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Big band

The Cedarburg High School field house was filled with the sound of music during the all-district band concert.

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Shutout

Grafton girls soccer team blanks University School of Milwaukee 5-0.

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Shredded 'ballot' an 'isolated incident'

Mequon officials respond to Belling statements

By Gary Achterberg
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Mequon — City officials say a claim by a Milwaukee radio talk show host of "a shredded ballot" in Mequon in the April 5 election was "an unusual set of circumstances and an isolated incident."



Belling

Mark Belling, who has an afternoon radio program on WISN and whose column appears in the News Graphic, filed an open records request with

the city of Mequon the day after the election, "demanding any ballot submitted but not cast in yesterday's election, including any remnant of a shredded ballot."

A statement posted on Belling's Web site went on to say: "We have received reports Mequon poll workers destroyed submitted ballots before poll closing time, demanding a driver's license number from the absentee voter."

Belling added, "I will consider seeking an injunction to back up my request if Mequon officials are not cooperative (sic)."

Mequon Mayor Curt Gielow said, "We believe it is important to get the facts out to the public to maintain the integrity of the election process in Mequon." The mayor added, "I believe the city went out of its way to do the right thing."

Gielow also said that he contacted Ozaukee County District Attorney Adam Gerol and invited him to investigate the incident for potential illegal activity. Gerol said Monday that he has talked to the city attorney and Mequon police.

"We are fortunate that we see very few election complaints in Ozaukee County," the district attorney said. "That said, the first step in any complaint is always to investigate the matter. Once all the witnesses have

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Royal celebration reaches Grafton

Providence Place to host high tea during upcoming royal wedding

By Lisa Curtiss
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Grafton — It's not a front row seat to the upcoming Royal wedding, but the event occurring at Providence Place in Grafton later this month may be the next best thing for area residents. Certainly it is the grandest event yet for residents of the 5-month-old independent living community.

The Royal Wedding Tea event will give residents — and the general public — a

You are invited

- **What:** Royal Wedding Tea to celebrate the marriage of Prince William of Wales and Catherine Middleton
- **When:** 2 p.m., April 29
- **Where:** Providence Place, 815 Washington St., Grafton
- **Tickets:** \$15. Can be purchased at Providence Place or by calling 377-9900. Reservations are required.

chance to experience an authentic British high tea and watch the historic wedding between Prince William of Wales and Catherine Middleton on a large-screen TV.

The event will be a proper affair, with lady guests required to wear a hat and gentlemen a jacket. Upon registering for the tea, guests will receive a card with their name on it. The

Providence Place
Requests the Pleasure of Your Company
At the
Royal Wedding Tea
Celebration
of
Prince William of Wales
and
Catherine Middleton
and
Tour Providence Place
815 Washington Street
Grafton, WI
Friday, April 29, 2011
at
Two o'clock in the Afternoon

Proper Attire Required
Hats for Ladies/Jackets for Gentlemen

View Television Coverage
of the Royal Wedding
While Enjoying Tea

Ticket Required for Entrance
Our Herald will Announce
Your Attendance

Tour Facility and Model Unit
Following Tea

High Tea Service
By Cuisine At Home
\$15.00 Per Person

Handmade invitations, above, will go out to the guests of the Royal Wedding Tea, being held later this month at Providence Place in Grafton.

card will be given to a herald, who will announce the guests as they arrive.

"This will be very special," said Providence Place Manager Mark Spletzer, who has been helping some of the female residents shop for a hat.

The event is being organized by Louise Block, a member of the Providence Place Board of

Directors and owner of Cuisine at Home, a personal chef service. Block has organized and catered unique events in the past, including the "Julie and Julia" movie screening held at Lime Kiln Park in 2009.

Hosting a high tea fulfills a longtime dream of

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Photos by Mark Justesen



Above and right: Milwaukee Area Technical College students were at work in Centennial Park in Cedarburg last week pruning massive willow trees. **Left:** Michael J. Wendt, right, a horticulture instructor at MATC, receives the Wisconsin Urban Forestry Council's Distinguished Service Award last week for doing the very thing that brought him to Cedarburg on Friday: to teach arboriculture students how to climb and prune trees, while keeping down the costs to taxpayers. It's estimated that MATC students have saved Cedarburg and other communities in southeastern Wisconsin an estimated \$72,000 by having students prune and cut public trees. Jeff Treu, left, a forester for We Energies and member of the Wisconsin Urban Forestry Council, presents Wendt with the award.

They're high on forestry



Mequon child psychiatrist arrested in alleged abduction attempt

Incident reported on Florida beach

By Gary Achterberg
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Mequon — A 47-year-old child psychiatrist from Mequon has been arrested in Florida for allegedly trying to take children away from their parents at a beach, according to the Web site for a Fort Myers, Fla., newspaper.

Kimberly Hammes Frank was arrested by deputies from the Collier County Sheriff's Department shortly before 6 p.m. Wednesday. The arrest report says several deputies responded to Clam Pass Beach to investigate a "possible child abduction attempt" that was phoned in to 911.

The caller told deputies he was sitting on the beach when he heard his wife yell for help "while she was in

the Gulf with their three children." The caller said he looked up to see a white female with her hands on his 4-year-old son and his 9-year-old daughter. "His 8-year-old son was running toward him screaming for help also," the report said.

The man said he ran to the water and his wife told him that "this lady (Kim) would not release their two children from her grasp while in 2 1/2 feet of water." He added that he "had to pry the fingers of Kim loose to free his son and daughter, who suffered scratches to their arms and neck/shoulder, due to the actions of Kim Frank," said the sheriff's department report, which had the names of the children and their parents redacted.

The mother said, "Kim Frank approached her kids in the water and grabbed them by their arms while screaming, 'These are my kids, Mattie and Meredith,'" the report said.

The report added that Frank

was transported "without incident" and refused to be interviewed by investigators.

An online physician profile of Frank from a health care provider where she no longer works said her areas of interest were adolescent and child psychiatry. She received her medical degree from the Medical College of Wisconsin and served a residency and fellowship at Creighton University in Omaha, Neb. The Web site says she is board certified in psychiatry and child and adolescent psychiatry.

The News Graphic learned that Frank recently has practiced for at least two health facilities in the Milwaukee area. Here are statements provided by their public relations offices:

■ "Dr. Frank is a part-time employee at Aurora in Glendale," said Myrle Croasdale, public affairs manager for Aurora Health Care. "In response to the charges, she has been

placed on suspension pending an investigation. Aurora Health Care will cooperate fully with authorities as they investigate this case.

■ "Kimberly Frank, MD, was a sub-contracted psychiatrist with Froedtert Health Medical Group," said Carolyn Bellin, chief public relations officer for Froedtert and the Medical College of Wisconsin. "Dr. Frank has not been seeing patients at the Froedtert Health Behavioral Health Center in Menomonee Falls for the past several weeks and is no longer contracted to provide these services for Froedtert Health Medical Group."

Frank is currently in custody in the Collier County Jail, according to news-press.com of Fort Myers, Fla.

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Frank