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Moving to the head of the class

Capitalizing on a hit song, The Verve Pipe rolls into town for a concert at the Riverside Ballroom in K&L

EPA: Add Fox to Superfund list

By Scott Hildebrand and Susan Campbell
Press-Gazette

Officials with the pace of cleanup of the Fox River, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency wants to add the river to a federal Superfund list of hazardous waste sites.

River cleanup must accelerate, agency says

Officials who said it would only delay progress. David Ehrlich, setting regional administration of the EPA's Region 5, said in a letter to Gov. Tom Thompson that adding the Fox to Superfund is the best way to get the "comprehensive" river cleanup in the most expedient manner.

restoring the waterway to make it amenable to fish and wildlife, said adding the river as a Superfund site would speed up the process.

EPA can bring other tools and maybe more money to the table, said John Christian, assistant regional director of Fish & Wildlife's Region 5 office in Fort Belknap, Minn. Christian said the beauty of Superfund is that federal dollars can be used to begin cleanup of a Superfund site before it has been determined who is responsible for the cleanup. Because Fish & Wildlife's cleanup process requires that liability be determined first, disagreements about cleanup responsibility can

Quicker cleanup?

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency wants to make the lower Fox River a Superfund site.



MONIFILS

The Civil Trial

Convicted killer still says he's innocent

By Anne Klemm
Press-Gazette

MILWAUKEE — Although Keith Kunka wasn't on trial Wednesday, he took the opportunity to proclaim himself innocent in Tom Monifil's murder.

"I am an innocent man convicted by state-appointed juries covered by police," Kunka said forcefully, leaning into a microphone on the witness stand.

Kunka was speaking outside the presence of the jury in the third day of a trial in a wrongful death lawsuit filed against Green Bay in 1992 and an insurance company by Milwaukee attorney Susan. She blames them for her husband's death in the lower Fox River May 21, 1992.

She said that when the fact police gave Kunka an audiotape copy of a call Monday night Nov. 10, 1992, turning in Kunka for planning an employer theft. She has a separate suit against Kunka and five others convicted in Monifil's murder.

At first, Kunka, 46, refused to answer any questions beyond giving his name and age, citing his fifth amendment right not to incriminate himself.

Rage on the road



Tempers flare on highway as drivers build up frustration on northbound U.S. 41 Wednesday afternoon near Wisconsin 172. Northeastern Wisconsin officials say they are seeing more drivers lose control of their anger as incidents stemming from aggressive driving increase in the Brown County area.

Angry behavior a big concern in Northeastern Wisconsin

By Andy Nelson
Press-Gazette

Road rage hit Trooper Aida Jones' turf Feb. 8. That was when a 37-year-old Green Bay man — trying to pass on the left lane of U.S. 41 — purposely rammed his black 1993 GMC into the back of a slower 1987 Olds Cutlass driven by a 50-year-old Green Bay man.

What happens when tempers flare on the highway? Drivers sometimes use their vehicles as 3,000-pound weapons, displaying

Furor behind the wheel

Aggressive driving incidents have increased during the past six years.

Year	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
1990	1,129							
1991	1,287							
1992	1,478							
1993	1,525							
1994	1,669							
1995	1,708							
1996	1,800*							

OPINION: Selfish driving can have fatal results. A-11

Tourney fever burns in villages

Denmark, Wrightstown softball reach state

By Don Langenkamp
Press-Gazette

"State tournament finals" are all made words with one word left in. Small Town, Wis., and they were quickly moved away for posterity in Denmark and Wrightstown, Wis.

The achievement of reaching the final four in their respective divisions — Denmark in Division 2 and Wrightstown in Division 3 — didn't match the fever and hype of, say, a Madison appearance at a boys basketball team.

Denmark easily eliminated Denmark 4 and then beat Daviston 4-1 in the championship game. "I know the kids were fired up about it before school got out," Chaska said. "We had some customers come in early and say they were their first game and then others coming in later to see how they came out."

Denmark and Wrightstown high schools lined up for summer two weeks ago. Jim Winkler, Press-Gazette

Brown County Board approves purchase of land for jail

By Tom Cloin
Press-Gazette

Brown County has taken its first solid step in nine years toward resolving its jail crowding problem by agreeing to buy land for a new jail.

The County Board voted Wednesday to buy 7.4 acres on University Avenue between Wisconsin Avenue and Quarry Street for \$1.2 million for the new jail. However, the deal was still short of the 18 that eventually might be needed to meet the three-quarter vote required to borrow

the money for the jail. 900. County Executive Nancy Neukam, who pushed for the purchase, said movement on the issue was important.

"I have continued to be a discussion of progress on mitigation and tonight progress was. I think in the long run, taxpayers win," she said. County officials hope Wednesday's decision to buy land is the first of several reporting building a jail to cover the summer.

How they voted

"I think most people in their hearts know that this is the best place for the jail with all the recent land there," Giese said. That site was rejected last summer by a committee established by a resolution establishing a joint location after neighborhood opposition of the University of Wisconsin. Anwar also tried to put the jail at the Mental Health Center Wednesday night. After two hours of debate, that attempt failed 13-13.

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Friday: 80
61
Weather.com says: Thunderstorms possible

LOTTERIES

Wednesday's Powerball
16 23 24 28 29 24
MegaBucks: 3-8-9-15-22-41
SuperCash: 5-11-17-26-29-35
Daily Millions: red 6-14; white 1-11; blue 15-17
Pick 3: 2-5-8 More lotteries: B-4

SPORTS

Curt Pellachek of Green Bay hit a home run on the 4th inning of the 4-3 final game at Shorewood Golf Course. The trouble was he couldn't find the ball — until he checked the top of the 283-yard hole. There it was. Pellachek had his hole-in-one — at age 14 C-4

MONKEY

The state's future business leaders are getting their start on the St. Norbert College campus this week in De Pans. They have set up companies and are selling and marketing products as part of Business World A-9

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■ RAGE

From A-1

Jones for reckless driving and liability property damage.
Different levels of anger
July Murphy, a postal worker from Liberty, said she doesn't suffer from road rage, but admitted she often mutters and swears under her breath when other drivers drive faster or slower than she.

increasing rapidly

Incidents of road rage are rising fast as the volume of traffic on roadways increases.
"Fast in the last 10 years, I've seen traffic triple on U.S. 41," Catalano said. "It's growing at an alarming rate. And as it grows we are seeing more and more incidents of road rage."

Road rage tips

- How drivers can protect themselves from others and prevent road rage in themselves.
- Don't use your eyes of the road
- Avoid eye contact with an aggressive driver
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- Do not make obscene gestures
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Nation

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"We're headed toward a final resolution," Mississippi Attorney General Michael Moore said last Wednesday.
"We're very positive and optimistic, and we hope today to present an agreement to negotiate to the White House and others. The agreement, if it were to go forward, would be a major breakthrough."

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Steve Potholig, Dave Catalano, traffic engineers from Rockland, driving is less personal.
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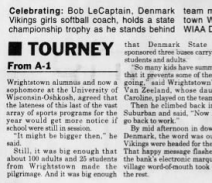
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Celebrating: Bob LeCaplain, Denmark team members during a parade through Vikings City softball coach, holds a state team Wednesday. The team won 2-0 in championship trophy as the stands behind WIAA Division 2 against Wausau.

People have been talking about this for a couple of days, said Catalano.
"Many kids have summer jobs," he said. "I've seen a lot of kids working in stores, restaurants, and other places. They're earning money and they're responsible for their own money."

■ TOURNEY

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