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'She trusted everyone'

TRICIA ROSCHE (above) and her 15-year-old daughter, Heather, visit the Plank Road site in Kaukauna where the body of Shanna Van Dyn Hoven was discovered Sunday evening. Rosche's husband was one of the police officers called to the scene. Van Dyn Hoven (below) was a student at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, where she had just finished her freshman year. Van Dyn Hoven was a 1999 graduate of Kaukauna High School.

Community remembers murder victim Shanna Van Dyn Hoven

By Greg Bump

KAUKAUNA — A group of friends gathered at a northside Kaukauna residence Monday but one member of the group was missing.

The friends looked at old pictures, told stories and talked about their friend, 19-year-old Shanna Van Dyn Hoven, who was murdered by a stranger Sunday night on the road along a Plank Road on the city's north side.

Nick Vander Bosch was Van Dyn Hoven's roommate last school year at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, where they were freshmen. They had been friends since attending Holy Cross Catholic School.

"She was the worst person this could happen to," Vander Bosch said.

"She trusted everyone. She thought every person was a good person. The two friends were looking forward to the fall and sharing an apartment off-campus with other friends. They planned on going to Madison in the next couple of weeks to look for jobs.

Police investigate possible link to Hoover Park stabbing

August 1999 attack on an Appleton woman, Kaukauna murder appear to be stranger-on-stranger crimes

By Greg Bump and Ben Jones

Kaukauna — At this point there's no way to tell. It's pure speculation, said John DeLong, Appleton Police Department spokesman.

"Our speculations will look into it and if there's information to follow up, we'll do that," DeLong said. "We've never stopped a stranger in connection in the Fox Valley, but he stressed that just because crimes are similar, it does not necessarily mean that



supposed to happen in this clean, working class community of 12,000, which is sometimes referred to as "The Friendly City."

"This is a nice, peaceful neighborhood," said a Plank Road resident who wished to remain anonymous.

"A lot of traffic and people come and go through here. It's a nice neighborhood to bring up a family."

Some residents said the murder has shattered the innocent veneer of the city. "I used to run by myself at night," said another woman, adding that she will have second thoughts about going out at night.

When asked if she ever worried about her safety before, she replied, "No, I'm a Kerkama."

Others said the tragedy would not deter them from doing what they love to do.

"On that it struck me as devastating. I thought I'd never walk here again," said Elaine Hovick, passing during a stroll Monday evening with her husband, David, near lower Crogan Park, which is not far from the murder scene.

"It's probably how walking here. It's just a scenic, beautiful place," she said.

Hearts said she's confident that the neighborhood crimes like the one that took the life of Van Dyn Hoven are not

Menasha board looks at pay issue

Members could get \$25 per meeting

By Michael King

MENASHA — Members of the Board of Education, who serve without pay, are considering a proposal that would compensate them \$25 per meeting for regular meetings and additional pay for other board-related matters.

After some limited discussion Monday, the board referred the issue to its personnel committee for review.

Board 222 for the next month will have regular board meetings, board member Dan Wierly recommended \$25 for any special meetings or executive meetings, \$10 for any committee meetings attended and \$10 for family workshops or seminars related to school board duties.

"I think most people think that we are compensated," Wierly said. "They're shocked when I tell them I just volunteer my time."

A year ago, a recommendation to pay board members up to \$600 annually was on a 3-1 vote.

Wierly estimated board members receive "maybe 10 hours a month" either at meetings or studying board-related information.

Besides regular meetings, board

Green says wording in pending bill won't affect Fox River PCB cleanup

But Sierra Club says only site 56-57 project will be protected


By Doug Bielawa

U.S. Rep. Mark Green said he has verified that controversial language in a large appropriations bill approved by the House will have no effect on the cleanup of PCBs from the Fox River.

A representative of the Sierra Club, however, said Green's verification applies only to the dredging demonstration project in Green Bay.

"He needs to see the Sierra Club and other environmental groups' criticism of language in the appropriations bill that defunds the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's plan to order any dredging of contaminated sediments from waterways

Easy does it



NATIE SCHWEITZER, a Town of Menasha Park and Recreation employee, tackles a hill in Paleside Park while cutting grass in the rain Monday morning.

Keneth Hudson (left) is the suspect in the murder of a Kaukauna woman. The slitting at the right is of the suspect in the Hoover Park stabbing.

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RIVER: Green says PCB cleanup will continue

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ing a prompt settlement between the EPA and the paper companies along the Fox River for cleanup of the PCBs."

Green said the report language in the bill, which is used to fund the EPA, has absolutely no force in law and serves only as a congressional recommendation to the EPA. He said the language also specifically exempts voluntary agreements like those currently governing the Fox River cleanup.

"Even if neither of those two points were true, the language only



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refers to the EPA not ordering dredging until after a NAS study has been completed, which is due to happen in the next four months."

Green said. "Any plan for cleaning up the Fox River won't be presented until after that time anyway.

"Whichever way you look at it, this language is completely irrelevant to our situation, period."

Emily Green disagrees. She said Walsh's comments referred specifically to project 56-57 and not a comprehensive cleanup of the Fox River.

"We are still very concerned this will hold up the rest of the

cleanup," she said.

"The EPA feels very strongly that this language will tie their hands in respect to all sediment cleanups nationwide, including the Fox River, and I have no reason to doubt that."

Emily Green said the language was included in the bill at the request of industries responsible for sediment cleanups and would serve as a delaying tactic.

Mark Green and his staff dispute that.

"The fact is this is not going to affect any cleanup of the Fox River," said Chris Tuttle, the congressman's press secretary. "If it were, we would be all over it."