



**On Aug. 20, 2018, flash flooding caused damage throughout our coverage area. For the past two weeks we have been documenting flood recovery efforts by revisiting some of the stories we covered at the time. See this week's flood coverage on pages 8-12.**

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## Festival Fun



Michelle Phillips-Times Tribune

Lora and Doogie, of Madison have a caricature drawn at the Good Neighbor Festival last week. Atrist Toukao Thao, of Highland, said he has done caracatures for about nine years. This was just one of many activities at the festival last weekend, see pages 13-16 for photos of the three-day event.

## Airport Solar Array Will Save City, School District Money

By Kevin Murphy

Times-Tribune

MIDDLETON—The solar array to be installed at the Middleton Municipal Airport is estimated to save the city of Middleton and the Middleton-

Cross Plains School District a combined estimated \$1.41 million during the next 30 years compared to rates from non-renewable energy sources, according to local officials.

The school district anticipates saving \$28,381 in electricity costs during the first year the array is operational and \$1.059 million by 2048, according to Perry Hibner, district spokesman.

“We are basing the savings on the current prices for elec-

tricity and fuels. If they go up, our savings should go up. If they go down, our savings would be less,” he wrote Tuesday in response to a reporter’s questions.

The city should save an estimated \$353,000 during the next 30 years, said Abby Attoun, director of planning and community development.

The airport solar array, combined with other budgeted or constructed solar initiatives, also should push the city government halfway toward its renewable energy goal, Attoun said.

The Common Council set a goal of obtaining 100 percent of its electricity needs from renewable energy by 2035. Discussions have begun at the school district about development a renewable energy policy.

“We live in a community and region that values the environment and understands there are consequences to using fossil fuels. We are always looking for ways that we can be good partners and good stewards of taxpayer money,” Hibner wrote.

On Monday, the Public

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## Armed Robbery Suspect Arrested

MIDDLETON—Middleton police in conjunction with Madison police arrested a man they say is responsible for an armed robbery in Middleton on Aug. 8.

Chris A. Hines, 60, of Middleton was arrested in Madison on Aug. 20 at his place of employment. Hines was identified as a suspect and taken into custody after physical evidence at the scene, Today’s Trends Salon at 6670 University Ave., was processed by authorities. When police confronted him at work, Hines admitted to the crime.

Hines has a history of robbery convictions and was on



Chris A. Hines

parole for an armed robbery he was convicted of committing on Feb. 9, 2009. He was paroled on July 1, 2018. In ad-

dition, Hines was convicted on Jan. 1, 1987 of armed robbery and paroled three years later on Jan. 26, 1990. In August 2000, he was convicted of robbery with the threat of force. He was paroled on May 17, 2005 for that conviction. Hines returned to prison on a parole violation for possession of drug paraphernalia on July 18, 2006, and served three and a half months, getting released in November of that year.

Hines was booked into the Dane County Jail on Tuesday, and charged with armed robbery and probation violation.

## Yahara Appeals Springfield Zoning Administrator Decision

By Michelle Phillips

Times-Tribune

SPRINGFIELD—An appeal was filed to the Dane Town Board of Zoning Appeals and Adjustments on Aug. 20 by Yahara Materials, concerning the continued use status of Meinholt Quarry, a property owned by the company that they would now like to begin mining.

The appeal comes after a determination in July from the Town of Springfield Zoning Administrator Kory Anderson, of General Engineering Company. Anderson stated in a letter to Springfield Board members and Yahara Materials that because the town was no longer a part of the county, even though the land was non-conforming, it was not being mined when the town adopted its own ordinance in January 2018, therefore, it was not continuous use and subject to a Conditional Use Permit (CUP).

In the letter, dated July 18, Anderson wrote the following: As of January 1, 2018, the “Continuing Use” of the 40-acre parcel was agriculture. The land was zoned A-1(EX) and was being farmed. Under subsection (1)(e), the land may continue to be used as farmland until such time as the zoning is changed. Subsection (1)(f) provides, in pertinent part: “However, the use of a parcel may not be changed to another permit-

ted or conditional use under the Legacy Zoning, but must be rezoned to a use provided under this Ordinance.”

The letter continues by stating that Yahara seeks to change the use from agriculture zoning to mineral extraction, which is a conditional use. Anderson said in the letter: Under the transitional section of the Town’s ordinance, therefore, the proposal to change the use of the parcel to mineral extraction triggers the requirement that the owner apply for a CUP (sec. 1.0101 of the Town’s ordinance...“All new principal uses and structures in the Town shall be established pursuant to zoning or conditional uses under this Ordinance and not the Legacy Ordinance”). Yahara Materials proposed expansion of the quarry is not a “continuing use” He concluded the letter by saying, “Under the general rules which apply under the Town’s ordinance, property owners can continue to make use of land as permitted under the Legacy Zoning. However, this is not a continuation of the previous use. It is an entirely new use. For that reason, I con-

clude that the quarry may not be expanded onto the 40-acre parcel without authorization of a Conditional Use Permit from the Town of Springfield.

In its filing, Yahara cited the diminishing assets rule and documents court case pertaining to the law the argument follows: The Subject Parcels must be recognized as legally nonconforming for nonmetallic mineral extraction pursuant to the diminishing asset rule as applied to Dane County’s historic mineral site registration system. Under the diminishing asset rule, commonly owned property that is contiguous to a nonconforming mine site is also nonconforming. See Schroeder v. Dane Cnty. Bd. Of Adjustment. 228 Wis. 2d 324, 326, 596 N.W.2d 472 (Ct. App. 1999) (holding that pursuant to the diminishing asset rule, nonmetallic mineral extraction operations on a parcel that is contiguous to and shares common ownership with a registered parcel constitutes a lawful nonconforming use under the Dane County Ordinances);

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## Friday Fly Fishers Share Stories, Comradery on Black Earth Creek

By Katherine Perreth

Times-Tribune

CROSS PLAINS—Fridays at 2 p.m. finds fly fishers of all ages happily ensconced at Crossroads Coffeehouse in Cross Plains, shooting the breeze, constantly injecting one-liners, tying flies and swapping stories about the one that didn't get away. Some of the group of about a dozen have been meeting together for over a decade, and participants hail from all over Dane county.

"You could describe us as loose-knit," said one of the founders, Mark Winscher, self-described as "67 struggling toward 68."

Or, as "nit-wits," chimed in Dan Buckland, who attends for the camaraderie, but refuses to attempt fly-tying, "No tie trying."

While Paul Julius, another founding member, painstakingly worked on tying a minuscule "spider" fly, which employs starling feathers and black silk, the rest of the group listened raptly in rare silence whenever he spoke. Fly-tying materials range from feathers and fur to the unusual.

"The Tup's Indispensable is a very good trout fishing fly, from England," Julius explained calmly, as the group began to snicker. "The most important ingredient in it is wool from the scrotum of a ram, preferably urine and otherwise stained." Light-colored rams from the English Cotswolds traditionally furnish the material, he said.

More mundane materials, like possum or deer fur, can be used for "dubbing," fourteen-year-old Tristran Morris, a Cross Plains native, offered, to make the body of a fly. "It's poofy," he said. "Like a cotton

ball."

Ellie Leafgren and Daniel Puser, both 21, have found that yarn works well as dubbing. The pair, from Madison and Middleton respectively, hang out frequently to fish around southern Wisconsin.

Puser is on a mission to reach a personal goal: 200 days fishing in 2019. Currently he's logged 165, and is on a 100 consecutive-day streak. He started in January, as spring-fed creeks don't freeze over, he said, and will graduate from University of Wisconsin-Madison in December. He expects that momentous occasion will coincide with setting his personal record.

This year, her first fly fishing, Leafgren landed 16 species, she said. The most exciting kicked off the new year. "It was the first trout I've ever caught, a 17-inch beautiful brown trout, and it was on the fly," she trumpeted. "Daniel said, 'You're never going to catch a fish like that again,'" she added, so they took plenty of pictures.

An evasive hush greeted the query, "Where did you catch it?" The Black Earth Creek watershed was as specific as they'd go.

"We don't tell our secret spots," mischievously explained Carl Sanger, 77. "We say, 'An area creek.'"

Puser and Leafgren's partnership was the exception to the rule. "Most of us fish when we can and that's not always when somebody else can," explained Julius. "Best to fish when you can."

"Besides, fights would break out," Sanger quipped. Like Leafgren, Puser and others around the table, Sanger said he doesn't keep the fish he catches



Katherine Perreth-Times Tribune

Above: At 2 p.m. every Friday, a loose-knit group gathers to tie flies and swap stories at the Crossroads Coffeehouse. Pictured, left to right: Carl Sanger, Ellie Leafgren, Daniel Puser, Mark Winscher, Paul Julius, Jerry Goth, Dan Buckland and Tristran Morris; Below: Ellie Leafgren, 21, caught her first-ever trout last winter, and it was on a fly, she said. She returned the 17-inch brown trout, a trophy fish, to the unidentified stream from where she caught it.

on the fly, whether muskie, northern, salmon, steelhead or trout.

"If you put 'em back, they get bigger the next year," he said, noting the importance of keeping fish healthy by using barbless hooks, handling fish with wet hands to prevent removing their protective coating and getting them quickly back into the water.

"Trout are rather rare gems, most of us toss 'em back in," Julius said, then explained the importance of the waterways of Wisconsin. "The work that's gone in to create a fishable environment in Black Earth Creek and other local creeks has been

substantial."

Winscher said Trout Unlimited and the Federation of Fly Fishers, specifically the local chapter, Badger Fly Fishers, are "extremely effective in what they do for stream improvement."

Both organizations and the Wisconsin DNR continue to monitor and upgrade trout streams, clearing them of debris, applying riprap—large rocks to reinforce banks against erosion—and adding LUNKERS, Winscher said. The latter are wooden structures set alongside banks giving trout protection and habitat to live under. In addition, constructing

wing dams speeds up water to increase oxygen, important for the health of fish, he noted.

"The DNR has also done a phenomenal job in stream access, working with farmers and landowners to get access for fishers," Winscher said.

But don't expect the fishers to tell you where to go. Underscoring the fishers code of silence,

Jerry Goth, in his 70s, told a story from his youth. As a teenager, he and a friend skipped a day of school to go fishing. While lolling creekside, his friend nudged him, pointing across the bank to the Middleton High School principal in

waders, rod and reel in his hand. The boys and the principal nodded to one another, but didn't say a word.

The next day, Goth stood last in line to present a pink "sick slip" to the principal for his signature. Punishment for skipping school at that time was 35 hours of detention, Goth said.

"The principal called me up and said, 'Goat, for as sick as you've been, you're the healthiest person I've seen today.'" And then he signed the slip. He'd told the office he'd had to go out the previous day on a business call.

## City Council Updated on Education Foundation

By Cameron Bren

Times-Tribune

MIDDLETON—Perry Hibner, the school district's communication director and member of the district's education foundation board, shared information with the common council on the foundation's fundraising, grants and scholarships and future goals.

Hibner explained that the foundation is overseen by a 17-member board including

alder Luke Fuszard. The purpose of the foundation is to provide funding for certain district programs or goals it does not have enough resources for.

Hibner explained that the district initially set up the foundation because a woman in Cross Plains bequeathed a million dollars to the Madison Metropolitan School District because there was no mechanism to donate to the Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District.

In 2009, the superintendent at the time Don Johnson, requested the district set up a foundation that could facilitate donations, Hibner said.

The foundation has since partnered with the Madison Community Foundation, which has more than a billion in assets. Of that the district has two endowment funds that equal about \$325,000.

The endowment funds allow the foundation to receive funding in perpetuity, Hibner explained. "If the foundation didn't raise anything more than that \$325,000, based on the interest they get from MCF, they'd get about \$15,000 annually."

A common goal among board members is to get that total endowment funds up to \$1,000,000, Hibner said.

The foundation has raised more than \$100,000 each year, which Hibner said is great but also could be viewed as stagnant since the amount is not increasing. He said the board is looking into hiring an executive director with a development background to double or triple the number of donations in coming years.

More than 100 grants have been awarded totaling about \$106,000. Every school in the district including the youth center has received a grant. Hibner noted more ends up going to schools that don't have robust parent teacher organizations.

"Schools like Sauk Trail tend to get quite a bit more from the



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LOCAL

# Auntie Jill's to Take Part in Taste of Madison

By Michelle Phillips

Times-Tribune

MIDDLETON—Jill Enerson was fresh off a divorce and trying to find a way to make more money to support her three daughters when she decided to launch Auntie Jill's Custom Cheesecakes 10 years ago. Now the Middleton woman has won a blue ribbon in the Taste of Madison Homestyle Desserts category, and earned a place at the prestigious and highly sought-after event.

"I thought about doing Taste of Madison for four years and finally decided to put in an application," she said of her entry. In July she went to the pre-judging where more than 30 restaurants were presenting their creations. Enerson chose to do frozen cheesecake on a stick. "Everything at fairs is on a stick, so we might as well join them," she laughed.

Auntie Jill's quickly became a family affair with daughters Arianna, 22, and twins Addalie and Annaliese, 16, by her side in the kitchen. Enerson said the girls have been her biggest fans and provided the best quality control.

She said she was always the person in her family to bring desserts to gatherings, and the transition to a business seemed like a great way to earn money and show off her baking talents. Enerson added that it took

about two years for her to implement her idea.

At first, that meant setting up at farmers markets, but Enerson said it was clear that the outdoor, often hot markets were not the best venues for her cheesecakes. She took a sample into Metcalf's and they called her almost immediately to learn more about selling the creamy confections. She then expanded to serve the cheesecakes at area restaurants, including Free House in Middleton and the Way Point Public House in Monona. She also takes dessert orders and caters events.

Enerson, who is also a para educator at Middleton High School, said that she hopes being in Taste of Madison will give her business more exposure.

"The whole goal of this is to leave a legacy for my girls," she explained. "We see ourselves as the next Mrs. Fields—there is always someone to come after."

She said she and her daughters worked for six weeks to make 6,000 serving of cheesecake on a stick, and flavors include Gluten Free Chocolate Chip (winner at Taste of Madison), Raspberry and Grasshopper. "Now we're working on a marketing campaign," Enerson said, adding that she will be re-vamping and relaunching her website: theauntiejills.com.

In the event that her busi-

ness should become more than she can handle in a small commercial kitchen, she has been in talks with Swiss Colony as a production facility. "If this explodes, I will figure it out," she stated.

The seemingly tireless Enerson has just been accepted into the "Grow Your Own" program through the Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District as well. The program offers employees a chance to return to school and pursue higher education in a teaching field.

If that weren't enough, Enerson also cooks a community meal each week at St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Middleton, with the help of special needs student volunteers, and, of course, her daughters.

In addition, Enerson's cheesecake is nominated for *Madison Magazine's* Best of Madison competition. Voting for contestants is open until the end of August.

She said she is excited about being included in Taste of Madison. Her biggest fear? "I'm concerned about running out of cheesecake!"

Taste of Madison will be held Aug. 31 from 2-8:30 p.m., and Sept. 1 from 11 a.m.-7 p.m. at Capitol Square in downtown Madison. For more information visit [tasteofmadison.com](http://tasteofmadison.com).



Photos Submitted

**Above: Jill Enerson with daughters Arianna, Addalie and Annaliese all work at Auntie Jill's Custom Cheesecakes. The photo is from early in the company's history, and Arianna is now 22 and twins Addalie and Annaliese, 16; Raspberry, frozen cheesecake on a stick will be one of three flavors offered at Taste of Madison this weekend. This is the first time Auntie Jill's has participated in the two-day, food fest held at Capitol Square.**



# Strollin' Middleton Planned for Sept. 6

MIDDLETON—By popular demand, the Greater Madison Jazz Consortium's Strollin' series is returning to downtown Middleton on Friday evening, Sept. 6. This jazz mini-fest will feature performances by 15 bands presenting five hours of continuous and stylistically diverse live music at eight indoor and outdoor venues in downtown Middleton. Now in its sixth year, Strollin' Middleton features a staggered performance schedule that makes it easy for attendees to stroll from venue to venue and sample many different musical styles.

The 2019 edition of Strollin' Middleton is the 15th "jazz

stroll" produced by the Consortium in a series that began five years ago at Schenk's Corners on Madison's Near East Side. The series has been warmly embraced by each of its host communities where over 1,000 happy music fans attended last September's Strollin' event.

Once again, the Greater Madison Jazz Consortium has booked an intriguing mix of bands showcasing the wide range of instrumental and vocal jazz styles regularly available to Dane County audiences, including our community's outstanding professional musicians as well as incredible student ensembles from Middleton

High School.

From the modern sounds of the electro jazz duo Mrs. Fun to the hard-bop swing of the Ray Rideout Quartet, from the warm vocal jazz of Donna Woodall to the danceable rhythms Tony Castañeda Latin Jazz Quintet, from the plucky strings of Mal O Dua to the contemporary approach of Lesser Lakes, there's sure to be something for every musical taste.

Performances begin at 5 p.m. and go throughout the evening. For more information, visit [jazzmadison.org](http://jazzmadison.org).

The Jazz Consortium is a nonprofit coalition of local jazz presenters, educational institutions, supportive media, and individuals who work together to create a more vibrant and sustainable local jazz scene.



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## Strollin' Middleton Schedule

<b>BMO Harris Bank</b> 5-7 p.m.—Student Stage 7447 University Ave.	7:30 p.m.—Donna Woodall Group
<b>Middleton Senior Center</b> 7448 Hubbard Ave.	9 p.m.—Tony Castañeda Latin Jazz Quintet
5 p.m.—Middleton Jazz	<b>Villa Dolce</b> 1828 Parmenter St
6:30 p.m.—All That Jazz	6:30 p.m.—Two Jackets
<b>Middleton Public Library</b> 7425 Hubbard Ave.	Louisianne's 7464 Hubbard Ave.
6 p.m.—John Becker Quartet, featuring Laurie Lang, Jim Huwe and Jon Vriesacker	6:30 p.m.—Johnny Chimes
7 p.m.—Ray Rideout Quartet	<b>National Mustard Museum</b> 7477 Hubbard Ave.
8 p.m.—Mrs. Fun	7 p.m.—Lesser Lakes
<b>Downtown Middleton Plaza</b> Hubbard Ave. & Aurora St.	<b>Barriques</b> 1901 Cayuga St.
6 p.m.—Wilder Deitz	7 p.m.—Lynette Marguiles and Jane Reynolds
	8 p.m.—Mal O Dua

## Workforce Housing Meeting Scheduled

MIDDLETON—On Sept. 5, at 6:30 p.m. in the Archer room at the Middleton Public Library, Abby Attoun, Director of Planning and Community Development for the City of Middleton, will present "An Introduction to Workforce Housing in Middleton."

In 2015, the City of Middleton adopted a strategy for the development of workforce housing. Attoun will speak about that, along with the broader issues related to affordable housing. Her role includes long-range planning, community and economic development, and housing. She holds a master's degree in Urban and

Regional Planning from the University of Iowa.

This event is sponsored by Voices in Favor, a grassroots community group working for the construction and preservation of affordable housing in Middleton and the education of all stakeholders about the importance of affordable housing for the well-being and advancement of the community and its residents.

If you would like to be a part of this group, please email its convener, Jim Iliff, at [jiliff1955@gmail.com](mailto:jiliff1955@gmail.com).

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## OPINION

MICHELLE'S  
Musings

BY MICHELLE PHILLIPS



## ATC

I really thought that the opponents to ATC's Cardinal-Hickory Creek (CHC) high voltage power lines might actually have a chance at stopping the utility.

I was wrong.

When I first started working in Middleton, I was commuting back and forth from Iowa, taking Hwy 151 all the way. The first trip I made to our Black Earth office piqued my curiosity with all the signs opposing the CHC line. Of course, soon after meeting Matt Geiger, editor of the *Mt. Horeb Mail* and former *Times-Tribune* editor, I asked, "So, what's up with the

no ATC signs?"

He gave me a brief history of the project plans and the opposition to the line. My first thought was, "Wow, with so many people opposed, it will never pass."

Maybe it's because my mom was a protesting hippie, and I later became involved in protests, including the one in which I was most involved, protesting the war in Iraq. Or maybe because of my desire to produce things locally, including energy, I thought the Wisconsin Public Service Commission (PSC) would realize that what many have deemed an unnecessary power line, was not welcome in tourist driven Mt. Horeb, the

Driftless Area, by farmers or townies.

*Times-Tribune* writer Kevin Murphy has covered the line's progress for years, it takes about eight to 10 years to begin construction on a line, Matt has covered it for as long, and I, too, have covered it in the last year and a half. At the public meetings, it was clear that many, many people had concerns about the line. When I went to the first environmental impact meeting, I could only find one person, who would not allow me to use his name, that did not oppose it. I remember at the time he told me (I'm paraphrasing here) that he wasn't "necessarily opposed to" the CHC line itself, but worried about his land value if it went through his farm.

A call went out months ago for intervenors in the decision process. The intervenors spoke on behalf of those communities, organizations and municipalities affected by the lines con-

struction. There were nearly 70 intervenors accepted by the PSC, though more would have liked to have been included in the process. This is the most intervenors ever assembled on a single project in the State of Wisconsin.

The PSC heard about how the line was coming incredibly close to homes (150 feet in one case near Mt. Horeb). It heard from environmental groups about concerns of the line cutting through the unique Driftless Area, a land that was narrowly missed by more than one glacier and is home to rare and endangered species. It heard from people in Mt. Horeb who worry that the horseshoe-shaped configuration of lines will engulf the tourism they have worked hard to build. There were concerns about pollinators and swaths of pollinator habitat that would be destroyed. They heard about concerns for recreational opportunities from hikers, fishers, boaters and cyclists.

The board was told also about historically significant sites that would be disrupted by construction.

But it all seems to have fallen on deaf ears.

When Kevin told me that the PSC was making its decision on Aug. 20, to be finalized at the end of September, I told him I would hold a spot on the front page. Last Tuesday I waited anxiously for him to send me the decision, then I got an email around noon with the header "Line Ok'd." My heart sunk. I waited impatiently for the story and more info.

The PSC declared that the line was needed to meet the energy demands of the state, in spite of the fact that energy use is down in the area. In spite of Gov. Tony Evers call to increase clean, local, renewable energy in the state. In spite of local, renewable energy sources popping up all around us.

The decision flies in the face of all those that will be

affected. With the line ending in the Town of Middleton, it won't be the board members who lose their livelihood, who see home values drop or watch pollinators disappear across the 100-mile stretch of high voltage lines. They will be safely tucked away with their heads buried in the sand, or perhaps enjoying some kick-back from ATC.

The only hope of the line being stopped at this point lies in Iowa. The Iowa Utilities Board (IUB) will make their decision at the end of the year. The CHC line begins on the opposite bank of the Mississippi River, and must be approved by both states. Having worked as an editor in the State of Iowa and dealing with the IUB, I believe they will also approve it. My advice would be to write letters to the *Dubuque Telegraph Herald* and to write, email and call the IUB. They are the last hope.

GEIGER  
Counter

by Matt Geiger, Editor

My Wild  
Ride

Each spring, my dad would disappear into the old corn loft where rabid raccoons used to hunker down and stare out with their glowing eyes for wayward children and dogs to bite. A few moments later, he'd emerge with an antique rocking horse, a faded plastic steed held aloft by four rusty springs and a creaky metal frame.

These rides seem quaint today, when children run around with smart phones and dive in and out of virtual reality. But in the 1980s, an old, yellowed plastic nag that bounced around when you climbed aboard her back was the best you could hope for.

"Here you go," my father would say as he set it down in the yard. "Have a great summer!"

He'd head out into the fields, and I would be left to get reacquainted with my horse, who had wintered in the corn loft with all the mangy Procyon lotor.

They have many names. Some call them "hobby horses," which I suppose makes it clear that you are only bounding around on an ancient toy for fun, and only periodically. "This isn't my full-time job," says the hobby horse owner. "It's just one of my hobbies."

Others call it a "wonder horse," which sort of makes it sound like a very curious equine, like a pinto Socrates, who sits around asking questions about the cosmos and our place within it.

Still others call it a "rocking horse," which I think fails to do justice to the type of wild, dangerous movement these toys are capable of. "Rocking" is a slow, steady movement, the type of thing that lulls babies to sleep in lullabies. My horse, who was named "Silver" despite her jaundiced hue, did not rock. She bucked. She bounded in a volatile, fickle manner. She pitched forward and back, side to side, like an old ship in a Herman Melville novel.

One spring, my dad retrieved Silver a bit later than usual. Once she was placed on the

grass behind our house, I said hello and climbed atop her chipped, brown saddle that insinuated leather but felt identical to her hard-plastic flesh.

"Easy girl," I said as I prepared to take off on a new adventure.

As I lightly kicked her flanks, I heard a sound deep within her belly. A faint hum that made me shiver.

As we bounced, the hum grew into a hiss, and then a buzz. The buzz grew louder and angrier, and I could hear tiny, rage-fueled bodies flinging themselves about inside Silver's torso.

Before I could do anything but be afraid (it's amazing how quickly we can be very, very afraid) a wasp emerged from a hole somewhere in her neck, flying up and glaring at me.

Drunk with panic, I saw dozens more wasps emerge and prepare to sting me. I did what came naturally, succumbing to the ancient, atavistic "fight or flight" phenomenon that has kept our species alive for hundreds of thousands of years. I was in no place to fight these angry insects, so I chose to flee.

"Haaah!" I cried, riding as fast and as hard as I could, "Heeaaawww!"

The increasingly violent ride further shook the horse, further agitate the bees, and further added to my problem. In

my mind I was racing like the wind, riding for safety as if my life depended on it.

To my mother, peering out from inside the kitchen, I was sitting on a large plastic container that was filled with wasps, and I was shaking it as I bounced in place.

That was the hardest I've ever ridden a horse, that day, as I tried without success to escape my tormentors. What a strange hobby, to antagonize stinging insects who have built a hive inside your plastic horse, and to try to will that horse to life and ride away from the problem.

I've always been bright, so my brain searched for an answer. "I know," it thought. "Maybe if I ride a little harder, maybe if I make her gallop a little faster."

Later, as the old lady who lived next door put meat tenderizer on my many hard, red stings, I realized, probably for the first time, that if the thing you are doing isn't working, if the thing you are doing is actually causing your problem, doing it more might not always be the solution.

\*Procyon lotor, which is the Latin term for raccoon, means "before-dog washer." Seriously.

## Letters

## Appeal Planned in ATC Decision

To the Editor:

On 20 Aug., the Wisconsin Public Service Commission (PSC) announced preliminary approval of the proposed Cardinal-Hickory Creek (CHC) transmission line in southwest Wisconsin. The CHC would cut through the heart of the Driftless Area and surround Mount Horeb in a horseshoe of high voltage.

This is not the final decision. Several volunteer citizen opposition groups and state, local, and municipal lawmakers are not satisfied that PSC preliminary approval of the CHC line is the right decision. Thank you Senator Erpenbach and Representatives Pope, Considine, and Hesselbein for representing your constituents and continually speaking out against the unneeded and destructive CHC line. A legal appeal from the Driftless Area Land Conservancy and the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation, with the legal guidance of the Environmental Law and Policy Center, will be filed.

The CHC line is not needed for Gov. Evers' plan for 100 percent clean energy in Wisconsin by 2050, it is not needed for reliability, and it will not benefit Wisconsin electric ratepayers economically. A more efficient way to create Wisconsin, carbon free energy is by using local clean energy alternatives and modern storage technology, rather than building a for-profit utility scale transmission line which will carry a significant amount of electricity generated by fossil fuels.

A robust record of technical facts proved the CHC line is not needed, is expensive, and will be environmentally destructive. Multiple states, municipalities, organizations, farmers, landowners, and ratepayers expressed concern and opposition. Bipartisan messages from state legislators expressing concern from their constituents were ignored. The three appointed PSC Commissioners disregarded expert energy and natural resources witnesses' testimony, including that of their own staff. The commissioners voted against the public and in favor of for-profit utility builders. It is time for us, the public, to change this decision-making paradigm.

Kerry Beheler, Mt. Horeb

## Commissioners Failed Public

To the Editor:

PSC (Wisconsin Public Service Commission) commissioners spurned public interests, approving the Cardinal-Hickory Creek Transmission project (CHC), revealing their unswerving bias towards big money utility interests. As a legal tactic, Commissioners' discussed only Transmission Builders' claims during their open meeting, taking them at face value, even though a preponderance of evidence showed their analyses to be flawed and biased in favor of the project. The commissioners did not provide a rationale for ignoring issues that were debated and contested during the proceeding by intervenors and experts.

CHC clearly does not meet statutory requirements for protecting the environment or prioritizing energy efficiency; renewable resources; and afforestation. The commission downplayed alternatives that were presented which would avoid environmental and economic impacts to WI communities, benefiting citizens rather than utilities. The Commissioners referred to the \$67 million project as "a bargain" while deliberately avoiding mention of a low voltage alternative meticulously developed by PSC staff, costing only \$900,000 dollars. Their staff's alternative would deliver comparable benefits and carry none of the negative impacts imposed by the project.

Commissioners hypothesized that Wisconsin utilities had stated an interest in buying more renewable wind power from out of state, even though there are many options for in state generation of renewables.

Intervenors provided evidence that CHC would not be effective

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## LOCAL

# School Board Reviews Results on Push for Co-curricular Involvement at High School

By Cameron Bren

Times-Tribune

MIDDLETON—Middleton High School Athletic Director Bob Joers presented the annual report on co-curricular participation at the Aug. 26 school board meeting. Joers reported an all-time high of 84.3 percent of students participating in at least one sport or club in 2018-19.

Clark Street Community School principal Jill Gurtner,

student activities director Ben White and senior Serena Raval joined Joers in his presentation.

Joers said the high participation rates are the results of the board directive to engage as many students as possible.

“The whole idea is you guys have given us this task of trying to engage students in as many things as we can so that there is another set of eyes on them and we make the school feel smaller,” Joers said.

Last year there were a total of 91 different teams and 66 different clubs. In total 1280 kids participated in at least one athletic activity including 10 percent of Clark Street students. There were 1284 involved in at least one club, with Clark Street students making up 15 percent of those.

Joers noted the GPA across students in different co-curricular activities being 3.53 for athletics, 3.61 for music and

3.69 for activities. He said the number of kids not involved is 336, 91 of which are racial or ethnic minorities

“We’re trying to get to those students as well,” Joers said.

Joers reported MHS won the WSN Cup, which is awarded for all-around athletic excellence in WIAA sports. MHS was also one of 27 schools to receive the WIAA Award of Excellence, the second time in three years MHS has won the

award.

Joers said the music department brought many guest artists in last year to perform along with students. The Hiphop program has blossomed, kids are DJing local events school dances, graduation parties, community centers and clubs. They’ve also produced beats that have been used by touring artists, Joers said.

The high school band has about 300 kids. They have also

begun competing. The jazz band was one of 15 selected to participate in the Essentially Ellington national competition in New York in May.

Gurtner says CSCS introduced exhibition nights and student led seminars on producing music and activism last year and this year is planning for outdoor education and progressive education.

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## Appeal

*Smart v. Dane Cnty. Bd. Of Adjustments. 177 Wis. 2d 445, 501 N.W.2d 782 (1993) (applying the diminishing asset rule to parcels that were determined to be nonconforming under the Dane County quarry registration process); Sturgis v. Winnebago Ctv. Bd. Of Adjustment. 141 Wis. 2d 149, 413 N.W.2d 642 (Ct. App. 1987). Said another way, the diminishing asset rule provides that a property owner has a vested right to engage in quarry operations on lands that are commonly owned and contiguous to nonconforming mine sites.*

Yahara argues that the Meinholz land has been a contiguous site for mineral extraction since 1969 and the parcels have been registered as nonmetallic mineral extraction sites since that time. It also stated that parcel 0808-352-9870-3 is recognized as a non-conforming mineral extraction site and part of the approved reclamation plan also drafted in 1969, well before Springfield

became a town.

The appeal also claims: *The Zoning Administrator erroneously attempts to frame this dispute as centering on the question of whether or not Appellant’s conditional use permit covering the Active Parcels extends to permit nonmetallic mineral extraction on the Subject Parcels. However, Appellant’s conditional use permit is of no relevance to the status of the Subject Parcels. While Appellant does have a conditional use permit for the Active Parcels, that permit does not grant Appellant the right to engage in nonmetallic mineral extraction on those parcels. That right is already vested through the registration of land in 1969 as nonmetallic mineral extraction sites combined with the application of the diminishing asset rule.*

*To the extent that the Zoning Administrator’s position is that operating under a conditional use permit amounts to a waiver of a parcel’s legal nonconforming use status, he is also mistaken. It*

*is well established law in Wisconsin that a property owner does not lose or waive nonconforming use status by obtaining and operating under a permit. Application of Brandt, 15 Wis. 6 (1961). The facts in the Brandt case are straightforward. Brandt operated a quarry on his property.*

*After that use had been established, the Town of Pewaukee adopted a zoning ordinance requiring quarries to operate under a CUP. Brandt applied for and obtained a CUP. Some time (sic) later, the Town denied Brandt’s request for renewal of the CUP and Brandt appealed. On appeal, the Wisconsin Supreme Court squarely held that obtaining a permit did not extinguish the nonconforming status of Brandt’s property. Id. at 12 (“... questions relating to the permit are moot, because [Brandt] can continue his operations without any permit.”)*

In the appeal Yahara said that Anderson’s assertion that Yahara lost its non-conforming sta-

tus in January 2018 when the town established its own ordinances, is based on “a mistake of facts.” The document claims that the parcels were part of the quarry site at that time because Yahara purchased them in 2017.

The last point in Yahara’s argument is that the Zoning Administrator’s determination is invalid because the Town of Springfield Board recognized the parcels as nonconforming when they tentatively approved the drafting of a reclamation plan by Yahara on Dec 18, 2018. The board revisited its decision at a meeting in June.

The Dane Town Board of Zoning Appeals and Adjustments is made up of the Towns of Berry, Blue Mounds, Bristol, Springfield, Sun Prairie and Westport. At press time, a date had not yet been set to hear the appeal.

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## Solar

Service Commission issued a written Renewable Energy Rider (RER) that set the cost of electricity to be generated by the 17,000-panel solar array at the airport at \$.06 per kilowatt hour with a two percent annual escalator.

The REF contract with MGE is for 30 years.

“RER helps us get to our goals even faster than compared with doing our own projects here and there,” Attoun said.

The city is buying 0.5 megawatt and the school district is buying one megawatt of the solar array’s 5-megawatt out-

put. The remainder will be available for subscription to residents and business customers through MGE’s Shared Solar Program.

The advantage to the city is the stable electricity rate the rider provides into the future, Attoun said.

“There’s an assumption that energy rates will go up in the future faster than the rate in the rider,” she said.

The array is to be built on approximately 22 acres in a buffer area north of the paved runway and east of the crosswind grass runway. MGE hasn’t determined when construction will

begin but Attoun hopes it’s this year, noting that the contractor has order the materials.

“If it is built this year, it would be the largest solar project in the state...in terms of output,” she said.

However, it will be greatly eclipsed when the 300-megawatt Badger Hollow Solar Farm goes online. That project is designed to be the biggest in the Midwest with one million solar panels spread across 3,500 acres in Iowa County. The project was approved by the PSC in April.

“The solar array will utilize ‘tracking’ technology to in-

crease the amount of sunlight the panels can ‘harvest’ by more than 25 percent compared to fixed solar arrays,” according to Kaya Freiman, MGE’s spokesperson.

The Federal Aviation Administration gave final approval for the airport array earlier this month finding it a compatible use with the lease revenue dedicated to airport purposes.

The lease with MGE is the greater of \$400 per acre, with a two percent annual escalator, or 120 percent of the average non-irrigated cropland cash rental charged in Dane County, according to Attoun.

The land lease is separate from the RER as MGE planned to have the array built whether or not the city or school district wanted to subscribe to its output, she said.

The array is estimated to cost \$8.6 million to construct, according to Freiman.

The city has a solar array on the roof of the Municipal Operations Center (MOC), currently the largest in the state at a municipal installation. Also, one on the roof of the police station plus a pavilion on Terrace Ave.

The city doesn’t contract for output from MOC roof array, Attoun said. Instead, MGE

leased the location in exchange for constructing an array on the roof of the police station which provides 25 percent of electricity used at the building, the largest electricity user among city departments, she said.

Three more arrays have been included in the 2019 capital budget but not yet constructed. They are to be located on the roofs of the recycling center, the EMS building and the senior center.

## Letters

in reducing CO2 emissions and is likely to cause increases rather than reductions. There are no requirements for CO2 reductions guaranteed by the project.

Ignoring the concerns of over 1000 citizens, commissioners callously eliminated many provisions suggested by staff to protect landowners from intrusive practices used by transmission companies. Lacking any sense of professional demeanor, they joked about the concern that the public might construe their decision to remove a clause to require transmission companies to avoid schools and playgrounds as heartless.

Chris Klopp, Cross Plains

## Support Life-Ending Legislation

Letter to the Editor:

I am writing to bring attention to all Wisconsin residents and ask for support of the compassionate bill, that would have allowed terminally ill patients to request life-ending medication.

On June 23, 2017, a medical-aid-in-dying bill, S312, was introduced by State Senator Fred Risser (D-Madison) and a companion bill, HB216, was introduced by Representatives Sondy Pope (D-Cross Plains) and Dianne Hesselbein (D-Middleton). The bills failed to pass. Senator Risser has brought this bill to vote nine times since 1994. This law is long overdue—25 years overdue.

This bill permits an individual who is of sound mind, is not incapacitated, is at least 18 years of age, is a resident of Wiscon-

sin, and has a terminal disease, to request voluntarily medication from his or her attending physician for the purpose of ending the individual’s life in a humane and dignified manner. The bill authorizes the individual’s attending physician to issue a prescription for the medication if specified requirements are met. Further, the bill creates a statutory request for medication authorization form and requires that the Department of Health Services prepare and provide copies of the form for distribution to certain facilities, associations, and persons.

My sister was diagnosed with lung cancer in May of 2017 and died in November of 2018. She suffered 18 months. If this law was passed, she would have avoided five-plus months of agonizing pain and suffering if she had this choice. Why did my sister have to suffer so much?

Please Google Brittany Maynard, a woman diagnosed with terminal brain cancer who moved from California to Oregon to end her life in 2014. Maynard chose Oregon because California had not yet passed its aid-in-dying law, and Oregon allowed terminally ill patients to legally end their lives. (link: <https://compassionandchoices.org/stories/brittany-maynard/>)

Seven states and Washington, DC have death with dignity statutes: California (2016), Colorado (2016), District of Columbia (2017), Hawaii (2019), Maine (2019), New Jersey (2019), Oregon (1997), Vermont (2013), Washington (2008). And the whole country of Canada. Why not Wisconsin? Since 1851, Wisconsin claims

to be the Forward State, but is backwards on this issue. Surveys show more than 70 percent of Wisconsin and U.S. residents want this choice!

Also please learn all you can about death with dignity laws. Information is power and control for your life and the more information, you have, the better!

Contact the Wisconsin State Assembly and tell them you want a medical-aid-in-dying bill passed. Get their contact information at [legis.wisconsin.gov](http://legis.wisconsin.gov) and contact them today. For you and for yours, please contact your Senators, Assembly Reps. and all their staff. Call them, email them, send them an old-fashioned letter and go to the beautiful Capitol. Tell our 33 Senators and 99 Assembly Reps that you want this law to pass. These 132 people are the only people in Wisconsin that can make this choice available to 5.8 million Wisconsinites. If you really want this to pass, contact them and their staff everyday till it is passed!!!!

Fritz Jenkins, Madison

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## LOCAL

# Bridge Volunteering Opens Hub Near High School

By Michelle Phillips

Times-Tribune

MIDDLETON—Shaney Andler is not new to volunteering, and the Middleton special education teacher wanted to pass that on to high school students, so she started Bridge Volunteering last year, and serves as its president. Now the organization that is geared toward student with mental health issue, though open to all, will have a home.

Andler is opening a hub for volunteer projects that students can chose to help fulfill their required service hours. The Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District requires that all student have 40 hours of service hours to graduate, with two kids of her own Andler found the requirement challenging to achieve.

I think this a great intention but it just doesn't "function" as I thought it should in the current set up. Kids now have to sort of do it on their own-find opportunities and record the hours 'on your honor.' Since I have this strong belief in volunteering and I knew how many kids are struggling with mental health issues, I came up with the idea of Bridge Volunteering. It really is just making the service-learning component a little more relevant, organized and "therapeutic" in a way," she explained.

She said she envisions the hub as a place where kids can

gather not only to find volunteering jobs, but also a place to socialize. "The hub is a safe, comfortable, "cool" space that is walking distance from the high school. It will function as a meeting place for kids to connect with themselves, peers, adults and the community. There will be a volunteer "project" going on at Bridge at all times but the opportunities "advertised" on the chalkboard wall at Bridge will primarily be off site," Andler said.

She said she has about 40 adult volunteers ready work with students on their projects as well as take them to the off-site locations. "I have a list of over 40 adults who want to volunteer at the space as well as facilitate groups to off site events. The group I have come up with has been strategically chosen as they are all involved, positive, caring, role model types. Kids just need one adult to connect with and I am hoping to present them with many opportunities for that," she said.

In addition, Bridge Volunteering is directed by a board of three. "As a teacher, I had no idea how to run a 'business.' I chose a board member in the business world to navigate me through. I also chose members who have been involved in philanthropic roles in the past to give me insight into what things I need to focus on," she said of the board selections.

Besides the board, Bridge

Volunteering will partner with and receive input from high school employees, community members parents and students.

"Personally, I think the answer to all problems is to get out and do something for someone else," Andler stated.

Studies on volunteering have shown that it can reduce stress angry and depression. Volunteers are also increases happiness, self-confidence and sense of purpose.

"Volunteering has been scientifically proven to do many things including combatting depression and counteracting stress and anxiety. Volunteering in teens gives them a sense of purpose and passion and makes them feel good about helping other people," said Andler.

This is not the first time Andler has started a volunteer program. In high school she began Special Friends, a nationally recognized organization that pairs special needs kids with teen mentors to help foster relationships.

Come out to the Bridge Volunteering Hub on Aug. 29 from 3-8 p.m., 1918 Parmenter St., for an open house and to learn more about the program.

For more information on the organization, visit their Facebook page.



Photo Submitted

Bridge Volunteering has an official home on Parmenter St. near Middleton High School, which it calls "the hub." The goal is to offer volunteering opportunities for high school students. The space, pictured above will also give kids a place to socialize. The custom made table was created by Wisconsin Farmhouse.

## Activities

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White said MHS offered a sensory prom for the first time in April and had more than 40 students attend. He said it was brought on by students motivated to offer a prom experience to students who might be otherwise be intimidated or not go to prom.

White also mentioned a Culture Fair that students started for anyone who wanted to share their backgrounds.

"It was eye opening how open our students are in sharing what drives them as a person," White said.

White said there are a lot of applications to start new clubs.

"If we accepted everybody there would be over 100 clubs,"

White said.

A leadership council that includes the heads of student organizations has been started to give students more of a voice and help White determine which new clubs should be formed.

White said he was concerned about the high school growing but not gym space.

"My concern is we are expanding the school a great size for a great capacity but the amount of gym space is going to stay the same," White said. "To accommodate all these new students, where are we going to put them if we want to do all these intramural sports that we have yet to get off the ground."

White said there are so many kids in sports the district is competing against itself. He said a lot of students are trying to balance both band and sports.

White said engaging students not involved is a matter of figuring out what to offer, which takes time and space. He added that in a survey among high school students job offerings and internships were the highest ranked in interests.

Raval said she has been heavily involved in co-curricular activities and it has improved her high school experience. She said when Joers asked her to think of some criticism she really couldn't come up with anything.

Board member Minza Karim asked Raval if how her heavy involvement in co-curricular activities impacted her studying. Raval said having teammates to study with is helpful because she is a social studier.

Board president Bob Green said he was happy to see the

board directive moving into common practice.

"We're moving to that point where it is not a directive, it is more how we do things in Middleton," Green said.

Green said Joers and others need to make sure the board knows what they need to keep

the involvement up. "You have got to put our feet to the fire on this one because you are doing what we asked you to do," Green said. "You can't do much more until we give you what you need to take it to that next step."

## Council

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foundation because they need it," Hibner said.

The foundation has awarded more than \$18,000 in scholarships since 2015. Hibner said that now includes the district's Grow Your Own program. He explained that the district's students are more diverse than ever been and the goal is for the staff to reflect that.

"About 20 percent of our student population are students of color," Hibner said. "Our staff does not reflect that. We have gotten better at hiring administrators of color, but our teaching staff is about three or four percent staff of color and we would like it to be more reflective of our student population."

Hibner said it is a challenge to recruit people of color to work in the district.

"If you have options you are going to go somewhere where they are going to pay a lot more and where you're going to see a lot more people that look like you," Hibner said.

The Grow Your Own program helps get students of color to pursue a career in education and come back to work in district. Huber said the foundation will pay for their education if they subsequently work for three years in the district.

The foundation awarded \$10,000 to the district this year and identified two students. The goal to identify four or five

each year, Hibner said.

The foundation is currently preparing for its annual appeal and has already found three businesses willing to match donations up to \$15,000 combined.

Hibner said another thing the foundation will look at this year is helping the district in purchasing new band instruments, which are aging, at a cost of roughly \$450,000.

Fuszard said the annual appeal would kick off in October. He also said in comparison that Sun Prairie has endowment funds totaling more than \$1,000,000.

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# CROSS PLAINS

## Board Appoints Member, Hears Updates

By Katherine Perreth

Times-Tribune

CROSS PLAINS—On Monday, a new Village of Cross Plains Trustee was appointed, confirmed and sworn in. Trustee Bill Brosius is taking the place of former trustee Jeanne Statz.

Cross Plains Village Board President Jay Lengfeld commended American Legion Post 245 and the Lion's Club for putting on an "outstanding" community event, "We Survived the Flood," held on August 25. "It was a great turn-out and we definitely want to thank them for all their effort," he said.

Trustee Lori Zander reported that no residents attended the Public Safety Committee public-comment forum, other than Doug Brunner. He presented a plan to utilize village streets for ATV/UTV use, with the future goal of trails, she said.

Trustee Lee Sorensen reported that the new EMS ambulance will be received months

ahead of schedule and that there is a need for either another full-time EMT or a full-time EMS chief.

Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Terra Morris presented an update on her work with the chamber. Notably, profits from the "weather-dependent" Memorial Day BBQ were significantly down, due to the stormy day, she said, but the partnership with Northwest Dane Senior Services for the July golf event and its community-wide celebration held in the village was positively received. "It was a huge success," she said. "Hundreds of people came out."

In addition, the chamber's role in marketing the "We Survived the Flood" event provided "great exposure" for the community, Morris said, as three Madison T.V. stations covered the event and posted clips online. Morris said she had heard from people around the state

who saw the coverage.

Chris Long, executive director of the non-profit Gateway to the Driftless presented his request for a \$7,500 village commitment to funding a marketing study. He said regional efforts to market for ecotourism are a critical method of attracting economic benefits from potential visitors, workers and new residents. If funded, he said the Joint Effort Marketing (JEM) study would answer the questions, "Who's the market, where are they, what are (we) lacking to attract them, and how (do we) communicate with them effectively?" Long has presented at other local communities requesting funding as well, he said.

Trustee Kevin Thusius said he has had experience with a JEM study, and found the results to be "informative" and to have long-term value as a strategic document. President Lengfeld asked for the request

to be put into the budget process, for further discussion.

In further action, the board approved:

- The creation of an ad hoc Sustainability Committee, to be reviewed in one year.
- The School Resource Officer agreement with the Middleton-Cross Plains School District.
- Street repaving projects.
- Addressing the drainage/flooding issue at Hwy P and Thinnes Street via an easement pipe connection.
- An amendment to revise the Town & Country Sanitation Agreement to clarify the method of handling recyclable items, and the type of plastics accepted for pick up.
- Compensation upon retirement for Police Chief Tom Janssen's accrued sick time: a \$15,000 payout, in increments of \$3,000.

## Blood Drive Set for Sept. 12

CROSS PLAINS—A Community Blood Drive will be held in the Village of Cross Plains on Sept. 12 from 1-6 p.m.

The drive will be held at the St. Francis Fellowship Hall, and appointments can be made by calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visiting [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) Use the sponsor code Cross Plains. Walk-ins are also welcomed to donate.

You can save up to 15 minutes when you donate blood using Rapid Pass. Visit [redcrossblood.org/rapidpass](http://redcrossblood.org/rapidpass) for more information.

## Flood Recovery Meeting Planned

CROSS PLAINS—An Ongoing Flood Recovery meeting, "An Evening of Hope, Healing & Renewal," will be held in the upper level of St. Martin's, 2427 Church St., on Aug. 29 at 6:30 p.m.

Bill Chang, Village Administrator, will address pre-submitted questions, Project Recovery (a partnership between Couleecap, FEMA & WISCAP) will present their support outreach program to those seeking continued healing and Phil Fish will speak on Retention Ponds.

For more information contact Maureen at [msberghoefer@tds.net](mailto:msberghoefer@tds.net).

# New Programs in Place at Cross Plains Library

### Storytime News

Storytime is back with Wiggles and Giggles on Tuesdays and Big Kids Booktime on Thursdays, both at 10 a.m. Join us for a special storytime—Donuts with Dad—on Aug. 31, from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Kids are welcome to bring another special family member or friend if it's a better option. We'll have stories, songs, and a craft to go along with our donuts!

### Family Concert with Brendan Taaffe

This is one-of-a-kind experience featuring shadow theatre accompanied by hauntingly beautiful music! Brendan Taaffe is an acclaimed musician and artist from Vermont. A multi-instrumentalist (fiddle, banjo, guitar, mbira) and a powerful singer, Brendan is also a "crankie artist". Crankies are scrolling illustrations in a wooden box that accompany songs or stories and are the analog antidote to this age of digital saturation, enchanting children and adults alike with their magic. Join us on Sept. 26 at 6:30 p.m. for this special treat!

### Infant Massage Class-September

Now's the time to call and reserve your spot for a 4-week class with Yvonne Hiebert of Nurturing Ways. The class will take place on four consecutive Saturday mornings at 10:30 a.m., Sept. 7-28. Class size will be limited, so call soon to reserve a spot for you and your baby. More information is on the library website.

### Friends Ongoing Used Book (and more) Sale

Did you know the Friends of the Library have an ongoing sale of gently used books, DVDs and Audiobooks at fantastic prices? The next time you're in the library, stop by their sale case located in the hallway near the community kitchen, and browse the shelves. It could be your lucky day! All funds generated go to support library programming, such as the Children's summer program.

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Our annual celebration will be on Nov. 2 this year, when we'll recognize our finishers (get those books counted and marked in your record books!), with a very special Elephant and Piggie Party!

### Morning Movie is Back! Sept. 12, 9:30 a.m.

We're starting off with an inspirational and sometimes comical film that tells the story of Dell, an ex-con (Kevin Hart), and Phillip, a wealthy disabled person (Bryan Cranston), who find life's "upside" in their unlikely friendship with each other. Based on a true story. Rated PG13; 125 minutes. Coffee and breakfast treats are ready

at 9 a.m. Sign up by calling 608-798-3881. Free and open to the public.

### Tween Book Club (ages 9-13)—Sept. 16, 4-5 p.m.

We're reading "Summer of the Gypsy Moths" by Sara Pennypacker. Please call 608-798-3881 to sign up or sign up when you pick up your copy of the book.

### Teen Book Club (ages 12 and up)—Sept. 16, 4-5 p.m.

"Ship Breaker" by Paolo Bacigalupi is this month's selection. Call to sign up, and come in to get a copy of the book.

### Back Pain and Sciatica Workshop

This free workshop on Sept 26 at 6:30 p.m. covers topics related to low back pain and sciatica. After a discussion of what pain is and why we have it, Josh Lehr of Pro Physical Therapy, Cross Plains, will get specific about back-related pain and symptoms, discussing what may be causing your specific symptoms, and what you can do about it. This will be an interactive discussion, so be prepared to move around. Please call the library to sign up.

### New Art Show—"Local Colors"

The Library is happy to host a lovely collection of watercolors created by area artist, Pamela Grabber. The show runs through Oct. 4.

### Open Music Jam

Stop by the library on Thursday nights, 6-8 p.m., and join other area musicians in a weekly music jam. All abilities welcome!

# St. Martin's Welcomes New Pastor

CROSS PLAINS—Margaret (Maggie) Anderson Peterson was installed as pastor of St. Martin's Lutheran Church, Cross Plains by Rev. Walter Baires, Assistant to the Bishop of the Southwest Synod of Wisconsin, on Aug. 26. A celebratory luncheon followed in Fellowship Hall.

Anderson Peterson, originally from Grand Island, NE, received her master's of divinity from Luther Seminary in St. Paul, MN, served as intern pastor at First Lutheran, St. Paul and interim pastor at Peace Lutheran, Lauderdale, MN prior to being called to St. Martin's. She was ordained at First Lutheran Church St. Paul. Her undergraduate work was completed at Smith College in Northampton, MA. Her first worship service at St. Martin's was on July 8.

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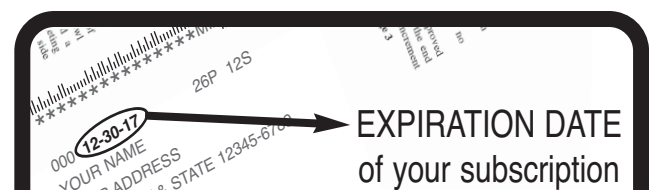


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regular camping trips with her husband Geoff and preparing meals to share with others.

## NWDSS CALENDAR

Northwest Dane Senior Services	Bingo
1837 Bourbon Road, Cross Plains	Aug. 29: Meatballs in Gravy Player's Choice
Lunch serving begins at 11:30 a.m. Call 608-798-6937 by 1 p.m. the day before, to reserve your meal.	Aug. 30: Sloppy Joe Nickel Bingo
For a full listing of the daily menu see the newsletter on our website: <a href="http://www.nwdss.org">www.nwdss.org</a>	Sept. 2: Closed for Labor Day
<b>Menu &amp; Calendar of Events</b>	Sept. 3: Spaghetti in Meat Sauce Golden Agers
Aug. 28: Chicken Sandwich	Sept. 4: Pork Loin in Gravy Bingo



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# LOCAL-FLOOD RECOVERY

## Cross Plains Celebrates Surviving the Flood One Year Later

By Katherine Perreth

Times-Tribune

MIDDLETON—In a display of community strength and resiliency, the residents of Cross Plains gathered together to remember, reflect upon and celebrate survival during the “We Survived The Flood” event, featuring free food, drink and entertainment. The event, primarily hosted by the American Legion (A.L.) Post 245 and Lion’s Club, also honored village staff and volunteers for the critical roles they played during and after the flood.

Visibly-moved A.L. Post Chaplain Pat Andreoni, who was village president at the time of the flood in August 2018, addressed the crowd, congratulating them. “Today is a celebration of you people, who came and helped out your neighbors,” he said.

Regarding village emergency departments’ work that night, Andreoni said, “They had a job to do and they did it well.”

To underscore the outpouring of community-wide support for neighbors, Andreoni mentioned when Team Rubicon arrived to help with disaster relief and clean-up, they found it necessary to stay for only one week, instead of the three they

had planned.

The overall festive atmosphere at the event sometimes stood in stark contrast to small groups of people reminiscing that traumatic night.

Jen and Kevin Engelen recalled the five inches of water that damaged everything in their basement as Main Street turned into a river. Jen Engelen said, “(Cross Plains is) a great community, and with support from our family and neighbors, we’re all in a better place than we were a year ago.”

Chrissy Olson sat with her six-year-old son, Ashton, enjoying the frozen custard and music. “We came here today to remember, and take a break,” she said. Her father and brother were not present; they were busy repairing Olson’s home. “It’s one year later, and there’s still work to be done,” Olson said.

Village Administrator Bill Chang distributed plaques awarded to the Cross Plains-Berry Fire Department, Cross Plains EMS Department, Cross Plains Police Department and the village Public Facilities and Park and Recreation Department.

During the awards ceremony Village President Jay Lengfeld

said, “A crisis shows what kind of community we are, people pulling together.”

He acknowledged that much work remains to be done, including for those still suffering from the effects. “I assure you that policymakers have this on our minds, to make Cross Plains safer and help those who still need help.”

Lengfeld commended the community for working well together during all three phases of the disaster: saving lives, clean-up and future prevention.

Other speakers recounted the harrowing story of a woman rescued from the top of her car when it was stuck in rapids, and that a total of 120 emergency calls for help came in that evening.

Andreoni summed up the celebration of survival, “We lost houses and things, but didn’t lose anybody.”

Terra Morris, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce, called the celebration, “The true definition of community.”

Businesses throughout the community donated to the event, which also offered a bouncy house for kids and live music.



Katherine Perreth-Times Tribune



The Lions Club offered guests a chance to take a train ride at the “We Survived the Flood” event; Chrissy Olson takes a break with her son, Ashton, from the continuing repairs to her home on Brewery Rd. Olson appreciated the “We Survived the Flood” event which gave her an opportunity to remember and celebrate, in community with others.



Above: The emergency departments and village public works department were honored with plaques commending them for the critical roles they played during the night of August 20, 2018, and its fallout. Pictured, left to right: Cross Plains Police Chief Tom Janssen, Cross Plains Public Facilities and Park and Recreation Jerry Gray, Cross Plains-Berry Fire Chief Dale Lochner, Cross Plains-Berry EMT Diane Meinholz, Cross Plains-Berry EMT Association President Katrina McKee.

## Village Continues Work to Mitigate Flood Threat

CROSS PLAINS—Although new Village Administrator Bill Chang has not seen any insurance reports from Cross Plains home owners, he knows the damage caused by the Aug. 20, 2018 flooding was substantial. The village hauled away 16.5 tons of metal from curbs, Chang said, defunct appliances and other household items. The total reached 1600 cubic yards of debris and trash.

The village is looking to FEMA to recoup the loss, which was approximately \$230,000, Chang said. “It’s in its final stages,” Chang said, explaining following FEMA protocol requires approval by Wisconsin Emergency Management.

Meanwhile, the village has conducted repair and restoration of public parks, curbs, road culverts and drainage ways. Enchanted Valley still requires debris removal and restoration of the drainage ditch, Chang said, and most of the projects will be completed by the end of the year. Cleanup in Gills Way may extend into 2020, Chang said.

In addition, erosion of Black Earth Creek at Zander Park has been addressed with riprap, large rocks placed by the DNR, he said. Other creeks, such as Brewery, still require further attention.

To address the continuing mental and emo-

tional fallout from home destruction, the non-profit Project Recovery will host a support meeting at St. Martin’s Church, August 29 at 7 p.m., Chang said. He will be there as a panelist, fielding questions and listening to comments from attendees. Chang said he’s looking forward to hearing directly from village residents, as many are unable to attend the evening village board meetings on the fourth Monday of each month.

Future plans to address natural disasters include the appointment by village board president Jay Lengfeld of a Sustainability Committee, which will review policies, ordinances and be part of the decision-making process offering recommendations to future proposed actions.

On a larger scale, Chang said, he will be working on updating the village’s emergency operations plan, which covers all disasters. Of note, Chang said he is proposing a three-year plan for storm water mitigation along Brewery Creek. The first year, a study, the following two, implementation of recommendations.

“I will use some of my experience in applying for grants to assist us in that area,” Chang said.

Overall, the village government will continue to fact-find, put plans together and search for the resources to implement plans, he said.

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According to new research, bone health may be linked to eye health. Researchers followed 116,000 older people for 6 years, half of whom had cataracts. About 40% of those with cataracts had surgery to remove them. Participants whose cataracts were untreated were two times more likely to develop osteoporosis compared to those without cataracts. They also had a 30% higher risk of hip fracture and a 60% increased risk of other fractures. Vision issues caused by cataracts may contribute to the development of osteoporosis by limiting physical activity and reducing mobility and postural stability. Impaired vision also can lead to more falls.



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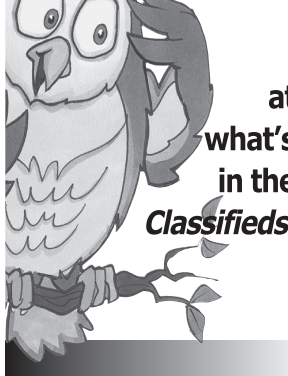
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## LOCAL-FLOOD RECOVERY

# Flooding Causes Changes at Pheasant Branch Creek

By Katherine Perreth

Times-Tribune

MIDDLETON—Sometimes you don't have to look too hard to find the silver lining. For Pheasant Branch Creek experts Jack Nielsen, 12, and Evan Coon, 11, the changes made by last August's floodwaters, to the creek bed, banks and fauna,

have resulted in things they've never seen before.

"There's a lot more open terrain," explained Nielsen. "It used to be just woods."

"Yeah, there's much more space to walk around in," agreed Coon, "and a beach."

The boys appreciate the beachfront to store fishing

tackle and bait and to sit on, mud flats showing fawn tracks and shallow areas easily accessed for wading and splashing around.

Another bonus? "There's a lot more fish, and kinds we've never seen here before," Coon said.

"You used to catch just the

aggressive creek chubs," explained Nielsen, noting they'll bite at anything, worms to lures, and are great to use as bait fish. "But now we catch sunfish and suckers."

As delighted as they were over the large sunfish Nielsen had just landed, which Coon explained was big for the creek,

the haul the day before was momentous breaking news.

"I snagged a Muskie!" Nielsen crowed, still exuberant.

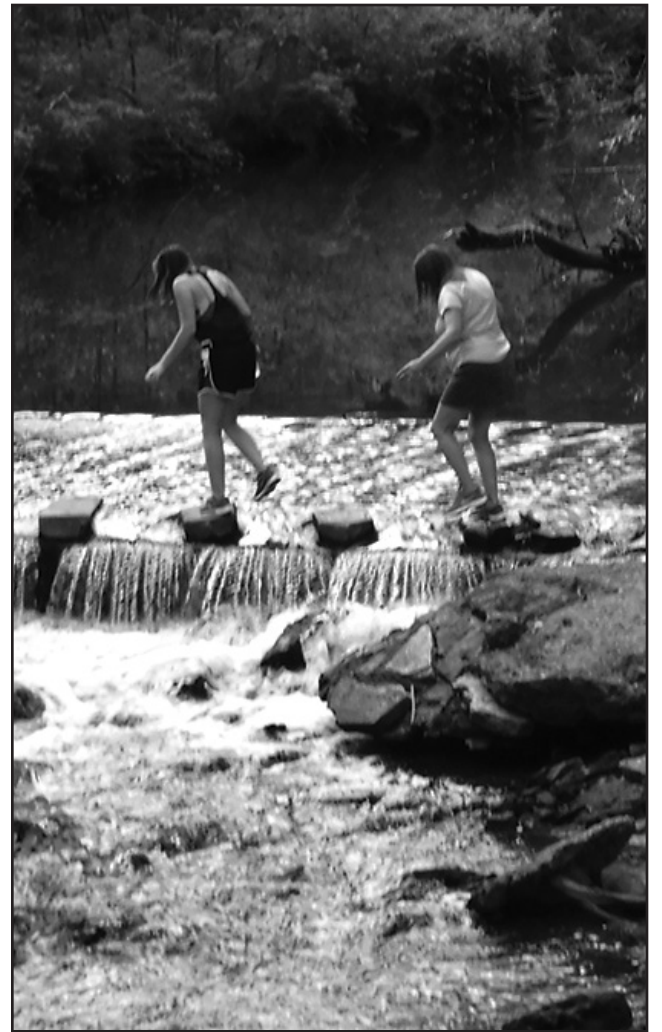
"That never happened before," Coon agreed, incredulously. They estimated the length to be eight or nine inches, and excitedly said they'd seen two more on this afternoon.

Other changes to the creek they know so well include re-

arranged rapids, large rocks where none were before, which make great fishing sites, they explained, and, they believe, clearer water.

"There's less organic material in it," explained Coon.

The only comparative downside seemed to be fewer crayfish. But for Nielsen and Coon, a day spent without crayfish but with Muskie, is a very, very good day.



## Standard Imaging Back on Feet After Flood

By Kevin Murphy

Times-Tribune

MIDDLETON—Last August, Ed Neumueller watched flood waters rise to 2.5 feet inside the building on Deming Way that housed the medical equipment business he started 29 years ago.

Not only was the interior of Standard Imaging, Inc.'s building saturated, but inventory and furnishings worth millions of dollars were lost.

"This is medical radiation therapy equipment, very sensitive equipment, which is not supposed to be even near moisture," said Neumueller, SI's president and CEO.

Remarkably, production was totally shut down only 1.5 to 2 weeks. Work resumed somewhat thereafter but production output didn't reach pre-flood levels for a few more months, he said.

It took nearly a month to assess how to restore and rebuild everything to way it was, and it wasn't until mid-December that all the employees were back to work at the office/plant.

While still trying to get a grip on how to proceed immediately after the flood, Neumueller was hit with another blow—he didn't have the flood insurance he thought he had.

"We thought we were covered. Our agent thought so and told us that. But 10 days after (the flood), the agent said he was mistaken and there was no coverage, other than a minimal amount," Neumueller said.

After years of paying sizable premiums, submitting few claims, and believing he was covered, Neumueller said he learned that some insurance companies are set up to "cover their butts, not ours."

"We were greatly disappointed in how the agency and the company went out of their way to avoid paying us," he said.

The 892-page policy was "full of legalese and hard to figure out, but when it hits the fan you learn that things are tilted in their way," said Neumueller who is in the process of seeking another insurer.

In contrast, others were very generous in Standard Imaging's time of need.

Erdman Medical Buildings was remodeling at the time and gave SI its old office furniture which fit very well, Neumueller said.

Staff and manager made "tremendous efforts" to get the business back on its feet.

"That saved us," he said. Customers didn't desert him

as SI needed more time to fill orders.

"I can't say enough about how loyal the customers were. Their patience was outstanding. They weren't going to leave us in a lurch," he said.

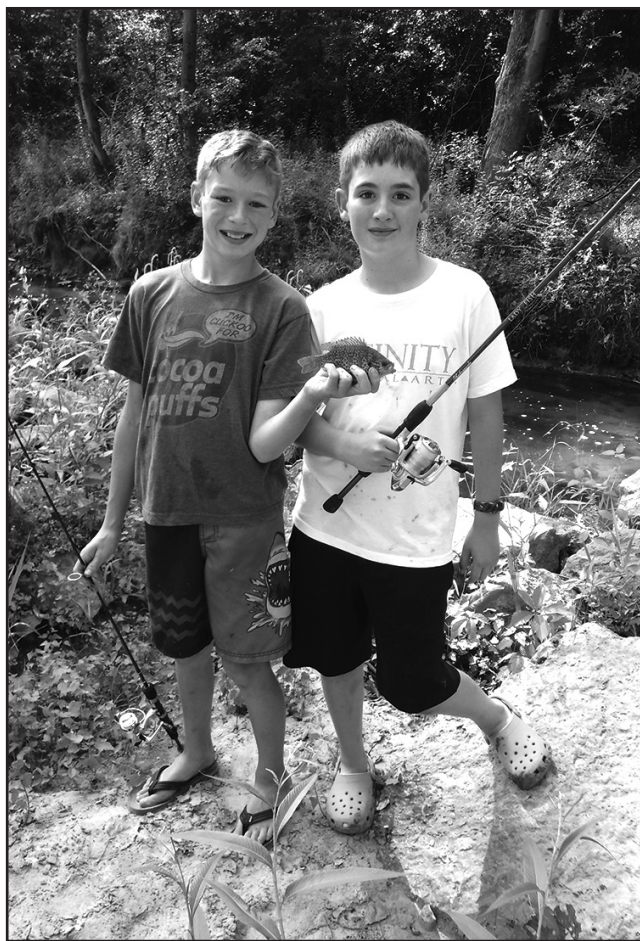
Business was about ready to resume at normal levels in December, when SI hosted a news conference to announce Wisconsin Economic Development Corp.'s Disaster Recovery Microloan program.

Neumueller acknowledged that the \$15,000 WEDC loan alone was hardly enough to put him back in business but "every bit helps," he said at the time.

Clubhouse for Kids, Keva Sports, and KLER, LLC were other Middleton businesses that received microloans.

In what he hopes will be a once-in-lifetime experience, Neumueller said he gained a new sense of appreciation of those who helped him.

"As a professional you look at it as just another challenge to take on, but when you go home at night and think about the aspects of how it affects you and others, it gives you a new sense of loyalty to the community and friendships of those who surrounded you during this event," he said.



Photos, clockwise from top left: An aerial view of a washed out hill at Pheasant Branch Conservancy and water rushing through the culvert on the other side of the street right after the flood last August; Jack Nielsen, 12, shows off the large sunfish he just caught. Nielsen, and his buddy Evan Coon, 11, were a wealth of information on the changes they've seen to the Pheasant Branch Creek bed, banks and fauna since last year's floodwaters raged; Two women hop across rocks at Pheasant Branch Creek, recently. The City of Middleton has worked to repair damages to the conservancy, and has been working with FEMA to recover funds spent on the project.

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## LOCAL-FLOOD RECOVERY

## Green Family Works to Bounce Back After Loss of Home

By Michelle Phillips

*Times-Tribune*

CROSS PLAINS—One year after the Aug. 20, 2018 flood destroyed their house, Jodi Green said “We’re struggling” when asked how her family was doing.

The Greens, who live on Brewery Rd., right near Brewery Creek in Cross Plains, lost everything in the flood last year. “We couldn’t get in for at least four days,” Jodi said, and added that in that time, mold had started to grow on most surfaces.

At the time, when the *Times-Tribune* spoke with Jodi and her husband Jimi, they and their five children were in the process of hauling all of their belongings to the curb and waiting to see if FEMA would declare the home unlivable.

“FEMA put a red tag on the door, but didn’t condemn it,” Jodi said, and added that she had been told if it had been condemned, they would not have been able to use their old foundation to rebuild.

And rebuild they did. The family constructed a two-story home on the footprint of their old single-story dwelling, moving most of the bedrooms upstairs. A berm was also constructed to prevent flood water from entering the home, and Jodi said they are blocking off the window which allowed water to pour into their basement.

She said it has been a financial struggle for the family of seven. After spending several weeks at friend Melissa Murphy’s home, the family moved into two apartments for 3-4 months, while still paying a

mortgage. Now with the construction of the new home, a second mortgage was needed.

“I’ve been working a lot of extra hours,” she said.

The old home was torn down in January, and a family friend who is also a contractor built the new house, allowing the Greens to work to reduce cost. The new construction took about six months and the Greens moved back into the house in June.

Jodi said insurance provided very little financial assistance and a small amount came from FEMA, a little more from local donations. Two of the family’s cars were a total loss, and their camper, which Jodi recalled seeing floating down the street during the flood, was also a total loss. Oldest daughter Jasmin has also been experiencing problems with her vehicle which was flooded on Main St. while she was at work, though the insurance company says the problems aren’t flood related and won’t cover it.

“It was rough,” said Jasmin, who’s bedroom was in the basement at the time of the flood. “I had to start all over because I lost everything.”

The hardest things to lose were family photos and heirlooms that were stored in the Green’s basement. “That’s something you can’t replace,” Jodi said.

The family was surprised at how many people came out to help when disaster hit. One elderly man came from Windsor when he saw the family on the news. He helped at the house and, as a former insurance agent, gave advice on making claims.

“It was pretty amazing the way people came out to help,” Jasmin added.

“When we were still doing stuff, a lot of other people were already done,” Jodi said.

Jodi said the situation has been stressful for the whole family and the kids have struggled with school in the past year. Youngest daughter, Joslin, has separation anxiety, and to add to the stress, it was December before the family found out if they could rebuild.

“We weren’t sure what the red tag meant, if the house was condemned or not. It was hard to get ahold of people. They tagged it and walked away,” Jodi recalled. “Nobody in town could answer what the colors meant.”

Jodi said now every time it rains the street floods near the creek, and the family becomes nervous. “We packed a tote before when it rained,” Joslin said with a serious face.

“I don’t pack a tote, but I definitely keep an eye on the water,” Jasmin added.

Now the family is going through storage pods, washing items and trying to get their lives back to normal.

“Unpacking is just a reminder of everything we lost,” Jodi said.

She said she and her family are grateful for the outpouring of support from friends and strangers alike.

In spite of having a new home in the same location, it is taking some time to get used to.

“We miss the old house,” daughter, Jaelyn concluded.



Photos, clockwise from top right: Jimi Green works to clean debris from his family’s home after flood waters filled the basement and left several inches on the main floor; The family’s belongings waited on the curb to be sent to the landfill; Adam Green points out damage to the kitchen after the Aug. 20, 2018 flood. The Green’s home was a total loss; The Greens built a new, two-story house on their old foundation. The family moved into the new home on June 8, and are in the process of settling in.

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## LOCAL-FLOOD RECOVERY

# Gilda's Club Credits Volunteers for Quick Recovery

By Michelle Phillips

Times-Tribune

MIDDLETON—When the Pheasant Branch Creek quickly rose from its banks in August 2019, water gushed into Gilda's Club in Middleton. The cancer respite facility saw more than a half million gallons of water rush into the basement, taking days to pump out.

Once the water was gone mold prevention and removal of debris began. Lannia Stenz, executive director at Gilda's Club said that "scores of volunteers" came out to help with the clean-up.

The damage to the facility was extensive, just over \$1 million. "We have three binders, single spaced, of all the things we lost," Stenz said.

"We were only able to save

two pieces of equipment, one volunteer took a rowing machine apart and completely re-furnished it," she said.

One of the items lost in the flood was a painting of a penguin flying with a single balloon. The painting called "Inspirational Talks" was created by Jason Kotecki, who made another similar painting for the facility. "When it was gone. It was something people really missed," Stenz recalled.

The painting wasn't the only penguin in the building affected by the flood. A stuffed penguin was floating face down in a window well. "A little boy looked down and said, 'we have to save him,'" Stenz recalled saying volunteers pulled the penguin from the watery window well.

Stenz said grief and loss were key components for clients at Gilda's who are already struggling with cancer diagnoses. "Kids didn't believe it anything was wrong, and had to see it for themselves," said Stenz.

Gilda's Club is often a safe place and a place for normalcy and the flood briefly halted programming at the facility, but community members stepped up and supplied space for classes and office space until Gilda's Club could move back into their building in March.

"In one month we raised the \$100,000 (insurance) deductible and \$260,000 to buy stuff," Stenz said. "It took four months to raise a total of \$600,000."

The organization's corporate partner, ETC, raised a big chunk of money. Stenz said

she had applied for a \$5,000 grant, which she received, but was overwhelmed when they presented her with a \$55,000 check from funds employees had raised. "I thought it was a typo," Stenz stated. "It was one of the most heartwarming things I have ever experienced."

She said the non-profit was lucky to have JP Mullen work on the project as they typically only do large scale building projects. They pulled crews off of bigger projects when necessary to keep construction at Gilda's Club on track.

Stenz said that most of the water came in through window wells, which have since been shielded by stone walls. "If we had blocked doors with sandbags, we wouldn't have had water on the main floor,"

she said.

Other measures to help prevent future flooding included rebuilding the sump pump system and replacing carpet with water resistant flooring. There insurance carrier also renewed the organization's flood insurance, and Stenz praised them for acting quickly when disaster hit.

Now Gilda's Club is working toward some new programming for young adults, a group Stenz said is underserved. "We're doing some new work with retreats and other projects to reach that age group," Stenz said.

One of the new fundraising events this year gave individuals a chance to rappel down the Monona Terrace Hilton in downtown Madison. Each rap-

peler is responsible for raising \$1,000 for Gilda's Club. This year was the first year for the event and 36 people rappelled. Stenz hopes to see that number rise next year.

Gilda's Club has seen the return of some exiting members and Stenz said there are also 40-50 new members. "I'm always happy when people find us because they are dealing with cancer either way," she explained. "I would love for this to not be needed, but for now, we are here until there's a cure."



Photos, clockwise from top left: Gilda's Club Executive Director Lannia Stenz, shows off the new weight room at the facility; A play room for young members features a farming Gilda Radner mural; Debris floats in basement of the building after the flood; An inspirational sign amidst the trash piled on the curb outside Gilda's Club.

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Photos, clockwise from top left: An aerial view of Saeman's Lumber Co. in Cross Plains before water receded; Cars inside Kalschuer Dodge Chrysler Ram in Cross Plains were surrounded by a moat of flood water; A road crew works to repair Century Ave. in Middleton after a sinkhole left a large hole in the street; Along Pheasant Branch Creek, 100-plus-year-old cottonwood trees were toppled during the flooding; Friends help Todd Mayer remove items from his family's home as Tiedeman pond broke free of its banks; A whirlpool swirls around a manhole on Deming Way.



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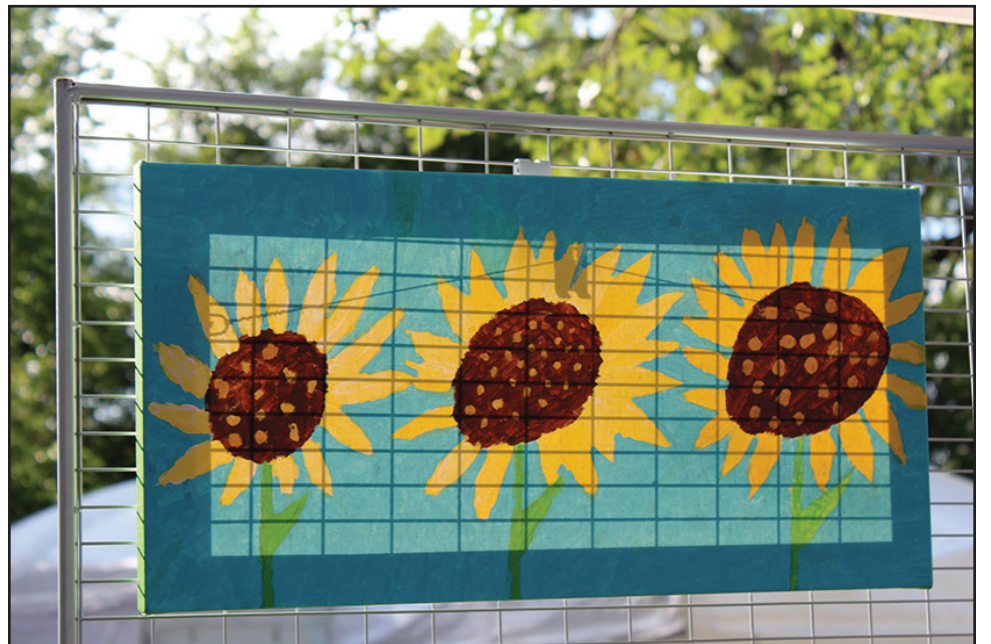
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Clockwise from top left: Bubbles, bubbles everywhere surrounded the Primrose School of Middleton parade walkers; The Middleton Chinese Community featured women wearing traditional Chinese dresses and dancing with fans along the parade route; Festival-goers soar through the air at the carnival; BINGO, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Madison West Towne-Middleton was back this year, and well received by festival attendees.

**Times-Tribune photos by Cameron Bren, Katherine Perreth and Michelle Phillips**

# LOCAL-GOOD NEIGHBOR FESTIVAL



Left: In a red and purple decked-out golf cart, the Ginger Snaps with Hattitude spread their message: "Red Hat Heroes of Friendship and Fun."; Above: Light shines through a sunflower painting at the Arts & Crafts Fair. The painting was created by Alex Haunty of Middleton.

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Clockwise from top left: The carnival was in full swing as the sun set over Good Neighbor Festival last weekend; Flautists with the Middleton High School marching band had the lightest instruments to carry on the perfect-for-marching weather day; The Beth Kille band performed in the Middleton Youth Hockey beer tent. Live music was also offered at the VFW Beer Tent; The Kiddie Parade on Friday evening starting off from the high school led by the Middleton Fire Department and UW Alumni Band; Families march around the high school, up Clark St. and into Fireman's Park during the Kiddie Parade. Friday offered family fun with a sneak peek of the carnival and family friendly movies playing on on a big screen at the festival.



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# Pritts Attends Art Camp at the Shell Lake Arts Center

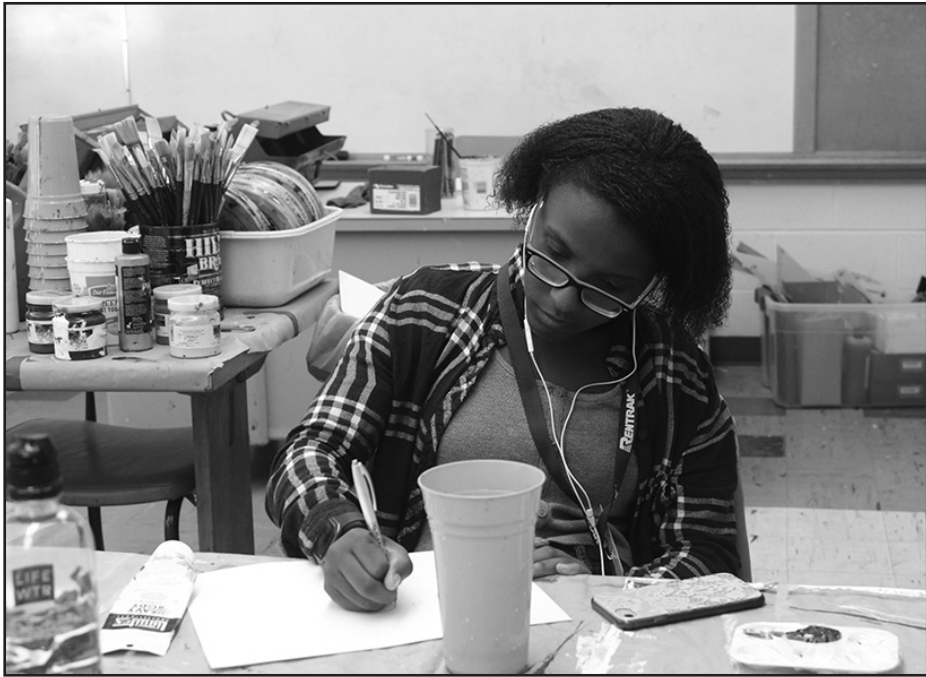


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SHELL LAKE—Middleton native Midlyne Pritts participated in the Shell Lake Arts Center's Painting and Drawing with Imagination camp, which took place from Aug. 4-9. Students received instruction from professional

artist Ed Krejcie, focusing on a wide variety of mediums and projects.

For more information or to register for a workshop, visit [shelllakeartscenter.org](http://shelllakeartscenter.org).

# Durand Shares Experience at World Scout Jamboree



Photo Kathleen Cummings

By Monroe Durand

Times-Tribune

WEST VIRGINIA—From July 21 until August 1, I was at the 24th World Scout Jamboree. This year, the Jamboree was held in West Virginia, the first time it has been held in the US since 1967. Over 50,000 people from 153 nations attended the jamboree. This includes the 45,000 youth participants that attended, as well as International Staff Team (IST) and adult leaders.

On the first official day of the Jamboree, we were shocked by how many people there were. We had all read how many people would attend, but seeing the number of tents was completely different. Because we arrived a day early, we got to help our neighbors set up their campsites. The IST had already set up all of the tents, so we only needed to help them set up their cooking areas. To the left of our campsite, there was a Dutch troop. A friend and I helped them set up their camp stoves, while the other 36 members of our troop helped a Swedish troop set up the tarp and tables that made up the dining area.

The next day, we walked for down the main road and went to trade patches with some Norwegians at their campsite. Eventually, we ended up having

a 45-minute conversation about the similarities and differences between our respective countries. On the way back to our campsite, we saw some Spanish scouts dancing to upbeat music, so we went over and danced with them. This all took place in the immediate vicinity of our campsite.

There was a day when about half of our troop went white water rafting on the second oldest river in the world. We got into five boats, with nine scouts in each boat. I was in a group with seven members of our troop and two German scouts. We had a lot of fun rafting, but due to the language barrier, we couldn't do the stage five rapids that were further down the river. As our guide explained, having people who don't understand everything that you're saying while you go down dangerous rapids can be extremely risky.

When we finished, we walked back to our campsite and were invited by a Moroccan troop nearby to trade for soccer shirts that we had made for our troop. We spent the rest of the day trading and playing volleyball with our international neighbors.

At the closing show, we heard Ban Ki-Moon, a former Secretary-General of the UN,

give an inspiring speech about the importance of protecting the environment, and the dangers of climate change. We then got to see a Pentonix Concert, followed by a light/fireworks show. It was a great way to end the Jamboree.

Throughout the course of the Jamboree, I met hundreds of scouts from dozens of countries, learned tons about politics in other countries (including the fact that not everyone in Sweden likes their government), and I saw scouts from 153 countries, many of which were at war with each other, coexisting peacefully.

The World Scout Jamboree was a life-changing event. The next World Scout Jamboree will be in South Korea in 2023. Hopefully, I will be able to go as a volunteer.

# Middleton Chapter Celebrates 100th Anniversary of Optimist International



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The local Middleton Chapter of the Optimist Club celebrated 100th Anniversary of the Optimist International association, recently. Many local clubs, used the milestone to celebrate past and present members, including the Middleton Optimist Club, which also reviewed the many ways we have positively impacted the community. Those outcomes include many thousands of dollars in scholarships, monthly recognize of two Middleton High School students, support for area baseball and softball participants, our annual "Cops & Bobbers" fishing event and much more. Pictured, L-R: Jesse Stertz (current president), Ed Solner, Curt Fuszard, Sandra Keil, Steve Britt, Brad Keil, Don Damon, Scott Petersburg, Ron Berman and Tom Luker.

# Middleton Student Musicians Attend Summer Music Academy

EGG HARBOR—This summer, two talented young musicians from Middleton High School spent two weeks in Door County studying at Birch Creek Music Performance Center. Jude Fleischman, drums, and Amanda Roesch, alto sax, were among 50 other musicians from around the country attending the Jazz II Session at Birch Creek. This prestigious academy has a unique mission to provide intensive, performance-based instruction to promising young musicians by immersing them in a professional, mentoring environment.

Birch Creek celebrates its 44th concert season in 2019 and continues to support a student-to-faculty ratio of approximately 2:1. This provides students with an abundance of personal attention from their

faculty mentors, who represent top music educators and performers from around the country. Students are given the opportunity to hone their technical skills and learn firsthand all the aspects of life as a professional musician. During their two-week residency this summer in the Jazz II Session, Fleischman and Roesch performed 10 concerts alongside their peers in front of paying concertgoers.

Jeff Campbell is the Program Director of the Jazz I & II programs. Campbell is Professor and Chair of Jazz Studies and Contemporary Media at the Eastman School of Music. As a jazz bassist, he has performed with Marian McPartland, Gene Bertonchini, Rich Perry, Trio East, Harold Jones, the Eastman Jazz Quartet fea-

ture Harold Danko, and has appeared on McPartland's Piano Jazz program on National Public Radio. Campbell is a member of the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra bass section, and has numerous CDs to his credit. 2019 marks Campbell's 31st year at Birch Creek and his 23rd as the Jazz Program Director.

Birch Creek Music Performance Center in Egg Harbor is a residential summer music academy for advanced young musicians. With a performance emphasis, students are taught by nationally known performers and educators during the day, and perform alongside them in concerts at night. Four sessions focus on Percussion & Steel Band, Symphony, and Big Band Jazz.

# Odden Joins SBCP as VP Mortgage Lending Manager

MADISON—Mike Odden brings nearly 30 years of diverse banking experience in the Madison area to State Bank of Cross Plains (SBCP) as the new Vice President-Mortgage Lending Manager. In this role, Odden will mentor the bank's mortgage loan officers, as well as help design new mortgage lending programs and products to match the specific needs of customers throughout South Central Wisconsin.

"Mike has spent his entire career helping people in and around the Madison market," shares Scott Duke, SBCP Chief Lending Officer. "He has a way of recognizing opportunities to serve his customers

with innovative loan programs or simply suggesting we create something new to better fit what people are looking for in our local communities."

Odden holds a degree in finance from the UW-Whitewater. He serves on the board of directors for the Wisconsin Mortgage Bankers Association at both the local and state chapter levels. In addition, he has mortgage lending experi-

ence on both the operational side and working directly with customers to provide a well-rounded perspective to this leadership position.



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## COUNTY

# Registration Open for Girls on the Run County Board to Review Department Equity Plans

DANE-COUNTY—Registration for Girls on the Run of South-Central Wisconsin's fall season is now open. Girls on the Run is a physical activity-based, positive youth development program that inspires girls in grade 3-5 to be joyful, healthy, and confident. The volunteer-led program brings together groups of 8-15 girls for a 10-week season that encourages personal development, team building, and connection to the community.

This fall, Girls on the Run will be offered at 45 sites throughout our eight-county territory in Clinton, Cross Plains, Evansville, Madison, McFarland, Middleton, Milton, Monona Grove, Mount Horeb, Oregon, Sun Prairie, Verona and Waunakee. Each team will meet twice weekly for 90 minutes and participate in lessons that use dynamic discussions and fun running games to each life skills. The season will culminate in a 5K event that brings together family, friends, and community members to celebrate the girls' growth throughout the season. This fall, the 5K event will take place at the Waunakee Community Center on Nov. The public is welcome.

Girls on the Run of South-Central Wisconsin is proud to



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share that no girl is ever turned away for an inability to pay for the program. Thanks to generous donors and sponsors, they will offer nearly \$50,000 in scholarship support to participants and families in 2019.

Spots remain on most teams and volunteer coaches are still needed at Country View (Verona), Eagle (Madison), Elm

Lawn (Middleton), Gompers (Madison), Huegel (Madison), Kennedy (Madison), Lincoln (Madison), St Maria Goretti (Madison), Stoner Prairie (Verona), and Sunset Ridge (Middleton).

"Coaching is an incredible way to give back to your local community. You don't have to be a runner—we provide all ma-

terials and the training needed to help volunteers confidently deliver each lesson," says Annie Taff, Director of Programming for Girls on the Run.

To register, coach, or learn more, visit [girlsontherunswi.org](http://girlsontherunswi.org).

DANE COUNTY—At the Dane County Board of Supervisors meeting last week, supervisor Shelia Stubbs introduced a resolution calling for all Dane County departments to have their equity plans completed and reviewed by the appropriate standing committee in the coming months.

Building on the County's equity work, the resolution emphasizes the need to institutionalize the work of heightening awareness, eliminating disparities, and achieving equity.

"Since every department is working so diligently on budget guidelines, why not work on equity at the same time," Stubbs said. "I'm very passionate about this work."

The board approved a resolution over five years ago that called for a strategic action plan for county government, inclusive engagement of the communities impacted by county policies, the development of equity indicators as well as an equity impact model, and a determination of how services provided by each department might have an impact on equity.

Following an equity assessment of county government, the Tamara D. Grigsby Office for Equity and Inclusion was established. The creation of this

office demonstrated a long-term commitment to addressing equity related issues.

The Office for Equity and Inclusion Advisory Board has worked with departments throughout county government over the past several years to review equity plans, focusing on organizational commitment to equity, leadership development and staff composition. Many department have developed and are implementing equity plans, but some have not.

Greg Jones, Dane County NAACP President and co-chair of the advisory board, said "The Advisory Board's greatest contribution to advancing equity and inclusion throughout county government will be by monitoring agency equity plans and frameworks for improvement, thereby creating opportunities for all residents of Dane County."

"We've taken great strides to achieve equity in county government, but there is more to do. Having these plans available to the public and imbedded in the county's work is critical," Stubbs remarked.

The resolution calls for department plans to be completed by Oct. 1 and posted on the Office for Equity and Inclusion's website for community review.

## Analysis of Dane County Jail Population Released

DANE COUNTY—While Dane County already incarcerates far fewer individuals than the national average, even greater reductions in the jail population could be achieved, according to an analysis released today.

Earlier this year, the Dane County Criminal Justice Council retained the JFA Institute to complete a "stress test" to better understand the factors driving the size and attributes of the jail population. The goal was to see if changes in criminal justice policies, such as diversion of jail bookings, or case processing modifications, would have a major impact on the current size of the jail population without endangering public safety.

JFA Institute has worked with large and small jurisdictions across the United States to effectively and safely reduce incarceration. "Compared to other national sites, Dane County has done a good job of keeping the jail population fairly low," said Jim Austin, executive director of JFA Institute. "Reductions in case processing times and the length of holds would further lower the Dane County jail population."

The JFA analysis indicates that Dane County is performing better than many jurisdictions in limiting its use of jail incarceration, with a per capita incarceration rate of 154 per 100,000 population, compared to the 2017 national rate of 229 per 100,000.

As part of the analysis, the JFA Institute led a case-based review of a sample of cases with a focus on reasons for release from jail, with key city, county and state criminal justice system officials at the table.

"Dane County has held its jail population steady since 2010, even as the number of residents in the county has grown by tens of thousands," said Sheriff Dave Mahoney, "We are building a smaller, safer, more humane jail and in order to safely lower our population even more, requires all of us in the criminal justice system working together. Clearly, decisions throughout the entire criminal justice system have an impact on the number of people held in jail. We need to use this analysis to help us realize more reductions in the number of people in jail."

The report suggests that making further reductions in the jail

population will require different strategies than have been employed thus far. Changes could take the form of reducing sentence length or expediting transferring out to another institution. Research has found that small reductions in length of stay have been shown to have little impact on public safety—but can have a large impact on jail population reduction.

"This stress test is exactly the type of evidence-based analysis the county needs to move forward," said County Board Chair Sharon Corrigan. "That said, as we take action to reduce our jail population, Dane County must also reduce racial inequity throughout the criminal justice system. Success will be measured not only by the size of the jail population, but also by decreasing the number of people of color who are incarcerated in our county."

The JFA Report and more information on the Dane County Criminal Justice Council is available at: <https://cjc.countyofdane.com/>.

The JFA Institute is a multidisciplinary research organization. The JFA mission is to conduct theoretical and applied research on the causes of crime and the justice system's responses to crime and offenders.

## Reduce Your Moving Stress: Read Up on Your Tenant Rights

MADISON—August is a time of significant migration into and out of rental properties throughout the state, especially in college towns. For some renters, this year's new lease may be the first legal contract they have ever signed. Others may be leaving their first rental and have concerns about their security deposits.

The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) would like to shed some light on this often-complicated matter by helping renters understand their rights and responsibilities when entering or leaving a rental agreement.

"There are a number of financial risks and legal requirements to consider for those heading into or leaving rental properties—especially with regard to their security deposits," said Lara Sutherland, Administrator for the DATCP. "To receive as much of the security deposit as possible at the end of a lease, a renter should take the time to get educated about their responsibilities in the transaction and the steps they need to take when moving into or out of a rental."

The simplest way to start learning about your rights as a tenant is to download a free copy of DATCP's "Tenants'

Rights and Responsibilities" fact sheet. This document addresses a wide range of rental-related topics including security deposits, rent increases, evictions, property maintenance, and more. For even more information, DATCP's "Guide for Landlords and Tenants" digs deeper into these topics and is a valuable resource for both property owners and renters alike.

DATCP receives more than 1,000 landlord/tenant complaints each year, with most involving issues related to security deposits. So whether you are moving into or out of a rental property, consider the following tips to protect your deposit:

### Move-in tips:

Complete a check-in sheet when you get the keys. If your lease requires a security deposit, you have seven days from the first rental date to complete a check-in report that notes pre-existing conditions. If you fail to return a check-in sheet within seven days, you may be giving up your right to contest some security deposit withholdings for pre-existing conditions. Take photos (or videos) of any damages, submit copies of the photos to your landlord with the report, and keep a copy of all of these materials for yourself.

At the start of a tenancy, the landlord must provide you with the name and address of a person who can be readily contacted regarding maintenance problems. But unless otherwise agreed, tenants are usually re-

sponsible for routine minor repairs and are required to comply with any maintenance and sanitation requirements imposed on tenants by local housing codes.

### Move-out tips:

Ask your landlord for a preliminary walkthrough before your final checkout. This will give you a chance to assess what needs special attention for cleaning or repairs in order to avoid potential security deposit deductions.

Be sure to provide your new address in order to receive your security deposit and any accounting statement for any withholdings promptly.

Take detailed photos of the property during your final walkthrough in order to document the condition in which you left it.

If you have issues regarding your security deposit or questions about your rights as a tenant, contact the Consumer Protection Hotline at 800-422-7128 or via email: [datcp@wi.gov](mailto:datcp@wi.gov). You can also find resource materials and file a complaint online at [datcp.wi.gov](http://datcp.wi.gov). Finally, look for rental assistance organizations in your area and find out if they offer walk-in services to discuss any issues you may face.

For additional consumer protection information, visit the Consumer Protection Bureau at [datcp.wi.gov](http://datcp.wi.gov) or find us at [www.facebook.com/wiconsumer](http://www.facebook.com/wiconsumer) or on Twitter: @wiconsumer.

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# Middleton's off and running

## Buckner, Cardinals rout East in opener

BY BILL COONEY

For the Times-Tribune

MADISON — The moment he plucked the short screen pass from the sky and spun around last Friday night, Middleton senior tailback Kallion Buckner had a pretty good idea six points were about to be added to the scoreboard — even though he was standing just inside mid-field.

Three of his giant offensive linemen were already picking up steam ready to devour blockers in front of him. He had a fresh pair of cleats attached to his speedy feet. And there was plenty of open field to show off his skills.

"If they're there it's a touchdown every time," Buckner said of his highly-touted linemen, who on this play were Billy Johnson, Clay Craker and Taylor Simmons. "Whenever I see them, I feel so protected. Untouchable."

Buckner put an exclamation point on the 38-yard catch-and-run, second-quarter touchdown with one of his signature jukes to the inside, then celebrated with his team-



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Middleton senior running back Kallion Buckner led the Cardinals to a 35-15 win over Madison East in their season-opener last Friday.



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Middleton senior outside hitter Parker Van Buren was a second-team all-state selection last season.

# Pursuing greatness

## Van Buren, Middleton spikers are thinking big

BY ROB REISCHEL

Times-Tribune

Two years ago, few people in the volleyball world knew the name Parker Van Buren.

A Middleton sophomore at the time, Van Buren was a bit player for the 2017 Cardinals. He was green as grass. And at 6-foot-3, he hadn't finished growing.

Today, Van Buren just might be the frontrunner to win Player of the Year honors in the state. And he's the No. 1 reason why Middleton stands a terrific chance to win its first state tournament match since 2008.

The Cardinals, ranked sixth in the first Boys Volleyball Coaches Association poll, opened their new season Tuesday at the Muskego Quadrangular. And the growth of Van Buren, now a 6-foot-7 senior outside hitter, has everyone in the program buzzing.

"He has the chance to be the most dominant player we've had at Middleton," said Cardinals coach Ben White. "His size and the position he plays — outside — make him such a tough match-up."

"Usually people 6-7, or so,

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Peter Tuttle (above, #5) and Ezra Joseph (right) are two key returnees for Middleton's boys soccer team this season.

# Boys soccer team aiming high

BY ROB REISCHEL

Times-Tribune

Overlooked. Disregarded. Unnoticed.

Middleton's boys soccer coach Ben Kollasch believes that all of those could apply to his team — at least early on this season. The Cardinals went just 10-8-2 a year ago, then lost four all-conference players to graduation.

But after watching tryouts, Kollasch believes his Cardinals could be one of the surprise teams in the area this fall.

Middleton takes aim at that goal beginning Thursday, when it opens the year against New Berlin Eisenhower at the Brookfield East Invite.

"The challenge of this team is not the talent," Kollasch said. "This team has as much talent as any Middleton team

in memory.

"The challenge for them is that we have sets of players that need to get used to playing together and finding a style and formation to suit them. My goal is to get them unified in a playing style to maximize their abilities. If they learn how to be a full team, this group can dominate local competition and carry us to the state tourney."

Middleton does return four players that received some form of all-conference honors.

Senior defender Peter Tuttle earned second-team all-conference honors last season. Junior forward Ezra Joseph, along with junior defenders Cian Carlson and Blake Kalscheur all received honorable-mention all-conference honors.

Tuttle, a three-year varsity player, had nine points on two goals and five assists last year — impressive numbers for a

defender.

"Peter can physically out-match opponents anywhere on the field," Kollasch said. "So we are just looking to find the right spot for him given the situation."

Carlson and Kalscheur had big junior seasons, and will be counted on to help anchor Middleton's defense in 2019.

"Both of these guys are center backs with experience leading the team," Kollasch said. "So we are looking for them to raise not only their own play, but the whole defensive side of the game for us."

Joseph led the Cardinals in points (24) and assists (eight) last year. He also finished tied for second in goals (eight).

Joseph will team with senior forward Isaac Gueu to form a potentially dangerous duo. Although Gueu battled injuries last year, Kollasch believes the Joseph-Gueu tandem could be scary.

"These two are at the top of their game and they play off each other really well," Kollasch said.

Senior central midfielder Julio Lima Sanchez seems ready for a big year.

"He has been stationed behind a string of great midfielders to come through Middleton in the last few years," Kollasch

said of Lima Sanchez. "So we are looking for him to step into the limelight himself."

Kollasch believes junior Ben Tutewohl can become one of the top midfielders in the conference. Sophomore forward/midfielder Gavin McEllistrem has also begun turning heads.

"He is a playmaker much the same as Ben Tutewohl," Kollasch said of McEllistrem. "And the two will be a potent one-two punch on offense."

Senior Nick Hinz and sophomore Mack Meyers are battling for the keeper job.

"Both would be good choices, so I am fortunate to have a competent starter with a great backup," Kollasch said. "We will decide a true starter in the next week or two as we get into the meat of the season."

Verona, which won the Big Eight Conference a year ago, is the favorite again. Madison West is strong, while Sun Prairie and Beloit Memorial should factor in, as well.

But Kollasch expects his team to be right in the hunt.

And if that's a surprise to the rest of the league, even better.

"With key players from sophomores to seniors, we need each player to pull their weight and play their role," Kollasch said. "Conference champs? If they want to be and work hard

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0/23	Mack Meyers	10	GK
1	Nick Hinz	12	GK
2	Guyan Gibson	11	D
3	Trey Belgiano	11	D
5	Peter Tuttle	12	M
6	John Douglas	12	D
8	Julio Lima Sanchez	12	M
9	Ezra Joseph	11	F
10	Max Rateau	12	M
11	Ben Tutewohl	11	M/F
13	Ian Staresinic	11	M
14	Nic Castillo	12	D
15	Jack Ohly	12	D
16	Isaac Gueu	12	F
17	Chase Quamme	11	M
18	Eli Simani	11	D/M
19	Blake Kalscheur	12	D
20	Cian Carlson	12	D
21	Luis Martinez Cruz	11	M
22	Gavin McEllistrem	10	M/F
24	Sean Ruhly	11	D
25	Noah Corrigan	10	M
26	Alex Schuster	12	M
<b>Head Coach:</b> Ben Kollasch			
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its within reach.

"No one will expect us to have the kind of potent offense I have seen in tryouts after the

players we graduated last year. It should be fun."



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# Hoping to surprise

## Middleton's girls spikers have a lot of holes to fill

BY ROB REISCHEL

Times-Tribune

This marks the 50th year that girls swimming has been a WIAA sport.

In that time, there have been just four occasions where a school has won at least four straight state championships. Amazingly, Madison West did it three times (1980-'83, 1989-'92 and 1995-'98) and Hartland Arrowhead did it once (2002-'06).

Middleton could join that elite club this season.

The Cardinals have won three straight state championships, including an inspiring performance last year in which they ran away from the field despite having a top-rated relay team disqualified at sectionals. Now, with a sensational group of returnees, a handful of improved swimmers and a gifted group of newcomers, Middleton is set to take aim at a fourth straight state championship.

The Cardinals open their 2019 season at Madison East Friday at 5 p.m.

"I think about it all the time," Middleton coach Lauren Cabalka said of continuing the Cardinals' historic run. "This has been an incredible run and something that doesn't happen often, but we've never been a team to live in the past.

Brash. Bold. Bombastic.

This is how many people view Middleton girls volleyball coach Franco Marcos — who is never shy singing the praises of his team.

This year, though, Marcos has toned down the noise ever so slightly.

"Yes, it is a rebuilding year," said Marcos, whose team began its season at the 20-team Onalaska Tournament on Wednesday. "I guess you never thought you would hear that coming from me. But it will be a sweet rebuilding year."

Middleton went 32-17 overall last year, finished fourth in the Big Eight Conference at 6-3, then fell to Holmen in a WIAA Division 1 regional final. That team was senior dominated, though, and now Middleton has several holes to fill.

Middleton doesn't have a great deal of experience back. But Marcos will lean heavily on the few veterans he does have.

Junior libero Jada Cerniglia will be a key cog for the Cardinals.

"We are expecting her to be our number one serve receiver and to start our counter attacks," Marcos said.

Senior outside hitter Evie Coleman, who also saw quality playing time last year, returns and will take on a greater role.

"Last year Evie set and hit," Marcos said. "This year she will be primarily at the outside hitter position. We think she will get the job done."

Senior middle blocker/outside hitter Erica Collin is a cap-

tain who will lead the Cardinals on and off the court. Junior right side hitter Julia Hylbert seems ready to have a big season, as well.

After that, Marcos will turn to a group of inexperienced players that are packed with potential.

For perhaps the first time ever, Marcos has three freshmen on his team — two that figure to start from day one.

Freshman Jordan LaScala will be a starting outside hitter, while freshman Evin Jordee will be the Cardinals' starting setter and rightside hitter.

"Jordan will be our number one outside hitter," Marcos said. "She is a very smart hitter. She sees the court really well. Evin will be a starting setter and play all around as a hitter also."

Junior middle blocker Jordan Dettman and junior setter Olivia Underwood are in contention to crack the starting lineup, as well.

"Jordan will be one of our starting middle blockers," Marcos said. "Olivia brings with her some great defense."

Junior right side hitter Grace Ward has made an immediate impression.

"We are expecting her to become one of our terminators," Marcos said.

Junior Katie Shaffer will be one of the Cardinals' main passers and defensive specialists. Sophomore Tayva Johnson can play both outside and in the middle.

And Sierra Pertzborn is Middleton's third freshman, a promising middle blocker who is clearly on the rise.

"Sierra has a lot of raw talent and may be knocking at the door to start before the season ends," Marcos said.

Sun Prairie and Verona are the favorites in the Big Eight Conference this season, while Janesville Craig and Madison Memorial both figure to be in contention.

Marcos knows his Cardinals will be completely overlooked by most, and he's just fine with that.

"Last I heard, we were not in the conversation," Marcos said. "Let us say we are the sleepers."

People may be disregarding the Cardinals. But Marcos believes his team can certainly surprise.

"The goals are to finish in the top tier of the Big Eight Conference and to get to the WIAA sectionals," he said. "We would like this team to be the most fundamentally sound team that we have ever had. What better group to have!

"We are going to have lots of fun this year. We have players with great attitudes! It is such a fun and pleasant group to be able to coach. This is a very team-oriented group of players."



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Middleton girls volleyball coach Franco Marcos and the Cardinals begin their new season this week.



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# MHS swimmers achieve perfection

BY ROB REISCHEL

Times-Tribune

Perfection.

It's a remarkably hard thing to achieve in the world of girls swimming. But Middleton's sensational group of swimmers did just that in its season-opener last Friday.

The Cardinals rolled past host Madison East, 140-30. To achieve a perfect score of 140, a team must finish first, second and third in all 11 events, something Middleton was able to do. "A perfect score is incredibly

difficult to do," said Middleton coach Lauren Cabalka, who has led the Cardinals to three straight WIAA Division 1 state titles. "That shows that we have some depth of talent and that the girls were doing the right things in the water to make sure they touched the wall first, second or third every time."

Middleton received sensational performances from up and down the lineup.

Senior Gabriela Pierobon Mays, junior Ally Silvestri, junior Kaitlyn Peters and senior Berkley Smith won the 200-yard medley relay. Junior

Norah Martin, senior Alexandra Anagnostopoulos, junior Brianna Acker and sophomore Abby Utter were second, while sophomore Ryanne Woodall, freshman Natalie Charles, freshman Eva Anagnostopoulos and sophomore Emma Chandler were third.

Middleton's quartet of Pierobon Mays, Smith, junior Maddy Lawn and freshman Sophie Benson won the 200-yard freestyle relay. Utter, junior Sarah Foley, sophomore Molly Haag and freshman Abby Ensenberger were second, while sophomore Amanda George,

freshman Anna Reihl, sophomore Serena Haack and sophomore Molly Keebler were third.

In the 400 freestyle relay, Middleton's foursome of Benson, Peters, Lawn and Pierobon Mays were first. The quartet of Utter, Silvestri, Eva Anagnostopoulos and Haag were second, while junior Andrea Young, Charles, senior Gianna Fussell and freshman Abby Ensenberger were third.

Benson won the 200-yard freestyle, while Ensenberger and Young were second and third, respectively. In the 200-yard IM, Charles, Fussell and

Keebler went 1-2-3.

Smith won the 50-yard freestyle, while Woodall was second and George was third. Eva Anagnostopoulos won the 100-yard butterfly, while Haag was second and Acker was third.

Pierobon Mays won the 100-yard freestyle, while Lawn was second and sophomore Ella Needham was third. Silvestri, Martin and Foley went 1-2-3 in the 500-yard freestyle.

Peters won the 100-yard backstroke, while Utter and Chandler were second and third, respectively. Alexandra Anagnostopoulos won the 100-

yard breaststroke, while Haack was second and Reihl was third.

"This was a great first meet for us," Cabalka said. "We swam some great races and put together three solid relay teams."

"We left feeling a better sense of what our strongest line-ups might look like, which will be important as we hit a tough three-week stretch ahead. The girls were confident and swam together as a team incredibly well and we had three freshmen step up to win events."

## Golfers off to fast start

BY ROB REISCHEL

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Twelve months ago, Middleton's girls golf team finished second at the Waunakee Invite behind the host Warriors.

Not this year.

Not even close.

The Cardinals fired a 334 team score and easily won the 12-team Waunakee Invite held last Friday at The Meadows of Sixmile Creek. Arrowhead was a distant second at 353, while Madison Memorial (358), Waunakee (365) and Reedsburg (372) rounded out the top five.

"It was certainly a goal of ours to get the win this time around," Middleton coach Becky Halverson said. "It was great to be able to put a check next to that one. We left a few shots out there, giving us an opportunity to learn a few lessons along the way."

Middleton's Glenna Sanderson took medalist honors with a 76, three strokes better runner-up Andrea Schleeper of Verona (79).

Middleton's Kate Meier was third with an 81, Makenzie Hodson was ninth with an 87 and Ellie Frisch was 15th with a 90.

"One of the reasons Glenna seems to be improving so quickly is her growing ability to stay in the moment," Halverson said. "She was excited about her score. Hopefully she remembers she had some struggles along the way, and still put together a very solid round."

Middleton also cruised to a win at its own Triangular held last Thursday at Pleasant View. The Cardinals shot a 320, while Janesville Parker carded a 426 and Beloit Memorial had an incomplete score.

Meier led Middleton with

a 76 and Sanderson fired a 78. Frisch added an 83, while Hodson also shot an 83.

Middleton also finished second at the two-day Brookfield Central-Homestead Classic on Aug. 19-20. The first round was held at Fairways of Woodside in Sussex, and the second round was held at Wanaki Golf Course in Menomonee Falls.

Host Brookfield Central won the event with a 608, including a school-record 297 on the second day. Middleton was second at 625, while Kettle Moraine (636), Bay Port (666) and Cedarburg (667) rounded out the top five.

Sanderson finished in seventh place individually with a 152, highlighted by a second-day 73. Hodson was 11th with a 156 (82-74), Meier was 15th at 159 (80-79) and Frisch was 22nd with a 164 (87-77).

"The BC tournament reaffirmed what we already knew," Halverson said. "Brookfield Central is really good, and Kettle Moraine isn't far behind."

**Golf Coaches Association of Wisconsin**

**Girls golf state rankings**  
**Preseason rankings**  
**Division 1**

1, Kettle Moraine 144; 2, Middleton 141; 3, Brookfield Central 123; 4, Hartland Arrowhead 82; 5, Waunakee 79; 6, Bay Port 68; 7, Milton 45; 8, Cedarburg 37; 9, Brookfield East 23; 10, Onalaska 22.

Others receiving votes — Lake Geneva Badger/Williams Bay 21, New Richmond 17, Kaukauna 15, Waukesha Catholic Memorial 15, Stoughton 10, Sheboygan North/South 10, Union Grove 7, Franklin 7, Green Bay Notre Dame 4, De Pere 3, Tomah 3, Oconomowoc 2, Stevens Point 1, Milwaukee Divine Savior Holy Angels 1.



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Middleton's Glenna Sanderson won medalist honors at the Waunakee Invite.

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# Tennis Cards start strong

BY ROB REISCHEL

Times-Tribune

Middleton's girls tennis team had an incredibly challenging week.

And the Cardinals came out of it quite happy with the results.

Middleton defeated Madison East, 7-0, last Tuesday and toppled Verona, 5-2, last Thursday. The Cardinals then went 2-2 against extremely difficult competition in the I-94 Challenge held last Friday and Saturday.

"I thought our players competed with great effort and played very smart tennis in all four games of the I-94 Challenge," Middleton coach Terry Geurkink said. "Five of our varsity 10 are in their first season of playing at this level, and they are quickly adjusting to the demands of playing high-level opponents. We are pleased that we finished the tournament with a 2-2 record."

Here's a recap of Middleton's six matches.

**• Middleton 7, Madison East 0** — The Cardinals lost just seven games total in the seven flights and rolled past the Purgolders.

"All flights played well," Geurkink said. "Madison East had pretty strong singles flights, and our four singles players played exceptionally well."

**• Middleton 5, Verona 2** — The Cardinals notched a huge win over the Wildcats and improved to 2-0 in the Big Eight Conference. Both Middleton and Verona are seen as dark-horses in the conference race, capable of challenging favorites Madison Memorial and Madison West.

Middleton's top three doubles teams of Jessica Pientka and Noor Rajpal, Cece Hujanen and Rose Ryan, and Nika Agapov and Anja Newcomer all notched big wins.

Sophia Agapov earned a hard fought 4-6, 6-2, 6-1 win at No. 2 singles over Verona's Mary Saley. And at No. 4 singles, Maddie Hoffman downed Verona's Elsa Queoff, 7-5, 6-2.

"Verona has five seniors who have each played two or three varsity seasons," Geurkink said. "The four singles matches and the No. 1 doubles matches were very competitive, with three of the matches going three sets. We prevailed in two of those three matches."

**• Whitefish Bay 5, Middleton 2** — The Cardinals got wins from Maylynn Hu at No. 3 singles and the No. 3 doubles team of Nika Agapov and Anja Newcomer, but fell short against the Blue Dukes during the I-94 Challenge last Friday.

**• Middleton 5, Nicolet 2** — The Cardinals' three doubles team of Jessica Pientka and Noor Rajpal, Cece Hujanen and Rose Ryan, and Nika Agapov and Anja Newcomer all posted straight set wins.

Middleton also got wins from Sophia Agapov at No. 2 singles and Maddie Hoffman at No. 4 singles during the I-94 Challenge last Friday.

**• Homestead 6, Middleton 1** — The Cardinals got a win from their No. 3 doubles team of Annika Hellenbrand



Times-Tribune photo by Mary Langenfeld

## Maddie Hoffman and Middleton's girls tennis team are off to a terrific start this season.

and Anja Newcomer, but that wasn't enough against the three-time defending state champion Highlanders during the I-94 Challenge last Saturday.

"We competed very well in all seven flights," Geurkink said. "Homestead had the best record of the 12 teams in the tournament."

**• Middleton 6, Oak Creek 1** — The Cardinals got a big win over the Knights at the I-94 Challenge.

In singles play, Sophia Agapov notched a win at No. 2, Maddie Hoffman won at No. 3, and Julla Zhang rolled at No. 4.

In doubles play, Jessica Pientka and Noor Rajpal cruised at No. 1, Cece Hujanen and Rose Ryan rolled at No. 2 and Annika Hellenbrand and Anja Newcomer won at No. 3.

"All flights played well," Geurkink said.

**Aug. 20  
Middleton 7, Madison East 0  
Singles**

No. 1 — Karsen Dettman, MIDDLETON, def. Amelia Hoffman, MADISON EAST, 6-1, 6-0.

No. 2 — Sophia Agapov, MIDDLETON, def. Naomi Monat, MADISON EAST, 6-0, 6-2.

No. 3 — Maylynn Hu, MIDDLETON, def. Sa'dee Decorah, MADISON EAST, 6-0, 6-1.

No. 4 — Julla Zhang, MIDDLETON, def. Jaylyn Decorah, MADISON EAST, 6-1, 6-0.

**Doubles**  
No. 1 — Jessica Pientka-Noor Rajpal, MIDDLETON, def. Kelly Carroll-Callie Paulowski, MADISON EAST, 6-0, 6-2.

No. 2 — Cece Hujanen-Rose Ryan, MIDDLETON, def. Sitara Ihlenfeld-Ellie Haupt, MADISON EAST, 6-0, 6-0.

No. 3 — Nika Agapov-Anja Newcomer, MIDDLETON, def. Lauren Engle-Tess Mcglenn, MADISON EAST, 6-0, 6-0.

**Aug. 22  
Middleton 5, Verona 2  
Singles**

No. 1 — Meredith Conley, VERONA, def. Karsen Dettman, MIDDLETON, 6-0, 6-1.

No. 2 — Sophia Agapov, MIDDLETON, def. Mary Saley, VERONA, 4-6, 6-2, 6-1.

No. 3 — Meghan Samz, VERONA, def. Maylynn Hu, MIDDLETON, 6-7 (2), 7-6 (8), 6-2.

No. 4 — Maddie Hoffman, MIDDLETON, def. Elsa Queoff, VERONA, 7-5, 6-2.

**Doubles**  
No. 1 — Jessica Pientka-Noor Rajpal, MIDDLETON, def. Sydney Breitbach-Kasie Keyes, VERONA, 6-2, 3-6, 6-2.

No. 2 — Cece Hujanen-Rose Ryan, MIDDLETON, def. Samantha Breitbach-Morgan Kreuser, VERONA, 6-0, 6-3.

No. 3 — Nika Agapov-Anja Newcomer, MIDDLETON, def. Gillian Cartwright-Yasmeen Khalid, VERONA, 6-1, 6-2.

**Aug. 23  
Whitefish Bay 5, Middleton 2  
Singles**

No. 1 — Mia Hessel, WHITEFISH BAY, def. Karsen Dettman, MIDDLETON, 6-3, 6-1.

No. 2 — Olivia Eckes, WHITEFISH BAY, def. Sophia Agapov, MIDDLETON, 7-6 (6), 6-3.

No. 3 — Maylynn Hu, MIDDLETON, def. Paige Plemel, WHITEFISH BAY, 6-1, 6-3.

No. 4 — Katie Kops, WHITEFISH BAY, def. Maddie Hoffman, MIDDLETON, 6-0, 2-6, 11-9.

**Doubles**  
No. 1 — Katie Kavanagh-Grace Reimers, WHITEFISH BAY, def. Jessica Pientka-Noor Rajpal, MIDDLETON, 7-5, 6-3.

No. 2 — Elena Deslongchamps-Katie Hirst, WHITEFISH BAY, def. Cece Hujanen - Rose Ryan, MIDDLETON, 6-3, 7-5.

No. 3 — Nika Agapov-Anja Newcomer, MIDDLETON, def. Caroline Vanbell-Rachel Bernfeld, WHITEFISH BAY, 2-6, 6-1, 10-5.

**Aug. 23  
Middleton 5, Nicolet 2  
Singles**

No. 1 — Miah Bohlen, NICOLET, def. Karsen Dettman, MIDDLETON, 2-6, 5-7.

No. 2 — Sophia Agapov, MIDDLETON, def. Ela Sabnis, NICOLET, 6-0, 7-5.

No. 3 — Kalina Kapatonic, NICOLET, def. Maylynn Hu, MIDDLETON, 7-5, 3-6, 10-8.

No. 4 — Maddie Hoffman, MIDDLETON, def. Amelia Ansay, NICOLET, 6-4, 3-6, 10-5.

**Doubles**  
No. 1 — Jessica Pientka-Noor Rajpal, MIDDLETON, def. Bella Rosmann-Itu Igoni, NICOLET, 6-4, 6-4.

No. 2 — Cece Hujanen - Rose Ryan, MIDDLETON, def. Maddy Buckley-Emma Kappel, NICOLET, 7-5, 6-4.

No. 3 — Nika Agapov - Anja Newcomer, MIDDLETON, def. Allison Dorf-Kephely Igoni, NICOLET, 7-5, 6-4.

**Aug. 24  
Homestead 6, Middleton 1  
Singles**

No. 1 — Natalie Yang, HOMESTEAD, def. Sophia Agapov, MIDDLETON, 6-4, 6-0.

No. 2 — Jamie Gebhardt, HOMESTEAD, def. Karsen Dettman, MIDDLETON, 3-6, 6-3, 10-6.

No. 3 — Anna Head, HOMESTEAD, def. Maylynn Hu, MIDDLETON, 6-2, 6-1.

No. 4 — Tess Lalonde, HOMESTEAD, def. Julla Zhang, MIDDLETON, 6-2, 6-4.

**Doubles**  
No. 1 — Sasha Shapsis-Kate Wade, HOMESTEAD, def. Jessica Pientka-Noor Rajpal, MIDDLETON, 6-3, 6-3.

No. 2 — Bridget Brown-Ellie Sprinkmann, HOMESTEAD, def. Cece Hujanen-Rose Ryan, MIDDLETON, 6-2, 6-3.

No. 3 — Annika Hellenbrand-Anja Newcomer, MIDDLETON, def. Cameron Lindsay-Ashley Chavin, HOMESTEAD, 6-4, 6-1.

**Aug. 24  
Middleton 6, Oak Creek 1  
Singles**

No. 1 — Sarah Ferguson, OAK CREEK, def. Karsen Dettman, MIDDLETON, 6-2, 6-3.

No. 2 — Sophia Agapov, MIDDLETON, def. Kelsey Miner, OAK CREEK, 6-0, 6-0.

No. 3 — Maddie Hoffman, MIDDLETON, def. Gabriella Ratlieff, OAK CREEK, 5-7, 7-6 (3), 10-8.

No. 4 — Julla Zhang, MIDDLETON, def. Rianna Randolph, OAK CREEK, 6-2, 6-3.

**Doubles**  
No. 1 — Jessica Pientka - Noor Rajpal, MIDDLETON, def. Emma Lezala - Emma McCooy, OAK CREEK, 6-0, 6-1.

No. 2 — Cece Hujanen - Rose Ryan, MIDDLETON, def. Olivia Champagne - Becca Zelten, OAK CREEK, 6-0, 6-2.

No. 3 — Annika Hellenbrand - Anja Newcomer, MIDDLETON, def. Megan Wiktoresk - Kristina Stojadinovic, OAK CREEK, 6-1, 6-1.

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Middleton receives award of excellence

The WIAA recently saluted 27 schools that met the criteria to be named recipients of the Award of Excellence in 2018-19. Middleton High School was one of those schools.

The award recognizes member schools for their efforts and achievements in the areas of sportsmanship, ethics, integrity, leadership and character.

The criteria applied toward the Award of Excellence include:

- Athletic director conducted regular occurring meetings with a Captain's Club/Team Leadership Council/Etc. — sportsmanship, ethics and/or integrity is on the agenda and is discussed.
- Athletic director conducted regular occurring meetings with coaches — sportsmanship, ethics and/or integrity is a topic that is on the agenda and is discussed
- Athletic director conducted at least one informational meeting with student-athletes and their parents — sportsmanship, ethics and/or integrity is a topic that is on the agenda and is discussed.
- Athletic director attended conference meetings — sportsmanship, ethics and/or integrity is a topic that is on the agenda and is discussed.
- Coaches and student-athletes attended a sportsmanship summit/leadership conference/etc.
- There was school representation at one of the seven WIAA Fall Area Meetings.
- There was school representation at WIAA Annual Meeting in April.
- Athletic Director made the student body aware of sportsmanship initiatives through school assemblies, announcements, posters, etc.
- Three or more athletic teams gave back to their school or community through volunteerism.
- Athletic director has taken the free NFHS Sportsmanship course.
- Three or more head coaches have taken the free NFHS Sportsmanship course.
- Athletic program had no coach ejections at any level.
- Athletic program had no coach or player assault of an official at any level.
- Athletic director nominated/submitted a boy and/or a girl for WIAA Scholar Athlete recognition (either for local or state level recognition).

The membership of the WIAA oversees interscholastic athletic programs for 511 senior high schools and 43 junior high/middle level schools in its membership. It will sponsor 27 championship tournament series in 2019-20.

### Rongstad honored

Derek Rongstad, a native of Middleton and a member of the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater men's basketball team in 2018-19, was one of 349 Warhawk student-athletes representing all 22 of the institution's varsity sport programs were named to the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Honor Roll.

Rongstad, a senior at UW-Whitewater last year, majored in business administration.

### Golf scores

#### MWGA

#### Aug. 7

#### Flight A

Low gross: Tam Flarup — 45

Low net: Tam Flarup — 35

Play of the day: Martha Brusegar — 10

#### Flight B

Low gross: Peg Tollaksen — 49

Low net: Peg Tollaksen — 33

Play of the day: Bernie Rongstad and Sally Trautman — 14

#### Flight C

Low gross: Sheila Barmore — 52

Low net: Sheila Barmore — 30

Play of the Day: Pam Steffen — 15

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aren't our outside hitters. He just adds another level that most teams in the state won't be able to match up with and he can be an offensive force both in the front row and back row."

White has built one of the finest programs in the state.

The Cardinals have reached the state tournament six straight years and 10 times since 2006. Middleton has lost its first round match seven straight times, though, many in agonizing fashion like last year's five-set defeat to Kenosha Indian Trail.

Van Buren is the kind of player who could help the Cardinals change their recent pattern, though.

Van Buren was named first-team all-Big Eight Conference and second-team all-state last year after finishing with 359 kills and a stellar .382 kill percentage (kills-errors/attempts). Van Buren, who has grown four inches since his sophomore year, was also named Middleton's MVP a year ago.

This spring and summer, Van Buren exploded on the club scene and has become the target of several college programs.

"From what I have seen over the summer and then in our first few days (of practice), I would say he has definitely taken his game to the next level," White said of Van Buren. "And the next level is where ... most of the top programs in the country are lining up to talk with him.

"I've been very impressed at how he's handling the recruiting process, showing great maturity and hopefully (he) will pick the school that is the best fit. As far as our expectations for him go, I'd say he'll probably set higher (goals) than I will. What I do know is his goal is to help us get back to state and try to get that elusive victory that we haven't tasted since 2008."

The good thing for the Cardinals is they have plenty of gifted players around Van Buren.

Senior Scott Buros will line up at the other outside hitter position. And according to White, Buros could also be a force.

"Scott Buros is going to be a dynamic outside hitter for us," White said. "Completely different make-up compared to Parker, but blessed with big hops. He hits with a lot of force and is good at hitting off the opponent's hands. I honestly think the 1-2 punch of Parker and Scott might be one of the best outside hitter combinations in state."

Junior Ruben Emmerich will be the Cardinals' No. 1 middle

hitter. Emmerich watched and learned behind standouts Sam Dettman and Owen Engling last year and seems ready to step into a leading role.

"He spent last year on varsity as a sophomore not playing much, but soaking up everything," White said of Emmerich. "Now I call him a space eater. At 6-2 he isn't the biggest middle, but he takes up a lot of space and makes it difficult for opponents to hit around."

Senior Matthew Stormer was a defensive specialist last year who's now battling to be the Libero.

"He has a lot of experience and is great at making the spectacular play," White said of Stormer. "We need him to be that consistent presence in serve receive to help our setter run the offense."

Junior Nick Stott is the front-runner to play setter after backing up Matt Ballweg last year.

"Nick has great hands and is very consistent," White said. "We ask our setters to play a lot of defense, so that will be an area for Nick to grow this year."

Senior Adrian Gonzales is also in the hunt for playing time at outside hitter.

"He's done everything that can be asked of a player and he is going to do everything in his power to contribute," White said of Gonzales.

Junior outside hitter Philip Mackey practiced with varsity at the end of the year and suited up for the playoffs. This year, he'll have a far more pivotal role.

"He is a dynamic player," White said of Mackey. "He'll make it hard for us to take him off the court."

Senior Sam Mefford is fighting for the second middle blocker position. Junior Jackson Meyer is battling for time as a rightside hitter. And sophomore Colton Tubbs is a defensive specialist who has already caught White's eye.

"You know you have to look at a sophomore who stands on the opposite side of the net to Parker (Van Buren) and wants to dig everything Parker hits," White said of Tubbs. "No fear in him. He has a great future ahead."

Middleton has won 12 of the last 13 Big Eight Conference titles and will be the clear-cut favorites again. Madison Memorial poses the greatest challenge in league, while Kettle Moraine looms as the toughest foe in the sectional.

But the Cardinals have greater



Times-Tribune photo by Mary Langenfeld

Middleton's boys volleyball team will be looking for big things from Scott Buros this season.

goals than just winning the league and advancing through sectionals. And Van Buren just might be the player who takes them there.

"The goal for this team is to win conference and make it back to state," White said. "Most people know we lost a lot of talent off last year's team. I think this

team will be a surprise to people.

"Most around the state know Parker. That's fine, they won't know the athletic talent we have in the rest of the line-up. State is at Green Bay this year and the team wants to go up there and compete and see if we can make that final four."

#### TOWN OF CROSS PLAINS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THE TOWN OF CROSS PLAINS WILL NO LONGER PUBLISH PLAN COMMISSION AND BOARD MEETING NOTICES IN THE NEWSPAPER. NOTICES WILL BE POSTED ON THE TOWN WEBSITE ([www.townofcrossplains.org](http://www.townofcrossplains.org)), MESSAGE BOARDS AT THE TOWN HALL AND TOWN GARAGE STARTING OCTOBER 1.

The Board of Supervisors of the Town of Cross Plains will hold a closed session meeting on personnel issues at 7:00 pm performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility under Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(c).

The Board of Supervisors of the Town of Cross Plains will hold an open session meeting specifically for citizens to ask questions regarding road work care of the Board and/or Patrolman on Thursday, September 5, 2019 at 7:15 p.m. at the Community Center, 3734 County Road P, Cross Plains.

The Board of Supervisors of the Town of Cross Plains will hold their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, September 5, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center, 3734 County Road P.

#### AGENDA:

- 1) Approval of the Minutes of the August 12, 2019 Town Board Meeting
- 2) Review of Financial Report for and Action on Payment of Bills
- 3) Chair / Clerk Announcements
- 4) Public participation for three minutes on any item
- 5) Action on Interim financing for Shagbark Road Reconstruction project.
- 6) Discussion on 2019 budget items.
- 7) Action on patrolman compensation.
- 8) Action on setting a date for road tour by patrolman and board members.
- 9) Action on Road work bids for Barlow
- 10) Action on Resolution regarding DNR funding for about 50 acres along Black Earth Creek between Hwy 14 and Stagecoach

Nancy Meinholz, Clerk

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#### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

##### Stonebrook Estates - Stormwater Management Facilities Town of Middleton, WI

The Town of Middleton will receive Bids in electronic format only, through QuestCDN.com, for Stonebrook Estates Stormwater Management Facilities until 11:00 am local time, September 18, 2019, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 7555 W. Old Sauk Road, Verona, WI 53593.

Project No. 180320

Stonebrook Estates - Stormwater Management Facilities - to include: repair of a gravel trail and construction of stormwater management facilities consisting of a wet detention pond and an infiltration basin in the Stonebrook Estates neighborhood (Outlot 2), including storm sewer, grading, unclassified excavation, restoration of the work area, and other miscellaneous items in conformance with the Contract Documents.

All Bids shall be uploaded and submitted through Quest (unless previously approved by Engineer or Owner) with bid bond equal to five percent (5%) of the Bid payable to the OWNER.

The Bidding Documents may be examined at the offices of Vierbicher Associates, Inc., 999 Fourier Drive, Suite 201, Madison, WI 53717.

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mates in the end zone. That was one of four touchdowns by Buckner that helped send the Cardinals to a season-opening, never-a-doubt 35-15 victory over Madison East in a Big Eight Conference football game at Breese Stevens Field.

Middleton (1-0 overall, 1-0 Big Eight) forced five turnovers, making plays and benefiting from some sloppy play by the Purgolders (0-1, 0-1) on its way to a 35-0 lead that forced a running clock early in the third quarter.

By that point, Buckner and many of his starting teammates headed to the sidelines for good. The senior finished with 19 carries for 141 yards (7.4 average) and three touchdowns on the ground, as well as four catches for 47 yards and a score through the air in roughly two quarters of play. That's because while he exited in the third, Buckner had to take a few plays off early on as he left the playing field while getting sick.

The reason? Too much water.

"When I started running I felt like I was just going to blow up," said the 5-foot-10, 165-pound Buckner, who switched to a pair of shoes with lower cleats before the game to add traction, which certainly showed in his ability to violently change directions with one sudden step.

"The kid is tougher than nails," Middleton coach Jason Pertzborn said. "If you look at him, you don't think he's going to run people over but he does. When he gets into space you see his speed — nobody on the field can seem to catch him when he gets in the open. He's a nice weapon to have."

Sophomore quarterback TJ Bauer hit Michael Gustafson with a deep spiral for 45 yards to set up another Buckner TD in the third, putting the Cardinals ahead 35-0.

East coach Jeremy Thornton — whose team gave up a defensive touchdown on its first possession with one of multiple snap miscues — was impressed with Middleton's blocking up front, particularly mentioning the tight end, fullback and wide receiver positions. Afterward, he was specifically asked about senior tight end Sam Engler.

"He takes on the edge of our defensive linebackers and D-ends and he puts them in the dirt," Thornton said of Engler. "It's that simple and he does it very well. And that's

what makes them go."

Pertzborn, meanwhile, was happy to get a victory in his first game as head coach after sharing duties with Tim Simon last season. But he certainly wasn't pleased with too many penalties by the Cardinals, who committed six for 78 yards in the first half alone, including two for personal fouls.

Middleton finished with seven penalties for 88 yards.

"The last thing I said to them before we left our locker room before the game was shut your mouths and play football and be disciplined," Pertzborn said. "And we weren't disciplined at all."

"East made some plays. I never felt like we were in danger, but we were just playing stupid and we couldn't put the game away because of it. We just have to get smarter and be more disciplined."

Pertzborn did concede that his team may have been too jacked up for the opener, which is understandable at any level of this sport, when teammates simply get tired of smacking into each other instead of the opponent every day.

As for his two-quarterback approach with Teff and Bauer, Pertzborn said he'd look at the game's video before making a decision on signal-callers. By his description, both quarterbacks came out of the gate slow before picking things up as the game carried on.

Pertzborn is also hoping to get back senior wideout Henry Patterson and senior offensive guard Zac Mayhew, both of whom missed Friday's game with injuries.

With rival Verona on the horizon this week, Pertzborn said he'll have the Cardinals work on conditioning in practice and attempt to cut back on those killer penalties. He was asked point-blank if his team could beat the Wildcats with a performance similar to Week 1.

"I don't think we win," he said. "We won't win if we have that many penalties. That was last year. We should have won last year."

"I think the kids are hungry for next week. Everybody knows this is a big game early. The team who can get prepared and get this done next week is going to have a leg up."

• **On deck:** Middleton hosts Verona Friday at 7 p.m. and several events will be taking place.



Times-Tribune photo by Mary Langenfeld

## Armari Tucker and Middleton's football team routed Madison East, 35-15, last Friday.

1. Veteran's Night — all veteran's will receive free admission as a small thank you for their service.

2. Youth football night — all youth players will receive free admission, will be announced at halftime and will be able to warm-up with Middleton's players after halftime.

3. Pediatric Cancer Awareness & Fundraiser — There are several activities associated with this event, including:

- A fundraising page at <https://donate.go4thegoal.org/team/242877>

- The Middleton players will be wearing yellow laces to raise awareness. A donation was also made to Lace-up for Pediatric Cancer Awareness.

- The Student section is wearing yellow in support.

- There will be two honorary captains — Noah Sanger, a student at Sunset Ridge who was diagnosed with B-Cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia and has about seven months of treatment left; and Ella White, a three-year old member of the community whose mother, Annie, is a teacher at Elm Lawn who was recently diagnosed and is just

being released from American Family Children's Hospital.

- There will also be a pass the bucket between the first and second period and Noah's foundation will be selling bracelets before the game.

### Aug. 23

Middleton 35, Madison East 15  
 Middleton ..... 14 14 7 0 — 35  
 Madison East ..... 0 0 0 15 — 15

#### First quarter

Mid -- Buckner, 52, run (Pertzborn kick) 9:51

Mid -- Buckner, 48, run (Pertzborn kick), 7:18

#### Second quarter

Mid -- Buckner 38 pass from Teff (Pertzborn kick), 1:47

Mid -- Jake Pavelski, fumble recovery in end zone (Pertzborn kick), :16,

#### Third quarter

Mid -- Buckner 5 run (Pertzborn kick), 8:44, 3rd

#### Fourth quarter

ME -- Boyton 17 pass from Roh III (pass good)

ME -- Boyton 59 pass from Roh III (Link kick)

First downs: M 14, ME 19; Rushing: M 36-193; ME 31-100; Comp-Att-INT: M 6-10-0; ME 14-26-2. Passing yards: M 117; ME 258. Fumbles-lost: M 3-1;

ME 3-3; Penalties-yards: M 7-88; ME 11-90.

Rushing: M, Buckner, 19-141; ME, Thomas 14-65. Passing: M, Teff, 5-8-0, 72; Bauer, 1-2-0, 45; ME, Roh III 14-26-258-2. Receiving: M, Gustafson 2-60; Buckner 4-47; ME Boyton 6-128.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS REQUESTS FOR VARIANCES FROM CITY OF MIDDLETON ZONING ORDINANCE

To Whom It May Concern:

The City of Middleton Zoning Board of Appeals will meet on **Thursday, September 12, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.**, in the Council Chambers of Middleton City Hall, 7426 Hubbard Avenue, to hold public hearings and consider taking action on the following applications for variances from the City of Middleton Zoning Ordinance. These hearings replace the ones previously scheduled for August 29.

1. **2800 Tomahawk Ct:** James Wills, property owner, requests variances from regulations pertaining to minimum front and side setbacks and maximum lot coverage for the purpose of constructing a 24' by 24' attached garage, which will increase the lot coverage to 40%. At its closest points, the structure would be set back 0' from the front lot line and 2' from the east lot line. This structure will replace a garage that extended past the front lot line and into the street right of way. Section 10.24(3) requires a structure on this narrow, R1-zoned lot to have a minimum front setback of 24', and Section 10.136(6) requires a minimum side setback of 6'2". Section 10.24(8) limits maximum lot coverage to 35%.

2. **2501 Middleton Beach Rd:** Michelle and Jason Bond, property owners, request variances from regulations pertaining to minimum side and rear setbacks for the purpose of constructing a new two-story residence. The structure would be set back 4'11" (5'5" to the foundation) from the left side (north) lot line; 5'0" (5'6" to the foundation) from the right side (south) lot line; and 27'3" (27'9" to the foundation) from the rear (east) lot line. Section 10.136(6) requires a structure on this narrow, R1-zoned lot to have a minimum side setback of 5'10", and Section 10.24(6) requires a minimum rear setback of 30'.

At the meeting, all interested persons will have an opportunity to be heard and action will be considered. Application materials are available for review at Middleton City Hall (7426 Hubbard Avenue, Middleton, WI 53562) during normal business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday), or on the City's website at: <http://meetings.cityofmiddleton.us>

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### NOTICE

Please take note that the City of Middleton enacted the following Ordinance on August 20, 2019.

**Ordinance to Ban the Use of Electronic Smoking Devices Wherever Smoking is Prohibited.** This Ordinance amends Section 6.09(2) of the Middleton Code of Ordinances.

**Ordinance to Adopt State ATV Regulations.** This Ordinance amends Section 15.01(1) of the Middleton Code of Ordinances.

Full text of the above ordinances may be obtained at the City Clerk's office at 7426 Hubbard Avenue. Clerk's Phone: 608-821-8350.

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## A terrific opening night

Middleton's football team rolled past Madison East, 35-15, in its season-opener last Friday.

Clockwise from top:

- Cardinals senior running back Kallion Buckner had three rushing touchdowns and four TDs overall.
- Brian Frusciante (17) and Nolan Dunn (38) celebrate a big play by the Cardinals' defense.
- Jason Pertzborn, who was Middleton's co-coach last year, notched his first win as the Cardinals' lone coach.

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 Tuesday, September 3, 2019  
 8:00 pm  
 at the Community Center,  
 3734 County Road P in Pine Bluff

THERE IS NO MEETING FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER.

Note 1: A majority of the Town Board may be present. No votes or other action will be taken by the Town Board at this meeting.  
 Note 2: Papers and information on the agenda topics above may be found on the Internet at <http://www.plan-commissionTCP.com>

Mary Scott, Secretary  
 for the TCP Plan Commission/Deputy Clerk

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