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## BLACK HISTORY MONTH



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State Rep. Shelia Stubbs, D-Madison, stops for a moment of silence after a tour of the Milton House Museum in Milton on Wednesday, the first day of Black History Month. The 1844 Stagecoach Inn, now turned museum, was once part of the Underground Railroad.

# Lessons to be learned

### Legislator calls for more Black history teachings in state's public schools

**RYAN SPOEHR**  
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MILTON — Black history should be taught every day in Wisconsin schools, not just in February, a Black state legislator from the Madison area said

Wednesday during a tour in Milton of a former stop on the Underground Railroad.

"This is a jewel in Wisconsin that hasn't been shared with others, and by that I mean that other African Americans can visit," State Rep. Shelia Stubbs, whose 77th Assembly District includes the south and west sides of Madison, said during a roundtable discussion on race education at the Milton House Wednesday.

"African American studies must be a part of education. It's a truth. Today, the Milton House gave us the truth," continued Stubbs, originally from Beloit and a graduate of Beloit Memorial High School, on the first day of Black History Month.

Also in attendance at the roundtable were other state, city, Milton School District and Milton community leaders.

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# Milton, surrounding towns, absorbed by Edgerton Fire District

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EDGERTON — If you live in Milton or in the immediate surrounding area, the Edgerton Fire District began as of Wednesday responding to your emergency service calls.

In an announcement Tuesday night, Edgerton Fire Chief Randy Pickering said the district was officially ready to add the city and town of Milton, as well as other nearby towns, in an expansion approved late last year.

The expanded district now stretches across 11

municipalities, including the city of Edgerton, city and town of Milton, and the towns of Koshkonong, Lima, Johnstown, Harmony, Albion, Sumner, Porter and Fulton.

The district might also soon be renamed. In his announcement Tuesday, Pickering alluded to the "launch of the

integrated Edgerton-Milton Fire-EMS Department."

District employees are being polled on potential new names, with a choice expected as early as late February, Pickering said.

"The new entity carries forward the individual 140- and 114-year heritages of the

Edgerton and Milton Fire Departments providing service to our residents, businesses and visitors," Pickering wrote.

The city of Milton had been under an agreement for fire service to be provided by the

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## House/from A1

The event included a tour of the historic site. Among Wednesday's participants was retired Milton history teacher and former state Rep. Don Vruwink. Stubbs and Vruwink served on the state Tourism Committee together and collaborated with the Milton House to make the tour happen.

During the tour, Milton House Executive Director Keighton Klos shared its history, including pausing at the desk of 19th Century state legislator Joseph Goodrich. The abolitionist built the Milton House and was key in making it a local stop on the Underground Railroad.

Klos also spoke more broadly about abolition-era history, particularly in Wisconsin and the north. She said even in "free states" escaped slaves could still be captured and sent back southward.

The tour group also stopped at a root cellar



State Rep. Shelia Stubbs, D-Madison, speaks to a small group after a tour of the Milton House Museum in Milton on Wednesday, the first day of Black History Month. The 1844 Stagecoach Inn, now turned museum, was once part of the Underground Railroad.

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where freedom seekers were believed to have hidden. It was once only accessible through a trapdoor and

a three-foot-high tunnel. That tunnel, since extended to six-feet tall, was a passageway from Goodrich's cabin to what

is now the Milton House. Klos asked Stubbs during the roundtable what should be done to make sure the Milton

House is woven into school lessons throughout the state "whether it is in Superior or Beloit." Stubbs said there are

budget impediments to accomplishing, which she understands, but said she believes those could be worked around.

"Invite entities that may not otherwise (to) come here," Stubbs said.

Stubbs said advocacy and making voices be heard are essential to move forward with legislation advancing Black history education in Wisconsin.

"When I walked through (Milton House) I thought 'those are my ancestors.' I know there are others who have made sacrifices. I know some of you have made sacrifices. Sacrifices need to continue to be made," Stubbs said.

"Systems are made to be broken ... I feel as though history will repeat itself if you don't learn from it," Stubbs continued. "If you are not at the table, you will be lost. I feel as though if I'm not at the table, I won't be heard. So, I will make a spot at the table for myself to be heard. This is the time we need to be advocates."

## Fire/from A1

city of Janesville in 2021. Janesville did not extend that agreement but continued to serve the city until a permanent solution could be found. The city and town of Milton, as well as the towns of Johnstown, Harmony and Lima, petitioned last year to be added to the Edgerton Fire District.

Pickering in his written announcement called it "an exciting new era of fire and emergency medical service," and touted the ability of the "new entity" to provide emergency services to more than 25,000 residents and businesses across 220 square miles in Rock, Jefferson and Dane counties.

"While fire and emergency medical services across the

state are struggling to maintain operations, I give our 11 municipalities a tremendous amount of credit for rolling up their sleeves and working cooperatively together to invest in a more sustainable service delivery model," Pickering wrote on Tuesday. "In a political era characterized by polarization, the elected officials in our 11 municipalities showed a different way forward. There was exemplary give-and-take with everyone looking at the better collective good, versus looking at just their colloquial self-interest."

Future stations The expanded district starts out with two stations. Officials in both Edgerton and Milton hope that there might eventually be four operating in their two communities to serve the entire district.

The existing Milton Fire Station is at 614 W. Madison Avenue, in Milton.

Milton City Administrator Al Hulick said last summer that the facility is "probably not optimal" in the long term. A city of Milton referendum has been floated to build a second fire station in the area of Highways 59 and M, near Highway 26. A plan has also been floated to replace the existing facility.

The existing Edgerton Fire Station is at 621 N. Main St., in Edgerton Pickering said last summer that another station has been eyed to be built in one of two locations in Newville, within a mile of I-39/90, along Highway 59.

Additional stations would be signs of progress, Pickering said.

"Locations of the new

fire-EMS stations are designed to significantly improve overall response times with 99.5% of urban areas within an average five-minute response and a 228% response times in the rural portions of the department coverage area," Pickering said.

Election politics The reconfigured fire district is a top issue for Milton mayoral candidates in the upcoming April 4 election.

Tom Chesmore, a former Milton firefighter and former mayor, is challenging incumbent Mayor Anissa Welch on April 4. Chesmore has referred to Milton joining the Edgerton Fire District a "fiasco" and has called it an effort to "demoralize the fire department."

Chesmore says response times will get worse when Milton is in the district and

it won't be a "frugal way" to spend taxpayer dollars.

"I find it unfortunate that we have council members and a mayor who went through with the (Edgerton) district. These decisions are being made by people who don't have the foggiest idea of how to run a fire department," Chesmore said in January.

Welch touted her city's history of mergers, particularly with Milton and Milton Junction, to form what today is the city of Milton.

"We have worked to strongly collaborate. We had two separate municipalities. It's hard to merge. It's hard for staff," Welch said last month. "We have a lot of pride and history in our own fire department."

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## VOLUNTEER OF THE WEEK

## Rebarchek helps Boys &amp; Girls Club help its kids

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The Gazette's local Volunteer of the Week is Cameron Rebarchek, who has served on the board of directors for the Boys & Girls Club of Janesville since 2014.

His full-time job is spiritual welfare and mission advancement manager at Cedar Crest retirement community in Janesville.

In 9 years on the Boys

& Girls Club board, Rebarchek has served many roles, and currently is its president.



Rebarchek

He has helped spearhead many different projects but said one of the most important projects lies ahead — a capital and endowment campaign to build a new

facility.

He said the club's current space on West Court Street in Janesville, in the same building as the YMCA of Northern Rock County, is so constrained that it has a waiting list for children to participate in programs.

Rebarchek said the organization's emphasis on family is what initially drew him to get involved with the Boys & Girls Club.

He was approached by

a board member as he and his wife were expecting their first child. He said as he thought about volunteering, he thought about how dramatically his daughter was going to change his life. He said he recalls thinking, "how can I change kids' lives?" He saw a way to do that through the Boys & Girls Club's mission of trying to make Janesville a better community by helping children to be better community members.

"I believe that if we want to make an impact on the community, we do that one family at a time and one child at a time," Rebarchek said.

Rebarchek said a unique focus of the organization is that it provides individual support to children. Staff and volunteers have a personal connection to each child

which allows them to tailor programming to individuals.

He said he grew up in a church community and volunteering there gave him a good foundation for "how does volunteering make me feel?"

He said that volunteering with the Boys & Girls Club has since given him a front-row seat to the impact groups like it can have on local kids.

"If you came to the club, you would see how much the kids love it, and we get to be a part of that," he said. "It's not just daycare or babysitting; the kids are getting the chance to grow and achieve and it's happening at this place."

He said another great part of volunteering at the Boys & Girls Club is working with staff and other volunteers

because "it's not just about what they do, it's the 'why' they do it and the 'why' is the kids."

He said people should volunteer based on a paraphrased quote from Finnish composer Jean Sibelius, that "no one has ever built a statue in honor of a critic."

"If there is something within the community that you wish was different...criticism is easy, but what the community really needs is someone to make it happen," he said. "Get up. Roll up those sleeves and do the hard work to make the difference"

Volunteer of the Week runs every Thursday in The Gazette. To nominate a deserving local volunteer, contact Gazette reporter Kylie Balk-Yaatenen at kbalkyaatenen@gazetteextra.com or call her at 608-208-1676.



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## Survey: Some UW students reticent to express views

Fewer than 1 in 10 system students responded

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MADISON—Most students who responded to a survey about free speech on University of Wisconsin campuses said they're afraid to express their views on controversial topics in class because they fear other students won't agree or it could hurt their grades, according to findings released Wednesday.

A third of respondents, meanwhile, said they've felt pressure from an instructor to agree with a certain viewpoint. Almost half said they don't agree or only agree a little that administrators should bar controversial speakers if some students find the message offensive.

Free speech issues have come to the forefront in academia as Republicans push schools to crack down on students who disrupt conservative speakers and to allow conservative speakers on campuses. The GOP also has maintained that liberal professors are indoctrinating students or making them feel uncomfortable about expressing conservative views.

The survey findings are certain to provide talking points for Wisconsin's Republican legislators looking to cut UW funding in the next state budget.

UW-Stout's Menard Center for Public Policy and Service sent the survey to undergraduates at all 13 UW System campuses last fall. The Menard family, a major Republican donor that founded the Menards home improvement store chain, donated \$2.6 million to the center in 2019.

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UW-Whitewater Interim Chancellor Jim Henderson was so incensed with plans for the survey that he resigned over it in April. He said then that he was upset over then-Interim System President Michael Falbo's decision to send out the survey after initially deciding that institutions wouldn't do it. He accused Falbo of changing his mind because he feared political consequences from Republican lawmakers concerned about campus leaders stamping out conservative viewpoints.

Falbo countered that the university board overseeing human research had approved the survey.

Current System President Jay Rothman tweeted key results from the survey Wednesday ahead of a news conference and panel discussion on the findings at UW-Oshkosh.

He also tweeted that more than 10,000 students responded, but he didn't offer a specific number. About 161,000 students attend UW System institutions.



## CAMPUS

## BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY

**Blake Wisdom** of Lake Geneva was named to the dean's list for the fall 2022 semester at this Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, university.

## UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

These local students were named to the dean's list for the spring 2022 semester at this Iowa City, Iowa, university:

**Beloit** — Claire Parsons.

**Delavan** — Nicholas Trattner.

**East Troy** — Jacob Smith.

**Elkhorn** — Amya Lopez and Luke Truesdale.

**Janesville** — Daniel Rompot and Gracelyn Williams.

**Lake Geneva** — Natalie Norton.

**Milton** — Claire Gransee.

**Monroe** — Luz Daniela Larraga Martinez.

## WINONA STATE UNIVERSITY

**Emily Holden** of Janesville and **Madeline Krien** of Lake Geneva each earned a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing in the fall 2022 semester at this Winona, Minnesota, university.

These area students were named to the dean's list for the fall 2022 semester:

**Edgerton** — Peyton Lee.

**Elkhorn** — Emily Mertes, Sarah Pauley and Brianna Taylor.

**Janesville** — Hannah Dunlavy, Savannah Egger, Sarah Frank, Emily Holden, Ella Karl, Maddie Reuter, Morgan Stengel, Brianna Stocks and Mara Talabac.

**Lake Geneva** — Madeline Krien.

**Milton** — Lydia Miller.

## GOSHEN COLLEGE

**Kristen Oliver** of Sharon was named to the dean's list for the fall 2022 semester at this Goshen, Indiana, college.

## TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, Feb. 2, the 33rd day of 2023.

There are 332 days left in the year.

## TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT

**Feb. 2, 1990**—In a dramatic concession to South Africa's Black majority, President F.W. de Klerk lifted a ban on the African National Congress and promised to free Nelson Mandela.

## ON THIS DATE IN ...

**1536**—Present-day Buenos Aires, Argentina, was founded by Pedro de Mendoza of Spain.

**1653**—New Amsterdam — now New York City — was incorporated.

**1887**—Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania, held its first Groundhog Day festival.

**1914**—Charles Chaplin made his movie debut as the comedy short "Making a Living" was released by Keystone Film Co.

**1925**—The legendary Alaska Serum Run ended as the last of a series of dog mushers brought a life-saving treatment to Nome, the scene of a diphtheria epidemic, six days after the drug left Nenana.

**1943**—The remainder of Nazi forces from the Battle of Stalingrad surrendered in a major victory for the Soviets in World War II.

**1948**—President Harry S. Truman sent a 10-point civil rights program to Congress, where the proposals ran into fierce opposition from Southern lawmakers.

**1980**—NBC News reported the FBI had conducted a sting operation targeting members of Congress using phony Arab businessmen in what became known as "Abscam," a codename protested by Arab-Americans.

**2016**—Health officials reported that a person in Texas had become infected with the Zika virus through sex in the first case of the illness being transmitted within the United States.

**2017**—Using a backhoe to smash through a barricade of water-filled footlockers, police stormed Delaware's largest prison, ending a nearly 20-hour hostage standoff with inmates; one hostage, a guard, was killed.

**2020**—The Philippines reported that a 44-year-old Chinese man from Wuhan had died in a Manila hospital from the new coronavirus; it was the first death from the virus to be recorded outside of China. Authorities in parts of China extended the Lunar New Year holiday break well into February to try to keep people at home.

## TODAY

## LIBRARIES

**Citizenship Classes (English)** — 9 a.m.-noon, Hedberg Public Library, 316 S. Main St., Janesville. Presented in partnership with Faith Literacy. Limited to 10 students. Registration is required. Call or text 308-381-0192. Visit [hedbergpubliclibrary.org](http://hedbergpubliclibrary.org).

**Wiggle and Rhyme** — 9:30-10:30 a.m., Hedberg Public Library, 316 S. Main St., Janesville. Early literacy storytime with books, finger-plays, puppets, songs and movement activities. Visit [hedbergpubliclibrary.org](http://hedbergpubliclibrary.org).

**Citizenship Classes: Civics (Spanish)** — 9:30-11 a.m., Hedberg Public Library, 316 S. Main St., Janesville. Presented in partnership with Faith Literacy. Limited to four students. Registration is required. Call or text 308-381-0192. Visit [hedbergpubliclibrary.org](http://hedbergpubliclibrary.org).

**Hedberg Harmony: Dulcimer Dozen** — 2-3 p.m., Hedberg Public Library, 316 S. Main St., Janesville. Includes live music from local musicians. Visit [hedbergpubliclibrary.org](http://hedbergpubliclibrary.org).

**Legal Action of Wisconsin** — 3-7 p.m., Hedberg Public Library, 316 S. Main St., Janesville. Free legal services for low-income Rock County residents facing housing challenges. Visit [hedbergpubliclibrary.org](http://hedbergpubliclibrary.org).

**Pages and Positivi-Tea online book club** — 4-5 p.m., Janesville. Join your librarian as they spill the tea on books, video games and the world around them. Tuesdays are books and Thursdays are gaming. Available on Twitch.TV. Visit [hedbergpubliclibrary.org](http://hedbergpubliclibrary.org).

## GALLERIES

**"Life in Light and Shadow"** — 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Roberta's Art Gallery, 190 Hamilton Green Way, Whitewater. Featuring work by Jerry Jordan. For more information, call 262-472-3193, email [ucart@uwww.edu](mailto:ucart@uwww.edu) or visit [uwww.edu/uc/events\\_entertainment/robertas-art-gallery](http://uwww.edu/uc/events_entertainment/robertas-art-gallery).

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## LIBRARIES

**Getting Started with Libby** — 10-11 a.m. and 2-3 p.m., Hedberg Public Library, 316 S. Main St., Janesville. Get help on switching from OverDrive to Libby. Registration is required by calling 608-758-6600 or visit [hedbergpubliclibrary.org](http://hedbergpubliclibrary.org).

**Fridays with Friends** — 10-11 a.m., Hedberg Public Library, 316 S. Main St., Janesville. Includes early literacy songs, stories and activities. An American Sign

## EVENTS DISCLAIMER

All calendar events are subject to cancellation or postponement without notice. Refer to attached phone numbers or websites to clarify questions.

## HEALTH &amp; FITNESS

**ImpactLife blood drive** — 1-5 p.m., SSM Health St. Mary's Hospital-Janesville, 3400 E. Racine St., Janesville. Masks and appointments are required. Blood types O- and A+ in critical need. To register, visit [bloodcenter.org](http://bloodcenter.org) or email SSM Health Community Health Director Megan Timm at [megan.timm@ssmhealth.com](mailto:megan.timm@ssmhealth.com).

## SENIOR CENTERS

**Beloit Senior Center**—631 Bluff St., Beloit. 7:30 a.m., billiards; 8 a.m., open sewing; 9 a.m., Advisory Board, Hand and Foot Cards; 9:30 a.m., line dancing; 12:30 p.m., euchre.

**Clinton Senior Center** — 508 Front St., Clinton. 1 p.m., Cookbook Club. 10 a.m., Stitch Club; 12:30 p.m., Mexican Train.

**The Gathering Place**—715 Campus St., Milton. 9:15 a.m., Strong Women; 10 a.m., open art studio, Vintage necklace class; 10:30 a.m., cribbage; 10:45 a.m., stretching class; 1 p.m., Rag Ruggers, euchre, stained glass.

**Janesville Senior Center**—69 S. Water St., Janesville. 8 a.m., pool; 8:30 a.m., exercise; 9 a.m., woodcarvers; 9:30 a.m., line dancing, sewing; 10 a.m., cribbage; 10:30 a.m., ping pong; Noon, porcelain class; 1 p.m., dulcimer, leather tooling; 2 p.m., scrapbooking.

**Whitewater Senior Center**—504 W. Starin Road, Whitewater. 8 a.m., pickleball; 8:30 a.m., Joyful Toes; 9:30 a.m., FUN-fit; 10 a.m., yoga; 12:30 p.m., pickleball, cribbage.

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## SENIOR CENTERS

**Beloit Senior Center**—631 Bluff St., Beloit. 7:30 a.m., billiards; 8:30 a.m., Stretch and Walking on Your Own; 10 a.m., movie; 12:30 p.m., Mexican Train.

**The Gathering Place**—715 Campus St., Milton. 8 a.m., dance aerobics, pool players; 1 p.m., stained glass.

**Janesville Senior Center**—69 S. Water St., Janesville. 8 a.m., pool; 8:30 a.m., exercise; 9:30 a.m., clogging, knitting, chair yoga, Friday Dance, embroidery; 12:45 p.m., euchre; 1 p.m., drawing and painting, journaling.

**Whitewater Senior Center**—504 W. Starin Road, Whitewater. 8 a.m., pickleball; 9 a.m., indoor walking; 10 a.m., sewing; 12:30 p.m., pickleball.

## SCHOOL LUNCHES

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

**Today** — Hamburger or chicken patty on a bun, waffle fries, broccoli with dip, fruit choice, milk choice.

**Friday** — Chicken nuggets with breadstick or pizza bagels, cucumber slices with dip, carrotenees, chocolate chip cookie, fruit choice, milk choice.

## MIDDLE SCHOOLS

**Today** — Orange chicken, sriracha boneless wings with breadstick, cheeseburger, specialty salad, rice, stir fry vegetables, cherry tomatoes, fortune cookie, fruit choice, milk choice.

**Friday** — Pizza dippers with marinara, ham and cheese on a pretzel bun, chicken sandwich, specialty salad, green beans, cauliflower with dip, cookie, fruit choice, milk choice.

## SETTING IT STRAIGHT

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THURSDAY, FEB. 2

10 A.M.

**"2022 Walk a Mile in Her Shoes"** YWCA Rock County encourages men to walk in high-heel shoes to raise money and awareness for domestic violence on Sept. 29, 2022. 30 min. Repeats at 4 and 10 p.m.

10:30 A.M.

**"Team Chicago Challenge"** Host Dan Schmitt takes a look back at the first ice race of 1991. 29 min. Repeats at 4:30 and 10:30 p.m.

11 A.M.

**"Age Quake Theatre"** A northwestern Illinois theater group for ages 55 and older share experiences in its own words in the Senior Moments series at Hedberg Library on June 8, 2018. 55 min. Repeats at 5 and 11 p.m.

NOON

**"Truth for Today: Bearing the Unbearable"** Service from Faith Community Church. 38 min. Repeats at 6 p.m.

1 P.M.

**"Women's 100th Celebration"** Celebrating women's right to vote on June 10, 2019, 100 years after Wisconsin ratified the 19th amendment. 93 min. Repeats at 7 p.m.

2:35 P.M.

**"Action Theater"** Bruce Bennett and Ula Holt star in the 1937 black-and-white movie "The New Adventures of Tarzan." 71 min. Repeats at 8:35 p.m.

## SENIOR MEALS

**Rock County Aging and Disability Resource Center Nutrition Program menu:**  
**Today** — Burgundy tips, egg noodles, winter squash, peas, mandarin oranges, vanilla pudding.  
**Friday** — American goulash, green beans, romaine salad with dressing, cottage cheese, spiced pears.  
**Monday** — Swedish meatballs, noodles, beets, cauliflower, peaches.  
**Tuesday** — Turkey and gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, wheat bread, mandarin oranges, cake with berry frosting.

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GUEST VIEWS

# Abortion not the best growth strategy for Michigan

There are more people dying in Michigan than being born.

In 2021, the state had more deaths than births in a year for only the second time since at least 1900.

Michigan is in a dangerous position of losing its population without the ability to replace it with immigration — or its own fertility rate. Long-term, that will mean not just declining economic growth, but also a loss of political clout.

**From The Detroit News**

Michigan's fertility rate has generally been slightly lower than the national average for 60 years, and its long-term trajectory isn't good.

Yet Gov. Gretchen Whitmer highlighted the state's ultra-permissive abortion environment as one of its main attractions in her fifth State of the State speech last week, pitching it as a growth strategy.

As part of an appeal to retain a younger workforce and encourage child-bearing-aged people to grow their families here, the governor said: "The other half of attracting and retaining young people is standing up for their freedoms. Just a few months ago, Michiganders told us that people should be able to make their own decisions about their own bodies."

The governor continued: "I've also heard from folks like Lauren, who grew up in Traverse City and wants to move back to start a family but waited until she knew her reproductive rights would be protected. Lauren, I want you and anyone living in a state that wants to control your body or deny your existence to know that Michigan has a place for you."

The governor is right that voters legalized abortion. But effectively making it part of the Pure Michigan campaign to attract new residents is unseemly.

There are a lot of other things that will help lure and retain people of child-bearing age besides the promise of abortion access, which Gov. Whitmer highlighted in her State of the State address.

For example, streamlining regulations so that entrepreneurs can more easily open up shop here and help diversify the state's economic portfolio would be one way.

Creating an urban agenda that helps struggling cities become places where young people can safely live and raise a family is another idea.

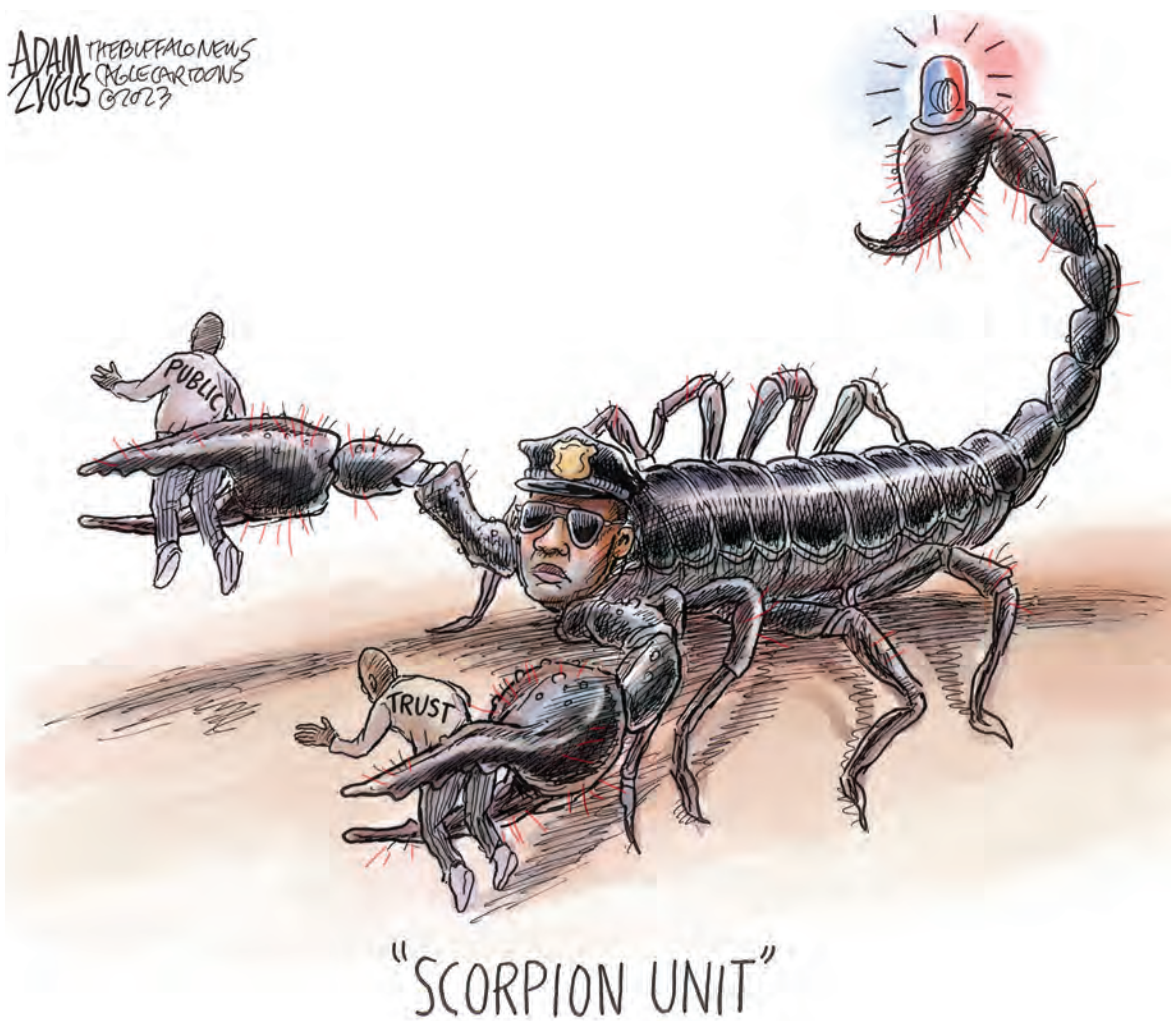
And fixing the state's abysmal education system would certainly help retain people of family-rearing ages.

We understand the governor's strategy in boasting about reproductive rights, considering our nearest neighbors, Ohio and Indiana, continue for the moment to restrict abortion. But potential new residents, particularly younger ones, are looking for opportunity and a great place to raise their children.

The governor should remember, too, that a large percentage of Americans don't favor the sort of wide-open abortion environment voters approved in November and might be turned off by her casting Michigan as the abortion state.

The goal should be creating a Michigan in which people who want kids and those who don't feel equally welcome.

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**YOUR VIEWS**

**Anissa Welch the right choice for Milton mayor**

"I consider myself an excellent candidate... because I care" — Vincent Frank

The above quote describes incumbent Milton Mayor Anissa Welch. She cares about the kind of community current Milton residents live in. She cares about the kind of community future Milton residents will live in.

"We cannot solve our problems with the same level of thinking that created them" — Albert Einstein

The above quote describes Mayor Welch. She approaches community challenges in a thoughtful manner through collaboration and input from city leadership, city staff, common council and residents. She does not support creating new problems in the process of resolving a current issue.

"A genuine leader is not a searcher for consensus but a molder of consensus" — Martin Luther King, Jr.

The above quote describes Mayor Welch. She practices and encourages creativity while

considering proven solutions already being carried out in other communities. She leads with dignity and respect for others.

Join me in reelecting Mayor Anissa Welch this coming April. A candidate who cares about Milton's residents and future! A candidate who solves problems verses creating new ones! A candidate who is a leader!

**LARRY LAEHN**  
Milton

**Council vote on ice arena a waste of taxpayer dollars**

Thank you for your recent column on the ice arena and your sage advice to the city council to hold public meetings. During these meetings the city council needs to have a "Come to Jesus" moment about taxpayer dollars and cents and then gracefully walk away from this extreme agenda.

As a taxpayer, I was very much offended when 5 council members — Jackson, Marshick, Benson, Marklein, and Burdick — voted to waste tax dollars on this pork project.

I was offended this vote was

held right before Christmas when families are most busy. Since I attended the Dec. 12 council meeting, I was offended when teenagers in sports T-shirts were paraded before the council to tug at their heartstrings — all while the "Ice Rink 5" voted to tug hard at taxpayers' purse strings.

It felt like the majority of the council had their minds made up before they set foot inside the council chambers. What happened to elected officials representing "We The People?"

Thank you to council members Heather Miller and Paul Williams for calling out the "secret" meetings taking place behind closed doors. On April 4, I will be voting to return Heather Miller to the city council as I appreciate her willingness to ask the hard questions.

Jackson and Marshick have lost my vote since they showed total disregard for my financial situation. While endless borrowing may be an option for the city, going into debt is not an option for my household, especially with a recession on the horizon.

**SALLY HORTON**  
Janesville

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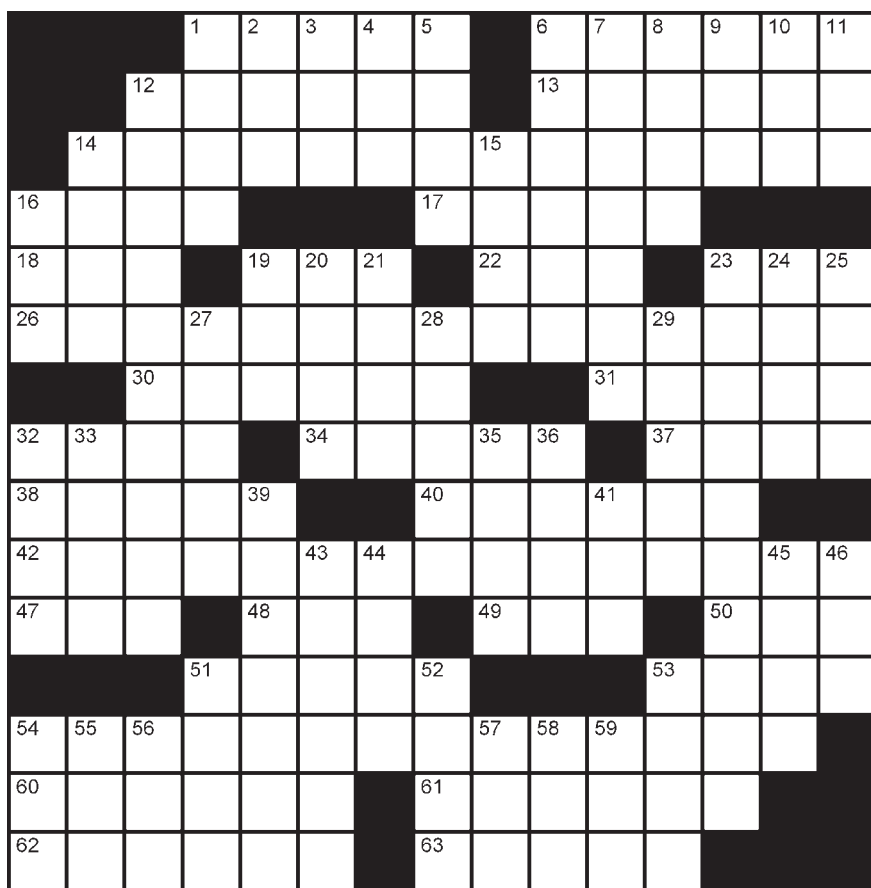


**UNIVERSAL CROSSWORD**

Edited by Amanda Rafkin

**ACROSS**

- 1 "The \_\_\_ is your oyster"
- 6 Arose
- 12 Clip artist?
- 13 Comedian Nancherla
- 14 \*Cultural ethos represented by the word "aloha"
- 16 Fancy party
- 17 Lugged
- 18 Frying liquid
- 19 "How's it goin'?"
- 22 In the manner of STEM branch: Abbr.
- 26 \*Like Archie and Lilibet Mountbatten-Windsor, nationality-wise
- 30 "Don't worry about it"
- 31 Sound from a pig
- 32 Lady who has won 13 Grammys
- 34 Overwhelm
- 37 Extinct bird
- 38 Short concession speech
- 40 Odd duck
- 42 \*Geographic region for the Aleutian Islands
- 47 Rocking horse rider
- 48 Go green, maybe?
- 49 That, in Spanish
- 50 Round object
- 51 iComfort mattress maker
- 53 Rent-a-car company
- 54 Travel company headquartered in Chicago, and an apt description of the starred clues' answers
- 60 Positioned in the middle
- 61 Spanish term of endearment
- 62 "I deserve some pity!"
- 63 Watch covertly



Travel Packs by Parker Higgins

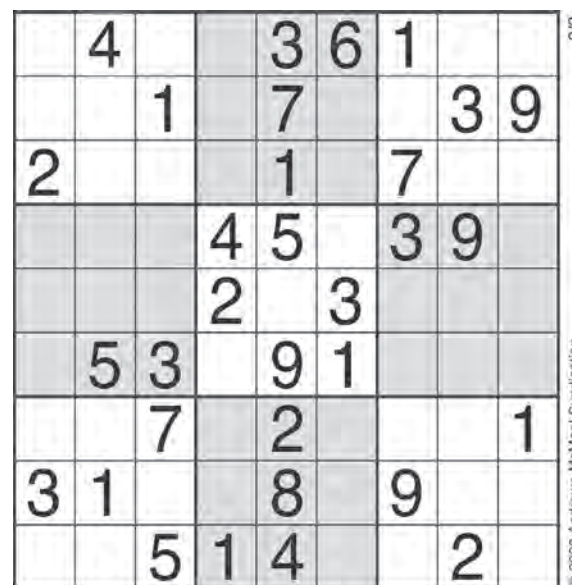
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**DOWN**

- 1 East Coast convenience store chain
- 2 "Hot Right Now" singer Rita
- 3 Slugger's stat
- 4 Floral garland
- 5 "Aw, shucks"
- 6 Building with a moat
- 7 Seems
- 8 Netflix miniseries about a young mother who finds work cleaning houses
- 9 Screw up
- 10 College, to Brits
- 11 Touch gently
- 12 Going big
- 14 Stuff that's brushed
- 15 Linguist Chomsky
- 16 Hunk of goo
- 19 Sloth, e.g.
- 20 Employs
- 21 "What a relief!"
- 23 Makes room, in a way
- 24 Check an ID
- 25 Digging
- 27 You often raise your glass for one
- 28 "Drop Dead Gorgeous" actress Amy
- 29 2023 Cricket World Cup host
- 32 Basic point
- 33 \_\_\_ gobi (potato and cauliflower dish)
- 35 Teeny arachnid
- 36 Informative TV ads
- 39 Middle-of-the-night hour
- 41 Popular period tracking app
- 43 Digital game inspired by Mastermind
- 44 "At Last" singer James
- 45 Jenner of "KUWTK"
- 46 Six-pack makeup
- 51 Commotion
- 52 Goals
- 53 Unidentified author, for short
- 54 Worker who calls strikes?
- 55 Opposite of paleo-
- 56 Words that might precede a legal name change
- 57 "Let 'er \_\_\_!"
- 58 Produce, like an egg
- 59 "If you ask me ..."

**UNIVERSAL SUDOKU**

Directions: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.



DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★☆

**7 LITTLE WORDS**

Find the 7 words to match the 7 clues. The numbers in parentheses represent the number of letters in each solution. Each letter combination can be used only once, but all letter combinations will be necessary to complete the puzzle.

**CLUES SOLUTIONS**

- 1 things unknown (9) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 appreciates (5) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 request for response (4) \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 late comedian & TV host Bob (5) \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 on NASDAQ it's known as WOOF (5) \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 large rock north of Morocco (9) \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 putting under the microscope (9) \_\_\_\_\_



Answers: 1. MYSTERIES 2. LIKES 3. RSVP 4. SAGET 5. PETCO 6. GIBRALTAR 7. ENLARGING

**BABY BLUES**



**PEARLS BEFORE SWINE**



**PICKLES**



**GARFIELD**



**LUANN**



**CRABGRASS**





**HOROSCOPE FOR FEBRUARY 2**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY:** Your mind will be racing this year, but if you don't prepare and organize properly, you will miss your mark. Look at the possibilities and bring together what's most compatible. Make your energy work for you. Refuse to let situations spin out of control.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Think big, but don't overspend. Be open to ideas, but not at the expense of giving up on your dreams. Take pride in what you do and you will stimulate profit and growth. Distance yourself from emotional interference that clouds your vision. 2 stars

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Talk with someone you enjoy working with and a concrete plan will develop. A reunion or gathering will drum up feelings you once had for someone. Reach out

and see where it leads. It's time to either embrace or let go of the past. 4 stars

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Do your thing, even out the playing field and make disciplined decisions that make a difference to your reputation and position. Refuse to let anyone take credit for something you do or say. Protect yourself and your assets from anyone pressuring you. 3 stars

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Share information, feelings and plans with someone special. Build your future with a goal in mind. Overreacting won't solve problems. Look for common ground and connect with people who can help make your dreams come true. Handle a romantic gesture with care. 3 stars

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Align yourself with the most

reliable sources. Don't be shy; speak up, and your contributions will open doors that lead to new beginnings. Don't walk away from change; embrace what's available and make it your own. A partnership will require compromise. 3 stars

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Consider what you want and how best to make it happen. Plan a fun-filled day that will ignite your imagination. Create an exciting way to get things done in record time so you can move on to more desirable pastimes. 4 stars

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Shake off any negativity dragging you down. Set the record straight and map out your goals. Procrastination is the enemy, so gear up and show everyone what you can bring to the table. By setting new trends, your popularity will grow. 2 stars

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** You'll gain power if you are observant. Take note of how others treat you, and eliminate situations holding you back. Improve your image and how you present yourself to the world. Romance is favored, and a commitment looks promising. 5 stars

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Don't ignore trouble. Size up situations and protect yourself from anyone coming on too strong. If something doesn't sit right with you, take a pass and do your own thing. Avoid trips, meetings and situations that can put you in a compromising position. 3 stars

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Pressing matters will escalate if you don't take charge. Refuse to let anyone put demands on you. By asking questions, you'll learn

how to move forward. An idea or concept you have has profitable potential. Apply your skills and follow your instincts. 3 stars

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Low-key works wonders in a tight situation. Don't poke the bear if you want others to listen. Offer something intelligent, concrete and forward-thinking. Take precautions and ward off injury or illness. A realistic attitude will lead to benefits. 3 stars

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Initiate activities with friends. Share your feelings and intentions, and a positive suggestion will follow. A trial run is a safe bet that leaves wiggle room for adjustments. Clear favors or debts owed before you proceed. Choose love over discord. 5 stars

By Eugenia Last

**ACES ON BRIDGE**

By **BOBBY WOLFF**

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**NORTH**  
 ♠ A K J 2  
 ♥ Q 10 5  
 ♦ K 8 2  
 ♣ 10 5 4

**WEST**  
 ♠ Q 9 8 6 5 3  
 ♥ J 3  
 ♦ 7  
 ♣ K Q 9 2

**EAST**  
 ♠ 10 4  
 ♥ A K 8 7 6 4 2  
 ♦ 10 9 5  
 ♣ 8

**SOUTH**  
 ♠ 7  
 ♥ 9  
 ♦ A Q J 6 4 3  
 ♣ A J 7 6 3

Vulnerable: North-South  
 Dealer: South

The bidding:  
 South West North East  
 1♦ 2♣ 3NT 4♥  
 5♣ Pass 5♦ All pass

Opening Lead: Heart jack

"Map me no maps, sir; my head is a map, a map of the whole world."  
 — Henry Fielding

In this deal from the Schapiro Spring Foursomes in the U.K., declarer had a road map to his contract.

East exploited the vulnerability with his four-heart bid, and South naturally showed his second suit. For all he knew, his side could be cold for slam. North corrected to five diamonds, and West tabled the heart jack, covered by the queen and king.

East read declarer for 11 minor-suit cards and duly shifted to his singleton. Declarer knew to rise with the ace and then play two rounds of trumps, ending in dummy.

Once the lie of the trumps was revealed, declarer could be fairly sure that East's shape was 2=7=3=1. He ruffed a heart to cut the defensive link and then ran his trumps.

When declarer led his final diamond in the six-card ending, West had to reduce to

four spades and only one club honor; otherwise, declarer might run the spades with the aid of the finesse. However, declarer pitched a spade from dummy and gave up a club to land his game, made on a squeeze without the count.

A spade shift from East at trick two would have broken up the squeeze, but declarer still could have succeeded with some accurate card-reading: He draws trumps, cashes one spade, ruffs a heart and then rumbles the trumps, pitching a heart from dummy.

If West reduced to four clubs, dummy would come down to three clubs and one spade, whereupon a low club would endplay West. If he kept one spade and three clubs, dummy would reduce to two cards in each black suit. A low-club exit would settle West's hash.

**BID WITH THE ACES**

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South holds:  
 ♠ 7  
 ♥ 9  
 ♦ A Q J 6 4 3  
 ♣ A J 7 6 3

South West North East  
 3♠

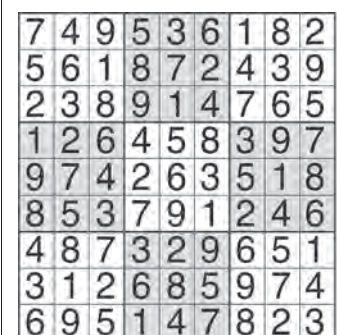
**ANSWER:** Cautious types will bid four diamonds and close up shop. The more aggressive will see the upside of bringing clubs into play and consuming bidding space; they will bid four no-trump to show the minors. I am firmly in the latter camp, with a less attractive option being to bid four diamonds and then introduce clubs. That might make it easier for my opponents to judge the five-level.

Contact Bobby Wolff at [bobbywolff@mindspring.com](mailto:bobbywolff@mindspring.com).

**ANSWER TO TODAY'S UNIVERSAL CROSSWORD:**



**ANSWER TO TODAY'S UNIVERSAL SUDOKU:**



**MISS MANNERS**

**These landscapers know all about your private keys**

**Dear Miss Manners:** I work on landscaping and grounds maintenance projects. On many occasions, I have encountered hidden house keys — under the mat, beneath a flowerpot and so forth.

Should I mention my discoveries to the owners? It seems awkward to say, "I know where your keys are hidden."

**Dear Gentle Reader:** The only reason Miss Manners can think of for mentioning it is if there is a problem with returning it to its original location — for example, if the flowerpot is now broken and the key is lying exposed on the front porch.

She agrees that "I know where your keys are hidden" is not a good way to foster trust. Far better would be, "It worried me that this was in plain



JUDITH MARTIN, NICHOLAS IVOR MARTIN AND JACOBINA MARTIN

sight, and I wasn't sure what you would like done with it."

**Dear Miss Manners:** I have been diagnosed with a common ailment, but my body does not respond to the standard treatment. I must be very careful about what and when I eat. I am under a doctor's care.

Close friends have been accommodating, but in less

familiar social situations, I find my lack of indulgence brings a spate of unwanted medical advice — this, after demurely mentioning the name of the condition when pressed. I'm offered the names of "better" doctors, pharmaceuticals that cured Aunt Gertrude, behavioral advice and more.

What is a polite way to end this talk and turn the conversation to pleasanter topics?

**Dear Gentle Reader:** Naming your medical condition, Miss Manners notes without satisfaction but also without surprise, made things worse. Stop supplying ammunition.

Instead, try for the following exchange when offered something you cannot eat.

"Would you like some?"

"Thank you, no."

"It's really good; you should

try it."

"I'm sure it is, but no."

"You'll hurt my feelings if you don't have any."

"I certainly hope not — you have been such an attentive host."

"Then you'll have some?"

"Thank you, no."

Eventually, the well will run dry.

**Dear Miss Manners:** What should an invitee do when an RSVP date is approaching and they are still not positive they can accept the invitation?

This has happened to me on occasion, due to unusual circumstances. Should I go ahead and decline, even though I would love to attend? Or perhaps call the host and explain the circumstances?

**Dear Gentle Reader:** Please, oh please, oh please,

do not call and explain the circumstances.

Your host has offered to entertain and/or feed you. Does it seem right to reciprocate by adding to their worries?

The proper course of action is to decline politely. Once you have done that, Miss Manners raises no objection to a short explanation: "We would have loved to come to the party, but unfortunately we are still waiting for the hospital to schedule George's surgery." This leaves the decision about whether to replace you, or to extend the deadline, where it belongs: in the hands of the hosts.

(Please send your questions to Miss Manners at her website, [www.missmanners.com](http://www.missmanners.com); to her email, [dearmissmanners@gmail.com](mailto:dearmissmanners@gmail.com); or through postal mail to Miss Manners, Andrews McMeel Syndication, 1130 Walnut St., Kansas City, MO 64106.)



DEAR ABBY

# Widow finds love with high school sweetheart



JEANNE PHILLIPS

**Dear Abby:** My husband of 37 years passed away four months ago. When we were first married, we were happy, but his drinking increased and he turned into a mean drunk. When I decided I'd had enough, he got sick, and I felt obligated to take care of him. A decade of my life was spent looking after him.

One month after his funeral, I was contacted out of the blue by my high school sweetheart. I was reluctant to respond at first, but I decided it couldn't hurt to meet him. The attraction was immediate. It felt like we were back in high school. It has been three months now, and we are ready to take our relationship to the next level. He makes me feel better than I have ever felt in my life. My children know how miserable I was for decades in my marriage, but I'm

still concerned about how they'll feel about me seriously dating so soon. — Longing For Love in the Midwest

**Dear Longing:** If you explain to your adult children that you and your friend from long ago have reconnected, they shouldn't react badly to the news. However, a word of caution: This is still a budding relationship. If by "taking the relationship to the next level" you mean becoming intimate, you are an adult long past the age of consent. However, if it means dashing off to marry this person, take more time before making a formal commitment. Doing that will enable you to observe how he reacts in a variety of situations.

**Dear Abby:** I am a 55-year-old woman who had a few good jobs earlier in my career, which enabled me to buy a lovely townhouse in New England. I now work as a consultant, and I no longer earn the same kind of money I did back then. My problem: About 20 years ago, my parents borrowed money from me to fix their home so they could sell it. After it sold, not only did

they not pay me back, but they moved in with me. It was supposed to be temporary, but they have been staying here rent-free for the last five years. In addition to my frustration with my parents, my sister (who is in her 40s) was living down south with her boyfriend when their relationship imploded. So she moved back to New England and moved in with us. She is not paying rent either and brought her two dogs with her. I am at my wit's end. Please give me some advice. — Going Bonkers in Massachusetts

**Dear Going Bonkers:** You have been patient and tolerant for far too long. You have been a pushover. Contact an attorney for help, because you may have to evict these relatives. Grow a backbone and TELL your parents you want them not only to move but to take your sister and her dogs with them. I SINCERELY hope you have something in writing memorializing the loan you gave your folks because, if you don't, you probably will not see that money again.

Contact Dear Abby at [www.DearAbby.com](http://www.DearAbby.com) or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

CELEBRITY CIPHER

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

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" K P F E P R T H E K Y R D X E R G K I H  
 B K Y Y K R I Z K L L X F X I P V H E T . P S H P ' T  
 V S H P K H T A K F X P R Z R . P S H P ' T V S H P  
 K Z R U X T P . " — O S F K T P K I X B O D K X

Solution: "I try to say I love you in a million different ways. That's what I aspire to do. That's what I do best." — Christine McVie

TODAY'S CLUE: U equals U

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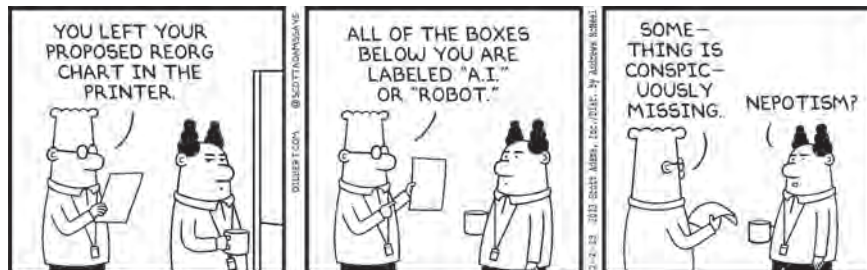
"Then the groundhog comes out of his hole and brings toys for good girls and boys."

MARMADUKE



"It's a new record... Marm spotted... 37 squirrels... on our... walk in the park."

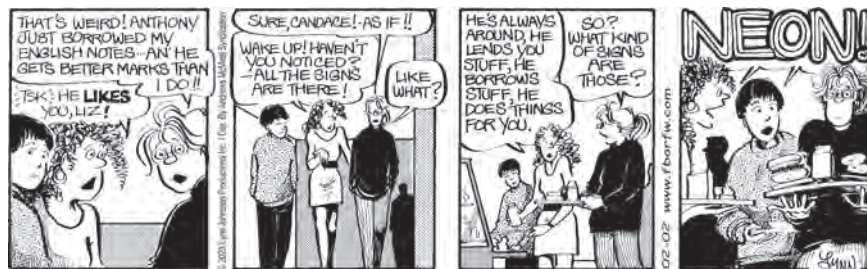
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FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE



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## WORD WARP

2/2/23 by Bill Biggar and Tom Gauer

Find the word held in common by the three words in each puzzle. The three solution words will form a fourth puzzle. The numbers indicate each answer's length, and the + tells you its position.

Example: The solution to +FLOWER, WAILING+ and BERLIN+ is WALL.

+suds	4	_____+
+box		
+opera		
young+	5	_____+
responsible+		
consenting+	6	_____+
+classic		
+novel		
+stricken	4	_____

ANSWERS (TOP TO BOTTOM): SOAP, ADULT, HORROR, FILM

PEANUTS



ARLO & JANIS





# Groups want ballot questions blocked

## Argue GOP lawmakers missed deadline

ASSOCIATED PRESS

MADISON—A lawsuit filed Tuesday by Wisconsin criminal justice advocacy groups seeks to block two Republican-sponsored measures from appearing on the April ballot, arguing that they were not submitted on time to the correct elections officials.

One question is a proposed constitutional amendment that would allow judges to consider more factors when setting bail for violent offenders. The other is an advisory

referendum that asks voters if they believe that able-bodied, childless welfare recipients should be required to look for work.

The Legislature passed the measures on Jan. 19. State law requires them to be “filed with the official or agency responsible for preparing the ballots” at least 70 days before the election. That made the deadline for submitting these questions Jan. 25.

The Legislature submitted the ballot measures with the state elections commission on Jan. 19, the day they were passed. The commission filed them with county elections officials on Jan. 26 and told

the clerks that the measures should be placed on the April 4 ballot.

The commission, in a memo to clerks certifying the measures for the ballot, addressed questions about the proper place to file such questions. The commission said it was the only entity where state-level referenda questions can be filed.

The lawsuit was filed against the elections commission in Dane County Circuit Court by EXPO Wisconsin and WISDOM. EXPO stands for or Ex-Incarcerated People Organizing. It is an affiliate of WISDOM, a statewide faith-based organization. Both groups

work with people who spent time behind bars and fight against mass incarceration. Both groups were opposed to the ballot measures.

Their lawsuit argues that the measures should have been delivered to county clerks and the Milwaukee County Elections Commission by Jan. 25. It is those local officials, not the state elections commission, who prepare the ballot, the lawsuit contends.

The lawsuit argues that “the Resolutions were not timely filed and therefore that they do not qualify for inclusion on the ballot for the April 4, 2023 Spring Election.” It asks the court to disallow them from

appearing on the ballot.

The elections commission, in its Jan. 26 memo certifying the measures, contends that the 70-day filing deadline was met when the Legislature submitted the questions to the commission on Jan. 19.

Riley Vetterkind, a spokesperson for the commission, did not immediately respond to an email requesting comment on the lawsuit.

The criminal justice groups are represented by attorneys from Law Forward and the Stafford Rosenbaum law firms, both of which have challenged a number of Republican-authored laws in recent years.

# Jensen found guilty again in wife's death

## State Supreme Court ordered new trial

ASSOCIATED PRESS

KENOSHA—A jury found a Wisconsin man guilty Wednesday in a second trial for killing his wife with antifreeze and by suffocation in 1998.

The verdict of first-degree intentional homicide against Mark Jensen was announced in a Kenosha

County courtroom.

Jensen, 63, first was convicted in 2008 in the slaying of Julie Jensen inside their Pleasant Prairie home.

Prosecutors alleged he began poisoning her with antifreeze in December 1998, drugged her with a sleeping medication and later suffocated her to death over a three-day period.

Jensen had maintained his innocence, with his attorneys arguing that Julie Jensen was depressed and killed herself after framing her

husband.

He was sentenced then to life without parole, but a Kenosha County judge vacated Jensen's first conviction in April 2021 after the Wisconsin Supreme Court ruled he deserved a new trial. The court found that a letter his wife wrote incriminating him in the event something should happen to her could not be used by the prosecution.

Jensen is scheduled to be sentenced on April 14.



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Mark Jensen, center, is led out of a courtroom at the Kenosha County Courthouse in Kenosha after a jury on Wednesday found him guilty in the 1998 death of his wife Julie. The state Supreme Court ruled in 2021 that Jensen deserved a new trial in the case.

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# FBI searches Biden vacation property

No classified records found, his lawyer says

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WASHINGTON—The FBI searched President Joe Biden's vacation home in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware, on Wednesday without turning up any classified documents, the latest turn in an extraordinary

series of searches of his and his predecessor's properties.

Agents did take some handwritten notes and other materials relating to Biden's time as vice president for review, just as they had when they searched his Wilmington home last month where they also found classified items. Investigators searched his former office at a Washington think tank that bears his name in November, but

it isn't clear whether they took anything.

The Biden searches, conducted with his blessing, have come as investigators work to determine how classified information from his time as a senator and vice president came to wind up in his home and former office — and whether any mishandling involved criminal intent or was merely a mistake in a city where unauthorized treatment

of classified documents is not unheard of.

Law enforcement searches of property are a routine part of criminal probes, but there is nothing ordinary about the FBI scouring a sitting president's home, even as Biden and his aides have sought to contrast his actions with those of his predecessor.

Former President Donald Trump is facing a special counsel criminal investigation into

his retention of several hundred classified documents and other government records at his Mar-a-Lago estate in Florida — and his resistance to giving them up, which led to an FBI warrant and search to seize them last August.

On Wednesday, Biden's personal attorney Bob Bauer said FBI agents authorized by the Department of Justice spent three and a half hours searching the

president's beach home and that "no documents with classified markings were found."

In a statement disclosing the search, Bauer sought to portray Biden and his team as fully transparent and cooperative. He described the search as "planned" and "a further step in a thorough and timely DOJ process we will continue to fully support and facilitate."

## President, House speaker meet

McCarthy calls it 'a good first meeting'

ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON—President Joe Biden and House Speaker Kevin McCarthy met face-to-face Wednesday for more than an hour of highly anticipated budget talks — "a good first meeting," the new Republican leader said — but expectations were low for quick progress as GOP lawmakers push for steep cuts in a deal to prevent a national debt limit crisis.

Biden has resisted direct spending negotiations linked to vital action raising the nation's legal

debt ceiling, warning against potentially throwing the economy into chaos.

McCarthy had all but invited himself to the White House to start the conversation before a summer debt deadline. And he emerged saying the meeting went better than expected: The two agreed to meet again, and the speaker said he expected to hear from Biden soon.

"No agreement, no promises except we will continue this conversation," McCarthy told reporters outside the White House.

He said he told the president he would not raise the debt ceiling without concessions from Democrats.

"I was very clear," he said. "We're not spending more next year than we spent this year."

And Biden's response? McCarthy said the president insisted on

a "clean debt ceiling" vote without the budget cuts Republicans are demanding.

"We both have different perspectives on this, but I thought this was a good meeting," McCarthy said.

The White House said the president and the speaker agreed to continue the conversation.

The House speaker arrived for the afternoon session carrying no formal GOP budget proposal, but he is laden with the promises he made to far-right and other conservative Republican lawmakers during his difficult campaign to become House speaker. He vowed then to work to return federal spending to 2022 levels — an 8% reduction. He also promised to take steps to balance the budget within the decade — an ambitious, if politically unattainable goal.



McCarthy

## Calls for action punctuate Nichols' funeral

ASSOCIATED PRESS

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—Tyre Nichols' family and friends remembered him with songs of faith and heartfelt tributes Wednesday, blending a celebration of his life with outraged calls for police reform after the brutal beating he endured at the hands of Memphis police.

Nichols' mother, RowVaughn Wells, fought back tears as she spoke lovingly of her son.

"The only thing that's keeping me going is that I truly believe that my son was sent here on assignment from God. And I guess now his assignment is done. He's gone home," she said, urging Congress to pass police reform.

The Rev. Al Sharpton and Vice President Kamala Harris both



ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Rev. Al Sharpton listens as Vice President Kamala Harris speaks during the funeral service for Tyre Nichols at Mississippi Boulevard Christian Church in Memphis, Tenn., on Wednesday.

delivered impassioned speeches calling on lawmakers to approve the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act, a broad package of reforms that includes a national registry for police officers disciplined for misconduct, a ban on no-knock warrants and other measures.

Harris said the beating of Nichols, a 29-year-old Black man, by five Black police officers was a violent act that violated the stated mission of police to ensure public safety.

Nichols was beaten after police stopped him for an alleged traffic violation Jan. 7. Video released after pressure

from Nichols' family shows officers holding him down and repeatedly punching, kicking and striking him with a baton as he screamed for his mother.

Sharpton said the officers who beat Nichols might have acted differently if there were real accountability for their actions.

"We understand that there are concerns about public safety. We understand that there are needs that deal with crime. But you don't fight crime by becoming criminals yourself. You don't stand up to thugs in the street becoming thugs yourself. You don't fight gangs by becoming five armed men against an unarmed man. That ain't the police. That's punks," he said.

### BRIEFS

#### South's winter blast continues

OKLAHOMA CITY—A deadly storm system lashed a large swath of the southern U.S. with bands of sleet and snow for a third day on Wednesday, grounding an additional 2,300 flights, leaving hundreds of thousands without power, forcing school closures and making already treacherous driving conditions worse.

Watches and warnings about wintry conditions were issued for an area stretching West Texas' border with Mexico through Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana, and into western Tennessee and northern Mississippi. Several rounds of mixed precipitation, including freezing rain and sleet, were in store for many areas throughout the day, meaning some places could get hit multiple times, forecasters said.

#### Myanmar marks 2 years since coup

BANGKOK—The prospects for peace in Myanmar, much less a return to democracy, seem dimmer than ever two years after the army seized power from the elected government of Aung San Suu Kyi, experts say.

Small peaceful protests are an almost-daily occurrence throughout the country, but on the anniversary of the Feb. 1, 2021, seizure of power by the army, two points stand out: The amount of violence, especially in the countryside, has reached the level of civil war; and the grassroots movement opposing military rule has defied expectations by largely holding off the ruling generals.

The violence extends beyond the rural battlefields where the army is burning and bombing villages, displacing hundreds of thousands of people in what is a largely neglected humanitarian crisis. It also occurs in the cities, where activists are arrested and tortured and urban guerrillas retaliate with bombings and assassinations of targets linked to the military.

#### Daytime TV's 'Dr. Phil' ending show

NEW YORK—Daytime television psychologist "Dr. Phil" McGraw says he plans to end his talk show after 21 years in the coming months, but viewers haven't seen the last of him.

"Dr. Phil" was the most prominent spinoff from Oprah Winfrey's show, which once dominated daytime TV. The Texan's program debuted in September 2002 after he had been featured as a regular guest on Winfrey's.

"With this show, we have helped thousands of guest and millions of viewers through everything from addiction and marriage to mental wellness and raising children," McGraw said in a statement.

"This has been an incredible chapter of my life and career, but while I'm moving on from daytime, there is so much more I wish to do."

McGraw, 72, said he wants to focus on prime-time programming and is planning an unspecified project for early next year.

From Associated Press



**OBITUARIES**

**Ruth M. Byrne**

May 31, 1930 - January 29, 2023

**Janesville, WI** - Ruth M. (Sproul) Byrne, age 92, of Janesville, died at Sun Valley North, Beloit, on Sunday, January 29, 2023, following the death of her son, James Byrne who had passed away earlier on Sunday morning.

A Funeral Service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 4, 2023, at APFEL WOLFE FUNERAL HOME with a visitation on Saturday from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. at the Funeral Home. Visit [www.apfelwolfe.com](http://www.apfelwolfe.com) for a full obituary.

**Alexandra V. Gould**

October 28, 1952 - January 30, 2023

**Wisconsin Rapids, WI** - Alexandra V. Gould, age 70, of Wisconsin Rapids, passed away on Monday, January 30, 2023, at her home.



Memorial visitation will be held at Ritchay Funeral Home in Wisconsin Rapids, on Monday, February 6, 2023, from 3 to 6pm.

Alexandra (Alex/Sandi) was born on October 28, 1952, in Milwaukee, WI to Mihailo and Anneliese (Friebert) Saramandich. She graduated from Hamilton High School in 1970 and University of Wisconsin - Whitewater in 1974.

Alexandra met the love of her life, Jeffery Gould and they were married on November 24, 1986, in Mesa, Arizona. They shared 36 years of marriage together.

Alexandra worked in production management (GM), human resources (Gross Common Carriers), and logistics management (Wisconsin Central RR/Consolidated/Stora Enso/New Page), retiring in 2019.

Alexandra was blessed with a penchant for flowers and hand crocheting baby blankets, enjoyed around the US. She also enjoyed vacationing in Siesta Key Florida.

Alexandra is survived by her husband, Jeffery; sons, Andrew (Erika) Gould, Eric Gould; grandchildren, Cooper and Tenley; Kaydence, Kyler and Karly; mother, Anneliese Saramandich; brother, Michael (Carol) Saramandich; sisters-in-law, Pam Orin, Diane (Dave) Eppihimer, Robin Kraemer; brother-in-law, John (Lauri) Gould; and many nieces and nephews who held a special place in her heart.

She is preceded in death by her father, Mihailo; mother and father-in-law, Shirley and Karl Gould; sister-in-law, Deborah Gould; and special family friend Patricia Weinbauer.

The Gould family would like to thank the Grand Rapids EMT, First Responders and Police for their dedication and effort.

Ritchay Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

**Brian D. Jones**

May 8, 1963 - January 30, 2023

**JANESVILLE, WI** - Brian D. Jones, 59, a lifelong Janesville resident, passed away peacefully on January 30, 2023, surrounded by his loving family, at Agrace in Janesville.



Brian fought hard to remain active after his Multiple Sclerosis and Parkinson's diagnoses in 2008.

Brian was born on May 8, 1963, to Allen and Sharleanne (Ott) Jones. He graduated from Craig High School in 1981. He was employed by Mr. Steak, Toyota/Oldsmobile and Lear Seating. Following the closing of Lear, he attended Blackhawk Tech, where he was very proud of being on the Dean's list each semester. He received his associates degree in HVAC. While attending BTC, he worked for the School District of Janesville until 2012 when he was no longer able to work.

On April 4, 1987, he married Tricia Curtis. They were blessed with two children, Matthew and Sarah. Brian enjoyed working on cars, car shows, hunting, fishing and watching Wisconsin sports. He also enjoyed family trips, camping, and cruises with family and friends. He was supportive in the kids' activities and so proud of the adults they had become.

Brian is survived by his devoted wife, Tricia; their children, Matthew (Haley) Jones and Sarah (Brandon) Hartin, and their children, Finley and Cohen; his parents, Allen and Sharleanne Jones; his brothers, Jeff (Cindy Knox) Jones and Todd (Kimberly) Jones and their daughters Reagan and Avery. He is further survived by sisters-in-law and their families, LuAnn (Tim) Luedtke, Sue Curtis (Mike Magnuson); nieces and nephews, Steve (Jill) Luedtke and their daughters, Joanna and Emma, Mike (Aviva) Luedtke and their children, Makayla and Justin, Elliott Wellnitz and Lizzie Wellnitz. He is also survived by his best friend, Lonnie Alsteens; aunts, uncles, cousins, close friends and dear neighbors. We will all miss the "Master Griller" and the neighbors will miss the sweet smell of his BBQ all year round. He was preceded in death by his mother-in-law and father-in-law, Beth and Ken Curtis as well as his maternal and paternal grandparents. Brian was looking forward to spending pool time this summer with his grandchildren Finley and Cohen!

Special thanks to UW Health Neurology Physicians, Mercy Hospital 4th Floor staff, Doctors Bean and Dahbur, Mercy East Pharmacy and Agrace Hospice for making his end-of-life journey peaceful. In lieu of flowers, memorials can be given to Craig High School Sunshine Senders, 401 S Randall Ave., Janesville, WI 53545 for a scholarship to be given to students affected by MS or Parkinson's, or Agrace Hospice, Janesville.

A visitation will be held from 10 a.m. until 12 Noon on Saturday, February 4, 2023, at HENKE-CLARSON FUNERAL HOME, 1010 North Wright Road, Janesville with a time of remembrance to follow at Noon on Saturday, February 4th at the FUNERAL HOME. Burial will be at a later date in the Emerald Gove Cemetery.

The Jones family is being assisted by HENKE-CLARSON FUNERAL HOME. Online condolences may be shared at [www.henkeclaronson.com](http://www.henkeclaronson.com).

**Margaret Ann Tyrrell**

November 20, 1943 - January 30, 2023

**Janesville, WI** - Margaret Ann Tyrrell, age 79, passed away at home on Monday, January 30, 2023. She was born in Cuba City, WI on November 20, 1943, the daughter of George and Catherine (Simon) Hurley.



She married Philip Tyrrell Sr. on October 11, 1980, at Asbury United Methodist Church. Margaret was a devoted wife and mother. Margaret and Phil met in 1978. Margaret, having had four children from a prior marriage to the late Willie David Boswell, joined with Phil, along with his own five children to form a large, blended family. A vibrant, energetic and highly motivated person,

Margaret loved traveling, shopping, and going to casinos, shows and concerts. She was artistic, and found joy in photography, sewing, embroidery, crocheting, basketry, woodworking, and playing her electric bass. It seemed like there wasn't anything she couldn't do when she put her mind to it, even sewing the wedding dress and tuxedo she and Phil wore at their wedding. She especially loved decorating her home, painting the walls and varnishing the floors herself.

Margaret is survived by her loving husband, Phil; three sons: Phil Jr. (Jacen Heidemann), Ken (Tammy), Paul (Kathy); four daughters: Laureen (Mark) Lokrantz, Catherine (Chip) Schuett, Julie (Troy) Osborne, and Karalee Tyrrell; nine grandchildren; and twelve great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; step-father, Tony Unger; daughter, Sharon; son, William; two half-sisters; and two half-brothers.

A funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 4, 2023, at SCHNEIDER FUNERAL HOME & CREMATORY with Rev. Drew Olson officiating. A visitation will be held from 10:00 a.m. until the time of the service at the funeral home. Memorial donations can be made to WSBVI Alumni Association, care of Amy Snow, Wisconsin School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, 1700 West State Street Janesville WI 53546. For online condolences and guestbook, please visit: [www.schneiderfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.schneiderfuneraldirectors.com).

"We would like to express our deep gratitude to the SSM Hospice Team for their care and kindness towards Margaret and our family." - The Margaret Tyrrell Family

**Judge: Lawsuit against Rittenhouse may proceed**

Huber's father filed federal suit in 2021

**ASSOCIATED PRESS**

MADISON—A federal judge in Wisconsin on Wednesday ruled that a wrongful death lawsuit filed by the father of a man shot and killed by Kyle Rittenhouse during a protest in 2020 can proceed against Rittenhouse, police officers and others.

The father of Anthony Huber, one of two men shot and killed by Rittenhouse, filed the lawsuit in 2021, accusing officers of allowing for a dangerous situation that violated his son's constitutional rights and resulted in his death. Anthony Huber's father, John Huber, also alleged that Rittenhouse, who was 17 at the time of the shootings, conspired with law enforcement to cause harm to protesters. John Huber is seeking

unspecified damages from city officials, officers and Rittenhouse.

U.S. District Judge Lynn Adelman on Wednesday dismissed motions filed by Rittenhouse and the government defendants seeking to dismiss the civil rights lawsuit.

In allowing the case against Rittenhouse and the others to proceed, the judge said that Anthony Huber's death "could plausibly be regarded as having been proximately caused by the actions of the governmental defendants."

Rittenhouse had argued that the case against him should be dismissed because he wasn't properly served with the lawsuit. Adelman dismissed that, saying that Rittenhouse "is almost certainly evading service."

**DEATH NOTICES**

**Glenroy Arnold Brockmann**, 81, Delavan, died Saturday, Jan. 28, at home. Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 10, at Haase-Lockwood & Associates Funeral Home and Crematory, Elkhorn. Visitation will be from 9:30 a.m. until the time of services Feb. 10 at the funeral home.

**Ethen R. Hanson**, 33, Janesville, died Friday, Jan. 27, at home. Visitation will be from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 5, at Schneider Funeral Home & Crematory's Life Celebration Center, Janesville.

**Ladislav J. "Lad" Vraný**, 91, Janesville, died Wednesday, Feb. 1, at home. Private services will be held. Henke-Claronson Funeral Home, Janesville, is assisting the family.

**Theodore Zierath**, 71, South Beloit, Illinois, died Tuesday, Jan. 31, at Beloit Memorial Hospital, Beloit. Services will be at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 7, at Central Christian Church, Beloit. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 6, at Daley Murphy Wisch & Associates Funeral Home and Crematorium, Beloit, and from 10:30 a.m. until the time of services Feb. 7 at the church.

**Jean Lorraine (Wendell) Zitzler**, 93, Fontana, died Jan. 22 at Golden Years, Walworth. Private services will be held. Derrick Funeral Home, Lake Geneva, is assisting the family.

**LOTTERY**

<b>Wisconsin Pick 3</b> (Midday Tuesday, Jan. 31) 4-2-9 (Evening Tuesday, Jan. 31) 4-6-5	<b>Megabucks</b> (Saturday, Jan. 28) 3-6-10-17-18-43 Wednesday's cash prize: \$400,000 Wednesday's annuity prize: \$1 million
<b>Wisconsin Pick 4</b> (Midday Tuesday, Jan. 31) 8-7-1-9 (Evening Tuesday, Jan. 31) 5-0-2-0	<b>Powerball</b> (Monday, Jan. 30) 1-4-12-36-49 Powerball: 5 Power play: 2X Wednesday's cash prize: \$350.5 million Wednesday's annuity prize: \$653 million
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# Fed bumps up rate, sees more hikes ahead

Powell signals end to increases could be near

ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON—The Federal Reserve extended its fight against high inflation Wednesday by raising its key interest rate by a quarter-point, its eighth hike since March. And the Fed signaled that even though inflation is easing, it remains high enough to require further rate hikes.

At the same time, Chair Jerome Powell said at a news conference that the Fed

recognizes that the pace of inflation has eased — a signal that it could be nearing the end of its rate hikes. The stock and bond markets rallied during his news conference, suggesting that they anticipate a forthcoming pause in the Fed's credit tightening.

The Fed's latest move, though smaller than its previous hike — and even larger rate increases before that — will likely further raise the costs of many consumer and business loans and the risk of a recession.

In a statement, Fed officials repeated language they've

used before that says, "ongoing increases in the (interest rate) target range will be appropriate." That is widely interpreted to mean they will raise their benchmark rate again when they next meet in March and perhaps in May as well.

The Fed's hike was announced a day after the government said pay and benefits for America's workers grew more slowly in the final three months of 2022, the third straight slowdown. That report could help reassure the Fed that wage gains won't accelerate inflation.

Though the Fed kept

language in its statement Wednesday suggesting that more rate hikes are in store, it did note for the first time that price pressures are cooling. The statement also hinted that it will likely stick with modest quarter-point hikes in coming months and is considering when to eventually suspend them altogether.

Powell stressed that the Fed's inflation fight is far from over.

"We will need substantially more evidence to be confident that inflation is on a long, sustained downward path, he said at his news conference.

"It would be very premature to declare victory or think that we really got this. We have to complete the job."

Speculation is widespread, though, among Wall Street investors and many economists that with inflation continuing to cool, the Fed may soon decide to halt its aggressive drive to tighten credit. When they last met in December, the Fed's policymakers forecast that they would eventually raise their benchmark rate to a level that would require two additional quarter-point hikes.

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**JAMES R. ARNDT vs. HEATHER M. COOPER**

**Plaintiff:**  
 JAMES R. ARNDT  
 P.O. BOX 156  
 Janesville WI 53547

**Defendant:**  
 HEATHER M. COOPER  
 3704 STUART ST. APT. 6  
 Janesville WI 53546

This form does not replace the need for an interpreter, any colloquies mandated by law, or the responsibility of court and counsel to ensure that persons with limited English proficiency fully comprehend their rights and obligations.

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 608-743-2210 at least 10 working days prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

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### LEGALS

February 15, 2023 8:00a.m.  
 Jury Assembly Room 2nd floor  
 51 South Main Street  
 Janesville WI 53545

January 28, 2023  
 Jacki Gackstatter,  
 Clerk of Court  
 Feb. 2, 7, 13, 2023 WNAXLP

**NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING**  
 CASE NO. 22 CV 1116  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT, ROCK COUNTY**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF: KAYLEE MARIE PORTER**

**NOTICE IS GIVEN:** A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: Kaylee Marie Porter, To: Jackson Simeon Percival, Birth Certificate: Kaylee Marie Porter.

**IT IS ORDERED:** This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Rock County, State of Wisconsin before Judge Barbara McCrory, Courtroom E, 51 South Main St., Janesville, WI March 9, 2023 at 10:45 a.m. If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, call 608-743-2200 prior to the court date. Note that the court does not provide transportation.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:** Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Janesville Gazette a newspaper published in Rock County, State of Wisconsin.

**BY THE COURT:** Dec. 29, 2022  
 Barbara McCrory  
 Circuit Court Judge  
 January 19, 26, 2023  
 February 2, 2023 WNAXLP

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS (Informal Administration)**  
 CASE NO. 22 PR 461  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT, ROCK COUNTY**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DONA J. SULZE**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:**

1. An application for informal administration was filed.  
 2. The decedent, with date of birth May 25, 1931 and date of death July 30, 2022 was domiciled in Rock County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 534 N. Walnut St., Janesville, WI 53548.  
 3. All interested persons waived notice.

### LEGALS

4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is April 11, 2023.  
 5. A claim may be filed at the Rock County Courthouse, 51 South Main Street, Janesville, WI 53545, Room Probate Office.  
 Jodi Timmerman  
 Court Commissioner  
 January 10, 2023

Erick Sultze  
 4638 N. Redwood  
 Janesville, WI 53548  
 January 26, 2023  
 February 2, 9, 2023 WNAXLP

**AMENDED NOTICE TO CREDITORS (Informal Administration)**  
 CASE NO. 23 PR 48  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT, ROCK COUNTY**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LOUIS F. LARSON**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:**

1. An application for informal

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 City Clerk-Treasurer  
 February 1, 2, 3, 2023

**TOWN OF MILTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
 Monday, February 13th, 2023 at 6:30p.m.  
 Milton Town Hall 23 First Street, Milton, Wi.

Please take notice that a public hearing will be held at the Milton Town Hall, 23 First Street, Milton, WI at 6:30 pm to consider a zoning change.

Application of Mathew McGuire, McGuire Landscaping, 2107 E Vincent Rd, Milton WI, for a rezone of parcel 6-13-46.10, section 7, Milton Township, Rock County Wisconsin, currently C-R (commercial recreation) to B-2 (Large Scale Commercial District).

Any person interested and/or affected by this change will be given a chance to express their opinion at this time. The Town Board will hold a joint meeting with the Planning and Zoning Committee on Monday, February 13th, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m. Following the recommendation by the Planning & Zoning Committee the Town Board will take action on this request.

This notice will be mailed to property owners within 1000 feet.

Laura Siclovian-Clerk/Treasurer  
 Town of Milton, Milton Town Hall website: [townofmiltonnc.com](http://townofmiltonnc.com)  
 January 30, 2023  
 February 6, 2023 WNAXLP

### LEGALS

administration was filed.  
 2. The decedent, with date of birth December 10, 1942 and date of death December 16, 2022 was domiciled in Rock County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 318 N. Main St., Edgerton, WI 53534.  
 3. All interested persons waived notice.

4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is May 2, 2023.  
 5. A claim may be filed at the Rock County Courthouse, 51 South Main Street, Janesville, WI 53545, Probate Office.

Jodi Timmerman  
 Court Commissioner  
 January 30, 2023

Attorney Jeffrey T. Roethe  
 P.O. Box 151  
 Edgerton, WI 53534  
 608-884-3391 Bar No. 1012603  
 Feb. 2, 9, 16, 2023 WNAXLP

### Local News Matters



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## 5 THINGS TO DO

### GAZETTE STAFF

We've got a little bit of everything for you this week, from live music and theater, to Lake Geneva Winterfest to a Lunar New Year celebration. Enjoy these editor's picks of fun upcoming things to do in Janesville and the surrounding area.

### LAKE GENEVA WINTERFEST

The 28th annual Lake Geneva Winterfest is Feb. 1-5. It includes the U.S. National Snow Sculpting Championship, the only such national competition in the U.S. Fifteen state championship teams will be creating large snow sculptures. Last year, teams came from New York, Vermont, Nebraska and elsewhere. The live snow sculpting begins at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 1 and will continue until 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 4 at Riviera Plaza and Flat Iron Park along the shore of Geneva Lake. There will also be bonfires on the beach, an ice sculpture walk downtown and other fun activities. More information is at [visitlakegeneva.com/winterfest](http://visitlakegeneva.com/winterfest).

### WINTER BOOK SALE

The Friends of the Eager Free Public Library will hold a Winter Book Sale Thursday, Feb. 2 from 1-5 p.m.; Friday, Feb. 3 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday, Feb. 4 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Grange, 119 W. Main St. in Evansville. Book donations will be accepted throughout the sale. More information: [www.als.lib.wi.us/EFPL](http://www.als.lib.wi.us/EFPL).

### CAUGHT IN THE NET

Did you see the Janesville Little Theater's

More THINGS | A15



## Multimedia blast of local stories 'coming at you'

**TOM MILLER**  
Special to The Gazette

JANESVILLE — Adventure tales involving local residents will come to life this weekend at the Janesville Performing Arts Center.

"Tales of Adventure" will be presented Friday and Saturday nights, Feb. 3 and 4, and Sunday afternoon, Feb. 5.

Six true stories featuring eight local persons will be recounted via skits, music, dance and videos, in a 90-minute production directed by Steve Saliby.

The six experiences involve:

- A rafting adventure down the Mississippi River involving three boys and two fathers.

- The late Roy Chapman Andrews of Beloit, believed to be the inspiration for the fictional character "Indiana Jones."

- Janesville native Lori Schneider, who was the first person with multiple sclerosis to complete the seven summits of the world.

- Local adventurer Jan Perrin, who has kayaked and canoed rivers all over the United States and internationally.

- The late Frank Douglas, a World War II veteran who stormed the beach in the Normandy Invasion and then taught high school geography at Janesville High School and Janesville Craig.

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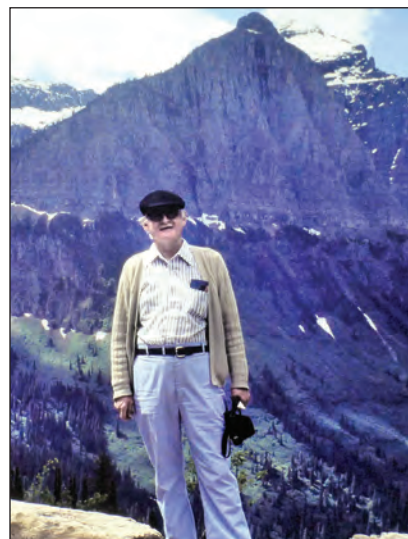
SUBMITTED PHOTO

The story of Jan Perrin has kayaked and canoed all over the United States and internationally. She's also raced in canoe and kayak competitions.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Janesville native Lori Schneider was the first person with multiple sclerosis to complete the seven summits of the world and then became a motivational speaker and is still exploring new adventures today.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

The late Frank Douglas was a WWII combat veteran from Janesville who became a high school teacher and took his students on adventures.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Steve and Kathy Dean, owners of Mocha Moment coffee house in Janesville, are bicycle touring folks.

### IF YOU GO

**What:** "Tales of Adventure", a 90-minute production.

**Where:** Janesville Performing Arts Center, 408 S. Main St., Janesville.

**Performances:** Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m.; Sunday, 2 p.m.

**Tickets:** \$12 each (free parking); available at [janesville-pac.org/box-office](http://janesville-pac.org/box-office).

**Other information:** Before each show, audience members can enter a drawing to win a Jamis Explorer bike courtesy of Velocity Multi-Sport & Cycling.



# Lake Geneva shops feed a Four Dishes dinner party

**BETH WEBB**

Special to The Gazette

My husband came home from a long day of work to a clean and calm home—and just in time for an eight-person dinner party with the rest



**FOUR DISHES**

of the Dishes and their significant others. The secret: I didn't

cook! Instead of spending all day in the kitchen, I had an afternoon adventure foraging for prepared foods. The hot spot was the eastern edge of Lake Geneva, about a 50-minute drive from Janesville and well worth the time.

Lake Geneva Country Meats, our first stop, was such a wonderful surprise. We ordered our selections over the phone and expected to just pick up and go, but what we were greeted with was a large, modern facility full of tempting products, many of them locally produced. Along with cases of deli foods, meats and cheeses, including brats in all different flavors, walls of frozen meat and freezers of seafood, they have an extensive wine selection with detailed descriptions and some lesser-known craft beers. There is something for everyone.

Just four minutes further down the road, we



PHOTOS BY NIKKI BOLKA

A Four Dishes dinner party with prepared meatloaf, pot pie and enchiladas from Lake Geneva Country Meats, River Valley Ranch and Kitchens, and the Lake Geneva Pie Company.



A beef pot pie from Lake Geneva Pie Company. A 9-inch pie costs \$28.95 and is filled with beef, carrots, green beans and potatoes in a savory gravy.

made our second stop at River Valley Ranch and Kitchens, where you will find mushrooms of all shapes and sizes cooked into chili, scones, bread, tamales and more. I stock up whenever I get a chance to visit. This time, we got cheese-stuffed mushrooms (\$8.44 for seven). I also discovered a mushroom baguette with rosemary and garlic, and on our drive home we shared a mushroom scone that was delicious. The mushrooms added a flavorful earthiness.

Our last stop was Lake Geneva Pie Company. We splurged on a frozen beef pot pie (\$28.95 for a 9-inch pie) with

baking instructions included. For dessert, we chose one of their popular items, the Lakeshore berry pie with a blend of strawberries, raspberries and blackberries in a delicious crumb crust (\$24.25 for a 9-inch pie). The key lime pie also looked tempting, so we picked up a small one (\$11.25 for a 6-inch pie).

Back at my house that night, we gathered first around the fireplace to tuck into our charcuterie board. Lake Geneva Country Meats' house-made summer sausages were the highlight. The store makes plain, garlic and, my favorite, jalapeño cheddar (\$5.99 a

## AT A GLANCE

### LAKE GENEVA COUNTRY MEATS

**Address:** 5907 Highway 50 East, Lake Geneva.

**Phone:** 262-248-3339.

**Website:** lakegenevacountrymeats.com.

**Current hours:** 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturdays, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sundays.

### RIVER VALLEY RANCH AND KITCHENS

**Address:** 39900 60th St., Burlington.

**Phone:** 262-235-2555.

**Website:** rvrvalley.com.

**Current hours:** 9 a.m.-7 p.m. every day.

### LAKE GENEVA PIE COMPANY

**Address:** 150 E. Geneva Square, Lake Geneva.

**Phone:** 262-248-5100.

**Website:** lgpie.com.

**Current hours:** 6:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays; 6:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturdays; closed Sundays and Wednesdays.

came in a 4.5-inch single serving (\$5.99). With a lovely crimped crust, the bacon was mainly at the bottom, slightly crisp and a bit salty. The custard was creamy and covered with a browned cheesy layer at the top. It was light yet satisfying.

One of the highlights for Helene was the BLT macaroni salad (\$6.49 a pound). Like the chicken salad, it was not overpowered by the taste of mayonnaise, which we appreciated. Moist and delicious, all the ingredients—salty bacon with bits of green onion, celery and tomato—worked well together.

The enchiladas (\$10.50 for three large ones) were a hit around the table.

Juicy white-meat chicken and black beans were mixed with chopped green chiles, onions, gooey melted cheeses and a flavorful enchilada sauce. It was all wrapped in a flour tortilla, topped with more luscious cheese and baked to a golden brown.

These winter months can feel a little blah, so getting together with friends is always a good antidote. With a minimum of fuss and a quick trip to Lake Geneva, we ate well, had leftovers, and talked about travel and aging and music. Good times!

**The Four Dishes**—Nikki Bolka, Helene Ramsdell, Jennifer Spanner and Beth Webb—review regional restaurants for The Gazette.

pound). This pre-dinner ritual allowed us to try all the extras we picked up on our outing. We were told not to miss their chicken salad (\$7.99 a pound). Made with all-white-meat chicken, it was full of crunchy chopped celery, dried cranberries that added a nice sweetness, finely chopped onions and a light dressing that was slightly sweet but didn't taste at all like mayonnaise. Perhaps they use yogurt? Jennifer thought it was the best she ever tasted.

After sampling the appetizers, we moved to the dining room for our

main course. The pot pie reheated perfectly and came out of the oven with a light, flaky and wonderfully golden crust. The filling was a mix of tender beef chunks, carrots, green beans and potatoes in a savory rich gravy.

I am a potato girl, so the twice-baked potatoes were calling my name. They were buttery, cheesy, creamy goodness (\$5.49 a pound), and they went great with the meatloaf (\$6.99 a pound). Firm and tasty with a sweet tomato glaze, it got high reviews from the meatloaf lovers at the table and was quite filling.

The quiche Lorraine

## Things/ from A14

production of "Run for Your Wife," last season? Well, it's time to catch the as-hilarious sequel.

"Caught in the Net," the Janesville Little Theater's follow up, is on stage starting next weekend at the Janesville Performing Arts Center, 408 S.

Main St., in Janesville. Shows are at 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday, Feb. 10, 11, 17 and 18. Tickets are \$18 for adults and \$10 for children ages 10-18.

Parking is free. More information is at 608-758-0297.

### LUNAR NEW YEAR

A traditional lion

dance by the Zhong Yi Kung Fu association of Madison will be a highlight of a Lunar New Year Celebration, to help usher in the Year of the Rabbi, at the Hedberg Public Library in Janesville. The Lunar New Year Celebration is Saturday, Feb. 4, from 2-4 p.m. at the library, 316 S. Main St., in Janesville. It is being put on in partnership with the School District of Janesville's Chinese Language Program. Attendees can learn more about Lunar New Year and try some traditional snacks associated with the holiday.

### COUNT BASSIE ORCHESTRA

The Legendary Count Basie Orchestra, with guest vocalist 2019 Grammy nominee Carmen Bradford, will play at the Edgerton Performing Arts Center on Saturday, Feb. 11. The group is currently under the direction of Scotty Barnhart. Tickets for the show, at 7:30 p.m., are \$45. The Edgerton Performing Arts Center is at 200 Elm High Dr., in Edgerton. More information is at [www.edgertonpac.com](http://www.edgertonpac.com).

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# Out & About

## THURSDAY, FEB. 2 Music

**The Boat House**, N2062 S. Lake Shore Drive, Lake Geneva—Joey Halbur, 6 p.m.

**Flat Iron Tap**, 150 Center St., Suite 2007, Lake Geneva—Double Bourbon Quick, 6:30 p.m.

**Hammy's Roadside Bar**, 2131 Center Ave., Janesville—Karaoke, 7 p.m.

**Lake Geneva House of Music**, N2341 County H, Lake Geneva—Open mic, 7 p.m.

**Main Street Music & More**, 102 W. Main St., Brooklyn—Karaoke, 7 p.m.

**Palpable's Pub**, 128 S. Bluff St., South Beloit, Illinois—Afternoon dance, 1 p.m.

**Pier 290 Restaurant**, 1 Liechty Drive, Williams Bay—Mike VanDyke, 5:30 p.m.

**Pyramid Event Venue**, 117 S. Main St., Lake Mills—The Night-injails, 6 p.m.

**Stable Rock Winery**, 123 W. Milwaukee St., Jefferson—Back2Back, 5 p.m.

### Comedy

**Crosby Place**, 120 N. Crosby Ave., Janesville—Adam Ferrara, 7:30 p.m.

### Games

**Barkley's Burgers**, Brews & Dawgs, 2710 W. Court St., Janesville—Trivia, 7 p.m.

**Coach's Bar & Grill**, 2745 Prairie Ave., Beloit—Bingo, 7 p.m.

**Grand Avenue Pub**, 132 Grand Ave., Beloit—Trivia, 7 p.m.

**The Night Owl Food & Spirits**, 189 E. Main St., Evansville—Trivia, 7 p.m.

**Rock County Brewing Co.**, 10 N. Parker Drive, Suite 160, Janesville—Trivia, 6 p.m.

**Turtle Lake Tap and Grill**, N6513 Anderson Drive, Delavan—Trivia, 7 p.m.

## FRIDAY, FEB. 3 Music

**Alta May's Place**, 708 S. Jackson St., Janesville—Mr. G and Jena Marie, 6 p.m.

**The Anchor**, 718 E. Highway 59, Newville—David Hecht, 6:30 p.m.

**Bad Brad's**, 911 Rockport Road, Janesville—Party Marty, 7 p.m.

**Champs Sports Bar and Grill**, 747 W. Main St., Lake Geneva—Big Al Wetzel Band, 9 p.m.

**CheezHead Brewing**, 414 Pleasant St., Beloit—Nick and Friends, 7 p.m.

**Coach's Bar & Grill**, 2745 Prairie Ave., Beloit—Karaoke, 9:30 p.m.

**Delavan Lake Store and Lounge**, 2001 N. Shore Drive, Delavan—Open mic, 7 p.m.

**Fast Eddy's Bar & Grill**, 1704 Rockport Road, Janesville—Karaoke, 9 p.m.

**Fat Cats**, 104 Broad St., Lake Geneva—Bodhicitta, 9 p.m.

**Grand Avenue Pub**, 132 Grand Ave., Beloit—Dirt Road Rebelz, 8 p.m.

**Lindley's on Beulah**, W1340 Beach Road, East Troy—Karaoke, 8:30 p.m.

**LSJ Music Company**, 127 Park Place, Delavan—Open mic, 7 p.m.

**Main Street Music & More**, 102 W. Main St., Brooklyn—Mason Meyer and the Spirit Rhythm, 6:30 p.m.; Zeroed Hero, 8 p.m.; 7 Seasons Deep, 9:30 p.m.

**Merrill & Houston's Steak Joint**, 500 Pleasant St., Beloit—David Hayes, 8 p.m.

**Mo's TAASBAG**, 2339 Milton Ave., Janesville—DJ, 9 p.m.

**Moose Lodge**, 418 W. Milwaukee St., Janesville—Matt Arnold, 7 p.m.

**Mustangs Bar & Grill**, 482 Gardner St., South Beloit,

Illinois—DJ, 9 p.m.

**O'Riley & Conway's Irish Pub**, 214 W. Milwaukee St., Janesville—Nine Thirty Standard, 7 p.m.

**Pier 290 Restaurant**, 1 Liechty Drive, Williams Bay—D'Lite Duo, 6 p.m.

**The Ridge**, W4240 Highway 50, Lake Geneva—Nate Christaki, 7 p.m.

**The Rustic Pub**, 2028 N. Shore Drive, Delavan—Karaoke, 8 p.m.

**Stable Rock Winery**, 123 W. Milwaukee St., Jefferson—Rose Among Thorns, 5 p.m.

**Studio Winery**, 401 E. Sheridan Springs Road, Lake Geneva—Jeff Trudell, 5 p.m.

**Topsy Turvy Brewery**, 727 Geneva St., Lake Geneva—Andy Plunkett, 5 p.m.

**Tyrana**, 1025 Owen St., Lake Mills—The Ryan McGrath Band, 7 p.m.

**VFW**, 1015 Center Ave., Janesville—Rainbow Bridge, 7 p.m.

**Whiskey Ranch Bar & Grill**, 24 S. Main St., Janesville—DJ Sirius, 10 p.m.

### Games

**Pyramid Event Venue**, 117 S. Main St., Lake Mills—Knickerbocker Team Trivia, 7 p.m.

**Timber Hill Winery**, 1223 E. Storrs Lake Road, Milton—80's trivia, 6 p.m.

## SATURDAY, FEB. 4 Music

**Café Carpe**, 18 S. Water St., Fort Atkinson—Lonesome Bill Campin, 8 p.m.

**The Club Tavern**, 1975 Porter Ave., Beloit—Bill and Jim's Most Excellent Acoustic Adventure, 2 p.m.

**Coach's Bar & Grill**, 2745 Prairie Ave., Beloit—Karaoke, 9:30 p.m.

**Delavan Lake Store and**

## WHO'S PLAYING AT YOUR PLACE?

Out & About is a free listing of local night spots featuring live entertainment. Submissions are welcome. To submit information, call 608-755-8267 or email shebbe@gazettextra.com by 2 p.m. Tuesdays. Scheduling changes do occur, so when in doubt, contact the venue before heading out to see a band.

## LOOKING FOR MORE LISTINGS?

Out & About listings are provided in print as space allows. For a more extensive list of entertainment options available within an hour of Janesville, check out Out & About online at gazettextra.com.

Don't see your favorite bands or venues included? Be sure to remind them to provide their upcoming entertainment schedules by calling 608-755-8267 or emailing shebbe@gazettextra.com.

**Lounge**, 2001 N. Shore Drive, Delavan—Jacob Henry, 7 p.m.

**Emmy's Bar**, 3900 Milton Ave., Janesville—Karaoke, 8 p.m.

**Grand Avenue Pub**, 132 Grand Ave., Beloit—Three Good Men, 8 p.m.

**Hammy's Roadside Bar**, 2131 Center Ave., Janesville—Nite Fire, 8 p.m.

**The Hive Taproom**, W2463 County ES, East Troy—Indigo Canyon, 7 p.m.

**Island Bar & Grill**, W7545 Blackhawk Island Road, Fort Atkinson—Tim O'Grady Jr., 7 p.m.

**Main Street Music & More**, 102 W. Main St., Brooklyn—Foo Foo Dolls, 7 p.m.

**Mustangs Bar & Grill**, 482 Gardner St., South Beloit, Illinois—DJ, 9 p.m.

**O'Riley & Conway's Irish Pub**, 214 W. Milwaukee St., Janesville—Mark Young, 7 p.m.

**Pier 290 Restaurant**, 1 Liechty Drive, Williams Bay—Telstar, 7 p.m.

**Pyramid Event Venue**, 117 S. Main St., Lake Mills—Derek Jones, 7 p.m.

**The Red Baron**, 124 W. Fulton St., Edgerton—J Edwards, 8 p.m.

**The Ridge**, W4240 Highway 50, Lake Geneva—Karen Shook, 7 p.m.

**The Riviera Ballroom**, 812

Wrigley Drive, Lake Geneva—Rock Central House Band, 10 a.m.

**The Rock Bar and Grill**, 101 Maple Ave., Beloit—Folkn Rockn, 7 p.m.

**Russ's Park Place**, 1637 E. Racine St., Janesville—Karaoke, 9 p.m.

**Snug Harbor Campground**, Pub & Grill, W7785 Wisconsin Parkway, Delavan—Karaoke, 9 p.m.

**Studio Winery**, 401 E. Sheridan Springs Road, Lake Geneva—Hobie and the Leftovers, 5 p.m.

**The Table**, 4910 County D, Afton—Two Guys with Guitars, 5 p.m.

**Topsy Turvy Brewery**, 727 Geneva St., Lake Geneva—Matt Jaye, 5 p.m.

**Tyrana**, 1025 Owen St., Lake Mills—Cork'n Bottle String Band, 7 p.m.

**Uptown Janesville**, 2500 Milton Ave., Janesville—Richard Royce, 10:30 a.m.

**Wiggy's Saloon**, 9 N. Parker Drive, Janesville—DJ KJ, 10 p.m.

### Games

**Alta May's Place**, 708 S. Jackson St., Janesville—Pool tournament, 11 a.m.

**Moose Lodge**, 418 W. Milwaukee St., Janesville—Bingo, noon.

## BESTSELLERS

### HARDCOVER FICTION

1. The Cabinet of Dr. Leng. Preston/Child. Grand Central
2. Lessons in Chemistry. Bonnie Garmus. Doubleday
3. The House of Wolves. Patterson/Lupica. Little, Brown
4. Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow. Gabrielle Zevin. Knopf
5. How to Sell a Haunted House. Grady Hendrix. Berkley
6. The House in the Pines. Ana Reyes. Dutton
7. The Boys from Biloxi. John Grisham. Doubleday
8. Hell Bent. Leigh Bardugo. Flatiron
9. Without a Trace. Danielle Steel. Delacorte
10. Demon Copperhead. Barbara Kingsolver. Harper

### HARDCOVER NONFICTION

1. Spare. Prince Harry. Random House
2. The Creative Act. Rick Rubin. Penguin Press
3. Straight Shooter. Stephen A. Smith. 13A
4. The Light We Carry. Michelle Obama. Crown
5. The Nazi Conspiracy. Meltzer/Mensch. Flatiron
6. I'm Glad My Mom Died. Jannette McCurdy. Simon & Schuster
7. Saving Aziz. Chad Robichaux. Thomas Nelson
8. Good Boundaries and Goodbyes. Lysa TerKeurst. Thomas Nelson
9. The Good Life. Waldinger/Schulz. Simon & Schuster
10. Buy Back Your Time. Dan Martell. Portfolio

From Publishers Weekly

## Tales/ from A14

■ Steve and Kathy Dean, owners of Mocha Moment, who have biked around the U.S. and been dance partners for decades.

Teresa Nguyen, who has been the main writer of three previous "Tales Of" productions, was the main producer of this weekend's event.

Former Gazette reporter Frank Schultz helped Nguyen after he retired after 31 years with the newspaper.

Jamie Swenson, who works at the Hedberg Library and has written several children's books, teamed with Nguyen to write the skits.

"She is the one that pulled all this together and did much of the writing," Schultz said, of Nguyen. "She deserves most of the credit."

Writing the six scripts for "Tales of Adventure" was a different direction from his court and news reporting days, Schultz said.

"It's not the type of writing I did my whole career," the

longtime reporter said. "It's like six different feature stories. Each tale has a video interview."

"And I wrote what functions as the narrative. There is a narrative portion with fictional characters."

Schultz said he finds Douglas a fascinating subject.

"He was the head of expeditions to the Gobi Desert for the American Museum of National History back in the (19)20s and '30s," Schultz said. "He was a rock star of his time."

"He was on the cover of 'Time' magazine; he hung out with movie stars," Schultz continued. "He wrote many books about his adventures. He was a big deal."

The reoccurring adventure during the 1½-hour production is the Mississippi River rafting involving Bob Kimball and Robert Ozburn and their sons, Todd Kimball, Chris Ozburn and Al Castro.

Their advance toward New Orleans is interspersed between the other five adventures.

Saliby has been involved in theatre since he was a child. He

began his directing career with a musical adaptation of Adam Sandler's comedy "The Wedding Singer," at JPAC last year.

Up until then, Saliby was involved mainly in the production of shows, including two previous "Tales Of" productions.

Finding the six actors for "Tales of Adventure," Kevin Vechinsky, Janelle Taylor, Adam Urban, Jonathan Montes, Aiden Benewich and Aiden Davis, was the most challenging part of his job, Saliby said.

"We found some fantastic people to do it," Saliby said. "I had to call in a few favors to do it. The actors are really phenomenal. Once I was able to get the cast, things pretty much fell into place."

Saliby said he was grateful for the leg work put in by the writers and others involved in doing the interviews.

"I basically got a show handed to me on a silver platter," Saliby said. "It's going to be good."

Schultz agrees. "It's multimedia coming at you," Schultz said. "We try to keep it jumping around."



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## SUNNY SIDE UP

# 3-digit phone numbers to 15 kinds of Oreos

Over the years, life has become much more complex and mind-boggling. Since I was born with my mind



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already boggled, I'm not happy about these constant changes.

For instance, while growing up in Milton, my phone number was easy to remember:

272. Yup, just three numbers.

My best friend was David "Twig" Branch, son of Milton's longtime dentist, Dr. Forrest Branch. Dave lived next door to us on Plumb Street but eventually moved to Larch

Lane — a hop, skip, and a jump through neighborhood backyards. His phone number was 2462; only four numbers.

Other than my phone number, the only other numbers I had to remember as a youngster were my age, my weight, my street address, and what grade I was in school.

Then things slowly started to change.

Eventually, I ended up with a driver's license number, a license plate number, a Social Security number (nine numbers!), checking account and savings account numbers, a ten-digit phone number (11 if you add the "1"), credit card numbers, and number-containing passwords too numerous to mention.

It didn't help that I went on to Milton College with no high school math. I love words, but

I've always been afraid of numbers, especially fractions. I hate to admit this, but I still "count on my fingers." I would also use my toes if they weren't covered with socks and shoes. I firmly believe the person who invented handheld calculators should be made president of the universe.

Even food has become more complicated over the years.

While some of my rural friends grew up on milk (and cream) straight from a cow, I drank pasteurized whole milk. These days, I drink skim milk so I can eat more dark chocolate.

I know of a family that, at one time, had five different kinds of milk in their refrigerator: Whole milk, skim milk, 2% milk, lactose-free milk, and almond milk.

There are also many other

kinds of milk, including chocolate milk, buttermilk, condensed milk, eggnog, powdered milk, evaporated milk, cashew milk, half-and-half, oat milk, coconut milk, soy milk, rice milk, raw milk, organic milk, chia milk, and hazelnut milk.

[Pardon me, but I have to pause a minute while writing this since what's left of my brain is about to explode. ...Okay, I'm better now.]

Even cookies have become complicated over the years.

My favorite store-bought cookie growing up was an Oreo. I still love those round, dark brown, chocolate-flavored cookies that hug a thin layer of sweet creme filling. To this day, I still pull apart the wafers and lick off most of the filling before devouring the rest of the cookie.

At one Janesville grocery store, I recently discovered the following Oreo cookies: Toffee Crunch, Java Chip, Lemon, Fudge Covered, Chocolate Hazelnut, Chocolate Peanut Butter Pie, Peanut Butter, Oreo Thins, Oreo Cakesters, Mint Thins, Golden Oreos, and Gluten Free Oreos. Some of these varieties come with "regular filling" as well as "double stuff," and in "regular" or "family size" packaging.

There are also Red Velvet and Birthday Cake Oreos.

I have to end this column now. My brain just exploded.

Leanne, a native Miltonian, worked as a Gazette reporter prior to marrying and moving out-of-state. Along with her husband and two children, she moved to Janesville in 1979. She's currently an author and speaker, and has written her humor column for 44 years and counting.

## Jets, SSM Health team to promote childhood literacy

### GAZETTE STAFF

JANESVILLE—Most days, you can find the Janesville Jets reading scouting reports on their next opponent or reading the ice during games and practices.

On Wednesday, several Jets players spent their time reading to elementary school students across the city.

The North American Hockey League club partnered with SSM Health St. Mary's Hospital-Janesville to celebrate World Read Aloud Day on Wednesday at Jefferson, Lincoln, Adams and Kennedy elementary schools.

In addition to Jets players, hospital President Eric Thornton and SSM Health community health worker Wendy Bianchetti

read along with schoolkids.

"Literacy is a vital component of daily life, and teaching children to practice and build a love of reading is so important to our community's future," Bianchetti said.

In addition to Wednesday's outings, SSM Health also supports the Janesville Jets Reading Club, an incentive-based literacy program for students in Rock County. Kids who reach their reading goals score a set of four tickets for a home Jets game.

"This year's Reading Club Night game will take place March 10, and we're really excited to welcome students and their families to the rink," Jets Director of Media Calvin Bush said. All children who attend the Reading Club Night game will receive a free book light while supplies last.



## SCOUTING MILESTONE

Local Boy Scout leaders Bob Hornby, left, and Dr. Paul Romanelli stand for a photo in front of a plaque at Janesville's Good Shepherd Lutheran Church featuring the names of 50 Eagle Scouts who achieved that rank in their troop over the years. Hornby and Romanelli will be recognized for their Boy Scouts service at the Wednesday Morning Optimist Club's meeting at 7 a.m. next Wednesday at Citrus Café in downtown Janesville.

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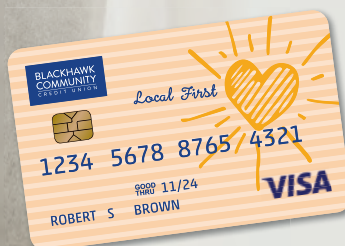


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**STATE FORECAST**  
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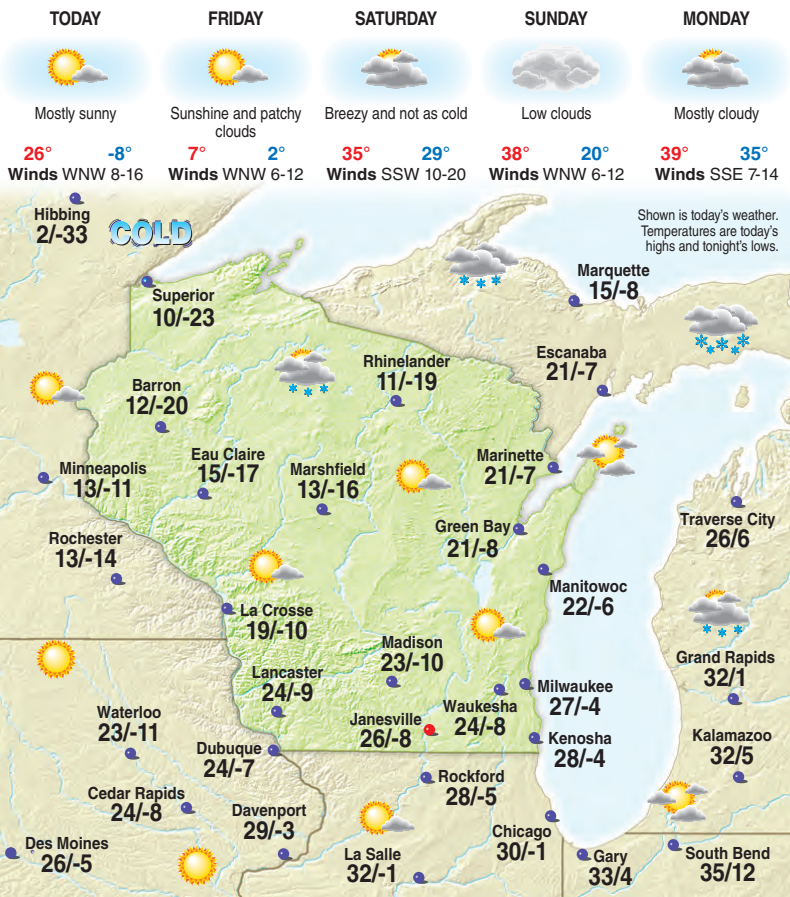
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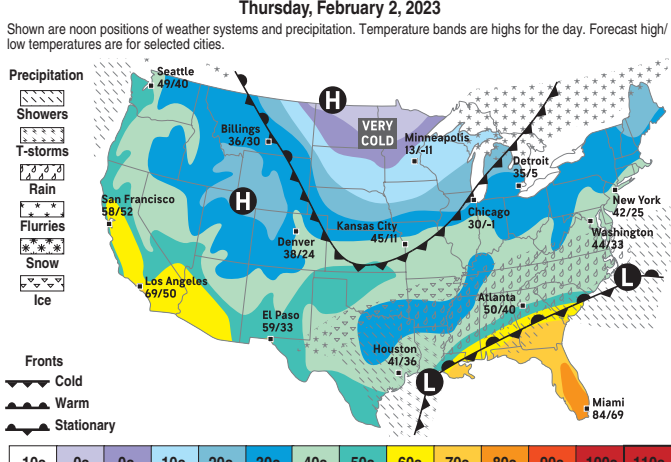
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## NATIONAL FORECAST



A series of storms will continue to affect the south-central and southeastern United States today. Mostly rain will fall, but a major buildup of ice is expected to continue in some areas on the northwest edge. Arctic air will graze the Upper Midwest and could reach the Northeast by Friday. Showers will approach the Pacific coast.

**National extremes yesterday for the 48 contiguous states**  
 High: Immokalee, Fla. at 90°  
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Atlanta	50/40/r	50/29/r	Milwaukee	27/-4/s	10/5/pc	Athens	60/47/pc	58/38/sh
Boston	39/19/pc	26/-10/s	Minneapolis	13/-11/s	5/1/pc	Baghdad	62/41/pc	61/39/s
Chicago	30/-1/s	12/7/s	Nashville	44/27/i	37/22/s	Beijing	39/19/c	44/20/pc
Cincinnati	39/18/pc	25/16/s	New Orleans	73/47/i	57/42/pc	Berlin	43/34/sn	46/33/r
Cleveland	38/11/s	16/9/sf	New York	42/25/pc	28/6/s	Buenos Aires	78/70/r	79/65/sh
Dallas	35/29/r	54/33/s	Orlando	84/64/pc	77/57/t	Cairo	64/50/c	65/51/c
Denver	38/24/s	47/34/pc	Philadelphia	42/29/pc	33/14/s	Johannesburg	75/59/t	72/57/t
Detroit	35/5/pc	14/7/sf	Phoenix	67/46/s	73/48/pc	Kabul	40/25/pc	42/28/r
Dubuque	24/-7/s	7/3/s	Reno	48/28/pc	50/29/c	London	54/45/pc	56/43/pc
Honolulu	82/69/pc	83/71/pc	Salt Lake City	34/21/s	38/26/c	Mexico City	79/47/s	68/40/pc
Indianapolis	39/13/pc	22/16/s	San Diego	65/47/s	65/47/pc	Paris	51/43/c	53/40/pc
Las Vegas	59/41/s	60/41/c	San Francisco	58/52/c	56/49/sh	Rome	58/39/s	58/40/s
Los Angeles	69/50/s	68/48/pc	Seattle	49/40/c	49/44/sh	Sydney	85/71/s	88/62/s
Marquette	15/-8/sf	3/-3/sn	St. Louis	47/14/pc	26/22/s	Tokyo	51/37/pc	42/37/c
Memphis	39/27/r	39/25/s	Washington, DC	44/33/c	36/17/s	Toronto	32/-1/sf	6/-2/sf

# LeBron pursuing Kareem's greatness

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Pat Riley remembers just about every detail surrounding the events of Dec. 29, 1961. It was a cold night in Schenectady, New York. A little snowy, the roads a little icy. And when the bus carrying the opposing team from New York City arrived, all of Riley's Linton High teammates peered out the window.

They saw a giant. Long before Riley and Kareem Abdul-Jabbar were winning NBA championships together as coach and player with the Showtime-era Los Angeles Lakers in the 1980s, they were opponents. Riley and Linton beat Power Memorial and Lew Alcindor — Abdul-Jabbar's name before converting to Islam — 74-68 that night.

Abdul-Jabbar, then a 6-foot-10 freshman, was held to eight points because he spent virtually the entire game in foul trouble. He has told Riley several times over the years that Linton won because Riley's father — a lifelong baseball man — had his umpiring friends refereeing the game.

"Which we did," Riley acknowledges.

Riley knew it then and came to appreciate it even more years later — there were only a few ways to stop the player who would eventually spend nearly four decades as the most prolific scorer in NBA history. Abdul-Jabbar is on the verge of being passed by the Lakers' LeBron James, the 38-year-old who was nearly nine months from being born when the unforgettable center made one of his signature sky hooks on April 5, 1984 to overtake Wilt Chamberlain and become the league's scoring leader.

"Kareem was a guy that never

had any potential. He just had greatness," said Riley, now the president of the Miami Heat and one of the few who has worked with both Abdul-Jabbar and James. "You could see that. When you can bypass potential and you move right to greatness as a high school player, and then college and then the pros ... there are very few like him. There's a handful. Two handfuls, at the most."

James is one of them, going from high school straight to the NBA, and now in his 20th season, he is 89 points away from passing Abdul-Jabbar's record. The Lakers play Thursday in Indiana, then Saturday at New Orleans.

The most realistic target for the record-breaker is Tuesday in Los Angeles against Oklahoma City or — perhaps symbolically — next Thursday in L.A. when the Lakers play host to the Milwaukee Bucks, the team that Abdul-Jabbar started his NBA career with.

This past October, Abdul-Jabbar — on his Substack page where he discusses and offers opinion on a variety of topics, often nothing to do with sports — wrote that when James passed Kobe Bryant for No. 3 on the all-time scoring list in 2020, he "knew it was just a matter of time before he passed me too."

Abdul-Jabbar added that every time a record is broken, all people are elevated.

"When I broke Wilt Chamberlain's scoring record in 1984 — the year LeBron was born — it bothered Wilt, who'd had a bit of a one-sided rivalry with me since I'd started doing so well in the NBA," he wrote. "I don't feel that way toward LeBron. Not only will I celebrate his accomplishment,

I will sing his praises unequivocally."

The relationship between Abdul-Jabbar and James seems complicated. Abdul-Jabbar was outside of the Cleveland locker room during the 2016 Eastern Conference finals as James was jogging by; the two embraced and shared a few kind words, prompting James to discuss the respect he has for Abdul-Jabbar and others who paved the way in his post-game remarks.

Abdul-Jabbar also has lauded James "as a community leader and athlete." But he criticized James for not doing more with his platform to encourage people to get vaccinated against COVID-19. And earlier this season, James said he has "no relationship" with Abdul-Jabbar.

There are ties that bind them, though. Both are champions. Both have worked to promote social justice and spoken out against racial inequality. Abdul-Jabbar played 20 years in the NBA; James is in Year 20. Abdul-Jabbar set the record while playing for the Lakers; James will do the same.

And if nothing else, James' pursuit of the record might have exposed a generation or two that never saw Abdul-Jabbar play to how great he was.

"We have to always acknowledge those who come before us, those who've paved the way," Lakers coach Darvin Ham said. "You think of all those points Kareem scored and he had, what, one 3-pointer? You think about all of that, and these kids get to learn about a different era. It's high, high-level education in the game of basketball, particularly NBA basketball."



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 Breanna Stewart goes in for a layup during a game June 19 in New York City. Stewart, formerly of the Seattle Storm, announced Wednesday she was signing with the New York Liberty as a free agent.

# Lady Liberty

Coveted WNBA free agent Stewart signs with New York

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Breanna Stewart couldn't turn down a chance to play in New York and potentially help the Liberty win their first WNBA championship.

The most coveted free agent this offseason, who won the WNBA MVP award in 2018, announced on social media that she was going to New York with a photo of her in a Liberty shirt on Wednesday. Stewart had spent her entire career in Seattle since the Storm drafted her No. 1 overall in 2016. She won two titles with the team in 2018 and 2020.

"I decided to go to New York as I wanted to continue to be great. And I wanted to go to the place where I think I can help this league become

better, to raise the standard," Stewart said. "I feel like why not go to the biggest market in all of sports. I'm excited to go after their first championship."

The 28-year-old wing has averaged 20.3 points and 8.6 rebounds in her WNBA career. She missed the 2019 season with an Achilles injury.

"New York is a basketball city and I can't wait to be a part of it," Stewart said.

By coming to New York it brings Stewart closer to home. She grew up in Syracuse, which is an hour flight from New York. It also is an easier flight to Spain to see her wife Marta's family.

The move turns the Liberty into an instant championship contender. The Liberty already added 2021 MVP Jonquel Jones and Kayla Thornton to complement 2020 No. 1 draft pick Sabrina Ionescu.



## PACKERS BY THE NUMBERS



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Green Bay Packers cornerback Jaire Alexander covers Minnesota Vikings wide receiver Justin Jefferson during a game Jan. 1 at Lambeau Field in Green Bay.

## Alexander at his best in press man coverage

### Cornerback benefits from hands-on approach

**TOM SILVERSTEIN**  
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

GREEN BAY—If the Green Bay Packers are going to get the most out of star cornerback Jaire Alexander, it might be a good idea to start treating him the way previous defensive coordinators did Al Harris during his best years.

Harris thrived in bump-and-run coverage for most of his career and was given great leeway to play at the line of scrimmage regardless of what coverage was being played.

Imagine asking Harris to play 87 snaps in off coverage over the first two games of the season and 52, 51 and 50 in three others before midseason.

It's essentially what defensive coordinator Joe Barry did with Alexander last season.

It was shocking to see Alexander line up opposite Minnesota receiver Justin Jefferson on just 21 of 52 opportunities in the season opener and curious to see him play up at the line of scrimmage in press coverage just twice that day.

Jefferson went off on the Packers with nine catches for 184 yards and two touchdowns in a 23-7 opening-week victory at U.S. Bank Stadium. Alexander gave up a 36-yard touchdown to Jefferson when he misplayed a combination coverage, but he allowed no other receptions to the Vikings receiver and drew an offensive pass interference.

Alexander played just one snap in Weeks 3 and 4 due to a hamstring injury, but when he returned to play against the New York Giants in Week 5, Barry had him playing off coverage again, this time on 52 of his 61 snaps. The Packers allowed quarterback Daniel Jones to complete 21 of 27 passes for 217 yards in a crushing 27-22 defeat in London.

It wasn't until the next week against the New York Jets that Barry woke up and matched Alexander against rookie Garrett Wilson and let him play press coverage on 38 of 55 snaps. Wilson caught one pass for 8 yards, but the Jets prevailed.

Barry matched him the following week against Washington's Terry

McLaurin to mixed results: McLaurin beat him for a 37-yard touchdown and a third-down reception that sealed the game for the Commanders.

Once Barry committed to allowing his top defensive back to challenge receivers at the line of scrimmage, Alexander went back to being a shutdown corner, limiting his man to one touchdown, one catch of 20 or more yards and three catches of 40 or more yards in the final eight games. He had two of his five interceptions during that span.

Barry has two starting cornerbacks in Alexander and Eric Stokes who enjoy challenging receivers, yet his defense remains zone-based. As some of the numbers show, Barry might have to consider how he can better adapt his scheme to his corner talent.

Here are some other observations on how Barry used Alexander:

- In the rematch against the Vikings, Alexander lined up against Jefferson on 31 of 47 snaps (66%) and held him to one catch for 15 yards. On those snaps, he played off coverage just 10 times.

- For the season, Alexander played press coverage on 30.5% of the snaps there was a receiver lined up to his side. Quarterbacks threw his way just 21 times while in press coverage and completed 10 passes for 129 yards and a touchdown with one interception. Among the receivers he covered in press were Jefferson, Wilson, McLaurin, Adam Thielen, Michael Gallup, CeeDee Lamb, Treyton Burks, DeVonta Smith, A.J. Brown and Jaylen Waddle.

- In off coverage, Alexander allowed 22 completions on 66 attempts for 324 yards and three touchdowns.

- Of his five interceptions, four came in off coverage and one in press.

- Of the four plays of 20 or more yards he allowed, three came in off coverage and one in press. Of the three plays of 40 or more he allowed, two were in off coverage.

- Of the four touchdowns that were charged to him alone, three were in off coverage and one in press. Of the two others he shared responsibility, one was in off coverage and one in press.

- Alexander lined up on the right side of the formation 853 times and to the left 63. He lined up in the slot 22 times.

# For second time, Brady calls it a career

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TAMPA, Fla.—This time, Tom Brady says he's done for good.

The seven-time Super Bowl winner with New England and Tampa Bay announced his retirement from the NFL on Wednesday, exactly one year after first saying his playing days were over, by posting a brief video lasting just under one minute on social media.

Unlike last winter, though, the most successful quarterback in league history, as well as one of the greatest athletes in team sports, said his decision was final.

"Good morning guys. I'll get to the point right away," Brady says as the message begins. "I'm retiring. For good."

He briefly retired after the 2021 season but wound up coming back for one more year with the Buccaneers. He retires at age 45, the owner of virtually every meaningful NFL passing record in an unprecedented 23-year career.

A year ago when he retired, it was in the form of a long Instagram post. But about six weeks later, he decided to return for one more run, citing "unfinished business" after an early playoff exit.



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Tampa Bay Buccaneers quarterback Tom Brady hoists the Lombardi Trophy for the final time after beating the Kansas City Chiefs in Super Bowl LV on Feb. 7, 2021, in Tampa, Fla. Brady announced his retirement from the NFL on Wednesday.

The Buccaneers — with whom he won a Super Bowl two seasons ago — made the playoffs again this season, losing in their playoff opener. And at the time, it begged the question about whether Brady would play again.

Only a couple of weeks later, he has given the answer.

"I know the process was a pretty big deal last time, so when I woke up this morning, I figured I'd just press record and let you guys know first,"

Brady says in the video. "I won't be long-winded. You only get one super emotional retirement essay and I used mine up last year.

"I really thank you guys so much, to every single one of you for supporting me. My family, my friends, teammates, my competitors. I could go on forever. There's too many. Thank you guys for allowing me to live my absolute dream. I wouldn't change a thing. Love you all."

Brady is the NFL's career leader in yards passing (89,214) and touchdowns (649). He is the only player to win more than five Super Bowls and has been MVP of the game five times. He also holds marks for regular-season wins (251), Super Bowl appearances (10), playoff games and wins (48, 35), as well as playoff yards (13,400) and TDs (88).

"Tom's legacy is unmatched in the history of this game. All the Super Bowl titles and statistical records speak for themselves, but the impact he had on so many people through the years is what I appreciate the most," Buccaneers general manager Jason Licht said.

### TOP TOM BRADY MOMENTS

**Super Bowl comeback**—The first Super Bowl decided in overtime featured Tom Brady leading one of the greatest comebacks in sports history.

Trailing Atlanta 28-3 in the third quarter, Brady threw two TDs and then drove the Patriots 91 yards by completing six passes to set up the tying score inside the final minute. Once New England won the coin toss, Brady completed his first five passes as the Patriots won 34-28 for their fifth Super Bowl on Feb. 7, 2017.

**Seventh ring**—Even coming close to Brady's record in Super Bowls will be very challenging after he won No. 7 in his first season in Tampa Bay. He threw two touchdowns to tight end Rob Gronkowski and a third to Antonio Brown as the Bucs routed Patrick Mahomes and the Kansas City Chiefs 31-9.

**Hey Peyton**—Brady dominated his rivalry with five-time NFL MVP Peyton Manning, winning 11 of their 17 meetings and their first playoff showdown.

With the Patriots and Colts facing off in the AFC championship game on Brady's home turf on Jan. 18, 2004, Brady set the

tone from the start. He capped an opening drive with a TD pass to David Givens and had the Patriots up 15-0 at halftime on the way to a 24-14 victory and another Super Bowl berth.

**Tuck rule**—Brady gave a preview of postseason success to come on Jan. 19, 2002, in his only playoff game at old Foxboro Stadium, with a big assist from a replay review.

Trailing the Oakland Raiders 13-10 with 1:50 left, former Michigan teammate Charles Woodson knocked the ball out of Brady's hand. The Raiders recovered the fumble and celebrated only to have the call reversed on replay by referee Walt Coleman because of the little-known Tuck Rule. The rule was later eliminated.

Brady found David Patten on the next play for a 13-yard pass, setting up Adam Vinatieri's tying field goal. In overtime, Brady completed eight straight passes to position Vinatieri for the winning field goal that launched Brady and the Patriots on the way to their first Super Bowl title.

*From Associated Press*



# Rashada recruiting saga ends in Tempe

Arizona State gets QB whose NIL deal with Florida fell through

## ASSOCIATED PRESS

The opening of college football's traditional signing period for high school prospects brought an apparent end to two of the cycle's most notable recruitments.

Blue-chip quarterback Jaden Rashada, who signed with Florida in December and then asked to be released from the commitment when a name, image and likeness deal fell through, announced Wednesday he is going to Arizona State.

"Glad to truly be home!" Rashada posted on Twitter.

Also in the Pac-12, Cormani McClain, previously committed to Miami, signed with Colorado to make it two straight years that coach Deion Sanders has landed a five-star cornerback.

Rashada's recruitment made national headlines and became something of a cautionary tale for the college football's NIL era.

The four-star recruit from California was the focal point of a recruiting fight between Miami and Florida. That led to a bidding war between booster-run collectives that try to secure sponsorship deals for athletes from those schools.

Rashada had originally given a verbal commitment to Miami but flipped to Florida and signed with the Gators during the early signing period after being offered an NIL deal that could have been worth more than \$13 million.

When it became clear that Gator Collective, which is not part of the University

of Florida or its athletic department, did not have the money to fund the deal, Rashada asked to be released from his national letter of intent. Florida granted the request.

Gators coach Billy Napier told reporters he could not provide details on what happened with Rashada but did say he did not anticipate hearing from the NCAA about possible violations of recruiting rules.

"I think the reality is the current structure of NIL with third parties being involved, with agents being involved, with marketing representatives, with lawyers, with collectives, very fluid and I think a very unique dynamic," Napier said. "I think ultimately NIL is a strength for the Gators."

Rashada becomes the highest-profile high school recruit in new Arizona State coach Kenny Dillingham's first signing class. The 32-year-old Phoenix native and Arizona State graduate was hired in December.

Rashada's father, Harlen, was part of Arizona State's football team in the 1990s. Jaden Rashada called ASU his "childhood dream school."

"Can't wait to carry on the family name at the University and start my journey. Forks up!" Rashada posted.

McClain's recruitment was more traditional in its twists and turns. One of the highest-rated players in the country, he was pursued by most of college football's most successful programs, including Alabama, Georgia and Ohio State.



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Quarterback Jaden Rashada is pressured during a California high school state football game in December. Rashada was released from a national letter of intent to go to Florida after the Gator Collective failed to honor a four-year name, image and likeness deal worth more than \$13 million. Rashada wound up signing with Arizona State.

## SEC AGAIN RULES RECRUITING AMONG POWER FIVE CONFERENCES

Southeastern Conference schools continue to rule over the recruiting trail, almost as thoroughly as they dominate on the field.

Alabama put together the best 2023 class in the country, according to composite rankings of recruiting sites compiled by 247Sports. The SEC has eight of the top 17 classes, including Georgia at No. 2, LSU at No. 6 and Tennessee at No. 9.

An SEC school has topped the team recruiting rankings every year since 2010, the first year for which the 247Sports Composite has data. Florida had the nation's top recruiting class in 2010. Alabama led the recruiting rankings every year from 2011-17. Georgia had the top class in 2018 and 2020, Alabama ranked first in 2019 and 2021, and Texas A&M brought in the best class last year.

With Wednesday bringing the 2023 recruiting cycle to a close, here's how the Big Ten fared. Team and player rankings are according to the 247Sports Composite. Team rankings are as of 4 p.m. Wednesday.

### BIG TEN

**Class ranks:** 1. Ohio State (5th). 2. Penn State (13th). 3. Michigan (18th). 4. Michigan State (23rd). 5. Nebraska (24th). 6. Maryland (36th). 7. Iowa (38th). 8. Illinois (42nd). 9. Minnesota (44th). 10. Northwestern (45th). 11. Rutgers (57th). 12. Wisconsin (58th). 13. Purdue (65th). 14. Indiana (67th).

**Top prospects:** Ohio State WR Brandon Inniss, Fort Lauderdale (Florida) American Heritage (35th). Penn State OT J'ven Williams, Reading (Pennsylvania) Wyomissing (40th). Ohio State CB Jermaine Mathews, Cincinnati Winton Woods (51st). Penn State OL Alex Birchmeier, Ashburn (Virginia) Broad Run (52nd). Ohio State WR Noah Rogers, Rolesville (North Carolina) (53rd).

**Top transfers:** Michigan LB Ernest Hausmann (Nebraska). Ohio State CB Davison Igbinosun (Mississippi). Purdue QB Hudson Card (Texas). Ohio State S Ja'Had Carter (Syracuse). Michigan OL LaDarius Henderson (Arizona State).

**Notes:** The Big Ten signed none of the top 34 overall recruits and only two top-50 prospects. Michigan's rank isn't particularly impressive for a program coming off back-to-back playoff appearances, but the Wolverines did well in the transfer portal. Indiana and Wisconsin also were very active in the portal.

# UW recruits pop up on New York billboards

Group starts campaign to coincide with signing period

## JEFF POTYRKUS

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

Is Bucky Badger taking over New York City?

Not yet, but his presence was seen and felt Wednesday in Times Square.

Thanks to The Varsity Collective, Wisconsin's football program was highlighted on a large billboard above The Yard House restaurant on West 41st Street between 7th Avenue and Broadway.

UW fans in New York — and those all across the globe — were able to see images of the 27 players joining the team for the 2023 season, Luke Fickell's first as head coach.

According to The Varsity Collective, the idea was to give each player — transfers and high school signees — their 15 minutes of fame.

It is no coincidence the billboard went live Wednesday, the opening of the traditional signing period.

UW's recruiting department employed a similar strategy last month when it paid for 11 billboards, 10 in Wisconsin and one in the Chicago area, to highlight current players.

The campaign Wednesday gave UW exposure on a national stage, and while UW fans on social media were buzzing about the billboards, Luke Fickell and his staff secured another commitment for the 2023 class.

## BADGERS LAND COMMITMENT FROM DEFENSIVE TACKLE

Jamel Howard, a defense tackle out of Marist High School in Chicago, announced his commitment to Wisconsin on the first day of the late signing period Wednesday.

Howard, listed at 6-foot-2 and 320 pounds, originally committed to Wisconsin early last year before opening up his recruitment after the Badgers' previous coaching staff was let go.

Howard chose Wisconsin over offers from Michigan, Miami, LSU and Illinois.

He became the 15th member of UW's incoming freshman class but the only defensive tackle, a position of need.

## FISERV FORUM TO HOST KAWHI-GIANNIS MATCHUP

**Who:** Los Angeles Clippers (29-25) vs. Milwaukee Bucks (34-17).

**Where:** Fiserv Forum, Milwaukee.

**When:** 9 p.m. today.

**Bottom line:** Milwaukee heads into a matchup with Los Angeles as winners of five games in a row.

The Bucks are 21-5 on their home court. Milwaukee has a 4-0 record in games decided by less than 4 points.

The Clippers are 15-14 in road games. Los Angeles is 12-4 when it turns the ball over less than its opponents and averages 13.8 turnovers per game.

**Top performers:** Giannis Antetokounmpo is shooting 53.6% and averaging 31.8 points for the Bucks. Pat Connaughton is averaging 2.5 made 3-pointers over the last 10 games for Milwaukee.

Reggie Jackson is averaging 11.1 points and 3.6 assists for the Clippers. Kawhi

Leonard is averaging 19.9 points and 3.3 assists over the last 10 games for Los Angeles.

### LAST 10 GAMES

**Bucks:** 7-3, averaging 121.8 points, 46.2 rebounds, 25.7 assists, 8.1 steals and 4.4 blocks per game while shooting 48.6% from the field. Their opponents have averaged 115.9 points per game.

**Clippers:** 7-3, averaging 117.5 points, 41.5

rebounds, 23.2 assists, 6.7 steals and 5.1 blocks per game while shooting 50.2% from the field. Their opponents have averaged 112.3 points.

### INJURIES

**Bucks:** Bobby Portis: out (knee), Serge Ibaka: out (personal).

**Clippers:** Marcus Morris Sr.: day to day (rib), John Wall: out (abdominal).

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## NO. 14 GOLDEN EAGLES 73, WILDCATS 64

**'Tough, nasty' Marquette rallies past Villanova**

Golden Eagles stay tied for first in Big East play

ASSOCIATED PRESS

MILWAUKEE—The jug full of sticky notes that Marquette kept near its bench Wednesday night helped the Golden Eagles pour it on down the stretch and maintain a share of the Big East lead.

Tyler Kolek scored 20 points and No. 14 Marquette rallied to beat Villanova 73-64, keeping pace with Xavier atop the conference standings.

Kolek credited Marquette's latest motivational ploy.

"We went in the film room the other day and every guy wrote down on a sticky note what they were going to do to help the team positively," he said. "For me, it was stay super positive and encourage every guy even if everything isn't going our way."

All the sticky notes were placed in a pitcher that Marquette had nearby throughout the game.

"Most of the stuff I do is stolen from other people,



Marquette's Kam Jones is fouled by Villanova's Eric Dixon during the first half of Wednesday's game at Fiserv Forum in Milwaukee.

but that actually was one I just kind of came up with," coach Shaka Smart said. "I said, 'Guys, we've got to pour into each other.' That's our biggest advantage — the way that everyone feels about each other in our room. I said, 'Let's get a pitcher and let's have everybody write one thing that they can do that's under their control and fold it up and put it in a pitcher.' We carried that around with us for two days in practice and, most importantly, in the game."

Marquette (18-5, 10-2) has won four straight and nine of 10. The Golden Eagles remain tied for first place in the Big East with No. 16 Xavier, which won 85-83 in overtime against No. 17 Providence earlier.

Xavier, Providence and Marquette began the night in a three-way tie for first.

Kam Jones had 18 points for the Golden Eagles. Eric Dixon and Caleb Daniels scored 14 each for Villanova, which committed a

season-high 19 turnovers.

Villanova (10-12, 4-7) made Marquette work for this one.

In a game neither team led by more than six until the final minute, Kolek put the Golden Eagles ahead for good at 63-62 by sinking two free throws with 4:32 remaining. That started a 10-0 spurt that put the game away as Marquette's defense made seven straight stops.

After shooting 57.9% overall and 7 of 13 from

3-point range in the first half, Villanova shot 40% from the floor and went 4 for 14 from beyond the arc the rest of the way. Wildcats coach Kyle Neptune said the difference in Marquette's defense during the second half was apparent.

"They just played harder," Neptune said. "They were nasty. They got in passing lanes. They got some deflections. They're just a tough, nasty team."

Villanova took a 59-55 lead on Brendan Hausen's 3-pointer with 7:42 remaining but didn't make another basket until Daniels dunked with 10 seconds left.

### BIG PICTURE

**Marquette:** The latest example of how far the Golden Eagles have come is that Marquette has swept the regular-season series with Villanova — the Big East's traditional standard bearer — for two straight seasons. ... The Golden Eagles should feel good about starting February with a victory. They entered the month with a 17-24 combined post-January record over the past four seasons. ... Marquette should get

even stronger whenever reserve guard Sean Jones returns. Jones missed a second consecutive game with a wrist injury. Smart said Jones' status for Saturday's game against Butler remains uncertain.

### POLL IMPLICATIONS

Marquette owns its highest ranking since it was No. 10 in February 2019. This winning streak could have the Golden Eagles flirting with another top-10 spot.

### UP NEXT

**Marquette:** Hosts Butler on Saturday.

### NO. 14 MARQUETTE 73, VILLANOVA 64

VILLANOVA (10-12)—Dixon 6-8 1-2 14, Slater 1-5 2-2 5, Whitmore 2-4 0-0 5, Daniels 5-8 2-2 14, Moore 2-9 3-4 9, Armstrong 2-6 0-0 5, Hausen 3-4 3-3 12, Arcidiacono 0-0 0-0 0, Patterson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 21-44 11-13 64.

MARQUETTE (18-5)—Ighodaro 4-7 2-5 10, Prosper 1-5 3-4 5, KJones 6-13 4-4 18, Kolek 5-13 7-8 20, Mitchell 3-5 0-0 8, Joplin 2-6 1-2 7, Ross 1-2 2-2 5, Gold 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 22-52 19-25 73.

**Halftime**—Villanova 35-34. **3-Point Goals**—Villanova 11-27 (Hausen 3-4, Daniels 2-5, Moore 2-7, Dixon 1-1, Whitmore 1-2, Armstrong 1-4, Slater 1-4), Marquette 10-27 (Kolek 3-6, Mitchell 2-3, Joplin 2-4, KJones 2-9, Ross 1-2, Prosper 0-3). **Rebounds**—Villanova 28 (Slater 8), Marquette 26 (Kolek, Mitchell 5). **Assists**—Villanova 13 (Moore 4), Marquette 15 (Kolek 6). **Total Fouls**—Villanova 20, Marquette 12. A—13,344 (17,500).

## Badgers/

from A24

season — Steven Crowl and Tyler Wahl — have struggled. Davis last season led UW in free throw attempts in league games (126) and overall (196). He finished at 76.2% in league games and 79.1% overall.

"Johnny had a burst to him that you just don't teach," Gard said. "Most guys that have that kind of acceleration draw fouls."

Davison shot 89.1% in league play (57 of 64) and 86.4% overall (108 of 125).

"Brad's experience to draw fouls," Gard said, "we don't have a guy in the backcourt with that much experience. He knew how to draw fouls."

"We have to do it in other ways."

Wahl last season shot 70.9% from the line (39 of 55) in league play and 70.0% overall (70 of 100). Crowl last season shot 87.0% from the line (20 of 23) in league play and 80.0% overall (36 of 45).

The drop-off this season has been considerable.

Wahl is shooting just 45.8% from the line (11 of 24) in league games and 64.4%

## UW FACES ROAD TEST AT OHIO STATE

**Who:** Wisconsin Badgers (12-8, 4-6 Big Ten) at Ohio State Buckeyes (11-10, 3-7).

**Where:** Schottenstein Center, Columbus, Ohio.

**When:** 6 p.m. today.

**TV/Radio:** FOX Sports 1/WCLO 1230 AM and 92.7 FM.

**Bottom line:** Ohio State hosts the Wisconsin Badgers after Brice Sensabaugh scored 23 points in Ohio State's 86-70 loss to the Indiana Hoosiers.

The Buckeyes are 8-2 in home games. Ohio State is second in the Big Ten with 10.4 offensive rebounds per game led by Zed Key averaging 3.0.

The Badgers are 4-6 in Big Ten play. Wisconsin has a 5-4 record in games decided by 10 or more points.

The Buckeyes and Badgers meet Thursday for the first time in conference play this season.

**Top performers:** Sensabaugh averages 2.1 made 3-pointers per game for the Buckeyes, scoring 17.6

overall (47 of 73).

He shot 79.1% through the first eight games of the season.

"I've definitely hit a little lull," Wahl said. "But I feel like I am getting back and I've just got to get to the line. Volume will fix that. I've just got to get there more often."

Crowl is shooting just 48.0% from the line (12 of 25) in league games and 60.3%

overall (35 of 58).

"I was 80% from the line last year," Crowl said. "This year...I don't even look. I don't want to know what I am."

"It is a mental thing. I know I can do it. I did it last year. I think you try to block it out as much as you can but you're lying if you (say) it doesn't get in your head a little bit."

Assistant coach Sharif

points while shooting 47.4% from beyond the arc. Justice Sueing is shooting 43.6% and averaging 12.2 points over the last 10 games for Ohio State.

Chucky Hepburn is shooting 47.7% from beyond the arc with 2.1 made 3-pointers per game for the Badgers, while averaging 12.3 points, 3.3 assists and 1.8 steals. Steven Crowl is averaging 12.3 points and 6.7 rebounds over the past 10 games for Wisconsin.

### LAST 10 GAMES

**Buckeyes:** 3-7, averaging 71.9 points, 33.0 rebounds, 10.6 assists, 5.9 steals and 4.1 blocks per game while shooting 43.7% from the field. Their opponents have averaged 70.0 points per game.

**Badgers:** 4-6, averaging 62.8 points, 26.8 rebounds, 11.2 assists, 5.1 steals and 1.3 blocks per game while shooting 42.3% from the field. Their opponents have averaged 65.3 points.

From Associated Press

guarding you. You have to be able to have the confidence to stand up there and knock it down."

Wahl (12.6 ppg), Crowl (12.3 ppg) and Chucky Hepburn (12.3 ppg) are UW's most dependable scorers. Gard wants to see more post touches for Wahl and Crowl.

"We have to get the ball in the post more consistently," he said. "And the other guys need to know that they have to play through these three guys more."

He wants to see Hepburn attack more, as he did in the second half against Illinois when he hit 6 of 9 shots and scored 15 points. If Hepburn can create his shot, fine. If he can penetrate and dump the ball off to Crowl or Wahl inside, fine.

"I want him to be aggressive," Gard said. "I want him commanding the ball. I want him making things happen..."

"We've got to do a better job of drawing fouls. How we attack contact. How we go through contact. Rather than getting too fancy with our footwork, let's get fouled and get something out of it that way."



WIAC WOMEN'S HOOPS:  
WHITEWATER 71, STEVENS POINT 64

## Fourth-quarter surge lifts Warhawks to win

Go on 35-18 run to pull away in second half

**TOM MILLER**

Special to The Gazette

STEVENS POINT—UW-Whitewater's closing kick was too much for host UW-Stevens Point on Wednesday night, and now the Warhawks will run into a first-place showdown on Saturday.

The Warhawks outscored the Pointers 35-18 over the last quarter and a half Wednesday and registered a 73-64 victory in Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference women's basketball action.

The win lifted the Warhawks into a three-way tie for first place in the WIAC at 7-3 with UW-Eau Claire and UW-Stout. Whitewater will play host to Eau Claire at 3 p.m. Saturday at Kachel Gymnasium.

Coach Keri Carollo's squad rallied after it trailed 46-38 with 5:13 left in the third quarter. The Warhawks took control by going on a 26-8 run to lead 64-54 with just more than two minutes left in the game.

Kacie Carollo, Abi Baumgartner and Maggie Trautsch each scored six points in the 26-8 run, during which the Warhawks were 12 of 12 from the line.

Senior forward Leah Grundahl led the Warhawks with 24 points, including 20 in the first three quarters.

Grundahl, Trautsch

The win lifted the Warhawks into a three-way tie for first place in the WIAC at 7-3 with UW-Eau Claire and UW-Stout.

and Kacie Carollo each grabbed seven rebounds as the Warhawks outscored the Pointers 36-27.

Trautsch added 15 points, and Carollo had 14.

Whitewater's rally was fueled by precise shooting. The visitors made 8 of 14 field goal attempts in the final quarter and all nine of their free throws. For the game, Whitewater was 26 of 29 (89.7%) from the line.

Whitewater (16-5 overall) defeated UW-Eau Claire on the road 79-69 in the teams' first meeting Jan. 7. The Blugolds lost at home Wednesday night 65-57 against UW-Oshkosh.

**UW-WHITEWATER 71, UW-STEVENS POINT 64**

UW-Whitewater (71)—Grundahl 7-7-24, Trautsch 3-8-15, Carollo 3-7-14, Belschner 3-0-6, Sto. Domingo 1-0-2, Baumgartner 2-2-6, Alexander 2-0-4, Oloffson 0-2-2. Totals 21-26-73.

UW-Stevens Point (64)—Thomson 9-5-27, Pfeifer 4-0-9, Krueger 2-1-7, Nies 2-2-6, Gawlitta 3-0-6, Slowik 1-2-4, Hoerl 1-0-3, McIntyre 1-0-2. Totals 23-10-64.

UW-Whitewater 23 8 17 25—71  
UW-Stevens Point 17 13 20 14—64  
3-point goals—W 5 (Grundahl 3, Trautsch, Carollo), SP 8 (Thomson 4, Krueger 2, Pfeifer, Hoerl). Rebounds—W 36 (Grundahl, Trautsch, Carollo, 7 each), SP 27 (Thomson 7). Assists—W 11 (Trautsch and Sto. Domingo, 4 each), SP 18 (Thomson and Nies, 4 each). Free throws missed—W 3, SP 6. Total fouls—W 16, SP 23. Fouled out—Belschner, Slowik.



ANTHONY WAHL/AWAHL@GAZETTEEXTRA.COM

UW-Whitewater's Miles Barnstable scores on a fast break during the first half of Wednesday's game against UW-Stevens Point in Whitewater.

### Crucial/ from A24

team to beat."

The Warhawks shot 60% from the floor, including five of 11 3-point attempts. The Warhawks held Stevens Point to 46.3% shooting, including just 5 of 18 (27.8%) from 3-point range.

Sophomore forward Carter Capstran led the Warhawks with 19 points in just 20 minutes of action.

Drew Fisher, a 6-foot-1 sophomore guard, had another good game against the Pointers. Fisher had 18 points and 10 rebounds when the Warhawks beat the Pointers 79-76 in their first matchup four weeks ago at

Point and followed that up with 17 points and seven rebounds Wednesday night.

"They have smaller guards, and he did a good job of being physical and getting inside," Miller said. "He did a good job recognizing those matchups."

Trevon Chislom contributed 14 points and five rebounds. Miles Barnstable had 12 points, while Elijah Lambert had 11 points and a team-high eight rebounds.

Jameer Barker led the Warhawks with five assists as the team evened its record at Kachel Gymnasium to 5-5.

Now it's down to the final two weeks of WIAC play.

"For us, every game now is

really critical," Miller said. "We're playing for a conference tournament seed, trying to potentially play for a NCAA at-large spot.

"All those things are within reach," he said. "We just don't have a very big margin for error."

**UW-WHITEWATER 86, UW-STEVENS POINT 86**

UW-Stevens Point (66)—Timm 5-4-14, Buchanan 2-7-12, Makinen 3-0-8, Mootz 2-0-4, Warden 1-0-2, Gillie 8-0-16, VanCalster 3-0-8, Peterson 1-0-2. Totals 25-11-66.

UW-Whitewater (86)—Capstran 7-4-19, Chislom 7-0-14, M. Barnstable 4-2-12, D. Barnstable 3-2-9, Fisher 6-5-17, Lambert 4-2-11, Hoytink 0-2-2, Lewis 1-0-2. Totals 32-17-86.

Halftime—UW-Whitewater 43-23. 3-point goals—SP 5 (Makinen 2, VanCalster 2, Buchanan), W 5 (M. Barnstable 2, Capstran, D. Barnstable, Lambert). Rebounds—SP 26 (Gille 7), W 35 (Lambert 8). Assists—SP 8 (Buchanan 3), W 17 (Barker 5). Free throws missed—SP 4, W 10. Total fouls—SP 22, W 17.

### Whippets/ from A24

Caleb Weir (132) is new to wrestling, but he performed well, I thought."

Landon Colson (138) continued his outstanding sophomore campaign with a pin.

"He's a stud," Vogt said. "Tonight was his 25th win, and one of his goals was to get to 30. With the Big Eight Tournament this weekend and then playoffs, he can get there. He's got tunnel vision on the state tournament right now."

Colson said he came into

tonight's match with some confidence.

"I had wrestled against him before and was able to get a pin," Colson said. "So I was just really aggressive and went after him. I was really happy with how it went."

Colson said he isn't trying to look too far ahead, but his goals are set high.

"The first thing is I'm just trying to get 1% better every day in practice," Colson said. "I don't want to try and limit myself by setting low goals, either. I'd love to do well in conference and postseason

and qualify for state. If I'm able to do that, then I want to be able to place at state."

Cooper Measner, wrestling for the first time as a junior, was impressive in a victory.

"I would like to go into the conference tournament with a full lineup, but I don't think we're going to be able to do that," Vogt said. "So it's going to be hard to win the whole thing if that's the case. But I still think we're a top three team in conference. We were 6-3 in dual meets, and we've got a lot of potential. We can sneak up on some teams, I

think."

Whitewater's Victor Hernandez (120) put on an impressive show in pinning Craig's Aidyn Tucker in the second round, while Jasen Porras (103) kicked off the match with a victory for the Whippets.

Braden Punzel (152) provided a highlight of the evening for the Cougars. Wrestling for the final time on the Craig mat, the senior trailed 9-2 before picking up a pin over Nate Black.

Janesville Craig will compete in Saturday's Big Eight

Conference meet at Sun Prairie East, while Whitewater will travel to Clinton for the Rock Valley Conference tournament.

**WHITEWATER 46, JANESVILLE CRAIG 33**

106—Porras (W) pinned Hughes. 3:52; 113—Gibbs (JC) pinned Villegas (2:29); 120—Hernandez (W) pinned Tucker (3:30); 126—Tomumitsu (W) won by FF; 132—Friend (W) def. Weis dec. 10-0; 138—Colson (JC) pinned Thomasen 1:42; 145—Measner (JC) pinned O. Porras. :49. 152—Punzel (JC) pinned Black, 2:45; 160—A. Porras (W) pinned Piper, 1:14; 170—Burdick (JC) pinned Barajas (3:04); 182—Lyon (W) pinned Albrecht (5:22); 195—Kalra (WW) pinned Gregg, 3:18; 220—Brantmeier (W) def. Bares 5-4; 285—Olson (W) won by FF.



HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

TODAY'S EVENTS

BOYS BASKETBALL

Elkhorn at Waterford, 7 p.m.
Delavan-Darien at Wilmot Union, 7 p.m.

BOYS HOCKEY

Madison West at Janesville, 7 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Delavan-Darien at Wilmot Union, 5:30 p.m.
Elkhorn Area at Waterford, 5:30 p.m.
Brodhead at Big Foot, 7 p.m.
Clinton at Beloit Turner, 7 p.m.
Edgerton at East Troy, 7 p.m.
Evansville at McFarland, 7 p.m.
Jefferson at Whitewater, 7 p.m.
Janesville Craig at Verona, 7:15 p.m.
Janesville Parker at Middleton, 7:15 p.m.
Milton at Stoughton, 7:15 p.m.
Orfordville Parkview at Deerfield, 7:15 p.m.

GIRLS HOCKEY

Verona at Rock County (Edwards Ice Arena, Beloit), 7 p.m.

GYMNASTICS

Janesville Parker at Janesville Craig, 6:30 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

DIVISION III

WIAC

Table with columns: Conf., W, L, All, W, L. Rows for Oshkosh, La Crosse, Whitewater, Eau Claire, Platteville, River Falls, Stevens Point, Stout.

RESULTS WEDNESDAY

Whitewater 86, Stevens Point 66
River Falls 63, Stout 47
Oshkosh 74, Eau Claire 63
La Crosse 82, Platteville 67

GAMES SATURDAY

Platteville at Stout, 3 p.m.
Oshkosh at River Falls, 5 p.m.
Stevens Point at La Crosse, 5 p.m.
Whitewater at Eau Claire, 5 p.m.

GAMES WEDNESDAY

Eau Claire at Platteville, 7 p.m.
Stout at La Crosse, 7 p.m.
Oshkosh at Whitewater, 7 p.m.
River Falls at Stevens Point, 7 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

DIVISION III

WIAC

Table with columns: Conf., W, L, All, W, L. Rows for Eau Claire, Whitewater, Stout, Oshkosh, La Crosse, River Falls, Stevens Point, Platteville.

RESULTS WEDNESDAY

La Crosse 70, Platteville 43
Stout 70, River Falls 55
Whitewater 73, Stevens Point 64
Oshkosh 65, Eau Claire 57

GAMES SATURDAY

River Falls at Oshkosh, 3 p.m.
Stout at Platteville, 3 p.m.
La Crosse at Stevens Point 3 p.m.
Eau Claire at Whitewater, 3 p.m.

GAMES WEDNESDAY

Stevens Point at River Falls, 7 p.m.
La Crosse at Stout, 7 p.m.
Whitewater at Oshkosh, 7 p.m.
Platteville at Eau Claire, 7 p.m.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

Table with columns: W, L, Pct, GB. Rows for Boston, Philadelphia, Brooklyn, New York, Toronto.

Southeast Division

Table with columns: W, L, Pct, GB. Rows for Miami, Atlanta, Washington, Orlando, Charlotte.

Central Division

Table with columns: W, L, Pct, GB. Rows for Milwaukee, Cleveland, Indiana, Chicago, Detroit.

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

Table with columns: W, L, Pct, GB. Rows for Milwaukee, Cleveland, Indiana, Chicago, Detroit.

ON TV/RADIO

TODAY

TV

COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN'S)

- 4 p.m., CBSN — LIU Brooklyn at Merrimack
6 p.m., CBSN — FAU at UAB
6 p.m., ESPN2 — Michigan at Northwestern
6 p.m., ESPN — High Point at UNC-Asheville
6 p.m., FS1 — Wisconsin at Ohio St.
7 p.m., PAC-12N — Stanford at Utah
8 p.m., CBSN — Loyola Marymount at BYU
8 p.m., ESPN2 — Houston at Wichita St.
8 p.m., ESPN — UTEP at Middle Tennessee
8 p.m., FS1 — Washington at UCLA
9 p.m., PAC-12N — California at Colorado
9:30 p.m., ESPN — Oregon at Arizona
10 p.m., CBSN — Santa Clara at Gonzaga
10 p.m., ESPN — San Francisco at Saint Mary's (Cal)
10 p.m., FS1 — Washington St. at Southern Cal

COLLEGE BASKETBALL (WOMEN'S)

- 5 p.m., ACCN — Pittsburgh at Duke
5:30 p.m., BTN — Illinois at Michigan
6 p.m., SECN — Kentucky at South Carolina
7 p.m., ACCN — NC State at Georgia Tech
7:30 p.m., BTN — Michigan St. at Nebraska
7:30 p.m., ESPN — Maryland at Iowa
8 p.m., SECN — Vanderbilt at Missouri

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

- 11:30 a.m., ESPN — Senior Bowl: Practice, Mobile, Ala.
2 p.m., ESPN2 — Senior Bowl: Practice, Mobile, Ala.
7:30 p.m., NFLN — Shrine Bowl: East vs. West, Las Vegas

GOLF

2:30 a.m., GOLF — DP World Tour: The Ras Al Khaimah Classic, First Round, Al Hamra GC, Ras Al Khaimah, United Arab Emirates

2 p.m., GOLF — PGA Tour: The AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, First Round, Pebble Beach Golf Links, Pebble Beach, Calif.

2:30 a.m. (Friday), GOLF — DP World Tour: The Ras Al Khaimah Classic, Second Round, Al Hamra GC, Ras Al Khaimah, United Arab Emirates

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL (BOYS)

2 p.m., ESPN — Axe Metro Classic: Montverde (Fla.) vs. LA Lumiere (Ind.), Union, N.J.

4 p.m., ESPN — NIBC Series: Sunrise Christian (Kan.) vs. IMG Academy (Fla.), Bradenton, Fla.

NBA

6:30 p.m., TNT — Memphis at Cleveland
9 p.m., TNT and Bally Sports Wisconsin — LA Clippers at Milwaukee

NFL

6 p.m., ESPN — NFL Pro Bowl Skills Showdown: AFC vs. NFC Events, Las Vegas

TENNIS

5 a.m., TENNIS — Lyon-WTA, Hua Hin-WTA Early Rounds
11:30 a.m., TENNIS — Lyon-WTA Early Rounds
1 a.m. (Friday), TENNIS — Lyon-WTA, Hua Hin-WTA
5 a.m. (Friday), TENNIS — Lyon-WTA, Hua Hin-WTA

RADIO

5 p.m., WCLO 1230 AM and 92.7 FM — Wisconsin at Ohio St.

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Rows for Memphis, Dallas, New Orleans, San Antonio, Houston.

Northwest Division

Table with columns: W, L, Pct, GB. Rows for Denver, Minnesota, Utah, Portland, Oklahoma City.

Pacific Division

Table with columns: W, L, Pct, GB. Rows for Sacramento, L.A. Clippers, Golden State, Phoenix, L.A. Lakers.

Tuesday's Games

Miami 100, Cleveland 97
L.A. Clippers 108, Chicago 103

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Rows for Milwaukee 124, Charlotte 115, L.A. Lakers 129, New York 123, OT, Denver 122, New Orleans 113.

Wednesday's Games

Philadelphia 105, Orlando 94
Portland 122, Memphis 112
Boston 139, Brooklyn 96
Washington at Detroit, ppd
Golden State at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Houston, 8 p.m.
Sacramento at San Antonio, 8 p.m.
Toronto at Utah, 9 p.m.
Atlanta at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

Thursday's Games

L.A. Lakers at Indiana, 7 p.m.
Memphis at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Chicago, 8 p.m.
New Orleans at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Golden State at Denver, 9 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Milwaukee, 10 p.m.

Leaders

Through Jan. 31 Scoring Average

Table with columns: Player, G, FG, FT, PTS, AVG. Rows for Embiid, Doncic, Antetokounmpo, Tatum, G.-Alexander, Lillard, James, Curry, Durant, Mitchell, Irving, Morant, Young, Brown, DeRozan, Jokic, Siakam, Edwards.

Field Goal Percentage

Table with columns: Player, FG, FGA, PCT. Rows for Claxton, Gobert, Plumlee, Clarke, Bryant, Capela, Allen, Okongwu, Jokic, Poeltl, Zubac, Sabonis, Williamson, Lee, Caldwell-Pope, Kennard, Brogdon, Burks, Joe, Markkanen, Curry, Hield.

3-Point Field Goal Percentage

Table with columns: Player, 3FG, 3FGA, PCT. Rows for Lee, Caldwell-Pope, Kennard, Brogdon, Burks, Joe, Markkanen, Curry, Hield.

Rebounds Per Game

Table with columns: Player, G, OFF, DEF, TOT, AVG. Rows for Sabonis, Antetokounmpo, Gobert, Adams, Vucevic, Jokic, Randle, Zubac.

Assists Per Game

Table with columns: Player, G, AST, AVG. Rows for Haliburton, Jokic, Young, Doncic, Morant, Garland, Conley, Westbrook.

MILWAUKEE BUCKS TEAM STATISTICS

Table with columns: Player, G, MIN, FGM-FGA, PCT, 3-Pnt, FTM-FTA, PCT, PTS, AVG, REBOUND, OFF, DEF, TOT, AVG, AST, PF, DQ, STL, TO, BLK, TEAM, OPPONENTS.

Table with columns: Player, Points, Rebounds, Assists. Rows for Lillard, Holiday, Smart.

FOOTBALL

NFL

Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 12 At Glendale, Ariz.

Philadelphia vs. Kansas City, 6:30 p.m. (FOX)

HOCKEY

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

Table with columns: GP, W, L, OT, Pts, GF, GA. Rows for Boston, Toronto, Tampa Bay, Buffalo, Florida, Ottawa, Detroit, Montreal.

Metropolitan Division

Table with columns: GP, W, L, OT, Pts, GF, GA. Rows for Carolina, New Jersey, N.Y. Rangers, Washington, Pittsburgh, N.Y. Islanders, Philadelphia, Columbus.

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

Table with columns: GP, W, L, OT, Pts, GF, GA. Rows for Dallas, Winnipeg, Minnesota, Colorado, Nashville, St. Louis, Arizona, Chicago.

Pacific Division

Table with columns: GP, W, L, OT, Pts, GF, GA. Rows for Seattle, Los Angeles, Vegas, Edmonton, Calgary, Vancouver, San Jose, Anaheim.

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss. Top three teams in each division and two wild cards per conference advance to playoffs.

Tuesday's Game

Ottawa 5, Montreal 4
Carolina 5, Los Angeles 4, OT
Washington 4, Columbus 3, OT

Wednesday's Games

Boston 5, Toronto 2
Carolina 5, Buffalo 1

Thursday's Games

No games scheduled

TRANSACTIONS

Wednesday BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association PHOENIX SUNS — Re-signed G Saben Lee. Waived G Duane Washington Jr. Women's National Basketball Association ATLANTA DREAM — Re-signed F Nia Coffey and G A.D. Durr.

ON THIS DATE

Feb. 2

1876 — The National League forms, consisting of teams in Philadelphia, Hartford, Boston, Chicago, Cincinnati, Louisville, St. Louis and New York.
1936 — Ty Cobb, Babe Ruth, Honus Wagner, Christy Mathewson and Walter Johnson are the first members elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame.
1954 — Bevo Francis of Rio Grande College scores 113 points in a 134-91 victory over Hillsdale. Francis, breaking his own record for small colleges (84) set two weeks earlier against Alliance College.
1962 — Using a fiberglass pole, John Uelses becomes the first man to vault more than 16 feet, indoors or out. Uelses, a Marine Corps corporal, clears 16¼ during the Millrose Games at Madison Square Garden in New York.
1977 — Toronto's Ian Turnbull scores five goals to set an NHL record for defencemen, leading the Maple Leafs past the Detroit Red Wings 9-1.
1991 — New Hampshire's basketball team ends its 32-game losing streak at home with a 72-56 win over Holy Cross. The NCAA-record streak started on Feb. 9, 1988.
1994 — Lenny Wilkens gets his 900th NBA victory, and the Atlanta Hawks beat the Orlando Magic 118-99. Wilkens runs his regular-season mark to 900-760, trailing only Red Auerbach's 938 in NBA regular-season victories.



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**SPORTS**

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WIAC MEN'S HOOPS: WARHAWKS 86, POINTERS 66

# A crucial victory

UW-W men roll to win with season winding down

**TOM MILLER**

Special to The Gazette

WHITEWATER—With the regular season down to four games, Pat Miller is watching his UW-Whitewater men's basketball team round into shape.

Five players scored in double figures as the Warhawks rolled past visiting UW-Stevens Point 86-66 in a Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference game at Kachel Gymnasium on Wednesday night.

The Warhawks improved to 15-6 overall and 6-4 in the conference where they are alone in third place behind UW-Oshkosh (9-1) and La Crosse (7-3). After a game at Eau Claire at 5 p.m. Saturday, the Warhawks will play host to the first-place Titans next Wednesday night.

Miller liked the way his team played after winning at La Crosse last Wednesday night.

"We've battled all year long," Miller said. "When we get everyone playing well on the same night, we can be a pretty tough



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UW-Whitewater's Trevon Chisolm scores on a layup during the first half of a home game at Kachel Gymnasium against UW-Stevens Point on Wednesday. He was one of five Warhawks with at least 10 points in their 86-66 win.

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WRESTLING

## Whippets outlast Cougars for road win

Conference meets up next for both teams

**JOSH FLICKINGER**

Special to Adams Publishing Group

JANESVILLE—Wednesday night might have been a non-conference dual meet with eyes more geared toward tournament competition.

But the intensity was certainly ratcheted up as visiting Whitewater took down Janesville Craig 46-33 Wednesday night.

The Whippets received a pair of forfeits and won several tight matches to overcome the Cougars.

"I told them before the match that I did the math and I had them losing," Whitewater coach John Schimming said. "So somebody needed to step up. And we had a couple kids wrestle better than I had them doing, whether that means winning or avoiding getting pinned."

Craig coach Jason Vogt said the match had plenty of highlights for his squad.

"There were good matches all night," Vogt said. "Isaiah Gibbs (113 pounds) had a great match. He's coming off pinning the two-time conference champ from Beloit, so he's really peaking at the right time."

"I wish we wouldn't have had to forfeit 126, but it happens."

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Wisconsin's Steven Crowl grabs a defensive rebound against Illinois' Matthew Mayer during the first half of Saturday's game in Madison. Crowl is making just 60.3% of his free throws this season after finishing last year as an 80% free-throw shooter.

## Gard looking for foul line efficiency

Badgers shooting just 59.7% from stripe

**JEFF POTRYKUS**

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

MADISON—Wisconsin coach Greg Gard would love to see his players camped out at the free throw line during the second half of the Big Ten season.

"You always want to get to the foul line more," Gard said. "This team needs to get to the line more."

It has to do it in different ways than last year's team did."

One way to bolster an inconsistent offense is to draw fouls and score points at the line.

That hasn't been a strength this season for Wisconsin (12-8, 4-6 Big Ten), which faces Ohio State (11-10, 3-7) at 6 p.m. Thursday in Columbus.

In Big Ten games this season:

UW is last in the league in free throw attempts with 124 (12.4 per game) and last in free throw accuracy (59.7%).

In Big Ten games last season:

UW finished third in free throw attempts (17.9 per game) and sixth in free throw accuracy (73.5%).

The most obvious reason for the dramatic difference is that the two players who combined for the most free throw attempts last season (Johnny Davis and Brad Davison) were above-average free throw shooters.

The two players who have gotten to the line frequently this

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