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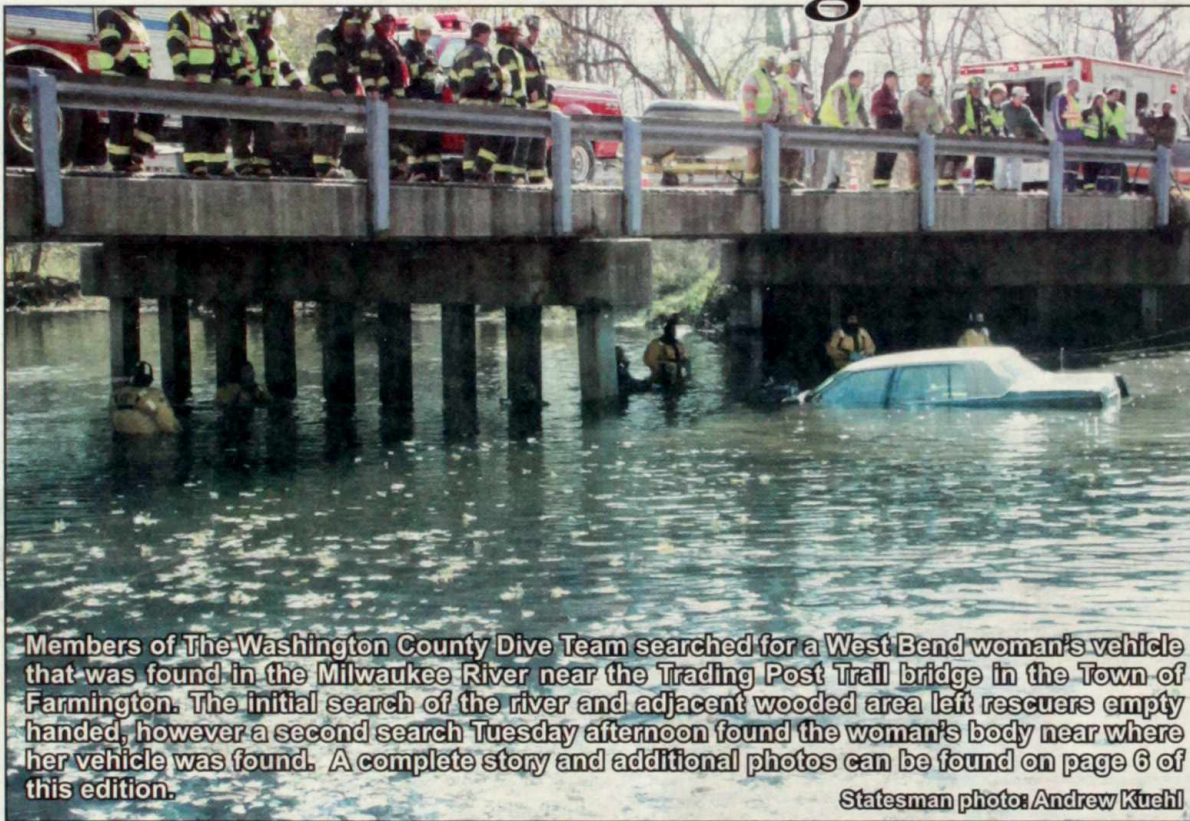
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Farmington crash victim found dead along river



Members of The Washington County Dive Team searched for a West Bend woman's vehicle that was found in the Milwaukee River near the Trading Post Trail bridge in the Town of Farmington. The initial search of the river and adjacent wooded area left rescuers empty handed, however a second search Tuesday afternoon found the woman's body near where her vehicle was found. A complete story and additional photos can be found on page 6 of this edition. Statesman photo: Andrew Kuehl

Taxpayers could see 10% increase in village

By Mitch Maersch For the Statesman

KEWASKUM- Village residents may expect to see a 10-percent tax increase this year, thanks to the surprise fire truck purchase and a fledgling tax incremental finance (TIF) district.

For homeowners, that means the \$6.62 mill rate bumps 66 cents to \$7.28 for a \$66 increase on a \$100,000 home and \$132 increase on a \$200,000 home.

The new mill rate would have the owner of a \$100,000 home would pay \$728 in taxes and a \$200,000 homeowner \$1,456.

"These numbers are way bigger than we would have liked to propose," Village Administrator Mathew Heiser told the Village Board on Monday. "The department heads did well to keep the numbers down."

The 2010 balanced budget is \$2,431,478. It's down by \$900,000 from 2009 but the \$782,622 fire truck accounts for most of that.

The tax levy is \$1,787,651. Of that, \$236,199 is from the new fire truck purchase which was not budgeted for but deemed a need by the Village Board. The department was already behind on the truck replacement schedule.

The tax increment through the TIF district is up 11 percent funding a complicated state formula. 2010's payment is \$83,227, up from \$75,084, Heiser said.

The general fund's property taxes are up from a projected \$1,328,526 to \$1,366,607.

Village departments held the line on expenses. The library budget is down by more than 5 percent, public works is down 3 percent, parks is flat and administration is up 2 percent due to health insurance.

The general fund is up nearly 3 percent mostly due to health insurance costs, Heiser said.

Any recommended changes the board will suggest at the next meeting. The public hearing and likely approval of the budget is slated for Nov. 16.

County considers robbing radio to pay fair park

By Mitch Maersch For the Statesman

WEST BEND- Testing the county's new, multi-million dollar radio communications system has been completed during fall foliage, per the county's demand, but a new issue has been put in play.

The county wants to take \$408,000 from the \$14.6 million budget for the new system to help use to buy buildings at the financially struggling Washington County Fair Park. County Administrator Doug Johnson asked the Radio Communications Committee last week if it would be willing to free up the money since the project is slated to come in well under budget and many of the unknown hurdles have been eclipsed. Not so fast, the committee said.

"We still have an ongoing project. I think there's too much unknown," said Committee Chairman John Stern.

Committee member Don Berchem agrees.

"\$20,000 I snap my finger," he said. But half a million is "a lot of dollars."

Committee member Rick Gundrum asked what would happen if the money is released and then

Possible radio project surplus eyed for fair park

needed later. Johnson said it comes in the form of a new request for money which may include borrowing or delaying another project.

Committee member and County Board Chairman Herb Tennes supported releasing the money.

"If things go wrong here and we need the money back I'm sure the county is going to get you the money for your project," he said.

Johnson said after the meeting regardless of the committee's reaction, the County Board on Oct. 27 will discuss buying the Fair Park's buildings using the funds from the radio system project.

The county would buy the Ziegler Pavilion and all the barns, presently owned and operated by the Agriculture and Industrial Society (AIS), a nonprofit organization. The county already owns the main pavilion.

Fair Park has struggled with finances for years and the County Board has recently come down hard on the former director and the AIS for poor financial management. A study group this fall presented the board with several options, including buying the facilities.

The price would be \$688,000 which would allow the AIS to pay off its debt, Johnson said. \$280,000 is coming from delaying a project that would extend Rolfs Road north to Creek and turn Schmidt Road into an access driveway for the county, bending it around to connect to Rolfs.

"This is the best way to find those funds," Johnson said of the two sources.

As far as the radio system goes, Harris Corp. of Melbourne, Fla. met its contractual requirements in voice testing with 96.5 percent coverage and with paging with 97.2 percent, said Project Manager Joe Caruso. Testing was done between Oct. 4-14, meeting the county-imposed Oct. 15 deadline.

The county wanted tests done in full fall foliage - the worst-case scenario - because the wireless system uses frequencies that can be present problems.

The new, \$14.6 million system replaces the present county system covering the sheriff's and highway

Please see County radio page 6

WEEK'S WIT

A man is seldom as smart as he thinks, or as dumb as his mother-in-law says he is.





**SCHAMPERS** -- A son, Thomas Zachary, was born to Alicia McGovney and Stephen Schampers of West Bend on September 24, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Thomas weighed six pounds, 12 ounces and was 20 inches long.

**DISTERHAFT** -- A daughter, Marin Alyssa, was born to Angeleah and Joseph Disterhaft of West Bend on September 26, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Marin weighed five pounds, 10 ounces and was 18 1/2 inches long.

**SABISH** -- A daughter, Maddyn Reese, was born to Sara and Christopher Sabish of Kewaskum on September 28, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Maddyn weighed eight pounds, four ounces and was 21 1/2 inches long. Great-grandparents are Marie Sabish, Rose Kuehl and Virgil and Gloria Weinreich. Maddyn joins a sister, Macy, at home.

**ANDERSON** -- A son, Reece Jacob, was born to Erica and Pete Anderson of West Bend on September 28, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Reece weighed seven pounds, 13 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long.

**FEHLHABER** -- A daughter, Noelle Grace, was born to Jessica and Matthew Fehlhaber of West Bend on September 30, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Noelle weighed six pounds, 14 ounces and was 20 inches long.

**ROSAS** -- A son, Raul, was born to Deidra Garibo and Leonardo Rosas of Eden on September 30, 2009 at St. Joseph's

Hospital. Raul weighed eight pounds, 12 ounces and was 21 inches long.

**PETERS** -- A son, River Wayne, was born to Heather and Rob Peters of West Bend on October 1, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital. River weighed seven pounds, four ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long.

**WEESEN** -- A son, Izik Russel, was born to Queenie and Benjamin Weesen of West Bend on October 2, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Izik weighed eight pounds, two ounces and was 21 inches long.

**KIECKHAFFER** -- A daughter, Violet Rae, was born to Lindsay and Jon Kieckhafer of Campbellsport on October 2, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Violet weighed seven pounds, eight ounces and was 20 inches long.

**STELDT** -- A daughter, Shaylynn Danielle, was born to Aimee and Thomas Steldt of Kewaskum on October 3, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Shaylynn weighed seven pounds, nine ounces and was 20 inches long.

## Municipal Meetings

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27**  
**Town of Farmington Plan Commission** - Town Hall, 7:30 p.m.

## Rescue Calls

On October 16, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched in the Village of Kewaskum for a person with flu like symptoms. A transport was made.

On October 16, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched in the Village of Kewaskum for a two car accident. No transport was made.

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Village of Kewaskum for a person with shortness of breath. A transport was made.

On October 18, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched to the Town of Auburn for a rollover accident. No transport was made.

On October 18, Kewaskum Rescue was dispatched in the Village of Kewaskum for a person that was having chest pain. A transport was made.

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Wednesday, Oct. 28 -- Chilled grape juice, garlic and herb chicken breast, seasoned stuffing with gravy, Prince Edward blend vegetables, multigrain bread, chocolate meringue pie. Alt: diet pie.

Thursday, Oct. 29 -- Pot roast, mashed potatoes with gravy, brussel sprouts, whole wheat bread, apple cobbler. Alt: applesauce.

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Wednesday, Oct. 28 -- BBQ chicken, brown rice, green beans, cauliflower salad, apple crisp.

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The winners at cards played at the Municipal Building Annex on Wed., October 14 were:

**SHEEPSHEAD:** Gert Marx, Eileen Petri, Joanne Weisling, Gladys Tackes, Athleen Butzke, Darceal Jordan, Delores Mielke.

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### TUESDAY NIGHT SHEEPSHEAD WINNERS

Five handed winners on October 13 were: Raymond Ruplinger, 79-7-72, 21-5-16; Pat Loecher, 68-9-59, 24-3-21; Jerry Wiedmeyer, 59-5-54, 17-5-12; John Thomas, 61-9-52, 19-5-14; Crickets Rohlinger, 57-7-50, 19-4-15; Ambrose Loecher, 62, 16-46, 24-9-15; John Oelhafen, 25 most losses, Jud Lickman, 3 low points.

The next 5 handed call an ace will be October 27 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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## Body recovered Tuesday from Sunday's Farmington crash

By Andrew Kuehl

andrew@kewaskumstatesman.com

**TOWN OF FARMINGTON-** Searchers located the body of a 39-year-old West Bend woman after she was missing since an accident early Sunday morning that left her car partially submerged in the Milwaukee River.

On Sunday morning, shortly after 11 a.m. the Washington County Sheriff's Department received a report of a motor vehicle accident involving a vehicle entering the north branch of the Milwaukee River south of Fillmore on Trading Post Trail, a half mile south of County Road H.

According to Captain Steven Gonwa, a 1994 Cadillac Deville was found near the bridge and is believed to have travelled southbound on Trading Post Trail when, for reasons unknown, it left the roadway and entered the southbound ditch line.

Gonwa believes the vehicle struck a retaining wall at the NW corner of a two-lane bridge over the Milwaukee River. The vehicle then en-

tered the river where it came to rest partially submerged but upright. The water was located up to the bottom of the windows.

No one was located inside the vehicle and the keys to the vehicle were missing. It is believed the driver Kathy L. Van Altena was able to exit the vehicle.

Fillmore and Newburg Fire Departments along with the First Responders and EMS arrived at the scene first and later members of the Washington County Dive Team from Kewaskum, St. Lawrence and West Bend Fire Departments, responded as did the Washington County Sheriff's Department Dive Team. Members of Boltonville Fire Department also responded and provided assistance at the scene.

An extensive search of the river was conducted by the dive teams. The shorelines and adjoining land were searched by personnel from the fire departments. The driver was not located.

Van Altena was later

found deceased on Tuesday afternoon at approximately 3:00. Members of a civilian dog search team assisted the Sheriff's Office.

Sheriff Dale Schmidt stated Tuesday evening that Van Altena's body was discovered in the area where her vehicle was found crashed and abandoned.

"The Sheriff's Office will continue to investigate the circumstances of her death. An autopsy will be conducted," Schmidt stated in a press release.

It is believed that Van Altena left the Fillmore House Tavern in Fillmore around 2:00 a.m. She is known to have attempted a mobile phone call to an acquaintance at 2:26 a.m. indicating that she had been in an accident.

**RIGHT:** Members of The Washington County Dive Team search the Milwaukee River Sunday after the crash was discovered in the Town of Farmington.

Statesman photo: Andrew Kuehl



## Flood cause in question leaves one town resident all wet

By Mitch Maersch

For the Statesman

A town of Kewaskum resident is back to the drawing board in fixing his flooding problem after the village denied being part of the cause.

Dan Zenner, who lives 3695 Badger Road, on the corner of Badger and Prospect Drive, claims sometime in the last five years the grading has somehow changed near his property.

"I get some flooding issues. You can see the water run off the road into my property," he said.

Three projects have been done in the last 18 months near his property that may or may not have triggered the issue. The Department of Transportation moved Badger Road as part of its Highway 45 project, the village added a right turn lane onto Prospect Avenue as part of its tax incremental (TIF) finance district

and developer Gary Gavin made improvements to the north side of Badger Road.

The center line of Badger Road serves as the border between the town and village.

Zenner said state statute says when an entity does a road project it must handle any drainage issues caused by the work.

Town Chairman Ellis Kahn told the Village Board on Monday he is frustrated he can't find original blueprints showing the lay of the land before the DOT did its project. He said the DOT and the county claim they don't have any document showing previous elevations.

Village President Andrew Pesch said nearby land was only part of the village since 2004 and isn't convinced the village is responsible.

Kahn said photos of the road from 2004 show the road looked different than it does now.

"The bottom line is the man has a problem," he said.

Kahn suggested a joint effort between the town, village and Zenner himself to fix the issue.

Village Administrator Mathew Heiser said the village has a history of not getting involved in stormwater issues.

Trustee Kevin Scheunemann doesn't see evidence the village helped cause the flooding.

"I don't have a problem doing something to mitigate this if the village was responsible," he said. "I see the DOT responsible for this."

But Scheunemann said from his experience the DOT won't take responsibility.

The board voted 4-1 to deny being part of a mitigation plan costing \$9,500 to fix the issue. Tom Piwoni voted against the denial. Trustees Harry Roecker and Steve Scheunemann were absent.

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## Kewaskum Kiwanis installs new leadership



The Kewaskum Kiwanis Club installed their new officers for the 2009/2010 term at a dinner on Monday, October 5. Shown above is immediate past president, Christine Plum, incoming president Clark Pearson, treasurer Kevin Bartelt, vice president Doug Christianson and secretary Larry Ammel. The Kiwanis meet Monday evenings at 6 p.m. inside Victoria's Cornerstone Inn.

Submitted photo

## Letter to the Editor

### Letter to the Editor:

In these difficult economic times, the Finance Committee of the County Board has voted, three to two, to drastically challenge one of the county's jewels, the Washington County Historical Society. They are recommending funding for the first six months of 2010 at the 2009 level.

In recent years, the county has financed about 46% of the Society's operating costs. The balance comes from members, special event profits, and public donations. Since word of the Finance Committee's action became public information, people who have bequeathed money to the Society in their will and also some who make annual contributions, have questioned their

wisdom of these activities.

I have been a member of the Society's Board of Directors since before the restoration of the Court House Museum was completed. It has been exciting to see this beautiful landmark building in the heart of West Bend's historical district come to life with more and more visitors every year.

One of my grandson's and his wife had a lovely wedding in the old Court Room.

It will be a dark day if this county jewel is allowed to fade away. Literally hundreds of citizens have donated time and wealth along with many local businesses to create this asset.

James D. Reigle



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## Life Chain event held here

The annual Life Chain was held recently in Kewaskum with from 80 to 100 people in attendance from area churches. They stood forming the shape of a cross along Fond du Lac Avenue and Highway 28.

In a silent prayer vigil, the people quietly sought God to heal our land, and took a stand for the Biblical standard of righteousness against abortion.

They held signs which read "God heals and forgives," "Abortion kills babies," "Adoption, the loving option," to name a few.

Among those in atten-

dance were Holy Trinity of Kewaskum, Kewaskum House of Prayer, St. Michaels Catholic Church and Campbellsport Baptist Church. The vigil began in a prayer led by Father Ed Kornath of Holy Trinity and ended in prayer led by Pastor Dennis Heimermann of Kewaskum House of Prayer. Representative Dan LeMahieu was also in attendance.

The purpose of the chain is to turn back the hearts and minds of the American people to God; to proclaim his standard of righteousness to the nation; to stand in the gap to plead the cause of the unborn;

to remember the voice of God spoken from II Chronicles 7:14, "If my people which are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray, then I will hear from heaven and heal their land." The ultimate goal, to end abortion.

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## Farmington rescinds contract with planning group

By Mitch Maersch  
For the Statesman

**TOWN OF FARMINGTON**  
- The Town Board will rescind its contract with the Foundation for Common Sense and decipher its 2035 comprehensive plan using other resources.

Last week, the Town Board decided to rescind the contract after heavy debate over the credibility and necessity of the nonprofit foundation's president, Jay Verhulst, who is neither a planner nor a lawyer.

Verhulst had been planning to go through the plan

with the town and essentially replace "intergovernmental cooperation" with "coordination," a legal term that gives entities a seat at the table in discussing land use rights, rather than losing the rights under the old terminology.

Invoking coordination has no legal history in Wisconsin but it has worked in other states out West, mostly on federally owned lands.

The Town Board had voted to hire the foundation, 2-1, with Supervisor Mark Foyse voting against. But at the following Plan Commission meeting the board took

it on the chin from committee members and decided to rescind the contract for \$1,500.

"We have a contract with him he is willing to rescind. Personally, I'd rather go through with it," said Trustee Art Seyfert. "I have put a lot of research into coordination. This comprehensive plan is way, way more complicated than we ever (thought)."

With cooperation, "You're not completely in control," Seyfert said.

But Seyfert said he is responding to the people.

"With the opposition we've had with the \$1,500 with this that decision is not up to me," he said.

Nearby Waldo hired the foundation and is continuing with its contract, Seyfert said. Other towns up north have used the foundation as well.

Town officials were scheduled to meet last Friday with town planner Warren Utecht, vice president of planning services at Martenson & Eisele in Menasha about the plan, and Seyfert was to meet with town attorney Phil Eckert on Monday.

Seyfert's concerns still weren't alleviated.

Joshua Glass, a planner with the Washington County

Planning and Parks Department, said he has been working with the town on the plan since 2004. He reiterated his offer for continued help.

"The problem here is we were all under the impression this was an advisory guide. It's not. When adopted, it's an ordinance," he said.

Town Chairman Gary Schreiber asked Glass for something in writing from the county that says Farmington can change its plan whenever it wants. Glass said he would look into it.

"We're being told we can do these things," Schreiber said. "But can we?"

He repeated his concern that the present town board will be blamed years down the road if there's a land use debate between the town and another entity like the county or state.

The Wisconsin Towns Association has sent out literature from its director and attorney advising against coordination.

Action on the 2035 plan was tabled until the next meeting.

In other business, the Town Board decided it does not need a speaker system for residents to better hear officials at meetings, provided some of the members speak up.

Others are apparently loud enough.

"Everyone's voice is different," Seyfert said. "Gary's I can hear real well."

While Seyfert occasionally has a soft voice, Schreiber heard that comment and responded.

"Is that a compliment?"

## Public Information meeting for CTH H in Farmington

Washington County is proposing to reconstruct County Trunk Highway H in the Town of Farmington, Washington County. The project begins at Whitewood Drive and extends east to the Milwaukee River. Additionally, this construction project will add on a previously designed CTH H project from the Milwaukee River to CTH XX.

The project consists of reconstructing the existing roadway to address the deteriorating pavement and inadequate sight distance throughout the project length. The project is currently scheduled for construction in 2011. The roadway will be closed to through traffic during construction.

All persons interested in the CTH H project are encouraged to attend a public information meeting on Wednesday, October 28, 2009. The roadway will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Farmington Town Hall, located at 9422 Highway 144. There will be a brief presentation at 7 p.m.

Representatives from the Washington County Highway Department and Gremmer & Associates, Inc, the design consultant, will be on hand to

discuss the proposed improvements. Project plans, location maps, and other exhibits will be on display to illustrate the work in detail.

They want your thoughts about the pros and cons of this project. If there are issues you would like to discuss, please attend the public information meeting. Washington County is looking for wetland restoration opportunities near the project area. If you are a landowner near the project area who may be interested in restoring wetlands on your property, please attend the public information meeting to discuss this further.

If you are not able to attend on October 28, please call the project contact listed below to share your comments.

For additional information about the CTH H project, contact Jon Edgren, Washington County Highway Commissioner at 262-335-4437 or by email at jon.edgren@co.washington.wi.us.

Otherwise you may contact Tom Lanser, project manager for Gremmer & Associates at 920-924-5720 or by email at t.lanser@gremmerassociates.com.



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Dr. Lynch received her medical degree from The Medical College of Wisconsin. She completed her residency at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN in Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation (PM&R) and is fellowship trained in sports medicine from The Medical College of Wisconsin.

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# Washington County ADRC is planning for future

By Kyle Zweig  
Statesman Correspondent

**WEST BEND-** The Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) of Washington County Board on Monday unanimously approved a new aging plan for the three-year period through 2012.

The center has witnessed surging need in recent months, owing to a historic economic recession and shifting demographics that have seen the county's aged population grow faster than expected, ADRC Director Linda Olson said during the public hearing at the Washington County Se-

nior Center, 401 E. Washington Street.

Family Care was established in the county in April 2008 and resulted in the Office on Aging being incorporated into the ADRC, which serves disabled adults age 18 and older and seniors older than 60.

The center develops a new Aging Plan every three years to allocate its funding through the federal Older Americans Act, Olson said.

The county's population of residents aged 60 or older is projected to reach 24,728 in 2010 and 29,592 by 2015, Olson told the board. The number of

information and assistance calls to the department averaged 925 a month between January and June, she said.

Among the federally mandated focus areas for the funding are emergency preparedness plans, transportation coordination, family caregiver support activities and evidence-based prevention programs and health and wellness services.

Olson said the ADRC is working with numerous organizations to continue ongoing efforts to improve in these areas. Among the highlights:

- ADRC is participating with the Emergency Govern-

ment and the Human Resources Department to establish a location for a Special Needs Shelter in the county by January 2011.

The organization is also raising awareness with community service agencies about vulnerable populations in the event of a disaster.

The ADRC has a continued membership with the Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster for Washington County and will participate in monthly meetings over the next three years.

- In 2009, the ADRC began working with the county's Transportation Coordinating Committee to address increased need for elderly and disabled residents. A comprehensive resource directory on transportation services will be distributed in June 2010 and information will be included in the quarterly ADRC and monthly Senior Center newsletters.

The organization is also working with Shared-Ride Taxi providers and the Threshold Inc. to develop a standardized fare structure between Ozaukee and Washington counties for medical, work and recreational trips by December 2011.

- A monthly Caregiver Newsletter will be sent monthly to about 250 caregivers and agencies that assist in family care giving. Educational workshops will be held annually at various public events between

2010 and 2012.

ADRC is also coordinating with about 50 agencies in the Washington County Aging Concerns Network on caregiver issues. A Caregivers Coalition will be developed between now and December 2011, Olson said.

- The ADRC staff will become a trained leader in the Stanford University Diabetes Self Management Program by December 2011 and host a class in the county by December 2012.

A partnership with Cedar Community will be established to expand the Sure Step program to low-income older adults by December 31, 2012. Other health and wellness seminars or workshops will be held at various sites each year.

Olson said part of the need for new transportation programs is because of a spate of new assisted living facilities that have opened around the county, citing new ones in Germantown and Hartford. The ADRC also coordinates a Home Delivered Meals program.

The ADRC coordinates the Aging Unit and serves as a liaison committee to the Washington County Board.

"Part of approving this plan (ADRC chairperson) Charlene (Brady) and (County Board Chairman) Herb (Tennies) have to sign, there are certain assurances we have to make as a county to get these federal dollars," Olson said.

## Health Department to start distribution of H1N1 vaccine

The Washington County Health Department has started distribution of the H1N1 flu vaccine, according to Linda Walter, Director of the Washington County Health Department. The Department has been in frequent communication with local health care providers, clinics, hospitals and Washington County school districts, she said.

According to Walter, the CDC has identified target groups to receive the H1N1 vaccine first:

- all pregnant women
- individuals between six months and 24 years of age
- caretakers and household contacts of children under six months of age
- healthcare and emergency medical services employees
- people with underlying medical conditions (such as asthma or diabetes) that put them at high risk for flu-related complications.

A clinic has been scheduled on October 21, 2009 at the Fair Park Pavilion from noon to 7 p.m. for individuals in those targeted groups. Vaccine shipments are starting to arrive at local public health departments and private providers. Federal and state public health authorities expect increasing supplies in the coming weeks. Allocation estimates for health departments for the next three weeks were received from the state Division of Public Health. Walter continued to say there should eventually be enough vaccine to accommodate anyone who wants it, including healthy adults and seniors who are not in the target groups. More clinic dates will be announced once the target population demand for vaccine has been met.

According to Walter, the Health Department plans to provide vaccine at the county's seven high schools, six middle schools and two colleges before the end of November. Younger children with accompanying

parents will be able to receive the vaccine at clinics planned for Saturday, November 7 and Sunday, November 15, at Fair Park Pavilion from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Clinics planned at the Health Department in December will provide opportunities for children less than 10 years of age who need two doses and other individuals. Walter again clarified; all clinic schedules are based on availability of the vaccine, participation is voluntary and that cancellations may be made on short notice.

The Health Department suggests that residents access

reliable information and check for updates frequently. The website, [www.co.washington.wi.us/chn](http://www.co.washington.wi.us/chn), will be updated regularly with local clinic schedules and vaccine availability. General information on H1N1 is available by calling 211 or the alternate tollfree number, 1-866-211-3380. The Health Department will continue to provide updated information to Washington County residents through the media.

Walter encourages everyone's cooperation and patience as the distribution of the vaccine begins.

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## County Radio

departments, which is past its lifespan and is having operational issues, including breakdowns, said Sheriff Dale Schmidt. It will cover the same two departments and municipalities in the county, replacing their individual systems as well. The county is footing the entire bill.

Of 114 buildings tested - the list was pared down from 145 due to repeats - 81 passed and 33 failed. The committee was concerned, but Caruso said evaluating and fixing those buildings can be done without full foilage.

"The criticality of having the indoor and outdoor testing has been completed. We already have a baseline," he said.

Dominick Arcuri of RCC Consultants, serving as the middleman between the county and Harris Corp., agrees that changes can be made to buildings without foilage.

"It's very common projects proceed this way," he said.

Designing and installing

equipment in the 33 buildings could take up to a year and a half, Caruso said.

Who pays for it - Harris or the county - seemed to be in question. County Attorney Kim Nass said it's her position that Harris pays. Caruso said to first review the project proposal before making a public comment.

Regardless, Harris is now completing the public safety equipment upgrades to the police dispatch centers in West Bend, Hartford and Germantown, in addition to evaluating the 33 buildings. The company will also grid each floor of St. Joseph's Hospital, which wasn't part of the original buildings test. Caruso said a lot of work is ahead but the county is at the "best place possible compared to other parts in the country.

"You guys are the tip of the sword right now. You're in a very good position."

The cut over plan for the entire system is still March 3.

"We will still meet that date," Caruso said.

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## 50th Anniversary



Ray and JoAnne (Batzler) Sippel of Waucousta celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on October 4, 2009.

The couple was married on October 3, 1959 at St. Killian Catholic Church, St. Killian.

They are the parents of six children, Jane (Paul) Simon of Campbellsport, Sandy (Russ) Birschbach of Fond du Lac, Ann (Lee) Smith of Plymouth, Robert (Heidi) Sippel of Eden, Steve (Emmy) Sippel of Campbellsport, and Michael (Erin) Sippel of Waucousta. They have 15 grandchildren, Kelly and Matt Simon, Dustin and Jamie Birschbach, Josh, Mandy and Dawson Smith, Kyle, Kameron and Kollin Sippel, Molly, McKenna and Ellie Sippel, and Brady and Natalie Sippel.

They are both retired.



## 50th Anniversary



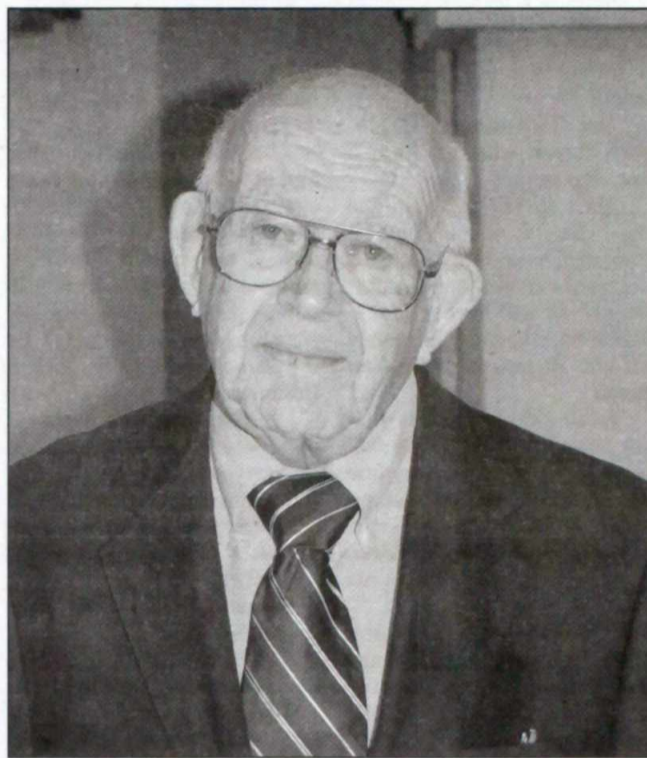
Norm and Mary Kufahl of Kewaskum recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Norm and the former Mary Hawig were married on October 17, 1959 at Holy Trinity Church in Newburg.

Norm is retired from the Washington County Highway Department and Mary from The Threshold.

They are the proud parents of three children, Dan (Sue) of Cedarburg, Beth (Randy) Stark of Oshkosh, and Mike (Jill) of Jackson. They have seven grandchildren, Robert, Joe, David and Katie Kufahl, Sarah Stark and Isabella and Liliana Kufahl. They also have one great-granddaughter, Octavia Kufahl.

## Rev. Seater to be named Pastor Emeritus



New Horizon United Church of Christ will honor the Rev. Robert Seater, by naming him Pastor Emeritus, with a celebration and dinner on Sunday, October 25 at 3:00 p.m. at the Church which is located one and a half miles north of Boltonville on Highway 144 North.

Rev. Seater was pastor of New Horizon from 2002 to 2008, a period when the three churches of the Tri-Parish located at Beechwood, Boltonville and Silver Creek merged to form New Horizon United Church of Christ. After a tragic fire destroyed the structure of St. Paul's United Church of Christ at Silver Creek, the congregation purchased a former small toy factory and remodeled it into their beautiful new

church home.

Rev. Seater a native of South Dakota served Plymouth Congregational Church, Clark, South Dakota from 1955 to 1967. In that year he became Director of Broadcasting for the Wisconsin Council of Churches and the Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee. He served in that capacity for over thirty years. Upon retirement he served as Community Relations Director for the Oddsey Cable Network and the Hallmark Channel. Upon retirement he served as Interim Pastor at Mt. Tabor UCC in Milwaukee and then New Horizon UCC and retired when the Rev. David Schlieter became the Pastor in 2008.

**Happy Birthday!**

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## Campbellsport Caper Oct. 29

The annual Halloween Caper hosted by the Campbellsport Chamber of Commerce (CACC) is just around the corner. It will be held on Thursday, Oct. 29, at Campbellsport Elementary School.

The 16th annual Halloween Caper, will run from 5 p.m. - 9 p.m.

The Caper is such a unique event that no matter the age, from toddlers and kids to tweens and teens to parents and grandparents, all will have a spook-tacular time. Events vary widely but will all have a Halloween theme.

Joining the event this year will be Jeff McMullen. He will be performing two shows, one at 5:45 p.m. and one at 7:15 p.m. McMullen does comedy magic, sings and is clownish. Children of all ages should enjoy his show.

The traditional hay rides, courtesy of the Campbellsport FFA alumni, will run from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. The hay wagons will stop at the Haunted Maze at St. Matthew's school and the haunted hallway at the high school.

One additional stop this year will be at the Campbellsport cemetery. The chamber couldn't resist the urge to go through the cemetery at Halloween time. This will be an educational stop. Everyone on the wagon will learn about a Campbellsport resident who was instrumental in the history of the village. The hayride will stop near his grave.

Of course, one of the stops is at one of the area's best haunted hallways, which will be open for this one night only. Many hours of labor from Campbellsport FFA members go into this great haunted thriller. Don't miss the chance for a good scare this

Halloween season.

The haunted maze at St. Matthew's School is always fun and scary. The students come up with some great displays for this scary scene. The haunted maze is open two days - Thursday and Friday.

Ben Franklin/Tru-Value will be the Campbellsport 4-H are again sponsoring a craft booth, where children can make Halloween decorations. The craft tables will be open from 5:30 p.m.-8 p.m. Face painting, always popular, is sponsored by the Campbellsport Chamber of Commerce.

A tasty menu of seasonal good eats will again be available for everyone starting at 5 p.m.

Armstrong Apples will be at the event to sell caramel apples. This is a perfect treat for this time of the year and will be a delicious way to end the night or your meal.

For those who love to play games, National Exchange Bank will be having oodles of games for all ages from 5:30 p.m.-8 p.m.

This year, a new tournament is being added to the festivities. Some of the older children at the event can register to participate in a Wii games tournament. You can play all your favorite games to see who is the best. This will be sponsored by the Chamber, Campbellsport Elementary School and Fire Bug Car Wash.

Costumes are encouraged for children and adults to add to the Halloween spirit. A children's costume parade and costume contest will be held at approximately 6:30 p.m. or right after the first show by Jeff McMullen.

Mood music will be provided by DJ "RPM" of Campbellsport. The music will

run from 5 p.m.-8 p.m.

Two Halloween movies will be shown during the event. The first will be a movie for children, which starts at 6:45 p.m. Another movie, which will be a little scarier and meant for teens and adults, will be at 8 p.m. The movies are sponsored by National Exchange Bank.

Another new event this year will be finger printing for kids. You can have your children's fingerprints taken and put on a card that you keep in case of an emergency. This will be sponsored by Met Life and the Campbellsport Police Department. Peanuts character Snoopy will make an appearance at the finger printing booth.

You will also be able to capture this fun event on film. The setting of Commerce is setting up a pretty fall scene where a chamber member will take pictures of your children and/or family. You will then be able to go to the chamber website to download these photos. If you have your own photo, you can take your own photo.

The fee to get in is \$5 per person, children under three will be free. For complete event listings and more information, please visit [www.campbellsportchamber.org](http://www.campbellsportchamber.org).

This is a great family event filled with all kinds of Halloween fun. You will have so much to do, you won't know where to go first!

If you have never attended this fun-filled event, you have to get to the Halloween Caper. It is a great time for the whole family!

If you have been to the Caper before, don't forget to mark your calendar for October 29th. You don't want to miss all the fun!

## Community Events For Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

**Oct. 23 & 30** - Washington County Separated, Divorced, and Widowed Men and Women. Meeting at Holy Angels School in West Bend, 230 N. 8th Ave., West Bend. Please use the North entrance on Cedar Street. Meeting every Friday from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. **Oct. 23:** Pot Luck at 6:30 (bring a dish to pass) followed by Social/Fun Night: Bring cards, board games, snacks: ex-members welcome. **Oct. 30:** Open meeting: discussion on any subject of interest.

**Oct. 24** - FALL FAIR TO REMEMBER, 9 am to 4 p.m. Washington County Fair Park, 3000 Hwy PV, West Bend. Over 150 Artists and Crafters, free admission \$2.00. Door prizes, free children's activities, 4-H concession, free chair massage and Jer Bear the Clown.

**Oct. 23-24** - NORTHERN ILLINOIS ALPACA EXTRAVAGANZA. Lake County IL Fairgrounds, 1060 Peterson Road, Libertyville, IL. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday. More info call 847-279-8850.

**Oct. 25** - ANNUAL CHILI DINNER, 11 am to 2 p.m. Salem United Church of Christ, Hwy H & W in the Town of Wayne.

**Oct. 25** - PANCAKE BREAKFAST, at the American Legion Hall, Robert G. Romaine Post 384, 1538 Fond du Lac Ave., Kewaskum, WI. Serving - 7:00 AM thru 12:30 PM. Pancakes-Eggs-Ham-Applesauce-Coffee-Milk-Juice. Proceeds go to the High School Scholarship. Tickets \$6.00 each.

**Oct. 25** - Shepherd of the Hill Parish COUNTRY STYLE CHICKEN DINNER, dinner served 11 am to 2 p.m. Adults \$8.50, children 5-12 \$4.00, under 4 free. Dinner includes beverage and dessert. Carryouts available. Country Store • Bingo. Mass at 10:30 a.m., Father Joe Jukialis, pastor. W1562 County Road B, Eden, 6 miles east of Eden on County Road B.

**Oct. 28** - SPORTS LECTURE - Mental Skills to Improve Your Sport Dr. Celine McNelisKline, UW-Marathon County, Psychology Dept., will discuss how winning attitudes and mental training can improve your sport and life. 7:00 p.m. Third lecture in the series. Free admission. No reservation required. Presented in Room 228. For more information, contact the UW-WC Department of University Relations at (262) 335-5233 or [sue.bausch@uwc.edu](mailto:sue.bausch@uwc.edu)

**Oct. 29** - CAMPBELLSPORT'S 16TH ANNUAL CAPER, The area's best Halloween family adventure. 5-9 pm at the Campbellsport Elementary School. Tickets only \$5 per person, under 3 are free. Food, Fun, Games Galore. Costumes highly encouraged for youth and adults. Brought to you by Campbellsport Area Chamber of Commerce.

**SENIOR NEWS: Oct. 24** - FAMILY WESTERN MUSIC by "Dry Gulch" Park, 11 am - 4 p.m. Activities for all ages. Music by "Dry Gulch" Line Dancing, games and coloring contest for children. Raffle and best western dressed contest for adults. Chuck wagon food for sale.

**Oct. 30** - HALLOWEEN PARTY. Nov. 21 - Senior Citizens Activities, 401 E. Washington Street, West Bend, WI is looking for donations of craft and silent auction items for our Fund Raiser "HOLIDAY FAIR AND COOKY WALK", 9:00am - 3:00pm. Donations can be dropped off at the Senior Center.

**Farmers' Market Kewaskum**, Thursdays from 8:00 AM through 12:00 noon at the Kewaskum American Legion, Robert G. Romaine Post 384, 1538 Fond du Lac Ave. parking lot. Fresh fruits and vegetables and home made products.

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](mailto:ckuehl@kewaskumstatesman.com) or on the web [www.kewaskumstatesman.com](http://www.kewaskumstatesman.com), PLEASE NOTE, businesses offering specials or events for profit are not accepted. Events are listed at the Editor's discretion.

## Ghosts of Washington County

Space is still available to tour the Old Sheriff's Residence, learn some unusual history, and get a good scare at the Washington County Historical Society's Ghosts of Washington County. This year's fundraiser takes place Friday, October 23 and Saturday October 24 at the Old Courthouse Museum complex located at 320 S. 5th Avenue West Bend.

Friday October 23 features haunted jail tours from 4:00p.m. to 10:00p.m. This year's tour is brand new, and it is recommended to call for a reservation. Saturday, October 24 includes jail tours for the little ghosts and goblins from noon until 4:00p.m. These tours are geared for children under 10 and include a treat bag.

Haunted jail tours continue Saturday evening along with a special Edgar Allan Poe presentation, "The Cask Of Amantillado." This year also features spine tingling stories written by local author David J. Rank. Mr. Rank is a published author of short stories and has gener-

ously agreed to have some of his stories read as part of this special fundraising event.

All proceeds from "Ghosts of Washington County" benefit the educational programs,

events, and activities offered to the community by the Washington County Historical Society. For reservations and information, please call the Society at 262-335-4678.

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## Keith Butschlick benefit Saturday in Boltonville



Keith Butschlick is shown with his new power wheelchair and members of his family. A benefit for Butschlick is being held Saturday from 3 p.m. until 1 a.m. at the Boltonville Fire Station. The event will feature two bands, Check Point and Tobacco Road. Some of the items in the raffles include an autographed shirt by Aaron Rogers, autographed photo of Steve Young, Bucks tickets, Timmer Rattlers items, Harley Davidson items, guns, fishing, the Packers equipment and 100's of other items. Don't forget the best prize, tickets for the Packers versus Viking game on November 1st. An autographed Packer lawn tractor, cash and jerseys will be drawn at 10:00 p.m. Tickets are still available for \$20 which includes your food and drink by calling Dennis at 262-707-5718.

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## 70 voice German choir at UW-WC

**WEST BEND** - Thanks to a recent trip to Europe, a 70-voice choir from Germany will be performing in West Bend soon. The Berliner Cappella choir will perform at UW-WC on Friday, October 30 at 7:30pm in the campus theatre.

The arrangement came about when Dr. Peter Gibeau, Professor Music at UW-Washington County, was on sabbatical in Germany two years ago. While Dr. Gibeau was keeping busy translating old music from German into English, his wife Deanna (also very musically talented) became involved with the Berliner Cappella choir. Deanna was excited to sing with the choir.

The Berliner Cappella is a mixed adult choir under the direction of Kerstin Behnke. In existence over 40 years, the choir is well established in the Berlin music scene and performs regularly in Germany's large churches and concert halls. They take pride in performing new and unknown compositions and establish them in the concert life.

To keep travel costs down, choir members are staying with families in the area.

Tickets for this concert are

\$12 for adults, and \$9 for seniors (over 62) or youth (under 18). Group discounts are available (phone for details). Free parking is available in the student lot. To reserve or purchase tickets, phone UW-WC at (262) 335-5208 during normal business hours (Monday through Friday from 8am to 4:30pm) or purchase at the door (while supplies last). The University is located at 400 University Drive (off Hwy. 33 West) in West Bend.

**Fillmore TRICK or TREAT**  
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Mood Music - 5-8 pm

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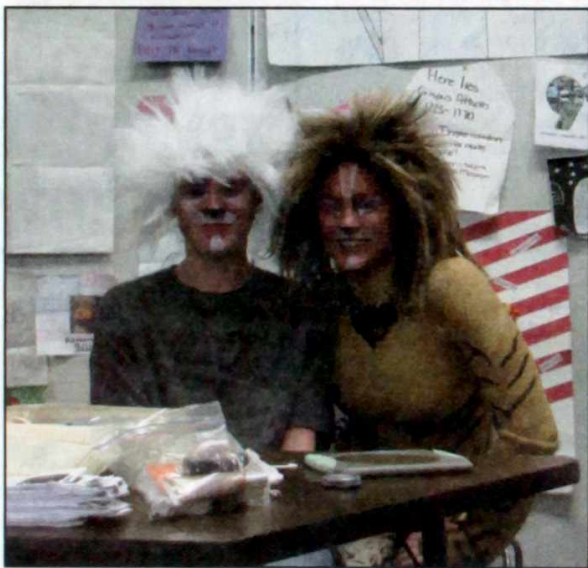
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## KMS students 'purr-fectly' happy to learn about poetry



TOP LEFT: Nick Brettingen's KMS 8th grade language arts class was feline good and realized that learning poetry is not a CAT-astrophe. ABOVE: KMS 8th grade student Tyler Smith learns first-hand from Spotlight Productions director Jackie Maynard and Tantomile the cat how to have stage make-up applied to look like a cat.



Tyler Smith transforms into Tappy the cat and poses with Tantomile.

By Amber Donath  
Statesman Correspondent

For more than three weeks, Kewaskum Middle School (KMS) teacher Nick Brettingen has been sharing both his love of poetry and theatre with students in his 8th grade language arts classes. Many of the poems he has been sharing are from T.S. Eliot's *Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats*. This happens to be the book on which the musical *CATS* composed by Andrew Lloyd Webber is based, and it just so happens that Mr. Brettingen is playing the role of Macavity in the Spotlight Production of *CATS*.

Brettingen felt it was the purr-fect opportunity to have fun learning poetry and relating it to life and the arts. After discovering how poetry can reflect each individual's personality, the students created their own cat name and persona. They then began writing creative poems and illustrations... all while listening to the *CATS* soundtrack for inspiration. For the final unit project, each student is submitting a poem to a poetry contest about a cat they have created based on their own personality.

As a special inspirational treat, Brettingen invited his director, Jackie Maynard, and a fellow cast mate, Jamie Maynard, to discuss how the T. S. Eliot

poetry was adapted to stage as well as how to apply stage make-up, dress in full costume and become each individual cat personality on stage.

KMS 8th grade student Tori Tesch, also known as CuriousNicolia the cat, said, "It was fun to learn about the different ways that his [T.S. Eliot] poetry was turned into a musical. Meow."

Another student, Steve Bohn, aka FootBohn the cat, added, "It was cat-tastic! I liked learning about poetry with music."

Interested in seeing the production yourself? Spotlight Productions presents the musical *CATS* October 23, 24, 25, 30, 31 and November 1, 2009 at Cedar Theatre Hwy. Z, West Bend. Friday and Saturday shows are at 8pm and Sunday shows are at 2pm. Tickets are \$12 in advance and \$14 at the door. Tickets are available at the West Bend Park & Recreation Department, Westbury Bank Main Office or by calling the reservation hotline at 262-306-9338.

Spotlight Productions is fortunate to be one of the few community theatres in Wisconsin given the royalty rights to present one of the longest running shows in Broadway's history, and winner of seven Tony Awards including Best Musical.



### Indian Ink

By Katie Oscar

Statesman School Correspondent

This week KHS celebrated Homecoming. The senior class worked very hard on planning events. Everyday had a dress-up theme: hippie day, crazy hair, blaze orange, neon, and spirit day.

On Monday night, the girls played a Powderpuff football game. The senior and freshmen team won. Tuesday was Hippie day. In honor of the 40th anniversary of Woodstock, everyone dressed up in tie-dye, peace signs, and beads. Wednesday was blaze orange and camouflage day. Homecoming shirts were sold, the shirts were green, featuring a KHS football player stepping on a panther. On Thursday each grade was asked to wear a different costume. Freshmen dressed as

twins, sophomores wore plaid, juniors wore neon, and seniors wore jerseys. That evening, the bonfire tradition was revived. The party included a DJ, snacks, a spirit competition, winners of the bachelor and bachelorette raffle were announced. (Senior bachelors and bachelorettes could participate in a raffle where students can buy tickets for a dance and the money raised goes to a charity.) Finally on Friday, everyone went to the football game to cheer on our team against Plymouth High School. During the day, everyone wore Kewaskum apparel, green and white, and crazy costumes to show their spirit. At the end of the school day, students went to a pep rally in the gym. At the pep rally, the cheerlead-

ers did a routine and led everyone in a cheer. The seniors won the competition for who could cheer the loudest. On Saturday, KHS held its annual Homecoming Dance. Everyone had fun! Lucky winners of the bachelor and bachelorette raffle enjoyed their dance, and the Homecoming court was presented.

The last event for Homecoming week was the annual KEYS run. Community members ran or walked a three mile course through Kewaskum. All money raised through pledges goes to KEYS scholarships. These scholarships are given to graduating seniors each year.

Other happenings this last week saw H.O.P.E. Club and FFA in a highway clean up project on Thursday. H.O.P.E. stands for 'Help Our Planet Earth' and is KHS's environmental club. FFA is, of course, the Future Farmers of America. German Club held its first meeting of the year, also on Thursday. Club members met to discuss the trip to the Christmas Market in Chicago, the candy bar fundraiser, and other trips. German club

would like the community to know that the exchange trip to Germany will continue as long as people are interested in going and hosting students. The next German club meeting will be on Thursday, October 15.

#### October 19

This week I would like to tell you about the new school newspaper: KHS Insight. The high school has had a student newspaper for many years. This year, the newspaper has a new advisor and is getting a new lease on life. Mrs. Amber Donath is the new advisor. She has big plans for the Insight, and has already been gathering talented students to make up the newspaper staff. The goal is to have the KHS Insight be 'about students, by students, and for students.' The paper will focus on all student related events at the high school. Any student is welcome to submit written work or photographs, which will be published upon approval. Students and Insight staff are encouraged to submit via email.

The Insight staff is still in the process of establishing for-

mal meeting times. Regardless, Mrs. Donath would like to see the first edition of Insight published by the end of this month so that students and the community can get excited about all the newspaper has to offer. The KHS Insight will be published in color, so photos will be a large part of the layout. The new look features a masthead designed by KHS senior Lisa Schulz.

In keeping with the idea of 'about students, by students, and for students,' the task of publishing more issues and gathering information will be up to the Insight staff. Mrs. Donath wants to help the staff learn how to write, edit, layout, and publish their own paper; stressing that she wants to see the students create a successful paper and that she will be happy to assist in any way.

Look for the new Kewaskum High School newspaper, the KHS Insight later this month. Enjoy our new paper that is truly "about students, by students, and for students."



**Week of October 26**

**Kewaskum School District**

**Monday** - Turkey & gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, cranberry sauce, bread, chocolate pudding. \*Canadian bacon, egg & cheese bagel. (E) Corn puppies.

**Tuesday** - Chicken quesadilla, pears, salad w/ asst. dressings, bread. \*Burger bar. (E) Corn puppies.

**Wednesday** - Fried grubs & blood clot sauce, pumpkin taters, witch's eyeballs, ghost napkins, greasy clumps & bloody mush. \*Monster

barf on a shingle. (E) Frankenstein's fingers.

**Thursday** - NO SCHOOL - Teacher's Convention.

**Friday** - NO SCHOOL - Teacher's Convention.

**Holy Trinity School**

**Monday** - Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, buttered wheat bread, green beans, assorted fruit, oatmeal cookie.

**Tuesday** - Cheese omelet, French toast sticks, hashbrown sticks, buttered wheat bread, hot apple slices, chocolate chip cookie.

**Wednesday** - Dog in a coffin, tater coins, baked beans, assorted fruit, ghostly cookie.

**Thursday** - No School.

**Friday** - No School.

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**St. Lucas School**

**Monday** - Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, mixed fruit, brownie.

**Tuesday** - Hard or soft shell taco, rice, peas, peaches, cookie.

**Wednesday** - Corn puppies, curly fries, carrots, applesauce, stripe-it-rich cake.

**Thursday** - No School.

**Friday** - No School.

**Campbellsport School District**

**Monday** - Chicken fajita with vegetables or sandwich, seasoned rice, pineapple tidbits, bread (HS). A - Corn dog or cheeseburger.

**Tuesday** - Spaghetti with meat-sauce, creamy coleslaw, fresh fruit, raw veggies & dip, French bread.

Rice Krispie bar. A - Pasta bar.

**Wednesday** - Grilled cheese sandwich, tri-tater, steamed broccoli, Mandarin oranges, lime jello, milk. A - egg rolls or meatball sub.

**Thursday** - No School.

**Friday** - No School.

**St. Matthew School**

**Monday** - Chicken nuggets, buttered noodles, corn, oranges or grapes, rolls, milk.

**Tuesday** - Ground beef & gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, cranberries, peaches, iced French bread.

**Wednesday** - Pancakes & sausage, tri-taters, cheese, strawberries, banana cream pie.

**Thursday** - No School.

**Friday** - No School.

**St. Mary's School**

**Monday** - Chicken nuggets, French fries, pineapple, homestyle bread.

**Tuesday** - Hamburger/gravy over rice, corn, peaches, whole wheat bread.

**Wednesday** - Roast turkey, mashed potatoes, peas, dinner rolls, cookies.

**Thursday** - No School.

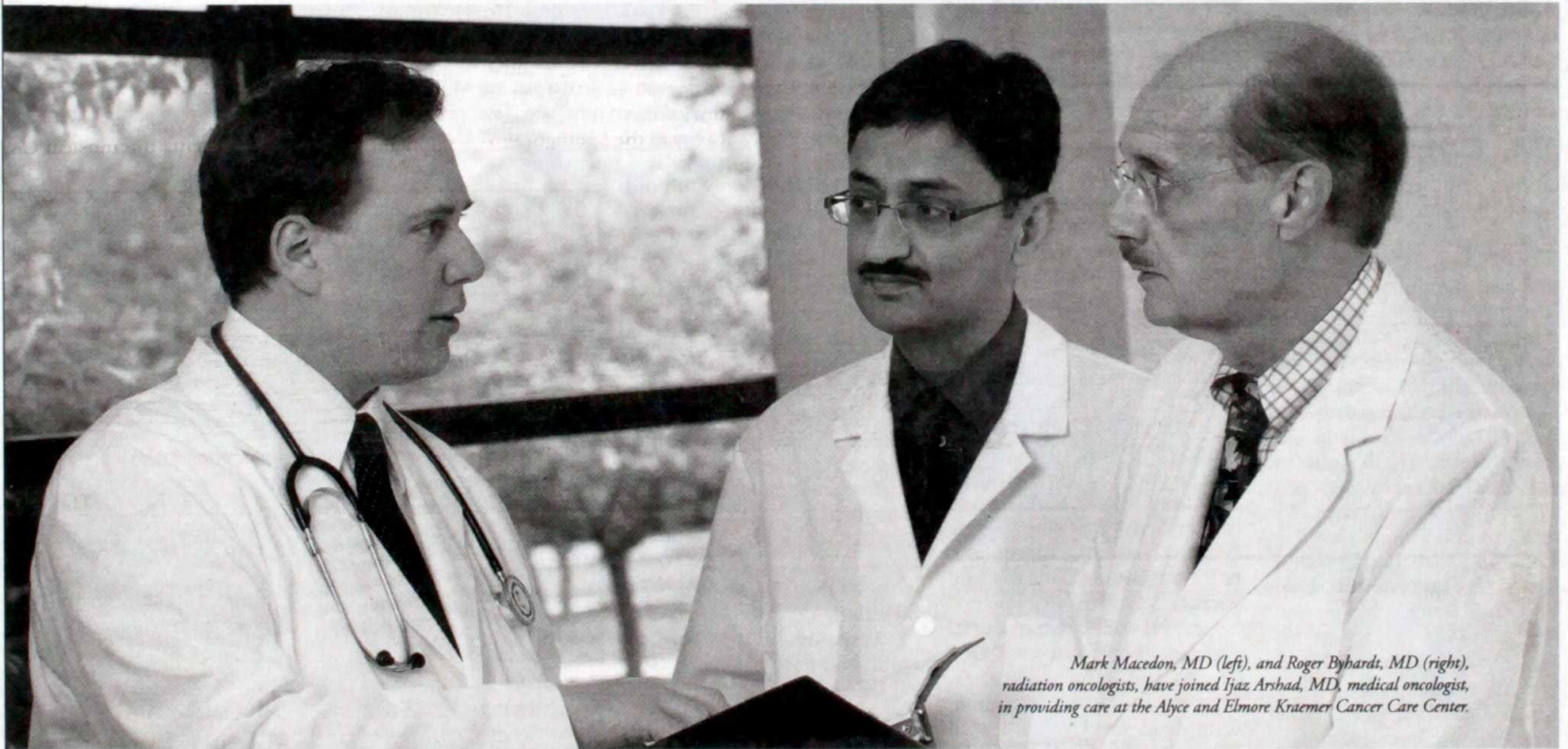
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Mark Macedon, MD (left), and Roger Byhardt, MD (right), radiation oncologists, have joined Ijaz Arshad, MD, medical oncologist, in providing care at the Alyce and Elmore Kraemer Cancer Care Center.

St. Joseph's Hospital is pleased to announce the addition of two Medical College of Wisconsin physicians to the staff of the Alyce and Elmore Kraemer Cancer Care Center in West Bend. The physicians, Roger Byhardt, MD, and Mark Macedon, MD, are specialists in radiation oncology. With on-site radiation and medical oncology services and a dedicated cancer team, the Cancer Care Center is focused on providing the most optimal care possible - with minimum disruption of your everyday life.

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**AGNES WONDRA ZIMMER**

Agnes Wondra Zimmer, 84, of Campbellsport passed away Monday, Oct. 19, 2009 at her home.

She was born on Nov. 6, 1924 in Plover, the daughter of the late Michael and Victoria Widomski Worzalla.

On May 19, 1944 she married Norbert "Cheesy" Wondra at Gesu Catholic Church in Milwaukee. He preceded her in death on Sept. 24, 1976.

On April 16, 1983 she married Gerald Zimmer at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Campbellsport. He preceded her in death on Dec. 8, 1993.

Agnes worked at the West Bend Company for 32 years until retiring. She was a member of St. Matthew's Catholic Church, the Mission Sewing Circle and the Lomira and Campbellsport Senior Citizens where she served as treasurer.

Agnes also was a former Fond du Lac County Volunteer, belonged to a number of card clubs and enjoyed doing jig saw puzzles with her neighbors.

Survivors include her daughter, Jayne (Mike) Brath of Campbellsport; her grandchildren, Donna (Jeff) Koenigs, Jim (Ginger) Brath, Vicki (Matt) Christian and Kristy (Tim) Folz; her great-grandchildren, Kayla (Tim), Craig (Alicia), Alex, Mitchell, Kailin, Amber, Ryan and Katie; her great-great-grandson, Nolan; her step-children, Ray (Bonnie) Zimmer, Geraldine "Toots" (Dennis) Bartoli, Tom (Sue) Zimmer, Helen (Dan) Lauters and Irene (Dale) Brennan; 15 step-grandchildren; 20 step-great-grandchildren; her sisters and brothers, Helen Trombetta, Marian Lardie, Ed Worzalla, John Worzalla and Ann (Maurice) Eickendorf; her good friend, Roger Mathieu; nieces, nephews; other relatives and friends.

Along with her husband, Agnes was preceded in death by a son, Dennis; a step-son, Carl Zimmer; a step-grandson, Mike Bartoli; five brothers and two sisters.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Wednesday Oct. 21 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Matthew's Catholic Church. Rev. Neil Zinthefer officiated and interment will be in St. Matthew's Cemetery at a later date.

Visitation was Wednesday, Oct. 21st from 2:00 p.m. until time of mass at the church.

**JOHNS MILTON BURNS**

John M. Burns, 84, of rural Campbellsport died Thursday, Oct. 15, 2009 at St. Agnes Hospital.

John was born on April 18, 1925 in Armstrong, the son of George and Clara Schwind Burns.

He attended grade school in Armstrong and graduated from St. Mary Springs High School in 1943. John farmed with his brother Francis on the home farm until 1973.

On Nov. 3, 1973 he mar-

ried Agnes Thelen Weiland at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Campbellsport.

For thirteen years he worked for AMPI Milk Co-op as a Quality Control field man, retiring in 1986. After retiring, John and Agnes traveled extensively in the United States and Europe. He also enjoyed helping on the farm when needed.

John enjoyed playing cards and spending time in his workshop in the basement, making toys and refinishing furniture.

For many years he volunteered in Fond du Lac, tutoring adult reading.

Being the oldest member of the Burns family he considered himself the family historian. In 1999 he published a booklet *Sin Fein (Ourselves)* on the Burns Family history from 1818 in Ireland until the present. He was also a member of the Moose Lodge #1398 at West Bend for over 30 years.

John spent over four years as the primary care giver for his wife until her death on Oct. 17, 2003; he was also preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Francis; his sister-in-law, Mary Ann; his nephews, Dennis and David and his niece, Barbara Burns.

He is survived by his step-children, David (Sandi) Weiland of Folsom, CA and Mildred Watts (Stanley) Brath of Ashford; nine step-grandchildren, Heather Pino of Folsom, CA, Jamison Weiland of Toronto, CA, Michelle (Matt) Schneider and their children Miranda and Mason of Newton, Julie (Dave) Jewson and their daughter Georgianna of Fond du Lac, Eric (J'shon) Brath and their children Bo and Chas of Ashford, Ed Brath of Ashford, Stephen (Mindy) Brath of Byron, Sara (Dan) Eckert and their children Courtney, Alex and Joshua of Fond du Lac and Jolene Brath of Ashford; nieces and nephews; other relatives and friends.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Saturday, Oct. 17, 2009 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Matthew's Catholic Church, Campbellsport. Rev. Neil Zinthefer officiated and burial followed in the parish cemetery.

Visitation was from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 16th at the Twohig Funeral Home, Campbellsport and on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until time of mass at the church.

**ALICE MARY GILL**

Alice Mary Gill, 52, of West Bend was taken away from her family suddenly on Thursday, Oct. 15, 2009.

She was born on Aug. 23, 1957, in West Allis to Roger H. and Dorothy H. (nee Schlegel) Schroeder.

Alice lived much of her life in Newburg raised by her foster parents, Lester and Martha Koch. She graduated from West Bend West High School in 1975 and then attended Moraine Park Technical College, where she received her registered nursing degree. After her schooling, she worked for Samaritan Health Care Center for 20 years, where she was a very devoted and dedicated employee.

Alice resided in West Bend and in her spare time enjoyed sewing, gardening and camping. She also loved to spend time with her friends and family socializing, shopping and especially venturing out to various restaurants. The light of her life was her granddaughter, Isabelle, and she spent every moment that she could with her.

Alice is survived by her loving daughter and son, Lori (John) Ewing of West Bend and Steve (friend Tanya Tackes) Verbanac Jr. of West Bend; her adoring granddaughter, Isabelle Ewing; dear sisters, Bonnie (Barry) Clark of Kewaskum and Karen (Jeff) Larson of Tomahawk; her brother, Greg (Wanda) Disterhaft of Ripon; foster sister, Patricia (Steven) Eutsler of Newburg; nieces and nephews, Jody (Ted) Aydt, Jeff Larson, Matthew (Dee Anna) Clark, Jeremiah (friend Lisa Lefeber), Justin Larson; and other nieces, nephews relatives and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents and foster parents.

Funeral services for Alice were held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 20, at the Phillip Funeral Home Chapel in West Bend with the Rev. Cheryl Matusiak officiating.

Visitation was at the funeral home on Tuesday, Oct. 20, from 4 p.m. until time of service at 7 p.m. Interment at Washington County Memorial Park Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to her granddaughter and future grandchildren's educational fund are appreciated.

The Phillip Funeral Home of West Bend assisted the family.

**FLORENCE ANN TELLIER**

Florence Ann Tellier, 93, formerly of Slinger, Lac du Flambeau and Sun City, Ariz., went to her rest in heaven on Sept. 20, 2009.

Florence was born Feb. 26, 1916, the daughter of Remiges and Mary Paltz Andres. Florence married Ralph Albert Tellier on Oct. 21, 1939, at St. Catherine's Catholic Church in Milwaukee.

Ralph Albert Tellier, 89, also went to rest in heaven on Dec. 11, 2003. Ralph was born on Sept. 27, 1915, the son of Albert and Elizabeth Justen Tellier.

Ralph and Florence owned Tellier's Kettle Moraine Inn on Big Cedar Lake. Ralph also was an electrical contractor. He enjoyed bartending, deer hunting, fishing and putzing in his shed.

As for Florence, she was a great cook, enjoyed canning and baking. She was very talented in sewing, knitting and crocheting. They will be greatly missed.

Survivors include his two sons, Tom (Sue) Tellier of Campbellsport and Robert Tellier of West Bend; and one daughter, Mary Tellier of Sun City, Ariz.; six grandchildren, Nadine (Joel) Urban, Terry (Becky) Tellier, Jim Tellier, all of Campbellsport, Jean (Doug) Grotegut of Manitowoc, Bernadette (fiancee Tim Hove) Tellier of Valders and Nicole

(fiancee Andy Breuer) Tellier of Allenton; five great-grandchildren, Justin and Jessica Urban, E. Hunter Tellier, Kip and Gavin Grotegut; nieces, nephews and many other relatives and friends.

Ralph was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Ruth (Palmer) Olsen; and Florence was preceded in death by her parents; husband and two brothers, Al and Frank Andres.

Memorial Mass of Christian burial was held Wednesday, Oct. 21, 2009 at noon at the St. Matthias Catholic Church in Nabob with the Rev. Joseph Dominic officiating with burial in the parish cemetery.

Friends called at the church on Wednesday from 10 a.m. until the time of the service.

**THANK YOU**

This is a thank you to all who visited, sent cards, gifts and food while I was in the hospital, sub-acute and at home after my hip surgery. It was greatly appreciated. May God bless you all.

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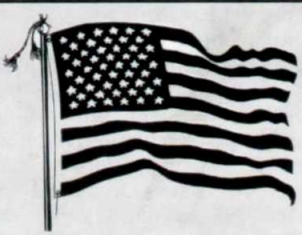
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## 25 Years Ago

August 17, 1984

A 20-year-old Campbellsport man, Daniel Morgan, died early Saturday morning as the result of internal injuries he received in a one-car accident north of Kewaskum in the Town of Auburn.

On a four to two vote, with board member Kim Peterson absent, the Kewaskum School Board voted to approve keeping Beechwood Elementary School open and operating as it did in the 1983-84 school year. At Monday night's meeting, board member Neal Weare's motion to rescind the board's action of June 11 to close Beechwood, passed when Tom Brigham reversed his stand and voted with members Ralph Horner, John Spoerl and Weare to keep the school open.

Cindy Bremser, 31, of Madison, competed in the Women's Olympics 3,000 meter final run on Friday night at the Coliseum in Los Angeles, CA. She took fourth in the run. Cindy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bremser of Mishicot, both former area residents. Frank is from St. Michaels and graduated from Kewaskum High School and his wife is from LeRoy.

Even if you had a program you wouldn't have been able to tell who the players were in Mija's Country Inn's second annual Women's Mudwrestling Tourney. Over 800 spectators traveled to New Fane Sunday to watch 33 gals participate in an afternoon of knock-down, slide-around fun. Eight teams, one all the way from Green Bay, took part in the afternoon long event. The overall contest winner was Kim Tessar of Mija's team. Tori Schrauth of Rilling S and Kara Weinreich of Mija's tied for divisional title honors.

Daughters were born to Harry and Lori Roecker, Kewaskum, on August 7, and to Steven and Linda Beisbier, West Bend, on August 9. A daughter, Allie Jo, was born to Chuck and Rhonda Lichtensteiger, Campbellsport on August 1. Sons were born to Neal and Denise Stoffel, Campbellsport, on August 9; to Wayne and Patricia Boudreau, West Bend, on August 12, and to Dan and Cindy Plzak, West Bend, on August 5.

A daughter, Lindsey Stephanie, was born to S/Sgt. Mark and S/Sgt. Janice (Panzer) Robinson, Jacksonville, North Carolina, on August 4. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Panzer Sr., Kewaskum, and paternal grandparents are Mrs. R. Ratner of Huntington, New York, and Gerald Robinson of South Carolina.

A daughter, Julia Jane, was born to Timothy and Denise McChain, Hephzibah, GA, on August 9. Grandparents are Gordon and Ann McChain and Gregory and Sally Fellenz, all of West Bend. Paternal great-grandparents are Gordon and Ruth McChain of Random Lake, and Louis Melton of Hurst, Texas. Maternal great-grandparents are Desmond Cotter and Bernice Fellenz of West Bend.

A daughter was born to Don and Mary Nummerdor, Milwaukee, on August 2. Ma-

ternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Al Schnepf of West Bend. Paternal grandmother is Mrs. Richard Edwards of Long Lake and paternal grandfather is Don Nummerdor Sr. of West Bend.

## 50 Years Ago

August 14, 1959

Members of the Kiwanis Club, village workers, firemen, truck drivers and other volunteers really pitched in over the weekend to make the new bathing beach on the west side of the river in the park area a sudden reality. The result is the beach is now ready for use by swimmers for the remainder of the season. After removing a gate from the dam and lowering the water level considerably the work was begun Saturday afternoon when the muck was blown off of the river bottom with fire hoses and the debris and weeds were removed by machines and by hand. On Sunday morning using the village front end loader and grader and shoveling by hand, the river bank was cut down and leveled off. In the afternoon, between 500 and 600 yards of sand were hauled in and dumped into the river and on the bank. Seven or eight truck drivers volunteered their time and trucks in hauling the sand from the Arnold Bier pit. The sand was pushed into the river with village equipment and late in the afternoon, "Booby" Bohn moved in with his caterpillar from the sand pit where he had been loading trucks and leveled off the sandy beach. The gate was placed back into the dam and all that remained was for the water level to return the normal height. Because of the dry weather and a few leaks in the dam, the water was slow in rising to its regular level. Money for the necessary items at the beach including a lifeguard, will be provided from the Kiwanis turkey shoot fund for the remainder of the year. Floats and a raft and lights will be installed by this weekend. The beach adds considerably to the natural beauty of the park.

The Kewaskum Kiwanis Club has announced that its Seventh Annual Live Turkey Shoot will be held on Sunday, September 20, at the Bar-N Dude Ranch. In addition to the turkey shoot, many other events and activities will be scheduled so that there will be sporting activities and entertainment for all members of the family.

The "lowering" of the river level really provided a "fish-eree" without the use of fishing poles for the kids over the weekend. The water north of the old dam site was only a few inches deep and the carp and redhorse could barely keep their backs under water. Dozens of boys and girls and some grownups too, immediately got hep to the opportunity. They went after the fish with bows and arrows, spears, nets, garden spades, rakes, sticks and all other available devices to bag the fish. Others just chased the fish until they were so pooped out, they could be caught by hand. The poor fish didn't have much of a chance to escape with all those kids on their tails. We have to

laugh yet, every time we think of little Joey Fehlhaber, Kewaskum Little League pitcher, chasing a huge carp up the middle of the river with a garden spade. The carp always managed to stay about three feet ahead of Joey until finally the boy was so worn out, he lunged at the fish with the spade and plunged into the water. He missed the carp but Terry Koch finished it off with his bow and arrow. There were a lot of wet kids and belly laughs for the spectators who lined the shore, but nearly 200 carp, redhorse and other rough fish were removed. Most of the fish were hauled to the village incinerator but those who wanted them could keep the whoppers.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Allen Tessar, Kewaskum, on August 7.

August 21, 1959

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Schaeffer of Kewaskum was baptized on Sunday by the Rev. John T. Budde in Holy Trinity Catholic Church, receiving the name Rita Ellen.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Kuester, Kewaskum, on August 13. A fifth son, Gerald Ray, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Butz, Kewaskum, also on August 13. Mr. and Mrs. Butz also have one daughter.

## 75 Years Ago

August 17, 1934

A very deplorable accident happened at New Fane early last Sunday morning, when Walter Firks, 36, son of Henry Firks, the blacksmith at New Fane, was struck by a hit-and-run car near his home, and the young man succumbed to his injuries about 4:30 Sunday morning. Mr. Firks had gone to the assistance of a motorist who had run out of gasoline, and after finishing his task, was talking to the other man, standing beside the automobile which was headed north. He had one foot on the running board of the parked automobile. Three cars approached close together. Two passed, but the third car swung wide and caught Firks, throwing him against the automobile near which he was standing. The death car went on at a high speed, heading south. A man was arrested Monday night and was charged on Tuesday with injuring a person on the public highway and failing to stop and give assistance and his name and address.

At a meeting following high mass for the St. Theresa society of the Holy Trinity Church the following officers were due to some vacancies, newly elected or continued to hold their offices: President, Linda Reindl; Vice-president, Helen Harbeck; Secretary, Kathryn Schlosser; Treasurer, Marie Schaeffer; Chairman, Marcella Klockenbush; Assistants to the chairman, Ruth Koepsel, Doris Seil and Dorothy Smith.

Jac. Bruessel, a progressive farmer of the Town of Kewaskum, reports the following crop yields: 1,000 bushels of



## The Bookworm Sez

by Terri Schlichenmeyer

Halloween Reads

"Werewolves" by Dr. Bob Curran, illustrated by Ian Daniels, New Page Books, \$14.99, 221 pages, includes index

"The Ghost Chronicles" by Maureen Wood & Ron Kolek, Sourcebooks, \$14.99, 308 pages

It's quarter after midnight, and you can't sleep.

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Scared? Oh, come on. You got a little shiver. Admit it, then read these two books that will put the "Oooooo" in spooooooky this Halloween.

It's hard to look at the cover of "Werewolves" by Dr. Bob Curran, illustrated by Ian Daniels, and not feel goosebumps. But do werewolves really exist, or are they the product of a whole lot of fanciful imaginations?

To answer that question, Dr. Bob Curran plunges into literature and history a thousand years old to show that there were Vikings for a wolf-man back when Vikings were still exploring the seas. One of the original Wulfstans (roughly, "wolf stone") was a powerful clergyman and lawmaker. Hardly scary, until you understand that one of his successors was turned into a wolf by St. Patrick, according to legend. Other saints followed suit, and there you are: a ticked-off human-wolf hybrid.

The wolf - long a foe of man-

kind - is obviously at root of the werewolf legend, Curran says, and psychology plays a part in making our brains believe. Add centuries of literature, real humans raised by wolves and "the thrill of the dark creature", and that scratch on the door is benign no more.

But wait. What if the spirit is in the room with you? According to "The Ghost Chronicles" by Maureen Wood & Ron Kolek, get out of the house - fast! Spirits usually can't leave the building they've chosen to inhabit.

But they can inhabit a person, at least for a little while, as you'll see in this book. Author Maureen Wood is a medium who can "channel" a spirit and they're not always nice ones), while author Ron Kolek is, as a paranormal scientist, the guy with meters and monitors. Together, they relate seventeen cases they've investigated, including one malevolent spirit in an old New Hampshire farmhouse and an exorcism that's going to make you want to hide. I really need to remember not to read these kinds of books when I'm alone at night. Author Bob Curran's book, "Werewolves", contains some of the finest, scariest artwork you'll ever see and his history takes a little of the scare out of the legend.

But just a little.

Despite the occasionally over-dramatic prose in "The Ghost Chronicles", I read a bit and turned on another light, read a little and checked the closet, read some more and moved away from the window...

If you're looking for something to get you in the mood this Halloween, you can't do wrong with either (or both) of these books. "Werewolves" and "The Ghost Chronicles" put the "Eeeeeeeee" in "creeeepy".

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## 100 Years Ago

August 28, 1909

Theodore Felten was seriously injured while threshing at Emil Dettmann's place at Boltonville last Tuesday. In some manner his arm became entangled in the machine and came close to being severed from the body. His injuries will necessitate his remaining in a hospital for some time.

Among those from here who attended the teachers' institute at West Bend the past week were: Misses Kathryn Schoofs, Elsie Sommers, Ella Wunderle, Edna Altenhofen, Lilly Schlosser, Rose Ockenfels, Vivian Colvin, Olga Haug, Nora

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## Kewaskum Gray goes all the way



Kewaskum Gray Major Midget League had an undefeated season (11-0) and were the West Division champions. On July 31st Gray played the Eastern Division Champions, Random Lake. Gray took home the Major League Kettle Moraine Championship trophy beating Random Lake 10-1. The score didn't indicate the action of the game as Kewaskum Gray's tough defense stopped many runs. The team is coached by Rick Heberler and Joel Tietz, assisting were Dan Gerhart, Jeff May, Dave Prochnow, and Tim Rohlinger. Front row, left to right: Ryan Prochnow, Kyle Cheeserow, Colten Miller, Cole Poole, Cody Marks, Ryan Prochnow, and John May. Second row: Alek Gerhart, Mitchell Tietz, Dalton Poole, Jacob Heberer, Kyle Pamperin, Zack Brogaard, and Scott Hiltunen. Not pictured: Isaac and Tim Rohlinger.

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## Undefeated Batavia senior softball team



Batavia seniors softball team achieved an undefeated season in 2009 and also swept the league tournament. Shown above, back row, left to right: Sandi Wulff, Liz Flanders, Jessica Ramel, Tessa Hafeman, Beth Hafeman, Jessica Helzinger and Tessa Grimes. Middle row: Melius, Elizabeth Wulff, Lisa Zastrow, Allison Melius, Bridget Grimes and Tim Flanders. Front row: Vanessa Harrier, Mauranda Hiller and Katie Huebner. This group has now taken championships as midgets, juniors, twice as seniors and won many tournaments.

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## Eighth graders come up with big win at Slinger

By Judy Harlow  
For the Statesman

Being up close to teams from Slinger and Saukville was no consolation for three of the Gridiron teams Saturday, October 10 who lost by a combined 15 points.

The lone Kewaskum winner was the eighth graders, who probably were not favored in their game at Slinger.

"Slinger was 4-0 coming into this game, and we had one win. I think they might have overlooked us," coach Jim "Jonesy" Korth said after his eighth graders (2-3) used three touchdowns by Joey Seitz to notch a 22-16 win over the Owls.

"We scored pretty much on sweeps around the right side," Korth went on, reporting the young Indians got their scores in the second, third and fourth quarters and got one PAT on a kick by Brett Boegel, who also turned in some nice runs up the middle from his fullback spot.

Korth used the wishbone in this game, going back to Alex Johnson at quarterback and getting some nice runs on the outside, including some by Anthony Webb.

"The defense played very well all around," Korth said, declining to cite any individuals.

In the seventh grade matchup, Zach Smith returned the opening kickoff 82 yards for a TD, but could not move the ball offensively the rest of the way, according to coach Randy Schlice, who said his team (3-2) lost 14-6.

"They have a big team. They had three guys over 6-3," Schlice went on, noting Slinger had scoring drives in the first and second quarters. "Their quarterback got behind their big linemen, and there wasn't much we could do."

Kewaskum got the ball just twice in the first half, the coach said, indicating, "Had we not missed a couple of passes, it

might have been a different story."

Schlice also declined to single out any defensive players.

The fifth graders (3-2) had to travel to Saukville, and the game ended on a sour note as the hosts scored in the last four seconds to win 19-18.

Time was ready to expire, according to coach Mark Walcheske when the officials said they thought one of the Kewaskum coaches called time out at the end, as Saukville did not have any time-outs left.

That gave the Rebels one last play.

The Indians' scoring came via three nice running plays, by Kyle Pamperin (20 and 31 yards) and Nick Ellenbecker (54 yards).

"All the PATs failed," Walcheske said, noting, "We struggled to stop Saukville but couldn't get a handle on them."

This was Saukville's first win of the season.

Kewaskum's sixth graders (3-1-1) led 6-0 early in the third quarter, but Slinger came back with two scores to end up on top 12-6.

"We had a bunch of fumble recoveries we couldn't get to, and we fumbled on a kickoff, putting ourselves in a hole," coach Bob Johnson said, reporting his Indians came up with a drive right after intermission to break a 0-0 tie.

"We had a big run by Josh (Baker) to set it up," Johnson said, referring to the 3-yard TD by quarterback Michael Prochnow.

"Berat Elmazi (linebacker) was one of our defensive leaders. He made a lot of big stops," Johnson went on, noting, "Our defense is playing solid, and we saw improvement in the offensive line."

Johnson said his players were looking forward to having a successful game against Random Lake (Parents Day) this Saturday.

# Three Gridiron teams roll over the Rams

By Judy Harlow  
For the Statesman

**KEWASKUM-** Sparkling on offense and stellar ... no, make that stingy on defense.

The annual Parents Night on Saturday, October 17, was a huge success for the Kewaskum Gridiron football program Saturday, with three of the Indian teams coming away with big wins against Random Lake.

Behind a season-high scoring mark, the sixth graders (4-1-1) blanked the Rams 45-0.

"We had a good game," coach Bob Johnson said, adding, "You've got to give them (Rams) credit. They're a 12-man team."

Six players got into the scoring act, starting with Josh Baker, who broke free for a 55-yard run on the first play of the game. Others finding the end zone were Mason Rose (5-yard run), Devyn Zillmer (screen pass and run), Sam Schlosser (20-yard run) and Charlie Witek (35-yard run). Quarterback Michael Prochnow, Zillmer and Baker had extra points.

"Defensively, we had five takeaways ... five fumble recoveries," Johnson said, reporting one of them, by Ben Watzig, went for a TD. "Kyle Samann, Sam Fechter and Brandon Wade all had very good defensive games," with tackles, sacks and forced fumbles.

The seventh graders (4-2) were also very convincing in

their 26-6 victory.

"Everyone went home with their uniforms dirty yesterday," coach Randy Schlice said, reporting he started 22 players for Parents Night and had a couple of first-time scorers.

Dylan Thull scored twice, according to Schlice, who reported he scored 52 yards for the first one in the opening quarter and added another TD in the second.

"Both Dean Schlice and Ricky Heinen scored in the second half," Schlice went on. Schlice's score came via a 26-yard run, while Heinen scored on a 9-yard pass from Billie Lehmann. Neither had scored a TD before Saturday.

"Ethan Vetter had two interceptions," Schlice said. "The second one was awesome," coming after it bounced off the helmet of one of the Ram players.

And Collin McCarthy was cited for a good game at defensive end, with two QB sacks.

The eighth grade used the fancy running of Joey Seitz to post a 32-14 victory to climb back to the .500 mark at 3-3.

"We had a pretty good game," coach Jim "Jonesy" Korth said, reporting Seitz scored twice in the first quarter, on a 65-yard run on a sweep and a cutback, then on a short counter play.

Brett Boegel intercepted a pass and returned it 40 yards for a score, and Anthony Webb

added a TD on an 8-yard run.

Korth was trying to run out the clock in the fourth quarter, but the ball was handed to Seitz, who scampered for a 75-yard run.

The Indians got interceptions from Webb and Kurtis Luedtke, and Korth said, "Steven Bohn had a nice game, with a 40-yard run and an interception."

Only the fifth graders (3-3) lost Saturday and only by a 7-0 decision. "We had four fumbles, and every fumble was a drive killer," said coach Mark Walcheske, who noted Kyle Pamperin had the longest run for the Indians, covering 30 yards.

The Rams converted a third-and-long in the first quarter, using a gadget play, then scored three plays later.

"They were 4-0-1," Walcheske said, adding, "They had some big kids on their team."

Kewaskum now goes into a position round against the Running Rebels at Saukville. The eighth graders start off at 11 a.m.

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# Soccer ends season after Port regional loss

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The Kewaskum High School Soccer team ended a difficult year in regional play as Port Washington hosted the first round of regionals on Tuesday, October 13.

The Pirates kept the Indians from scoring the entire match and the end result was 8-0.

"We played hard but their talent and speed showed," first year head coach Luke Piwoni stated.

Much like the entire season, the Indians allowed a slow start to hamper their play and the Pirates took control, scoring three times in the first 10 minutes. Once again, the Indians couldn't recover.

Piwoni reported his team had three shots on goal but were unable to connect.

All-conference awards will be announced after the state tournament at the end of the month.

## Previous Game Reports

**Kewaskum 0, Kiel 8**  
Thursday, September 24  
Kewaskum High School

It was another tough game for Kewaskum's boys' soccer team as they hosted Eastern Wisconsin Conference stand-out Kiel.

Kewaskum tried four shots against the Raiders but each could not find the net. Helping the offense was Ryan Gibson, Brandon Conroy, Andres Rodriguez and Brad Bentz, each trying a shot.

Dillion Thelen was busy at the net and faced 19 shots.

**Kewaskum 4, New Holstein 4**  
Tuesday, September 29  
Kewaskum High School

Those who attended this rainy cold parents' night game got their money's worth as the Indians played strong. Not strong enough to pull off a win, only a double overtime tie.

The Indians came out strong as Gibson fired the first shot of the game seven

minutes into it. That attempt didn't put anything on the board but a minute later he came through as he took the Huskies' keeper by surprise.

Gaynor scored 25 minutes into play after attempting a shot forcing New Holstein's keeper to slide for the catch. After he dropped the ball, Gaynor quickly charged the net, hopping over the keeper and making the goal with a Husky on his tail.

Nick Wendelborn scored off an Ian Kenworthy pass three minutes later.

The Huskies found the net after 30 minutes.

At 34:46 Gibson got lucky off a penalty kick where the Husky keeper found the ball but dropped it and let it in the goal.

However, before the end of the half, the Huskies would find the net once more, scoring from the corner.

The Indians had a definite wind advantage throughout the first half which allowed them a chance to put together more offensive plays without

having to worry about defending. The Indians were able to get a feeling of domination as they had a 4-2 lead at the half.

The second half gave the Huskies the wind advantage that the Indians used in the first. Each tried shots within the first 10 minutes with no score.

The Indians had their work cut for them, the Huskies used the wind advantage and the Indians were faced with having to play defense instead of offense.

The Huskies improved their score as a player found a distracted Thelen not watching the net and not getting help from his sweepers. They

quickly tied the game with another score.

The game went into double overtime in the worst weather of the season with neither team being able to score.

**Kewaskum 0, Two Rivers 2**  
Thursday, October 1  
Two Rivers High School

The Indians couldn't score against the Eastern Wisconsin Conference's fourth ranked Two Rivers.

Harley Bruss led the Indians on shots trying for three, Ryan Gibson followed with two and Brandon Martin with one.

Thelen tended the net and faced nine shots.

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## Gridiron scholarship awarded



The Kewaskum Gridiron Club recently awarded their annual scholarships during half-time of the homecoming football game. This is the eighth year of awarding scholarships to participants of gridiron and high school football. Shown above, left to right is Gridiron coach Randy Schlice, Indians coach Jason Piittmann, Josh Harbin who is attending UW-Oshkosh and Joe Paulus who is attending UW-Whitewater. Gridiron scholarships are made possible by the generous contributions of coaches/businesses/individuals at the group's annual appreciation banquet. Technical and four year colleges are acceptable for post secondary education. Gridiron welcomes participation by businesses/individuals; for more information, visit their web site, [www.kewaskumgridiron.com](http://www.kewaskumgridiron.com).

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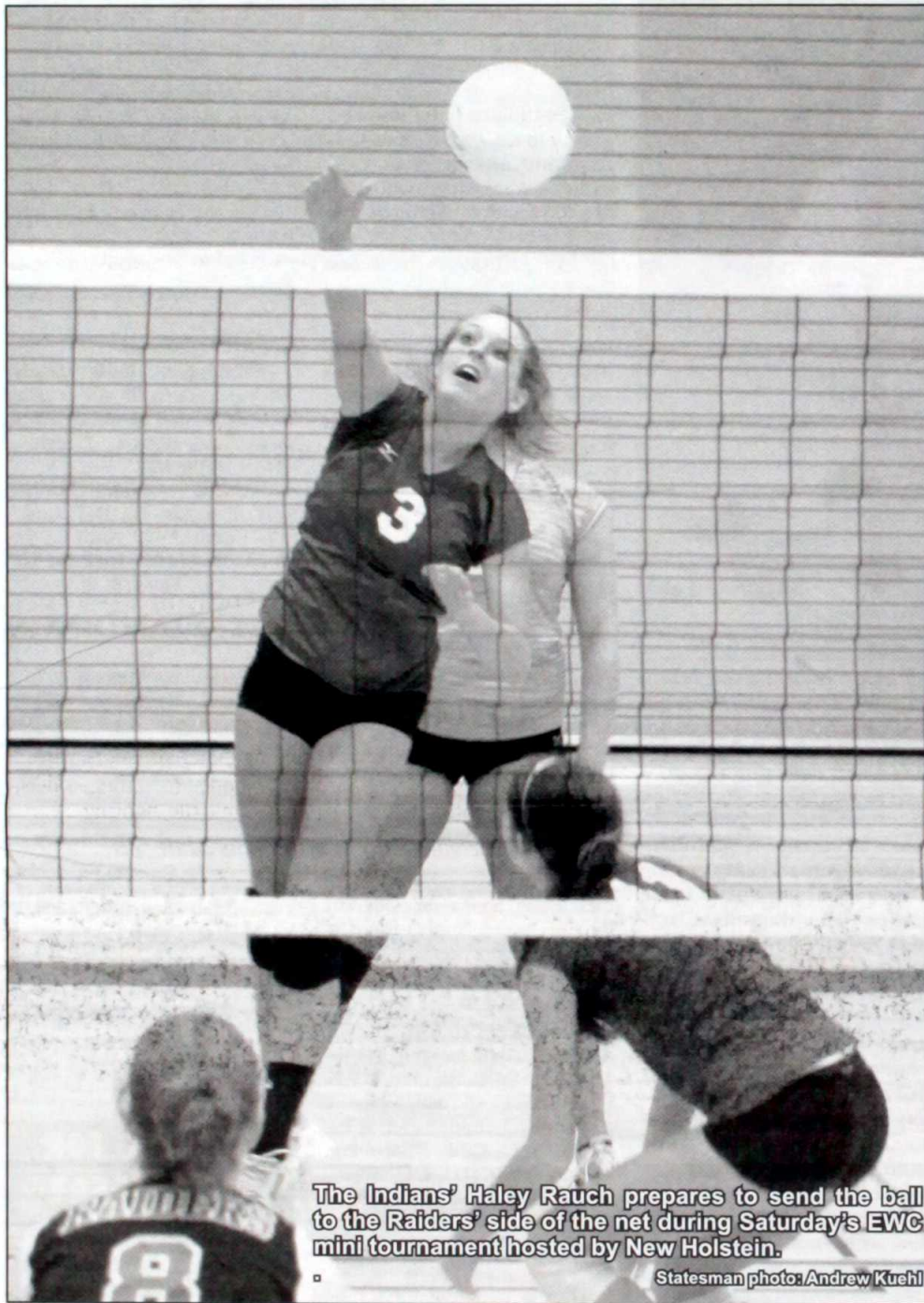
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Indians cruise in Tuesday regional against Shorewood, play Friday at home

## Lady spikers build momentum after near Waupun win in weekend tourney



The Indians' Haley Rauch prepares to send the ball to the Raiders' side of the net during Saturday's EWC mini tournament hosted by New Holstein.

Statesman photo: Andrew Kuehl

By Mitch Maersch  
For the Statesman

It's not often being swept will boost a volleyball team's confidence, but that's what the Waupun loss in Saturday's conference title match did for the Kewaskum Indians.

In a contest with playoff intensity, the Indians threw everything they had against what Coach Joe Moser calls the best team in the state, and few could argue with his assessment including Division 1 schools. The Indians hope to ride the wave of excitement and execution throughout the playoffs.

They'll get their next chance on Friday after easily beating Shorewood at home in the first round of regionals Tuesday night.

The Indians host No. 3-seeded Whitefish Bay on Friday, after the Blue Dukes beat Grafton on Tuesday, 25-

13, 25-17, 22-25, 25-14. If they win, they play on Saturday at Port Washington in the regional final, possibly against No. 1-seeded Kettle Moraine Lutheran.

Tuesday seemed like just a warmup. The No. 2-seeded Indians rolled against No. 7-seeded Shorewood 25-12, 25-9, 25-18, in a bland, slow match in which the Indians got more points on mistakes than their own play.

"Definitely slow motion from Waupun. We had kind of a tough week at practice, kids out with the flu, kids coming to practice with the flu on the flu and so it kind of reflected how we practiced yesterday missing a quarter of our team and kids just really moving slow," said Coach Joe Moser.

In Game 1, Kewaskum took a 5-4 lead and never gave it up. Haley Rauch served three straight aces from 10-5 to 12-5, Elissa Miller served from 16-7

to 18-7 and Kayla Bastian from 20-9 to 23-9.

Bastian took over Game 2 with the score 14-8, serving to 23-8. The Indians never trailed as Moser already began to mix in some just players.

"We just wanted to keep our intensity and I just wanted to make sure I kept my serves in so I could keep the run," Bastian said.

Kewaskum took a 4-3 lead in Game 3 and cruised. Rauch Erika Heberer each had two straight aces and Bastian one.

Heberer closed out the match on a hard kill that was tipped before falling to the floor in the middle of the Greyhounds' defense.

"This is behind us. We're moving on. We know that we've got to be able to play our game and come and play up to our ability. We can't slip down to the competition level because then we just look like an ugly volleyball team," Mo-

ser said.

Senior Monica Dehler said Moser tried to keep his team focused against the weaker opponent.

"Coach Joe just kept telling us worry about our side of the court, making sure that we were playing our game and not so much worrying about their side," she said.

Moser was especially proud of his bench, which he hopes can put pressure on his starters to perform better.

Players were still excited over their play against Waupun, a match they lost 25-16, 25-20, 25-17. In Game 2, they took a 15-14 lead on the defending Division 2 state champs ranked 63rd in the country last year.

"Oh man, we were pumped coming that close to someone that we always look up to as being that good. That really fired us up," Dehler said.

The Indians matched the Warriors' intensity, energy and hustle. They made huge digs to keep balls in play, passed precisely and fired off their own hard kills, led by Miller's nine. Heberer, Ashley Faber and George Abfall had four kills each.

Warrior setter Alexa Finstad kept the Indians off balance with surprise tip kills when she faked setting up the big hitters and instead lofted the ball over the net.

"The only thing that they really got were those tips and that's because we were waiting back for their hits. Otherwise we dug a lot up, and were putting stuff down," Miller said. "We just needed to be aggressive because once we get the passes up and we get the sets and the hits, then we get on fire and we push it and it gets really exciting."

"I think this time we really wanted to step up our game and show them ... they're not as good as everybody portrays them," Heberer said.

Moser liked his team's fire and execution.

"I think that's some of the best volleyball we played all year. We missed three serves the entire match. We missed four or five hits the entire match. Lots of communication, we passed well against a great serving team. If we play like that we can go a long way and we can be competitive against a lot of teams," he said.

Heberer had 14 assists and Faber nine. Heberer had two aces and Rauch and Goring one each. Goring dug up 11 balls, Bastian 10, Faber and Rauch six each, and Heberer four.

The match was the fourth

and final one of the mini-conference tournament in New Holstein. It left Kewaskum with a 12-2 Eastern Wisconsin record and alone in second place. Waupun hasn't lost a match all season, in our out of conference including tournaments.

Dehler said the match builds confidence going into Friday.

"I think that if we play them like a team like we did with Waupun and stuff, I think we can compete; we'll bring the heat," she said.

Moser is right there with her.

"It just shows that we can hang with the best team in the state. We fix a thing or two and a few other balls bounce off the net our way and we're close to winning. So it's really, really exciting," he said. "We've just got to figure out how to stay fired up and not play down to the other team. We have a tendency to do that. So if we can just look at this game and look at how well we can play and we keep moving forward, I'm looking forward to a great tournament."

In other action on Saturday, the Indians cruised before reaching Waupun.

Kewaskum swept Campbellsport in the first match of the day, 25-18, 25-16, 25-7. Miller had four aces and Faber and Heberer three each. Miller had 12 kills and Abfall and Faber five each. Heberer and Faber each had 14 assists. Dehler had four blocks. Bastian had eight digs, Rauch six and Faber five.

The Indians then swept Two Rivers, 25-14, 25-8, 25-8. Heberer had three aces and Ashley Kuechler and Molly Potter two each. Abfall had four kills and Miller three. Heberer had 12 assists. Bastian had six digs and Rauch four.

The Indians hit a hiccup against Plymouth but won in four, 25-18, 18-25, 25-16, 25-16. In Game 4, Heberer served from 2-1 to 10-1 and tossed in four aces.

"I think they just got in a funk. It like felt good for us, we lost that game, the game before that, so it was kind of just like, we need this, we need to get it done," she said.

Rauch served out the match on a Miller block and two straight aces.

Heberer finished with seven aces, Miller five, Faber four and Rauch three. Miller had seven kills, Bastian and Faber four each and Dehler and Heberer three each. Miller and Abfall each had three blocks. Heberer had 15 assists and Faber eight.

Kewaskum 41, Sheboygan Falls 13 | Indians come out strong with 20-0 start

# Tribe unnnests Falcons



The Indians' Cody Lemke (5) and Steven Chapman (40) sack Falcon quarterback Adam Lorenz. The Indians played a much different game than a week prior. The team came out strong and soundly grounded the Falcons Friday night.

Statesman photo: Andrew Kuehl

By Mitch Maersch  
For the Statesman

**SHEBOYGAN FALLS-** Coming off of its first loss of the season, Kewaskum's football team wasted no time in ensuring a second one wasn't going to happen, at least not last Friday.

The Indians plowed through Sheboygan Falls early and flew to a 41-13 victory, improving to 5-1 in the Eastern Wisconsin Conference and 7-1 overall.

Conference title hopes are still alive as the Indians host 5-1 New Holstein today and undefeated Plymouth hosts its rival, Sheboygan Falls. Plymouth holds the upper hand in the conference after spoiling homecoming on Oct. 9, winning 14-6.

Kewaskum racked up 300 yards of rushing and had two players reach the century mark for the first time this season. Quarterback Cody Nuernberg ran 18 times for 140 yards and a touchdown, and Cody Seibel 20 times for 121 yards and a score.

The Indians outgained Falls 334 -195, didn't punt in the first half and only twice all game, held Falls to six first downs and forced eight punts.

"After the loss everybody was disappointed and hanging heads and everything, but the coaching staff told us to pick it up," Nuernberg said. "We had a really good week of practice. Everybody really rebounded well. We put in hard work and we showed it tonight."

Speedster Brandon Zolp had six punt returns for 80 yards, including one for 38, that consisted put the Indians in good scoring position.

Kewaskum took control early, scoring on its first five possessions to go up 34-0. The Indians only allowed one first down on Falls' first five possessions.

"It was a good week of practice," said Coach Jason Piittmann. "I think the kids were focused. We knew we had to be because Falls runs something a little more different than what we're used to. We knew we had to prepare for it offensively and defensively."

After the Indians' defense forced a three and out on the opening possession, Zolp set up his team on the Falls' 40 with a nice punt return. Seibel ran right for 37 yards, getting caught from behind, and finished the drive on the next play.

Another three-and-out that included a seven-yard sack by Jordan Blank and nearly a diving interception by Bo Seibel pinned Falls deep in their own territory. A punt had the Indians back on their 25. Four Cody Seibel runs reached the 18, and then Nuernberg hit a sliding Bo Seibel in the right side of the end zone, his second straight week with a receiving touchdown on the same play.

A short punt after the next possession put Kewaskum on the Falls' 49. Six plays later the Indians scored again, this time on a one-yard sneak from Nuernberg. It was 20-0 less than 10 minutes into the game. On the drive, Nuernberg hit Blank with a 17-yard inside slant on the money and Steven Chapman had a 10-yard run, driving the pile with his legs to plow for the last five.

An ensuing defensive

stand had Falls punting from its 10. Kewaskum started on its opponent's 46 and again took advantage. Nuernberg had a 23-yard run after cutting inside when he looked to be gliding out of bounds. Chapman finished the drive with a one-yard plunge.

After Falls' next three-and-out, Zolp took the punt back deep into enemy territory, bouncing off of two defenders like a pinball. A facemask penalty moved the ball to the Falls' 15. Tony Crossman scored from three yards out and with 6:18 left in the half it was 34-0.

"We really relied on pass last week and they shut us down," Nuernberg said. "We really needed to establish a power game."

On its next possession, Falls answered with a 59-yard run by quarterback Adam Lorenz that ended at the Indians' five. Lorenz hit Kody Meanor for the first score to make it 34-7.

A Seibel fumble on the Indians' 22 put the Falls in business again. Lorenz finished the drive from three yards out.

With less than a minute to play in the second quarter, a tipped ball that was intercepted near the goal line prevented Kewaskum from another score. It was 34-13 at half.

The Indians played tough defense and clock management in the second half. In the third quarter, a good Zolp punt return put them at the Falls' 41. Crossman scored on a three-yard run for the final points of the night. Nuernberg ran four times for 25 yards on the drive.

"I was really happy with the second half that we played. We took control of things. They

## SCORING

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
INDIANS	20	14	7	0	0	41
PANTHERS	0	13	0	0	0	13

**1st Qtr:** Kew-10:20-Cody Seibel 1 yd run. Hunter Flanders PAT kick missed. Kew-6:23-Bo Seibel 7 yd pass from Cody Nuernberg. Flanders kick good. Kew-2:14-Nuernberg 1 yd run. Flanders kick good.  
**2nd qtr:** Kew-8:39-Steve Chapman 1 yd run. Flanders kick good. Kew-6:18-Tony Crossman 1 yd run. Flanders kick good. SF-5:06-Kody Meanor 6 yd pass from Adam Lorenz. Meanor kick good. SF-2:50-Lorenz 3 yd run. Meanor kick blocked.  
**3rd qtr:** Kew-4:53-Crossman 2 yd run. Flanders kick good.

kept them out of the end zone in the second half and put up a score ourselves. We controlled the clock and were able to salt it away," Piittmann said.

Today's game comes a day earlier than the usual Friday, pushing the Indians' schedule up a bit.

"Every day gets a little bit tougher in practice as we go on so we'll have to start those tougher practices one day earlier," Nuernberg said.

## NOTES

T.J. Schlice made an acrobatic interception on a jump ball in the fourth quarter. Schlice went up in front of the receiver, tipped it to himself and came down with the ball.

The Indians may have found their kicker, after Caleb Olla was hurt in soccer. Hunter Flanders was 4-5 on extra points.

## STATS

**Kewaskum totals:** 307 yds rushing, 34 yds passing, 341 total yards; 3 penalties for 30 yds. First downs - 16 rush, 2 pass, 1 by penalty. Fumbles - 3, lost 1.

Passing - Cody Nuernberg, 3-8, 34 yards, TD, INT; Rushing - Nuernberg, 18-140, TD; Cody Seibel, 20-121, TD, Tony Crossman, 10-27, 2 TD, Steven Chapman, 5-12, TD; Receiving - C.J. Bowe, 1-17, Mat Toles 1-10, Bo Seibel, 1-7, TD. Tackles - T.J. Schlice 3, Toles 2, Andy Schreier 2, Mack Donath, 2. Sacks: Toles,

Donath. INT-Schlice.

**Sheboygan Falls totals:** 106 yds rushing 89 yds passing 195 yds total; 6 penalties for 50 yards. First downs- 3 rush, 2 pass, 1 by penalty.

Passing - Adam Lorenz, 9-21, 89 yards, TD, INT; Rushing - Lorenz, 9-79, Andy Ansay, 13-29. Receiving: Nick Roelse, 4-45, Bobby Musil, 6-30.

## EWC STANDINGS

Plymouth	6-0	7-1
Kewaskum	5-1	7-1
New Holstein	5-1	6-2
Kiel	2-4	4-4
Sheboygan Falls	2-4	4-4
Two Rivers	2-4	3-5
Waupun	2-4	3-5
Campbelsport	0-6	0-8

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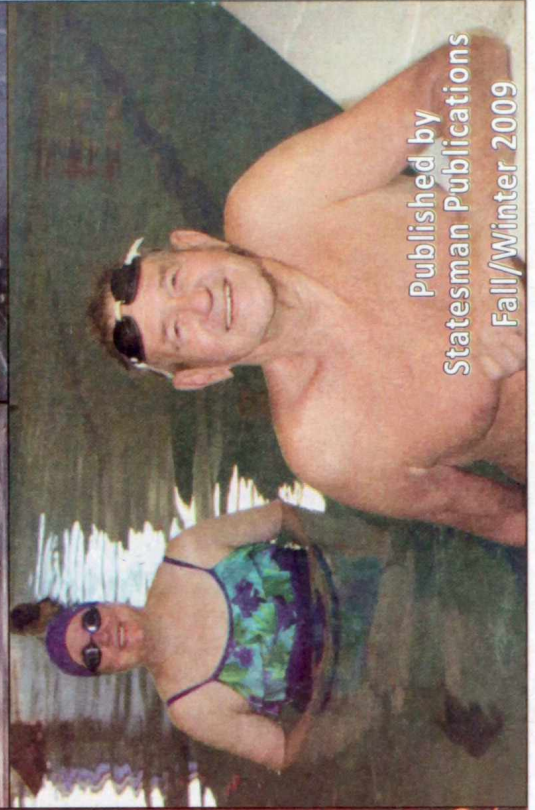
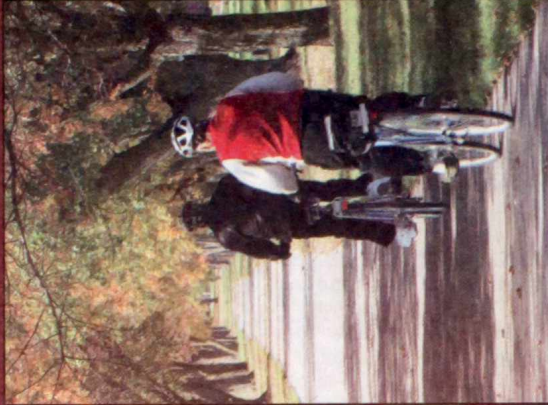
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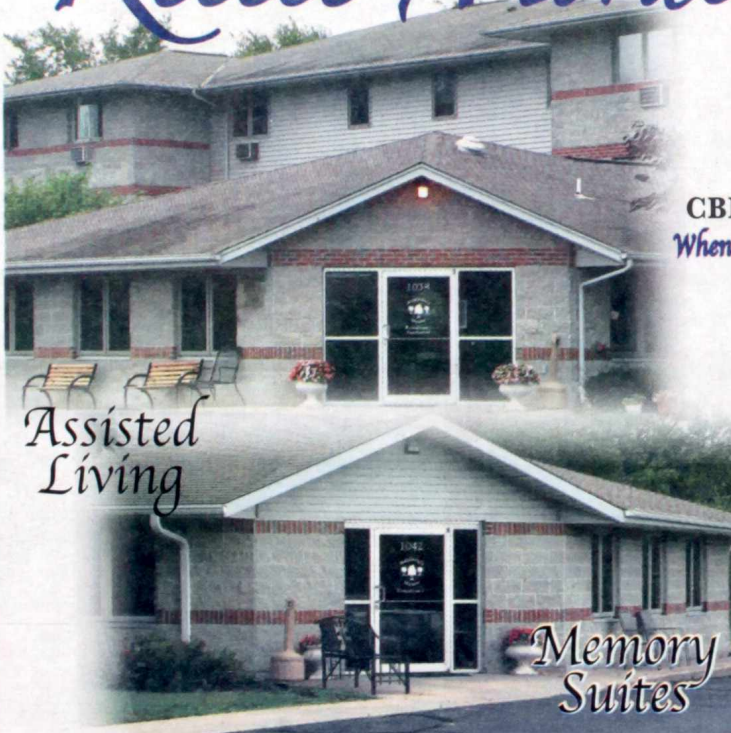
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On the next page we introduce you to our featured Savvy Senior **James Riegle**, of Kewaskum. Jim, recently celebrated 60 years with the company his father founded. Jim currently maintains the position of CEO of Regal Ware, Incorporated of Kewaskum.

This issue features the **Senior Citizens Activities Incorporated**. The group has their headquarters in West Bend but welcomes seniors from the entire area to join them in their daily liveliness.

On that same note, **Kewaskum's XYZ Club** is also featured and encourages our readers to join their group.

There is also information regarding **Social Security and Disability** as well as our regular **Savvy Senior columnist** who answers your questions in each issue.

Local author **Rochelle Pennington**, shares her column with you in this edition. Pennington is the author of *The Christmas Tree Ship, An Old Fashioned Christmas, The Endurance and Highlighted in Yellow* to name a few. Find out

more about her at [www.christmastreeshipbooks.com](http://www.christmastreeshipbooks.com).

**Irma and Roger Riendl** and **Lucinda Lecher** of Kewaskum sat down with Judy Harlow to share a few of their favorite Christmas memories. We're sure the memories will spark your own memories of Christmas past. Keep those memories alive and share them with your own family this holiday season.

Speaking of keeping memories alive, check out what **Gene Sterr** of Whitefish Bay has done for his former grade school. Sterr worked with **Linda Schickert** at **The Scrap Nook** in Kewaskum and the two compiled a beautiful history of the Woodside School that was located in Eden.

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As always we have our events calendar to help you plan the next few months.

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# Not ready to retire, Reigle celebrates 60 years on the job at Regal Ware



Shown above is James Reigle, second from far right with his family currently employed with Regal Ware at the opening of the West Bend Co./Regal Ware Cookware Museum in West Bend. Pictured from left: Ryan Reigle, Matt Reigle, Jeffrey Reigle, James Reigle and Doug Reigle. Shown in the back ground is a memorial to Regal Ware founder J.O. Reigle, James' dad.

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**KEWASKUM-** In an era when CEOs are known for their lack of longevity with a company, huge bonuses and lack of leadership, there's a Kewaskum man who stands out as a complete opposite. James D. Reigle recently celebrated 60 years with the company his father founded in 1945.

Reigle, didn't get a big bonus check on his 60th anniversary with the company he continues to play an active role in, he got something that if you know "Jim" was worth a lot more. Employees of Regal Ware signed a huge card that was created by staff with images of Jim throughout his 60 years.

"I thought it was a beautiful card, very cleverly done. All of the employees signed and some had comments. It was very moving," he recalls.

Reigle recalls he started with Regal Ware Incorporated on September 15, 1949 in the shipping and receiving department. From there he went into the office and did clerical work. In 1950 he entered what he remembers as the best part of his career, sales.

After a few years he climbed the company ladder becoming a sales manager, vice president of the company to President in 1965 when his father, J.O. Reigle resigned. In

1992 he handed the reigns of the company to his son, Jeffrey, and Jim became Chairman of the Board of the company.

Reigle's reign as the company's president saw aggressive growth in operations which followed the acquisition of Buckley Aluminum Company in Wooster, Ohio the year prior. He explained, "It was owned by a man in Michigan named Ed Mardigan. He was in the tool and die business for the automotive industry and his brother was running Buckeye Aluminum. That was at the time when non-stick teflon was really exploding. We (Regal Ware) did not have the capacity in our existing factory to make all the cookware we needed. My father knew Ed and that personal connection led him to approach Ed about buying the Wooster plant. The rest is history."

The year he became president, the PolyPerk® coffeemaker was introduced. A few years later, in 1967 Regal Ware acquired the housewares division of Norris Industries in Flora, Mississippi. In 1969 The National Aluminum Manufacturing Company of Peoria, Illinois becomes the third major Regal Ware acquisition under James Reigle's leadership.

Regal Ware continued quite successfully throughout the 1970's, '80's and early 90's. Reigle says it was the result of creative marketing brained by his

advisors and himself.

Reigle recalled when Regal Ware acquired Moulinex Cookware in 1982, he and his wife Patricia, spent the year in England as the acquisition was completed. That acquisition formed Moulinex Regal which allowed Regal Ware to add the LaMachine® name and motor-driven appliances to its electric product offerings.

Reigle's proudest moment involved the acquisition of West Bend Company in 2002. Reigle recalls it took almost a decade to finally bring the two companies together. He explained it was the perfect marriage of two companies as the two made many of the same products and were just over 10 miles from each other.

Like many manufacturing entities, Regal Ware has had it's market share reduced by overseas competition. That has forced the company to revert back to how it sold product when Reigle first began his work in the company. Regal Ware's early success came from direct selling to consumers which is now where Regal Ware is finding it's niche in a changing market.

Reigle proudly describes the pride he and his family has in the thousands of lives Regal Ware has touched. From customers to employees. "People are the end, they are not the goal to an end," he states.

In recalling his favorite

memories, Jim recalls the enjoyment and satisfaction he received while dealing with sales to large companies like Sears, Montgomery Ward and Fingerhut. He describes himself as a "salesman at heart."

Reigle served his country in the Army Air Corps (now known as the Air Force). He was active from September of 1944 until November of 1946. He states he did a lot of mechanical work and was sent to Okinawa, Japan for the last battle before the war officially ended. He also spent time in Europe on occupational duty.

After his service to his country, Reigle attended Ohio University where he earned a Bachelor of Commerce degree. He believes the significant number of philosophy courses he sat through is ultimately what allowed him to be so successful in sales, namely in understanding how to communicate with people.

Jim met his wife Patricia while at Ohio University and the two were married on August 21, 1947. The two have two sons, Jeffrey and Douglas, and a daughter, Jennifer. His sons play active roles in the company, Jeffrey as President, and Doug, Vice President of Sales and Marketing.

His grandchildren Matthew and Ryan also play a role in the company's sales department.

Regal Ware is not the only thing important to Jim's life. He was one of the founding members of the United Way when it got started in Kewaskum. Jim recalled working with Lehman Rosenheimer and then later handed the United Way to Washington County. He also played an instrumental role on the Cedar Campuses (now Cedar Community) Foundation.

Reigle also played a role in village politics as he was elected to the Village Board of Trustees in Kewaskum in the 1950's. On November 8, 1955 he was selected to act as President pro tem after the resignation of Charles Miller. On November 10, 1955 Reigle was nominated and elected as President by the Village Board. He was President until April 22, 1963. He continued as a Trustee until April 5, 1965. He would later serve on Kewaskum Economic

Development Advisory Board.

Reigle also served one term on the Kewaskum Board of Education in 1968.

Reigle has as heart probably as big as his company. He is recognized as one of Kewaskum's largest philanthropists, not only with money, but giving of his time. His genuine love of Kewaskum continues to be evident as continues to be active in the community through his church, Peace United Church of Christ in Kewaskum, membership in the American Legion Robert Romaine Post 384 in Kewaskum, and the Kewaskum Kiwanis in which he held numerous officer positions. Through Regal Ware his family has given tens of thousands of dollars to arms of the Kewaskum School District whether it be the scoreboard on the Kewaskum Football Field or items desperately needed to make the dream of a theater a reality in Kewaskum.

Through his career at Regal Ware, he has served on The Cookware Manufacturers Association Board and The National Housewares Association Board

The Reigle family, in conjunction with the Kewaskum Kiwanis Club, was the benefactor in one of Kewaskum's greatest assets, Kiwanis Park.

And, which Regal Ware product is his favorite? One still used in his home today, heavy cast aluminum cookware. His favorite feature, "it will last a lifetime."

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*To which the first guy says, "Doesn't matter, let's look for yours."*



# Social Security News

By Karyl Rochson

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## Get your benefit verification before chill sets in

It's that time of year again – when people in many parts of the country feel a new chill in the air each morning, and put an extra quilt or blanket on the bed.

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### Reporters interviewing a 104-year-old woman:

"And what do you think is the best thing about being 104?" the reporter asked. She simply replied, "No peer pressure."

## Outdoor upkeep for chilly seasons

It's hard to think about the winter without getting the blues, and soon enough most of us will be spending more time indoors as the temperature drops. Just don't forget that the changing seasons also take a toll on your home.

"The fall is an excellent time to make your home ready for the long winter ahead," said Judy Hearst, regional vice president of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage. "This is especially true when your home is on the market and critical buyers are walking through your front door." Here are three ways to prep your home for winter:

**Leafy things-** Those breezy tree-lined streets soon create the rustling leaves of fall, which can clog gutters and clutter your walkways and patios. Keep walking areas swept and collect lawn debris well before first snowfall. Leaf guards keep gutters empty

and easier to maintain.

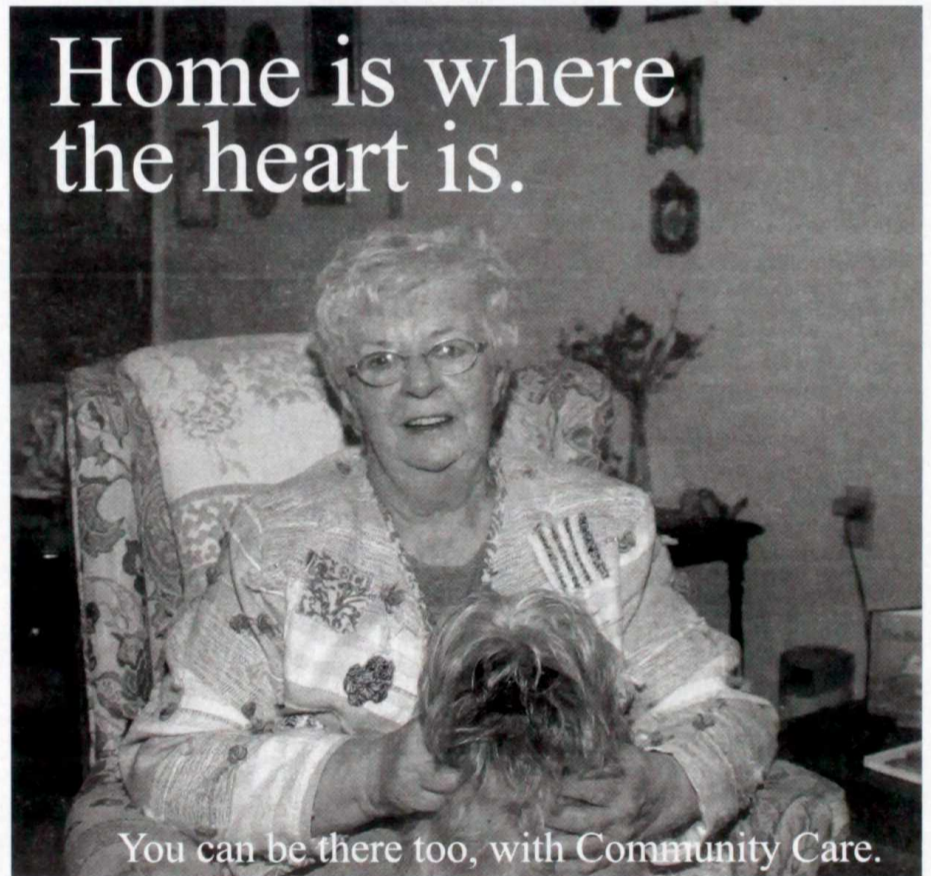
**Warm it up-** Check working fireplaces for loose mortar and debris before setting the first fires of winter. Have heating systems inspected and stock up on filters for regular changes throughout the season.

**Seal of approval-** The winter months with their snow, ice and salt do the most damage to driveways. Protect yours by caring for any cracks and holes before the freeze sets in. Also check for drafty doors or windows that allow heat to escape. Replace seals where needed.

*Just before the funeral services, the undertaker came up to the very elderly widow and asked, "How old was your husband?" "98," she replied. "Two years older than me." "So you're 96," the undertaker commented.*

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# Sterring up some history- Woodside alum goes back to school



Linda Schickert, owner of The Scrap Nook in Kewaskum assists Gene Sterr of Whitefish Bay with a scrapbook he compiled of his grade school.

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**KEWASKUM-** Gene Sterr started with a small collection of photos and his project ballooned into a small exhibit.

The 68-year-old Whitefish Bay resident was working on putting together a scrapbook of photos from the old K-8 Woodside School east of Eden. He attended there from 1947-54.

Once he learned more about the photos and people in them, he sought more, and they found him. His efforts culminated into holding a memorial service for the school in 2005 and an inches thick scrapbook of a chronological history of Woodside, with help from Linda Schickert at The Scrap Nook in Kewaskum.

"It kind of just emerged," Sterr said.

In 2003, Sterr talked with his brother and both came up with an idea to hold a memorial for the school. They sent letters to teachers and students they knew, looking for information and hoped the effort would "spider web out." They didn't know what to expect; Sterr only knew one teacher still alive. The school had closed in 1956, two years after a newly built Catholic school pulled students away.

What a web they wove. More teachers responded.

"I got to meet and know these teachers then," Sterr said. "As you can imagine it took on a different discussion."

They came with their own photos and stories.

"It took off then," Sterr

said.

Sterr got class lists, class photos, contracts and a host of other documents.

A service on May 14, 2005, at the school drew the president of the Fond du Lac Historical Society. During lunch at the Eden Community Center, photos and stories exchanged hands and mouths.

Sterr remembers 93-year-old Margaret Kellory Schmitz, who taught from 1937-42.

"I've been waiting 50 years to give these to somebody," she told him and handed over a box, "and they're now yours."

"Now what?" Sterr thought. "I've got to present it in some way or some form. I had to get these in an album."

Enter Schickert.

"He came in and asked me what he should do," she said. Schickert showed him some sample pages and suggested the type of album Sterr use. She also helped with embellishments, like decorative pencils to spice up the pages.

"Just kind of dresses it up a little," she said. "He did

a great job."

Sterr had plenty of intriguing material from past educators now in their 80s and 90s.

Kellory Schmitz mailed him a copy of a 1941 teacher's contract. She started at \$70 per month but several years into the business received a healthy salary of \$95. At \$70, she asked for a \$5 raise but the school couldn't afford it. The compromise was \$2.50.

Sterr wanted to organize the photos chronologically, and then thought, "I've got these pictures and the teachers are still alive." He asked them to write bios to go with the photos.

"And by golly, I lucked out. Every one of them wrote something," he said. Kellory Schmitz "got her Smith Corona (typewriter) out."

Woodside was originally built as a log school in 1859. A framed version was built across Highway F in 1896. It was later sold to a family that used it as a shed. Now, the site is empty land.

Sterr couldn't find any records or photos dating before 1900. His earliest

class photo is 1910, and he has a list of rules teachers followed in 1915. Teachers were not to marry or travel beyond the city limits without the permission, were not to loiter in ice cream shoppes, smoke or wear bright colors. They were to be home between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. unless attending a school function.

Sterr found he was related to some of the teachers, some of whom even boarded at his house before he lived there. He learned his grandfather served on the Woodside School Board.

Sterr grew up on a farm an eighth of a mile from school and learned the Smith family owned the property from 1858 to 1947 - it bought the land from the government - before selling it to the Sterrs.

As it turns out, two families held the nearby land from 1858 to 1957, bookending the school's run from 1859 to 1956.

"That's incredible," Sterr said. "None of this I knew until I started researching

it."

Sterr found information on families in the area as well. The Odekirks came from Holland to the United States in the 1600s, settling in the New York valley area. In the 1850s, they migrated to Wisconsin. Descendants of the family still live on the same land, Sterr said.

The second oldest of five children, Sterr's family moved to Highway 67 near Ashford when he was 16, which triggered his curiosity all the more 50 years later.

"The lure, too," he said, "was I never lived there as an adult."

Now retired, Sterr worked in job service and as a parole/probation officer for a combined 33 years. He has a plan for his latest passion.

"My intent now is to turn this over to the Fond du Lac Historical Society at some point," he said. "This needs to be part of something public."

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## A Look at Life

ROCHELLE PENNINGTON

# A glimpse of autumn from the summit of 'Miracle Hill'

I came across Chief Kewaskum's name recently in a most unusual place—on a wall of historical information at Holy Hill Basilica. The leader's name was paired with that of Chief Monches.

Apparently, before being established as a place of meditation, worship, reflection, and renewal for Christians, this "beautiful hill wonder" was also recognized as a sacred place to the Pottawatomie and Menomonee Indian tribes who inhabited the area prior. I was interested in this layer of history that I had been previously unaware of, and also interested in a story told by the two great chiefs of a "black robe" placing a cross on the hill's summit in the 1600s. (Some believe this black-robed figure was Father Marquette, namesake of Marquette University in Milwaukee.)

Annually, I make a personal pilgrimage to Holy Hill. I was not raised in the Catholic tradition; I come here simply to honor those in my extended family who were.

800,000 visitors from around the world make their way up to the crest each year. A large sign posted near the entrance declares: "Holy Hill is the highest point in southeastern Wisconsin, a landmark of the Midwest, and home to one of the most popular attractions for visitors to Wisconsin each year."

A yellowed newspaper clipping dated July 14, 1916, taken from *The Milwaukee Journal*, reported on the "great beauty of the hill" and described it as "one of nature's chosen spots, worthy of going many miles to see." The article continued, saying,

"The Carmelite Fathers, the only inhabitants of the hill, are also a pleasant group to meet, and are always pleased to have their place of worship visited by strangers, regardless of what their religious beliefs may be."

The Carmelite friars who dwell within the peak's monastery a century ago welcomed all, and their hospitality continues to this day. The present friars, in their sandaled feet and brown, hooded tunics, have likewise dedicated their lives to the care of this place, and also to disciplined prayer, contemplation, orderliness, and simplicity. Oftentimes, visitors are able to see the devout friars walking quietly on the trails that meander through the 400 wooded acres surrounding the cathedral. (The trails are open to the public. A portion of the Ice Age Trail also passes through the property.)

Three majestic steeples crown the cathedral rooftop at the heart of the acreage. The spires soar high above the countryside, rising into the forever sky "as if to kiss the heavens above," as picturesquely reported by the *Harford Times* on August 15, 1925. (Several structures, including the original 16' x 16' log cabin church erected in the mid-1800s, preceded the present-day building.)

The interior of Holy Hill Basilica, quite simply, is an artistic masterpiece. At the center of the main sanctuary rises the altar which weighs more than 80,000 pounds. A mosaic above the altar, designed by mastercraftsmen in Germany, contains 90,000 pieces of glass and ceramic, and portrays the court of heaven. The intricate work is

noticeably exquisite to those who have an opportunity to take a closer look.

Marble was used generously throughout the chapel including Botticino and Carrara marble, as well as ivory-colored Tavernelle, pink Kasota, and red-veined Verona.

Pews are hand-carved, and the stained-glass windows are yet another example of German artistry, having been created in Munich, Bavaria. The windows are pictorial depictions of gospel stories, reminiscent of a time when worshippers and peasants didn't know how to read and thus looked to stained-glass windows as a means to learn.

There is "something" about this sanctuary atop the mount that draws visitors from around the world who come here to pray, or simply to see it. And there are those who come for healing. Crutches, leg braces, and canes left behind attest to the power of this place. They

bear silent witness to the miracles that happened here and are an affirmation of the people who left walking. People pause and stare at the discarded crutches lined up along the wall, especially those left by children. Some murmur among themselves in wonder. Some are silent. What is there to say? Yes, there is something here that reaches out to you from somewhere else. One can sense it.

Stories of healing date back over a century. The earliest accounts were published in the book "Miracle Hill" written by W. A. Armstrong in 1889. Another title, "Holy Hill—History and Legends," written by J. M. LeCount, followed two years later in 1891.

The only "miracle" I've experienced here is the feeling that enters my soul when I climb upward into Scenic Tower, located inside one of the steeples. Climbers are able to rise a total of 178 steps, nearly twenty stories from the tower's base. A commanding stretch of fields and forests unfolds forth from this elevation.

To look upon the hills of my homeland at this unparalleled height is always memorable. I am awed by the sight of the countryside outside the cathedral, a sight which has nothing to do with the labor of human hands. The view is one of the most breathtaking panoramas in the entire state, and when I say "breathtaking," I mean exactly that.

The steps in the tower are

steep and narrow, zigzagging higher. Platforms separate each level until you reach the final flight of stairs which coils around and around. Climbers are protected from the elements of nature only initially while they are inside the tower. As progression is made upward, the decorative openings which are cut into the steeple are no longer covered with glass, and the wind blows through. You can expect your ascent toward the tip top of the spire to get a bit unnerving when the hair on your head starts to move. You can also expect your knuckles to turn white—and maybe the rest of you, too—as you grip the rails tightly. (At least this has been my experience.) If you have a fear of heights, this is not the place for you, and I would suggest that you enjoy the loveliness of the landscape from level three outside the cathedral doors instead (accessible by elevator) where the view is still completely spectacular.

Holy Hill. If there is a better place to glimpse a magnificent expanse of autumn color before it "leaves" us, I haven't found it.

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# Beautiful Christmas memories recalled



Roger and Irma Reindl share this Christmas photo.

By Judy Harlow  
Statesman Correspondent

Even in good economic years, Christmases remembered by several of Kewaskum's well known seniors centered around family times and the one or two gifts they received, including many that were handmade.

For Roger Reindl, one of his fondest holiday memories growing up on a farm southwest of the village was the one when he received a new pair of shoe skates.

"We didn't have a lake or a river," Reindl began, explaining how water formed a pond in a small swampy area behind the family's home.

"When that happened, we had a skating pond," Reindl went on, noting, "The only skates we had were clamp-on skates" which were attached to his shoes and sometimes would wear a hole in his shoes, much to the chagrin of his father.

"One year I wished I would get a pair of shoe skates," Reindl said, indicating his hopes were high even though it was the depression.

When Reindl came down the steps Christmas morning, he quickly glanced at the packages under the tree but he didn't see any boxes that were large enough to contain a pair of skates. While he was disappointed, he didn't want to show it.

Then his dad told him to look in another spot, and there they were!

"That was the best present I got ... and boy did I skate," Reindl said, figuring the year was around 1933 or 34, when he was eight or

nine.

Irma Reindl, a native of Waushara County before coming to Kewaskum to teach and make a home with Roger, recalls the excitement and joy of Christmas despite the difficult conditions her family experienced.

"It was the age when you didn't put up the tree until the kids were all in bed (on Christmas Eve)," Irma said, relaying how her family struggled to make ends meet, sometimes trading eggs to the store owner for a bag of flour.

"When I got anything, I appreciated it. We were just happy with anything," she went on, recalling how her dad made trips to town and would bring back a bag of candy which was shared by her four brothers, her sister and herself.

"I never regretted it (growing up in tough times). I've always been glad I had wonderful parents ... my mother was devoted to the Christian life," Irma Reindl said. "She was the most Christian woman I knew."

Christmases in her youth remain as fond memories, and when she was a second grade teacher at Holy Trinity School, in Kewaskum, she had a tradition which became a Christmas memory for others.

Taking flat stones she had gathered on a Lake Michigan beach, Reindl would create a path on the window sill of her classroom. The path was laid out at the start of Advent, then each day one child in the class would get to move the statues of Joseph and Mary, riding on the donkey, closer to the manger.

This daily activity took

place following the afternoon prayers, and Reindl said, "I would pick a child who was extra special that day... who would show kindness to others... They would get to move the statues a distance."

And how did the children react to the tradition? "The children were quiet. They'd wonder who was going to be chosen that day," Reindl said. "By Christmas, we'd be to the end, and usually we had a little program with the first graders in the school."

Lucinda Lecher, a resident of Kettle Moraine Gardens in Kewaskum was born and raised in Johnsburg, near Fond du Lac and her Christmas memories are centered around her family going to midnight mass, the love and generosity of her grandmother and a special gift her brother gave her one year.

Lecher lost both parents early in her life, and after their deaths was raised by her grandmother, who was already a widow.

"There were five of us," Lecher said, noting most of their Christmas gifts were clothes made by her grandmother. "There was a special aunt, too, who

lived in Illinois. She always sent us special gifts, mostly clothes," Lecher said.

"We had midnight mass (at St. John's Church) on Christmas Eve, and after mass we went home and had a big breakfast," Lecher said. "We always had wet kutchens, pork sausage, always pork sausage and homemade rolls."

Lecher's grandmother's cookies were always special. "She frosted the molasses cookies. I remember them as well as the sugar cookies," Lecher said.

Another Christmas tradition was being able to light the candles on the tree, only while they were eating.

One of her most memorable gifts was a nativity crib her brother Alex made for her. "He went to the store and got some straw for the roof," Lecher said. "I still have it. I'll never part with

that. There was a little Baby Jesus in it. I don't know where he got it."

Alex and Lecher's other brothers were passed away, but she and her sister can still talk about old times. "My sister .. she's still Sr. Agnes at the convent in Campbell-sport," Lecher said.

*The Statesman Weekly Newspaper will be putting together several Christmas editions and would love to have photos and stories about your favorite Christmas memory. Please mail submissions to: The Statesman, PO Box 98, Kewaskum, WI 53040 or email to: newstips@kewaskum-statesman.com*

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21537-306-621	The Exploding Scrapbook	11/10	11/10	T	1:00	4:00	\$21.50	\$12.75	
21800-306-622	Card Making	10/21	10/21	W	9:00	12:00	\$21.50	\$12.75	
21488-815-630	Advanced Watercolor	10/24	11/4	S	10:00	12:30	\$39.00	\$21.50	
21485-807-613	Ballroom Dancing 2	10/28	11/18	W	6:00	8:00	\$39.00	\$21.50	
21481-301-600	Quilting Techniques	10/31	11/21	S	9:00	12:00	\$56.50	\$30.25	
21513-306-623	Digital Scrapbooking	11/2	11/9	M	6:00	8:30	\$30.25	\$17.13	
21593-306-626	The Ultimate Paper Craft Workshop	11/4	11/11	W	1:00	3:30	\$30.25	\$17.13	
21801-306-622	Card Making	11/18	11/18	W	9:00	12:30	\$21.50	\$12.75	
<b>Languages</b>									
21475-802-465	Spanish, Beginning - Part 2	10/28	12/9	W	6:00	9:00	\$59.77	\$4.00	
21473-802-430	German, Intermediate	11/2	12/14	M	6:00	9:00	\$59.77	\$4.00	
<b>JACKSON CENTER classes held at Living Word High School, 2230 Living Word Ln., Jackson</b>									
21654-815-602	Beginning Ceramics	10/28	11/11	W	3:30	5:30	\$30.25	\$17.13	
21795-815-603	Fused Glass Ornaments	12/5	12/5	S	8:00	12:00	\$21.50	\$12.75	
21797-815-603	Fused Glass Ornaments	12/9	12/16	W	3:30	5:30	\$21.50	\$12.75	
<b>HARTFORD REGIONAL CENTER classes held at Hartford High School, 805 Cedar Street, Hartford</b>									
<b>Computers</b>									
21615-103-499	Mail Merge Office 2007	10/29	10/29	R	6:00	10:00	\$14.14	\$4.00	
21775-103-490	Computer Basics for Beginners 3	11/3	11/24	T	3:30	5:45	\$29.35	\$4.00	
21514-103-482	MS Word - 9 hours	11/4	11/18	W	6:00	9:00	\$29.35	\$4.00	
21516-103-489	Open Office Basics	11/5	11/19	R	3:30	6:30	\$29.35	\$4.00	
21777-103-491	Computer Basics for Beginners 4	12/1	12/22	T	3:30	5:45	\$29.35	\$4.00	
21515-103-453	MS Excel	12/2	12/16	W	6:00	9:00	\$29.35	\$4.00	
<b>Foods</b>									
21527-303-691	Holiday Foods with Filo Dough	10/27	10/27	T	5:30	9:30	\$21.73	\$10.86	
21519-303-668	Kids in the Kitchen	11/2	11/2	M	5:00	7:00	\$12.75	\$8.38	
21520-303-681	Cooking to Impress: Continental	11/3	11/3	T	5:30	9:30	\$21.73	\$10.86	
21521-303-621	Holiday Appetizers	11/18	11/18	W	5:30	9:30	\$21.73	\$10.86	
21528-303-661	Holiday Cookies	12/5	12/5	S	7:30	11:30	\$21.73	\$10.86	
21529-303-661	Holiday Cookies	12/7	12/7	M	5:00	9:00	\$21.73	\$10.86	
21530-303-621	Holiday Appetizers	12/9	12/9	W	5:30	9:30	\$21.73	\$10.86	
<b>Crafts</b>									
21633-306-626	The Ultimate Paper Craft Workshop	11/4	11/11	W	6:00	8:30	\$30.25	\$17.13	
21630-306-623	Digital Scrapbooking	12/2	12/9	W	6:00	8:30	\$30.25	\$17.13	
<b>Communication Skills</b>									
21629-801-609	Creative Writing - Poetry	10/14	11/18	W	3:00	5:00	\$56.50	\$30.25	

# Senior Citizens Activities Incorporated: Seniors needed!



Senior Citizen Activities Center board member and treasurer Anne Koppelberger, left, sits next to new Director Kathy Breuer at the center at 401 E. Washington St. The center is going through a strategic planning process and hopes to improve marketing.

Savvy Seniors photo: Mitch Maersch | mitch@kewaskumstatesman.com

**By Mitch Maersch**  
For Statesman Publications

**WEST BEND-** West Bend Senior Center – heard of it?

How about Washington County Senior Center? Been there?

No, you actually haven't.

Neither exists.

That small building at 401 E. Washington St. in between the Samaritan Health Center and county Public Access Center is actually called Senior Citizens Activities Inc.

There's one reason the center is going through a strategic planning process to better serve area seniors 55 and older.

Step one is marketing, namely eliminating the public misconception the center is run by city or county government.

Washington County does own the building and pays for utilities like electric and water, but the county's involvement and expense stops there. It's not tied in with the county's Office on Aging, though a portion of that office was housed there until about a decade ago. It's not affiliated with The Samaritan or The Fields, though some residents come for activities.

The center is run by a nonprofit organization that raises its own money for activities and services for its participants.

"A major portion of our funding comes from the United Way," said Anne Koppelberger, board member and treasurer. The rest comes from private donors and fees.

"We run on a shoestring

(budget)," Koppelberger said.

The center has about 400 regular participants who hail mostly from Washington County, including Hartford and Richfield, and from Saukville, Campbellsport, Cedarburg and Menomonee Falls. Average participant age has fallen from the 80s to the 70s in the past several years.

The center has no

annual membership fee – "we're one of the only senior centers that don't," said Director Kathy Breuer.

That, however, may change in time as the board continues its strategic planning process, Koppelberger said. A membership fee could include discounts to activities and perhaps more through partnerships with businesses.

As it is, the fees don't bring in much cash. Playing cards – sheephead is the favorite – and classes like dancing and senior aerobics cost 50 cents per session. A knitting and crocheting class cost \$6, which came to \$1 per session, and an autobiography class ran \$15.

Receiving the monthly newsletter costs \$7.50. Koppelberger compiles most of it. Other services like foot care costs \$20 per appointment, available once per month. An upper body massage costs \$7 available twice monthly.

A nurse comes in once a month to answer questions, take blood pressure and discuss medications for free.

The center is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and for separately scheduled events, like the ever popular Wednesday night sheephead game.

Breuer is the only full-time paid staff. A part-time secretary rounds out the payroll.

"We have wonderful volunteers," Breuer said. Eight combine to staff the reception desk all hours of operation.

Who uses the center is another misconception. It's not specifically designed for indigents or handicapped. Anyone may come.

"We're for everybody," Koppelberger said.

The center is home to the county's Meals on Wheels program, but doesn't run it. Participants may pick up their meals or eat them at the center, but they make a reservation.

Beyond staples like cards and exercise classes, the center holds special events throughout the year. The Fourth of July celebration on the nearby hill includes a brat fry, music, raffle and more.

The center runs an annual Déjà vu style show and Luncheon at Janssen Family Park, and a family western day including line and square dancing, children's activities and food.

The center has a pool table downstairs, computers – it holds classes - a small kitchen and TV. It is trying to raise funds to buy a Nintendo Wii and would like to start a pool league to try to draw some of the younger crowd.

Koppelberger said the

Please see **Seniors, Page 9**

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# Kewaskum XYZ Club looking for members



Officers for The Kewaskum XYZ Club are from left to right Reiny Follman, Eileen Petri, Athleen Butzke, Delbert Petermann and Teresa Peterson.

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The XYZ Club of Kewaskum was founded in 1967 and are always accepting new members. Membership is easy, just stop in for cards!

The group has been gathering for pot-luck dinners, outings and an annual Christmas party. The group gathers weekly for cards every Wednesday morning in the Kewaskum Municipal Building Annex from 8:15 - 11:15 a.m.

Each week members donate 50¢ to

help defray the costs of rent, parties and memorials. Members also pay dues of \$3 per year. They currently have a total of 47 members.

Officers for the group are Arthur Butzke, President; Del Petermann, Vice President; Reiny Follman, Treasurer; and Eileen Petri Secretary.

For more information on the group contact Athleen Butzke, 626-2094.

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*There was a moment of silence before the senior lady replied,*

*"I'm wondering, then, just how serious is my condition because this prescription is marked 'NO REFILLS.'"*

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## Senior Citizens Inc

center would like to eventually try an outreach program to places like senior apartment complexes for those who can't drive or afford taxi fare, or who are just too afraid to come.

"We're aware there are people out there who are lonely and depressed," she said.

The plan would be to do some on-site activities and slowly encourage people to come to the center and meet new friends at their own pace. The center does not have its own vehicle but it has volunteer drivers using their own cars.

For more information, call the center at 335-4498. The home has a Web site

that Koppelberger said is going to be redesigned. The current address is <http://www.visitwashingtoncountyseiorcenter.com>.

*Some people try to turn back their odometers. Not me, I want people to know "why" I look this way. I've traveled a long way and some of the roads weren't paved.*

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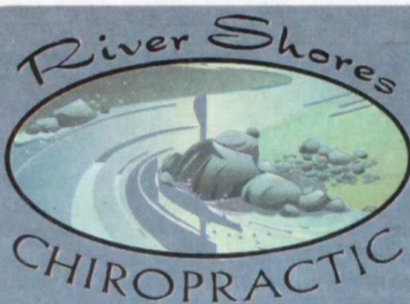


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# FALL INTO THESE EVENTS

## October

23 - Free YMCA Friday Night Family Night - Halloween at the YMCA from 6 to 8 pm at the Kettle Moraine YMCA at the West Washington location in West Bend. Family nights are free to the public. You are invited to use any part of the facility that is not being used for programming. Remember to bring your swim suit. There will also be bounce houses set up outside, weather permitting or in the gyms. Children 17 and under must be accompanied by an adult. (262) 247-1025.

23-24 & 30-31 - Haunted Carriage House at the Galloway House and Village, 336 Old Pioneer Rd., Fond du Lac from 7 to 9 pm. Wind through the village in the dark of night for a fright at the Haunted Carriage House. Recommended for teens and adults. Admission \$5. (920) 922-0991.

24 - Climb a Kame Exploring Nature Program - 9:30 to 11 am at the Ice Age Visitor Center, located off Hwy. 67, 1/2 mile west of Dundee in the Northern Kettle Moraine State Forest. Join in the fun at Dundee Mountain is climbed to gain a better understanding of how the glaciers created kames, eskers, moraines, kettles and outwash plains. The trail is one and a half miles long and it does require hiking up and down a steep hill. Meet at the Ice Age Visitor Center and then car pool the three miles to the Summit Trail on Dundee Mountain. This adventure is for people over the age of eight years. (920) 533-8322.

24 - Fall Fair to Remember Art and Craft Fair at the Washington County Fair Park Pavilion, 3000 Hwy. PV, West Bend from 9 am to 4 pm. Over 150 exhibitors from around the state will be set up. Admission \$2. (262) 692-9488.

24 - Straighten Up and Fly Right! A Tribute to Nat King Cole at 2 pm at the Schauer Art and Activities Center, 147 N. Rural St., Hartford. From Mona Lisa to Unforgettable, you'll be treated to a full spectrum of Cole's signature sound. (262) 670-0560.

24 & 31 - Wade House Hearthside Dinner - Enjoy a wonderful hearth-cooked meal, prepared with your own hands, in the famous Wade House stagecoach inn. This participatory event culminates in a delicious sit-down meal in the lovely Wade House dining room. Event held from 11 am to 3 pm. Call for reservations. (920) 526-3271.

24-25 - Fall Show and Swap - Wisconsin Bird and Game Breeders Association at the Fond du Lac County Fairgrounds, Hwy. 45 South, Fond du Lac. Saturday 6:30 am to 4 pm; Sunday 6:30 am to Noon. Annual fall swap and show of gamebirds, poultry, waterfowl and small animals. Sellers must have paperwork on birds and animals. Saturday night awards banquet will be held. Admission \$3. (920) 685-6553.

25 - Sixth Annual Jackson Ghouls Gala - 2 to 4:30 pm pre-trick or treat at the Town Hall and 5 to 7 pm Trick or Treat in the Village of Jackson. (262) 677-9665.

28 - Free lecture at the University of Wisconsin-Washington County from 7 to 9 pm. Sports Lecture: Mental Skills to Improve Your Sport, Learn how winning attitudes and mental training can improve your sport and life. Lecture presented by Dr. Celine McNelis Kline, Psychology Dept., UW-Marathon County. (262) 335-5233.

29 - Halloween Caper in Campbellsport elementary school - Great fall food, crafts, games, costume contest, haunted gym, hayrides and more! Family Halloween event from 5 to 9 pm. Halloween

spooky movies from 8 to 9 pm.

30 - Berliner Cappella Choir performing at 7:30 pm at UW-Washington County, 400 University Dr., West Bend. The Berliner Cappella Choir from Berlin, Germany, is conducted by Kerstin Behnke. Founded more than 40 years ago, the choir performs a variety of music in both German and English. Adults \$12; Seniors/Youth \$9. (262) 335-5208.

30 - Haunted Woods and Enchanted Pumpkin Patch from 4 to 8 pm at Villa Loretto, N8114 Calvary St., Mt. Calvary, located 13 miles northeast of Fond du Lac. Haunted woods for older children and Enchanted Pumpkin Patch for younger. Games, food and beverages. \$1 admission. (920) 753-3211.

30-11/1 - Take a Kid Hunting at Washington County Fair Park, 3000 Hwy. PV, West Bend. Friday 5 to 9 pm; Saturday 9 am to 5 pm and Sunday 9 am to 3 pm. (608) 752-6677.

31 Monster March - in Downtown Fond du Lac from 1:30 to 3 pm. Free admission. Downtown hosts a free trick-or-treat day for kids in costume. March up and down Main Street and trick or treat at participating businesses. (920) 921-9500.

31 - Olde Tyme Halloween Village and Haunted Carriage House - At the Galloway House and Village, 336 Old Pioneer Rd., Fond du Lac from 5 to 7 pm. Haunted Carriage House until 9 pm. Trick or treat in a unique historic atmosphere. Costume contest (including adults), pumpkin painting, make and take craft, and wagon rides. Haunted area for youngsters until 6:30 pm. Teens and adults haunted area from 5 to 6:30 pm All activities included in \$5 admission. (920) 922-0991.

31 - Halloween Dinner and Ghost Stories by Candlelight at the Historic Octagon House, 276 Linden St., Fond du Lac. Beginning at 6 pm... let's talk ghosts. For an added treat dress up in Halloween costumes. Reservations required. The \$45 tickets may be purchased with a major credit card. (920) 922-1608.

31 - West Bend Spooktacular from 1 to 3 pm in Regner Park, 900 N. Main St., West Bend. Perfect start to Halloween festivities, Spooktacular is a Halloween special for children four to seven-years-old. Includes storytelling, costume contest, treats, drinks, goody bags, photo ops, pre-registration is required. (262) 335-5080.

## November

1 - Free YMCA Sunday Afternoon Family Time from 2:30 to 4:30 pm at the Kettle Moraine YMCA, West Washington St. West Bend. Community participants and members are welcome to join in free of charge for a FREE afternoon of family togetherness. Bounce house will be set up in one of the gyms. Children 17 and under must be accompanied by an adult. (262) 247-1025.

3 - All-You-Can-Eat Chili Supper from 4 to 8 pm at Resurrection Catholic Parish, 215 Main St., Allenton. Chili, bread, cheese, crackers, beverage and dessert. (262) 483-8553.

4, 11, 18 & 25 - Windhover Wednesday - Free admission from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. Enjoy some of the area's finest music and great cuisine served up by Fond du Lac. Lunch specials include fresh sandwiches, salads, desserts, coffee/tea, wine and other refreshments. Great midweek break or get together with friends. (920) 921-5410.

4-1/3/10 - World of Wonder: Armin O. Hansen's Festive Float Designs being presented at the Museum of Wisconsin Art, 300 S. Sixth Ave.,

West Bend. Monday-Saturday 10:30 am to 4:30 pm, Sunday 1 to 4 pm. (262) 334-9638,

6 - Hop Away Rabbit Nature Storytime - 9:30 to 10:30 am at the Ice Age Visitor Center, located off Hwy. 67, 1/2 mile west of Dundee in the Northern Kettle Moraine State Forest. A fox is coming! Hop away rabbit, hop away home! The world of rabbits will be investigated as three to six-year-old children and grandchildren, with an accompanying adult, learn how the rabbit lives in the wild. (920) 533-8322.

6 - Caravan Gypsy Swing Ensemble beginning at 8 pm at the Schauer Arts and Activities Center, 127 Rural St., Hartford. (262) 670-0560.

7 - From 9 am to 3 pm at the Fond du Lac County Fairgrounds Rec Building, Hwy. 45 South, Fond du Lac. A quality show featuring unique handmade gifts and home decorating ideas. Adults 1, under 10 free with parent. (920) 906-6663.

7 - 18th Annual Country Quilt Show from 8:30 am to 4 pm at the Slinger Middle School, 521 Olympic Dr., Slinger. Viewers choice show of 200+ quilts and fiber art items - antique quilt bed peel, silent auction, door prizes, country store, vendor marketplace, luncheon. (262) 644-5210.

7 - Wade House Hearthside Dinner - Enjoy a wonderful hearth-cooked meal, prepared with your own hands, in the famous Wade House Stagecoach Inn. This participatory event culminates in a delicious sit-down meal in the lovely Wade House dining room. Event held from 11 am to 3 pm. Call for reservations. (920) 526-3271.

12 - An Evening with Nature - Creating Winter Wreaths from 1 to 3 pm and again at 6:30 to 9 pm at the Ice Age Visitor Center, located off Hwy. 67, 1/2 mile west of Dundee in the Northern Kettle Moraine State Forest. Presenter Jackie Scharfenberg, Forest Naturalist, using a variety of natural materials, will teach you how to create two beautiful wreaths that will enhance your home's winter decor. To register, call the Ice Age Visitor Center at (920) 533-8322 by November 7. This program is best for adults and youth over the age of 12 years.

12-14 - The Spitfire Grill Fall Musical beginning at 7:30 pm at UW-Washington County Campus Theater, 400 University Dr., West Bend. The Spitfire Grill is the story of Percy Talbott, recently released from prison, who makes her new home in rural Wisconsin (a town so small they roll the streets up at night). Percy starts working at the ramshackle Spitfire Grill as a waitress and the town gossip begins. Slowly through a series of events, the people come to trust and love her. Adults \$12; Seniors/Youth \$9. (262) 335-5208.

14 - Whoooo Goes There? Owls Exploring Nature Program - 9:30 to 11 am, at the Ice Age Visitor Center, located off of Hwy. 67, 1/2 mile west of Dundee in the Northern Kettle Moraine State Forest. On silent wings, owls fly through the night! Join in to investigate how owls are adapted to be such terrific nighttime hunters. This program is best for families/groups with children between the ages of five and 12 years old. (920) 533-8322.

14 - Hartford Christmas Parade at 3 pm in the downtown Hartford business district. Floats, bands, Santa train of the tracks. (262) 673-7193.

14 - Great Hartford Craft Exposition from 9 am to 3 pm at the Hartford Women's Club, 805 Cedar Street, Hartford. 110 exhibitors kick off the holiday season. Live music, held in conjunction with the Lions Pancake Day. expo@hartfordwomensclub.org

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# FALL INTO THESE EVENTS

## November

14 - Model Horse Show from 7 am to 3 pm at the Fond du Lac County Fairgrounds, Cow Palace, Hwy. 45 South, Fond du Lac. Free admission to buy, sell, show model horses. Booth fee.

15 - Cathedral Concert at 4 pm at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul, 51 W. Division St., Fond du Lac with Fond du Lac Symphonic Band. Free admission. (920) 907-7678.

20 - Free YMCA Friday Night Family Night - Thanksgiving at the YMCA from 6 to 8 pm at the Kettle Moraine YMCA, West Washington Street, West Bend. Come to the YMCA and join in on the Turkey Hunt! Hunt quietly, you don't want to scare the turkeys! YMCA Family Nights are free to the public. You are invited to use any part of the facility that is not being used for programming. Remember to bring your swimming suit! Children 17 and under must be accompanied by an adult. (262) 247-1025.

20 - Stocking Up for Winter Nature Storytime from 9:30 to 10:30 am at the Ice Age Visitor Center, located off of Hwy. 67, 1/2 mile west of Dundee in the Northern Kettle Moraine State Forest. This hour of nature fun awaits three-to-six-year-old children and grandchildren with an accompanying adult. (920) 533-8322.

21 - Peace Church Holiday Bazaar from 9 am to 4 pm at Peace United Church of Christ, 343 First St., Kewaskum. Lunch served from 10 am to 1 pm. Holiday crafts and gifts, homemade desserts and bakery, Granny's attic treasures. (262) 626-4011.

21 - Holiday Marketplace from 9 am to 4 pm at Washington County Fair Park, 3000 Hwy. PV, West Bend. A festive marketplace, arts, crafts and gifts for the holidays. (262) 334-2402.

21 - Sigma Holiday House from 9 am to 3 pm at the Fond du Lac County Fairgrounds, Hwy. 45 South, Fond du Lac. Showcasing over 60 juried artisans offering a variety of collectibles, gifts and original crafts. \$5 admission.

22 - Washington County Youth Orchestra Concert at the University of Wisconsin-Washington County Campus Theater, 400 University Dr., West Bend, from 3 to 4 pm. Directed by Dr. Daniel Ackley. (262) 335-5259.

29 (Sunday) - West Bend Christmas Parade - Parade begins at 5 pm along West Bend Downtown Main Street. Floats, bands, live reindeer and Santa. (262) 338-3909.

## December

1 - January 4 (Nightly) - Lakeside Park Holiday Lights - At dusk until 11 pm at Lakeside Park, north end of Main Street and Park Avenue in Fond du Lac. Free admission to thousands of lights decorating the 400 acre park including Rudolph at the top of the lighthouse.

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4-6 & 11-13 & 27 - Christmas at Galloway House, 336 Old Pioneer Rd., Fond du Lac. Friday and Saturdays 5 to 8 pm; Sundays 1-4 pm. 'Twas the Night before Christmas themed, decorated Victorian mansion. Entertainment, refreshments, children receive a free candy treat if they can find "Chief" the dog. Blakely Museum also open. \$5 adults; \$4 children 5-17 and four and under are free. (920) 922-0991.

5 - Can't Depend on Snow - 9 am at Rolling Meadows Golf Course, 560 W. Rolling Meadows Dr., Fond du Lac. Free admission to sled dog races and weight pulls, pet and owner pictures with Santa, Siberian Husky Toss (stuffed animals), Animal Massage Therapy, Human Freight Rae and Celebrity Human Sled Race.

5-6 - A Wade House Christmas in Greenbush, 18 miles east of Fond du Lac on Hwy. 23 from 10 am to 5 pm Yankee and German traditions of the season, hands-on activities for young and old, colorful stories and horse-drawn wagon rides. Adults \$11; Seniors (65 and older) \$9.25 and children (5-17), family rate (up to two adults and dependent children under age 18) \$30. (920) 526-3271.

6 - Christmas in Kewaskum parade beginning at 5 pm. Parade will begin at high school and travel south on Parkview, west on Main Street. Come early, food and refreshments are available. Tree lighting and carols at Community Room on Fond du Lac Avenue follows parade. (262) 626-3336.

6 - Free YMCA Sunday Afternoon Family Time from 2:30 to 4:30 pm at the Kettle Moraine YMCA West Washington Street location in West Bend. Community participants and members are welcome to join in free of charge for an afternoon of family togetherness. Bounce house will be set up in one of the gyms. Children 17 and under must be accompanied with an adult. (262) 247-1025.

6 - Concert at the University of Wisconsin-Washington County Campus Theatre, 400 University Dr., West Bend, from 3 to 4 pm The Moraine Symphonic Band Holiday Concert will be directed by Dr. Daniel Ackley. (262) 335-5259.

6 - Christmas in Dheinsville - Germantown Historical Society Dheinsville Settlement, Hwy. 145 and Maple Road and Holy Hill Road. (262) 628-3170.

10 - An Evening with Nature Program to be determined from 7 to 8:30 pm at the Ice Age Visitor located off Hwy. 67, 1/2 mile west of Dundee in the Northern Kettle Moraine Forest. This program will be most appropriate for adults and youth over 12 years of age. (920) 533-8322.

12 - Nature Crafts Exploring Nature Program from 9:30 to 11:30 am at the Ice Age Visitor Center located off Hwy. 67, 1/2 mile west of Dundee in the Northern Kettle Moraine State Forest. Let your creativity flow!! Using supplies found in nature, you will create a variety of crafts including flower magnets, nature candles, and evergreen

wrapping paper. To ensure plenty of supplies, call the Ice Age Center at (920) 533-8322 by December 10. This program is best for families/groups with children between the ages of six and 12 years old.

12 - Winter Fun Run - At 8 am at the Hartford Parks and Recreation, 125 N. Rural Dr., Hartford. For serious runners who may be going through race withdrawals during the winter months and for not so serious but would like to run with others in an organized fun event. (262) 673-8226.

12 - Washington County Historical Home Tour - The Hartford Community - noon until 3 pm; tour 6 to 8 pm. Historic Hartford homes decorated in the holiday tradition. Shuttle buses and guided tours of each home. Tickets are available at the Schauer Arts and Activities Center. (262) 670-0560.

12-13 - Live Christmas Nativity at Villa Loretto, N8114 Calvary St., Mr. Calvary, 13 miles northeast of Fond du Lac. Play begins at 5 pm. Adults \$12, children 4-12 \$7, three and under are free. Short play using live animals in a heated barn with costumed actors and choir music. Soup, sandwich meal with desserts served in main building with Christmas crafts and bake sale. (920) 753-3211.

13 - Moraine Chorus Winter Concert - At 2 pm at UW-Washington County Campus Theater, 400 S. University Dr., West Bend. Directed by Dr. Peter Gibeau. Free admission. (262) 335-5200.

18 - Look, Look Again! Nature Storytime from 9:30 to 10:30 am at the Ice Age Visitor Center, located off Hwy. 67, 1/2 mile west of Dundee in the Northern Kettle Moraine State Forest. Sometimes it takes a double look to see an animal standing right in front of you. Uncover how creatures of all kinds use camouflage to survive. This hour of nature fun awaits children and grandchildren three to six years-old and an accompanying adult. (920) 533-8322.

18 - Winter Solstice Night Hike from 7 to 8:30 pm at the Zillmer Trails located off of Hwy. SS between Hwy. G and Hwy. 67 near New Prospect in the Northern Kettle Moraine State Forest. Gather around the fire as some traditions are shared of the longest night of the year, December 21. You will then travel through the dark woods to discover what animals are awake and braving the cold of a winter night. This program is best for families with children or grandchildren over the age of six years.

26 - Holiday Dinner and Tour at the Historic Octagon House, 276 Linden Street, Fond du Lac at 6 pm \$45, reservations required. Enjoy a five course meal by candlelight served in the house dining rooms. Following the meal, explore this Civil War home by candlelight, escape through secret passageways and the underground tunnel. Featured on the History Channel's "Secret Passages." Victorian costumes are available on site for the dinner and tour. Allow an hour before dining to select your attire and an additional \$25 per person for rental of your ensemble. Tickets may be purchased with a major credit card. (920) 922-1608.

31 - Big Cheese Drop - Only in Plymouth, Wisconsin will you be able to ring in the New Year in conjunction with a big cheese drop at 12 midnight. Refreshments will be available at the Plymouth Art Center. (920) 892-8409.

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## Wisconsin Scenic Byway: State Highway 60

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the uber-artsy community of Spring Green, where travelers will find the sprawling estate of America's most famous architect, Frank Lloyd Wright. Wright's Taliesin (<http://www.taliesinpreservation.org>, 1-877-588-7900), a national historic landmark, is often called his "self-portrait." The site of several fires (including one during which his mistress and several others were murdered), Taliesin was continuously rebuilt and expanded by Wright well into his final years. Tours of Taliesin and several other estate buildings are available throughout the fall and fill up fast. Call 1-877-588-7900 to book your tour in advance.

Just down the road from Taliesin is the equally and weirdly fascinating attraction known as House on the Rock (<http://www.thehouseontherock.com/>, 608/935-3639), built by the eccentric Alex Jordan. The Japanese-style home is both an architectural attraction and a museum of strange and seemingly unrelated collections. The house's 218-foot suspended "Infinity Room" is particularly spectacular in the fall, when the trees of the Wyoming Valley ablaze in fall color lie 165 feet below the room's glass floor. House on the Rock offers several self-guided tours which take guests past displays of antique weapons, dolls and dollhouses, a million-piece miniature circus, the world's largest

indoor carousel and even a room in which a 200-foot sea creature battles a giant squid and a whaling boat.

Spring Green is also notable for the American Players Theater (<http://www.playinthewoods.org>, 608/588-7401). A nationally renowned summer-stock theater specializing in Shakespeare, APT recently added a 200-seat indoor theater to complement its flagship outdoor space. On the docket for fall: "In Acting Shakespeare" closing Oct. 4, "Old Times" closing Sept. 11 and "Long Day's Journey into Night" closing Oct. 18.

Traveling west from Spring Green visitors should make a point to stop in the city of Boscobel (<http://www.boscobelwisconsin.com>, 608/375-2672) where they will find the Boscobel Heritage Depot Museum, a reconstructed railroad depot that combines railroad-related historic artifacts with booth sized facades of buildings that once lined Boscobel's main street, as well as a manual telephone switchboard. Like many of the towns along the picturesque, sandbar-filled Wisconsin River, Boscobel is home to a canoe and kayak outfitter. Located in a refurbished 1840's feed mill, Wisconsin River Outings is one of the best in the region and regularly arranges river excursions lasting from several hours to several days. They provide a livery service, rent canoes and kayaks for visitors who like

to go on their own, and are happy to share local knowledge on everything from river currents to sandbar locations.

State Highway 60 ends just north of the confluence of the Wisconsin and Mississippi Rivers at Prairie du Chien, a town that holds claim to being the state's second-oldest community with roots in the nineteenth century fur trade. Con-

sider camping 500 feet above the river convergence at Wyalusing State Park (<http://www.dnr.state.wi.us>, 608/996-2261). One of Wisconsin's oldest parks, Wyalusing features Indian burial mounds, canoe trail, bird watching, fishing and boating.

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Conservative Senior

Dear Conservative,

Thanks to a big financial boost from Uncle Sam, there's never been a better time to upgrade your home to make it more energy efficient. Here are several programs that can help you save energy and money.

### Weatherization Assistance:

Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, also known as the stimulus package, the Department of Energy's Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) received a whopping \$5 billion – more than 20 times the normal yearly budget – to help income-eligible people reduce their energy costs by increasing the energy efficiency of their homes.

Around 30 million U.S. households are currently eligible for the WAP, which provides a variety of completely free weatherization improvements to home owners and renters who qualify. These services are

done by local agencies and typically include things like installing insulation, weatherstripping and caulking around doors and windows, tuning and repairing heating and cooling systems, and installing ventilation fans.

To be eligible, your income needs to be at or below 200 percent of the federal poverty level. In 2009, that corresponds to an annual income of \$21,660 for an individual or \$29,140 for a family of two (it's higher in Alaska and Hawaii). The federal guidelines allow states to give priority to seniors over 60, people with disabilities and families with children. Final eligibility is determined at the local level.

If you qualify, an energy audit is scheduled to see how much energy your home uses, and to determine the weatherization improvements it needs to make it more energy-efficient. To learn more or apply, visit [www.weatherization.energy.gov](http://www.weatherization.energy.gov) or call the EERE information center (877-337-3463) who will put you in touch with your state weatherization office.

### Energy Tax Credits:

If you don't qualify for the WAP, you can still save some money through Uncle Sam's expanded tax credits – also made possible by the Recovery and Reinvestment

Act.

As an incentive to make your home more energy efficient, in 2009 and 2010 you can now cut your tax bill by 30 percent up to \$1,500, on a variety of home improvement projects like installing energy-efficient windows, doors, insulation, water heaters, cooling systems and more. See [www.energystar.gov/taxcredits](http://www.energystar.gov/taxcredits) for details. And, by the end of the year, there will also be rebates to those who buy ENERGY STAR certified high efficiency appliances.

### Energy Assistance:

In addition to the WAP and tax credits, another program that can help many seniors cut their home heating and cooling costs is the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). This is a federal program that also got a funding boost this fiscal year. Income qualifications for LIHEAP will vary by state.

You should also know that in addition to LIHEAP, some utility companies offer discounts to people in need, and there are various charitable organizations that provide utility assistance, too. To learn more or find out what's available in your area, visit [www.energyneer.org](http://www.energyneer.org), a Web portal that provides a breakdown of LIHEAP, utility and charitable energy programs in each state, as well as qualification details,

how to apply and who to contact for more information. If you don't have Internet access, call the National Energy Assistance Referral project at 866-674-6327.

**Savvy Tips:** For energy savings tips the Department of Energy offers a handy booklet called "Energy Savers: Tips on Saving Energy & Money at Home." To get a free copy, call 877-337-3463 or visit [www.eere.energy.gov/library](http://www.eere.energy.gov/library).

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Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit [SavvySenior.org](http://SavvySenior.org). Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.

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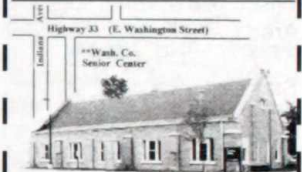


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# The Governor's Sister

By Richard J. Baumann  
Savvy Seniors Contributor

In a wink of time ago (1977 to be exact) Betty Sodemann was taking an early morning stroll on the beaches in Alabama. She encountered another walker coming from the other direction on the isolated beach. The usual "good morning - lovely day-etc." was exchanged between the two of them with the gentleman adding a "Where are you from?"

Betty replied "Wisconsin." The gentleman perked up and said, "Oh, my brother was Governor of Wisconsin." Betty replied, "So was my brother."

The gentleman apparently thought her response was frivolous and perhaps even a condescending challenge to the fact that his brother had been the Governor. Sensing this, Betty immediately replied, "No, really, my brother was Governor. He was the Lt. Gov. and became Governor when your brother, Pat Lucey, was appointed Ambassador to Mexico."

They hadn't exchanged names until this time and then she identified herself and said that her brother's name was Martin Schreiber. The gentleman replied that of course he knew that Schreiber had been the Lt. Gov. under his brother (Lucey), but he certainly didn't know that he was talking to THAT Governor's sister.

Betty was born into a political Milwaukee family in 1931. Her father was in real estate and construction and also served in the State Assembly for one term and then as an Alderman in Milwaukee; he served five terms, plus eight years as the Milwaukee Common Council President.

Her father was the youngest of twelve children

and the sharing of all life experiences with his siblings nurtured his personality and character and was the basis of his political philosophy of "always doing what is best for the people," and keeping an "open door policy." His reputation for honesty in Milwaukee is legendary to this day -- not that dishonesty is a trademark of politicians, but certainly politicians many times have a "creative, flamboyant way with words and actions" that often makes voters wonder, "What did he say -- can we trust this guy?"

Mr. Schreiber had a sense of humor not only for his constituents but also for his own family. At one point in her youth, Betty was told to clean her bedroom. Shortly later she proudly reported back to her father, "I'm finished."

Never expecting to be challenged, she was surprised when her dad said, "Well, let's go take a look at how well you did." She expected the worst -- a yelling or reprisal of some sort. Her dad opened her bedroom door -- a quick perusal indicated very clearly that little Betty had indeed not cleaned or straightened out her messy room.

Her dad simply closed the door and replied, "Well, this looks very creative." Betty knew full well what her next move would be -- clean the room.

The Schreiber family always discussed the day's events, but political issues were not an all-consuming topic of conversation. But Betty and her two brothers knew full well who their dad was and his position in the community and his desire to help people in a genuine manner without regard to being motivated solely to be re-elected. One brother became a lawyer and the other became a teacher and a coach of track and

cross country.

Betty has also continued to serve the public for over fifty years. When Betty and her husband moved to Hales Corners after his discharge from the Air Force, she was surprised that there was no Lutheran school in that area. She worked to start a school for her children and also taught there.

Later she became interested in other educational programs and started their pre-school, child care and other programs. Her official title is Director of New Programs and she assists at other Lutheran churches to begin

pre-school and /or other child care programs.

Betty and husband Bob are occupied with the activities of their 18 grandchildren and one great-grandchild and spend

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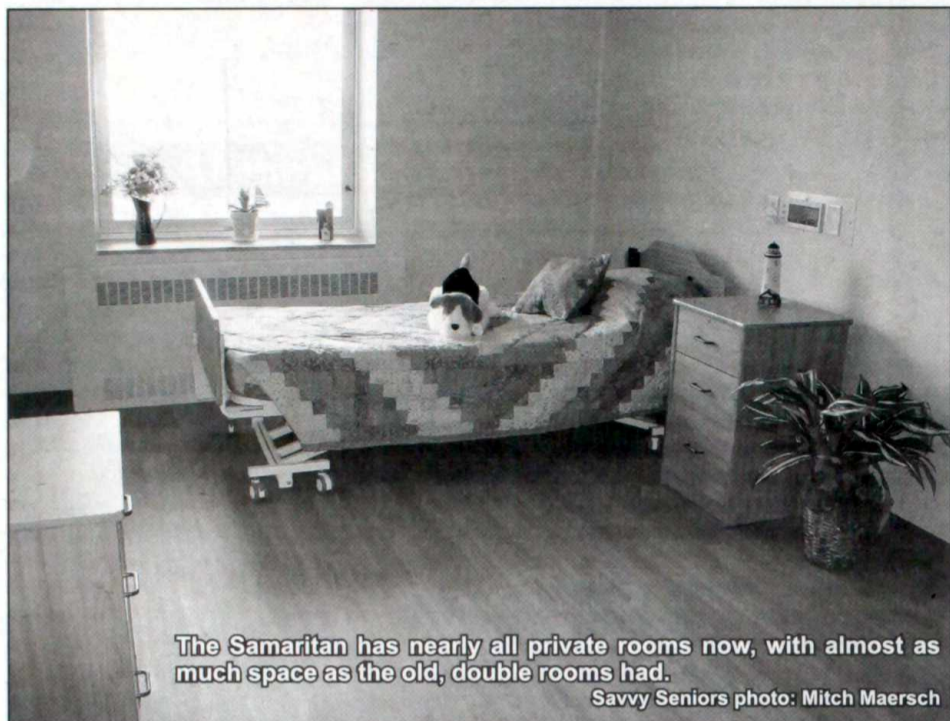
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# Washington County remodels Samaritan Center



The Samaritan has nearly all private rooms now, with almost as much space as the old, double rooms had.

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By Mitch Maersch  
For Statesman Publications

Private rooms, carpeted floors and restaurant-style meal service. Welcome to the new Samaritan Health Center after its \$8.6 million remodeling project.

The facility is going from 228 to 131 beds, which are now all electric. A 31-unit community based residential facility (assisted living) called The Fields of Wash-

ington County that opened in 2006 is connected to the facility.

The facility also includes a community based residential facility, for those who need more care than assisted living but less than what a nursing home provides.

Other changes include upgrading the concrete brick walls with a more welcoming material, replacing the chicken wire at the nurses' stations with glass, improv-

ing the shower and hot tub facilities, adding bariatric rooms, upgrading the entrance to include an overhang and a warmer reception area, and having a patio with flowers and seating areas.

The place looks so different some people asked if the hallways were made wider.

"The colors are more homey. It's a total different look," said Jessica Trapp, housing manager with The

Fields.

One of the most noticeable changes will be meal time.

"You come in, you sit down, you get a plate and coffee cup served to you," Trapp said of eating.

Before, food would come on metal trays, and employees would have to search a cart to find who should receive which meal.

Food used to be prepared in the one kitchen for all four floors. Now, a satellite kitchen has been added to each floor.

"The residents really seem to enjoy it. Food is hotter and colder," said Scott Derge, plant operations director.

With the Fields a hallway's walk away, married couples may eat together, even if they live in separate buildings. One woman who lived in Milwaukee used to have her son pick her up to come see her husband. She has since moved to the Fields and can see him whenever she wants, Trapp said.

The other major lifestyle change is the bathroom situation.

"Picture yourself with two other people you don't know sharing a bathroom," Trapp said. Aside from the

lack of privacy and the fact everyone typically goes to the bathroom around the same time of day, it made it difficult to isolate people if they were ill.

Not anymore. It's one person to a room, with a bathroom attached.

"It's a good environment. They're much happier," Trapp said of residents.

They've got more room to be happy. Old rooms of two were in the 190-square-foot range. Private rooms now encompass about 170 square feet.

For those who don't want to live alone, two couples' rooms are available on each of three floors.

"We're just very pleased how it's turned out. Couldn't be happier," said Ed Somers, executive director of the Samaritan.

Washington County issued \$8.6 million of bonds for the project, which the Samaritan will pay back over 20 years.

"We receive no county levy," Somers said.

Plunkett Raysich Architects of Milwaukee did the design work, and Construction Management Group of New Berlin served as construction manager for the project.

## YMCA class improves life for Parkinson's patients

**WEST BEND-** The long term benefits of regular exercise are well-known, but for about a dozen local people with Parkinson's disease, a specially designed exercise class offered at the Kettle Moraine YMCA is helping make a difference in their day-to-day activities.

Tremors, muscle stiffness, slow movements and instability are among the effects of Parkinson's disease, which not only creates roadblocks for daily activities but makes regular exercise even more of a challenge. For Bill E. Gehl, exercise has always been done independently at the gym walking on the treadmill and lifting weights. Before a slow onset of Parkinson's disease began eight years ago, Gehl was very active and was an outdoorsman enjoying all sorts of hunting; he also enjoys wood working. Despite the disease, he is still active.

Gehl had tried other exercise classes, but found it hard to keep up — until he found the Kettle Moraine YMCA class.

"We are trying to maintain or improve their quality of life and their strength

and flexibility," said Anne M. Langenfeld Smith, a physical therapist with Aurora Health Care who leads the class with Beth Dieringer, also a physical therapist with Aurora Health Care, and YMCA fitness instructor and personal trainer Lu-Anne Salmon.

"With normal aging, you have muscle atrophy and stiff joints. With Parkinson's, you have the added stiffness, weakness and lack of mobility," said Langenfeld Smith.

The hour-long class is split up into two half-hour sessions. Thirty minutes spent on stretching, with focus on trunk mobility, the other 30 minutes participants walk on the treadmill. Improved trunk mobility combined with an aerobic conditioning program should lead to improvements or maintenance of functional activities used in everyday life.

Smith sees many of the participants making progress. One newer participant made it about five minutes on his first treadmill session. Now he's up to 15 minutes backward and 15 minutes forward, said Lan-

genfeld Smith.

Participants may come to exercise, but they also get the camaraderie and the support group atmosphere "It's good to get out and go to class," said Gehl. The benefits of exercise allows me to turn my head further allowing me to check my blind spot more easily while driving. I also feel more confident with my walking and my balance has improved. It keeps me loose. The more I exercise, the more the symptoms go away," said Gehl.

Gehl, of West Bend, has tried other classes, but has seen results from the Kettle Moraine YMCA class. This is the third session of the class he is taking. The exercises during class are helping strengthen the muscles of the trunk and helping maintain balance. The workouts also help with once simple process of getting in and out of bed.

"The therapists are very good," said Gehl. "I like the fact that the class offers consistency with my exercise and the floor exercise keeps me flexible. But it is your attitude toward the therapy that makes the dif-

ference."

"Research is showing that exercise can really slow the effects of Parkinson's," said Langenfeld Smith.

Langenfeld Smith has seen a change in outlook from when the participants start and even just a few weeks into the class. "They

come in thinking they can't do much, and now they realize how much more they can do," said Langenfeld Smith. "They smile and open up more as they continue to progress."


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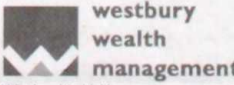
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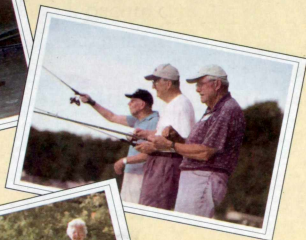
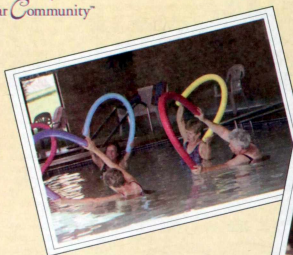
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