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## Man dies four days after four-wheeler crash

**GLEN HAVEN** — A 38-year-old Bagley man died Wednesday, four days after a four-wheeler crash on Dugway Road Nov. 6.

According to the Grant County Sheriff's Office, Justin Irish was driving north on a gravel part of Dugway Road when he lost control due to speed while trying to negotiate a curve. The four-wheeler went into the southbound

lane and then hit a tree, ejecting Irish, who was not wearing a helmet. Irish was taken by West Grant EMS to Grant Regional Health Center in Lancaster, then airlifted to UW

Hospital in Madison. The Sheriff's Office said Irish died Wednesday evening. Glen Haven Fire and First Responders assisted at the scene.

**Inside**



**SOUTHWEST: 1B**



Former Wisconsin Army National Guard soldier Paul Budden was honored by the Daughters of the American Revolution during the Veterans Day program in the Municipal Building Auditorium Thursday. The ceremony, moved inside due to rain, included the dedication of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier Memorial in the Veterans Honor Roll on the 100th anniversary of the dedication of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia.

Photos by Steve Prestegard

## Inclusive playground group gets city go-ahead



Smith Park site preferred by committees

Platteville's proposed inclusive playground has a group of fundraisers and a preferred site.

The Platteville Common Council Nov. 9 approved a motion to allow the inclusive playground steering committee to begin fundraising for the \$1.5 million project.

The playground is proposed to be similar to the Miracle League of Dubuque Inclusive Park and inclusive playgrounds in Auburndale, Oconomowoc and Tomah. It would be designed to be accessible to people of all mobility levels. It would include such equipment as zip lines, Climbing Challenges, inclusive swings and spinners, musical and sensory play areas, a walking path and shade from the Smith Park trees within a rural farm theme.

See **PLAYGROUND** page 5A ▶

The inclusive playground would be designed to be used by people of all mobility levels, with features not found in other Platteville parks.

Lee Recreation

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Platteville is getting its second Kwik Trip and its third Kwik Trip-owned convenience store.

The new store will be built at the site of Platteville Gas, 1840 Ubersox Dr. The new store will be what Kwik Trip calls its "Generation 3" store, which is considerably larger than the Kwik Trip at 430 S. Water St.

Kwik Trip plans a car wash and diesel fuel station on what now is overflow parking for Kunes south of the current convenience store.

See **STORE** page 5A ▶

Kwik Trip's plans include a larger store, a separate car wash and diesel area, south of the current building. Both Kunes Auto Group and Kwik Trip are seeking the vacating of Ubersox Drive.



## New Kwik Trip planned

## Dogs now allowed in most Platteville parks

Ban continues in City Park

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According to City of Platteville ordinances, until last week dogs were legally allowed in only two city park

locations — the Mound View Park trail and the Platteville Dog Park.

Dogs can be seen, however, in nearly every city park despite their legal prohibition and signs banning dogs, including City Park during Main Street Program Music in the Park concerts and Legion Park during high school or youth baseball or softball games.

The Common Council voted 6-1 Nov. 9 to allow dogs in all city parks except

for City Park, Harrison Park or the Family Aquatic Center.

District 1 Ald. Isaac Shanley voted No.

City Park was originally on the dogs-permitted list until an amendment from at-large Ald. Jason Artz to ban dogs from City Park.

The Veterans Honor Roll Committee sent a letter to the city opposing dogs in City Park on the grounds that

dogs would "further contribute to the disrespect shown to the monuments."

Dogs are frequently seen in City Park during Main Street Program Music in the Park concerts and by owners going through, instead of around, City Park.

"I think everyone that works in city hall can attest that we see multiple dogs every day in City Park," said

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**Weather**

| 2021                | High  | Low | P"  |
|---------------------|-------|-----|-----|
| Nov. 8              | 66    | 45  | —   |
| Nov. 9              | 60    | 36  | —   |
| Nov. 10             | 55    | 51  | .21 |
| Nov. 11             | 56    | 35  | .06 |
| Nov. 12             | 36    | 34  | —   |
| Nov. 13             | 36    | 32  | —   |
| Nov. 14             | 36    | 27  | —   |
| Week's precip.....  | 0.27  |     |     |
| 2021 precip.....    | 18.24 |     |     |
| Average precip..... | 26.91 |     |     |

**WEATHER FORECAST:**  
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| Records | High    | Low     |
|---------|---------|---------|
| Nov. 8  | 73 2020 | -1 1976 |
| Nov. 9  | 78 1998 | 5 1991  |
| Nov. 10 | 74 1998 | 11 2017 |
| Nov. 11 | 71 1927 | 1 2019  |
| Nov. 12 | 69 1902 | 8 1940  |
| Nov. 13 | 71 1909 | 1 1986  |
| Nov. 14 | 73 1999 | 5 1918  |
| Average | 45      | 29      |

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