

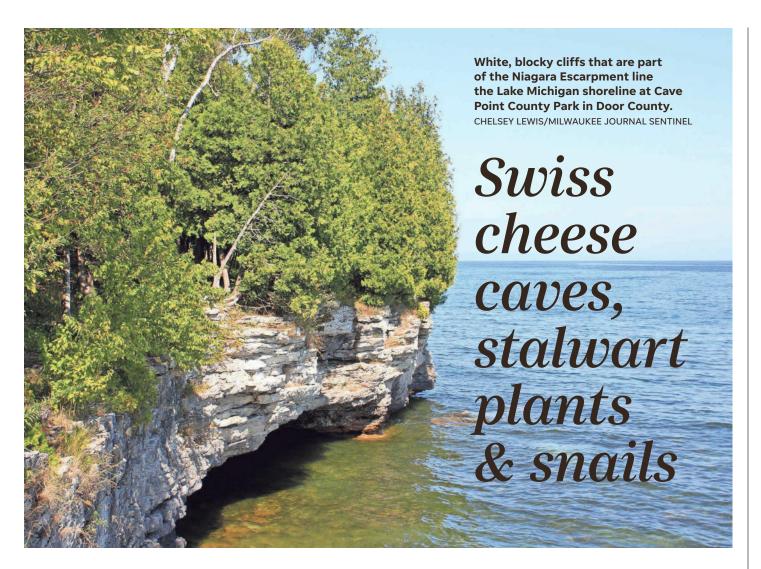
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This prehistoric landmark defines how eastern Wisconsin lives, works and plays

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uch of eastern Wisconsin's recreational, historical and scientific significance centers around a prominent landmark — but how much do its residents actually know about the Niagara Escarpment? • The Niagara Escarpment, sometimes called "the Ledge," is a land formation that appears as a discontinuous series of exposed cliffs arching from southeast Wisconsin to New York, according to Bob Bultman, a Door County board member and ecological restoration specialist. "You basically have this big wrinkle in the landscape," he said.

It's most prominent from Dodge County north along the east side of Lake Winnebago and the western side of the Door County peninsula, though the formations can be seen as far south as Brady's Rocks in Waukesha County.

From Wisconsin, the escarpment island-hops around the Great Lakes, traveling through Michigan's Upper Peninsula and Canada on its way to the Niagara area of New York — which inspired the name.

Popular state parks along the escarpment corridor include High Cliff State Park in Calumet County, and Potawatomi and Peninsula State Parks in Door County.

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Day By Day shelter plans hit obstacle

Committee delays property purchase

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OSHKOSH – Day By Day Warming Shelter's planning committee set a goal to help homeless guests year round by opening a permanent shelter by summer 2022.

A feasibility study was done. It chose what it thought was a perfect site to meet its needs. Architects drew up a development plan that garnered council's approval.

But Jason Havlik, who leads Day By Day's facility planning team, said the city Redevelopment Authority's decision Wednesday to delay acquiring a property on the shelter's behalf could stall those plans.

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Annual list of 10 'worst' toys released by safety group

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BOSTON - Toys with tiny accessories children can choke on, wheeled toys that could lead to falls, and toys that fire projectiles that could possibly injure a child's eyes are among the playthings on an annual "10 Worst Toys" list released Wednesday by a consumer safety advocacy group.

This holiday shopping season, the Boston-based group World Against Toys Causing Harm Inc., or WATCH,

urged parents to be particularly vigilant as supply chain issues may cause shortages of some toys, prompting parents to look to alternative sources for purchases.

"The expected toy shortage and the busy holiday shopping season may make some consumers wary of encountering long lines, depleted inventory, and higher prices in retail stores," WATCH said in a statement. "When shopping online or looking to gift gently used toys, some safety considerations more informed choices."

A child is brought to the emergency room every three minutes for a toy-related injury, WATCH wrote.

Wheeled toys - including scooters, skateboards and hoverboards – are of particular concern. As the use of wheeled toys grew during the pandemic, so did the number of injuries, the group said.

'Toys like these could be sold without the proper safety gear, marketed

may help families and friends make with inconsistent safety messages, or provide unrealistic warnings or instructions," WATCH. said.

The Toy Association, which represents more than 900 U.S. toy manufacturers and retailers, said the list is alarmist.

"Each year, W.A.T.C.H.'s 'worst toys' list comes out near the holiday season, needlessly frightening parents and caregivers with misinformation in an

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"I understand the Redevelopment Authority's position," Havlik said. "But I am concerned about the timeline in which we're able to create a shelter so that our guests have a place to go in the summer of 2022."

The RDA deferred a vote on using \$150,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds to acquire property at Ceape Avenue and Broad Street, which it then would have sold to Day By Day for \$1 after the shelter raised funds for the building.

After hearing from prominent community members who were concerned about the site's location — across the street from the Leach Amphitheater — several RDA members questioned the best use for the property, which Oshkosh Housing Authority currently owns and was selling for \$150,000 with the intent of it being used for a shelter.

Oshkosh Area Community Foundation President and CEO Bill Wyman said the foundation invested

money for that area to become an entertainment district between the convention center, the Howard, the YMCA and other locations.

"I believe that property is more appropriate for what's already happening in that area," Wyman said at Wednes-**Wyman** day's meeting. "Oshkosh Area Community Foundation spent years developing

what I'm calling an entertainment area." Wyman added he was not opposed to the shelter but rather to the Ceape Avenue location. The Community Foundation on Tuesday announced it bought a building at Father Carr's Place 2B, 1062 N. Koeller St., to

bring Appleton-based COTS Inc.'s transitional hous-

ing to Oshkosh, just off Interstate 41.

Daniel Schetter, Best Western Premier Waterfront Hotel & Convention Center's general manager, also spoke against the Ceape Avenue location. He said it's not uncommon for homeless individuals to use the space in and around the hotel during the daytime, and was worried a permanent shelter nearby would not help.

"My concern is location," Schetter said. "When people travel to our community, they want to come to a safe community. Whether it's perception or reality, if they're not feeling safe, that's going to affect if they come back or not.'

The Best Western Premier was also funded in part through a low-interest loan from the Community Foundation.

RDA member Jason Lasky proposed the RDA acquire the property, which has sat vacant for years, and ask for land use proposals from entities including the shelter to "offer the most flexibility we have to create a potential for economic benefit."

Kelly Nieforth, the city's community development director, said the RDA could not use CDBG funds for that purpose. If RDA decided to buy the property for another use, it would have to find other funds from the

The CDBG program receives funding through the Department of Housing and Urban Development to help with economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income individuals. All funds must be approved through an annual action plan, which this year allocated \$150,000 for this property purchase for this specific

Lasky said if the RDA had the opportunity to buy the property, he would prefer to not use block grant funds to see what types of proposals they could get for the property.

RDA chair and Mayor Lori Palmeri said the purpose of the RDA's agenda item was simply to designate the property as blighted and decide whether the RDA

should acquire it — not debate if it was an appropriate use for the space.

'We don't dictate to private entities," Palmeri said. "If it's a permitted use, then we're not telling them no."

She also reminded the committee that council had already approved the shelter's rezoning request and general development plan for the site.

"Bear in mind, the RDA is taking a different path than what council has approved." Palmeri said at the meeting. She was the lone no vote in the decision to defer.

The shelter, which only operates overnight October through April each year, has already had to turn away a rec-

ord number of people this season -154, as of Monday night, said Molly Yatso Butz, the shelter's executive di-

Plans will keep moving. The shelter's planning team





This artist's rendering shows the proposed new Day By Day Warming Shelter on the northwest corner of Ceape Avenue and Broad Street. The Redevelopment Authority on Wednesday voted to delay using a grant to purchase the property that they would then resell to the shelter for \$1. PROVIDED BY T.R. KARRELS AND ASSOCIATES

submitted a site implementation plan for city approval this week. Final details for those plans will eventually go to Plan Commission and then city council, though a timeline has not been determined.

Meanwhile, they'll continue to raise funds from all sources

"If the RDA does not move forward with the purchase of the land on our behalf, that would be another \$150,000 we would have to raise," Havlik said. "We're continuing to move forward with our project."

The RDA would have been voting as a formality, Nieforth said. It would not have bought the property

until the shelter had raised money to construct the building and the council had approved a specific implementation plan.

But, because the RDA only meets every other month, she said they wanted to get it on the agenda to meet Day By Day's spring construction goals.

RDA is not set to meet again until January. Members said they would consider holding a special meeting to vote on acquiring the property before then.

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William P. Zentner

DELAVAN - William P. Zentner, age 94, of Fitchburg formerly of Delavan and Oshkosh passed away on Sunday, November 14, 2021 at home. He was born on August 5, 1927 in Oshkosh to Kurt and Elizabeth (Zeller) Zentner. William was united in marriage to Muriel Nelson on June 26, 1948



in Oshkosh. William (Bill) was a partner in Kurt Zentner & Sons Plumbing and Heating in Oshkosh for many years. Bill belonged to the Oskkosh Master Plumbers, Wisconsin Plumbing Heating and A/C Contractors Association, South Side Business Mens Club, Eagles Club, KC Club, St. Vincent Maintenance and Finance Committee, East Central WI Plumbing Heating and Cooling Contractors Association, and Local 134 Plumbers and Fitters.

Bill enjoyed swimming, something he did as a teen in Oshkosh and as a Life Guard. Bill and his wife, Muriel, thoroughly enjoyed traveling the world, visiting England, Italy, Russia, China, Australia, and New Zealand. Bill enjoyed watching his kids grow, have families of their own, and guiding them along the way. He was a lifelong Packer fan and critic and longtime season ticket holder.

William is survived by his five children, Randal (Ann) Zentner, Kevin (Kathy) Zentner, Jillaine Sikora, Tracy (Terrence) Junker, and Robin (Debra) Zentner; 10 grandchildren, William Zentner, Brandt Zentner, Andrew Zentner, Nathan Zentner, Jeremy Zentner, Patricia Zentner, Jenny Sikora, John Junker, Katherine Junker, and Sara Zentner; 12 great grandchildren. He is also survived by brother, Walter Zentner.

William is preceded in death by his wife, Muriel; his parents; brothers Kurt and Donald; sisters Doris Pasono, Jane Barnard and Ruth Bradford and son-in-law, John Sikora.

Memorial Services will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Monday, November 22, 2021 at Monroe Funeral Home, 604 E. Walworth Ave in Delavan. Visitation will be held from 10:30 A.M. until the time of the service at the funeral home. Memorials can be directed to the charity of your choice. MONROE FUNERAL HOME in Delavan is assisting the family. Please visit us at delavanfuneralhome.com



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