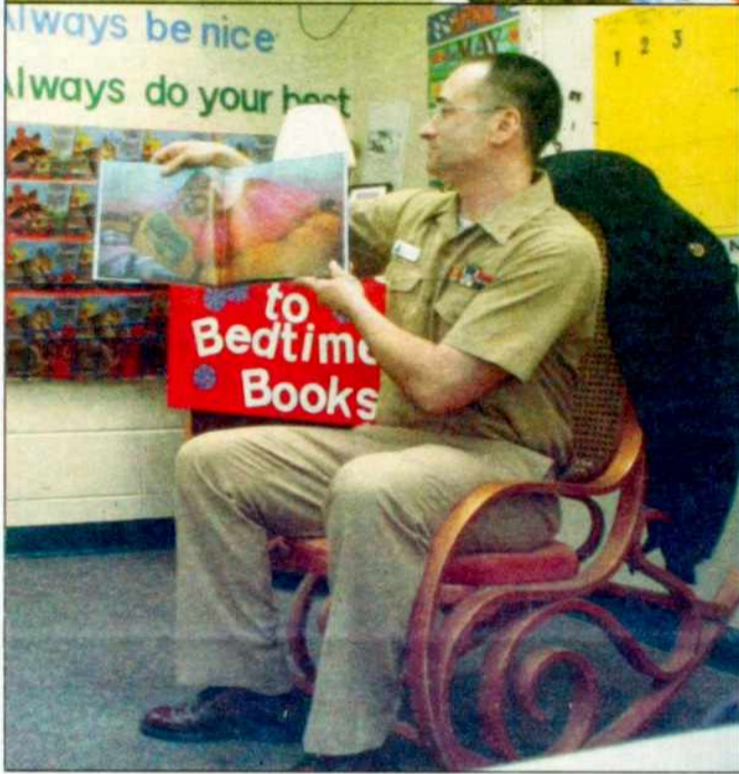
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Bedtime Books held at KES



ABOVE: American Legion member Mike Paul reads to the children. LEFT: Patrick Gill was another one of the readers for the event.

The annual Bedtime Books event was held at Kewaskum Elementary School on March 3rd in conjunction with celebrating the birthday of Dr. Seuss. Students in 4K-grades 2 attended with their families. About 175 people participated in the event.

The school also took on the special theme to honor

men and women who have served in our military forces. Guest readers who came in uniform included: Travis Knoeck, Patrick Gill, and Mike Paul.

Following the story readings, families enjoyed cookies and juice. Each child was able to select a free book to enjoy at home.

SCHOOL LUNCH Menus

Week of March 30

Kewaskum School District

Monday - NO SCHOOL - IN-SERVICE

Tuesday - Cheeseburger/bun, broccoli, cheese sauce, applesauce. *Chinese food bar. (E) Chicken nuggets.

Wednesday - Chicken patty/bun, hot apple slices, sweet potatoes, French fries. *Salad bar. (E) Pizza dippers.

Thursday - French toast sticks, syrup, tri-taters, applesauce, sausage patty. *Pepperoni pizza. (E) Pizza dippers.

Friday - Toasted cheese sandwich, tuna salad, pineapple, corn, chocolate teddy bears. *BBQ rib/bun. (E) Pizza dippers.

Holy Trinity School

Monday - NO SCHOOL

Tuesday - Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, dinner roll, corn, strawberry cup, chocolate chip softie.

Wednesday - Hamburger on a bun, buttered noodles, broccoli/cauliflower, applesauce, banana muffin.

Thursday - Mini corn dogs, macaroni & cheese, buttered wheat bread, peas, pears, apple kuchen.

Friday - Cheese stromboli or tuna or egg salad sandwich, tuna noodle salad, peaches, cookie.

St. Lucas School

Monday - Hot dog on a bun, French fries, corn, peaches, pudding.

Tuesday - Pizza buns - cheese, sausage, pepperoni, fresh veggies and dip, oranges, Rice Krispie bar.

Campbellsport School District

Monday - Chicken nuggets & dip, seasoned noodles, fresh corn, sliced peaches, whole grain bread, milk. A - meatball subs or hot pocket.

Tuesday - Spaghetti & meatsauce, lettuce salad, carrots & dip, fresh fruit, French bread, milk. A - Asst. 5" pizzas.

St. Matthew School

Monday - BBQ ribs, buttered noodles, corn, cranberries, mixed fruit, birthday cake, milk.

Tuesday - Sloppy joes on a bun, potato wedges, cheese slice, pickles, green beans, pears, milk.

Wednesday - Baked chicken, mashed potatoes, cheesy broccoli, cranberries, cornbread, mixed fruit salad, milk.

Thursday - Pigs in a blanket, French fries, baked beans, garden salad, cinnamon apples, milk.

Friday - Grilled cheese, tomato soup, carrots/dip, pickles, pineapple, Easter cookie, milk.

St. Mary's School

Monday - Chicken nuggets, macaroni & cheese, Wisconsin veggies, applesauce.

Tuesday - Hamburgers, French fries, Mandarin oranges, bag pretzels.

Wednesday - Sneaky stromboli, fools golden corn, prankster pears, blockhead banana squares.

Thursday - Mini corn dogs, green beans, mixed fruit, whole wheat bread, fruit roll-up.

Friday - Toasted cheese sandwich, tomato soup, raw carrots, assorted fruits.

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Like prescription drugs, OTC cough and cold remedies are often found at home. In many areas, teens can buy them at supermarkets, pharmacies, and convenience stores.

But that doesn't make them safe to use without proper supervision. Teens underestimate the dangers of abusing OTC drugs. Many contain Dextromethorphan (DXM), a cough suppressant, which can cause delusions, loss of consciousness, and even death when taken in excessive amounts. And taking these drugs with alcohol can make the effects even more dangerous.

Parents can help stop abuse of these products with three steps:

1. *Safeguard* your prescription and OTC drugs, especially those containing DXM. Monitor quantities and control access. Ask friends and family to do the same.
2. *Properly conceal and dispose* of old or unused medicines in the trash.
3. *Set clear rules* for teens about all drug and alcohol use, including never taking medicine without permission and always following proper dosages. And be a good role model when it comes to taking your own medicines.

Watch for warning signs your teen is using, such as empty bottles or packages and behavior changes, such as mood swings, or changes in appetite or sleep habits.

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"ROBO"	"DEX"	"RED DEVILS"
"SYRUP"	"SKITTLES"	

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MARJORIE B. DEGNITZ



Marjorie B. Degnitz, 84, of the town of Farmington, passed away at her home on Thursday, March 19, 2009, with her family at her side.

She was born on August 16, 1924, in the town of Farmington, the daughter of the late Henry and Anatasia "Daisy" (Grieger) Laatsch, and on March 25, 1944, she was united in marriage to Merlin Degnitz at St. Michael's Catholic Church in St. Michaels while Merlin was home on leave from the service.

The couple made their home on the family homestead and operated the dairy farm until 1977. In 1964, Marjorie and Merlin began a bus service business serving the area of the town of Farmington. In 1972, they began serving the Random Lake area, and from 1974 to 1997, they served the Ozaukee County area. Marjorie was the manager of Degnitz Bus Service serving the North Ozaukee School District and was also a bus driver.

Marjorie was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church in St. Michaels, a member of the Happy Hearts Homemakers and was a census taker in the town of Farmington for many years. She enjoyed gardening and canning produce from her garden and one of her favorite pastimes was crocheting. Marjorie crocheted many Christmas angels as gifts for her family and friends. She will be deeply missed by her husband, her family and by all who knew her.

Survivors include her loving husband of 65 years, Merlin; four children, Mary Carol (Robert) Shoemaker of Fredonia, Carl H. (Judy) Degnitz of Fredonia, Beverly J. Zimdars and Jane (Vincent) Meyer, both of Kewaskum; a sister, Adeline Schoofs of the town of Kewaskum; two sisters-in-law, Bernice (Willard) Hammen of Random Lake and Shirley (Raymond) Lubbert of Hartford; four brothers-in-law, Roger (Rosalyne) Degnitz of Fredonia, Donald (Anita) Degnitz of Lisle, Illinois, Gerald Klumb and Allen (Mary) Puestow, both of West Bend, ten grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, two step-grandchildren, four step-great-grandchildren, other relatives and many friends.

In addition to her parents, Marjorie was preceded in death by her brother-in-law, Theodore Schoofs and two sisters-in-law, Betty Klumb and Janet Puestow.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Marjorie was held at 4:00

p.m. on Sunday, March 22, 2009, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in St. Michaels. Father Edwin Kornath officiated and burial followed in St. Mary's Cemetery in Little Kohler.

Relatives and friends called at the church on Sunday from 1:00 p.m. until the time of Mass.

The Miller Funeral Home in Kewaskum has been entrusted with Marjorie's arrangements. Additional information and guest book may be found at www.millermartinfh.com.

MALINDA A. GARBISCH

Malinda A. Garbisch (nee Oppermann), 95, of the town of Scott, passed away on Wednesday, March 18, 2009, at Plymouth Care Center in Plymouth.

She was born on September 30, 1913, in Fond du Lac County, the daughter of the late Henry and Ida (Bartelt) Oppermann, and on June 12, 1932, she was united in marriage to Raymond Garbisch at St. John Lutheran Church in New Fane. Raymond preceded Malinda in death on December 31, 1970.

Malinda was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in the town of Scott and the Ladies Evening Guild.

Malinda was a devoted wife, a loving mother and an adoring grandmother to her grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. She loved to bake for her family and friends. Her specialties included apple kuchen, butterhorns and stollen.

Some of her favorite pastimes were crocheting afghans and potholders, doing word search puzzles, bowling and bingo. She enjoyed attending worship services at Plymouth Care Center with Marcella Oppermann and other friends.

Malinda will fondly be remembered for the butch haircuts she gave to her grandsons, her love of gardening and es-

pecially her love of growing flowers. She will be deeply missed by her family and by all who knew her.

Survivors include four children, Janet (Ivan) Kumrow and Charles Garbisch both of Random Lake, Joan (John) Schlicht of Winneconne and Joy (Gary) Neuenfeld of Random Lake; 18 grandchildren, 45 great-grandchildren, eight great-great-grandchildren, four step-grandchildren, 14 step-great-grandchildren, ten step-great-great-grandchildren, other relatives and friends.

In addition to her husband and parents, Malinda was preceded in death by a brother, Henry (Verna) Oppermann; two sisters, Lucinda (Henry) Mess and Marie (Wilbur) Kleinke; a grandson, Joel Kumrow; two sons-in-law, Leroy Peterson and Karl Haack; a daughter-in-law, Beverly Garbisch; a brother-in-law, Marvin (Flossie) Garbisch; a sister-in-law, Frona (Raymond) Justman; a niece, Virginia Edgar; a nephew, Roger Garbisch and two step-grandsons, Mike and Mark Neuenfeld.

Funeral services for Malinda were held at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 26, 2009, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in the town of Scott. Rev. Kurt Ziemann and Rev. Dr. Roy Peterson officiated and burial followed in the church cemetery.

Relatives and friends called on Thursday at the church from noon until the time of services.

The Miller Funeral Home in Kewaskum has been entrusted with Malinda's arrangements. Additional information and guest book may be found at www.millermartinfh.com.

Malinda's family extends their heartfelt appreciation to the staff of Plymouth Care Center for the compassionate care provided to Malinda during her time at the center.

RUTH E. LAUBENSTEIN

Ruth E. Laubenstein, (nee Murray), age 80, of the town of Farmington, passed away on Friday, March 20, 2009 at the Cedar Springs Health and Rehabilitation Center in Cedarburg.

She was born on November 18, 1928 on the family homestead in the town of Farmington to the late Roy and Rose (nee Stern) Murray.

Ruth attended the West Bend High School and graduated in 1948.

Shortly after her high school graduation she met her future husband Victor Laubenstein while playing the accordion with her cousin in the group the "Accordioneers". Shortly after, she joined Victor's Polka Band "Vic's Melody Aces".

Ruth and Victor were united in marriage on November 5, 1949 at 5th Ave. United Methodist Church in West Bend.

After their first child was born, Ruth left the band and helped her husband run the family farm from 1950 until their retirement in 1983. Victor preceded Ruth in death on July 1, 2000 at the age of 82.

Ruth was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Fredonia. She especially enjoyed reading novels and was an avid sports fan who loved following the Milwaukee Brewers and Green Bay Packers on the radio or watching them on TV. Ruth was gifted at cooking and baking and enjoyed countless hours passing her gift on to her children.

Ruth is survived by her five children, Dennis Laubenstein

of West Bend, David Laubenstein of St. Cloud, FL, Wayne Laubenstein of West Bend, Carol (Craig) Larsen of Sheboygan, and Carl Laubenstein of West Bend. She is further survived by her four grandchildren, Rodney (Erin) Patterson, Shawn Laubenstein, Tracy Laubenstein, and Justin Larsen; 2 great-grandchildren; and a brother Robert "Bob" Murray of West Bend.

A funeral service in honor of Ruth was held on Wednesday, March 25, at 11:00 am, St. John's Lutheran Church, Fredonia. Rev. Zick officiated and burial followed in St. John's Church Cemetery.

Visitation was on Tuesday, March 24, at the Myrhum-Patten Funeral Home from 4:00 pm until 7:00 pm. Visitation was also on Wednesday, at the church, from 10:00 am until the time of service.

Memorials to St. John's Lutheran Church, Fredonia, would be greatly appreciated by the family.

Myrhum-Patten Funeral & Cremation Service of West Bend served the family.

NICHOLAS N. 'NICK' MARTINY

Nicholas N. "Nick" Martiny, age 26 years of Campbellsport, passed away on Thursday, March 19, 2009 at his residence.

Nick was born on Dec. 7, 1982 to Larry and Carol (nee Bassill) at St. Agnes Hospital in Fond du Lac.

He was a graduate of Lomira High School, class of 2001. Nick loved hunting and

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fresh start, Dickinson moved with her daughter to Washington D.C., to an apartment near where she lived during college. But, she says, she cried on the phone almost nightly to her mother and sisters. She missed Freeville, where her family all lived within a few blocks of one another and where everybody ate together at Toad's restaurant at least once a week.

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inson isn't afraid to admit that she messes up now and again (paraphrasing one of her advice-column mottoes), and she's willing to make gentle fun of herself, which makes for a mighty satisfying tale.

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He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents Richard and Marilyn Martiny.

A Mass of Christian burial was held on Sunday, March 22, 2009 at 6 p.m. at St. Matthew Catholic Church of Campbellsport with Father Neil G. Zinterher officiating.

Interment of ashes took place at Union Cemetery of Campbellsport. Visitation was at the church only on Sunday, March 22 from 3 p.m. until time of Mass.

Memorials are appreciated.

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Obituaries

The Phillip Funeral Home of West Bend assisted the family.

ACE B. HUTCHINSON

Ace B. Hutchinson, 71, of West Bend died Monday, March 16, 2009 at the Aurora Medical Center Washington County in Hartford.

He was born Sept. 8, 1937 to the late Ira Hutchinson and Delores Striker.

Ace lived in downtown West Bend for many years.

Survivors include his stepfather, Edward Spradau of Cascade; two sisters, Janice (Steven) Ohrich of Ripon and Debra (Gary) Jahnke of Appleton; and four half-siblings, Sandy Skrentny of Kewaskum, Jan Spradau of Tennessee, Sherry (Dennis) Muench of West Bend and Scott (Cindy) Spradau of Cascade. He is further survived by many nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

Ace is preceded in death by a brother, King Hutchinson, and a half brother, Terry Spradau.

A memorial service was held Saturday, March 21, 2009 at 2 p.m. at the Schmidt Funeral Home in West Bend with visitation from 1 p.m. until 1:45 p.m.

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TIME Sealed bids will be received until 10:00 a.m., local time, on Wednesday, April 1, 2009, in the Kewaskum Municipal Building, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

BIDS All bids shall be addressed to Mr. Jerry Gilles, Director of Public Works, Village of Kewaskum, Municipal Building, 204 First Street, Kewaskum, Wisconsin 53040. Bids shall be sealed and shall have the name and address of the bidder and the contract for which the bid is being submitted on the outside of the envelope. All bidders shall bid in accordance with and upon the Bid Forms included in the contract documents.

EXAMINATION OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS The contract documents are on file for inspection at the offices of McMahon, 1445 McMahon Drive, Neenah, Wisconsin 54956.

PROCUREMENT OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS Copies of the contract documents may be obtained from McMahon, P.O. Box 1025, Neenah, Wisconsin 54957-1025. Neither the OWNER nor the ENGINEER will be responsible for partial sets of documents obtained from any other source.

A deposit of \$25.00, plus a separate, non refundable processing charge of \$25.00, will be required for each set of contract documents (total of \$50.00 per set). Plan holders wishing to use association cards will still be required to pay the processing charge. The processing charge will be required whether plans and specifications are picked up or delivered. Faxed copies of deposit/processing checks will not be accepted. The full amount of the \$25.00 deposit will be refunded to the plan holder upon return, in good condition, of all contract documents within 10-days after the opening of bids.

BID SECURITY No bid shall be received unless accompanied by a certified check or satisfactory bid bond payable to the Village of Kewaskum in an amount not less than 5% of the maximum bid as a guarantee that, if the bid is accepted, the bidder will execute and file the contract, performance/payment bonds and insurance certification, as required by the contract documents, within ten (10) days after the Notice of Award.

BID REJECTION The OWNER reserves the right to reject any and all bids, waive any informalities in bidding or to accept the bid or bids which best serves the interests of the Village of Kewaskum.

WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of

60-days after the scheduled opening without the consent of the OWNER.

PROOF OF RESPONSIBILITY A proof of responsibility (pre-qualification) form for all contracts in excess of \$10,000 must be filed in the office of McMahon no later than 5-calendar days prior to the date of receiving bids, and shall show sufficient ability, equipment and experience to properly perform the contract. The Village of Kewaskum's decision as to qualifications shall be final.

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VILLAGE OF KEWASKUM
Washington County, Wisconsin
Jerry Gilles
Director of Public Works

Dates: Wednesday, March 18, 2008
Wednesday, March 25, 2008
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**VILLAGE OF KEWASKUM
PUBLIC NOTICE**

Under Wisconsin State Statute 5.84(1), the Village of Kewaskum will be conducting a public test of the electronic ballot tabulation system to ascertain that it will correctly count the votes cast for all offices and on all measures at the Spring Election on Tuesday, April 7, 2009. Said test will be on Monday, March 30, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. at the Municipal Building, 204 First Street. The test is open to the public.

Stephanie Justmann
Village Clerk

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**TOWN OF FARMINGTON
PUBLIC TEST**

In accordance with Section 5.84(1) Wisconsin Statutes, notice is hereby given that a Public Test of the automatic Optical Scan voting equipment and Touch Screen voting equipment will be conducted on Wednesday, April 1, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. at the Farmington Town Hall, 9422 Hwy 144 in Boltonville, for the April 7th Election.

Joanne Oneska,
Town of Farmington Clerk

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**TOWN OF KEWASKUM
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SYSTEMS**

In Accordance with Section 5.84(1) Wisconsin Statutes, notice is hereby given that a Public Test of the automatic Optical Scan voting equipment and Touch Screen voting equipment will be conducted on Monday, March 30, 2009 at 9am at the Kewaskum Town Hall, 9019 Kettle Moraine Drive, Kewaskum for the 2009 Spring Election to be held on Tuesday, April 7, 2009. This test is open to the public.

Nancy Boden
Clerk

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PUBLIC TEST

In accordance with Section 5.84(1) Wisconsin Statutes, notice is hereby given that a Public Test of the automatic Optical Scan voting equipment and Touch Screen voting equipment will be conducted on Monday, March 30, 2009, at 1:30 p.m. in Room 2024 of the Washington County Courthouse, 432 E. Washington Street, West Bend, WI for the Spring Election to be held Tuesday, April 7, 2009. The following municipalities will participate in the public test: Towns of Addison, Germantown, Jackson, Polk, Trenton, Wayne, and West Bend; Villages of Jackson and Newburg.

Brenda J. Jaszewski
WASHINGTON COUNTY CLERK

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As our community continues to grow, so do the stories of people who have tales to tell. Perhaps it's an unusual occupation or hobby, a new business venture, or someone whose service to others too often goes unnoticed.

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Please call us with any suggestions you might have.

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SCHOOL DISTRICT OF KEWASKUM NEGOTIATIONS MEETING

The Negotiations Committee of the Kewaskum School Board will meet on Monday, March 30, 2009 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the District Office, 1675 Reigle Drive. The purpose of the meeting is to continue discussion regarding a successor contract with the Kewaskum Auxiliary Personnel. The meeting is closed to the public.

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VILLAGE OF KEWASKUM NOTICE

WOOD CHIPPING SERVICES RESUMED

The Department of Public Works will resume wood chipping services beginning Monday, April 6th. Weather permitting. Service will continue each 1st and 3rd Monday of the month through late fall on public streets in the Village of Kewaskum.

Please follow these requirements:

1. Place large (butt) end toward the street, at the curb. Long branches are OK, chipper will feed into itself.
2. Pile branches no more than 2 feet high; a long low pile is best for feeding the chipper. Leave a gap in the pile every 8 feet.
3. For small brush, TIE IN BUNDLES with string or twine. No boxes, bags or cans of branches will be chipped.
4. No roots of any kind, or material with any dirt on it.

Note: Leaves, yard waste, garden plant waste, corn stalks, sun flower stalk, leaves, grass and materials that will rot down in a compost pile can be brought to the DPW yard and placed in the yard compost bin.

Hours are 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM Monday - Friday.

Sat., April 18th 9AM - 2 PM, during spring clean up day.

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Kewaskum Department of Public Works

Laura Carlson



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W.I.A.A. files suit over online broadcast of postseason high school sports

The organization that oversees Wisconsin high school athletics is seeking to assert its control over all depictions of postseason competition.

The Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association has filed a lawsuit against Gannett Co., Inc., the parent company of The Post-Crescent, and the Wisconsin Newspaper Association for infringing on its exclusive media ownership rights.

The WIAA is asking a Portage County judge to rule that the organization has the right to "control the transmission, Internet stream, photo, image, film, videotape, audiotape, writing, drawing or other depiction or description" of high school games.

Gannett's Wisconsin newspapers and the state newspaper association say such control would extend beyond news organizations to parents or student-athletes

themselves, and that the coverage of the events is not under WIAA control.

The WIAA maintains postseason sporting events are entertainment, not news events, and the organization has exclusive rights and contracts in place with private businesses to cover the games.

"We're concerned with the WIAA's efforts to commercialize hometown high school sports for its own purposes," said Peter Fox, executive director of the WNA, which represents about 240 dailies and weeklies in the state.

Most WIAA members are public schools and athletic tournaments are public events, and as such, the association has no right to control news media, Fox said.

"It has no legal basis to enter into restrictive agreements with private businesses," he said.

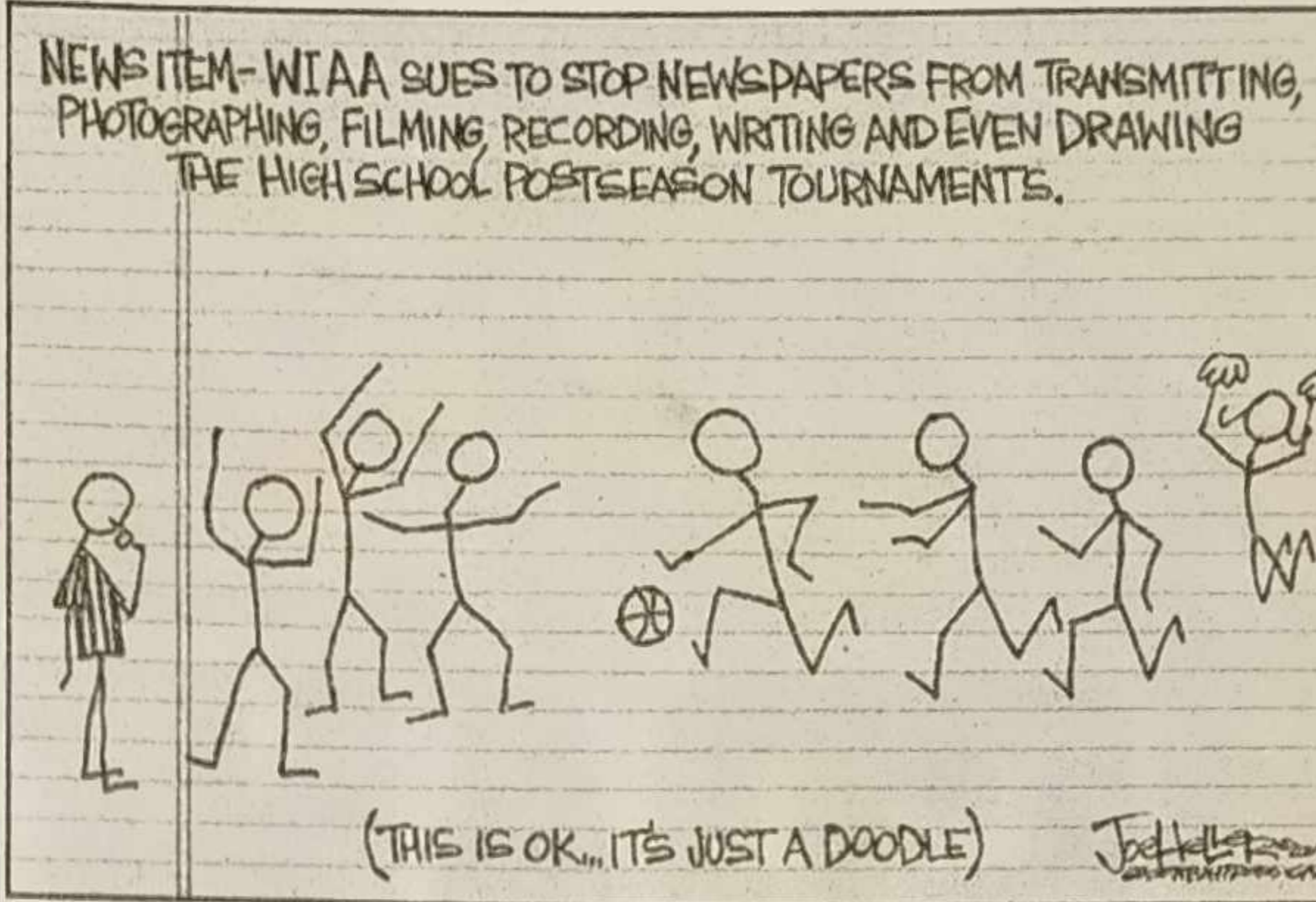
The lawsuit was set in motion after The Post-Crescent, a

daily newspaper in Appleton presented a live webcast Nov. 8 on the newspaper's Web site of a playoff football game between Appleton North and Stevens Point in Stevens Point, home of the WIAA.

The lawsuit raises questions about who controls the rights of how high school games are shown on the Internet and whether the WIAA should have the final say on determining exclusive providers of postseason coverage.

The WNA and its member newspapers have been in discussion with the WIAA since 2007, when an agreement between WIAA and a Milwaukee-area photography business that restricts newspaper coverage came to light.

This news account came from The Post-Crescent's website. It was written by J.E. ESPINO March 5, 2009



This cartoon along with other editorials along with a copy of the lawsuit filed by the WIAA can be found online at www.wnanews.com.

-Opinion-

Are your student athletes for sale?

By Andrew Kuehl

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Kewaskum has enjoyed their turn at many state sports tournaments and post season events. Our reporters, photographers and myself have had the privilege on many occasions to provide coverage for our readers.

When your son or daughter places in a state tournament that's big news to us, and our readers. In this day of doom and gloom news a little good news is a welcome addition to our pages. The Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA) doesn't think so.

The WIAA says nope, it's strictly entertainment. It's just a game, NOT NEWS. However, it's important enough for them to enter into contracts with private businesses who take photographs and video and then sell it/them to parents and student-athletes.

I guess they don't like the fact that I give my pictures (digital images) away for free. They also don't like the fact I have a handy little video camera (as do most photojournalists) that takes amateur video for our website, parents and students at no charge.

My son, much unlike his dad, is into athletics big time. It was the end of the world this fall when he broke his leg playing "illegal" tackle football on the KES playground. A few days later he was to be playing flag football for the Kettle Moraine WIAA. He was quickly healed by the great orthopedic department at West Bend Clinic and is now, he puts it, "training" for soccer and baseball by participating in the YMCA's swimming lessons.

This got me thinking, in eight years, he'll hopefully be on the football field at KHS and in 10 years, he might make varsity. If Jason Piittman and his coaches are still on the sidelines, he might make a state run, at the very least, he might get into a playoff game.

As a parent or journalist, I might or might not want to take pictures or video of his performance. If the WIAA gets their wish, they would take control of all internet streaming, video, audio, writing, drawing or description of these games without any say from the parents or coaches of these kids.

Already, we can not take any photos or cover any of your kids without permission of the WIAA at postseason events.

I also, can not sell or even try and recoup my expenses for giving a parent or athlete a cd or online access to pictures. If I wanted, let's say \$5 for

a cd of 200 images, to cover the cost of the cd and my time in making it or the equipment to make the cd, I'm in violation of the photography provisions and could be barred from future WIAA events.

However, Visual Image Photography of Milwaukee can sell you their photos, (4x6) for \$9 PER PHOTO. I'd have to ask, but I doubt P.J. Krueger or his parents get a cut of that \$9 from his state run in February. And, maybe one could even swallow that if some of that cash came back to Kewaskum to improve our athletic facilities (or help pay for the cost of removing "Indians" from everything in our school district if the Democrats in the state legislature get their way)

So why is this a big deal now?

Everyone knows, the way we receive our news has changed in the last 10 years. Our society doesn't have time to sit and read a newspaper unfortunately. Luckily for us, our readers still find value in what we at The Statesman do weekly (as evidenced by the non-stop ringing of the phone when the papers were a day late last week).

However, many newspapers are realizing people find their information on the internet, on their wireless phones and through email. The internet has completely changed the newspaper business. Instead of printing one or two photos in the paper, we can publish 200 online (and even that the WIAA wants to stop). Instead of pictures in the paper, we can shoot short video footage and post that online. Once all that is done, we can send you an email or text message and you get your news immediately.

Larger newspapers, like those owned by media giant Gannett, one of which is The Post-Crescent, have adapted to the times. They know you as parents want more pictures, immediate coverage and well, since it's now easy enough to do and costs almost nothing, a video so you can show grandma and grandpa in Florida.

This latest lawsuit by the WIAA this month against a fellow newspaper company and our organization of Wisconsin newspapers outrages me. Who are these people who think they own our kids? Who think they have a say in who takes their picture? Is it right the WIAA allows a company to come in, take pictures of your kids, post them online so anyone including sexual predators can view them and then buy them? (If we are asked by a parent, we would never post them against a parent's will)

Please let the WIAA know how you feel about this. Executive Director Doug Chickering can

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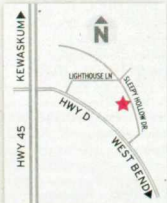


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